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3. Syria

- The government is being hard pressed by the Nasirists.
- b. Another pro-Nasir demonstration in Damascus yesterday turned into a riot. The crowd had to be dispersed by troops and police with fire hoses, clubs, and gunfire.
- The government has closed its border with Lebanon--Nasir's base of operations--and imposed a strict curfew. Cairo propaganda, meanwhile, continues to play up the Syrian difficulties and to egg on the Nasirists there.
- Soviet Lunar Shot
- a. A Soviet space vehicle was launched at 0316 EST this morning. It appears to have been a parking vehicle for a lunar attempt.

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	c. The USSR had suffered fail- ures in ten out of its previous in- terplanetary and lunar attempts.	
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