

DESTITUTE JEWS HAVE NO HOUSES

Six Million Unfortunates Compelled to Use Packing Cases, Cans and Sacks.

Patterning on the block houses that children build, the destitute Jewish refugees of Eastern Europe, whose homes have been destroyed during the war, are trying to solve their housing problem with the packing boxes in which relief supplies have been sent to them according to reports received by the Canadian Jewish War Relief Committee from relief workers abroad.

Not only is every particle of food and clothing used to the utmost advantage in these stricken lands where 6,000,000 Jews are at the point of starvation, but the cans and sacks and wrapping cases in which the food and clothing come are made to do duty as well. There is neither lumber or nails in most of the countries of eastern Europe at present, and the packing boxes are handled as if they were the finest mahogany, when the shipments arrive. Not a nail is allowed to go to waste, when the boxes are taken carefully apart.

All over eastern Europe at present men, women, and children, many of them sick with typhus, are living in cellars, in devastated houses, in old freight cars, on roofless platforms, open to the wind, or in fields, unprotected from the elements. The clothing of these destitute Jews, consisting for the most part of the rags that they have worn for the five years of the war, afford them little warmth.

For this reason, the packing boxes, which might not be considered particularly luxurious homes at another time, are welcomed as life-savers just now. Boards from them are used to re-build broken houses, and even to make lean-to shelters where no building stood before. Some of the smaller boxes are piled one above the other, like children's blocks, and nailed together, to serve as temporary houses.

MOTHERS PRAY THAT BABIES MIGHT DIE

Suffering Among Jews is So Bad That Death Alone Gives Relief.

Mother's begging for death to relieve their children's suffering, was the most tragic thing seen by Leo Wolfson, New York attorney and journalist, in seven weeks spent in Roumania, Galicia, Besarabia and Bukovina. Mr. Wolfson, who has just returned to New York, made the trip in order to study political conditions in these countries.

"There are one and one-half millions Jews in this section of Eastern Europe who are in immediate want," declared Mr. Wolfson. "In every town I visited, I found, in naked Jews stretching out their hands to passers-by for a piece of bread.

"They hardly look like human beings. All one sees are living skeletons, covered with yellow skin. The children are small, worn-out, frightened, little creatures, who just drag themselves aimlessly around.

"How they will live through the winter, no one knows. No one can begin to describe this picture of misery and want. But one can get an idea of it, knowing that mothers are actually praying that death take their children, to relieve their terrible sufferings."

UNRESERVED

Auction Sale

Of Farm Stock, Implements, Etc.

The undersigned has received instructions to sell by public auction on Lot 11, Con. 7, Township of Walpole, on

Saturday, February 28th

the following valuable property:

HORSES—Mare 11 years old, in foal; Gelding 4 years old, Gelding 2 years old, Gelding 1 year old.

CATTLE—Holstein Bull, registered, 11 months old, "Elmwood Funder Lad," No. 40652, sired by Sir Funder B. B. Armsby, No. 25425, dam Ideal Daisy, No. 7138. Heifer, reg., 2 yrs old, "May Dewdrop Abbecker," No. 64381, sire Joseph Abbecker, No. 31534; dam May Dewdrop Colantha, No. 36213. Holstein cow 4 years old, fresh; 2 Holstein cows, 2 yrs old, fresh; Jersey cow 7 years old, due to freshen in April; 2 Calves 5 weeks old, 4 yearling steers.

SHEEP—18 Cotswold breeding ewes.

SWINE—Sow and 11 pigs 7 weeks old.

POULTRY—30 Rock Hens, 7 Leg Horn Hens.

IMPLEMENTS—Deering binder, Deering mower, Deering hay loader, Deering grass rake, 10 ft., Set Deering disc, Brass seeder, Misner drill, Miller long plow, Verity sulky plow, Set diamond tooth harrows, Set straight tooth harrows, Cutting box and belt, Fanning mill, Flat muck, nearly new, Wagon, Buggy, Cart, Cutter, Set bob-sleighs, Democrat Cream Separator, Corn planter, Set silt ropes, 10 Tons hay, timothy and lucerne, Wheelbarrow, 2 Ladders, 12 and 24 ft., 2 Sets of team harness, Set single harness, Crock can, Anvil and forge, Forks and shovels.

HOUSEHOLD EFFECTS—Coal range, Set small Seales, Large bureau, Bedsteads and other household furniture, also many other articles too numerous to mention to be seen on day of sale.

As the proprietor has sold his farm everything must and will be sold strictly without reserve.

Sale to commence at One o'clock sharp, rain or shine.

TERMS—All sums of \$10 and under, cash; over that amount 3 months' credit will be given on furnishing approved joint notes, 4 per cent. straight off for cash. Decision of Auctioneer to be final.

ALFRED IONSON, Proprietor.
JOHN DEMING, Auctioneer.

Opposition for Hon. Raney

Lieut.-Col. Robert T. Pritchard, of Fergus, Conservative standard-bearer for East Wellington in the general election, will be Hon. W. E. Raney's opponent in Wellington. Col. Pritchard announced his decision in Toronto last night, declaring that he was running as an independent candidate in protest against an outsider being brought in to represent the riding. Col. Pritchard is a prominent Wellington farmer and stock-breeder. He commanded the 153rd Battalion overseas, and will receive important support from the returned soldiers of the riding. He is an ex-Warden of Wellington county and an ex-Reeve of Nichol Township.

In Blenheim district one farmer and fruit grower is said to have engaged a man for ten months for the coming season at \$100 per month and board.

UNRESERVED AUCTION SALE

Of Farm Stock, Implements, Etc.

The undersigned has received instructions from Mr. Thomas Curwain to sell by Public Auction on the premises, Lot 24, Con. 13, Township of Townsend, one and one-half miles west of Jarvis,

On Monday, March 8th

the following valuable property:

HORSES—1 Horse aged, 1 Mare aged, **CATTLE**—Holstein grade farrow cow, 3 years old; Durham grade cow, 6 years old, due March 15; Durham grade heifer, 3 years old, due March 16; Holstein grade yearling heifer, Durham grade yearling heifer, Holstein grade steer coming 1 year old, Durham heifer calf, Holstein heifer calf.

SHEEP—7 Cotswold breeding Ewes, Ewe Lamb, Cotswold Ram, aged.

SWINE—Brood Sow, due April 15th; 5 Shoats, about 130 lbs.

POULTRY—About 40 Brown Leghorn Hens.

IMPLEMENTS—Massey-Harris Binder, 5-ft. cut; M. H. Mower, 5 ft. cut; M. H. Disc, 6 plate; M. H. Corn Cultivator, M. H. Horse Rake, 10 ft.; M. H. Drill, 10 tubes; Log Land Roller, 2-piece; Set of Miller diamond tooth harrows, Set wooden harrows, Miller seuffer, Democrat Buggy, Cutter, New lumber wagon, Set bob-sleighs, Hay rack, Hog cart, 5 Londen steel cow stanchions, complete; Wagon box and spring seat, Miller iron beam plow, Stoneboat, Wheelbarrow, Set of wagon singletrees, Set of plow singletrees, Set heavy harness, Set single harness, Collar and names, new; Grindstone, Wagon jack, Set of wire stretchers, complete; Steel bar, Iron bar, Logging chain, Oil barrel, Cross cut saw, 2 Sugar kettles, Coal-oil tank, Quantity of seed barley, Quantity of hay, Number of grain bags, Melotte cream separator, 750 lbs. capacity; Cyclone seeder, McDowell fanning mill, Quantity of rock elm plank, and some iron.

HOUSEHOLD EFFECTS—Home Comfort cook stove, Heater, coal or wood; Sideboard, Cupboard, Small Lounge, 4 Kitchen Chairs, 2 Bedsteads, Stand, Milk Can, and many other articles too numerous to mention to be seen day of sale.

As the proprietor has sold his farm everything must and will be sold strictly without reserve.

Sale to commence at 1 o'clock sharp, rain or shine.

TERMS—All sums of \$10 and under, cash; over that amount 3 months' credit will be given on furnishing approved joint notes, 3 per cent. straight off for cash. Decision of Auctioneer to be final.

THOMAS CURWAIN, Proprietor.
JOHN DEMING, Auctioneer.

Walter Rodgers, Clerk.

UNRESERVED AUCTION SALE

Of Farm Stock, Implements, Etc.

The undersigned has received instructions from Mr. Leslie Marx to sell by Public Auction on the premises, Lot 18, Con. 3, Township of Woodhouse, 1-4 mile east of Marburg store,

On Tuesday, March 9th

the following valuable property:

HORSES—Brood mare 12 years old, in foal; Mare 12 years old, Percheron colt rising 4 years old, Percheron colt rising 3 years old, Colt 1 year old, by Johnnie Mac; Colt 1 year old, by John Law's Coach horse; Brown mare 10 years old, Bay mare 12 years old, in foal; Gelding rising 3 years old, Percheron rising 2 years old, Coach mare rising 2 years old.

CATTLE—Cow 3 years old, due to freshen Mar. 15; Cow 4 years old, due Mar. 25; Cow 7 years old, due April 5th; Cow 5 years old, due April 15; Cow 3 yrs. old, due May 8; Cow 5 years old, due June 2; Cow 3 years old, farrow; Cow 9 years old, due April 15; 5 Heifers 2 years old, 4 Heifers 1 year old, 2 Calves.

HOGS—Brood Sow due April 16th, 10 Shoats.

IMPLEMENTS—Massey-Harris Binder, 6 ft. cut; Massey-Harris Mower, 5 ft. cut; M. H. Horse rake, 10 ft.; M. H. Spring tooth cultivator, M. H. Drill, 11 hoe; Corn cultivator, Set 14 plate Disc, Log roller, Miller plow No. 19, Maple Leaf 2-farrow plow, Cockshutt 2-farrow plow, Chatham fanning mill, Set of 2000 lb. Scales, Root pulper, Corn sheller (power), Manure spreader, 2 Lumber wagons, Buggy, Cart, Cutter, Bob-sleighs, Wagon box, Hay rack, Hog cart, Wheelbarrow, 3 1-2 cord stoves, Hay fork, car, Sling, 160 ft. new rope; 2 Sets double harness, 1-2 Set double harness, Set of single harness, 40 gal. galvanized tank, 40 gal. vinegar barrel, Grindstone, 3 iron kettles, Lawn mower, Churn, Cream Separator, Alsike buncher, Glass seeder, Set of sheep and horse clippers, good as new, and a number of other articles to be seen on day of sale.

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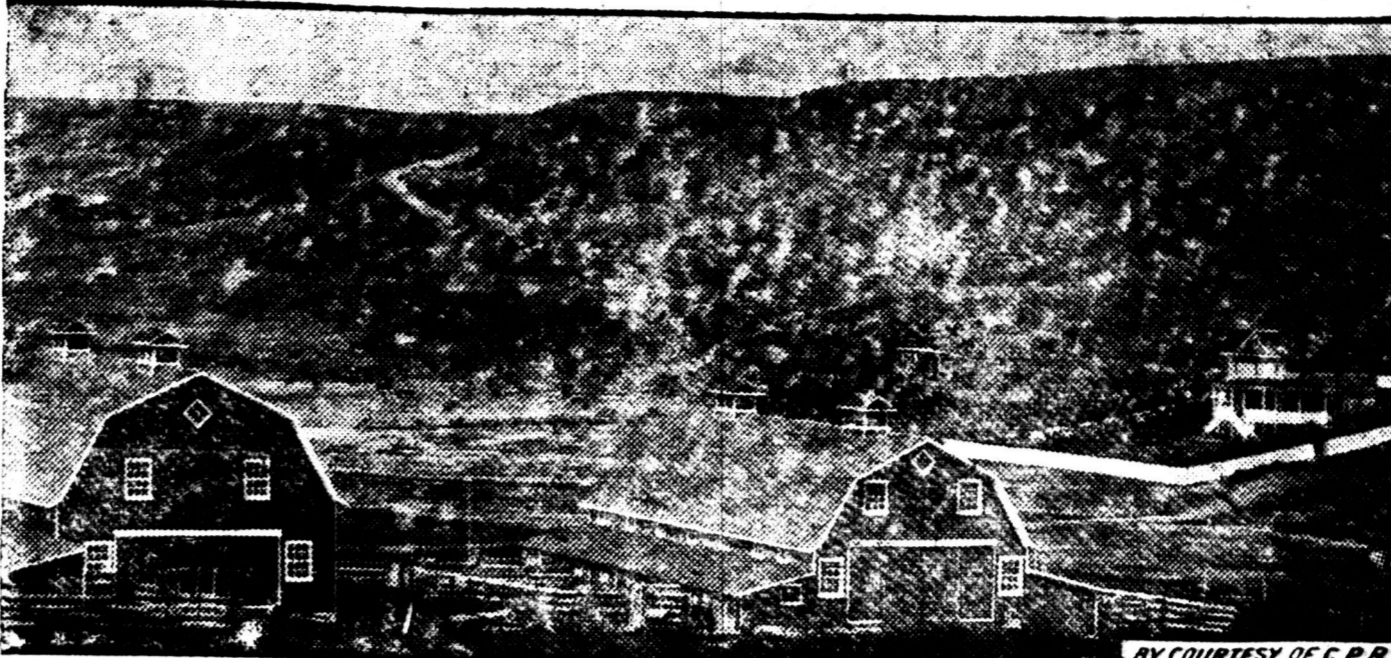
Sale to commence at 1 o'clock sharp, rain or shine.

TERMS—All sums of \$10 and under, cash; over that amount 3 months' credit will be given on furnishing approved joint notes, 4 per cent. straight off for cash. Decision of Auctioneer to be final in all cases of dispute.

L. E. MARR, Proprietor.
JOHN DEMING, Auctioneer.

George McBride, Clerk.

From News Boy to Hereford Breeder



BY COURTESY OF C.P.R.

Frank Collicutt in the Province of Alberta, rose from a newsboy to be Canada's foremost Hereford breeder. His boyhood days were spent in an atmosphere common to all other boys who have to make a living in cities. His ambition to make money had to be gratified by selling newspapers on the street corners. When the first newsboy's route was established in Calgary he got it, and his ability as a newspaper salesman became generally recognized. He applied for the position of newsagent when the Canadian Pacific Railway was being completed from Calgary to Edmonton, and he sold papers, magazines and books on the first passenger train over that railroad.

This environment brought him in touch with many ranchers and farmers in Alberta. He was ambitious and big men took a personal interest in him. Among these was "Par" Burns, a packer and rancher who has been one of Alberta's most prominent citizens since the cowboys owned the ranges. Mr. Burns wanted young Collicutt to herd cattle for him, and the monetary inducements and future prospects appeared to him sufficiently to take him from newspaper salesmanship. He began the cattle business then and the day he first sprang into the saddle marked a period of progress.

Mr. Collicutt saved his earnings and invested in grade cattle. He later became a buyer for Mr. Burns and in these two enterprises buying and investing he was singularly successful.

After several years of experience in handling a grade herd and feeding steers in thousands, Mr. Collicutt had an ambition to own pure-bred. His opportunity came when the pure-bred Hereford stock of the Baxter-Reed Ranching Co. in Alberta was offered for sale in 1908. This herd had been imported direct from Herefordshire, England after having been selected by one of Britain's most competent Hereford breeders. In 1908 pure-bred cattle were not so expensive as they are today and his investment for the 100 cows and young stock was not so formidable a consideration as it would be now. In the following year Mr. Collicutt bought the herd of the Simon Downie & Sons of Alberta, including the cow Sally and the bull, Beau Perfection 11th best imported from the herd of Stephen T. McCray in Indiana.

Like the Baxter-Reed people he did not fully appreciate the merit of imported English cows and was backward in paying the price necessary to purchase a bull that would give best results on such high-class females. Importations were made from time to time from Mr. McCray's herd. Fairfax Perfection and Governor Hadley produced the best results in his herd up to the spring of 1916, when Mr. Collicutt bought Gay



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- (1) Mr. Collicutt's Ranch at Crossfield, Alberta.
- (2) Some of Mr. Collicutt's Prize Hereford Cattle.
- (3) Mr. Collicutt's \$20,000 Bull.

Lad 40th, by Gay Lad 6th, from O. Harris & Sons, for \$11,900. This bull was only a yearling when brought to Canada but he had been a junior champion in the United States the previous season. To-day he has justified his purchase price many times over through his progeny, which now ramble about in large numbers at Willow Springs Ranch, Mr. Collicutt's chief ranch, 30 miles north of Calgary. Gay Lad blood has proved such a happy thing with imported cows that Mr. Collicutt readily bought another Gay Lad, also by Gay Lad 6th, from the Gleggery Ranch in Alberta, in 1918. The Gleggery Ranch purchased 30 Herefords at the 1917 sale of O. Harris & Sons and among these was Gay Lad 10th which sold for \$20,000. He was sold in 1918 to Mr. Collicutt together with 30 females, and their increase at the same price, \$20,000. Not only has Gay Lad 16th got a lot of beautiful calves for Mr. Collicutt, but he was champion of Canada in 1913 and stood third in a strong class at the 1918 International, in Chicago. The 1919 Canadian show circuit will see group after group of Gay Lad calves from Willow Springs Ranch. Anyone who is inclined to question the advisability of buying a bull of

acknowledged superiority would no longer doubt if he were to see these calves. Their character, smoothness, and uniformity are unusual.

A visit to this herd at Willow Springs Ranch reveals one of the most inspiring undertakings in Alberta's livestock industry. One would think that in locating a ranch for the ideal location, and had found it. Nestled in a great coniferous forest the most modern barns and practical house imaginable. Up and down this couple the breeding herd rambles in comfort, winter and summer, night and day, with nothing but blue sky for a roof, and the wooded banks of the ravine for walls. In summer they wade in luxuriant grasses and drink at will from a stream of spring water that originates in the banks of the coniferous forest. In winter they pick at hay and oat sheaves. The bulls and young things, together with the matrons suckling their calves, find shelter in the well-bedded boxstalls in the barn. All others welcome the freedom and unconventionalities of the outdoors. There is satisfaction in the uniformity of Hereford's properly bred and cared for.—Canadian, in "Breeder"

SIX MILLION JEWS NEAR STARVATION

Cold and Disease Add to Sufferings of Destitute Peasants of Poland.

Eastern Europe is the only part of the world to-day that really understands the meaning of conservation, in the grim sense of the word, according to reports brought back to the American Jewish Relief Committee by relief workers recently returned from these stricken lands.

Not a particle is wasted of any of the relief supplies sent from America by the Joint Distribution Committee of American Funds for Jewish War Sufferers or by other organizations. Garbage cans and dump heaps are naturally unknown quantities in a region where 6,000,000 Jews—men, women, and children—are at the point of starvation. Typical of the extreme thoroughness with which these people utilize everything to-day was the use recently made of a shipment of flour, sent to eastern Europe by American Jewish relief agencies.

The flour itself was used to feed destitute Jews at the soup kitchens. White bread is a luxury in these lands to-day, the taste of it forgotten by the poor, and none of the flour sent from America is made into bread as yet. It goes farther stirred into the soup issued at the Jewish relief stations.

In order to make sure that not one atom of the flour was going to waste, the seams were ripped from the sacks, which were then shaken over the soup receptacles. The next thing put to use was the cloth of the sacks themselves. There is practically no cotton or linen in eastern Europe to-day, and every scrap of cloth is put to use.

In this particular case, the sacks were needed both as shrouds for the dead, and as cloths in the operating rooms of the hospital. A part of them was devoted to each purpose. Both shrouds and bandages in eastern Europe to-day have to be made by sewing hundreds of tiny bits of used cloth together, so these flour sacks proved a godsend.

The thread which had stitched the bags together was carefully saved, also, and used to patch together the rags that form almost the only clothing of the destitute Jewish children in these lands, and to sew together the scraps of cloth that they wear around their feet, in lieu of shoes.

In order to help these sufferers, Canadian Jewish Relief Committee is making an appeal for funds.

MOTHERS WATCH CHILDREN STARVE

Lack of Clothing Adds to Suffering Among Jewish Residents of Poland.

The patient resignation with which a mother in Poland accepts what the fates have in store for her children who frequently die of starvation before her eyes, is one of the things that leaves a lasting impression on relief workers there.

Jacob Bashein, who has just returned from abroad, where he had charge of a relief unit for the Joint Distribution Committee, which disbursed funds raised by the American Jewish Relief Committee and other bodies, said that food is distributed to the children in Lodz on a ration basis, and that where the small folks were unable to appear in person because of lack of clothing or illness from the "starvation sickness," the allotment was given to the mother. On one occasion a little woman with great hunger-appealing eyes, asked for four rations. The following day she appeared again and asked for only two.

"Two" repeated the distributing agent. "Why you received four yesterday."

"Yes, but to-day I need only two, because," and the worker may have only imagined that he caught a note of relief in the utter hopelessness of the curiously quiet answer, "two of my little ones died during the night."

For the purpose of relieving this terrible suffering an appeal for funds is being made by the Canadian Jewish War Relief Committee, of which full details will be given later.

JEWS STARVING IN JERUSALEM

Terrible Destitution Caused by Lack of Employment and Shortage of Food.

The street cleaners of Jerusalem form a picturesque but pathetic testimony to the terrible destitution of the Jews of that ancient city, according to the latest reports received by the Canadian Jewish War Relief Committee from relief workers abroad.

The problem of employment is so great in Jerusalem that it is almost impossible to find work in the natural way. For this reason, the Joint Distribution Committee of Funds for Jewish Sufferers from the War hired fifty of the most poverty-stricken Jews who applied to them for aid, to clean the streets in the Jewish quarter. The youngest of these street cleaners is fourteen years old. Seven of the street cleaners are between seventy and eighty years old, and eighteen more are between sixty and seventy years old. None of them have adequate clothing or food.