

Sea of Galilee to the Jerusalem suburbs.

A Syrian Army communiqué announced the capture of Samakh, on the south shore of the Sea of Galilee, after a fierce fight in which the Israel lost 172 men killed and a large number wounded. It was asserted that the Arabs captured two armored cars and a big quantity of ammunition. One Israeli plane was shot down, it was said.

The Egyptian War communiqué said that Egyptian troops advanced to Beit Hanun after two days of consolidating positions and mopping up. Beit Hanun was described as one of the chief Israeli fortified positions in the Egyptian operational zone.

Stiff Fighting in North

CAIRO, Egypt, May 19 (UP)— Dispatches from Damascus reported that Iraqi and Syrian artillery was shelling Israeli strong points at Safed and Beisan in northeastern Palestine.

Safed lies north of the Sea of Galilee and Beisan to the south. Dispatches have indicated that the Iraqis and Syrians intend to make Beisan their next objective and thus provide a continuous Arab line from the southern shore of the