

# HAEFNER GIVES FIRST SERMON

### FORMER PASTOR OF LOCAL GERMAN CHURCH BEGINS SERVICES AT MUSCATINE.

Rev. John Haefner, formerly pastor of the local German Lutheran church, gave his first sermon in his new charge, the Evangelical Lutheran Zion's church in Muscatine Sunday.

The Journal of Muscatine tells of the beginning of Mr. Haefner's new pastorate as follows: Pastor Haefner took for his text: First Corinthians, chapter XIII, the thirteenth verse: "And now abideth faith, hope, love, these three, but the greatest of these is love." The minister pointed out in his introductory remarks the importance of the day for the congregation as well as for himself on account of the change in pastors. He showed his new congregation that at the root of everything connected with a Christian congregation lies the thought that we have no abiding city in this world, that we are only sojourners and that eternal life is our goal. He showed that there is nothing abiding and lasting in this world unless it be faith, love, hope. He compared his coming to this congregation to the coming of Eleazer to Mesopotamia in order to win a bride for his master. Holy writ speaks of the church as Jesus' bride, ministers are only the servants of Christ, whose duty it is to win souls for Christ. And as Eleazer came with gold and precious stones so he has come to his people with faith, love and hope and he expressed the wish to be met by them in the same spirit. Faith or confidence is absolutely necessary for a happy relation between pastor and people, even in worldly affairs there can be no success unless there be confidence, but this faith must be rooted in the faith of Jesus Christ; such faith makes brothers and sisters of men and women, who are otherwise strangers, and with such faith the pastor wishes to approach his people and be approached by them. Such a faith will be the tie that binds together pastor and people. But faith cannot be without love and charity. The apostle in the text gives a classic and most beautiful description of Christian love, he certainly came to the Corinthians in love, and as Pastor Haefner assured his people, that he has come to them extending his hand and heart full of that love which has its source in the love for Him who has loved us first, Christ the crucified, and he expressed the wish that they would meet him in the same spirit of Christian love. He explained what Paul meant by the words: "But the greatest of these is love," because love is hiding beyond coffin and grave, while faith would pass into having and hope into seeing. And finally the pastor said he comes to them with a vivid hope. Hope, he said, is a good thing, it makes a man cheerful, and winter's blasts will pass away, spring will be ushered in. So it is often in a congregation. He expressed the hope that the people would be faithful to God's house and word, and he showed that the future would be a bright one.

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Bites Bone, is Paralyzed. Nevada, Dec. 13.—While dining at a family reunion held at the home of her parents in this city, Mrs. Will Harrington of near Colo bit so hard upon a chicken bone that the tooth was chipped, the nerve exposed and paralyzed and for ten hours she was unable to speak.

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# CLOUTMAN POST FAVORS PENSION

### OTTUMWA G. A. R. MEMBERS GO ON RECORD FOR \$1 PER DAY BILL—NAME OFFICERS.

The members of Cloutman post G. A. R. are unanimously in favor of the \$1 per day pension bill and in a resolution addressed to Hon. N. E. Kendall the old veterans last night expressed their views in no uncertain terms. They resolved that it was a duty of congress to grant to each honorably discharged soldier and sailor a pension of \$1 per day. The post elected new officers at its meeting last night and the gathering was made all the more enjoyable by the invasion of the members of the Woman's Relief corps, who served hot coffee and doughnuts as a surprise to the comrades. A delightful social time followed the meeting, during which short speeches were made by several of the grand army men.

The new officers of Cloutman post No. 69, G. A. R. follow: Post commander—Martin Israel. Senior vice commander—A. E. Muehle. Junior vice commander—Peter Dell. Chaplain—T. P. Spilman. Quartermaster—T. R. Bickley. Officer of the day—T. J. Hall. Officer of the guard—G. W. Kitterman. Trustees—A. H. Hamilton, W. H. H. Asbury and T. P. Spilman. Delegate to the state encampment—J. B. Stigwart. Alternate to the state encampment—Peter Dell.

The following resolutions were unanimously passed by the veterans: "To Honorable N. E. Kendall, M. C. and to the Congress of the United States: "It was with regret that we learned of the action of the National Encampment of the G. A. R., lately held at Atlantic City, composed of as it was largely of ex-officers who are now maintaining a lobby before congress trying to have themselves on the retired list of the regular army, in rejecting and turning down the claim of the soldiers and sailors of the civil war for a pension of one dollar (\$1) per day.

"The members of Cloutman post No. 69, department of Iowa, G. A. R., respectfully represent that in our opinion and belief it was 'the men behind the guns,' who endured the hardships, who received as compensation a mere pittance and whose bravery and efficiency really saved the union, and who in their declining years should be relieved at least in part from the struggle for obtaining the means for a livelihood, by the government whose life they saved by risking and weakening their own.

"Therefore be it resolved that in our opinion it is the duty of congress to grant each of the honorably discharged soldiers and sailors who served in the civil war for not less than ninety days a pension of one dollar (\$1.00) per day.

"W. W. Cory, "T. R. Bickley, "M. L. Kirk, Committee."

# HILLSBORO

The Prairie Corner school house one and a half miles west of town was burned to the ground Thursday morning between the hours of six and seven o'clock. When discovered the house was all ablaze on the inside. Nothing in it was saved. It is supposed to have caught from the stove as fire was kept in it over night.

C. P. Lowther went to Stockport on Thursday morning. Roy Morrison has been visiting relatives in Keosauqua this week. L. S. Trump of Salem was a visitor in town recently. David Perry and daughter Mary left a few days ago for their former home in Belleville. From there they will join a party of friends enroute to Montana where they expect to take a home-stead.

Rev. Carroll was called to Stockport a few days ago to conduct the funeral of Mrs. Stewart a former resident of this neighborhood. Max Spray and wife of Salem were

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# FUNERALS

The funeral of Gale, the infant son of Mr. and Mrs. Ralph Cowan, who died suddenly Sunday in his mother's arms while they were returning home from a visit in the country, was held this afternoon from the residence, 508 South Ward street. Rev. Hiram Baker conducted the services. Burial was made in the McIntire cemetery.

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So many good things here for christmas buying, we hardly know which to talk about most.

There's no better present for man or boy than a good warm overcoat or new winter suit. See what we have in these, how substantial and how economical such presents are.

Men's Overcoats and Suits from 7.50 up to any price you wish to pay. Cravantes in every style \$10 to \$25. Young Men's Suits and Overcoats from \$6.50 up. Boys' and little fellows' Overcoats and Suits \$3.00 and up

ITEMS FOR YOUR SHOPPING LIST	
SMOKING JACKETS .....	\$3.50 TO \$10
BATH ROBES .....	\$3.00 TO \$7.50
UMBRELLAS .....	\$1.00 TO \$6.00
SWEATER COATS .....	75c TO \$6.50
FINE DRESS SHIRTS .....	\$1.00 TO \$3.00
SILK SUSPENDERS .....	
FUR CAPS .....	
SUIT CASES AND BAGS .....	\$1.50 TO \$18
NIGHT ROBES .....	\$1.00 TO \$2.00
MUFFLERS .....	50c TO \$5.00
SCARF PINS AND CUFF BUTTONS .....	
FANCY HOSIERY .....	
INITIAL HANDKERCHIEFS .....	

WHILE THE STOCK IS COMPLETE MAKE YOUR SELECTIONS. YOU CAN HAVE YOUR PURCHASES LAID ASIDE. IF THERE'S ANYTHING WE'VE OVERLOOKED—CALL FOR IT.



207 East Main Street

# SCHOOL BOARD PUTS BAN ON PLAY

EDUCATORS DISCONTINUE CLASS SHOWS—VACATION STARTS DEC. 22.

By a resolutions passed by the board of education at its sessions last night the death knell of the annual June class plays of the graduating classes of the Ottumwa high school, was sounded. The board resolved to discontinue the yearly displays of student thespians, maintaining that the preparations for the productions detracted from the studies of the participants. The board held a busy session, deciding upon the Christmas vacation period, accepting the resignation of a member of the high school faculty and electing assistant teachers. The Christmas holidays will begin at the close of the afternoon sessions on Thursday, December 22, and continue until the morning session of school January 2, 1911. Miss Antonia Freeman, instructor of German in the high school, presented her resignation, because of ill health, and the board accepted it with regret. Miss Cornelia Hermann, at present an instructor of German in the Fairfield high school, was elected to fill Miss Freeman's place. Miss Hermann will come January 1. Miss Freeman has been here three and one half years. She will go to her home on Ann Arbor, Mich. Miss Dorothy Currier was elected assistant teacher and Miss Esther Pearson was named as first assistant on the waiting list.

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