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est good will in all of their splendid forward movement.

The service of evening prayer, concluding with the benediction, ended the dedication.

One of the most notable features of the dedication exercise was the singing of Cantor H. Lieberman and his choir. They showed remarkable training and great practice, and they are to be congratulated upon their meritorious work.

FROSCH'S ADDRESS.

Mr. Froesch said:

"Mr. Chairman and Gentlemen of the Committee:

"It is with a great deal of pleasure that I accept these keys as the last act of your commission, and can testify to the unvarying zeal and conscientious care you have exercised throughout the period of construction. You have done well, and the

of Congregation Adath Yeshurun are due you. And as you retire from your committee ship you may keep the assurance that we receive this building with pride.

"... with just pride Congregation Adath Yeshurun observes this day as a Yom Tov, and as we have grown to our present strength in so short a time, so may we continue to go from strength to strength. Who would have thought that the little band that came together for services about twenty years ago would now be the possessor of such a large, such a pretty and such a comfortable synagogue as we are about to dedicate today?"

"Small were our beginnings. After a few sporadic efforts to hold orthodox services on the high holy days, ten men clubbed themselves together in 1899. They had a as we increased in numbers the little house became too small, and a large

brick edifice in the Byzantine style of architecture was erected on the corner of our lot at a cost of about \$15,000 and the old frame building was retained as a Sunday school house. Just before Rosh Hoshana, 1905, the edifice was dedicated, and we entered therein with a feeling of pride, justified by our remarkable progress. It was a big undertaking and again many had feared that the task would become too great for us, but with the aid of God we proved ourselves equal to it. How this new building and all of our premises came into the hands of the Houston Belt and Terminal company, and how on the day after we had to leave there, what were our financial strains in the year between our leaving there and our entrance into this building, is too recent a thing and too well known an incident to be repeated here.

THE PRESIDENTS.

"During this period of our existence the presidency of our congregation was held by five men—P. S. Nusbaum, B. H. Greenberg, I. Kapner, Ike Harrison and H. Pincus—a remarkable record, showing their efficiency and the regard of the congregation for their merit. Three are still loyal members and hearty workers for our welfare. May they live long yet to see the fruitage of their planting.

"Since March of last year the cares and the honors of that high office have been borne by me. Besides worship, we have attended to the education of our children, various teachers of Hebrew and religion have been established, but they did not stay long until, in November, 1906, we elected Rev. Mr. Lieberman, our present cantor and teacher, whose efforts to keep

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