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Major Rodney Harms, 2 IC of the Dukes meets his relief Major Bill Chevis at Akrotiri Airport.

FIRST GREENJACKETS ARRIVE

At 2220 hrs on Friday 20th October, the advance party of 104 officers and men of the 1st Bn The Royal Greenjackets arrived at Akrotiri to commence taking over from the "Dukes" who are now at the end of their UN tour.

The advance party, under Major WSC Chevis dispersed to outposts in the Limassol Zone on Saturday 21st Oct in preparation for the arrival of the main body who are due to arrive between the 1st and 4th November 1967.

MIDDLE EAST SITUATION WEIGHED AT UN HQs.

The UN General Assembly — currently in session at UN Headquarters in New York — was in recess last week and early this week as intensive consultations were in progress regarding the next steps to be taken by the United Nations in the Middle East situation.

Ambassador Sengen Tsuruoka of Japan, current president of the UN Security Council, called in the 10 non-permanent members of the Council for an informal exchange of views on Tuesday and Thursday of last week following consultations with the parties to the Middle East conflict, the permanent members of the Council (China, France, the U.S.S.R., the United Kingdom, and the United States), and some other members of the Assembly. Mr Tsuruoka said the exchanges had been exploratory: no specific draft resolutions had been discussed, and the non-permanent members of the Council would meet again this week.

Declining to express either optimism or pessimism as to the outcome of the talks, he added that it was still the consensus that there would be no point in calling a meeting of the Security Council until a positive outcome could be reasonably assured.

DESTROYER SINKING BRINGS ISRAEL, U.A.R. CHARGES

THE sinking of an Israeli destroyer over the past week-end brought charges and counter-charges from Israel and the United Arab Republic.

In a letter to the UN Security Council, Israel complained of a "wanton act of aggression" committed by the United Arab Republic which resulted in 15 dead, 36 missing and 48 wounded. Israel said its vessel, the "Eliat", had been on a routine patrol on the high seas when it was attacked by surface-to-surface UAR missiles.

The UAR charged that the Israeli destroyer had engaged in "aggressive" action in UAR territorial waters of Port Said. UAR naval units had been forced to act in self-defence and, in the ensuing firing, the Israeli vessel had been sunk, the United Arab Republic said.

General Odd Bull, Chief UN Truce Supervisor, reported to the UN that as yet he had no verified information about the nature of the attack on the destroyer.

S.G CONGRATULATES SOVIET UNION ON VENUS FEAT

The United Nations Secretary-General, U Thant, last week sent a message of congratulations to Mr A. N. Kosygin, Chairman of the Council of Ministers of the USSR, on the landing his country achieved in Venus.

In his message, the Secretary-General described the landing as a "magnificent achievement" in the exploration of outer space, "yet another great accomplishment in the series of the achievements which were initiated by the USSR 10 years ago in the exploration of outer space".

U Thant said he hoped that "this and other achievements will contribute to the cause of international co-operation in the peaceful exploration of outer space".

GENERAL ASSEMBLY

UN Committees Debate

South Africa, Rhodesia Issues

Issues involving Africa were among those being actively considered in the committees of the UN General Assembly now meeting in New York for its annual session attended by all 122 Member States of the U.N.

The Special Political Committee took up a report urging the Security Council to be asked to tighten an arms embargo against South Africa and to decree economic and other measures to force the Pretoria Government to change its racial policies.

A draft resolution on the Rhodesian question was being awaited last week in the Committee on Non-Self-Governing Territories. It was expected to reflect two major themes that dominated the date on how to topple the white minority regime of Mr Ian Smith and to secure a majority rule in Rhodesia.

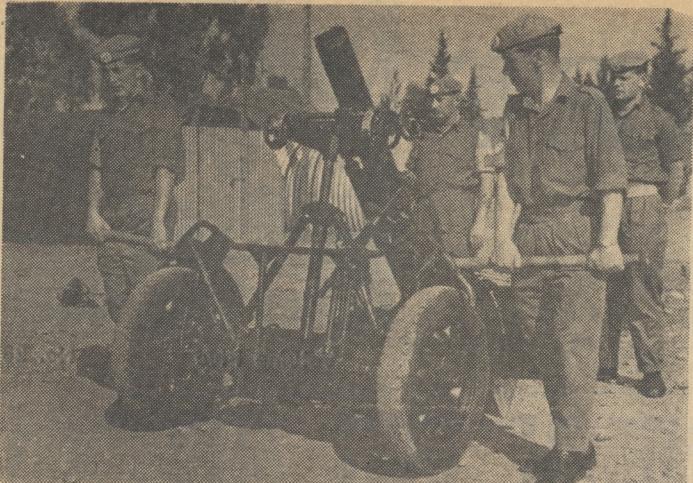
These encompassed calls for imposition of general and mandatory economic sanctions against Rhodesia backed by the use of force, if necessary — and condemnations of South Africa's military presence in the territory.

Meanwhile, in a report to be considered by the Committee at a later stage, the Special Committee of 24 concerned with colonial issues, denounced foreign economic interests for impeding decolonization in Southern Africa and elsewhere.

Finland, Sweden Contribute to UNFICYP Costs

Finland and Sweden, two countries which are participating with contingents serving with the United Nations Force in Cyprus, have made further voluntary contributions to provide financial support to UNFICYP operations in Cyprus.

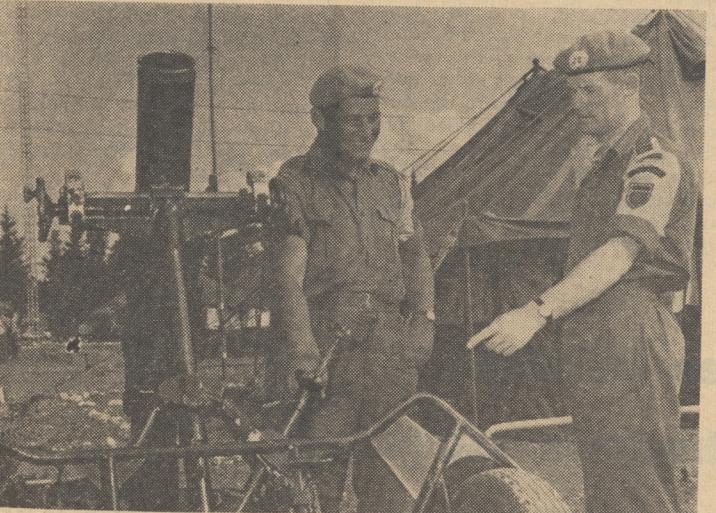
In a letter dated 12 October addressed to the Secretary-General, U Thant, sent by the Per- (Continued on P. 8)



(L to R) Gnr D. O'Rourke, Sgt T. Walsh, Gnr W. Barry and Gnr M. O'Connor.



(L to R) Gnr D. Mangan, Sgt J. Deegan and Gnr F. O'Rourke.



Sgt R. Conolly and Capt M. Shannon.



(L to R) Sgt J. Lawton, Lt J. O'Connor, Capt M. Shannon, Gnr D. Mangan, Sgt J. Deegan, Cpl W. Keating, Gnr D. O'Rourke, Gnr O'Connor, Cpl H. Cassidy, Sgt T. Walsh, Gnr W. Barry and Sgt J. Barry.

IRISH CONTINGENT NEWS



(L to R) Sgt P. Skehan, Gnr M. Stanford, Gnr W. O'Donnell and Cpl N. Codd.

HEAVY MORTAR TROOP 9 INFANTRY GROUP



The Heavy Mortar Troop of the 9 Inf Gp stationed at Xeros Camp, is armed with the French Brandt 120mm Heavy Mortar. Most of the Officers, NCO's and Gunners, are members of the 1st Field Artillery Regiment of Ballincollig, Cork.

The troop commander, Capt M. Shannon, has previously served with the UN in the Congo. The Section Offrs are Lt T. O'Connor and Lt B. O'Connor. Sgt Andy Lawton

is the troop Sgt and he also served with the "Heavies" in Katanga, Congo.

The gunners of the troop are not content with being just competent gunners. They have joined forces with the Engineer Section of 9 Inf Gp to speed up the winterisation programme of the Group. Already the gunners have laid aside their dial sights and have shown their versatility with hammers, chisels, saws, drills etc.

Sgt R. Connolly a No. 1 Mortar Sgt, on his seventh UN tour of duty, controls the drawing of all rations for the 9 Inf Gp. He is the holder of the DSM for his service with the UN in the Congo. He is a former International Light-Heavyweight boxer for Ireland. One of his few defeats as an amateur was at the hands of Carl Mildenberger of West Germany on points, who later achieved fame as a Professional Heavyweight.

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HOME SWEET HOME

WITH THE ARRIVAL OF THE ADVANCE PARTY OF THE GREEN JACKETS, the departure time for the Dukes draws closer and everywhere in the British Zone there is an expectant air. Mention of "Home" brings cheerful smiles to tanned faces and the thought of being home soon is a pleasant thought in everyone's mind. In all the outposts throughout the zone, the British correspondent was able to photograph some of the preparations for winter, and the finishing touches are being

given to ensure that all is spick and span when the Green Jackets take over. To anyone who saw the condition of the outposts six months ago, the improvements are markedly apparent. During a recent visit to Polis at the north western end of the zone, the British correspondent was able to photograph some of the preparations for winter, and the finishing touches are being



Taking a breather from digging rain ditches at Polis Hill Op, Pte Eric Clark from Ripon has a laugh with Pte Stephen Turner who is on watch. Stephen comes from Sheffield and is looking forward to seeing the city where the best steel comes from, in the near future.



Winterisation in full swing — left to right Pte Andy Marshall, Cpl Tom Dooley and Pte Barry Sherratt watch as carpenter Ali saws away at flooring for the tents at Anadhou Op. Miles away from the bright lights, the Op is set in the western foothills of the Troodos range and is one of the most picturesque locations in the zone.

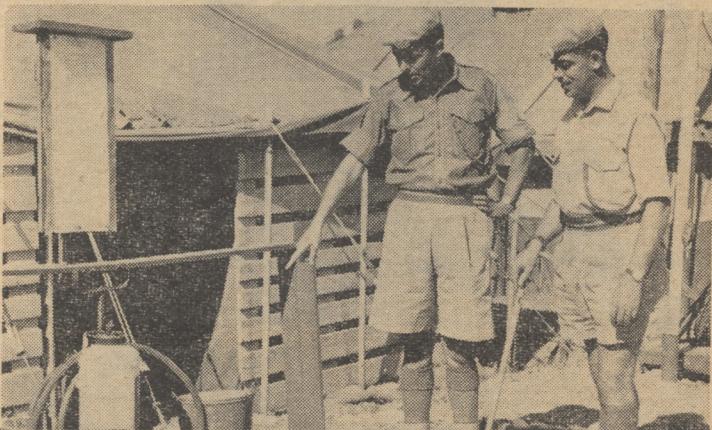


"That smells good" says Pte Gary Boyes as he has a look at his Birthday cake baked by Lcpl Malcolm (Mr Pastry) Heley. "Make sure there is plenty of icing" instructed Gary before beating a hasty retreat from the kitchen.



Slapping it on — Hard at work whitewashing the walls of the Polis Town Guardroom are Pte Colin Kelly from Huddersfield (left) and Pte Stephen Nee who comes from Galway. Both are members of 10 (Mortar) Platoon, D. Coy.

BRITCON NEWS



"Is that a fly on the extinguisher?" asks Capt Chuck Ivy during his round of inspection. "Yessir" replied CSM Tom Brown, "It's on the ration strength". Capt Ivy is back in command of the Polis detachment after a spell of duty with Ops A, at HQ UNFICYP.

BASKETBALL LEAGUE

To conclude the Basketball League, a match between the International Club and the Wheel-Em-Inn Club took place on Thursday 19 Oct 67. The International Club were clear winners of the league by a massive margin with the Wheel-Em-Inn team runners up.

Team	P	W	D	L	Pts
International	18	16	—	2	36
Wheel 'em Inn	16	9	—	7	18
Mercury	18	6	—	12	12
Craftymans	16	4	—	12	8



The Winning Team

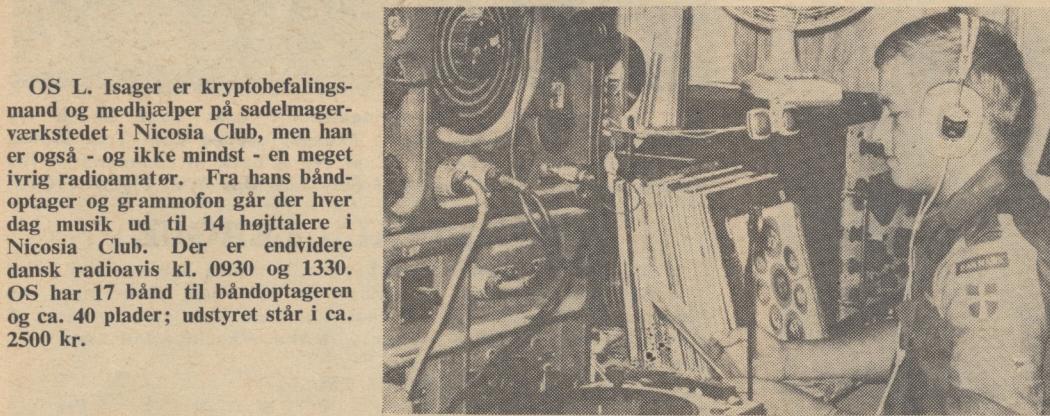
DANCON NEWS



Ja undskyld, at vi breder os lidt. De lokale siger godt nok, at det er vinter endnu, men formiddagen er slet ikke så dårlig endda! (Alfas swimmingpool ved 2. deling).



Regnskabskontoret har en travl tid i forbindelse med rotationen. PRLT (S) J.F. Kristoffersen (tv.) og SG Pedersen sveder her i fællesskab. Husk, at hvis De skal blive her, kan De få løn som sædvanligt 10. og 15 NOV. Skal De hjem, kan De kun få løn 10 NOV, de regnskaberne skal afgøres. Har De mangler i Deres udstyrning, så meld det selv i god tid, så vi undgår forvirring de sidste dage!



OS L. Isager er kryptobefalingsmand og medhjælper på sadelmager-værkstedet i Nicosia Club, men han er også - og ikke mindst - en meget ivrig radioamatør. Fra hans båndoptager og gramofon går der hver dag musik ud til 14 højtaler i Nicosia Club. Der er endvidere dansk radioavis kl. 0930 og 1330. OS har 17 bånd til båndoptageren og ca. 40 plader; udstyret står i ca. 2500 kr.



PARADE VED DANCIVPOL.

13 OKT 1967 afholdt DANCIVPOL parade i anledning af, at overpolitiskebetjent Anton Pedersen, Nykøbing F, på denne dag havde 25 års jubilæum som politimand. Her overrækker chefen for DANCIVPOL, politikommissær F.A. Nielsen, jubilaren (tv.) rigspolitichefens diplom og lykønskninger. Herudover overrakte overbetjent H. Philipsen en gave fra samtlige politifolk ved DANCIVPOL.



De to første officerer fra DANCON VIII kom 18 OKT. TV. ses den nye presseofficer, MAJ N.B. Juul og th. den nye OPS B, KN A. Lønsted.

THE BLUE BERET
UNFICYP - JULORT!

Julkort?! Ja, det är faktiskt bara 60 dagar kvar till jul och med julpost bör man ju som bekant vara ute i god tid, när det gäller långväga hälsningar. FN-styrkan på Cypern har sitt eget julkort i klara språkande färger som säkert kan bli en trevlig hälsning till släkt och vänner från FN-soldaten på Cypern.

Julkorten finns att köpa för 40 mils styck hos "Merry" O'Connell i sekretariet i UNFICYP HQ:s stora hangar. Vill du och beställa skall vi tala om att telefonnumret är 76292, ankn. 32.



GOD JUL
SEASON'S GREETINGS
RAUHALISTA JOULUA
FROHE WEIHNACHTEN
GLÆDELIG JUL
NOLLAIG FÉ MHÀISEACHÍBH
JOYEUX NOËL



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SWEDCON NEWS

MARSCHEN
GÅR HEMÅT...

FN-bataljon 38 avslutar
sin cyperntjänst

Det är inte bara tredjekompaniserna i löjtnant Guldstrands platon på Artemis Road-bilden som nu marscherar ut från UNFICYP-engagemangen. De sex kontraktssoldaterna har snabbt runnit iväg och det är dags för hela FN-bataljon 38 C att återvända till Sverige och ordinarie sysslor i civila och militära sammanhang. Allt medan FN-bat 39 tar våra platser i UNFICYP-leden.

I lördags kväll den 21 gick den första hemflighten, och sedan har rotationen fortsatt varje dag. Om några dagar har alla "38:or" lämnat "Afrodites ö".

Efter ett halvår långt från hemlandets horisont kommer det nog att känna ganska skönt att återknyta bekantskapen med Sverige i hemvan miljö hos nära och kära. Men, skall vi väl tillägga, minnena blir det största bagaget hem - min-

nena från OP-tjänsten, camparbetet och expeditionssysslorna, minnena från varma sköna soldagar på Cyperns beacher och i angränsande leavemål, minnena av cyrrioter vi lärde känna, minnena av kamraterna i bat 38, o.s.v.

Hem går alltså färden, och som zonchefen öv. Curt Hermansson hoppades i sin avskedshälsning i baträt - i tillfredsställelse med ett väl utfört uppdrag. Blue Beret tackar för kamratskapet i cyperntjänsten och önskar lycka till i kommande uppgifter!

Ut från Artemis Road och sista vaktpasset där marsch erar It Guldstrands platon (3. komp). Bilden t.v.

Hem till Sverige och civila sysslor. Platsjournalen blir en aktuell tidning i rotationstider, såsom för malmööten ser Tommy Larsson.

SWEDCIVPOL ERÖVRADE
POLICE ADVISER'S CUP

Med övertygande siffror vann svenska civila polisen UNCIVPOL:s fotbollsturnering om "Canney's Cup", d.v.s. den stigla trofén som Police Adviser, Superintendent E.S. Canney, satt upp som pris åt bästa fotbolls-laget bland FN-poliserna på Cypern.

Matcherna har spelats sedan i augusti, och när finalerna var klara, 16/10, stod det klart att svenska skulde få motta trofén ur Police Advisers hand. Det skedde samtidigt med att UNCIVPOL HQ i Nicosia invigde sin nya mäss i Wolseley Barracks, närmare bestämt den 16/10.

Svenskarna vann alla sina sex matcher och slutade alltså på 12 p., österrikarna kom tvåa på 6 p., danskarne trea på 4 p. och så följde australierna på 2 p.

SVENSKA PENGAR
TILL UNFICYP

Sverige har liksom grannlandet Finland meddelat FN:s generalsekreterare U Thant, att det ämnar ge ytterligare bidrag för att täcka kostnaderna för UNFICYP.

Svenske FN-representanten, ambassadör Sverker Åström, skrev i sitt brev den 16/10 till generalsekreteraren, att "den svenska regeringen beslutat bidra med 180.000 US dollar för att möta UNFICYP-kostnaderna för den löpande mandattiden".

Finland har beslutat ge ett nytt bidrag med 50.000 US dollar.

Ny Svensk
BLUE BERET-
redaktör

Med detta nummer byter Blue Beret:s svenska sida redaktör. Ny man på stolen blir bat 39:s zonpressofficer, major Wilhelm J. Persson från Skåne och tidningen Kvällsposten där. Välkommen till Cypern, och lycka till i uppgifterna!

Men innan dess vill "38:ans" zonpressofficer tacka för de svenska Blue Beret-läsarnas intresse.



Grattis! Poliskommissarie Nils Grönberg, Swedcivpols stf, mottar "cupen" ur Superintendent E.S. Canneys hand.

The United Kingdom restated its contention that economic sanctions abstaining. South Africa and Portugal voted against (Continued on P. 2)



ON DUTY IN CYPRUS — Two New Brunswick soldiers add the finishing touches to a sign at the entrance to their United Nations company headquarters in Cyprus. They are Pte Brian McGrath, son of Mr and Mrs J. McGrath, of (30½) Canon St., Saint John, (left) and Pte Jim Kelter, son of Mr and Mrs J. F. Kelter, of Grand Bay. Both are members of 1 Battalion, The Black Watch, which took over United Nations peacekeeping duties in mid-October for a six-month tour from 2 Battalion, The Queen's Own Rifles of Canada.



ON DUTY IN CYPRUS — Cpl Jim McClean, son of Mr and Mrs A. McClean, of 8 Green St., Dartmouth, prepares a turkey to be served at the Kyrenia company headquarters in Cyprus where he is the chief chef. Cpl McClean is serving with 1 Battalion, The Black Watch, which took over United Nations peacekeeping duties in mid-October for a six-month tour from 2 Battalion, The Queen's Own Rifles of Canada.



ON DUTY IN CYPRUS — Pte Jim Walsh and Pte Andy Desjardines from Temblos Outpost observe olive pickers as the harvest moves into high gear.

CANCON NEWS

(Canadian Forces Photos)



ON DUTY IN CYPRUS — Pte Garnet Buchanan, and Pte Barry Cleveland from Snow White Outpost on a foot patrol through the village of Temblos. Both are members of 1 Battalion, RHC.



ON DUTY IN CYPRUS — Pte Andy Desjardines, son of Mr and Mrs J. C. Desjardines of (60 Russell Ave.) Ottawa, keeps a close watch on the area surrounding his outpost near the Cyprus village of Temblos. Pte Desjardines is a member of 1 Battalion, The Black Watch, which took over United Nations peacekeeping duties in Cyprus in mid-October for a six-month tour from 2 Battalion, The Queen's Own Rifles of Canada.



Kovat uimakisat on pidetty. Tulokset ovat lehdessämme toisaalla. Malliksi kuitenkin vielä välähdys lähtöviivalta: yil Edelman, jääl Rusko, lt Maijanen ja äärimmäisenä kapt Ratia.

VEDESSÄ JA KOVALLA MAALLA

Urheilua on pataljoonassamme harrastettu taas runsaasti. Niinpä myös tulokset on kertynyt joitakin määriä. Huomattavimpana uinimestaruuskisat, missä ennakkosuosikki Huolotkomppania veikin voiton joka lajissa. Mutta katsotaanpa tuloksia.



Kaikkien kolmen lajin voittaja sekä viestin voittaneen HK joukkueen ankuri jääl Rusko nousi massasta urakkansa jälkeen.



Viestihuollossamme kävi viikolla vieraita: kanadalainen viestiuupseeri lt Joe Manning käväisi suomalaisia konsteja ja kikkoja oppimassa. Suomalaisoppaina toimivat kuvassamme lt Berggren, kapt Hurme sekä ylik Kaunialainen.



Palloon perään rynnistetään tässäkin EKn ja 2JKn välisessä ottelussa. Ottelutulos jää kaikesta yrittämistä huolimatta tasapeliksi 0-0 sateisessa säässä ja omien kannustaessa.

50 jaardin rintautinti	
1. Jääk Rusko	HK 35.6
2. Jääk Tenhunen	HK 38.0
3. Jääk Törnroos	EK 38.4
5. Kapt Ratia	E 39.7
5. Jääk Valli	3K 43.5
6. Jääk Forsteen	EK 46.9
50 jaardin selkäuinti	
1. Jääk Rusko	HK 34.4
2. Jääk Kurki	HK 37.0
3. Jääk Sandberg	1K 40.7
4. Jääk Törnroos	EK 45.9

FINCON NEWS

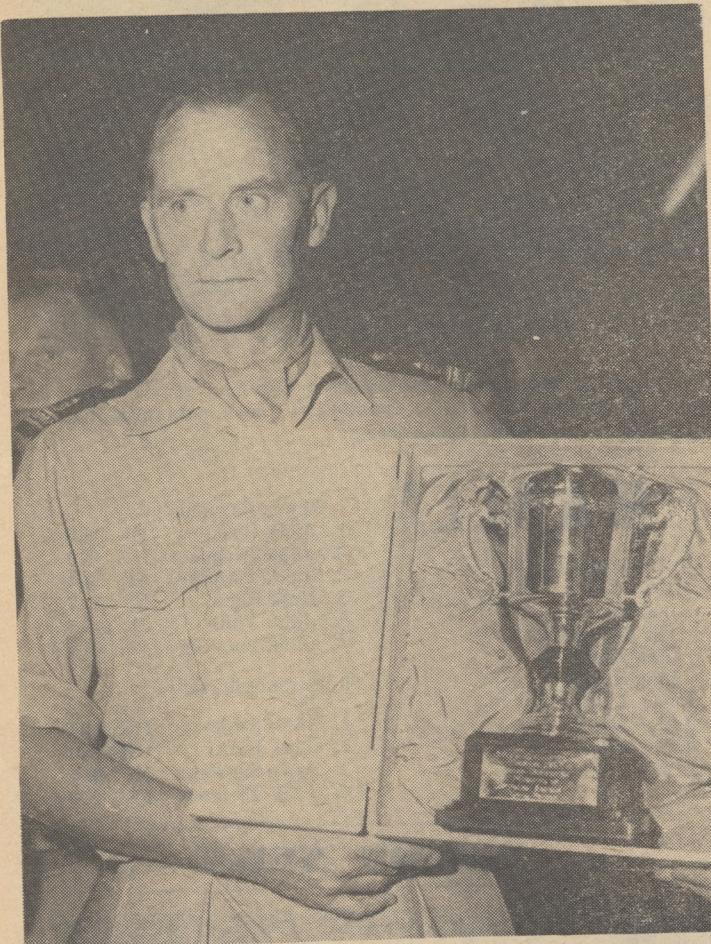


2K:ssa on kunnosteltu niin jääläri- kuin upseerimessiäkin pensseillä ja uusia sisustusta hankkimalla. Niinpä onkin päästy kunnostuksen viimeiseen vaiheeseen: upsmessin purkkiseinämää latovat lt Siljamäki ja yil Kahrama. - Jääkärimessiin ei vielä päästy.



Samantien korjattiin malliksi eräästä 3JKn autosta radio. Henkilöt jääl Hälinen sekä ylik Kuisma. Ja kyllähän se meiltä käy...

SWEDES TAKE 'CANNEY CUP'



Supt Nils Gronberg proudly displaying the trophy won by the Swedish Civilian Police in the UNCIVPOL Football competition recently concluded. The trophy is called the "Canney Cup" in honor of its donor, it will remain in the

permanent possession of the winners who were undefeated throughout the series. The opening of the UNCIVPOL Club was the occasion of the presentation. There were at least 100 persons present. All contingents were represented.

Assembly Upholds Equal Rights for Women

A declaration aimed at eliminating discrimination against women was unanimously adopted last week by the Social Committee of the UN General Assembly now meeting in New York.

The Declaration climaxed several years of UN work on this document and was described by the Committee Chairman, Mrs Mara Radic of Yugoslavia, as one of the most important actions taken by the world Organization.

The preamble of the Declaration states that discrimination still existing against women is incompatible with human dignity and with the welfare of family and society. Equal rights, it says, must be applied in all fields, including acquisition and control of property, and especially in the marriage choice of spouse, a say in the rearing of children of marriage, and the right to divorce.

SAD DAY AT "HAPPY" VALLEY FOR UNFICYP HQs TEAM

Happy Valley, Episkopi proved to be a not so happy valley for HQ UNFICYP where they were overwhelmed by 1 York & Lancs Regt to the tune of 9 goals to 1 on Wednesday 18 October, in the second major match of the season.

Dominating the play right from the start, York & Lancs opened the scoring in the 7th minute and increased their lead shortly afterwards.

HQ's centre-half, Taylor was carried off in the 10th minute with cartilage trouble and the reshuffled defence were never allowed to settle down by the rampaging forwards of 1 York & Lancs.

UNITED NATIONS DAY

U THANT URGES REASSESSMENT OF WORLD VALUES TODAY

Every year, on 24 October, nations all over the world observe UNITED NATIONS DAY — the date on which the United Nations Charter came into effect in 1945.

On this occasion, UN Secretary-General, U Thant, issued the following message:

When the Charter of the United Nations was written twenty-two years ago, those who signed it in the name of the peoples of the world proclaimed one overriding objective: to save succeeding generations from the scourge of war and to build a world of social progress and better standards of life in larger freedom for all.

For the attainment of this goal, they prescribed standards of conduct which may be summarized in these few words: good neighbourliness, tolerance and the acceptance of lawful procedures in international life.

As we look at the world around us today, we cannot but recognize that the promises of the Charter, in the field of economic and social advancement as much as in the field of international political relationships, are far from fulfilled. Two decades after the nations of the world agreed "to employ international measures for the promotion of economic and social advancement of all peoples", hunger, poverty and disease still haunt more than two-thirds of mankind, and the gap between the rich and the poor is widening to the point of despair. At the same time, two decades after pledging "that armed forces shall not be used, save in the common interest", nations have not only been unable to abandon war as a means of protecting or promoting self-interest but, ominously, they seem, at times, to be on the brink of abandoning their faith in the Charter and in the validity or practicability of the world envisaged by it.

For this sorrowful and potentially disastrous state of affairs in the world of today, perhaps the chief factor responsible is what might be described as a state of mind or, rather, a state of morality. As the nations of the world have accumulated, over the past two decades since the Charter was proclaimed, greater and greater potential for good as well as for evil, they have



not acquired the corresponding sense of obligation towards others. It is this moral imbalance which is both responsible for, and is itself fed by, the "implementation-gap" between the promises proclaimed in the Charter and the actual practices of nations, large and small.

This Anniversary Day provides an opportunity for a stock-taking, both material and moral. It provides an opportunity for recalling the principles proclaimed twenty-two years ago and for reassessing their value in the world today. The way of life enjoined by the Charter is no mere philosophical dream. Ideals, in the long run, have always turned out to be mankind's most practical and precious possessions. In a world bristling with means of massive destruction, such ideals have now become the only alternative to self-extermination.

Let us, therefore, on this day reaffirm the wisdom of the way of life proclaimed in the United Nations Charter and determine to renew our efforts towards attaining it.

FINLAND

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manent Representative of Finland to the United Nations, Mr Max Jakobson, the letter informed the U.N. that his country had decided to make a further contribution of 50,000 dollars to help the United Nations meet the cost of UNFICYP. This contribution he said, should "in due course" be offset against expenses paid by the Finnish Government in connection with the Finnish contingent to UNFICYP.

In the second half, 1 York & Lancs piled on the pressure, using the open spaces intelligently and harassing HQ's defence into making defensive errors. Again it was the sterling work of goalkeeper Bracey which foiled 1 York & Lancs reaching double figures.

Watson, HQ's right half played very well in this half but even he could not stem the flood. HQ's centre forward, Davies got a consolation goal late in the game.

In a letter dated 16 October addressed to the Secretary-General, the Permanent Representative of Sweden to the UN, Mr Sverker Astrom, said that Sweden had decided to make a contribution of 180,000 dollars towards meeting the costs of UNFICYP for the period June-December, 1967. In making this contribution, the Swedish Government said it had taken this decision "without prejudice to its stand on the principle of collective financial responsibility for United Nations operations of this nature".