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UN Security Council To Meet On SW African Trials

THE 11 Member States of the UN Council for South West Africa last week unanimously decided to request the convening of an urgent meeting of the UN Security Council to take appropriate action in the case of a group of South West Africans sentenced in Pretoria last week under South Africa's "Terrorism Act".

The decision was announced to newsmen at UN Headquarters by Ambassador Agha Shahi of Pakistan, President of the Council for SW Africa, who said details of the letter of request to the President of the Security Council were being worked out. (It was expected that the Council might be convened for a meeting today, Wednesday, 14 February.)

Human Rights Commission Debates 'Apartheid' Issue

THE United Nations Human Rights Commission last week opened its debate on reports on racial discrimination in the southern part of Africa and on the treatment of prisoners and detainees in South Africa.

Mr. Petre Nedbailo of the Ukraine urged better coordination of UN efforts with the view to finding more effective means to compel the halting of the policies of apartheid.

Stating that South Africa's policies encompassed aspects of the policy of genocide, Mr. Nedbailo said the matter had ceased to be an internal affair as it involved a threat to peace.

Mr. Naseem Mirza of Pakistan described apartheid as a new form of slavery and also urged better coordination in dealing with the problem. There was no chance that the UN Security Council would take effective action, he said, because South Africa provided gold, diamonds and other minerals to the Western countries, and commerce and trade had always been regarded as more important than humanitarian values.

Mr. Felix Ermacora of Austria commended the study on apartheid in Southern Africa which the Commission is examining, and urged wider world publicity about the conditions in that part of the world.

HQ STAFF RECEIVE MEDALS



Corporal Bob Todd from Sunderland is seen here being presented with the United Nations Medal by the Force Commander Lt-Gen A.E. Martola at HQ UNFICYP on Thursday 8th February. Others shown on parade are: Cfn Dennis Hudson, Cpl John Sabin, and Cpl Pete Crombie.

1960 - 1965 WORLD SOCIAL ADVANCEMENT "SLOW"

THE period of 1960-1965 was marked by a generally slow social advancement in the less developed countries, and a widening gap between their per capita incomes and those of economically advanced countries.

Developing lands did make an impressive progress in education and health during this period, but their gains in such areas as food production, employment and housing remained unsatisfactory.

These are among the main findings of a comprehensive UN report - made public at UN Headquarters last week - on the world social situation in the first half of the Development Decade of the 1960's.

Noting that the world's population is increasing at an unprecedented rate, the report shows that the major share of this annual increase accrues among the peoples of the economically and socially disadvantaged regions. In 1960, two out of every three persons were

SECRETARY - GENERAL BACK IN NY AFTER N. DELHI, MOSCOW, LONDON TALKS

UN Secretary-General, U Thant, was scheduled yesterday to hold talks with Prime Minister Wilson and Foreign Secretary Brown in London following talks in Moscow with Premier Kosygin and other leaders.

Earlier, the Secretary-General visited New Delhi, where he attended the opening phase of the second UN Conference on Trade and Development.

While in New Delhi, he also met with Prime Minister Indira Gandhi and other Indian leaders and discussed such issues as Viet-Nam and the Middle East.

U Thant was scheduled to return to New York last night.

U THANT URGES MORE LIBERAL AID TO DEVELOPING NATIONS

UN Secretary-General, U Thant, last week urged the economically advanced countries not to take too narrow a view of reciprocity in their trade relations with the less developed nations, and to regard this aid as an investment in their own future as well that of the recipients.

Addressing the UN Conference on Trade and Development in New Delhi last Friday, U Thant warned against the tendency to sacrifice long-term benefits to short-term expediency. And he expressed the hope that all developed countries would emulate those among them - "by no means the largest or the richest" - who have already assumed precise commitments to meet assistance targets set by the UN. The world Organisation has recommended that these countries devote one percent of their gross national product to development aid.

The Secretary-General also felt that the framework of UNCTAD offered special opportunities for joint approaches by socialist and private enterprise countries to problems of development. He suggested that "the time is, perhaps, approaching when socialist participation in multilateral aid could be considered as a logical step forward from their present participation in multilateral technical assistance and a useful complement to their bilateral endeavours".

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Så er indleveringsfristen for ansøgninger om gengangertjeneste sluttet, og hver enkelt ansøgning skal nu behandles. Dette har forøget travlhedens på KMP-kontorene væsentlig, som f.eks. i STKMP, hvor KS T.B. Nielsen, PRLT(S) O.T. Christensen og KP H.V. Hansen slider sig en pukkel til.

DANCON - NYT

Billedet foroven: Billedet er ikke hentet fra en filmjournal, selv om det ligner pigernes helt fra en spændende film. Nej, billedelet er taget i DANCON, og personen er SP-DEL-føreren PRLT(R) P. Ditlefsen.



HAR DE SET...? APHRODITES FØDESTED

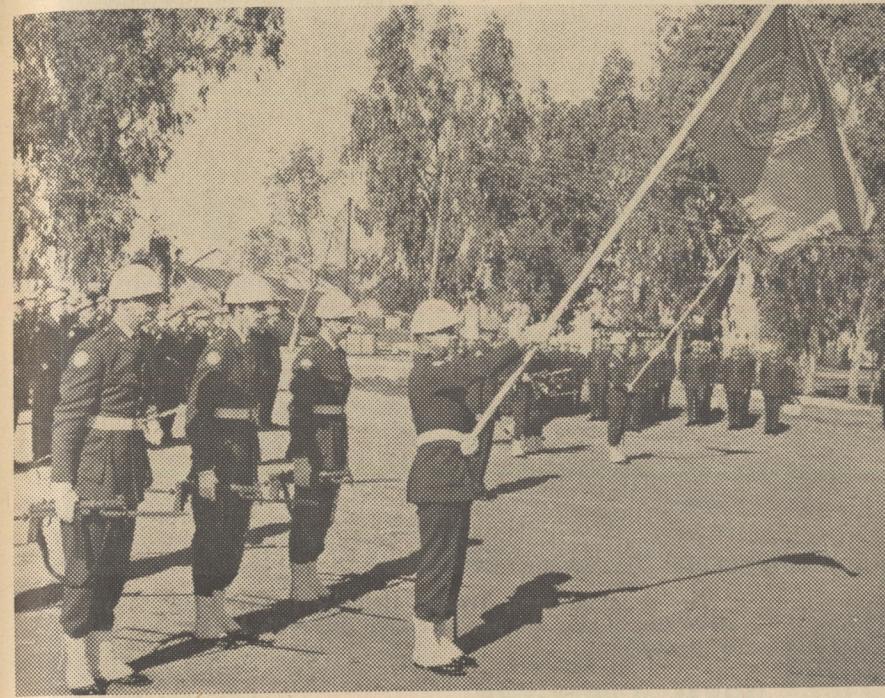
Når vejret nu bliver lidt bedre, og luften varmere, så skulle De tage til Cyperns sydkyst.

Kører De fra Limassol mod Paphos, vil De ca. 20 miles fra Limassol på venstre hånd have Petra tou Romiou, Skønheds- og kærlighedsgudinden Aphrodites fødested (ifølge legenderne). Besøget her kan jo forenes med en badetur, da stranden er en af Cyperns bedste sandstrande.

PETRA TOU ROMIOU



MEDALJPARADEN EN FÄRGFEST



Vår medaljparad lördagen den 3 februari blev en färgfest i blått och gult och vitt, FN:s och Sveriges färger. Från en klarblå himmel värmede den skönaste Cypern-solen på länge upp den högtidliga ceremonien på Carl Gustaf Camp, där all icke tjänstebunden på bataljonen stod pryddt uppsträckt i en öppen fyrkant avslutad av två av våra respekterade kp-bilar. Den engelska musikkåren ur The Royal Green Jackets exekverade finsk och svensk marschmusik med all heder och bidrog inte minst till att göra vår medaljdag till ett oförglömt minne för var och en av oss av vår fredstjänstgöring på Cypern.

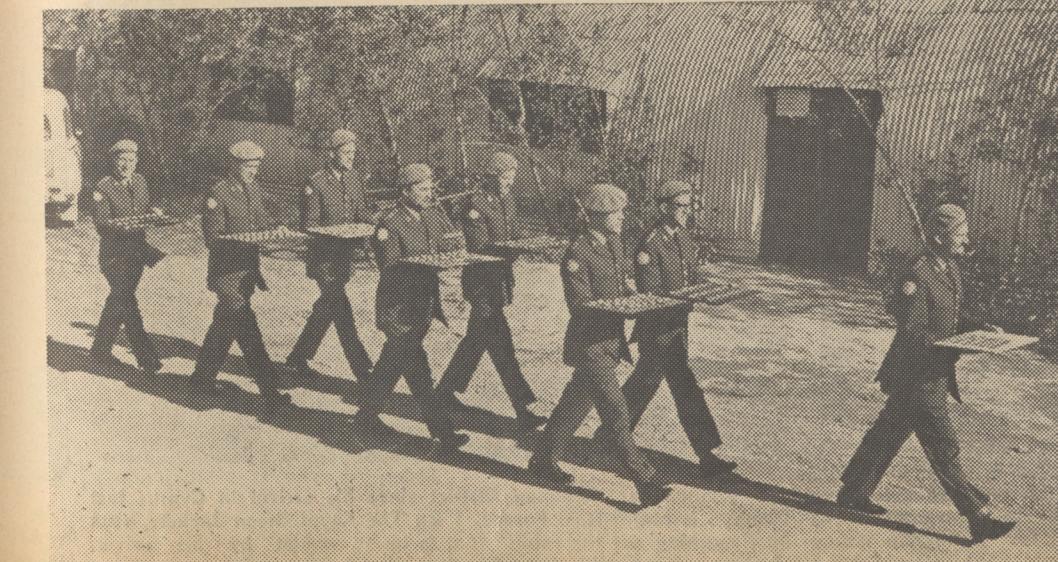
Dickson och chefen för I 4, överste S.A. Widegren bland dem.

På bilden härovan är det kapten Sverre Hofgaard, Rotilsäter, som leder FN-fanvakten i förgrunden, och löjtnant Per-Olof Emilsson, Eksjö, som kommanderar den svenska fanvakten i bakgrunden.



Två fanvakter, en med FN:s färger och en med de svenska färgerna, inramade medaljhögtidigheten. Den tråget förvade förbimarschen med fanvakterna i de två kp-bilarna i tätten kunde inte ha avlopt mycket bättre. Det fanns en samtidighet i marschanträdet som bataljonsstaben inte ens kunnat drömma sig till i de skönsta stunder.

Efter paraden gavs lunch i officersmässen för general Martola och våra övriga gäster, den svenska konsuln på Cypern, Mr Pierides, riksddsman James



Zonchefen förste medaljören

466 man på Svensk FN-bataljon 39 C har fått sina medaljer för tre månaders oförlig fredstjänst på Cypern. Vår chef, överste Per Sune Wallin, Sundbyberg, blev självfallet vår förste medaljör. General Martola står på bilden ovan Cypern-medaljen på vår i alla led avhållne chef.

Efter den i alla upptänkliga militärska avseenden prydliga medaljparaden och den taktfasta förbimarschen utgick kompanicheferna för att medaljera sina män på utposterna. Medaljbesöket av chefen STR-komp, major Helge Gard, Tyresö, på UNFICYP HQ, Nicosia, och det österrikiska fältsjukhuset, uppskattades högeligen av den berörda personalen. Det samma kan förvisos sägas om de övriga kompanichefernas enhetsvisa medaljering av de svenska "fredsbevararna".

En högst egen parad hade Sektion 3 för sig på vår medaljdag. I en tråget förvad uppmarsch - observera takten - med sektions-chefen, major K-G Sundvall, Stockholm, i tätten och med kapten Enoc Claesson, likaledes Stockholm, som ansvarig för uppsikten bakåt frambars å sammetsbrickor utmärkelserna till de väntande medaljörerna.

Sånt kallas service!

THE SUBTLE SUTLERS

For more than a century the Indian or Pakistani Contractor has been a familiar sight in units of the British Army serving outside Europe. This indispensable 'Corps' dispenses char or squash in addition to many other necessities for the troops.

Their capacity to survive, thrive and produce their goods even in the remotest areas, such as Borneo, must be the envy of NAAFI.

At Zyyi, the incumbent since 1957 is Haida Khan Khattak. He is now attending to the needs of 'B' Squadron 4th/7th Royal Dragoon Guards.

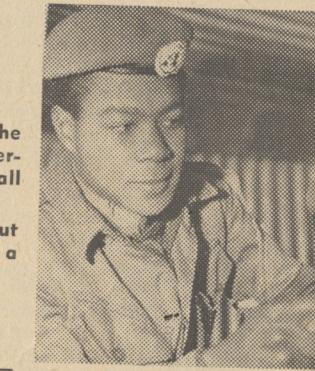


Two Bradford men, Trooper Neil Moss (left) and Trooper Geoff Willis, discuss the purchase of a grip with Mr Khattak in his shop at Zyyi.

ROYAL ENGINEERS BAND ENTERTAINS

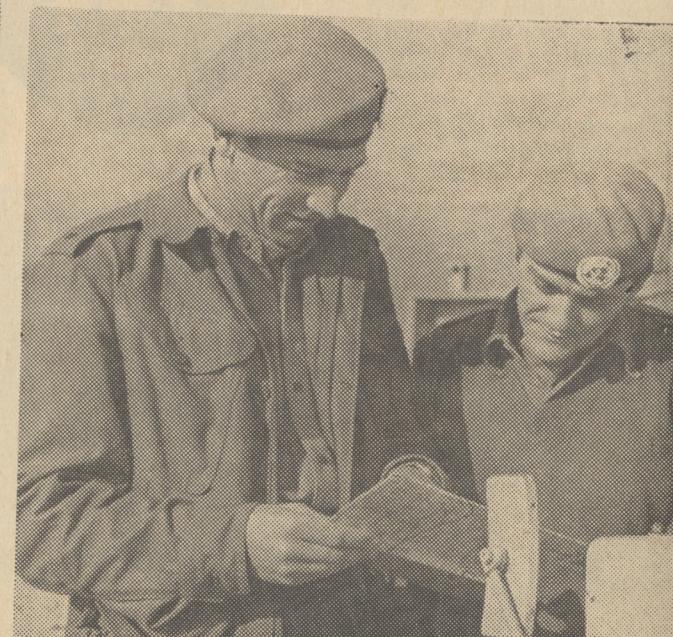
Members of the Band of the Royal Engineers pictured entertaining the men in the dining hall of UNFICYP Headquarters.

The Band played throughout the lunch hour and brought a pleasant change to the meal.



Rifleman Errol Barton of 1 Bn The Royal Green Jackets, from Jamaica, and now living in Tooting, London, is seen in the Battalion MT bay preparing a landrover for the repainting of the United Nations sign.

BRITCON NEWS



Corporal Graham Dubber REME from Portchester, Hants, attached to the UNFICYP Flight, Army Air Corps, is adept at tucking in the blankets — not in bed but on the litters of Sioux helicopters when used for 'casewacs'. He was attending to a member of the Austrian Field Hospital who was "acting patient" when this picture was taken.

CHIEF STAFF VISIT INFANTRY GROUP

The Staff UNFICYP, Brigadier M.N. Harbottle OBE recently visited the Infantry Group stationed in the Lefka District.



Brigadier N. Harbottle inspecting the Guard of Honour commandant T. O'Connor at Xeros Camp.

The Chief has a word with CQMS Flanagan, a member of the Guard of Honour. CQMS Flanagan is the Welfare NCO Group serves with 4 Company Supply and Transports in Athlone. He has 15 years service.



TALENT SPOTTING COMPETITION AT LEFKA



"The Men" doing their turn at a Talent Competition in Lefka Camp. (L to R) Cpl Richard Coffey from Bantry, Sgm Henry Caulfield from Cork City and Pte P.J. Ryan from Tralee.

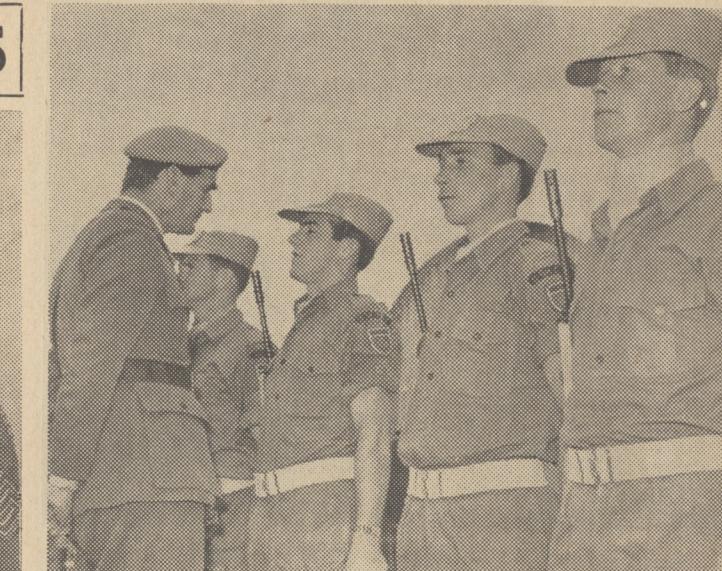


The Chief of Staff being welcomed on arrival at Xeros by the Group Commander, Lt Col M. J. Murphy.

IRCON NEWS



Members of B Company on duty at OP Limekiln turn out to pay compliments to the Chief of Staff. (L to R) Cpl Patrick Grace, Pte Patrick Dorney, Pte Jimmy Fanning and Pte Ernie Askins.



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Photo shows the prizewinners of the Talent Competition with the Adjudicator Miss V. Powers (L to R) Sgm Michael Donovan (Second), Pte Michael Healy (Third) and Sgt Paddy Gray (First).

CANCON NEWS
(Canadian Forces Photos)

Shown with their 2,500 mile Safe-Driving Awards are 14 men of CCASG. (Front Row) L to R Ptes; Sanford, Connelley, Faulkner, Gavel, Sampson and Hann. (Back Row) Cpl Lalonde, Ptes Roberts, Pitts, Osbourne, MacIntyre, Kelly, Hick and Bessey.

Lt J.W. Carpenter, the Transport Officer made the presentations on Thursday 8th Feb 68, bringing to a total of 75 the number of drivers receiving the award since October 67.

In addition, 35 drivers have received awards for 5000 accident free miles and the top four drivers have over 10,000 "Non-Bump-em" miles under their belts.

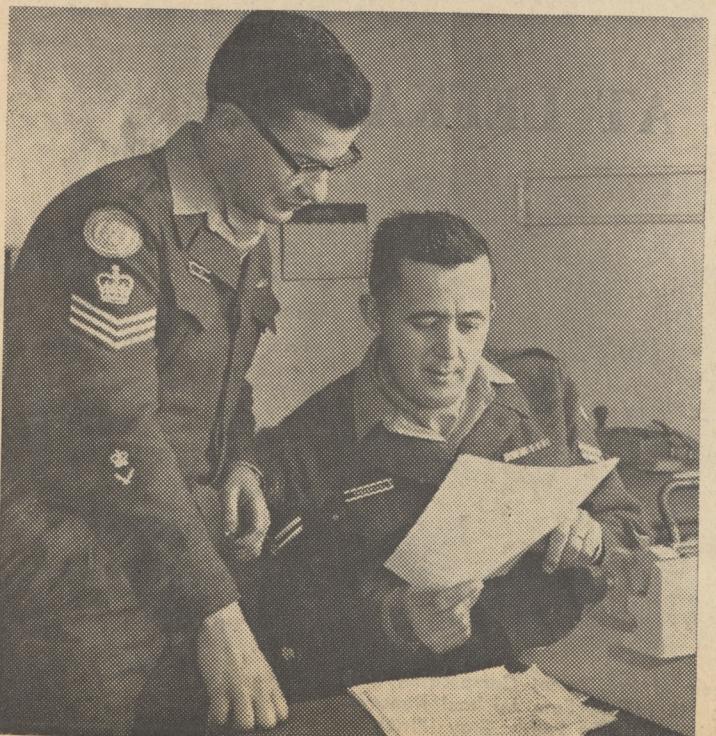
"SAFE DRIVERS' RECEIVE CERTIFICATE AWARDS

Checking over a new shipment of fire extinguishers are right to left QM Captain Pete Denny, Cpl John Dunn the Black Watch transport storeman and Lt Gary Barltrop assistant QM.



From Cliffside Outpost, high above the Kyrenia road, Cpl "Tex" Brenin of Ottawa and Pte Larry Dowe of Springhill N.S. have a commanding view of Kyrenia. They are shown here checking bunker positions against their grid map.

The hub of every military organization is its Orderly Room. The key men, who man the Battalion OR for the Black Watch in Kyrenia Company are left, S/Sgt Don Cyr of Glace Bay N.S. and Cpl "Buz" Frederick of Halifax.

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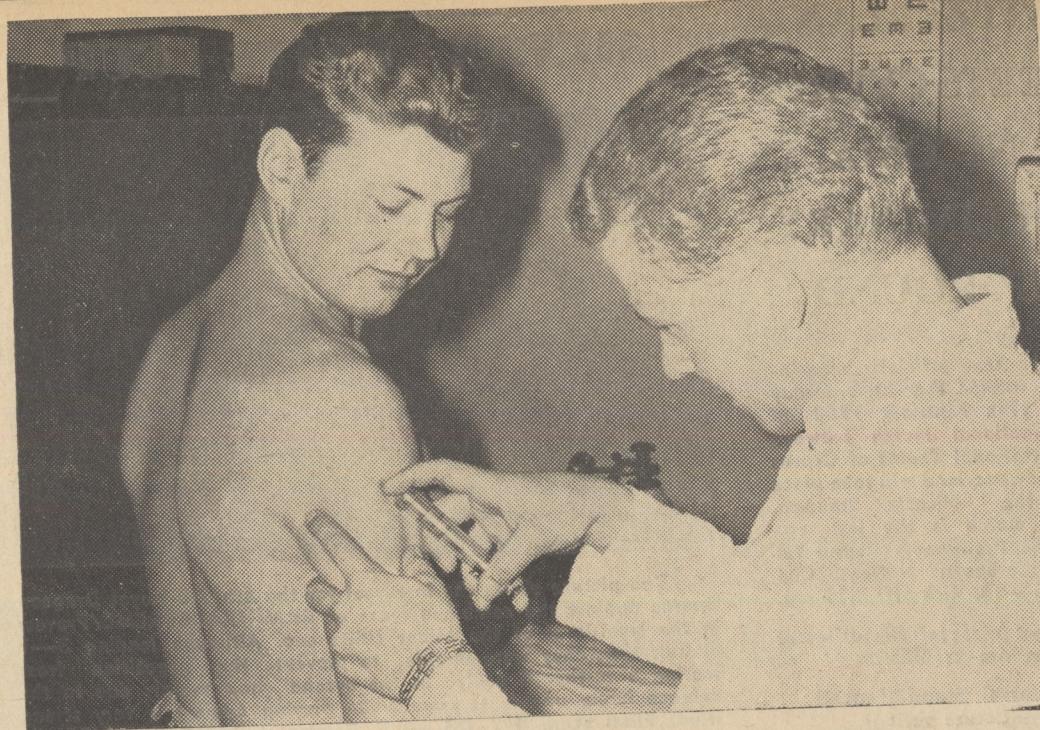
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**SAIRAALAMME**

Yhdystyneitten Kansakuntien lipun vierellä hulmuva toinen lippu, jossa on valkoisella pohjalla punainen risti, ilmoittaa meille jo kauas, missä sijaitsee Suomen Pataljoonan sairaala. Tämä hieman muusta asutuksesta erillään oleva siisti talorykemä onkin ehtinyt tulla meille kaikille tutuksi. Ne monet hyvä tarkoittavat "piikit" kun on saatu juuri omassa sairaalassamme.

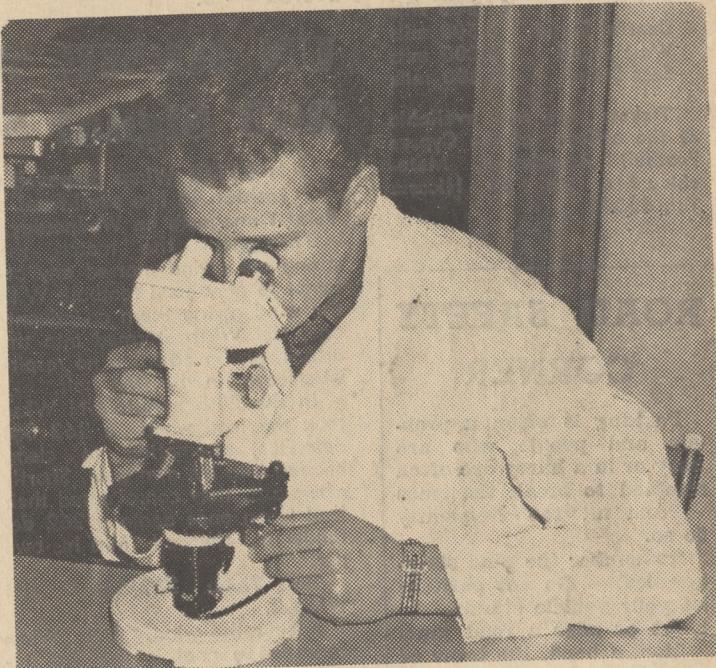
Suomen Pataljoonan sairaalan henkilökunta koostuu kahdesta lääkäristä, neljästä aliupseerista, joista yksi on tulkki, ja yhdeksästä miehistöön kuuluvasta. Vanhempana lääkärinä toimii lääkintäevl D. von Flittner ja toisena lääkärinä äskeittäin saapunut lääkintäevl Vuori. Tri von Flittner kertoi, että hän on olosuhteisiin katsoen varsin tytyväinen niihin tiloihin, jotka on käytettävissä potilaat varten. Samoin koko sairaalan henkilökunnan majotus- ja toimintatiloja hän piti erittäin tyydyttävinä.

Vuodepaikkoja sairaalassa on kaikenkaikkiaan kuusitoista kappaletta, mutta vain muutama niistä on kerrallaan käytössä, koska vaikeampia sairaus-

tapausia on verrattain vähän. Lievemmänlaatuisten veneeristen tautien lisäksi ovat yleisimpä urheiluvammat sekä ihottuma, jota esiintyy erityisesti kesäaikaan.

Myös huonohampaisten kannattaa ensin mennä omaan sairaalaan, josta sitten tulee passiut itävaltalaiseen kenttäsairaalaan. Vaikeahot tapaturmat, varsinkin jos ne vaativat määrätyjä kirurgisia toimenpiteitä hoidetaan myös em. kenttäsairaalassa.

Oma, yleisvaikutelmaltaan erittäin siisti sairaalamme, vaikka joutuukin toimimaan osaksi puutteellisissa kenttäolosuhteissa, pystyy silti antamaan monipuolista apuaan useimmissa tapauksissa.



Sairaalan "kalustoon" kuuluu mm. hiljattain saatu mikroskooppi. Ylik. M. Hintikka on löytänyt jotakin mielenkiintoista tutkittavaa.

**FINCON NEWS**

Rattoisa jutteluhetki auttajan ja autettavan väillä. Tri von Flittner on kertonut mukavan sutkauksen ja jääk. E. Soikkelia hymyiliävä.

SWITZERLAND MEETS CYPRUS IN NICOSIA, IN PRELIMINARY CUP ROUND

We have officially been informed that on Saturday the 17th February 1968 an International match between the National Teams of Cyprus and Switzerland will take place at the Nicosia Stadium. The match is the last one of the Preliminary Round for the European Nations Cup 1966-68. Kick off: 3.15 pm.

The prices of the different tickets are as follows:

Central Stand (fenced enclosure sitting)

£1.500 mils
Central Stand 0.500 mils
West Stand 0.300 mils
East Stand 0.200 mils

Tickets are now available at the offices of the Cyprus Football Association, Metochiou Str. No. 38 Nicosia Tel. 65341.

ROAD SAFETY CORNER

Parking is often a problem and people who are busy or in a hurry are often tempted to break the rules — and all too frequently do so.

Remember the nine simple rules — Do not park or let your vehicle stand:-

1. At or near a road junction, a bend, the brow of a hill or a hump-back bridge;
2. On a footpath;
3. Near traffic lights or a pedestrian crossing;
4. In a main road or one carrying fast-moving traffic;
5. Opposite or nearly opposite another standing vehicle, a refuge, or other obstruction (e.g. road repairs);
6. Alongside a standing vehicle;
7. Where there is a continuous white line;
8. At or near a bus stop, school or hospital entrance, or where it will obscure a traffic sign;
9. On the "wrong" side of the road at night.

Finally, do not inconvenience others or create traffic hazards by stopping and parking illegally.

DRIVE SAFELY: STOP & PARK SAFELY:

MINOR UNITS CUP



The picture shows the last goal for the 4th/7th Royal Dragoon Guards against the combined team of RAMC/RADC/REME/Provost in the semi-final of the Minor Units cup. Although leading 3-1 at half time they were unable to prevent the opposition from scoring a further 4 goals in the second half mainly due to the defence being unable to cope when playing against a very strong wind. Final score 4/7 DG — 3 Combined RAMC/RADC/REME/Provost — 5.

UN REME Wksp Drops 262 Signal Sqn, 2-1

UN REME Wksp disposed of 262 Signal Sqn in magnificent fashion in the semi-final of the Minor Units Cup at 4 Mile Point Famagusta on Wednesday, 7 February.

Throughout the match the strong cross-wind marred any attempt to play good football. With the wind giving them an advantage, UN Wksp stormed into the attack, giving 262 Sqn no respite whatsoever in the first half.

In the 28th minute UN Wksp took the lead when a 262 Sqn defender attempting to clear, headed into his own goal. Shortly afterwards they consolidated their lead when once again a 262 defender put the ball into his own net.

Half Time: 262 Sqn 0 UN Wksp 2.

Facing the wind, UN Wksp conceded a goal in the 3rd minute when a corner kick was scrambled in. The anticipated pattern of 262 Sqn taking advantage of the wind did not materialize; UN Wksp by honest endeavour and whole-hearted tackling contained any threatening moves by 262 Sqn.

Tiley, UN Wksp's centre half, played his usual flawless game, marshalling and steady his defence when the 262 Sqn onslaughts came. Baker ran himself into the ground, first stemming 262 Sqn attacks and then creating openings for his own forwards.

Final Score: 262 Sqn 1 UN REME Wksp 2.

UNFICYP RADIO PROGRAMME

As from Friday, 16th February the Cyprus Broadcasting Corporation, transmitting on 498 metres 602 kilocycles will be broadcasting a special programme for UNFICYP at 19.30 hrs weekly. This will be very much UNFICYP's own show. The disc-jockey will be Staff-Sergeant Dennis Sherwood of UNFICYP Workshops REME, at Nicosia. He'll want to spin discs of your choice so write in with your requests. Letters or postcards to United Nations Programme, Cyprus Broadcasting Corporation, Nicosia.

S. AFRICA BLOCKS DECOLONIZATION EFFORTS, SG SAYS

THE Secretary-General of the United Nations, U Thant, told the UN Decolonization Committee last week that a collective determination of the United Nations to bring the story of colonialism to an end seemed to have met a solid wall of defiance in the southern part of Africa.

Touching on the problems of South West Africa, the territories under Portuguese rule and Southern Rhodesia, U Thant said that the situation in that part of the world was marked by the most conspicuous mass violation of human rights and fundamental freedoms.

The Secretary-General addressed the 24-nation committee at UN Headquarters on Thursday last as it opened its 1968 series of meetings which will range over these and other colonial problems.

Regarding South West Africa, U Thant pointed out that the Government of South Africa had repudiated the validity of the UN General Assembly resolutions terminating its mandate over the territory and setting up a UN Council to administer South West Africa until it attained independence as envisaged by next June.

SOCIAL PROGRESS...

(Continued from Page 1)
alaria. Tuberculosis remains an important world health problem, however, and alcoholism, narcotic addiction, and mental retardation are causing growing concern in many countries, the report shows.

'LIGHTNING' CHANGE



In this world of changes, one more chair of the Force Staff appointments has a new occupant — not that he will have much time to sit down. Leaving this week Major B.G. (Barry) Sinclair, REME the Force Electrical and Mechanical Engineering Officer. Taking over this responsible job is Major K. (Ken) Parker, REME. Pictured here is (L to R) Major K. Parker, ASM 'Topper' Brown, Capt Les Ivory, seated Major B.G. Sinclair.