

Ex-Premier Says 140,000,000 Jews Are Persecuted

Declares No Good Has Ever
Come to Nations That Have
Oppressed Hebrew
People.

(Continued From Page One.)
land their fathers made famous.
Palestine under Jewish rule once
maintained a population of 5,000,000.
Under the blighting rule of the Turk
it barely supported a population of
70,000. The land flowing with milk
and honey is now largely a stony
and unsightly desert. To quote one
of the ablest and most far-sighted
business men of today: "It is a land
of immense possibilities in spite of
the terrible neglect of its resources
resulting from Turkish misrule. Its
glorious estate has been let down by
centuries of neglect. The Turks cut
down the forests and never troubled
to replant them. They slaughtered
the cattle and never troubled to re-
place them."

It is one of the peculiarities of the
Jew hunter that he adores the Turk.
If Palestine is to be restored to a
condition even approximating to its
ancient prosperity it must be by set-
tling Jews on its soil. The condition
to which the land has been reduced
by centuries of the most devastating
oppression in the world is such that
restoration is only possible by a race
that is prepared for sentimental rea-
sons to make and endure sacrific-
es for the purpose.

What is the history of Jewish set-
tlement in Palestine? It did not be-
gin with the Balfour declaration. A
century ago there were barely 10,
000 Jews in the whole of Palestine.
Before the war there were 100,000.
The war considerably reduced these
numbers, and immigration since 1918
has barely filled up the gaps. At the
present timorous rate of progress it
will be many years before it reaches
200,000.

Jewish settlement started practi-
cally 70 years ago. It started with Sir
Moses Montefiore's experiment in
1854—another war year. The sultan
had good reasons for propitiating
Jews in that year, just as the allies
had in 1917. So the Jewish settle-
ment of Palestine began. From that
day onward it has proceeded slowly
but steadily. The land available was
not of the best. Prejudices and fears
had to be negotiated. Anything in
the nature of wholesale expropriation
of Arab cultivators, even for cash,
had to be carefully avoided. The
Jews were therefore often driven to
settle on barren sand dunes and
malarial swamps.

Palestine Has Great Future.
Everywhere the Jew cultivator
produces heavier and richer crops
than his Arab neighbor. He has
introduced into Palestine more sci-
entific methods of cultivation, and his
example is producing a beneficial
effect on the crude tillage of the
Arab peasant. It will not be long
before Canaan becomes once more a
land flowing with milk and honey.
The effects of the neglect and mis-
rule of centuries cannot be effaced
by the issue of a declaration. The
cutting down of trees has left the
soil unprotected against heavy rains,
and rocks which were once green
with vineyards and olive groves have
been swept bare. Terraces which
ages of patient industry built up
have been destroyed by a few genera-
tions of Turkish stupidity. They
cannot be restored in a single genera-
tion. Great irrigation works must
be constructed if the settlement is to
proceed on a satisfactory scale.

Palestine possesses in some re-
spects advantages for the modern set-
tler which to its ancient inhabitants
were a detriment. Its one great
river, with its two tributaries, are
rapid and have a great fall. For
power this is an advantage. Whether
for irrigation or for the setting up
of new industries, this gift of nature
to Palestine is capable of exploitation
impossible before the scientific dis-
coveries of the last century. The
tableland of Judea has a rainfall
which if caught in reservoirs at ap-
propriate centers would make of the
"desert of Judah" a garden. If this
were done Arab and Jew alike would
share in the prosperity.

There are few countries on earth
which have made less of their possi-
bilities. Takes its special attractions
for tourists. It was a dream to find
that visitors to Palestine in the whole
course of a year only aggregate 15,
000. It contains the most famous
shrines in the world. Its history is
of more absorbing interest to the
richest peoples on earth, and is better
taught to their children than even
that of their own country. Some of
its smallest villages are better known
to countless millions than many a
prosperous modern city.

Why Tourists Avoid Palestine.
Hundreds of thousands ought to be
visiting this sacred land every year.
Why are they not doing so? The
answer is—Turkish misrule scared
away the pilgrims. Those who went
there came back disillusioned and dis-
appointed. The modern "spies" on
their return did not carry with them
luscious grapes of Escal to thrill the
multitude with a desire to follow their
example. They brought home de-
pressing tales of squalor, discomfort
and exaction which dispelled the
glamor and discouraged further pil-
grimages. The settled govern-
ment gives the holy land its first
chance for 1,800 years. But there is
so much undeveloped country de-
manding the attention of civilization
that Palestine will lose that chance
unless it is made the special charge
of some powerful influence. The
Jews alone can redeem it from the
wilderness and restore its ancient
glory.

It is that trust there is no injustice
to any other race. The Arabs have
neither the means, the energy nor the
ambition to discharge this duty. The
British empire has too many burdens
on its shoulders to carry this experi-
ment through successfully. The Jew-
ish race, with its genius, its resource-
fulness, its tenacity and, not least,
its wealth, can alone perform this
essential task. The Balfour declara-
tion is not an expropriating but an
enabling clause. It is only a charter
of equality for Jews. Here are its
terms:

"His majesty's government view
with favor the establishment in Pal-
estine of a national home for the
Jewish people, and will use their
best endeavors to facilitate the
achievement of this object, it being

clearly understood that nothing shall
be done which may prejudice the
civil and religious rights of existing
non-Jewish communities in Pal-
estine, or the rights and political
status enjoyed by Jews in any other
country."
This declaration was subsequently
endorsed and adopted by President
Wilson and the French and Italian
foreign ministers.
The Zionists ask for no more. It
has been suggested by their enemies
that they are seeking to establish a
Jewish oligarchy in Palestine that
will reduce the Arab inhabitant to
a condition of servitude to a favored
Hebrew minority. The best answer
to that charge is to be found in the
memorandum submitted by the Zion-
ist association to the league of na-
tions.

"The Jews demand no privilege un-
less it be the privilege of rebuilding
by their own efforts and sacrifices a
land which, once the seat of a thriv-
ing and productive civilization, has
long been suffered to remain derelict.
They expect no favored treat-
ment in the matter of political or
religious rights. They assume as a
matter of course that all inhabitants
of Palestine, be they Jews or non-
Jews, will be in every respect on a
footing of perfect equality. They seek
no share in government beyond that
to which they may be entitled under
the constitution as citizens of the
country. They solicit no favors. They
ask, in short, no more than an
assured opportunity of peacefully
building up their national home by
their own exertions and of succeed-
ing on their merits."

This is the modest request which
these exiles from Zion propound to
the nations. And surely it is just
for it to be conceded, and if conceded,
then to be carried out in the way men
of honor fulfill their bond.

The Land of Their Fathers.
There are 14 millions of Jews in
the world. They belong to a race
which for at least 1,900 years has
been subjected to persecution, pillage,
massacre and the torments of endless
derision; a race that has endured per-
secution which for variety of torture
—physical, material and mental—
inflicted on its victims; for the viru-
lence and malignity with which it has
been sustained; for the length of time
it has lasted, and, more than all, for
the fortitude and patience with which
it has been suffered, is without paral-
lel in the history of any other peo-
ple.

Is it too much to ask that those
amongst them whose sufferings are
the worst shall be able to find refuge
in the land of their fathers made
holy by the splendor of their genius,
by the loftiness of their thoughts, by
the consecration of their lives and by
the inspiration of their message to
mankind?

Coroner's Jury Says Maryland Woman Murdered

Attempt Made to Connect Hus-
band With Death—Pretty
Waitress Mentioned
in Case.

By International News Service.
Frederick, Md., July 14.—The death
of Mrs. Grace Houck Kepner, mem-
ber of a noted Maryland family, was
clouded with mystery tonight when
a coroner's jury returned a verdict
charging she had been murdered "by
unknown persons."
The verdict followed a two days'
investigation of her death, after her
body had been exhumed. Mrs. Kepner
was found shot through the head in
the bedroom of her home, June 18.
Her death was at first believed to
be suicidal.

Although the state attempted to
link E. Evert Kepner, wealthy bank-
er husband, with the crime, the jury
did not mention him in its report.
The jury, however, recommended
that the case be immediately laid be-
fore a grand jury and that an arrest
be made as soon as conditions war-
rant.

The murder has aroused the entire
community, as a suicide theory was
generally accepted following Mrs.
Kepner's death. The state charged
Kepner himself "spread" the suicide
report. At the hearing, Kepner de-
clared his wife had killed herself.

Testimony during the trial also
showed Kepner had been "keeping
company" with Miss Lulu Ricketts, a
pretty waitress, and had showered
gifts upon her.

Man Killed, One Overcome by Fires in New Hampshire

Plymouth, N. H., July 14.—The
body of an unidentified woodsman
was found in the woods northeast of
here today, where forest fires are
burning, and another woodsman was
discovered unconscious from the heat.
A party of 12 or 15 fire fighters
who entered the woods from the Be-
be river district has been entirely
accounted for, according to reports
here tonight, removing fear that two
of the men had been caught by the
flames and smoke.
The fire, which has ravaged about
6,000 acres of timber land, raged all
today in the slash and tonight is
working toward Sandwich.

Two Plead Guilty to Auto Thefts; Are Sentenced

Lincoln, July 14.—Leroy Reese and
Charles Elliott, alleged ring leaders in
the band of automobile thieves, to
which a score or more of car thefts
within the past few months have
been traced, today in district court
here waived the reading of informa-
tions, entered pleas and asked for
immediate sentences. District Judge
Stewart complied with the request.
Elliott was given from one to 10
years in the state penitentiary and
Reese an undetermined term in the
reformatory.

Volcanoes Active.
Managua, Nicaragua, July 14.—The
volcanoes Ometepe and Santiago are
showing extraordinary activity. Seven
earth shocks were felt at San Fran-
cisco, in the department of Morazan,
each one stronger than the preced-
ing. The populace fled in panic.

Court Orders Power Rates to Be Reduced

Lincoln, July 14.—By a decision of
the supreme court today the Inter-
mountain Light and Power company
must supply to the citizens of Chad-
ron power at the rate of 6 cents a
kilowatt an hour and light at 12

cents an hour, as it is alleged it con-
tracted to do in 1910.
At the time of advancing prices the
company found its costs had so great-
ly increased that the rates were not
remunerative, and it notified the
Chadron municipality it must increase
them a third. The city council ob-
jected but under an alleged threat to
shut off the current it consented.
In supreme court the company

sought to show that the city had
agreed to the advance, but the court
says the same argument would re-
lieve a highway robber with a gun at
the head of a citizen of any respon-
sibility. Such enforced consent it
says, cannot be held to do away with
contracted obligations.
The principal industry of Arabia is
raising horses, camels, sheep, cat-
tle and mules.

Rainbow Vets Parade Behind Ex-Commanders

Indianapolis, July 14.—Through
streets packed solid with cheering
spectators, veterans of the Rainbow
division of the A. E. F., paraded to-
day behind their former commanders,
Gen. Henri Gouraud of France and

Gen. John J. Pershing. The parade
was the principal event on the pro-
gram of the fifth annual convention
of the Rainbow Division Veterans' as-
sociation.
Both the army chieftains spoke to
the former service men, praising their
valor in the world war on various
fronts. General Gouraud took oc-
casion to defend the occupation of the
Ruhr in his country.

Col. John M. Johnson of Marion, S.
C., was elected president of the as-
sociation to succeed William Donovan,
United States district attorney for
the western district of New York.
Because of the stream of English
emigrants who are entering the
United States, the British government
is becoming worried over the loss of
the great number of skilled artisans
and domestic servants.

"Ask Mr. Foster"
For aid and advice in planning vaca-
tions. All the irksome details are
managed for you. Hotel, train,
boat reservations are made, tickets
procured, entire itineraries ar-
ranged. There is no charge for
this service.

BURGESS-NASH COMPANY.

"EVERYBODY'S STORE"

July Clearance Sale

Coats Suits Dresses

For Women and Misses



For
Clearance

1/2

Original
Prices

In these three groups of apparel we have included even our highest priced garments. During this sale you may purchase the best of tailoring and exclusive designing for the usual price of clothes not half so lovely or serviceable.

For Example We List:

Coats

- Wraps, capes and swagger sport coats, all new and of this season's styling. Choose an extremely smart garment of any type at these clearance prices:
- \$21.00 Coats \$10.50
 - \$25.00 Coats \$12.50
 - \$35.00 Coats \$17.50
 - \$49.50 Coats \$24.75
 - \$59.50 Coats \$29.75
 - \$68.00 Coats \$34.00
 - \$79.50 Coats \$39.75
 - \$89.50 Coats \$44.75

Dresses

- Regardless of the original cost, we offer a large group of silk and woolen dresses at exactly one-half the marked price:
- \$21.00 Dresses \$10.50
 - \$29.50 Dresses \$14.75
 - \$35.00 Dresses \$17.50
 - \$49.50 Dresses \$24.75
 - \$59.50 Dresses \$29.75
 - \$75.00 Dresses \$37.50
 - \$95.00 Dresses \$47.50
 - \$150.00 Dresses \$75.00

Suits

- All this season's smartest styles, many of them suitable for late fall and early winter wear, will be offered in this sale at unprecedented price reductions:
- \$24.50 Suits \$12.25
 - \$29.50 Suits \$14.75
 - \$45.00 Suits \$22.50
 - \$55.00 Suits \$27.50
 - \$59.50 Suits \$29.75
 - \$65.00 Suits \$32.50
 - \$89.50 Suits \$44.75
 - \$125.00 Suits \$62.50



July Clearance of Toilet Goods Greatly Reduced in Price

- \$1.00 Shower Bath Spray, 79c
 - \$1.75 Fountain Sprays, 89c
 - 50c Jergens' Lotion, bottle, 39c
 - 35c Azura Talcum Powder, can 25c
 - 50c Djer Kiss Face Powder, box 35c
- With each purchase of a \$1.00 jar of "Lourmay" Lemon Cream, we will give a 50c can of fragrant L'le d'Amour Talcum Powder.
- 10c Creme Oil Soap, cake, 6c
 - \$1.25 can of Body Talcum with large Gainsborough Puff, 89c
 - 35c Frostilla Lotion, bottle, 22c
 - \$1.00 Coty's Talcum Powder, bottle 89c
 - 10c Colgate's Big Bath Soap, dozen 95c
 - 50c jar Smooth Hair, 37c
 - \$1.25 El Murillo Castile Soap, 3-pound bar 89c

July Clearance of Women's Low Shoes

Regular Stock Reduced to
\$5.95

Oxford, Pump and Sandal Effects—All this season's models that represent practically every type of footwear. Formerly priced from \$8 to \$15.

Satin, Kid, Suede, Patent, Colored Kid
Gray-Beige, Black, Brown, Ivory,
Red, Green, Blue, Violet.
Military, Cuban, Spanish and Low Heels.



July Clearance Sale of Silks

- White Sport Satin
All white patterns in plaid and striped effects, 40 inches in width, yd. **\$1.87**
- White Flat Crepe
Heavy quality, suitable for pleated skirts, 40-inch width, a yard **\$2.95**
- Satin Charmeuse
Very heavy highly finished satin, 40 inches in width. All the wanted dark color shades; yard **\$1.87**
- Silk Pongee
This 33-inch pongee is much used for lingerie, draperies and frocks. Specially priced **95c** for Monday, yard **95c**
- Knitted Crepes
Printed knit crepe, either light or dark colored, in a wide variety of patterns. **\$2.29** 36-inch width; yard

Silk Lingerie Clearance Priced

- Silk Chemise **\$2.95**
Envelope chemise of crepe de chine and radium in pink, flesh, peach and white. Values to \$3.95.
- Silk Gowns **\$3.95**
Values to \$4.95. Crepe de chine and radium gowns with built-up or strap shoulders. Tailored or lace trimmed styles.
- Wash Satin Petticoats **\$2.95**
White and flesh wash satin petticoats made with shadow-proof panels. Regularly \$4.95.
- Silk Petticoats **\$3.95**
Daintily trimmed with lace, these crepe de chine petticoats are a complement to any summer frock. White or flesh, with double panels both front and back. Regularly \$5.95.

- 35c Palm Olive Shaving Cream, tube 22c
- \$1.00 L'Origan Face Powder, box 69c
- \$1.00 LeTrefle or Azura Face Powder, box 65c
- \$2.50 Piver's Toilet Water, any odor \$1.98
- \$3.00 Auto Strop Safety Razor 89c
- \$1.00 Gillette Razor Blades, pkg. 63c
- \$8.50 L'Origan Toilet Water, bottle \$2.19

Women's Silk Hose Pair 89c

Semi-fashioned silk hose in all white and white with fancy color. Regularly much higher priced hose.

Women's Knit Vests At 89c

Fiber silk vests in fancy weaves, bodice tops. Flesh, orchid, maize and Nile green.

Kiddies Half Hose Pair 39c

Imported white lisle sox. The turnback top is finished with a Jacquard border. Regularly 65c.

We Offer Every Model in Costume Blouses

Our Entire Stock **1/3** Off Regular Price

There are large selections from which to choose every type of costume blouse, including Jacquettes and even sleeveless coats. Beautifully made of
Crepe de Chine Roshanara Crepe
and headed, braided and embroidered most effective-ly. All sizes at one-third reduction.



Our Entire Stock of Smart Sweaters

Offered Monday At **1/4** Off Regular Price

For Monday only we are reducing every sweater in stock 25%. Plain and novelty weaves in plain or contrasting colors.
Tuxedos, Golf Coats, Sleeveless Swaggar Coats
All the wanted sports colors in all sizes. Included in this grouping are fiber and pure silk, Iceland, mohair and many handmade sweaters.



Smart Styles in Every Size

Guatemala City, July 14.—Many persons were killed when two trains collided on the railroad to Puerto Barrios today. First aid treatment was given by an auxiliary train to numerous passengers who were injured.

Beautiful Sport Skirts

Latest models in pleated and straightline effects of Spongee, Prunella and Eponge may be had in the season's smartest checks, stripes and over-plaids in lighter shades. Sizes 26 to 34. **\$4.95**

Many New and Novel Weaves