

RENWALD'S LAND CORNER

\$50.00 CASH PRIZES

We want some fine samples of Ward County grains, grown during the year 1903. For the purpose of obtaining the best samples, we offer the prizes below for the best samples brought to our office. Date contest closes will be announced later. We will select impartial judges, and all prizes will be paid in gold coin. An affidavit will be required from winners to effect that grain was grown in Ward County, during the season of 1903. All can compete, but no one can enter more than one sample in the same class. The prizes we offer will be as follows:

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| Best pint of Durum wheat..... | \$5.00 |
| Best pint of rye wheat..... | 5.00 |
| Best pint blue-stem wheat..... | 5.00 |
| Best pint barley..... | 5.00 |
| Best pint flax..... | 5.00 |
| Best pint speltz..... | 5.00 |
| Best pint oats..... | 5.00 |
| Best pint rye..... | 5.00 |
| Bushel of biggest potatoes (56 pounds)..... | 5.00 |
| Biggest sound cabbage (by weight)..... | 5.00 |

We retain all grains entered for samples to show to eastern land buyers, and to give to our eastern representatives. We reserve the right for a short time to make new conditions for this contest, by giving due notice thereof in this paper. We would also like to have some fine samples of grain in straw, but offer no prizes therefor. Remember, we buy and sell land, and make farm loans at lowest rates.

RENWALD LAND AGENCY, MINOT, N. D.

Minor Topics

Geo. Elder's baby died from summer complaint.

Lot of used school desks for sale dirt cheap by J. W. Rode 23tf

Several good store counters for sale. City Confectionery Store. tf

Buy homegrown nursery stock at HEATH'S NURSERY, Riga, N. D. tf

Many farmers are raising clover throughout the state with success.

WANTED—School girl to work for board and attend school. Good home. Inquire of editor of Independent.

The Dalrymple elevator at Valley City was burned with 300,000 bushels of new wheat.

Minot Granite and Marble Works, 300 right-of-way, one block east Court House, is now open for business.

R. J. Ruth from Winterset, Ia., is visiting at the W. A. Ruth farm near Sawyer.

Black Locust at \$10 per thousand at HEATH'S NURSERY, Riga, N. D. tf

Miss Carter, of Chilcot, is visiting in the city this week and taking out her final citizen's papers.

N. A. Stuart, one of the Williston attorneys, Sundayed in Minot, returning home early in the week.

County Treasurer J. C. Mitchell is spending the week in Portal and vicinity rusticiating and looking after private business. J. W. Rode is in the treasurer's office during Mr. Mitchell's absence.

A first-class horseshoer will do your work at this blacksmith shop. Race horses a specialty. General blacksmithing on short notice and at right prices. Jase Hunt, Minot, N. D., opposite Scofield livery barn. tf

Wm. Abraham returned home from Fairchild, Wis., where he accompanied the remains of his brother-in-law, Fred Schmuhl, who died near this city recently. The remains were interred in the cemetery at Fairchild.

Many lots have been sold in the Glenwood Park addition. There are some choice ones left that will go like hot cakes before snow flies. If you want to make some money on your investment risk a hundred or two dollars. See Crokat, Marshall & Youngman, Minot, N. D.



UP-TO-DATE
JEWELRY,
WATCHES,
CLOCKS
and
SILVERWARE.

J. J. SKAUG, Jeweler,
C. A. Johnson Bldg. MINOT, N. D.

Senator Welo, of Velva, was a visitor in Minot over Sunday, the guest of ex-Senator Martin Jacobson. Mr. Welo is a prosperous merchant of the above-named city, and one of the early settlers in the Mouse river valley, having lived here for at least twenty years.

A HAIR-PULLING MATCH

Jealous Wife Follows Rival to Minot and a Fierce Fight Ensues---Victim Leaves the Hotel Hatless Thru the Rear and is Seen no More---Reward Offered.

Miss Nellie Smith, aged nineteen years, disappeared mysteriously from the Scandinavian hotel Wednesday afternoon of last week, and all traces of her have been lost. Miss Smith arrived in Minot a few days before that time from Moosejaw, Can., intending to take up work at the Minot Business College. A report has it that she was infatuated with a married man at Moosejaw and wrote him asking him to meet her at the Scandinavian hotel in Minot. The wife of the man secured the letter and came down instead of her husband. When the two women met at the hotel there was a genuine hair-pulling match and Miss Smith escaped after her clothes had been badly torn. This was the last seen of her. She went out the back end of the hotel.

Miss Smith is described as being five feet and two inches tall, light hair and blue eyes and weighs 145 pounds.

The police offer a reward of \$25 for the young woman's apprehension.

Another Swindle.

The farmer is always getting it. They are again victims of gross frauds. A few men have been reaping a rich harvest by going through the country representing themselves as government agents and telling the farmers the government will not deliver them their mail unless their boxes are numbered. The farmer, not knowing that it is a fraud, readily falls into the trap and pays the men the fee of 25 cents, or 50 cents or whatever the case may be. The rogues, however, made one serious mistake and that was not being familiar with the numbers to go on the boxes. A number of the farmers became suspicious and reported the matter to the postal authorities. A strict watch is being kept and should the men be apprehended, it will go hard with them, for your Uncle Sam will not trifle with those who violate the postal laws.

North Dakota Lost Five Million

A gentleman who has been in the northern portion of North Dakota recently stated to an Independent reporter that the crop yield would hardly average ten bushels to the acre. He figures that the price of wheat at the present time should be at least 10 cents higher than it is. The present price is undoubtedly based on the report of Jones, the estimator, who says the yield for the state is 100,000,000 bushels, or about twenty bushels to the acre. The 10 cents a bushel, which this erroneous report has caused the farmers to lose, would amount to about five million dollars. It would not be safe for Estimator Jones to show up in North Dakota at the present time, or at any other time as far as that is concerned.

Never Before

Have we been more admirably prepared to cater to the needs of the boys than now. In juvenile attire the styles are charming and possess a fashionable refined appearance, which will captivate the fancy of mothers who delight in having their little ones properly attired in well-made seasonable garments.



For those a few years older the

"Improved Viking"

is just what you have been looking for. They are stylish and made in a thoroughly dependable manner, calculated to withstand the usual wear and tear a boy ordinarily gives his clothes. Worth considering; the guarantee that goes with every garment.

CROW CLOTHING CO.

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A New Style Machine Just Out

The improved Victor III with larger size cabinet and flower Horn at the same price as the old style. \$40.00.

Outfit for Reproducing at Home with Blank Records, Price \$10.00

The Victor people also have an innovation in a new outfit, etc. No end of amusement making records producing your own or your friends' voices. We receive monthly nearly all of the new records as they are turned out from the factory.

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They Lead---Others Follow.

STOUGHTON WAGONS

The best made at a "Live and Let Live" Price.

Full Line of All Kinds of Thresher's Supplies.

ADVANCE THRESHERS.

Fred V. Dale,

North Bovey-Shute
Lumber Co.

Minot, N. D.

OVER ONE HUNDRED MANDT WAGONS

The proof of the pudding is the eating of it. We have the proof that the people like the T. G. Mandt wagons, for we have sold more than 100 this season, and the business has but fairly begun. We are getting in two more cars of the wagons next week. The farmers all like them because they are built especially for this country. The tires are wide and the whole wagon is made especially strong.

Don't be cajoled into buying a cheap wagon even if the price is a little less. You don't want to invest in a new wagon every year and you don't have to if you buy a

MANDT

We sell grain tanks that hold 125 bushels for

\$35.00

Remember that our terms are always right. That's quite an item

Scofield Implement Co.

MINOT, N. D.

Ed. Williams came down from White Earth last Saturday and spent a few days visiting friends and taking in the county capitol.

Newspaper men may have to pay cash for their railway tickets, if the report of the Interstate Commerce Commission is sustained.

The largest line of fall and winter goods for your inspection. Minot Tailoring Co., New Brauer Block, Phone 498, Minot, N. D. tf