

JEW'S OBSERVE NEW YEAR'S DAY

PRELIMINARY SERVICES ARE HELD
AT THE DIFFERENT SYNA-
GOGUES OF THE CITY.

AT THE ORTHODOX TEMPLE

RABBI EPPSTEIN TO OFFICIATE
THIS MORNING.

Elaborate Program Has Been Ar-
ranged For Emanuel, Con-
ducted by Rabbi Silber.

Today is Rosh Hosannah, the Jewish
New Year, the first day of the year
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In the synagogues of Duluth, the
temples of the greatest cities of the
world, the lowly ghettos of the bustling
centres of commerce, the crumbling
houses of worship in Jerusalem, and in
the tents of sheperds in Palestine,
Jews, orthodox and reformed, are hold-
ing services in commemoration of the
birth of a new year, according to their
calendar, derived from calculations of
old Chaldean astronomers whose names
are even less known than the cities in
which they lived.

Services were begun last night in the
synagogues, but they were only prelim-
inary to today's ceremonies. Services
commence at the orthodox temple at 7 a.
m. and continue without intermission
until 2 p. m.. Then the worshippers,
who will have fasted since last night,
will go to their homes to partake of
light collations, after which they will
return immediately to prayer.

Rabbi Eppstein, who but lately as-
sumed charge of the orthodox congre-
gation here, will officiate at the syna-
gogue on Third street and Third avenue
West. The public is invited to attend.
A number of persons not of the He-
braic faith were present last night.
Two days are observed by the orthodox
Jews, and the service will continue to-
morrow.

The occasion of the beginning of a
new year is one of particular happiness
for the members of the orthodox con-
gregation. "Usually on the faces of
Jews at this period of the year, there
is a sad, solemn expression," said M.
Zalk, president of the society, last
night, "but as I looked into their faces
tonight I seemed to be able to distin-
guish a great measure of joy mixed
with the sobriety. For fifteen years
we have been without a place to wor-
ship of our own. We have been forced
to bring our services to abrupt conclu-
sions to make room for dances or festi-
vals. Now we have our building, hand-
some, commodious, and paid for, with
a surplus of nearly seven thousand dol-
lars in the treasury. It is time for us
to rejoice."

Rabbi Silber Speaks.

Rabbi M. Silber, of the Cincinnati
Hebrew Union college, officiated last
night at Temple Emanuel, where the
services began at sundown, in accord-
ance with the observance of the lunar
day. The solemn, impressive functions
bore marked impressiveness, accompan-
ied as they were by the eloquence of
Rabbi Silber's words. He spoke in
English, and spoke in part:

"Ye all stand this day before the
Lord, or God" That was the cry of
Moses to his people at the foot of
Mount Sinai, over 3,000 years ago. This
evening, too, as 3,000 years ago, all are
standing before God. This evening, too,
as 3,000 years ago, comes the response:
'We will do and obey!'

"We will do and obey always. We
wish to do right; we are willing to
obey. Tonight we will review our ac-
counts, our moral records. In business
we are very exact, and yet we give but
one day, and only a little part of that,
to examining our consciences. But once
a year we do inspect our store of moral
and religious deeds, when the old year
is breathing its last and the new year
is about to be born.

"Standing before God, every Jew is
crying tonight, 'O, Lord, make us know
the end of our days, we are so frail.'
Every Jew is calling out unto heaven
this evening for knowledge of the way
to live a life full of good and humility

before his God. Knowing that a year
hence he may be present, every man is
asking that he may be shown the right
way.

"Abandon Your Ways."

"Let the wicked forsake his gods
and the unrighteous his ways, and turn
to God," said the prophet. Abandon
your ways, you conventional people.
Turn to the Lord and the law of God—
the law of God, which is always ele-
vating. For as the snow and the rain
come down from heaven and return not
until they have accomplished the
things for which they were sent, so is
the word of God, that shall not return
until it has accomplished its mission.

"Examine yourselves not only once a
year, but every day, every hour. Most
of us examine ourselves as does one
ignorant of the workmanship of a
watch pry into the workings of a time-
piece. He is at a loss to find the main-
spring, the hairspring, the important
wheels, and after many bungling at-
tempts he shuts up the case and puts
the watch away. Many of you do in
such manner. You come here once a
year at this time, open your souls'
casings, love yourselves in thoughts of
your misdeeds, then shut yourselves up
again, and leave the temple with clear
consciences.

"Some think that the word of the
law, our religion, our bible, bears the
same relation to them as the blossom
to the tree. Not so; for the tree must
be of mature growth before the blos-
som appears. You wander along for
years in unrighteous paths, thinking
that at the ripe time you will turn to
the law to change from wrong to right.
Only before death do you engage your
minds to divine methods.

"Remember, the word of the law is
the beginning and the end of our da-
of our lives. It is our whole life. 'Let
thy garments be white at all times,'
said the great Solomon. And yet many
of you think that your moral garments
should be cleansed but once a year. Let
your soul's robes be continuously
whitened, against the time of the ful-
filment of the word of the law."

Splendid Music.

A splendid musical program was ren-
dered by a choir composed of musicians
of note in local musical circles. Miss
Theresa Linn rendered a selected organ
prelude. The opening hymn was en-
titled "Shout Aloud." "They Live,"
a beautiful selection, was sung at the
close of the "Kadosh" or mourners'
prayer. An organ finale closed the ser-
vices.

The winding of the ram's horn at
this morning's ceremonies will be one
of the quaint, impressive features of
the occasion. The program, beginning
at 9:30 o'clock, will be as follows:

Organ prelude—Selected
Mrs. George L. Tyler.
Reading—"Matobu," page 65.....
Reading—"Adon Olom," page 73..
Reading—"Mi-cho-mocho," page 27.
Reading—"Sh'ma Yisraal," page 27.
Reading—"K'dusho," page 29.....
Rabbi and choir.
Reading—"Uche-Sob," page 64.....
Reading—"Ovinu Malekenu," pages
30 and 31
Rabbi and choir.
Opening of the Ark.....
Anthem—"Incline Thine Ear".....
Choir.
Reading and responses, pages 7, 2
and 8
Scripture reading
Anthem—Recessional
Returning of the scroll
Reading—"Ez Chayim"
Rabbi and choir.
Hymn—"Shout Aloud," page 39....
Blowing of the shofar.....
Reading—"Wecken-Kwaym," page
12
"Kadish" (mourners' prayer
(Organ accompaniment only).
Solo—"Fear Not Ye, O Israel".....
Miss Rena Smith.
Sermon
Rabbi Mendel Silber.
Reading—"Ashre-Hoom," page 44..
Reading—"Yigdahl," page 21.....
Benediction
Organ finale—Selected
Mrs. Tyler.

The choir will consist of Miss Rena
Smith, soprano; Miss Antoinette West,
contralto; Cyril Tyler, tenor and C. O.
Appelhaagen, bass.

It is customary for the rabbi to re-
ceive his congregation on New Year's
day, and, following the ancient usage,
Rabbi Mendel Silber will meet his peo-
ple at noon today at the residence of
Louis Hammel, 1423 East Third street.