

Staten Island Advance
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DEDICATION—A new Torah, or scroll, is presented to Dr. Harold H. Berman, director of Willowbrook State School, by Irving Ochs, the donor, center. Participating are Dr. Martin Lazar, and Dr. Frank Glasser, right, both assistant directors, and Rabbi Philip Goldberg, Willowbrook Jewish chaplain.

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TB Building Eliminated In State School Plans

A \$1,300,000 building intended to house up to 150 tubercular patients at Willowbrook State School will not be built under the construction program due to start in April. Dr. Harold Berman, the school's director, was notified yesterday.

Dr. Berman said the building now is considered unnecessary in view of recent advances in the treatment of tuberculosis.

Due for construction are five infirmary type buildings and a kitchen. Estimated cost of construction is \$5,000,000.

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Aiding Escape Nets 60 Days

A former attendant at Willowbrook State School was sentenced yesterday to 60 days in the Workhouse for complicity in the escape of five girls from the "difficult" ward of the institution.

David Jenkins, 22, was sentenced by a three-man court in Special Sessions, where he had been convicted Jan. 25 after a trial. The escape of the five girls, with two of them still at large, occurred last Sept. 5.

Jenkins had been charged with acquiescing to the escape of the girls, to whom a key allegedly was slipped by a boy patient at the institution.