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South-East Arabia: The desert kingdom of Muscat, on the Persian Gulf, has become the latest trouble centre in the Middle East.

These first pictures show the advance of the Sultan's Troops (supported by British forces) on the rebel-held interior of Oman.

In this scorched, barren terrain, the advance is governed by the position of the nearest water-hole.

The British troops engaged are men of the Cameronians - rushed in following the Sultan's request for British <sup>HELP</sup> assistance in this tribal uprising.

~~The successful capture of the rebel fort at Nizwa, was made possible~~

In the successful advance on the rebel fort, at Nizwa - information was obtained from the headman of each friendly village.

There are <sup>strong</sup> many reasons for British intervention in this local conflict. Muscat has had treaty-links with Britain for over a century. While swift military aid will reassure the oil-rich Protectorates - (such as Kuwait and Bahrein), of Britain's determination to safeguard her friends...

So the R.A.F. leads the most effective form of attack on the rebel strongpoints. ~~in this difficult terrain.~~ While <sup>British</sup> Britain troops are, once again, in battle order - honouring century-old pledges of friendship - in guarding our vital interests in the Middle East.

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