

JEWISH NEW YEAR STARTS TODAY; 'SHOFAR' ONE FEATURE

Orthodox and 'reformed' Jews of Duluth as well as those of the world are prepared to observe their New Year's feast which begins tonight and continues through Monday. Among those of orthodox faith the observance concludes at sundown Tuesday.

An unique phase of this holiday, which is reckoned as one of the most important in the Hebrew calendar, is the blowing of the trumpet or ram's horn either by the rabbi of the congregation or by an aged member in good standing. This custom, however, is practiced only in the synagogues where the old-fashioned service is conducted.

Blowing the horn is significant of the "Day of Remembrance" and "Day of Judgment." Each pious Jew is called upon to study his sins of omission and commission.

Ten days after the New Year celebration, which despite its apparent solemnity, really is a joyous oc-

caslon, comes the Day of Atonement—called Yom Kippur. From sundown Tuesday, Sept. 29, to the same hour on the day following, all Jews of sound health and of legal age are required to fast rigidly. Many of the older men abstain from food and drink entirely for more than 24 hours.

On this day fervent prayers for forgiveness are offered and favorable judgment is sought for earnest re-

pentance. The days intervening between New Year's and Yom Kippur are called the "Ten Days of Penitence."

Elaborate synagogical services are concluded on the Day of Atonement by a single blast from the "shofar" or ram's horn. Special "shofar" num-

bers are introduced, however, the morning and afternoon.

At Adas Israel synagogue, avenue East and Third street, I. Teplitz will officiate. R. Lefkovits will conduct at Temple Emanuel, Seventh East and Second street.