

## Oscar Froimovici's Wedding



This picture shows my father's cousin, Oscar Froimovici and his wife. On his left are my mother and my father, Minta and Iosif Samoil Tucarmen, who were witnesses at their marriage. Oscar is the cousin who called my father to Bucharest, where he left to in October 1944.

When my youngest sister was born, the birth was very difficult. They did not use the forceps to help her, and as a result she had heart problems ever since, for 15 years. My mother had an embolism and that was the cause of her death. She used to say: 'Iosif, dear, my children, don't leave me!' I can still hear the words she said when she was aware that she had to leave us. My mother died in 1939.

My father did not remarry. He had long wished to move to Bucharest. And now he thought that the time had come to do so. In October 1944, he and my sister Fany left for Bucharest. I don't know how they could have the courage to do so, especially my sister who was 17, a real young lady. They left by truck under very harsh conditions. They reached Bucharest two or three days later.

My father started working for his cousin Oscar Froimovici who worked at a men's lingerie shop. When he was younger my father, too, had worked at the lingerie shop. With much trouble they managed to find a room to rent. It was very hard to find a place to stay in Bucharest. They settled there.