

EMIR BECOMES AIR COMMODORE.

At Amman in Transjordan, the Emir Abdullah assumes the rank of Air Commodore in the Royal Air Force; receives his pennant at the hands of the Group Captain commanding the station, and expresses his thanks through an interpreter. His Highness inspects the parade of airmen drawn up to do him honour, and asks many questions when taken to examine a number of planes of varying types, grouped especially for the occasion. To music, supplied by the band of the Arab Legion, he takes up position for a march-past of airmen - with fixed bayonets, a fly-past of Lysanders and a drive-past of armoured cars.

Transjordan (just in case you have forgotten) is under the same mandate as Palestine; And the Emir (second son of King Hussein of Hejaz) is a loyal friend of the Empire.