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The Old Year's Death on the Banks of the Belle Fourche.

Many of our readers are interested in Belle Fourche, S. D., because of the fact that it is now the home of our erst-while neighbors, R. O. Fellows and family. A little account of the watching out of the old and greeting of the new year, by the reclamation service employes on the big government canal-was received by a friend in this city and we copy the following from the Belle Fourche Post:

"The reclamation service boys had the time of their lives on New Year's eve. The early evening was passed in arranging for the momentous hour that would usher the old year out and the new one in.

"At eleven o'clock all repaired to the dining room, where the table had been spread and decorated with U.S. suspended from which, in place of a plumb-bob, was a huge cake and a quantity of candy.

"Artistically constructed shells, containing nuts and candies, each bearing a U. S. flag, which contained the muse of some member of the staff, designated their place at the festive board.

"On the stroke of twelve a flashlight was taken of the group, with glasses in hand, bidding farewell to 1905, and another showing each one toasting the appearance of 1906. Other ent and roasting their absent friends."

The following, "A New Year's Rhyme." was written for the occasion by Miss Laura De. Fellows, who is well known here, and contains much literary merit:

A NEW YEAR'S RHYME. (Respectfully dedicated to the Surveyers.)

Once, upon a midnight dreary
There were sitting, bright and cherry.
In a bunk-house within hearing of the Belle
Fourche river roar.
Ten young men, who silent waited,
Breathless and with eyes dilated;
Was it for a friend belated
Who should enter at the door?
Was it that, and nothing more?

Each one there had done his duty— Fold or sung of love and beauty And of "home folks" now far distant on some well-beloved shore; They had feasted, then in drinking

Oasted dear ones and sat thinking.
As the smoke of their cigars rose
of the girls they'd loved of yore—
of one girl—and maybe more. Then the stroke of midnight sounded. and quick to his feet each bounded With a shout that shook the bunk-hous

from the rafters to the floor:
This the guest for whom they waited
And they cried with hearts elated;
"Nineteen Five, to death you're fated!
Nineteen Six is at the door!
Nineteen Six, for one year more!"

So upon this midnight dreary
All was warm and bright and cherry
As they greeted thus the New Year, on the
Belle Fourche river's shore.
This the wish of one not present:
That the friendships all so pleasant.
Of the future and the present.
And those you have known before,
May be severed—nevermore.
Dec. 30, 1905.—L. De. F.

## Terms of District Court.

that on the first day of the year Judge Jessen made the following official announcement of the dates of holding giving money away, \$10,000 a day for court in the Second Judicial District

NEBRASKA CITY, Neb., Jan. 1, '16. holding court in the Second Judicial District for the year 1906:

CASS COUNTY. February 12th; jury February 19th. April 23rd; equity.

September 10th; jury September 17. OTOE COUNTY. March 19th; jury March 26th. May 21st; equity.

November 12th: jury November 19th. PAUL JESSEN, Judge.

# You Look Yellow

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"Coal Oil Johnny" the Man Who Threw Away Millions, is Dying.

### Where He Made His Home With A Son, Who Was the Burlington Agent at That Place.

The Lincoln Journal, under date of January 4, contains the following special from Ashland, which if true earth one of the most remarkable characters that this country ever possessed, or perhaps, would desire to possess again. In the way of a "spendand reclamation service flags. In the thrift" his like was never seen before center stood one of their field tripods, or since. The writer knew "Coal Oil Johnny" in his early career, about the time he fitted out the finest minstrel company that was ever organized, and many other incidents during the reign of millions, which we will produce at some future time. The following is actions, or "crazy breaks," as some term them:

"Word has been received in Ashland that John W. Steele, the famous character known as "Coal Oil Johnny," who once lived for a number of years in this city, is dying on a farm near flash lights were taken while seated at Franklin, Penn. John Steele is the Mrs. A. J. Beeson Writes to Mr. and Mrs. man who "struck it rich" in the oil fields of Pennsylvania and who squandered, it is said, three million dollars in seven months, thus earning the repu-

in which to have an evening's fun and he lighted dollar cigars with \$50 green-The Nebraska City Tribune says backs. On one occasion he wagered a bottle of wine that he would spend, actually paying out for "fun" and not sixty days, and he won the bottle. His reputed extravagances are almost beyond belief. One day he received \$80,-The following dates are fixed for |000 oil rentals. He stuffed the money

> this stuff; it's a nuisance." Then he went away and promptly forgot it. "He had a host of parasites following him night and day upon whom he lavished a fortune. He sold his oil properties to designing individuals for a mere song. One day he drew a paltry \$20,000 and found that he had overdrawn his account. His new-made friends deserted him. A day came shortly when he was penniless. He took a job driving a truck at \$25 a month, which was later raised to \$40 a month. Then a sickening loathing of the oil fields came and he went west. He lived in Kansas, South Dakota and for a while on the Pacific coast. A few years ago his son was the Burlington agent at Ashland and the old man

came to live here, taking a position as

pointed to that belief. "When Steele left Ashland a few years ago he dropped out of sight until the recent news was received from Franklin, Pa., that he had returned about a year ago to his old haunts to die. It is said that he is now at the point of death and that he has the

represenative, J. H. Isley, for the erection of a fine monument over the FOLEYSHONE AND LA

## FORMERLY RESIDED HERE A VERY REMARKABLE CAREER FEDERAL COURT DISTRICT

of the Platte, Including Cass.

ONCE A RESIDENT OF ASHLAND, NEB.,

that subject is dying, removes from only a partial list of his foolish trans-

tation of being the most remarkable spender in history. " 'Coal Oil Johnny' was twenty years old in 1861, when his foster mother, Mrs. McClintock, was killed while trying to ignite a fire with coal oil. That accident gave the man his nickname and also a farm under which were great quantities of oil, and a bank account of \$600,000. He had to wait one year before coming into possession of this wealth, and for twelve months he plotted and planned how he would cut a figure with his fortune. After receiving his inheritances, Steele marched about Oil City, Petroleum Center and other oil towns in western Pennsylvania, bedecked in currency. Bills of various denominations were pinned to his coat and trousers. He paid \$5 for a shine, \$30 for shave, his tips to waiters were from \$5 to \$10. The wealth turned his head completely. He ordered champagne by the basket. He gave a \$5,000 diamond to a negro minstrel for singing one song that pleased him. He bought carriages in which to ride a block and then gave them to the drivers. He is said to have bought saloons

into his pockets until they bulged uncomfortably. Going into the nearest bank he threw it into the receiving teller's window and said: "Here, take

baggage agent for the road. "While in Ashland Steele would never talk of his early life. In fact he never spoke to anyone except upon the rarest occasions. Special reporters from the Chicago and Omaha dailies visited him from time to time in the attempt to gain the story of his life from his own lips but without avail. The members of his son's family also refused to speak of the matter and on one occasion denied to a local editor that the man was the original "Coal Oil Johnny," although all evidences

necessities of life; nothing more."

The Woodmen of the World have ust closed a contract with the J. F. Bloom Monument Co., through its grave of the late Anton Bookmeyer. | for children; cafe, es

To Constitute the Thirty-Six Counties South

Senator Burkett Monday introduced a bill in the senate to divide the state of Nebraska into two judical districts. A special from Washington says that the bill has the solid endorse ment of the Nebraska delegation in congress, who will render every possibleaid to secure its passage at the present session. The new district will constitute the counties of Otoe, Cass, Johnson, Nemaha, Pawnee, Richardson, Gage, Lancaster, Saunders. Butler, Seward, Saline, Jefferson, Thayer, Fillmore, York, Polk, Hamilton, Clay, Nuckolls, Webster, Adams, Kearney, Franklin, Harlan, Phelps, Gosper, Furnas, Red Willow, Frontier, Hayes, Hitchcock, Dundy, Chase and Perkins, with the waters thereof, is hereby detached from the judicial district of Nebraska and made a separate judicial district and shall be called the southern judicial district of Nebraska, and the residue of the said state of Nebraska shall hereafter be the northern judicial district of Nebraska.

This of course will call for more federal appointments, for which there will be plenty of those who will be "eager for the fray" in the scramble that will follow in case of the adoption of the bill.

## PLATTSMOUTH PEOPLE IN THE GOLDEN STATE

## Ed. Brantner and Tells of Their New Home.

In a letter to Mr. and Mrs. Ed. Brantner, Mrs. A. J. Beeson tells of their new home in California.its many pleasures and many disadvantages, its bright summer days and its cold wintery blasts. She never loses an opportunity to remember her many friends here, and expresses the warm feeling she holds for dear old Plattsmouth. and on Christmas day what a pleasant time they enjoyed, there being twentysix at the table, including Mr. and Mrs. Waybright and themselves, all the balance of whom were relatives.

She speaks of how cold it gets at times and how disappointed she was at the first spell of winter, the heavy frosts and the freezing of vegetation, and the smudging of fruit orchards to protect the trees from the cold frosty nights. She also tells of losing 160 calla lillies that were frozen in their

They are all enjoying the best of health, but the sudden changes of weather were rather severe on the children. Grandma Brantner was also feeling quite well for one of her age.

From the way Mrs. Beeson writes we are led to believe that she would rather live in Plattsmouth than in sunny California at any time.

She says that "Jake" is doing quite well, and that the only kick that he registers is on the expense of living in that part of the world, \$20 for office rent and they are compelled to pay \$30 per month for house rent, and everything else in proportion.

The entire family have a host of friends in Plattsmouth who hold naught but the best wishes for their future happiness and success in their new California home.

## Goes to District Court.

In county court in the matter of the State vs. Hans Goos, the hearing being set for Monday, the defendant waived preliminary hearing, and the case will becarried to the district court, coming up for trial at the February

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W. O. W. Ball.

The W. O. W. lodge have decided to hold a ball and oyster supper in Coates' hall, Tuesday evening, January 16th. Good music has been secured and a