

## SERVICES HELD TO DEDICATE ORGAN

**GIFT PRESENTED TO TEMPLE  
B'NAI ISRAEL; LARGE  
ATTENDANCE.**

As inspiration for the dedication services held last night at Temple B'nai Israel, Dr. Henry Cohen formally presented to the members of the congregation a beautifully toned organ, the gift of Mrs. H. Kempner. Assembled for the services were a large representation of the members, together with those of other religious institutions in the city.

In his dedicatory address Dr. Cohen spoke of the love for the congregation engendered in the heart of the donor as exemplified by the gift. He spoke of the influences music has had on humankind.

"Music has always been an inspiration," he said. "It recalls the patriot to his country; it impresses upon us our duty to our fellowmen;

it brings cheer to the domestic hearth. The words of the philosopher, 'Let me but make the songs of a country, I care not who makes its laws,' are, in truth, a verity."

Dr. Cohen emphasized the fact that music is always an integral part of divine service. He traced the evolution of music in its relationship to the synagogue and the church. In earliest times there were no musical instruments, but cymbals and the shofar invoked the people to divine worship. Following this there was the chanting of the psalms, which accounts for the antiphonal used in some churches today. He spoke of the early temples, declaring that when the temple was destroyed, vocal and instrumental music was lost in Jewish worship.

The first time that music was heard in a Jewish church was in 1811 in Germany. In 1859, in the reform synagogue in London, music was introduced. At present, both in reform and conservative congregations, vocal and instrumental music is one of its important adjuncts.

Dr. Cohen declared that the organ was not the only gift to the congregation from this same hand, and, in accepting the gift, he concluded with words of appreciation for the giver.

The organ is the product of Pilcher of Louisville, Ky., and has three manuals of sixty-one notes.

The following program was rendered during the service: Organ prelude, "The Lost Chord," Salaman; andantino, LeMaire; Hu T. Huffmaster; vocal solo, "Fear Ye Not, O Israel," Dudley Buck; Mrs. Ralph Frapart; anthem, "Doth Not Wisdom

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Cry." Roger, synagogue quartet, Mr. and Mrs. J. N. Spurway, Mrs. E. B. Holman and Alfred Dreyfus; postlude, "Festival March," Stebbins, Miss Laura Park.

It is expected that the renovation of the temple, which is now in progress will be completed by the end of the month. When the work is finished, an organ recital will be given, following which the fiftieth anniversary of the temple will be celebrated here.

## COLONEL IS UNDER SILENCE EDICT ON ACCOUNT OF COLD

Colonel Henry Watterson, who has been suffering from a cold con-

## B'nai Israel Galveston Pilcher dedicated

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