

March 29, 1967

Mrs. Fan Ziskind
Esplanade Caterers
305 West End Ave.
New York, N. Y. 10023

Dear Mrs. Ziskind:

I spoke with you on Saturday when you catered the Romer Kiddush at The Jewish Center and asked you to call me on Monday to discuss a problem that was important. It is now Wednesday, and I still have not heard from you, and I am therefore taking this opportunity to express my indignation in writing.

I was chagrined to learn that on Saturday morning two men, with yarmulkes on their heads, went to a private car parked near the Center and carried what appeared to be boxes of soda into the Synagogue. A number of people noticed this, were terribly upset, and reported the matter to me.

Needless to say, this violates every tenet of Sabbath observance and the rules of The Jewish Center. It is something which we cannot and shall not tolerate. Of course, mistakes can occur; but the fact that this occurred, and so blatantly, does not speak well for Esplanade Caterers, and especially that no explanation has been given to us since Saturday.

I certainly believe that we deserve an explanation of this breach of our rules, and I would appreciate receiving it in writing.

Sincerely,

RABBI NORMAN LAMM

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