

# IMPRESSIVE CEREMONIES AT CORNERSTONE LAYING

Large Crowd Witnesses Exercises at New Jewish Synagogue at Hammond Avenue and Sixth Street, In Which Many Participate.

Rev. J. H. Nason, In Address, Felicitates Members of the Congregation on the Fruition of Their Cherished Plans.

The cornerstone of the Superior Hebrew synagogue was laid yesterday afternoon with impressive ceremonies in the presence of a large audience made up not only of the leading Jewish residents of the city but also of many of the leading Gentiles. An elaborate program including numerous addresses by speakers of prominence, including Mayor O'Hare, Judge Parker, Rev. J. H. Nason and others. Julius Cohen was master of ceremonies, presiding in a manner that was most satisfactory to all concerned.

The opening address was by Master of Ceremonies Cohen, who spoke of the history of the synagogue of the city from its beginning twelve years ago to the present during which time the organization had grown from 18 members to more than one hundred. He was followed by Rev. Isaac Tremblatt, rabbi of the old synagogue, who gave a historical sketch of the progress of the Jewish people and churches from ancient times to the present. His address was heard with much interest.

Mayor O'Hare in his address congratulated the citizens of Superior upon the fact that the number of churches in the city is increasing. Judge Parker also spoke. Rev. Isadore Dorsky made an address of some length in line with the rest, and short talks were made by William Schlosburg, S. Rosenblom, Max Silverman and Joseph Konkell. One of the principal addresses of the occasion was made by Rev. J. H. Nason, of the Superior Mission. He said:

#### Mr. Nason's Address.

"Friends of the Hebrew faith and fellow citizens: We have assembled here to commemorate the building of another house in this city in which the One Living and True God will be worshipped and His truth reverently taught. The people who build this house are citizens of Superior, all of them needing privileges of worship and religious instruction—many of them I trust obedient to the noble principles which are found in their scriptures.

"The civilized world of today owes much to the Jewish race and to the Hebrew religion for certain fundamental truths which they have taught for at least 3,500 years. Among these truths I would name the upity and righteousness of God, regard for women and the sacredness of the home, justice between man and man and kindness to the poor. In this country we most certainly are learning that our

REV. J. H. NASON



Head of Lake Superior Mission, Who Made Chief Address.

Hebrew neighbors are a God-fearing, home-loving and government-conserving people. Their children are taking high rank in our public schools. Members of their race are coming to the front as scientists, writers and statesmen. They are being honored with positions of trust in the governments of the world.

"The people in other religious communions are not only learning to honor more and more the teachings of that Hebrew man of God and law giver Moses, but if I mistake not our Hebrew brethren are becoming more and more interested in that later Jewish Prophet Jesus of Nazareth, whom Christians have always confessed to be their leader, but whose lofty spiritual teachings we have all failed to realize in our conduct. Hebrews and Christians alike when they come to look candidly into the fundamentals of religious faith and the virtues that underlie a true manhood have discovered that they hold many things in common, and that the things they have so far failed to see alike are either not so important as we once thought or that we have learned that by cultivating fraternal relations we shall sooner come to an agreement in accepting them. The more intelligent among us all do not doubt the brotherhood of all honest inquirers and happy citizenship in the kingdom of God."

The laying of the corner stone was performed with due ceremony, the box containing the records and other documents being placed in the stone by Mrs. Franklin, who also contributed \$50 to the building fund.

The building is to be a handsome frame structure costing when completed and furnished in the neighborhood of \$4,000. The contract calls for its completion by early in October and partial possession is to be given the latter part of September.