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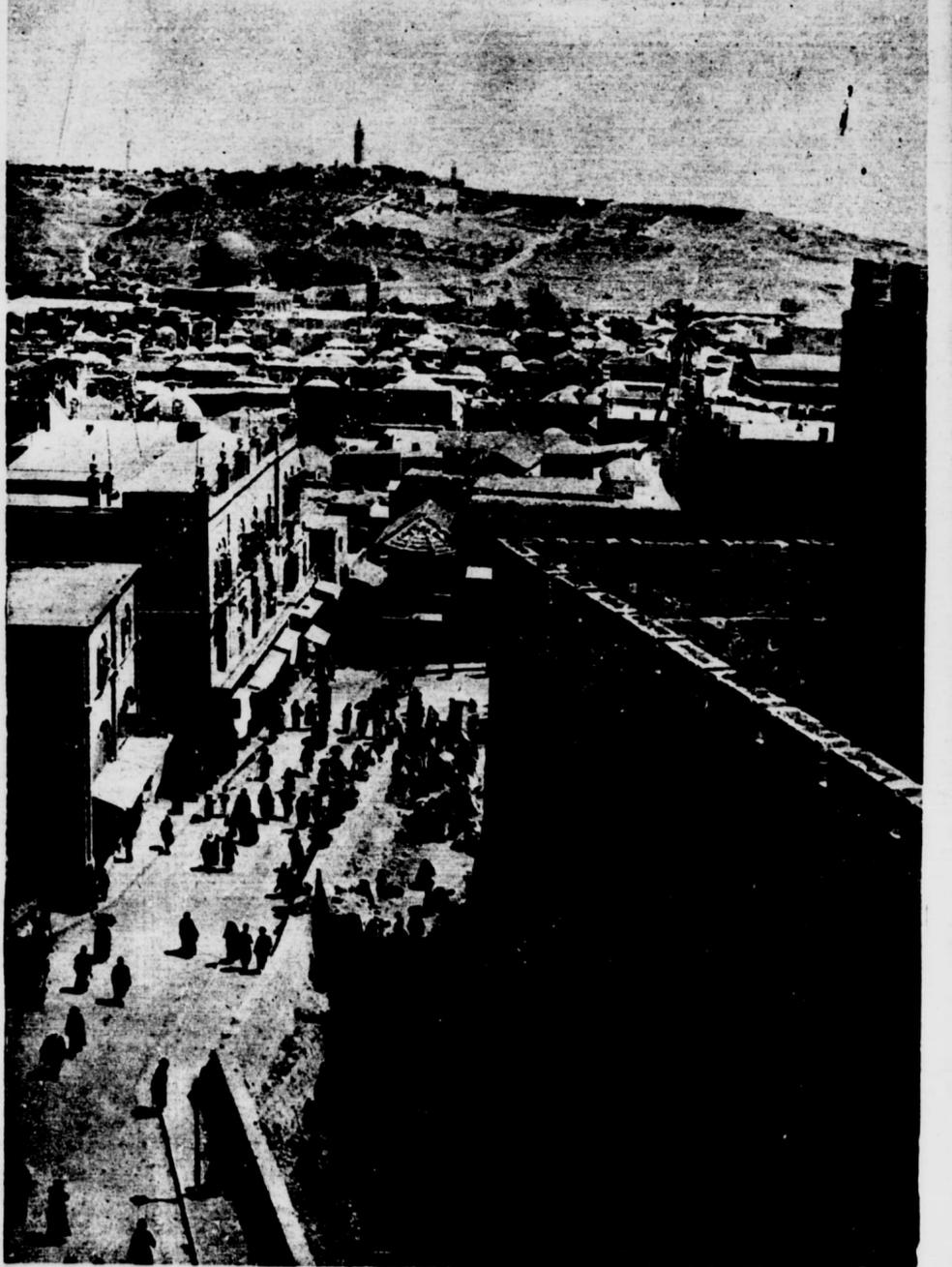
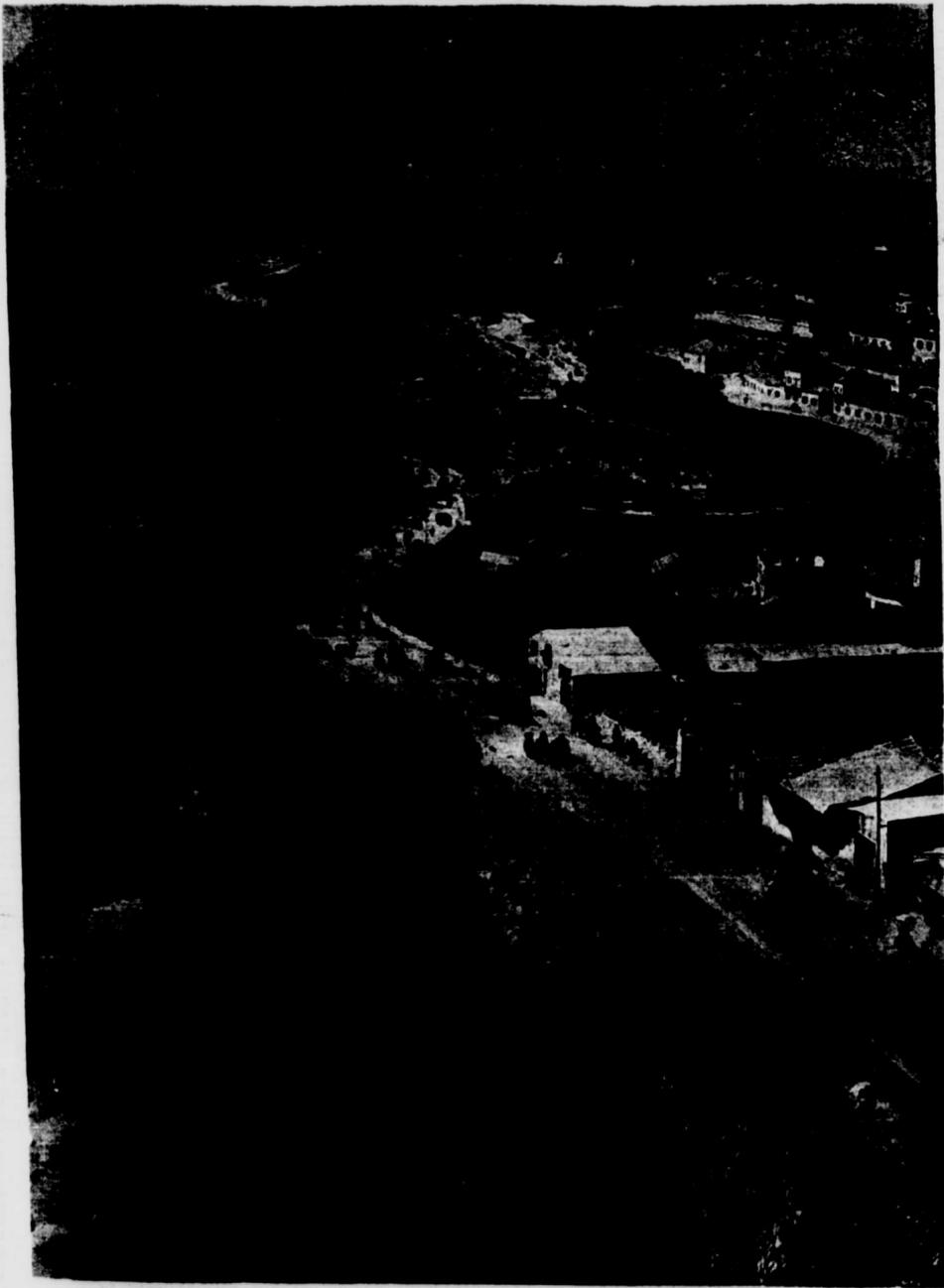


David's Tower, which it is proposed to convert into a museum.

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Business section of Jerusalem lying just inside the famous Jaffa Gate Tower.

## JERUSALEM OUTGROWS ITS ANCIENT WALLS



Road to Bethlehem, which has been called the most sacred thoroughfare in the world. The work of building a trolley road along it begins this spring.

In the immediate foreground is the business centre of the city, which the trolley routes will link with the large Jewish colonies that lie some miles to the north.

**A** REVOLUTIONARY change is involved in the plan, soon to be carried out, to provide Jerusalem with a modern electric street car service, electric light and a much needed water supply. In order to effect these improvements it is necessary to pull down the picturesque ancient walls and massive towers of the city.

The rapidity with which Jerusalem is growing, owing to the return of Jews in great numbers to the home of their ancestors, has made these changes necessary. To the north and west of the old city there have sprung up within the last ten years large Jewish colonies, populous residential sections, as well as con-

vents, institutions, schools and other buildings, with the result that to-day there is a larger Jerusalem without the walls than within.

Four separate tramways are to be constructed. They will start from the Jaffa Gate, the principal entrance into the city, and run outside the city walls through the newer parts of Jerusalem. The first, which will have a length of about two miles, will give easy access to what may be termed the business quarter of the city. The second, of similar length, will link up the large Jewish colonies to the north with the city's north gate, that of Damascus.

The third will encircle the old city, embracing many of its historic sites, such as the Tomb of the Kings and the Mount of

Olives. The fourth line will run from the Jaffa Gate to Bethlehem, about six miles away, traversing the most sacred thoroughfare in the world. The work of laying the rails is to begin this spring.

The city walls, which have a circumference of about three miles, and rise in places to a height of 30½ feet, are now being offered by the Government for sale as building material. It is expected that efforts will be made to save the isolated sections, more particularly the massive towers. Indeed, influential citizens of Jerusalem have formed a society with a view to preserving David's Tower, which they propose to convert into a museum.