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that troops of Iraq and Trans-Jor-dan were moving up to Palestine's western frontier. However, there was no sign of military prepara-tion in Amman, the capital of Trans-Jordan's King Abdullah, who has announced his leadership of the threatened invasion of the Holy Land.

Irregular volunteers from the various Arab countries already are fighting inside Palestine. Many units of Egypt's regular army have been reported massed in Sinai, on the southern frontier of Palestine, awaiting orders. Es-timates of their number have ranged from 6,000 to 16,000. A state of emergency has been declared in Syria. The Syrian Parliament is expected to declare martial law later and appoint Pre-mier Jamil Mardam Bey as Mili-tary Governor. Lebanon also declared of emergency

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pected shortly after midnight, a Damascus dispatch said. A late report said Dan was under attack. Earlier accounts from Syria said