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U Thant sees 'real hope' of peace in Cyprus

SECRETARY-GENERAL U Thant said on 26 September, 1968, there seemed to be a real prospect of a settlement of the Cyprus problem.

Talks between the Greek and Turkish Cypriots, which began in June this year, "have so far been encouraging" U Thant said in the introduction to his annual report.

However, he warned of the deteriorating financial position of the peace-keeping force and stressed "the need to move with speed towards a solution of the problem".

UNFICYP has an operating deficit of 13,586,000 dollars (£5,661,000) he said. Because of the unsatisfactory method of financing the force — through voluntary contributions — "the time is fast approaching when drastic action, even including the withdrawal of the force, may have to be taken".

The Secretary-General stressed the role played by the 4,500-man force in maintaining peace in the island since the beginning of this year.

Since then, he went on, there has been a steady relaxation of tension marked by "increasing contacts between Greek and Turkish Cypriots, a very significant reduction in shooting and other intercommunal incidents and a largescale effort by the government to return the country to normality by eliminating economic restrictions and granting full freedom of movement to the Turkish Cypriot."

It was in this improved atmosphere that the first serious talks in over four years were arranged between leaders of the two communities.

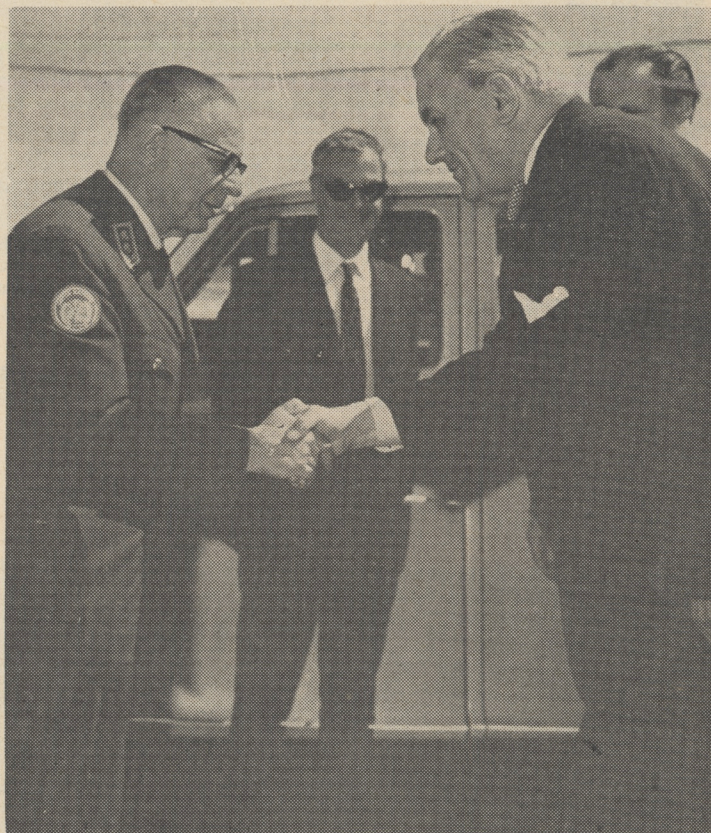
"In full realization of the difficulties, it is possible to say that in Cyprus there would now seem to be some real promise of progress towards a settlement", the Secretary-General said.

AUSTRIAN CONTRIBUTION TO UNFICYP

The Austrian government is to contribute 80 thousand dollars towards the upkeep of the United Nations Force in Cyprus. This decision has been notified to the Secretary-General, U Thant.

PRINTED IN ERROR: In our issue of Wednesday 11 September, 1968, we showed "SOMALILAND ACHIEVES INDEPENDENCE" this should have read "SWAZILAND ACHIEVES INDEPENDENCE".

BRITISH MP's VISIT UNFICYP



On Friday 27th September a group of eight Members of Parliament and two Peers from UK, visited HQ. Pictured above, Lord Boothby being greeted on arrival by Lt Gen A.E. Martola, UN Force Commander.

The party received a briefing from Lt Gen Martola and U Thant's Special Representative. Mr Osario-Tafall, on the role UN is playing on the Island.

FORCE COMMANDER'S FAREWELL TO PPCLI

General A.E. Martola, Commander of the United Nations Forces in Cyprus, made a farewell inspection of the 1st Battalion Princess Patricia's Canadian Light Infantry in Cyprus. The General is seen with Sgt Ray Short of 15011-105 St, Edmonon, Sgt Hec Le-Breton of 892 Dorchester Ave, Winnipeg and on the right Sgt. Bob Craig 15004 - 106 St, Edmonton.



HVOR FATTIGE PIGER TJENER VED UTUGT

Henrich Ovesen Pflg har udgivet et digert værk på over 1000 sider. Bogen hedder "Den danske Pillegrim". Det er en geografibog omfattende hele verden. Tre sider i værket omhandler Cypern, og det er ganske fornuftig læsning. I de følgende uddrag er den originale stavemåde bevaret, og det overlades helt til læserne enten at imponeres eller at smile overbærende. Det skal måske lige bemærkes at bogen udkom i København i 1707.

Cyprus er en Insel i Middelhavet mod Syrien og Cilicien beliggende og begriber i sin Omkreds 3420 Stadia, det er 170 tyske Mile, og er saa 40 Mile i Lengden og 15 Mile i Bredden.

Famagusta som aarlig koster 3 Tønder Guld, mens den gansdske Insel indbringer 7 Tønder Guld, den er en fornem Fæstning og en skøn Handel - Stad.

Paphia, hvorudi Pahos som nu kaldes Baffo, sammesteds var Veneris Tempel, hvor fattige Piger med utugt fortjente noget til deres Brøllupskost.

Amathus, som nu kaldes Limisso, hvilken den ægyptiske Sultan Anno 1525 i grund forstørrede. Sammesteds er got Salt fangelig, som i stykker af Jorden ophuggis.

Trimelus eller Thremilus nu Nicosia kaldet, som er 8 Mile fra Famagusta beliggende, hvor Kongen fordum har holdt Hus.

Denne Insel er fordum den Gudinde Veneri gandske tilegnet hvor hun sammesteds ved utugt i høyste maade blef æret, hvorfor den er kaldet Cyprea. Der findes ogsaa meget Kaabber, at det derfor Cyprum eller Cypricum er kaldet.

Dette land har været et Kongerige, hvor tilforne 9 Konger efter hver andre har regieret. Ptolomæus var den sidste, som forgaf sig selv, der han de Romers ankomst fik at spørge.

Denne Insel er meget frugtbar, hvor der findes Smaragder, Diamanter og Chrystaller, samt Sukker, Vin og Bomuld og en hel Skov som bærer St. Johannis Brød. Her til skal og fra Cilicien undertiden

mangfoldige Hiorte oversvømme, efterdi der ikkun er 5000 Trin imellem.

Skibe kunde og sammesteds bygges efterdi dertil nødvendige Timmer findes.

Bjerget er Olympus.

Om Vaaren bliver der høstet og om Vinteren gaa Quæget i Marken mens om Sommeren holdes det inde.

Den Stad Salamis blef opbygget af Teuco, som var Telamanis Søn strax efter den Trojanske Krig.

I Kejser Trajani Tid indtog Jøderne Salamis og ihjelslog alt hvad der fandtes og i dens Sted blev en anden Stad Constantia opbygget.

Flere nyheder på dansk på side 4.



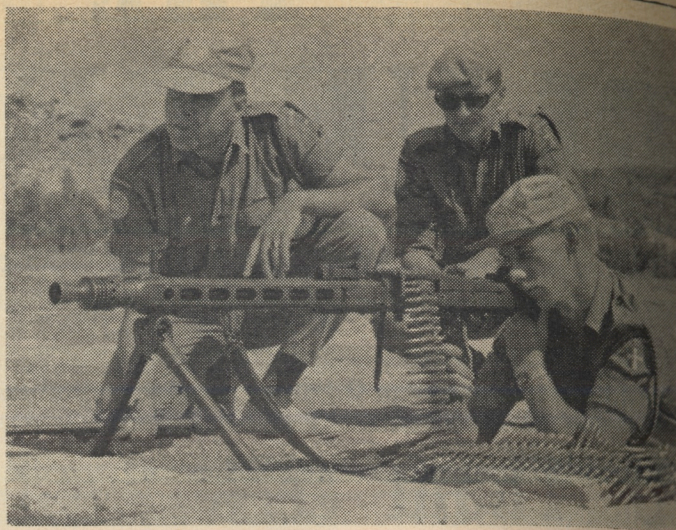
DANCON NYT

VI TABTE IGEN

"Landskampen" mod SWEDCON i lørdags blev atter et nederlag for de rød-hvide farver. Farbrødrene sejrede med 2 - 1. Efter første halvleg var stillingen uafgjort 0 - 0. Men så kom svenskerne foran 1 - 0. Noget senere lykkedes det sergent V. Jacobsen at udligne, men næppe havde bifaldet fra den talstærke tilskuerskare lagt sig, før svenskerne atter kom foran.

Til venstre DANCON's eneste målscorer, sergent V. Jacobsen fra C-kompagniet, fotograferet i pausen. Hans ansigtsudtryk røber allerede bange anelser for kampens resultat.

Til højre det danske hold fotograferet inden kampen. Fra højre ses: Konstabel J.P.G. Sørensen fra Alfa, konstabel L.K. Posborg fra Stabskompagniet, sergent V. Jacobsen, konstabel S.E. Larsen fra stabskompagniet, sergent H. Buckhave fra Charlie, konstabel E. Hansen fra Charlie, konstabel T.B. Andersen fra Charlie, sergent H. Søgård fra stabskompagniet, målmanden konstabel P. Broberg fra Alfa, sergent K. Andreasen fra Alfa og en af de engelske linievogtere.



På skydebanerne ved Dhekelia trænes til duelighedsskydningerne. På billedet foroven ses fra venstre konstabel G. Bergstrøm fra A-kompagniet, pionerdelingsføreren, premierløjtnant P.B. Bruun og bag maskingeværet, konstabel G. Grausen fra A-kompagniet. På billedet forneden er en række pistolskytter igang med øvelsesskydninger.



UOFFICIEL PRESSEVISIT

Søndag aften ankom dagbladet Politikens politireporter, journalist Peter Hertz på besøg til Cypern. Journalisten har tidligere, i efteråret 1966, besøgt DANCON sammen med et dansk TV-hold. Denne gang er det hverken spændende kriminalsager eller filmsoptagelser, der bringer Peter Hertz til Cypern, men simpelthen trangen til ferie.

Peter Hertz er ledsaget af sin kone, der iøvrigt er socialkonsulent ved Forsvarets Oplysnings- og Velfærdstjeneste. Med vort kendskab til ægteparret skulle det imidlertid ikke undre os, om besøget alligevel ikke kommer til at resultere i et par artikler og nogle rapporter til velfærdstjenesten.



SWEDCON NEWS

Kapten Nils Enqvist mottar SWEDCON's segetrofé av chefen, överste Lavén.

SPORT:

SWEDCON VANN IGEN!

Inte nog med att Swedcon tog hem UNFICYP-mästerskapet i friidrott den 25/9 - Swedcon tog också hem segern mot det danska bataljonslaget i fotboll i lördags i Nicosia. 2 - 1 blev segersiffrorna den här gången. Sture Boberg, Hemse, och Göran Johansson,

Eringsboda, svarade för de svenska målen. Även det tredje målet - danskarnas mål - gjordes av en svensk. Svenskt självmål, alltså. Friidrottstävlingarna bjöd på fart och fläkt och allt gick i de svenskes tecken. Så hade de svenske ju också bättre förspant än de andra

kontingenternas lag - vi var mera vältränade än våra medtävlare.

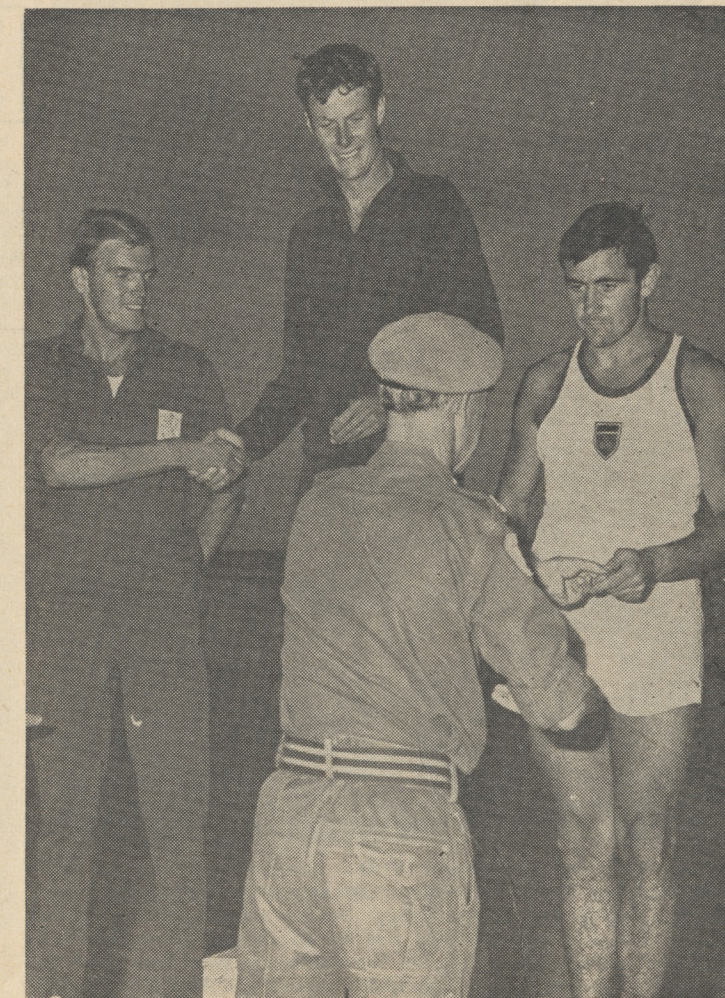
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	77	poäng
Swedcon	77	poäng
Fincon	53	"
Dancon	18,5	"
Britcon	17,5	"
Ircon	12	"

För en av de bästa svenska prestationerna svarade bl a Bo Josefsson, Storfors och första kompaniet. Han säkrade den svenska segern på 1 500 m på tiden 4.25.05. Franzons insats i stafetten är också värd att nämnas.



Bo Josefsson passerar mållinjen och tar hem Swedcon's seger i 1500-metersloppet.



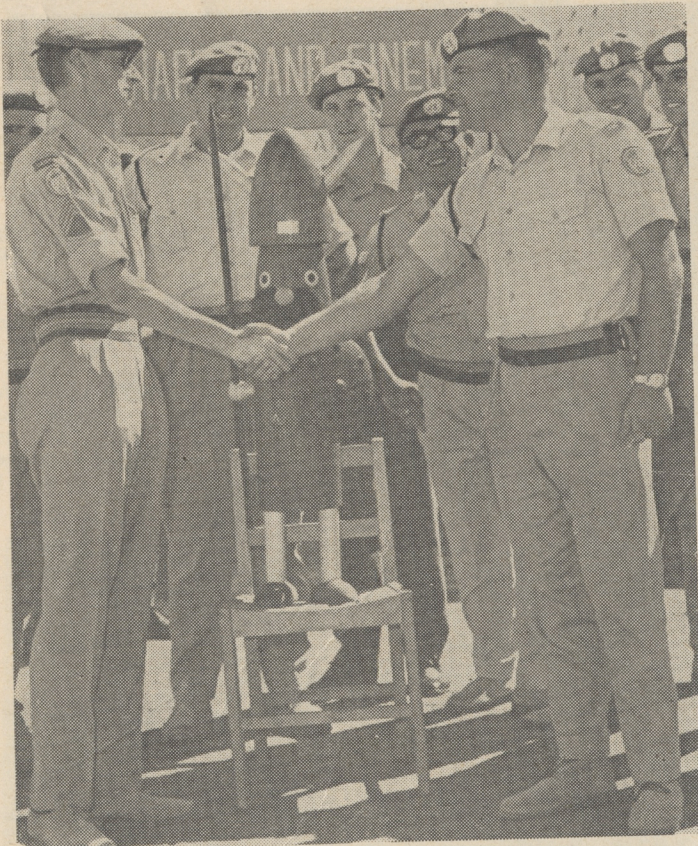
Chefen, överste Lavén, svarade för prisutdelningen assisterad av kapten Nils Enqvist.

THE UGHIS ARE COMING!



Men of 'A' Troop 42 Sqn RCT have a mid-morning break and see Dvr Jock Walker left, being 'taken' at draughts by Lcpl 'Yorkie' Howitt. This merry band of men, so far out of the limelight of Blue Beret, consider it's time they filled Britcon page with wheels and their wonders. So move over 4LI, they are ready to move into the news!

644's NEW RECRUIT



At the Signals Senior NCO's Convention held at HQ UNFICYP on Friday 27th Sept Sgt Olsen was officially taken on strength by 644 Signal Troop. Before anyone becomes confused we must explain that Sgt Olsen is the fierce looking wooden gentlemen standing on the chair. He was presented by the Senior NCOs of the Signal Platoon HQ DANCON, to 644 Signal Troop to mark the strong ties of friendship that have been built up over the years between the two contingents.

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THIRTY SIX Y



Two sergeants soldiering at HQ UNFICYP combined service between them. They are the left Sgt R. Kilpatrick, of the Royal Engineers of REME, having been presented with the Long Conduct medal by Col D. B. Riddell-Webster C on the Medal Parade held at HQ last week.

BRITCON NEWS

VOLLEY BALL CHAMPS



The rather happy line up above has every reason to be so. Flight with a total of nineteen personnel used one third of their unit volleyball league at HQ. They played sixteen matches and lost only two. No one who can honestly say that their feet rarely touch the ground! Pictured L to R Turner, Dvr Alf Carew, Gnr 'Slug' Seymour, Cpl Nick Nicholas, and Cpl John Loftus.

23rd SESSION OF GENERAL ASSEMBLY OPENS IN NEW YORK

The 23rd regular annual meeting of the United Nations General Assembly opened at headquarters on Tuesday, 24 September, 1968.

The opening day was marked by the election of Foreign Minister Emilion Arenales Catalan of Guatemala as President of this session, and the admission of Swaziland as the 125th member state of the World Organization.

During last week the Assembly completed organizational business as it prepared for the initial over-all debate on major world issues — due to begin today.

Listed to speak first in today's debate are Brazil, the United States, Gabon and Sweden.

THREE MONTHS

On Friday, 27 September, 1968, the General Assembly approved the agenda for this session, which is expected to last three months. A list of nearly 100 items was given preliminary approval by Assembly's Steering committee along with a recommendation that the situation in the Middle East receive priority.

HOPES FOR PEACE

In an address to the Assembly following his unopposed election as President, Mr Catalan expressed the hope that the new session would be one of "Reconsideration and redress", and revive great hopes for peace, justice and progress which was placed in the World Organization when it was founded, and which had been steadily eroded since then.

This 23rd session was opened by the outgoing president, Mr Corneliu Manescu of Romania, he urged fresh efforts to relax the international tensions and to ensure full respect of the Independence and Sovereignty of nations. He said peace was indivisible, and that conflicts such as those in Vietnam and the Middle East were dangers to all mankind.

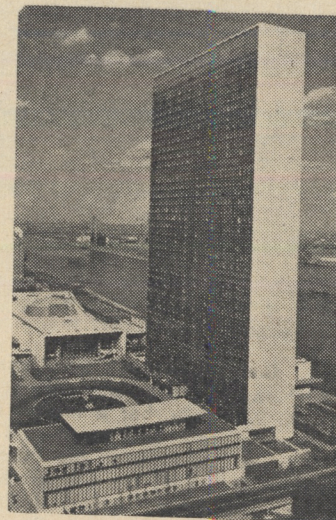
COLD WAR

At a press conference on Monday, 23 September, 1968, the Secretary-General, U Thant, said the developments of the past year, had tended to revive the cold war and that this had greatly increased the difficulties facing the Assembly.

He said that the recent events in Czechoslovakia, whatever interpretation was given them, constituted a very deplorable episode in international relations and had poisoned the atmosphere all over the world.

VIETNAM

The Secretary-General spoke also of the continuation of the tragic Vietnamese war. He reaffirmed his long-standing conviction that the end to the bombing of North Vietnam was a first prerequisite for a peaceful settlement; such a course, he felt, had a majority



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support in the Assembly; and he suggested the phrasing of a draft resolution whereby this could be tested — while cautioning that a resolution was "Not a very practical proposition".

A United Nations spokesman later emphasized that the Secretary-General had no intention of himself proposing the inscription of Vietnam on the Assembly's agenda, nor of suggesting any delegation do so. Spokesman said that U Thant adhered to the view that any UN debate on Vietnam would not be useful.

U Thant had noted at his press conference that, of the parties involved in the war only the United States was a UN member.

The United States Ambassador George Ball met with the Secretary-General Monday afternoon and told newsmen afterwards he had made it clear to U Thant that the United States did not consider his press conference remarks on Vietnam as "In any way helpful in furthering the serious and sensitive negotiations now in progress in Paris" between the United States and North Vietnam.

A South Vietnamese observer at the United Nations also issued a statement criticising the bombing halt proposal.

NIGERIA

On the question of Nigeria, U Thant said he continued to be guided by the decisions of the Organization of African Unity as the main machinery to settle the armed strife. He noted that the United Nations and its Agencies, notably UNICEF, were taking an

effective part in providing relief to the victims of the civil war.

In this connection, the Government of Canada on Monday asked U Thant to consider any additional ways in which the good offices of the United Nations might be used in relieving the sufferings of the Nigerian people.

ANNUAL REPORT

The Secretary-General gave a detailed assessment of various political and other factors shaping the international atmosphere in presenting his annual report to the General Assembly.

He described the past year as one of a serious decline in the standards of international ethics and morality, with states relying increasingly on the use of force and violence as a means of resolving their differences. In addition to the situations in Vietnam, Czechoslovakia, the Middle East and Nigeria, U Thant noted the widening gap between the rich and poor, and the failure to realize human rights, particularly in Southern Africa where, he said, South Africa's policies of Apartheid were

for peace in the world, he declared, so long as these powers insisted on taking unilateral military action whenever they claimed to see a threat to their security. "Why should they also not bring their fears and complaints about threats to their security to the Security Council — as they regularly demand that less powerful states do?" he demanded.

ASSEMBLY AGENDA

In giving preliminary approval to the agenda for the new Assembly session, the Assembly's steering group also recommended the allocation of the work load among the Assembly and its main committees.

The question of Chinese representation in the United Nations and the problem of Namibia (formerly known as South West Africa) were among the issues slated for direct examination by the Assembly in the Plenary session.

Listed for the main political committee were various items relating to disarmament and Korea, cooperation in the peaceful uses of outer space,



Mr Arenales is seen being greeted by the Secretary-General, U Thant, as he arrived at the presidential rostrum to take his seat, as President of this session, behind him is the temporary President Corneliu Manescu, from Romania.

consolidating and extending the influence of Racism.

FINANCE

He also pointed out the United Nations' own financial difficulties, which had increased to the extent that unpaid assessments on the regular budget and related accounts totalled over 260 million dollars at the end of June — an increase of 18.5 million dollars over the year before.

WORLD PEACE

The Secretary-General emphasized that, in reality, the two super-powers held the master-key to peace. There could be no solid foundation

and the question of promoting exclusively the peaceful use of the sea-bed and ocean floor in the interests of mankind.

Questions before the special political committee included the effects of atomic radiation, South Africa's racial policies, the problem of the United Nations Peacekeeping Operations in all its aspects, and the report of United Nations agency caring for Palestinian refugees.

Many problems relating to United Nations efforts to bridge the widening gulf bet-

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GENERAL ASSEMBLY

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ween the rich and the poor nations were on the agenda of the Economic committee.

Highlighting the importance of the work of the United Nations conference on trade and development, the steering group recommended its report be introduced in the plenary session before receiving a detailed consideration in the committee.

Also to be introduced in the Plenary session and later considered in the committee is a new item dealing with problems of human environment. It concerns what the Economic and Social Council has called "The continuing and accelerating impairment of the quality of human environment caused by such factors as air and water pollution, erosion and other forms of soil deterioration, secondary effects of biocides, waste and noise".

Another new item remaining to be allocated is entitled "One day of war for peace". Its sponsors, Cambodia, Gabon and Madagascar, explained last week that they sought an appeal to all United Nations members to allocate one day's military expenditure under their annual budgets toward easing the suffering of mankind.

Various facets of the United Nations effort to strengthen and extend respect for the fundamental rights of man figure prominently on the agenda of Social and Humanitarian committee during this the 'International Year for Human Rights'.

Ways of speeding the process of decolonization in various territories will be considered by the committee dealing with Trust and Non-self-governing territories.

Budgetary and legal issues

will be given detailed consideration in the two other working committees of the assembly.

In another development, the Assembly's standing decolonization committee adopted a resolution condemning Portugal as having used Napalm and Chemical weapons against the people of Portuguese-Administered Guinea (Bissau).

WORLD BANK

Also last week, the World Bank issued a report to the Assembly indicating that the economic prospects for a number of developing countries seemed brighter than ever before.

In a special section dealing with agricultural development, the report noted considerable successes with large-scale plantings of new high-yielding varieties of grain. In fact, it said, the pessimistic projections for a food crisis were beginning to be challenged and it was possible that an "Agricultural revolution" might be forthcoming.



Pictured above from left to right: Lt Gen A. E. Martola, Dr. Kuchuk, Mr. Back, Mr. Osorii-Taffall and Mr. Gorge.

11 INF GP BRIEFING



Newly arrived officers being briefed by Comdt J. Crowley (Left). Including are Capt P. Flynn, Lieuts Quinlan, Doyle and Power.

84 DAYS UNTIL XMAS!



In the Service of Peace
UNFICYP UNITED NATIONS FORCE IN CYPRUS

God Jul, Season's Greetings, Rauhalista Jouloua, Frohe Weihnachten, Glædelig Jul, Nollaig fé mhaise Duibh, Joueux Noël! True, is is early, but if mailed early, Christmas greeting cards can represent much less expense. The Force has prepared a Christmas card representative of the international composition of the Force and its task. They are now available — at 40 mills, each — at the Secretariat, Main Hangar, UNFICYP Headquarters. Person to contact: Mr. Nello Torichini, Personnel Officer, UNFICYP Exchange, extension 342.

CALL

UNFICYP Lt. General A. E. Martola, and had talks with them for some time.

Present also at the meeting were the President of the Turkish Communal Chamber Mr. Rauf Denktash, the Minister of Defence Mr. Osman Orek, the Turkish Cypriot Political Liaison Officer with UNFICYP Mr. Umit Suleyman and the Senior Legal and Political Adviser of UNFICYP Mr. R. Gorge.

Before the meeting the new Principal Information Officer of UNFICYP Mr. Jean Back was introduced to the Vice-President and the other Turkish Cypriot leaders.

BRITCON NEWS

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Making the presentation on the left is Sgt Bent Sorenson and accepting Olsen on the right on behalf of the Senior NCOs of 644 Signal Troop and the parent Regt 30 Signals Regt Ssgt Vic Press.

Sgt Olsen's enlistment was celebrated after the ceremony in traditional fashion.

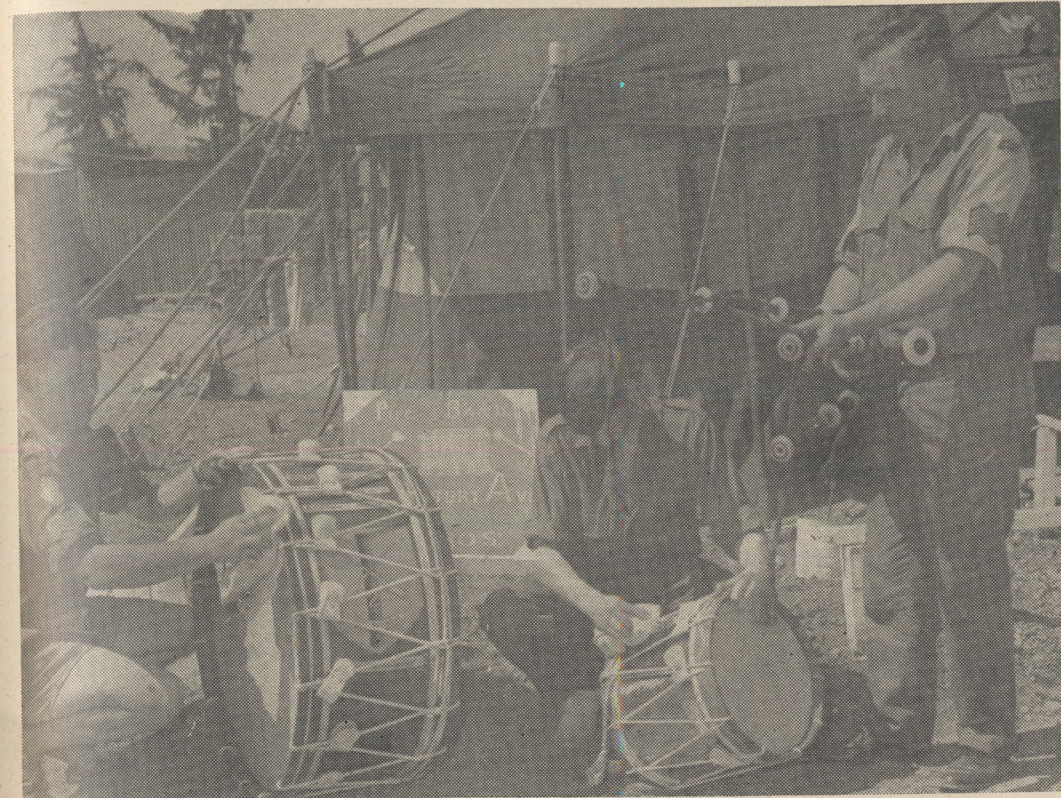
Ny Rekru til 644 Signal Troop

Ved et møde den 27 September mellem signalbefalingsmænd fra de forskellige kontingenter, der blev afholdt på HQ UNFICYP, blev sergent Olsen officielt optaget på 644 Signal Troops styrkeliste. Inden forvirringen bliver total, må vi vist hellere indskyde, at sergent Olsen er den drabeligt udseende træmand, som står på stolen. Han blev overrakt af en sergent ved DANCON's signaldeling til 644 Signal Troop for at markere de stærke venskabsbånd, der gennem årene er blevet opbygget mellem de to kontingenter.

Til venstre sergent Bent Sørensen som takkes for gaven af stabssergent Vic Prees til højre.

Efter ceremonien blev sergent Olsens forsettelse fejret på bedste traditionelle vis.

PIPES AND DRUMS



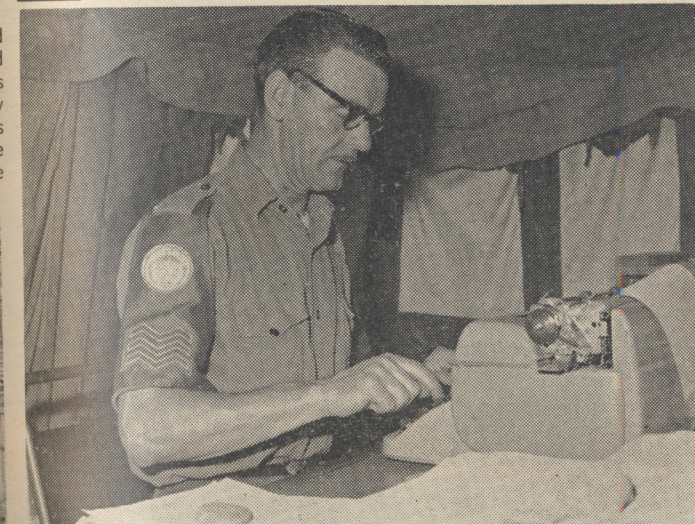
That the 11 Inf Irish Group are settling in and preparing for the task ahead was revealed during a visit of our Cameraman to Xeros some days ago. The last of the Irish contingent only arrived in Cyprus a few days earlier.

Band Sergeant Paddy Mooney (Right) checking up on his pipes and drums assisted by Cpl Christy McManus (Left) and Pte Paddy Statunton. There is little doubt but that many an Irish Air from Paddy Mooney's Band will recall memories of home to the members of the 11 Inf Group as well as being a very popular medium of entertainment to the Cypriots, young and old.

IRCON NEWS

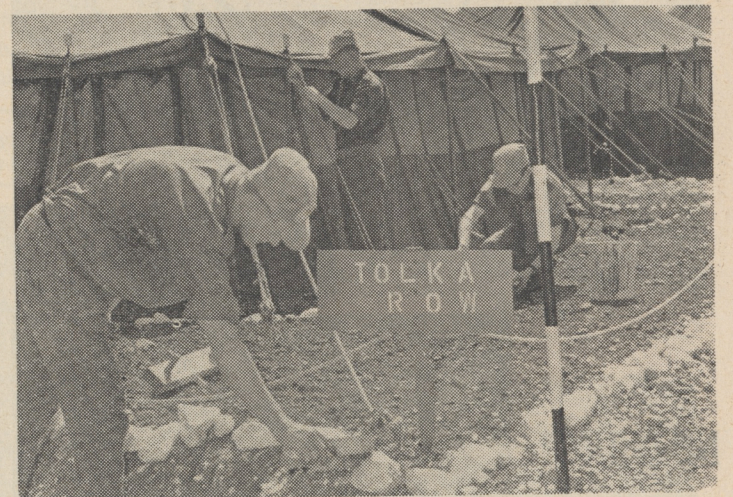
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PAPER WORK



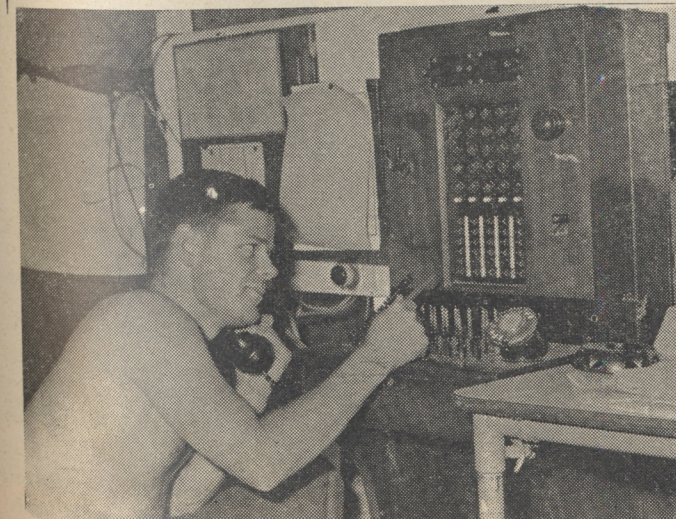
Whether at home or in Cyprus the paper work must go on. Seen here busily engaged at his typewriter is Sgt Paddy Nolan who looks in a very serious mood as he hammers away at the keys.

TOLKA ROW



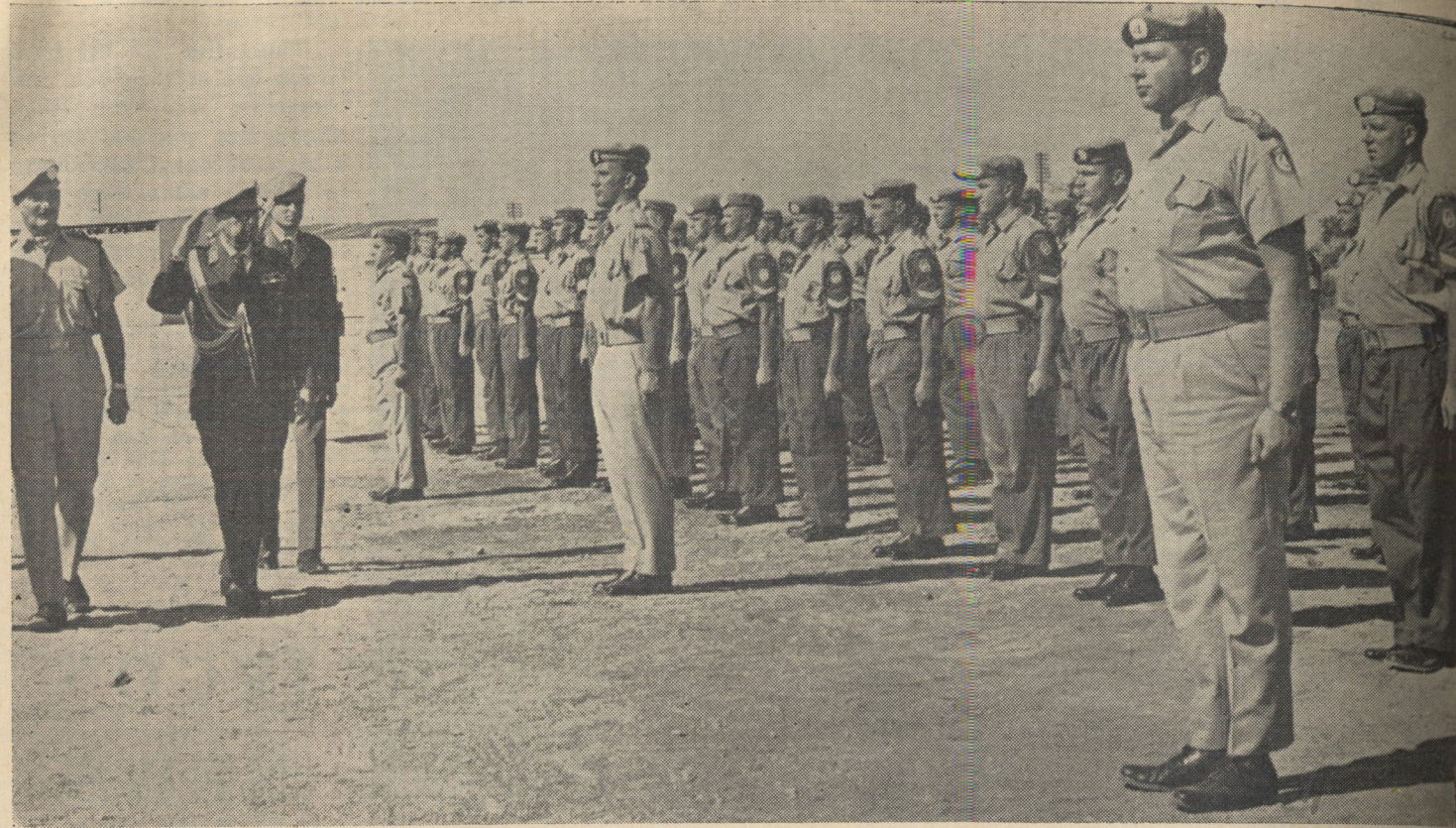
This is not a rehearsal for the Telefis Eireann well known feature "Tolka Row" but simply a cleaning up operation at Group HQ's Xeros of the Camp lines aptly named by a former Irish Group. Engaged in this task are (L to R) Gunners Mahon, Mullen, and Dunne, of the Hy Mor Tp.

NOW WHICH HOLE!

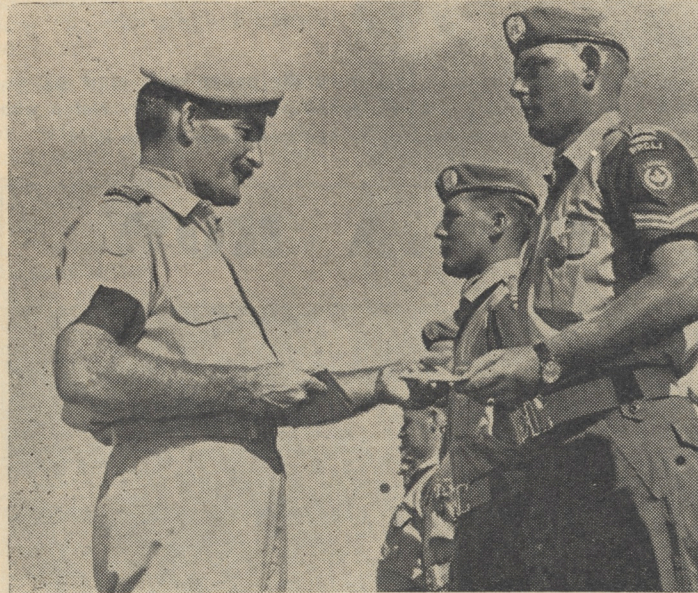


Keeping in touch with the outside world is Cpl John McEvoy who feels more comfortable in his birthday suit (almost) as he works at the switchboard.

UN COMMANDER INSPECTS CANADIANS



SAFE DRIVING AWARD



NOTHING?

Ensuring that the batteries for the CANCON radio sets are topped right up, is the job of Cpl. Andre Forest (left) and Cfn. Deniz Royer.



General A. E. Martola, Commander of the United Nations Forces in Cyprus, made a farewell inspection of the 1st Battalion, Princess Patricia's Canadian Light Infantry, prior to their rotation to Canada. General Martola is seen inspecting X Battery, Royal Canadian Horse Artillery of Winnipeg, who formed a rifle company within the battalion.

CANCON NEWS

Canadian Forces Photos

Corporal Rod Parker of the 1st Battalion, Princess Patricia's Canadian Light Infantry received an award, in the form of a cheque, for driving 7,000 miles during his Cyprus tour without an accident. Making the presentation is Lt Col Arthur Potts, Commanding Officer.

TIGHTEN IT A BIT MORE



The proper adjustment is paramount if the anti-tank recoilless rifle that Cpl. Ken Baird and Sgt Russ Spence are working is to fire properly. Both these NCO's are armourers at Camp Maple Leaf.

VILINÄÄ VILSKETTÄ



Iso N nenän edessä muistuttaa kirjainyhdistelmästä UN, mikä taas puolestaan muistuttaa siitä tehtävästä, mitä täällä ollaan tekemässä. - Sotaisen näköinen porukka - vaikka rauhantyyssä ollaankin - lähdössä kuormausharjoituksiin.



HELINÄÄ HELSKETTÄ

Joulun on vielä matkaa kolme kuukautta. Siis ei vielä lähelläkään. Siitä huolimatta tulivat tutun joululaulun sanat mieleen, kun katseli 2JK:n poikien autoonnoharjoittelua ja poistulemistä. Kompootillinen miehiä oli menopäällä.

Todellakin menopäällä. Tämä ei ole aiheeton kehumista eikä joutavaa lässyttelyä. Harvoin näkee niin paljon yrittävän parastaan kuin em. 2JK:n harjoituksissa nähtiin.

Miksi moinen into? Kukupäät tietää, mutta ilmeisesti kuitenkin tämäntyyppinen harjoitus

Rynnärit kourassa rynnätään autosta ulos. Vilinä vilskettä...

lienee aika harvinainen verrattuna komppootien muihin touhuihin ja päivittäiseen elämänrytmiin. Joskus on mukava purkaa ylimääräistä energiaa pomppimalla auton lavalta pois ja takaisin lavalle. Ennen harjoituksen alkua sen johtaja, yll Hirvonsalo piti miehille puhuttelun, jota voidaan luonnehtia lyhyesti sanalla erinomainen, tai lähemmin vielä mukaansatempaava. Harjoitus onnistui hyvin. Koulutustarkoitus tuli saavutetuksi



Tien oheen aseisiin, penkan taakse suojaan. Lennokas meno oli mukavaa katseltavaa.

FINCON NEWS





Pictured here are Contingent Signal Officers who attended a convention held at Dancon on Tuesday, 17 September, 1968.

From left to right front row; Capt J.J.M. Nutt/644 Signal Troop, Lt E.T. Evure/Fincon, Comdt E.P. Doyle/HQ UNFICYP, Lt Col D.D. Ranft/CSO, Comdt W.A. McDonnell/HQ UNFICYP, Maj K.I. Raueras/Swedcon, Lt C.M. Reid/Cancon. Centre Row from left to right; Capt A.T. Hauway/644 Signal Troop, Flt Lt I.E. Doherty/RAF Nicosia, Lt K.R.R. Goodall/Cancon, Lt A. Morgan-Kilner/4/7 Dragoons, Capt E. Baumel/UNCIVPOL, Lt J.B. Nielsen/Dancon, Capt H. Scott/644 Signal Troop (OC). Rear Row from left to right; Capt U.R.U. Peri/Fincon, Capts J. Reed and I. Anderson/Britcon, Lt N. Asurauski and 2 Lt A.R. Edwards/644 Signal Troop.

Road Safety Corner

This month we are going to pass on to you twenty points of good driving which have been prepared by a panel of experts.

Since they are all good points we will give them in four batches of five. Advice, like medicine or alcohol, is often best offered and taken in small doses!

Here are the first five points:-

1. CONCENTRATION

Under existing traffic conditions, absolute concentration is the key to good driving.

2. ANTICIPATION

By concentrating on road conditions and situations, an intelligent driver can interpret the actions of others or changes in road surfaces and direction well in advance and is thus prepared for emergencies.

3. COURTESY

Consideration for the needs and limitations of other road users, particularly cyclists, people in charge of animals, the elderly and the young, and restraint in coping with traffic situations are the hall marks of the professional driver.

4. CARE OF PEDESTRIANS

Many pedestrians, particularly the elderly, and the very young, have little or no idea of stopping distance under varying conditions. They may be deaf; they may be invisible behind a parked vehicle.

FAREWELL HERR DOCTOR



Major Hans Schmidt said a sad farewell to all members and patients under his care of AFH last week after completing his second tour there, which totals nearly two years service. He is seen above on the right doing his ward round with Lt Col Leo Effenberger, Commandant, checking the excellent progress of Pte A. Hiltua of FINCON, on whose knee cap he operated.

5. POSITIONING

Keep to the left except when overtaking or turning right. Keep a distance of at least your vehicle's length for every 10 M.P.H. of your speed between you and the vehicle in front — unless you are overtaking.

GIVE THESE POINTS THE ATTENTION THEY DESERVE!



ODD SNAP!
Photographed last week at Wolseley Barracks. Must have been preparing for a trip 'down under!' If you have any 'Odd Snaps' send them into 'Blue Beret' and if they are suitable we will publish.

RAF NICOSIA FETE
FREEFALL PARACHUTING
POLICE DOG DEMONSTRATION
PIPES AND BANDS
HELICOPTER FIREFIGHTING
SIDESHOWS, STALLS,
CLOWNS, REFRESHMENTS
GRAND DRAW, ETC.

ST. MICHAEL'S SCHOOL
SATURDAY, OCTOBER 5th
STARTING 2 PM.

All UNFICYP personnel are invited to attend.

MISS EUROPE 1968



Leena Brusiin, pictured above is the new Miss Europe 1968. Leena, 22, comes from Finland and she won her title in Kinshasa in the Congo.

ITALY MAKES CONTRIBUTION TO UNFICYP

The Italian Government has decided to make a voluntary contribution of \$180,000 towards the cost of maintaining the UNFICYP force for the period 27 June-15 December 1963.

GEORGE BALL RESIGNS FROM UN

America's Ambassador to the United Nations, George Ball, has resigned. He is to join Vice-President Hubert Humphrey's presidential campaign.

He will be replaced at the UN by the editor of the Washington Post Mr. James Russell.