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PEACE - KEEPING MISSIONS VITAL

U THANT'S MESSAGE TO WORLD VETERANS STRESSES IMPORTANCE OF U.N. OPERATIONS

The importance of United Nations peace-keeping operations as "one of the most effective instruments" to prevent an escalation of world disputes into clashes of arms, was stressed by U Thant, UN Secretary-General, in a message issued last week on the occasion of World Veterans Day.

Following is the text of the Secretary-General's message made public on 26 June, World Veterans Day, which this year was observed on the same date which marks the anniversary of the signing of the United Nations Charter in San Francisco in 1945.

"I think it is fitting, indeed, that World Veterans Day should be observed this year on June the 26th, the anniversary of the signing of the United Nations Charter.

The Charter begins by affirming the determination of the peoples of the United Nations "to save succeeding generations from the scourge of war, which twice in our lifetime has brought untold sorrow to mankind." It seems to me that nobody is better qualified to bear continuous witness to the horrors as well as the futility of war than are veterans all over the world.

To make the meaning of war more widely and properly understood is a particularly important task today, in 1966. I doubt whether the world is really well enough aware of the calamitous effects which a nuclear war would have, and of the immense devastation and destruction which would be wrought by the weapons that would almost surely be used in any global conflict. I believe that a wider understanding of the nature of these dangers can help to mobilize irresistible public support for disarmament and peace.

It is in this context that veterans of past wars can play a unique role. Moreover, veterans are in an especially good position, if I may say so, not only to appreciate the

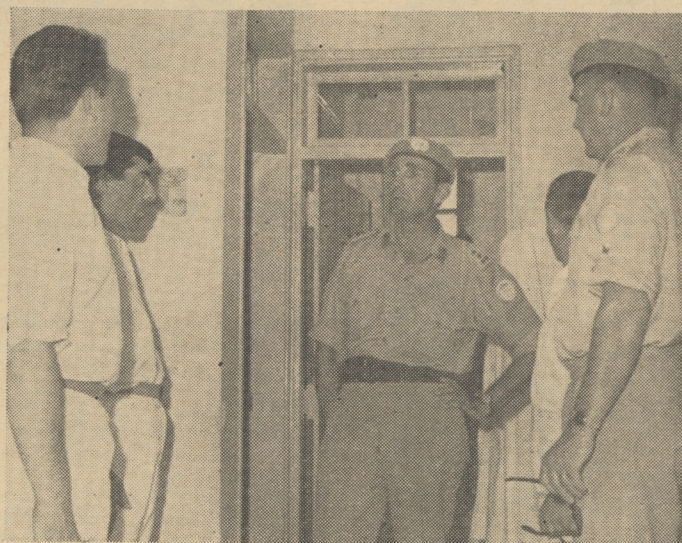
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BRIGADIER HARBOTTLE VISITS A.F.H.

The Force Chief of Staff, Brigadier N. M. Harbottle, accompanied by the outgoing C.M.O., Col H.R. Miller, visited the Austrian Field Hospital last week. Pictured above the COS is welcomed to AFH by the CO, Col Robert Wech, and below, right, meets laboratory staff, Sgt Frank Merisch and WO I Josef Bettin during a brief tour of the hospital facilities.



BUNCHE TO VISIT UNFICYP

UN UNDER-SECRETARY ARRIVES HERE ON FRIDAY FROM UNTSO

Mr. Ralph J. Bunche, Under-Secretary for Special Political Affairs, is scheduled to arrive in Cyprus on Friday, 8 July, for a brief "routine" visit to the United Nations Force in Cyprus.

At the direction of the Secretary-General, U Thant, Mr. Bunche is making routine visits to United Nations operations in the Near East area with which he is concerned, including the United Nations

Emergency Force (UNEF), the United Nations Truce Supervision Organization in Palestine (UNTSO), and UNFICYP.

The purpose of the visit is to review with the heads of these operations various questions having to do with the conduct and organization of their activities.

Mr. Bunche left New York on Thursday evening, 30 June, for Gaza. He was in

Gaza for consultations with Major-General Indarjit Rikhye, Commander of UNEF, from 1 to 5 July; will be in Jerusalem and Amman for consultations with Lieutenant-General Odd Bull, Chief of Staff of UNTSO, on UNTSO matters from 5 to 8 July, and will then proceed to Cyprus, via Beirut, for consultations with Mr. Carlos A. Bernardes, the Secretary-Ge-

ERIK EJEGODS GRAV I PAPHOS

Den 10 Juli 1103, altså paa søndag for 863 aar siden, døde den danske konge Erik Ejegod i Paphos her paa Cypern. Kongen var paa pilgrimsrejse til Jerusalem, men under sørejsen fra Konstantinopel fik han, maaske fordi han ikke taalte varmen, saa heftige feberanfald, at rejsen maatte afbrydes, og kort efter ankomsten til Paphos døde kongen.

Om aarsagen til, at vor konge begav sig ud paa en paa den tid saa lang og anstrængende rejse, fortæller Saxo: Det er aften, kongen spiser i det fri, der kommer en berømt harpespiller, som roser sig af, at han med sine toner kan bringe sine tilhørere til vanvid. Kongen opfordrer ham til at vise sin kunst, og harpespilleren erklærer sig villig.

Spillet begynder, lidt efter lidt overfalder kongen af raseri og begynder at raabe og skrike. Livvagten iler til og finder kongen i et ubændigt raseri. Der opstaar haandgemæng og herunder kommer kongen til at knuse fire af sine bedste riddere. Ved at kaste puder og hynder over kongen lykkes det omsider at faa

ham tæmmet og beroliget. Det katedral. Han var katolik, men paa den tid var der ingen katolsk



Major A. Hansen og kaptajn F.A. Rasmussen, begge fra DANCON's stab, ved stedet hvor vi maa formode, at Erik Ejegod blev begravet. I baggrunden ses kirken Kyriake Khrysopolitissa.

var for at sone denne udaad, at kongen aflagde løfte om at drage til det hellige land.

Saa vidt Saxo. Andre historikere tillægger andre aarsager større vægt. Kongen følte sin magt truet af ærkebiskop Leimar i Hamborg. Leimar havde en klemme paa kongen, idet kongen imod kirkens bud havde indgaaet ægteskab med sit næstsøskendebarn Bodil. Denne konflikt førte til banlysning og bodsrejse til Rom. Her kan kongen være blevet grebet af den begejstring hvormed planerne for befrielsen af Jerusalem var blevet modtaget, saaledes at han selv besluttede sig til at drage paa korstog

Rimkrøniken beretter om drabet paa de fire riddere, men her er det ikke harpespil, der er anledningen. Kongen gik amok, hedder det under indflydelse af sydens varme vine.

Erik Ejegod blev begravet i byens

kirke i Paphos. Vi maa derfor regne med, at han blev begravet i den græsk-ortodoxe kirke, der var viet til helgenerne Peter og Paulus. Denne kirke eksisterer imidlertid ikke mere, men man mener, at den maa have ligget lidt nord for en senere bygget kirke, som stadig staar.

Vil man besøge Erik Ejegods grav, maa man først finde kirken Kyriake Khrysopolitissa. Kirken ligger ved et vej-T lidt øst for en søjle, der, ifølge den lokale tradition, er søjlen som Paulus var bundet til, da han modtog de fyrretyve slag paa et nær. Mellem kirken og søjlen, nord for vejen ligger en lille have. I det nordlige havegræde er der gamle murrester, som muligvis har tilhørt den oprindelige katedral. Der er en have-laae ud mod vejen i havens østlige ende. Her i nærheden maa vi formode, at den ejegode danske konge blev stedt til hvile.

EVL SALIN TURVAJOUKKOJEN HENKILÖTOIMISTON PÄÄLLIKÖKSI

Yhdestoista kerta to'en sanoo, totesi turvajoukkojen kansainvälisen esikunnan henkilötoimiston uusi päällikkö, evl A.A. Salin ottaessaan viran vastaan evl Rafael Rajakselta, joka yhdeksän kuukautta saarella vietettyään suuntasi Pohjan perille kesäyön valoisuutta ihaillema an.

Eversti Salin on nimittäin Pääesikunnan YK-toimiston päällikön ominaisuudessa ehtinyt virka-asioissa käväistä saarella jo kymmen kertaa aikaisemmin. Näitten vierailujensa ansiosta hän lienee tuttu useimmille yksplaisille ja, jos satuisi, ettei sillä perusteella ole päästy tutuksi niin olemme tavaneet hänen liikkuvan ruuhanturva-asioissa ainakin Santahaminassa, Hyyrylässä, Helsingissä, radiossa tai televisiossa.

Rt-mies Suomenlahden rannalta.

Everstiluutnantti Armas Aleksi Salin on syntynyt Helsingissä 12.12. 1961. Hän tuli ylioppilaaksi 1940, kävi Merisotakoulun 1943-43 ja Sotakorkeakoulun 1953-54. Hänet ylennettiin vänrikiksi 41, luutnantiksi 43, kapteeniksi - 49, majuriksi - 60 ja everstiluutnantiksi 1966.

Rannikkotyöstämiehenä hän oli mukana sodissa patterin päällikkönä Uudenmaan Rannikkoprikaatissa Suomenlahdella 1941-44 ja palveli sodan jälkeen Merivoimien esikunnassa 1945-49. Hän toimi patterin päällikkönä Suomenlinnassa Suomenlinnan Rannikkolinakkeistossa 1950-51, toimistoupseeri-

na Pääesikunnan meripuolustusosastossa 1955-56, koulutusupseerina Hangon Rt Pstossa 58-59, patteristoupseerina Vaasan Rt. Pstossa Helsingissä 60-64 ja kuten sanottu, ennen Kyprokselle tuloaan Puolustusministeriön YK-tston päällikkönä 64-66.

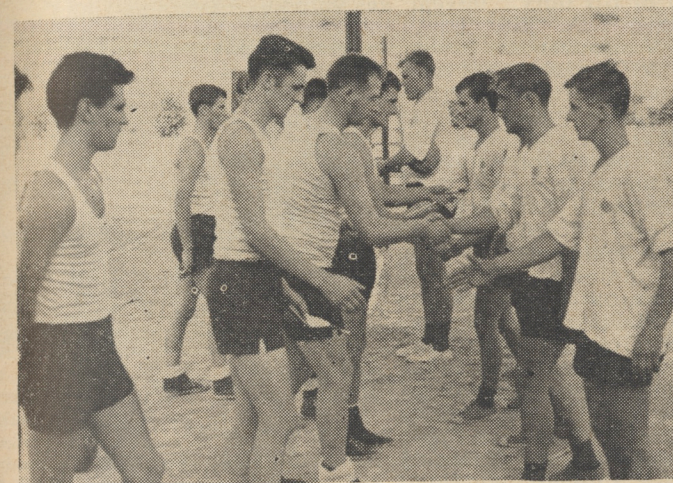
Kokemasta YK-tehtävissä.

Ulkomailla eversti Salin on toiminut sotilasasiain miehenä apulaisena Tukholmassa 56-57, ollut YK:n sotilastarkkailijana UNMOGIP:ssä Kashmirissa 61-62 ja osallistunut ulkomailla moniin ruuhanturvajoukkoja koskeviin kansainvälisiin kokouksiin ja neuvotteluihin. Näistä mainittavin lienee Ottawan kongressi Kanadassa v 1964.

Eversti Salin on naimisissa ja kahden lapsen isä. Paljon kiertäneenä ja maailmaa nähneenä miehenä hänen harrastuksiinsa kuuluu matkailu ja vieraat kielet. Itämeren tuulen karaisemana hän luonnollisesti myös valppaasti heittää verkot veteen ja istahtaa mielellään niemen nemään onkimaan. Saa sitten nähdä miten Kyproksella monilta toimiltaan kerkiää.



Oululainen Rafael Rajas selvittämässä evl A Salinille turvajoukkojen esikunnan organisatiota. Kynä on pysähtynyt adjutantin, kapt. Jussi Laguksen kohdalle ja tanskalaisella kaimamiehellä maj. Andersenilla on hauskaa.



Viestimiesten kansainvälisessä lentopalloturnauksessa selviytyi suomalaisen joukkue mestariksi. Kuvassa meikäläiset tervehtimässä lopputelun toista osapuolta irlantilaisia ennen ratkaisevan kamppailun alkamista.



BRIGADIER HARBOTTLE BESUCHTE DAS OSTERREICHISCHE FELDHOSPITAL

Am. 30 Juni besuchte der Chief Of Staff von UNFICYP das Österreichische Feldhospital ausserhalb von Nicosia.

Brigadier M. Harbottle wurde von dem Kommandanten des Spitals, Oberst-Arzt Dr. R. Wech empfangen. Der Brigadier begab sich anschliessend mit seiner Begleitung auf einen Rundgang durch

den verschiedenen Abteilungen des Spitals.

In der Chirurgie, in der Internen Abteilung sowie in der Zahnstation unterhielt sich der Brigadier mit den Patienten und ihren Betreuern.

Besonders bewunderte Brig. Harbottle auf seinen Rundgang die beiden Operationströume, die moderne Röntgen-Anlage sowie die

EKG—Anlage (Elektrokardiogramm).

Nach dem Besuch dankte der Brigadier allen im Spital für die echte und unmittelbare Gastfreundschaft und drückte sich sehr lobend über die Anlagen aus, die — im Zusammenklang mit den im Spital beschäftigten Österreichern — einen ausgezeichneten Eindruck hinterliessen.

Suomalainen kersantti Ari Hilden 20, Helsinki toimi tanskalaisen sotapolisiikorpuraalin kanssa hengenpelastajana, kun he Ledran altaasta vetivät kuiville jo tajunsa menettäneen kypriottimiehen.

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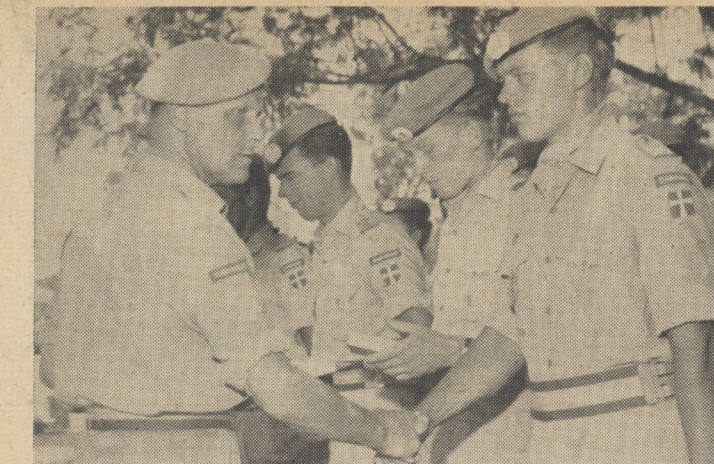
Helsinkilaiset Kyprosmiehet Avuntuojina

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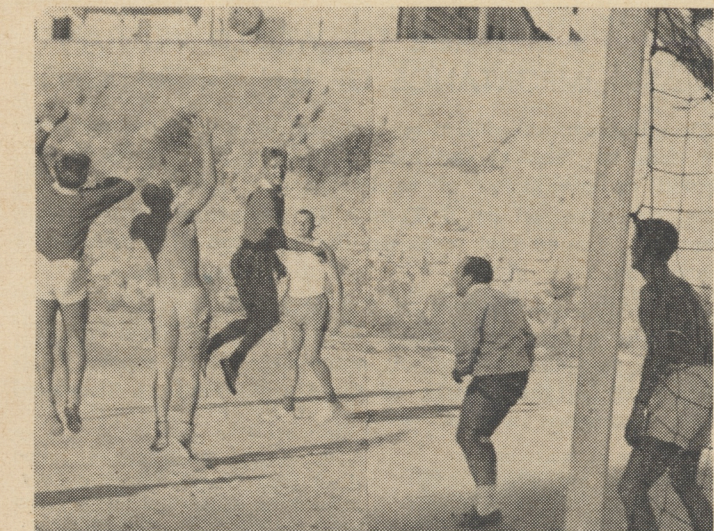
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Paa Livgardens fødselsdag fik alle gardere ved DANCON overrakt et askebaeger som en lille hilsen fra deres stamregiment. Her overraekker CH/DANCON askebaegeret til KS M.F.H. Kalkau fra Alfa-kompagniet. Konstab'len skulle have været hjemsendt den 29/6, men har forlænget sintjeneste. Hans fader er iøvrigt gammel garder fra aargang 29, mener nu propriætaer på Sorøegnen.



Selv kontingentets officerer dyrker sport. Om det er fodbold eller haandbold fremgaar ikke tydeligt af billedet, men det er heller ikke det afgørende, blot man faar roert sig lidt. Mest koncentreret synes E-office-ren kaptajn E. Andersen af være, det er ham i de moerke bukser. Som en rigtig efterretningsmand spejder han her ivrigt efter fjendens bevægelser, i dette tilfaelde - boldens. Om han fik haand eller fod paa den, vides ikke, men han fik rørt sig.



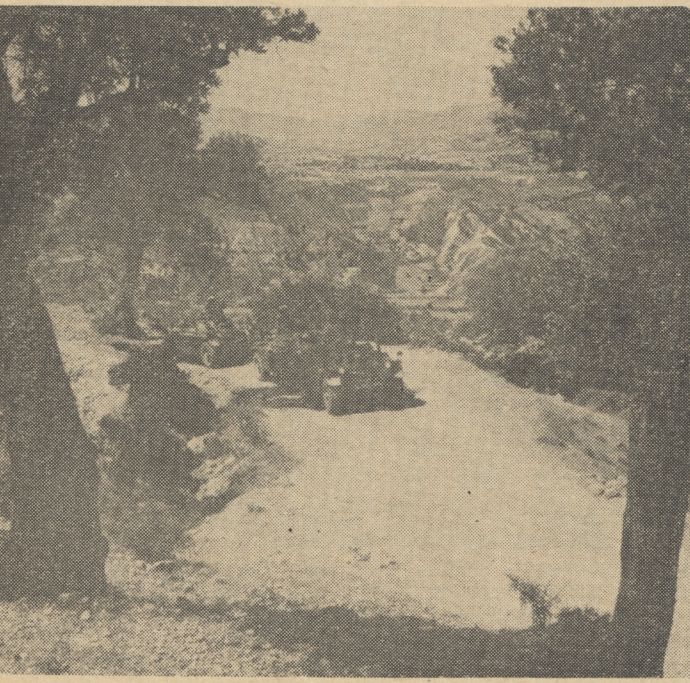
Vi ser her foran een af de moderne busser den engelsktalende guide JOHN fra LOUIS TOURIST med nogle af de veloplagte og glade deltagere inden afgang til TROODOS, nemlig fra venstre mod højre: KS Soendergaard Nielsen fra STKMP, KS Preben Nielsen fra Bravo, KS Mogens Jensen fra Alfa, og endelig kontingentets felterpræst, Pator Fosdal, der ofte er med på udflygtene som "oversætter". KS Preben Nielsen er forøvrigt fra Livgarden og skulle have overrakt sit askebaeger samme dag, men foretrak velfærdsturen. Der kan man bare se.



RADIO CHECK — is carried out by Trooper Trudgian prior to a "RECCE" patrol.



ROUTE CHECK — for the reconnaissance patrol is verified with his Troop Leader Lieutenant Gary E. Bart of Statford, Ontario.



"PILOTING" RECCE CARS — high up in the Kyrenia mountains the patrol is on rough, winding, unpaved roads.

'WESTERN DUSTER'

A look at a typical Hussars' 'Recce' patrol

It's like a western duster. Bumpety bump across the plains and up the mountains then down a ravine and water the horse. The horse in this case is a five ton Ferret scout car that has been piloted through three thousand foot passes by a Canadian trooper on duty with UNFICYP.

Young, single and now a veteran of UN duty, 18-year old trooper W.A. "Bill" Trudgian of Vancouver is a driver with "B" Squadron of the 8th Canadian Hussars (Princess Louise's). "Eating dust for hours on end can be rough — but it has its rewards", he said.

The Second Battalion of The Black Watch (Royal Highland Regiment) of Canada maintains a peace vigilance from outposts and by patrols. Long range reconnaissance of the Canadian sector is done by the Hussars.

The "Recce" patrols range over the arid, yet fertile, plains north of Nicosia then go high up into the Kyrenia mountains through winding passes. From the 100-plus de-

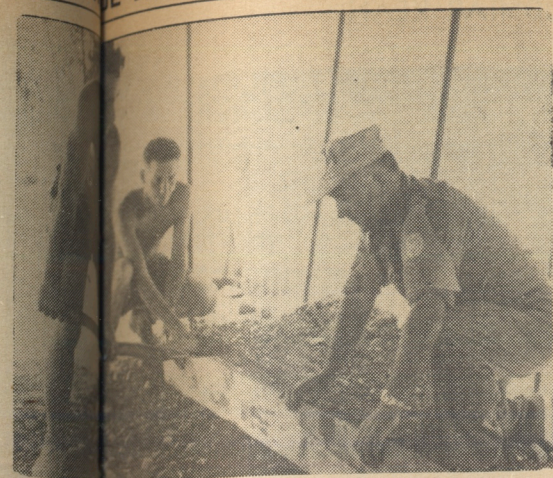
gree temperatures of the plains to the cooler air of the mountains is a pleasant respite, then it's down the other side to the shores of the Mediterranean.

A typical patrol is on its way by 7:30. The day begins with breakfast at six and a briefing at seven. By nine in the morning the patrol has passed through several villages with stops every now and then to check on events and water the horse — fill the Ferret's radiator.



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Pictures (from left): Ptes D. Hardin and P. Barr, A Coy, levelling ground at Lefka Camp, under the supervision of Ordnance Sergeant Phelan who is based at Xeros with 6th Infantry Battalion.



Tea by Camp McAuley near Limnitis, brings together four men from separated parts of Ireland. From left: Pte Kieran Leckey, Cpl Oliver Crilly of Dundalk, Sgt Frank McGuckin, Co Meath, who was twice in the Congo and is on his first tour in Cyprus, and Cpl Liam Nolan of Fermoy, Co Cork, for this is his sixth period overseas, three in the Congo and two in Cyprus.

IRCON NEWS

News from the Irish camps is very scarce this week, being mostly confined to A Coy at Lefka. A most welcome development here was the introduction, last week, of a camp news sheet named 'Bunworth's Bible'. We take this opportunity to wish the editor, Corporal Sean Keenan, every success and to hope that other camps will follow his lead.

● Three members of IRCON, Comdts W. Glenn and N. Sloan and Capt J. Dawson assisted the Padre, Major Plourde, in the reconstruction of the Church at Camp Maple leaf and with Comdt F. Fahy who represented OC IRCON, attended the reopening on Sunday last.

● Replacements. Two replacements are due to arrive here during the week; Comdt Jim Seward, from Cork, replaces Comdt John Burke as Chief Engineer Officer and Comdt E. T. O'Brien, Military College, takes over from the Deputy Signal Officer, Comdt Noel Sloan.

● Home News. Southern Command won the All Army Golf Championships at Cork Golf Club on Wednesday last, 29th June, and on the same day, at Baldonnel, Military College beat Air Corps by 3.10 to 2.10 to regain the Chaplain's Cup after a lapse of six years.



Sgt Patrick Skehan B Coy, briefing Con O'Sullivan before he takes over duty at OP No 1, west of Kokkina.

NEW FACES IN UNFICYP

Pictured right is Australian Superintendent Errol Cannay, new Force Police Adviser and head of UNCIVPOL. Supt. Cannay, who arrived on the Island in May took over as head of UNCIVPOL last week with the return home of Supt. Jim Hamilton.



CAMP MAPLE LEAF CHPEL RENOVATED AND RE-OPENED

All dominational service

On Sunday, July, at a multi-denominational service in the chapel of a renovated and dedicated, A Roman Catholic Mass was celebrated by Father R. Plourde, the IRCON Roman Catholic Chaplain, which was dedicated to the unity of the church following the mass, Capt P.E. Whyte, the CANCON Protestant Chaplain, who is an Anglican Priest, presided during which he explained to the multi-denominational congregation that the new chapel was a symbol of unity on a low but nevertheless significant level.

Following the service, Major V.A. G. of the Canadian Contingent Administrative Support Group who is based at Camp Maple Leaf, thanked those people who had contributed to the effort. He singled out Father Plourde for his effort to the planning and supervision of the work. Also singled out was Corporal G.D. Kingston, CD, the 2 RHC master mason, who worked long hours for more than two weeks to have the front and tower of the chapel completed in time for the opening ceremonies. He was assisted by Corporal H. Kirkham and Privates H.E.G. Frost, T.C. Marshall and J.G. Nixon of the 2 RHC Pioneer Platoon. Major George thanked the RCCEME Detachment for their intricate art work on the altar rail and the RCOC Detachment and 2 RHC QM personnel who installed the drapery.



Pictured above is the new Personnel Officer at HQ UNFICYP, Lieutenant Colonel Armas Aleski Salin of Finland. Colonel Salin, a former coastal artillery officer, has been head of the United Nations Office of the Finnish General Staff for the past two years and has previous UN service with the UN Military Observer Group in Pakistan (UNMOGIP). He succeeds Lt Col Rajas as UNFICYP's Pers I.



These "during and after" pictures (see right) indicate the amount of work that was required to make the chapel in Camp Maple Leaf a fit place for worship. Under the direction of Father Romeo Plourde this and considerable interior renovations were made.



FALTTAVLAN PA STR-KOMP

STR-komp anordnade i fredags förra veckan en fälttävlan. Segrare blev vaktpluton, som fick "Major Byströms pris" - en ledig dag! På bilden syns Christer Ågren byta tändstift på en grk. Han tillhör TpC som blev trea i tävlingen.

Idrottsnytt...

Finsk volley boll-seger

Volley boll-serien för UNFI-CYP:s signalister är nu avslutad. Det var finnarna som erövrade vandringspriset, uppsatt av Chief Signal Officer Lt Col R. Wythe

Sista matchen gick hos Dancon, Nicosia, och det andra finallaget var irländarna. Med vanlig sisu visade det finska laget sin klass och kunde utan svårighet besegra motståndarna. De svenska signalisterna kom på en hedrande tredje plats.

Efter matchen blev det prisutdelning samt Sauna och förplagnad på Fincon.

2. komp segrare i terrängstafett.

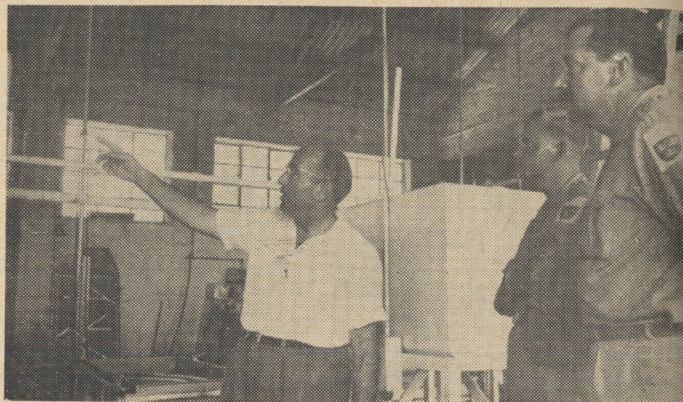
Bataljonen har haft mästerskapstävlan i terrängstafett 4 x 1200 m. Segrare blev 2. komp med en sammanlagd tid av 15.19 min. Segrarlaget ledde från början till slut och öfu Stålnacke som löpte sista sträckan hade ingen svårighet att bärga segern.

Kn Gunnarsson förrättade prisutdelningen, då deltagarna i det segrande laget fick varsin UNFI-CYP-tröja.

FINNARNA ROTERAR OCH REDUCERAR

En del av den finska kontingenten roterade förra veckan. 24 officerare och övriga lämnade Nicosia och ersattes av 253 man. Det betyder att den finska styrkan i samband med rotationen reducerats med c:a 50 man och nu är i runt tal 600.

PX: ARE STUDERAR KEAN



En som har mycket att stå i på bataljonen är chefen för PX, förvaltare Stig Axelsson, Södertälje. Härmdagen gjorde han ett studiebesök på Kean-fabrikerna i Limassol, Cyperns största läskedrycksfabrik. Där tillverkas 24.000 flaskor läskedrycker i timmen. Dessutom framställer man squash och juice. På bilden syns direktör Takis Christodoulou demonstrera en detalj för fr.v. furir Ronny Månsson, Fjälkinge, och förvaltare Stig Axelsson.

ENGELSK TV TILL ZONEN



Cypern är, som tidigare namnts, ett populärt mål för många TV-filmare. Den senaste tiden har ön gästats av bl.a. svenska, kanadensiska och italienska TV-team. F.n. är det en grupp engelsmän som ska göra en dokumentärfilm om Cypern FN. I förra veckan var man i Famagusta för att planera de kommande tagningarna. Ciceron var stabsredaktör Ivar Lundgren t.v. som samtalar med Tony Hearne, Jerry Evans, kapten Charles Lumby och David Russell.

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UN STAMPS NOW SOLD IN 40 COUNTRIES

EXHIBIT TO BE IN CYPRUS FOR FORTNIGHT

Until 1962, United Nations stamps were available outside of New York only in four other places — in Geneva, London, Paris and Rome — and even then on quite a limited scale. Today, UN stamps are being sold in over 40 other countries besides the United States, including Cyprus.

Realizing the demand by collectors overseas for UN stamps, the UN Postal Administration decided to investigate the possibilities of making UN stamps available to collectors in their own countries, with the approval of the governments concerned. Under the established policy, govern-

ments contract with the UN Postal Administration for consignments of stamps, postal stationery and first day covers, which they sell for local currency.

All agencies are guided by the same rules as Headquarters for the distribution of philatelic items. Stamps are sold at face value. On the date a new issue takes place, the stamps go on sale simultaneously in forty-one different overseas locations. The same philatelic items which are available in New York are likewise available at all agencies and are withdrawn from sale on the same day.

The setting up of overseas

outlets has caused some interesting side effects. There are many instances when, after the agency has been established, innumerable requests are received from enthusiastic collectors in that region to make available early issues of UN stamps — simply because they were unable to buy UN stamps before and they want to complete their collections. Unfortunately, this is out as the question. Like New York, all overseas agencies only have current items on sale and earlier issues can only be obtained from dealers.

To extend its programme,

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THIRD MEDAL IN SIX MONTHS FOR "SKINS" SERGEANT



Congratulations to Sergeant Peter Minvalla of the 2nd Troop of the 5th Royal Inniskilling Dragoon Guards on the award of the British Empire Medal in the Queen's Birthday Honours List. Sergeant Minvalla has already been awarded two medals during his short period of service on the island, the U.N. (Cyprus) medal and the Long Service and Good Conduct medal.

Sergeant Minvalla enlisted in the Royal Hampshire Regiment in 1947 but transferred to the Inniskillings later in the same year. A trained parachutist, he was with the Special Air Service for two and a half years in Malaya, Borneo and West Irian. His service also includes tours in North West Europe, Korea, Egypt and latterly the Radfan where he commanded the Recce Troop.

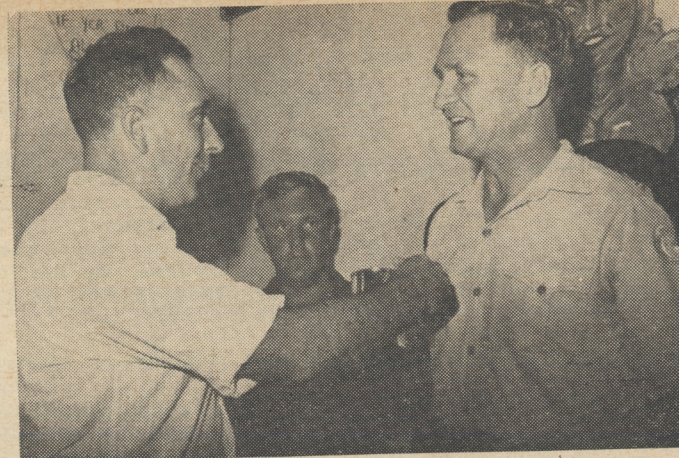
UN STAMP EXHIBIT IN CYPRUS

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the UN has sponsored and taken part in many philatelic exhibitions, of national and international scope. UN stamp displays are sent abroad regularly to different parts of the world.

One of these exhibits is now in Cyprus. The display, entitled "United Nations in Action", can be seen presently at the premises of the United Nations Association of Cyprus at President Makarios Avenue until Saturday, 9 July.

On Tuesday, 12 July, the exhibit will be shown at the Turkish Central Library on Atatürk Square where it will remain on display — from 9 to 1300 and from 1600 to 1900 hours — until Saturday, 16 July.



On 1st July a farewell party was held at the Mercury Club for the outgoing personnel of 644 Signal Troop, Royal Corps of Signals. The Chief Signals Officer, Lt Col Robert Wythe, presented beer tankards to those leaving. This has become a custom in the Troop and on this occasion Lt Col Wythe received a tankard in return from Cpl Jim Foley on behalf of the rest of the Troop. (picture above).

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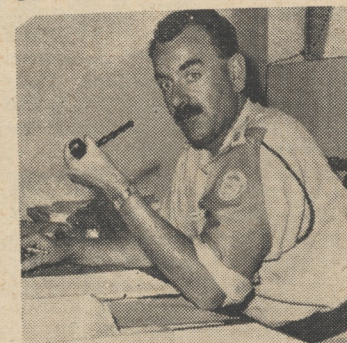
A pride of lions, a pack of sleuths — but what do you call a gathering of policemen, antipodean policemen at that. Blue Beret would be grateful for suggestions — serious please — of a title for this group of Australian and New Zealand Civilian Police pictured at UNCIVPOL Headquarters at Wolseley Barracks, Nicosia.

RETURN PRESENTATION

RECRUITING TEAM TO VISIT LIMASSOL ZONE

VISITING Limassol Zone next week will be a combined commercial television, COI and advertising team who are at present in Cyprus to make a short recruiting film for television presentation and to collect material for a series of 'still' advertisements. Led by David Russell, representing a leading advertising agency, film director Tony Hearne and COI director Jerry Evans, the six strong team will visit 5 INNIS DG at Zyyi on Monday and 1 RWF at Limassol the following day.

NEW SOO SETTLES IN



Major John Head is now firmly in the chair as the Force Senior Ordnance Officer, having recently taken over from Major Phillip Holmes. Major Head has just completed a tour as a company commander at the Junior Leader's Battalion, R.A.O.C. at Blackdown.

NO CHANCE OF MISTAKING DANCON'S LOURIDJINA DETACHMENT

No chance of mistaking vehicles of DANCON's Louridjina Detachment as belonging to any other unit, for their spare wheels bear the detachment's name and a picture of a UN Soldier standing between a mountain and a church. Pictured right, Konstabel Lars Jensen from Bornholms Vaern on OP duty with one of the gaily decorated jeeps.



Detachment Louroujina er baade med paa moderne og paa modernet Reservehjulene paa detachmentets jeeps er elegant dekorerede med en FN-soldat mellem de to vartegn "bjerget" og "kirken". Billedet er taget ved kirken og det er konstabel Lars Jensen fra Bornholms Vaern der her har det store overblik over situationen.

CONTRIBUTIONS FOR UNFICYP

NETHERLANDS' CONTRIBUTION WILL BE LAST

Malaysia, the Netherlands and Nigeria have informed the UN Secretary-General, U Thant, of their decisions to make voluntary contributions to the operational costs of the United Nations Peace-Keeping Force in Cyprus.

In a letter, dated 14 June, received by the Secretary-General, U Thant, from the Deputy Permanent Representative of Malaysia to the United Nations, Malaysia informed the Secretary-General that it had decided to make a further voluntary contribution of \$2,500 towards the costs of UNFICYP.

The Permanent Representative of the Netherlands to the United Nations, Mr. J.G. de Beus, sent a letter to U Thant, dated 21 June, in which he states that his Government will contribute 40,000 dollars to UNFICYP's costs for the period of 27 March—26 June 1966. Mr. de Beus adds that his Government intends likewise to make a voluntary contribution for the period of 27 June — 26 December 1966.

In his letter, the Permanent Representative of the Netherlands also states that "it is, furthermore, the intention of my Government that these will be the last contributions of the Netherlands for UNFICYP."

In a note verbale received by the Secretary-General from the Permanent Mission of Nigeria to the United Nations, the Mission confirms a statement made by the Nigerian delegation at the recent meeting of the Security Council on UNFICYP "that the Government of Nigeria will pay a further sum of 3,000 dollars towards the expenses of the United Nations Peace-Keeping Operation in Cyprus which has just been extended for a period of six months."

**S-G NOW IN
EUROPE-
MOSCOW
DATE
CONFIRMED**

UN Secretary-General, U Thant, will visit Moscow, at the invitation of the Soviet Government, from 25 to 28 July. The Secretary-General has visited the Soviet capital on three previous occasions—the last one in July 1964.

Last month, while awaiting a formal announcement of the date of his Moscow visit, U Thant made known his immediate plans to visit Europe in the early part of July.

The Secretary-General left New York on Wednesday night, 29 June, for Turin, Italy, to attend the first global meeting of the administrators of the UN Development Programme and all its resident representatives. He then went on to Geneva for the opening of the summer session of the Economic and Social Council and will pay an official visit to Iceland. He is due back at UN Headquarters on 9 July.

AFRICAN TRIP WAS SUCCESSFUL

**DECOLONIZATION
COMMITTEE CHAIRMAN
TELLS REPORTERS**

The Chairman of the UN Committee on Decolonization, Ambassador Gershon Collier of Sierra Leone, told newsmen at UN Headquarters in New York last week that the series of meetings just concluded by the Committee in Africa had borne out the wisdom of the decision to make the trip.

Mr. Collier said that the month-long trip, which took the Committee to five African capitals, had exposed its members to the real atmosphere of colonialism and had promoted a better understanding of the situation.

It had also enabled the Committee to listen to petitioners who might not have been able to go to New York — it heard about 60 persons during its trip.

Mr. Collier added that the trip had dramatized to the world that the United Nations was deeply interested in being involved in the problems it faces.

The Chairman said the Committee had received a very warm welcome in each of the capitals it visited — Dar-es-Salaam, Mogadiscio, Addis Ababa, Cairo and Algiers. The people of Africa, he said, still had very great faith in the possibilities of the world Organization.

Perhaps the greatest achievement of the series of meetings in Africa, said Mr. Collier, was the resolution adopted on Rhodesia, which he described as the most burning colonial problem. That resolution called upon Great Britain to use force if necessary to abolish the racist minority regime in Rhodesia.

Mr. Collier was asked whether the economic embargo called for by the UN Security Council had been successful, and he replied that it had not resulted in bringing down the regime of Mr. Ian Smith.

VIET-NAM

Regret over U.S. bombing-U Thant

The United Nations Secretary-General, U Thant, last week expressed his "deep regret" at the United States air raids on oil depots at Hanoi and Haiphong in North Viet-Nam.

A spokesman for the Secretary-General recalled that U Thant had indicated several times that he thought a first step towards peace in the Viet-Nam should be a halt to the bombing of North Viet-Nam. He therefore had read "with deep regret reports of the bombing of the heavily populated areas of Haiphong and Hanoi," the spokesman added.

In a letter to the UN Security Council at week's end, U.S. Ambassador Arthur Goldberg said that the attack on the oil depots had been made necessary by the substantial increase in the level of infiltration of armed men and war supplies from North Viet-Nam into South Viet-Nam.

The letter said that the facilities attacked were located away from the population centres and that the pilots were instructed to take every precaution so that only military targets would be hit.

Stating that the US sought an end to every form of violence by all forces involved, Mr. Goldberg said it was already known from two pauses in aerial bombing that it was not enough to stop bombing over North Viet-Nam while war in all its other manifestations continued.

"It is the war, not just the bombing, that should come to an end," he declared. Stating that a peaceful solution must be found, the US Ambassador said this could be accomplished through the reconvening of the Geneva Conference or in some other forum.

U THANT'S MESSAGE

senselessness of war as a means of settling international problems in today's world, but also to understand both the accomplishments and the difficulties of one of the most effective instruments which the United Nations has devised for preventing disputes from escalating into a clash of arms. By this I mean the international peacekeeping operations carried out under the United Nations flag.

During the past decade, such peace-keeping operations have been undertaken in a number of various dangerous situations where the United Nations has served as a life-saving last resort, called upon in circumstances, sometimes desperate, when the efforts of individual States, or combinations of States, or regional organizations or alliances have

BUNCHE TO VISIT

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neral's Special Representative in Cyprus and Major-General I.A.E. Martola, Commander of UNFICYP, on UNFICYP matters.

Mr. Bunche plans to return to UN Headquarters in New York on 15 July.

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all failed. Another aspect of these operations is the entirely new phenomenon of the development of impartial, disinterested, multinational teams and forces, and the evolution of a new breed of soldier of peace.

The peacekeeping operations are, of course, only a part, although an important part, of the total effort of the United Nations in maintaining international peace and in promoting the economic and social conditions on which peace can be soundly based. I am certain that war veterans all over the world are in a position to extend public knowledge and understanding of the whole range of these efforts, and I am confident that they will continue to do so."