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**GENERAL**

The first fortnight of the month brought reports of numerous Arab bands crossing into Northern Palestine. These 'invaders' are comparatively well disciplined, especially in the Nablus and Tulkarm areas where they appear to exert a considerable stabilising influence. There is as yet no evidence of any intention on their part to undertake any acts of aggression in the immediate future. From reports we have received their task is one of security, while the National Committees are left to deal with administration.

Inside Palestine there is a good deal of dissatisfaction at the methods of the Arab Higher Executive and dismay at the lack of activity on the part of the Arab League. The Mufti appears loath to leave Cairo - - - possibly because his position as Supreme Leader of the Palestine Arabs is by no means confirmed. In Trans-Jordan King Abdullah says nothing and keeps everybody guessing.

The negative results of the negotiations at UNO at the beginning of the month have caused the outlook of the Jews to be more pessimistic than ever and a lot of bitter aspersions are being cast at America for leaving them in the lurch.

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**SOBRAON DAY**

Feb. 10th. 1948

**SOBRAON DAY CELEBRATIONS**

The Bn. though heavily beset by duties and commitments endeavoured to celebrate the day in a manner befitting the memory of our gallant pre-decessors.

A day's holiday was proclaimed and at the special Tiffin meal, beer and cigarettes were issued to the men of the Bn. A short talk during the course of the meal was given by the C.O., Maj. Wall; he apologized for the unavoidable absence of the