

A GREAT MARCH

with The Journal in the Lead

In the month of March The Journal, with its 27 issues, carried over 100 columns more advertising than any other newspaper in the Northwest, Daily and Sunday combined—31 issues.

Day for day in March the advertising record for The Journal as compared with its nearest daily competitor was as follows:

The Best Advertising Paper Always the Best Newspaper

During March The Journal ran 198 pages or nearly 1400 columns more reading matter than its next nearest competitor. These columns contained the highest class news matter put up with the most superior journalistic skill. Compare The Journal with any other paper in Minneapolis.

55% More Total
58% More Local
34% More Foreign
49% More Wants

Full "Value Received" By Readers. Best Results Obtained by Advertisers.

Note The Journal's Telegraphic News of the world; its Editorial page (not an advertisement on it); its Local pages; its Commercial page. These account for the wonderful popularity of The Journal in the homes of the people and for its great advertising patronage.

Average Circulation March 67,606

IT IS THE PRODUCTIVE CIRCULATION THAT COUNTS WITH ADVERTISERS

VALLEY COUNTIES FLOODED AGAIN

SERIOUS SETBACK OF SEEDING ALONG THE RIVER.

Central and Western North Dakota Counties Greatly Benefited by Late Rains—Early Sown Wheat in South Dakota Has a Good Wetting and Farmers Are Pleased.

Specials to The Journal.

Fargo, N. D., April 3.—The Red river valley counties seem to be up against the usual hard luck proposition—excessive rains. For two days heavy rains have fallen over the state, and have proven beneficial to the central and western counties, but have flooded the valley counties. Seeding will be greatly retarded along the river.

The excessive moisture is having the effect of calling attention to the necessity of a drainage survey by the government. Two counties have made the appropriation for their share of the expense and the others will no doubt do so at meetings to be held this week.

With proper drainage the valley counties could be protected against the annual loss to crops, which runs as high as a million dollars in some seasons. When there is the proper moisture in the rest of the state the valley is too wet. With conditions favorable in the valley the rest of the state is drought-stricken.

Oreoketon, Minn., April 3.—A steady rain has been pressing through the valley for forty-eight hours and the result will be another week's delay in seeding. As all ditches have been open, however, for some time the water will run off rapidly and the land will not suffer

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We Simply Can't

Control the weather. But we can and will quote you the same prices Tuesday in all departments (while quantities last) that we offered for Monday, and in addition will give you

\$2 worth of Green Trading Stamps with Every \$1 Purchase

Pretty good proposition, isn't it?

THE NEW STORE. EVANS-JOHNSON-SLOANE CO.

from floods, the only effect being the delay of seeding. Many farmers, however, are of the opinion that the rain is a benefit, as it makes the ground more firm and a better bed for the seed. It is still early for seeding in the valley and no apprehension is felt.

A drizzling rain has been falling for twenty hours and has thoroughly wet the ground.

Andover, S. D., April 3.—A splendid rain fell last night and today. Much wheat has been sown.

NORTHERN PACIFIC

New Homes in the West

Own a home and farm on irrigated land, where drouth makes no difference. Thousands are making excellent profits in the Yakima Valley, in the Palouse and Clearwater Valleys, on irrigated lands in Montana and other Washington and Oregon districts. Why don't you try?

Exceptionally Low Colonist Rates

Pacific Coast \$25

From St. Paul and Minneapolis to Billings, Mont., \$15; Helena, \$20; Spokane, Wash., \$22.50; every day until May 15, 1905. Special 50 Settlers' Rates to principal Minnesota and N. Dak. points, every Tuesday during March and April. Travel via

Northern Pacific Railway

C. W. Mott, Gen'l. Emigration Agent, St. Paul. Rates and information from G. F. McNeill, City Pass. Agt., 19 Nicollet Block, Minneapolis. George D. Rogers, City Pass. Agt., Fifth and Robert street, St. Paul, or write direct to A. M. Cleland, General Pass. Agt., N. P. Ry., St. Paul.

FALLS FROM STEAMER AND DROWNS IN LAKE

Algoma, Wis., April 3.—Edward Decker, Jr., of this city, mysteriously disappeared while on his way from Ludington to Manitowish last night on Pere Marquette ferry No. 18. It is supposed he was accidentally drowned.

The last seen of Decker was when the boat was about fifteen or twenty miles out of port. He complained of sick headache, took a powder and retired to his stateroom. It is presumed that he stepped to the boat's rail to obtain fresh air, and, becoming faint, fell overboard and was drowned.

Mr. Decker was the head of the Decker financial interests in this region, which consist of some eight banking houses and two newspapers, the Green

ABSOLUTE SECURITY

Genuine **CARTER'S LITTLE LIVER PILLS** must bear Fac-simile Signature of *Beuthood*

CARTER'S LITTLE LIVER PILLS

Absolutely Cure BILIOUSNESS, SICK HEADACHE, TORPID LIVER, FURRED TONGUE, INDIGESTION, CONSTIPATION, DIZZINESS, SALLOW SKIN.

They TOUCH THE LIVER

Capsule Wrapper Printed on RED PAPER BLACK LETTERS. Look for the Signature *Beuthood*

Small Pill, Small Dose, Small Price.

Bay Advocate and the Algoma Record; several manufacturing concerns and railroad interests. He was 34.

Hot Springs and Return, \$47.80. Via the old reliable St. Louis Short Line (M. & St. L. R. R.). On sale daily, with ninety days' limit. Only one change of cars in St. Louis union depot by taking the famous "North Star Limited." Call on J. G. Riekel, City Ticket Agent, 424 Nicollet avenue.

Settlers' Rates to Points in the South-east.

On the first and third Tuesday of each month, January to April, inclusive, the Chicago Great Western railway will sell one-way tickets to points in Alabama, Florida, Georgia, Kentucky, Louisiana, Mississippi, North and South Carolina, Tennessee and Virginia at very low rates. For further information apply to R. H. Heard, General Agent, corner Nicollet avenue and Fifth street, Minneapolis.

North Dakota Offers Opportunities to the Homeseeker

Chances for Gilt Edged Land Investments in North Dakota

Special Correspondence.

One of the large farms of North Dakota is the Elk Valley farm of Larimore, which was opened under the supervision of W. G. Larimore in the early days. The world's fair commissioners visited this farm in 1893, and its fame became international.

The Elk Valley farm grows about eight thousand bushels of wheat each year, summer fallowing and diversifying as to other portions. The cost of growing wheat on this farm is demonstrated to be as follows: Plowing, \$1 an acre; seed, 75 cents; seeding, 50 cents; tilling, 20 cents; harvesting, \$1; threshing and marketing, \$2.45; total, \$5.90.

Mr. Larimore is strong in the conviction that North Dakota lands must continue to increase in value, and he sees no reason why Red River valley lands sold today at \$30 an acre will not continue to increase in value \$1 an acre each year for the next thirty years, and then they would not be as high as Iowa and Illinois lands, which do not have equal productive power.

Indeed, it was in 1893 when Mr. Lar-

Lands of Barnes County Unsurpassed in the West

Special Correspondence.

Valley City, N. D., April 3.—Corn growing in North Dakota is now beyond the experimental stage, and it is considered a necessary and regular crop. On a section farm there are often 100 acres or more in corn. In the eastern part of the state this crop has a double value. It produces the corn and fodder, and it is also credited with a direct money return in adding to the fertility of the soil.

Wheat grown after corn will, in three years, out-yield by fifteen bushels an acre land continuously in wheat. Corn is now grown on land which otherwise was summer fallowed, and so long as corn has been given these double values, so long will the state have a feed that is cheaper than anything grown elsewhere.

Corn, as grown and generally handled in North Dakota is made at a cost of about \$3.50 an acre, which includes the expense of putting it in stacks in the barnyard ready for feeding.

The new comer who is looking for \$10 an acre land must go further west or north, for there is none to be had in Barnes county. Improved land here can

Kenmare Is a Coming Distributing Center

Special Correspondence.

Kenmare, N. D., April 3.—The city of Kenmare is six years old and has a population of 1,800 and a school enrollment of 400; a school building costing \$20,000, with steam heat and electric lights; six churches, ten fraternal and secret orders, and an electric lighting, telephone and water system. There are three banks, seven general stores, with stocks from \$5,000 to \$40,000; two hardware and furniture stores, four drug stores, four physicians and one dentist; four implement dealers, three blacksmith shops, two roller mills, one with a capacity of 200 and one with a capacity of 100 barrels a day; six elevators, three lumber yards, two newspapers and an opera-house with a seating capacity of 600; seven lawyers.

The farms about Kenmare are well stocked and good substantial buildings have been erected thru the country, so that one passing thru can scarcely realize that the country has been farmed but six years.

As an evidence of the alertness of our citizens and the interest they take in the general welfare of the community, we have the rural free delivery routes and two star routes leaving Kenmare daily. There is on foot a movement to organize a farmers' elevator company, and an elevator will be erected in time to handle the next crop. The utilizing of our vast resources of raw material, consisting of gravel deposits and an excellent quality of brick and pottery clay, is receiving the careful attention of our business men, and every inducement will be offered to capital to foster and develop the manufacture of brick, cement blocks, tiling and pottery into a cheap building material.

The survey has been completed and the right-of-way determined upon for the construction of a new line of the Soo railroad thru the northern part of North Dakota from Thief River Falls, Minn., to Kenmare, N. D., its western terminus and division point, a large part of the material being already on the ground ready for use. A round-house is under construction. When the line is completed, Kenmare will be a very desirable place as a wholesale distributing business.