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All the work is done in our sanitary, small factory. We do everything easiest part. BISCITBAKE is complete. Cup to measure the water and a free biscuit cutter in every package. You add nothing but water. And one package makes 24 to 36 big prize-winners.

15c a Package—36 Biscuits

Have you tried BISCITBAKE yet? And these biscuits are as pure and beautiful as they are delicious. Let the children eat all they want—with country butter or hot sausage or jam. And BISCITBAKE makes them so inexpensive. Order a package and have hot biscuits for breakfast tomorrow. And dumplings for dinner!

Order From Your Grocer

Refuse substitutes. Insist on Biscitbake because it is highest quality and we guarantee your satisfaction or money back. Ask for Biscitbake and take nothing else.

SALOON ON MAIN STREET ROBBED

Diamond Saloon, in Shadow of Police Station, Entered by Robber Some Time Last Night.

BARTENDER LOST SMILE

Finds Big Smudges of Dirt on Yesterday's Spotless White Covering of Back Bar.

Daylight thieving in one part of the city and a burglary committed in the night in the very shadow of the police station is the latest crime record for Keokuk. Someone broke into the rear of the Diamond saloon last night. The rear of the building is in the very shadow of the station house on Lucas avenue. The comedy man who draws the adventures of Slim Jim and the police force in the funny paper ought to read about this and use it next time. It would make a thriller.

The daylight theft was that of fourteen chickens from George Anderson's shed, in the rear of the Anderson house at 1013 Exchange street. It is thought the fowls were taken about 2 o'clock yesterday afternoon. Evidently the thief didn't think it necessary to wait for darkness to cover up his tracks.

Alex Getz, who rules over the sober side of the bar at the Diamond saloon, 523 Main street, owned by Fred C. Weismann, lost his usual smile this morning when he had "opened up" the saloon and taken one look behind the bar. The clean white covering on the back bar, upon which rests countless numbers of bottles, glasses, and other equipment, all arranged in orderly designs, was marred and disfigured with black smudges and the marks left by dirty hands.

An examination of the place revealed that a more or less successful attempt had been made to rob the saloon. Some one, during the night, had succeeded in breaking into the saloon through the rear end of the building.

So far as is known the burglar took nothing more than one bottle of whiskey. Evidently he was in search of money. He found, however, both cash registers open and empty, as they are always left at night. The safe in the front end of the saloon contained some valuables but was too large and strong for the intruder to even attempt to break into.

The rear end of the saloon abuts on Lucas avenue, in the shadow of the police station. The robber entered from this alley, having little difficulty in gaining access to the back room of the building which is empty, and the rear doors of which are often left unlocked. In order to get from this back room into the saloon proper it was necessary for the man to cut a hole through a screen window ten feet from the floor, in a partition. This he did and then crawled through.

After he had gotten into the saloon he turned off the light in the rear and started his search for valuables. He opened all the drawers of the back bar, looked in the empty cash registers, and advanced to the desk in the front window. The black marks left by his grimy hands told this morning the story of his search through the place. Failing to find any money, he took one bottle of whiskey and left the way he had come in. The robbery was not reported to the police.

Boys Steal Chickens

Walter and LeRoy Stice, 15 year old cousins, confessed to Chief Kenney this morning the robbery of nine chickens from George Anderson, 1023 Exchange street, yesterday afternoon. As a result, applications for the commitment of the two boys to the reform school probably will be filed. Both have had preferred petty larceny charges against them before.

The boys sold the chickens at several houses on Third street. When arrested by the police they at first denied their guilt but later confessed and accompanied an officer to the places where they had disposed of the chickens. All nine of them were recovered.

LeRoy Stice also admitted that he and Louis Atkins, another 15 year old boy, had stolen two chickens from Mrs. Holden, Thirteenth and Johnson, Wednesday afternoon. An application to send the Atkins boy to the reform school also will be filed, Chief Kenney said.

New Mine Office

[United Press Leased Wire Service.] DENVER, Colo., Dec. 18.—To promote greater co-operation between its officials and employees and to advance the general welfare of the men, the Colorado Fuel and Iron company has appointed David Griffiths to a new position, recently created, according to announcement of President J. F. Welborn.

A notice posted at the company's mines says Griffiths has been assigned to the duty of "extending and direct-

Useful Christmas Gifts

The Central Store Motto.

Find enumerated below Useful Items for all members of the family

For Father	For Mother	For Sister	For Brother
Wool, Silk or Cotton Hosiery	Hosiery, Silk, Wool, Cotton or Fleece	Fur Sets	Mufflers
Handkerchiefs	Handkerchiefs	Fur Scarfs	Umbrellas
Gloves	Gloves	Muffs	Hosiery
Underwear	Mittens	Silk Scarfs	Neckties
Umbrella	Dress Goods	Caps	Collars
Shirts and Overalls	Silks and Velvets	Hoods	Handkerchiefs
Blankets in cotton or wool 59c to \$8 pair	Table Linens	Gloves	Union Suits
Neckties	Napkins	Mittens	Underwear
Collars	Table Cloths	Ribbons, fancy and plain	Shirts
Mittens	Kimonos	Dresses	Gloves
Sweaters	Dress Sacques	Dress Goods	Mittens
	House Dresses	Silks, fancy and plain	Suspender Sets
	Aprons	Cushion Tops	Waists
	Waists, cotton or silk, plain and fancy	Center Pieces	Blouses
	Neckwear	Dresser Scarfs	
	Muslin Underwear	Auto Hoods	For Baby
	Umbrellas	Boxed Handkerchiefs	Baby Blankets
	Silk Petticoats	Handbags	Coats
	Sateen Petticoats	Mesh Bags	Bibs
	Messaline Petticoats	Pocketbooks	Bootees
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	Hoods	Sweaters	Underwear
	Shawls	Umbrellas	Sweaters
	Handbags	Boudoir Caps	
		Jewelry	

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ing the work of co-operation and general welfare among our employees. He will take up his work immediately and spend practically all of his time at the mines, investigating and adjusting complaints."

In making the announcement, President Welborn referred to a letter he had written to John D. Rockefeller, Jr., regarding a suggestion by W. L. MacKenzie-King, referring to a system whereby workmen could reach the higher offices of the Colorado Fuel and Iron company.

Jordan Case Dismissed

MT. PLEASANT, Iowa, Dec. 18.—The Jordan case is over. Mr. Jordan is a free man, his bond exonerated and all criminal action dismissed on motion of the state.

The grand jury took up the investi-

A Trial Will Convince Anyone—The Great Kidney Remedy Makes Friends

A few years ago I was troubled with a complication of kidney and stomach ailments and although I tried two or three different doctors, I was unable to obtain a cure. Having heard a great deal about Swamp-Root, I decided to give it a trial and purchased a one-dollar bottle of Mr. Alexander, the druggist. From the beginning I could notice a change for the better and after taking eight bottles of your medicine, I felt entirely cured and have not had any trouble since.

Had I began using Swamp-Root sooner, I would have been a few hundred dollars to the good and saved myself a lot of suffering.

You may use my testimonial any time you wish. Yours very truly,
 CHARLES E. HARRIS,
 460 Sixth St., Marion, Iowa.

I certify that Charles E. Harris stated the above testimonial in my presence, being first duly sworn to the truth thereof, this 12th day of July, 1909.

D. R. KINLEY, J. P.

Letter to Dr. Kilmer & Co., Binghamton, N. Y.

Prove What Swamp-Root Will Do For You. Send ten cents to Dr. Kilmer & Co., Binghamton, N. Y., for a sample size bottle. It will convince anyone. You will also receive a booklet of valuable information, telling about the kidneys and bladder. When writing, be sure and mention the Keokuk Daily Gate City. Regular fifty-cent and one-dollar size bottles for sale at all drug stores.

gation of the case for the third time Wednesday but as there was no evidence on which to indict Mr. Jordan, or anyone else, no attention was paid to the complaint of the state, and the jury adjourned for the term without doing anything or recommending anything.

Y. M. C. A. ITEMS

Boys' Banquet Tonight

A happy event is to occur at the Y. M. C. A., at 8:30 o'clock this evening, at which about one hundred boys are expected to be present at a banquet to be given by the membership committee to the boys' department. Jewett Fulton will be toastmaster and John Elder, John McManus, Tommy Pond and Rev. McAllister will respond to toasts. Young ladies from the Y. W. O. A. will serve at the banquet.

Basketball Games Tonight

Commercial league basketball games to be played tonight: Purity Oats vs. M. R. P. Co., and Kellogg-Birge vs. Hulskaamps. Between the games there will be a wrestling exhibition by Keith Crown, and B. G. Good, of Wisconsin, lightweight wrestler and boxer.

AMUSEMENTS.

At the Colonial.

This is the night when that thrilling picture, "Helen Holmes in the Girl at the Throttle," will be given. It is one of the great railroad pictures. It is interesting and exciting. The films are the best at the Colonial. The service is high class. If you have not been attending the Friday programs at the Colonial when the "Hazards of Helen" have been shown, you better begin to do so, because you are missing a great show. The Colonial always gives you a big bill. If you do not believe, read the ad. in this issue and then go to the Colonial. You will become a steady patron.—Advertisement.

"The Bluebird" Tonight.

"The Blue Bird" will be presented here tonight, at the Grand opera house by the one and only organization that has ever performed Maeterlinck's masterpiece in this country. "The Blue Bird" is an exquisite fairy fantasy—a quest of happiness, the heart's desire. Maurice Maeterlinck knows that in the beginning the soul of the grown-up is the soul of a child; so the curtain rises on a small brother and sister, Tyltyl and Mytyl, who are asleep in their beds in a woodcutter's cabin. They are awakened by the fiery Beryllune, who bids them start on the quest of the blue

bird, the symbol of happiness. She entrusts Tyltyl with a marvelous green cap with a magic diamond, the mere turning of which allows them to see the hitherto unseen.

The wonderful adventures of these children through beautiful lands and regions of despair are made the basis of a series of gorgeous spectacles, which cost the directors of the New Theatre, New York, \$150,000. Lovely music enhances the charm and there are many group dances by large numbers of young girls.

"The Blue Bird" can be described

as between a modern musical comedy, Peter Pan, as played by Marie Adams, and "The Wizard of Oz." While a charming story runs through the piece, it contains comedy, drama, music and dancing.

The company appearing here tonight is the only one in existence, and last week closed a successful appearance at the Shubert theatre in St. Louis. It is presented to Keokuk patrons by the Messrs. Shubert who deal in things theatrical, but only of the highest class. Curtain rises promptly at 8:15 tonight.—Advt.

Here's the Food for Backbone and Muscle

Haven't you often wondered at the wonderful strength and vitality of the Italian race. Their chief food at home is spaghetti—a food that is rich in gluten—the element that goes to make muscle and flesh. We can follow this example with benefit. A 10c package of

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All \$1.25 styles	.87
All \$1.00 styles	.67
All 50c styles	.33
All 40c styles	.27

Open Evenings Until Christmas

CHARLES ROBERTSON DIED THIS MORNING

At His Home Near Summitville at 3:30 O'clock This Morning of Heart Trouble.

Charles Robertson, an old resident of this vicinity, died at his home near Summitville at 3:30 o'clock this morning of heart trouble, in the sixty-fifth year of his age. He had lived in that vicinity for a long term of years, and had been for some time an employe of the powder works. He was a man of very quiet habits and a worthy citizen. He was a faithful member of the United Presbyterian church. He is survived by his wife and two children and other relatives in Keokuk and vicinity. His death will be mourned by these relatives and a host of friends, among

whom he had associated in a genial, quiet way for so many years. Those who knew Mr. Robertson best are best acquainted with the many manly qualities he possessed. The family has the sympathy and condolence of their neighbors and friends in the hour of their sad bereavement.

Basketball Tournament

[United Press Leased Wire Service.] MINNEAPOLIS, Minn., Dec. 18.—With the assurances of the Oswego, N. Y., basketball team that they would participate, received today, the national basketball tournament today is looked upon as a certainty. The Billings, Mont., team has written that it would participate while on a trip east during February. Other teams probably are Fond Du Lac, Wis.; Red Wing, Minn.; Aberdeen, S. D., and several local teams.