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Dr. B.F. Osorio-Tafall accompanied by Major General AE Martola is shown above speaking to the Press at Nicosia Airport before his departure for Ankara and Athens on 19 July.

ANKARA-ATHENS

OSORIO - TAFALL RETURNS FRIDAY

DR. B.F. OSORIO-TAFALL, SPECIAL REPRESENTATIVE OF THE SECRETARY-GENERAL IN CYPRUS, is currently in Athens on the second part of his trip to Turkey and Greece. He is expected to return to Nicosia on Friday evening, 28 July.

Speaking to reporters on his departure from Nicosia, last Wednesday evening, 19 July, Dr. Osorio-Tafall said that his trip was intended as a "prise de contact" with officials in both countries dealing with the Cyprus question.

Asked if his trip was related directly to a possible resump-

tion of the Greco-Turkish dialogue as related to Cyprus, Dr. Osorio-Tafall said this was inaccurate and reiterated that his visits were intended — as requested by both Ankara and Athens — to establish personal contact with all parties connected with the Cyprus problem: "We are not going to take any initiative, to make any proposal, to make any suggestions, unless we are asked for them."

However, the Special Representative added, as the Secretary-General had said in his last report to the Security Council covering the work of the United Nations Operation in Cyprus, "we are always ready to lend our good offices at the request of the parties concerned."

Dr. Osorio-Tafall was seen off at the Nicosia airport by the Force Commander, Lt. General A.E. Martola, members of the foreign diplomatic corps in Cyprus, and representatives of the Cyprus Government.

POPULATION CURB SOUGHT BY UN FUND

THE SECRETARY-GENERAL, U THANT, HAS INVITED ALL GOVERNMENTAL ORGANIZATIONS AND PRIVATE INDIVIDUALS to contribute to a new trust fund set up to work on population problems which he described as "among the most critical in processes of economic and social development".

The appeal for contributions was contained in an aide-memoire sent to the governments which have previously indicated support for such an expanded programme and to non-governmental organizations including foundations. U Thant said that there was a need for \$5.5 million in additional funds to finance a proposed five year programme which would double the United Nations activities in the field of population as a whole and treble them at the regional and country levels.

In a statement to the opening session of the Economic and Social Council earlier this month, the Secretary General announced his decision to establish a trust fund for population activities and expressed hope for voluntary contributions. Last week, the United States representative to the

U. K. TO MAINTAIN TROOPS WITH UNFICYP

THE UNITED KINGDOM WILL CONTINUE TO MAINTAIN THEIR CONTINGENT SERVING WITH THE UNITED NATIONS FORCE IN CYPRUS at its present strength through the 26th of December of the present year when the current mandate of the Force expires.

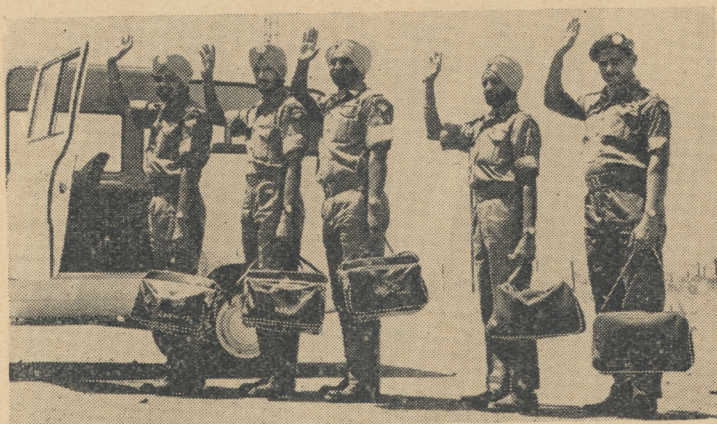
The Permanent Representative of the United Kingdom to the United Nations, Lord Caradon, in a note to Secretary-General U Thant, dated 7 July and made public last week at UN Headquarters in New York, confirmed the U.K.'s participation in the Force, including the engineering detachment recently agreed to.

Lord Caradon also confirmed that the United Kingdom Government would contribute voluntarily towards the expenses of the UNFICYP at the rate of one million dollars for each three months of the period through December "and will in addition continue to meet the costs of their own contingent".

LUXEMBOURG CONTRIBUTES

ALSO AT UN HEADQUARTERS LAST WEEK, it was announced that the government of Luxembourg will shortly make a voluntary contribution of \$5,000 towards the financing of UNFICYP.

BON VOYAGE

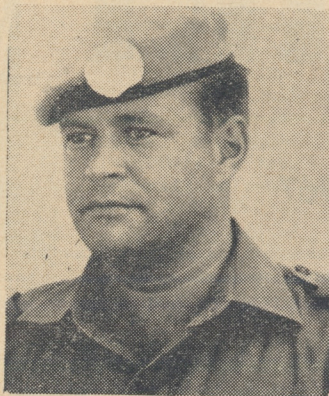


N/Sub Kabul Singh, Cpl Kartar Singh, Cpl Menga Singh, Pvt Madha Singh and Pvt Jaisi Ram, members of the rear party of the Indian Contingent who served with UNEF, Gaza, are departing for India by air on 18 July 1967, after staging through Cyprus. The remaining two members will be leaving on 1 August 1967.

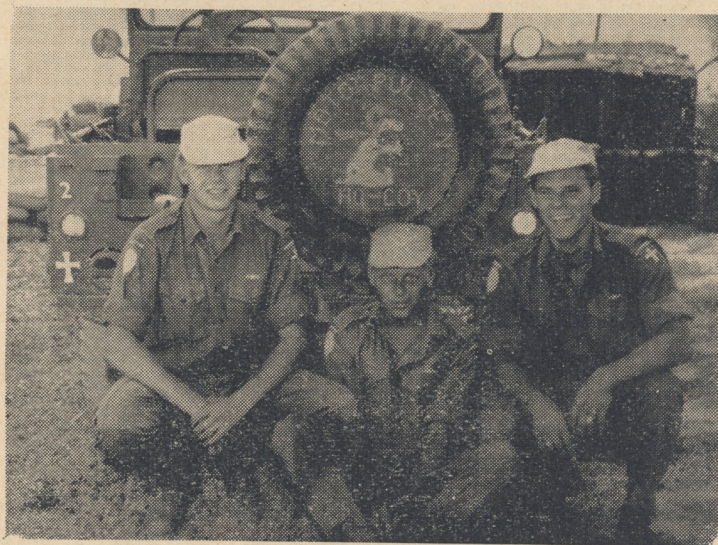
DANCON NEWS



CH/STKMP, MAJ
K. V. Møller, BV



NK/STKMP, PRLT
B. Vinther, JTGR.



“Det er svært at arbejde, det er sværere ikke at arbejde”, siger et cypriotisk ord-sprog. Det samme mener også motorpuljen i DANCON, der til daglig har adskillige krævende pligter, men som alligevel udfører dagens dont med velvilje og godt humør. Her ses KS 678149 J. Vangshold, FLK, hold VI og VII; KS 694904 J. Buchholdt, BV samt KS 726309 P. Skov, FLK, der foran “Helten fra første verdenskrig” venter på ordrer for dagens gerning.



BARBER
MAN - ONS - FRE

KL 14-16



Håret gror hurtigt her i varmen, det ved vi alle. KS 661591 H.B. Carlsen, HTK, hold V, VI og VII bliver her klippet af KS 678459 J. Greve, SLVR, hold VI og VII. Greve har nedslået sig som barber i et gammelt badeværelse i Fort Worthington. Det lille billede i baggrunden bliver forhåbentlig så utydeligt i “Blue Beret”, at ingen kan ane, hvad det er!



Mange funktioner indenfor DANCON her på Cypren er ukendt for de fleste; en af disse er måske sadelmagerens. Til trods for at han sørger for, at man kan sove godt og bekvemt på behagelige feltsenge skænker vi ikke ham og hans medarbejdere en tanke. Her er SG J.W. Pedersen, HTK, og KS 610602 F. Dølby, LG, i færd med at reparere feltsenge til brug for hold VIII.



For at undgå ulykker er det absolut nødvendigt, at køretøjerne er i orden. På billedet efterspender KS 661582 K.G. Hansen, HTK, hold V, VI og VII i værksteds-graven nogle af boltene i kardankrydset på en jeep.



HOV-så var der een til - ÅRSAG? Overhaling i forbindelse med for stor hastighed.

Føreren er stadig i live, men det bliver jo nok ikke ved med at gå godt. Det er ikke nok at køre bil med arme og ben - brug dog hovedet.

SWEDCON NEWS



Här ger Barkenskepparen Lars Wenström klartecken till sina kamrater från 1 komp, för en seglats med LOUISA på Medelhavets grönbå böljor.



“Kirre” dyker upp.



“Kirre” Kristofferson och “Kocken” Eriksson färdiga för nedstigning medan Göran Lindblad instruerar och de övriga i kursen väntar på sin tur.

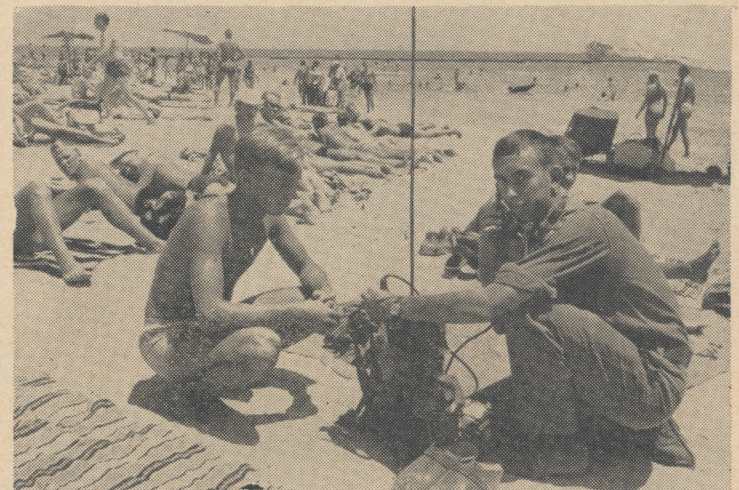
THE VIKINGS OF SWEDALA

Svenskar har alltid haft en viss dragning till sjön, och detta gäller inte minst här på Cypren. När den svenske FN-soldaten är ledig är det för det mesta beachen som lockar. Här återfann, i söndags, Blue Beret s utsände större delen av den tjänstefria personalen.

Några utnyttjade denna söndagsförmiddag till att lära sig sportdyka. Furirerna Lindblad och Kristoffer-son badade sina grodmän vid revet utanför Constantia. Just denna morgon var intresset på topp, ty man fick för första gången prova lufttuberna.

Längre bort på stranden höll några mannar från 1 komp på med att göra sig redo för en tur längs kusten med den tuffande skönheten Louisa. Lars Wenström från Smedjebacken agerade skeppare ombord, Gidlund från Ö- vik sörjde för att ölen i isboxen var kall och Rapp, Hedberg och Viklund höll uppsikt efter simmande sjöjungfrur.

Slutligen fann vi, solande sig runt en surrande Ra 105, 2 kompaniets larmstyrka, redo att med kort varsel byta denna behagliga tillvaro mot mera allvarsfyllda uppgifter.



Förbindelsen provas.... Fu Lars Nordkvist i larmstyrkan gör ett förbindelseprov.

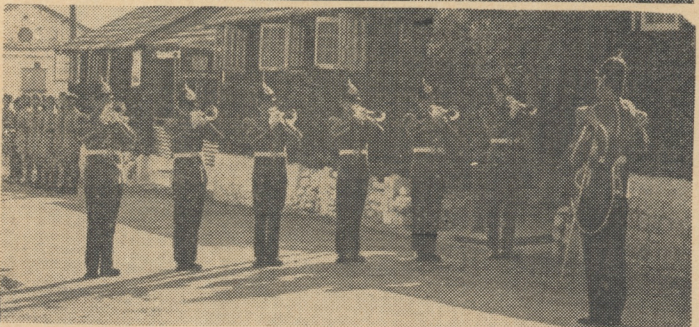
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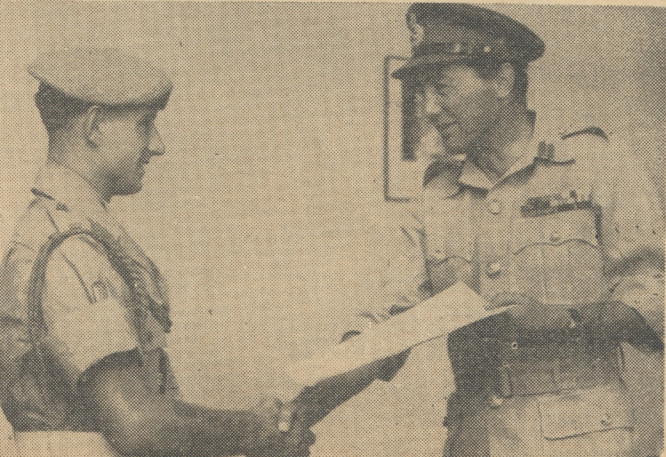
General Young talks to Drum Major John Allerton seen in full ceremonial dress.



A splendid fanfare was played by the Fanfare Section of the Corps of Drums before General Young inspected the Quarter Guard seen at the rear.



The Commander Royal Corps of Transport Cyprus District, Lt Col E.J. Younghusband says goodbye to members of the Squadron.



The General Officer Commanding Cyprus District, Major General D.L. Lloyd-Owen, DSO, OBE, MC, presents an illuminated Commendation to Drummer David Fry.

DIRECTOR OF INFANTRY VISITS "DUKES"

A FORMER GENERAL OFFICER COMMANDING CYPRUS DISTRICT, MAJ. GENERAL P.G.F. YOUNG, CB, CBE, visited the Duke of Wellingtons Regiment in his capacity as Director of Infantry on Monday 17th July. General Young who served in Cyprus from 1962 to 1964 was given command of the Peace Keeping Force in Cyprus just after Christmas 1963. He left the Island in December 1964 on his appointment as Director of Infantry.

During his visit the General visited Corunna Company 1 DWR at Kophinou and also elements of Mari Platoon on Flag Hill OP, before flying by Wessex helicopter to the Regimental HQ at Polemidhia Camp where he inspected the Battalion Quarter Guard. After inspecting the guard the General commented "A very smart and impressive Quarter Guard indeed".

FAREWELL TO 1 SQUADRON RCT

AT 1900 HRS FRIDAY 21st JULY, 1 SQUADRON RCT departed by coach for Akrotiri where they will fly by Charter plane. All members of the Squadron were in high spirits at the thought of being home again soon.

AWARD FOR GALLANT "DUKE"

RECENTLY, DRUMMER DAVID FRY, OF THE DUKE OF WELLINGTON'S REGIMENT received an illuminated commendation from the General Officer Commanding Cyprus District, Major General D.L. Lloyd-Owen, DSO, OBE, MC at Episkopi. The award was for his praiseworthy conduct when he saved 14 year old Linda Jessop from drowning off Buttons Bay, Akrotiri on the 18th of June. "There is no doubt that Drummer Fry's swift action and skillful application of First Aid saved the girl's life", says the commendation. His behaviour throughout reflects the greatest credit on him.



A touch of the Blarney — General Young laugh with Cpl Seamus O'Connor from Tullamaore, Co. Wick, Ireland.



Smiling members of 1 Sqn RCT board the first stage of their journey home.

FINAL TRIBUTE

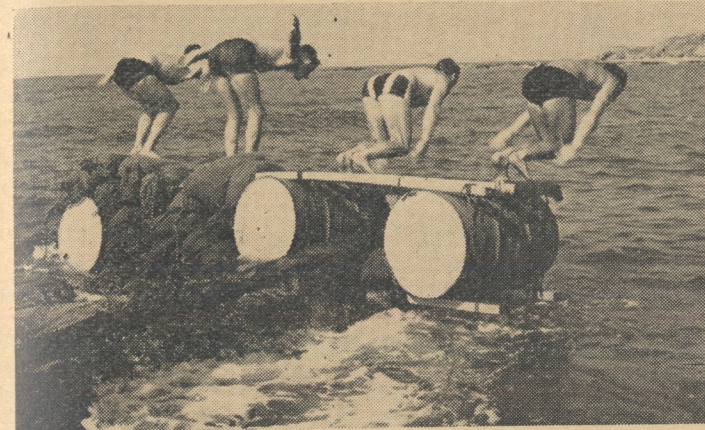


The funeral of Craftsman Stanley Houghton took place at St Mary's Church, Dhekelia on Monday, 24th July. A large number of personal friends and representatives attended the ceremony.

all Continents of the Force and Mrs. Houghton.

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IRCON NEWS



The start of the 50 metres Free Style. (L to R) Sgt Cyril Houlihan, Lt Terry Fleming, Lt Jim McNamara and Pte Jimmy Maher.

GROUP SWIMMING CHAMPIONSHIPS

LAST Thursday, the 8th Inf Group swimming championships were held at ICA HQ, Kato Pyrgos. The setting was ideal with the camp high over a wide sandy beach only one hundred yards from the water's edge. A finger of rock jutting out from the beach divides the bay in two. This allowed one half to be used for competition and the other for practice. Some spectators who found the heat too great at times also used the second area and enjoyed themselves simply swanning around.

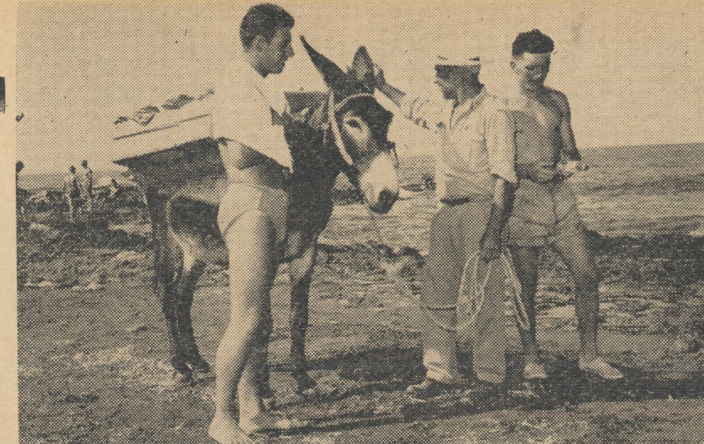
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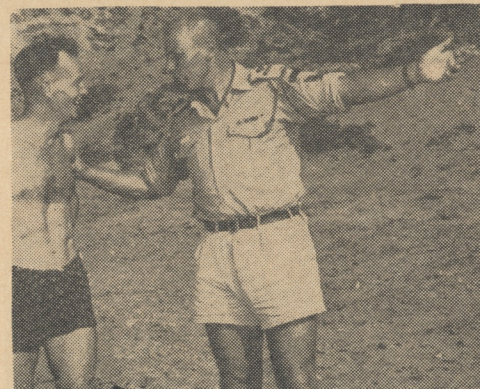
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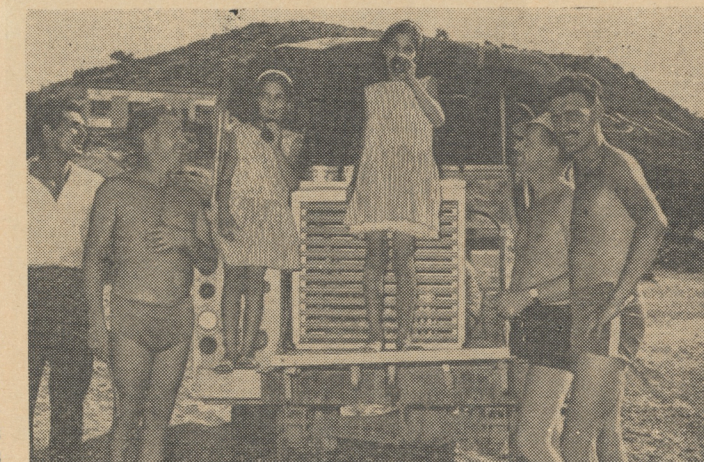
Prize Winners at 8th Inf Gp Swimming Championships at Kato Pyrgos. (Kneeling L to R) Ptes John Higgins, James Cleary, George McDermott, Pat Donnelly, Sgt Denis Leahy, Pte James Hayes. (Standing L to R) Lt Jim McNamara, Cpl Davy Sharpe, Lt Jack Dwyer, Ptes Jimmy Maher and Eddie Walsh, Cpl Denis O'Brien, Tpr Tom Bourke, Cpl George Hayes, Cpl Joe Nolan, Pte Tony O'Brien and Lt Terry Fleming.



Where there's a crowd there's trade. Mobile merchant Euripidis Theoris tries to encourage Pte John Barry of Greystones (left) and Pte Tom Morahan of Portlaw to purchase soft drinks.



"Get out there and win"! Comdt Eamonn Young (Right) whose "B" Coy won the Group trophy giving sideline instructions to Sgt Eddie Hunt of Clonmel.



All children love a Coke. Irene (left) and Eleftheria daughters of ice-cream vendor Savvas Odysseas are no exception. Suppliers (L to R) are Sgt Paddy Mooney of Dublin, Sgt Bill Earley of Mullingar and Cpl Tom Baird of Greystones.

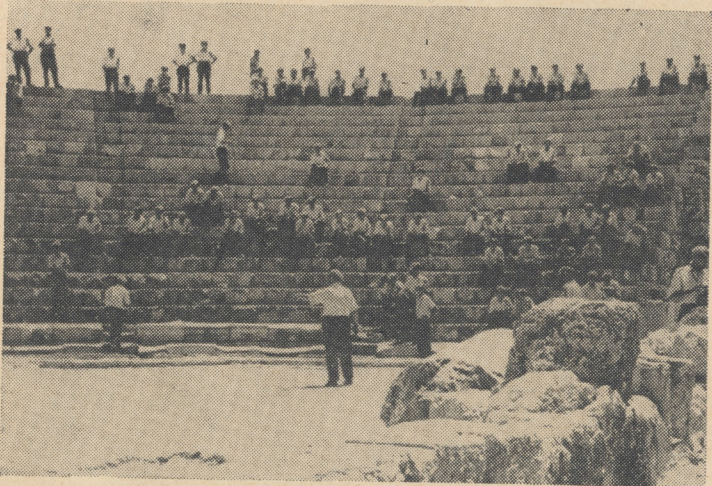


NOT "Paddy McGinty" attracted by the fun. Just a local shepherd with his goats "agus a dtain le gaoith".

FINCON NEWS



Uljas mieskuoro on aloittanut toimintansa. Lisävoimia kuitenkin vielä kaivataan, jotta esitysvalmius saavutettaisiin mahdollisimman nopeasti. Tervetuloa laulamaan - keskiviikkoisin klo 1530 EK:n upseeri-messissä.



Retkellä amfiteatterissa. Paahtava aurinko, areenan hiekka ja katsomon kivet olivat samoja kuin ennen. Ilmapiiri oli kuitenkin rauhanomaisempi, kuten rauhanpuolustajille sopiinkin.



Kansainväliseltä urheilurintamaltamme kuuluu hyviä; viimeisin on suomalaisten viestimiesten lentopallovoitto englantilaisista kohteliaasti 3-1. Niin kävi tällä kertaa.

PAPIN RYYDISSÄ JA MUUTENKIN

Menneenä parina viikonloppuna käytiin taas vanhaa ja hyvää tapaa noudattaen retkeilemässä Saarella pataljoonamme pastorin Eenok Reimaan asiantuntevasti opastaessa. Retkeläisiä oli taas runsaasti ja lauantaireissujen suosiota kuvaa parhaiten jatkuvasti suuri, ellei todella suurentuvakin osanottajamäärä. Edellisellä kerralla oli kohteena Salamis. Kuorma-autokuljetuksen lisäksi nautiskeltiin näköalaravintolasta ja roomalaisen vesijohtolaitoksen aikaansaannok-



Liikaa oii vaatteita pojilla kylpylässä.

CANCON NEWS

(Canadian Forces Photos)



GOODBYE COL TURNER — but before you go, how about a dip in the new pool? Col W.W. Turner, who has just finished his tour in Cyprus as the Commander Canadian Contingent and Deputy Chief of Staff of UNFICYP, christens one of the new pools that he obtained for the Canadian Contingent, prior to his departure, Tuesday 18th July.



IT'S A LONG WAY TO EXPO — 7,634 miles to be exact, but these two soldiers of the 2nd Bn Queen's Own Rifles are planning on going when they return to Canada about mid-October. They are shown nailing the sign to their hut at Martins Mound Outpost.



Rifleman Jim Manfini, of the Queens Own Rifles, presents a cheque for £102 to Miss Holland the matron of the Red Cross Home for sick Children in Kyrenia. The money was collected by "B" Company of the battalion.



Cpl Walter Currie of Temblos Listening Post, explains his duties and areas of responsibility to Colonel James Strathy, the "Colonel of the Regiment" of the Queen's Own Rifles of Canada. Col Strathy has been visiting the Second Battalion of the regiment in Cyprus for the past week.



Scout Car Commander, Trooper Tony Bright of the RCD Recce Sqn, pauses during a long range recce.



Colonel H.C.F. Elliot, Commander Canadian Contingent, is shown being briefed by Cpl V.J. Woolley, commander of Trail's End Outpost during a recent inspection tour by the Colonel.

MEETING OF UNFICYP PERSONNEL OFFICERS



LAST THURSDAY, JULY 20, 1967, A MEETING WAS ARRANGED FOR UN PERSONNEL OFFICERS IN HQ UNFICYP. Road safety, discipline, leave, repatriation and other similar subjects we-

re discussed. The programme was arranged by Col. NKJ Brask (Pers 1).

Visits were made to the HQ and area of 1 Coy FINCON and also to the Sauna-bath of the Supply Company.

The meeting was attended by Col. NKJ Brask (Chairman), Capt W. Muller, Austrian Field Hospital, Capt S.R. Gilbert, HQ BRITCON, Maj T.D. Lupton, 1 DWR, Maj R. Strawbridge, HQ CANCON, Capt W.H. Minnis, 2 QORC, First Lt J. Hvidegaard, DANCON, Maj E. Virmo, FINCON, Capt M. Leyden, IRCON, Maj H. Holmberg, SWEDCON. The visit was a success and it is intended to hold a similar type of meeting every second month at a different location.

UN ACTS ON GUINEA IVORY COAST ISSUE

A U.N. spokesman said last week at U.N. Headquarters that the Secretary-General, U Thant, was pursuing his efforts to help Guinea and the Ivory Coast to settle their dispute about the reciprocal detention of nationals of two countries.

Involved are two Guinean diplomats and other Guinean nationals held in the Ivory Coast, and an Ivory Coast official as well as the crew of a trawler, detained in Guinea. Two UN Under-Secretaries, Jose Rolz-Bennett and I.S. Djermakoye left last week for Paris where they will have discussions with the President and the Foreign Minister of the Ivory Coast, currently in the French capital.

POPULATION . . .

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Council said his government would consider a contribution of \$500,000 to the fund. India also informed the Council that it would make a suitable contribution.

The main elements of the expanded programme would include the training of special personnel needed in the population field providing research and information services and facilitating and extending various technical assistance services requested by governments.

The major portion of the additional \$5.5 million requested would be allocated for regional activities. The aide-memoire suggests that 37 per cent be used in Asia and 29 per cent in Africa. Smaller amounts are proposed for other regions.

ASSEMBLY FAILS TO ADOPT MIDDLE EAST RESOLUTION

AFTER five weeks of debate and consultation, the emergency session of the General Assembly on the Middle East adjourned on Friday evening, 21 July leaving it open to the President to recall members into session as and when necessary.

At the same time, it recognized that the Security Council remained seized of the situation resulting from the outbreak of hostilities between Israel and her Arab neighbours. And it requested the Secretary-General to forward records of the Assembly's debate to the Security Council to facilitate its further consideration of the problem as a matter of urgency.

A decision was taken on a resolution presented by Austria, Finland and Sweden which was adopted by a vote of 67 in favour, 27 against, and 27 abstention. The resolution as a whole was adopted by 63 in favour, 26 against, and 27 abstention.

The Assembly's decision to adjourn followed several days of negotiations aimed at arriving at an agreed resolution on the substance of the problem. None of the proposals put forward on the ways of dealing with political and military issues involved commanded support of the necessary two thirds majority of members.

FURTHER UN DEPLOYMENT IN SUEZ AREA

ARRANGEMENTS HAVE BEEN MADE TO GIVE EFFECT TO THE SECURITY COUNCIL'S call for U.N. observation of the cease-fire front in the Suez Canal sector between the forces of Israel and the United Arab Republic.

There have been repeated violations of the cease-fire with Israel and the UAR, each charging the other with the responsibility for renewing the attack.

On Tuesday 18 July, it was announced that following consultations between General Odd Bull, Chief of Staff of U.N. Truce Observation Organization, and the authorities of U.A.R. and Israel, an advance guard of 14 observers had arrived in the Suez Canal sector.

Seven were based in Ismalia on the west side of the canal

GENERAL BULL APPEALS TO ISRAEL UAR

GENERAL Odd Bull has issued an appeal to both sides to do nothing that might provoke any new outbreak of fighting. General Bull has announced that over the past few days his observers have reported the situation has been calm.

and seven in Kantara on the east bank.

Officers of the advance guard were drawn from the existing staff of UNTSO which has been operating in the Middle East over the past two decades and which currently has approximately 100 observers on the Israel-Syrian front.

The Secretary-General, U Thant, has made it clear that 25 additional observers would be required to fulfil the task called for by the Security Council in the Suez Canal sector.

On Thursday 20 July it was announced that Burma, France, Finland and Sweden had agreed to supply six observers each. Six observers from Finland and five of the Swedish observers arrived in the Middle East on the same day.

UP THE POLE



The line section of the HQ UNFICYP Signal Troop have recently completed construction of a poled quad telephone route across the area between Nicosia and Kyrenia. The route is approximately 2½

miles long.

Our picture shows Canadian members of the line detachment completing the last stages of the route. Left to right Sig G.L. Prout, Cpl B.F. Ford, Sgt G.J. Price.