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Lieut Gen AE Martola, the UN Force Commander, presented the UN medal to RSM Leo Boudreau of the 2e Battalion, Royal 22e Régiment of Canada at a parade held by the Battalion on Saturday 5 July.

## RETREAT CEREMONY FOR "VANDOOS" ON MEDAL PARADE

A UN medals presentation and retreat ceremony was conducted by the Canadian Contingent of the United Nations Force in Cyprus Saturday evening (July 5). Medals were presented to a representative group of officers and men of the 2e Battalion, Royal 22e Régiment by the Force Commander, Lieutenant-General A.E. Martola of Finland.

The retreat, held at the RAF Nicosia parade ground, was a re-enactment of an ancient ceremony conducted at nightfall at Quebec Citadel, home station in Canada for the French-speaking battalion. It featured an inspection of the 24-man Guard by its commander, Lieutenant G.L.R. (Bob) Royer, a feu de joie (fire of joy), and the lowering of the Canadian Flag.

The colorful band of the Royal Canadian Regiment of London, Ontario, dressed in scarlet tunics, played a selection of military marches previous to the retreat ceremony.

The event was watched by scores of civilians and military representatives of the peace-keeping force, most of whom had not previously witnessed such a ceremony.

UNFICYP

## Peacekeeping costs are high NEW APPEAL BY U THANT

The United States of America is offering a new contribution of up to three million dollars toward continuing the United Nations Peacekeeping force in Cyprus for the six month period ending next December 15th 1969.

In a note to the UN Secretary General, the US delegation spokesman said "The amount ultimately contributed by the United States against this pledge will depend on contributions of other governments toward the costs of the operation and confirmation of cost estimates".

The United States considers 40% to be its appropriate share of the costs and "reserves the right to make such adjustments in the level of its pledges as it may deem appropriate in relation to the 40% principle".

The new pledge raises the cumulative total of US pledges to the UNFICYP operation to 46.1 million dollars since the inception of the Peace Keeping Force in March 1964.

### ● NEW APPEAL

The latest pledge was made shortly before the Secretary General, U Thant, sent out a new appeal for new contributions "because of the serious financial plight of UNFICYP, which is entirely due to insufficient response to previous appeals for voluntary contributions.

He estimated the costs for the period June 16 to December 15 in 1969 to be 7,935,000 dollars. That amount added to the present deficit totals about 13,784,000 dollars.

U Thant said it seems to him that there is "a certain moral obligation on all peace loving states" to provide the necessary support for the force, which

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## Canadian Chaplain on Cyprus Visit

The Reverend Major Edgar Bailey, Chairman of the Canadian Council of Churches had an audience with Archbishop Makarios in Nicosia last week. The Reverend Bailey is visiting Canadian forces with UNFICYP.



### AUSTCIVPOL ROTATION COMPLETED



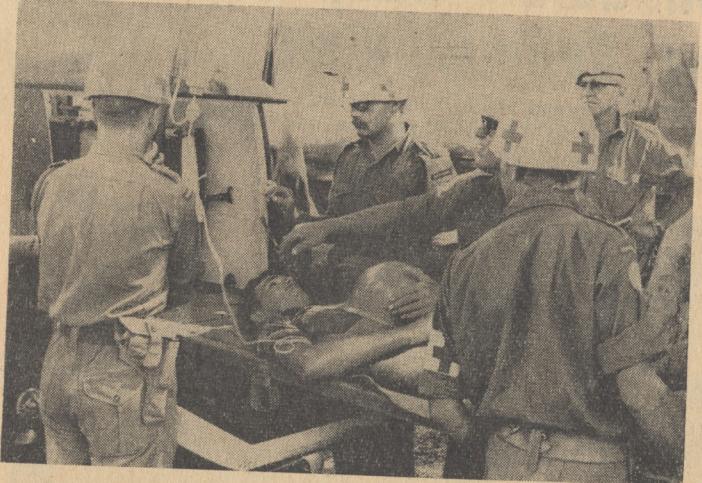
With the arrival of the last 11 men of the Australian Civilian Police Contingent last week, the rotation of AUSTCIVPOL, which started last month is now completed. The last 11 are pictured above on their arrival at Nicosia International Airport.

## SANITETSØVELSE OG HELIKOPTERTRÆNING



Saniteten rykker ud. LT (R) M. Blom overvåger situationen mens KS Mejling, B. Petersen og H. Hansen alle STKMP hunker op i kasserne.

## DANCON NYT



Mellem RLG H.F. Lublin og OL I. Vase foregaar "det dystre mellomspil". Det er KS A.B. Hansen/C-Coy der ligger paa baaren. KS S.P. Bjerre/STKMP KS T.S. Hansen/STKMP og KS B. Petersen STKMP hjælper ham ind i ambulancen.



KS T.S. Schiønning/STKMP og KS N. Grome/C-Coy "reparerer" KS A.B. Hansen/C-Coy.



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## DRIVERS CORNER



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SWEDCONS  
"BOLLSPARKARE" I AKTION

Förlust och vinst blev det i förra veckan för svenska cypernkontingentens fotbollslag i aktion i två matcher i den pågående Unficy-serien.

I den första matchen mot engelska bataljonens lag spelade svenskarna väl och starkt men tog likaväl "stryk" med 4-5. Försmäldigt är ordet! I den följande matchen mot finnarna blev det åter ett mål som avgjorde slutresultatet - men nu till de svenska förmånen. 4-3!

■ Det segrande svenska laget mot Fincon ställde stolt upp framför fotografens kamera. (Nedan).



■ Engelsk-svensk kamp om bollen. En situationsbild från en av Swedcons (ljusa tröjor) senaste fotbollsmatcher. (Ovan).

■ Bollen i nät!  
Svensk lycka i matchen mot Fincon. (T.h.)

Visste du detta  
om SALAMIS?

□ FAMAGUSTA-VÄGEN NORRUT några kilometer från det svenska HQ: i Carl Gustaf Camp - en vägskylt pekar in till höger och annonserar Salamis! Sevärdheterna är både många och gamla på Cypern. Salamis är en av dem. Femtio mils brukar man få betala i inträdesavgift, men det är besöket väl värt.

□ Salamis var när staden stod på höjden av sin glans den största och kulturellt rikaste av kungadömena på Cypern. Dess berömmelse gav den faktiskt en plats aldeles efter Aten bland städerna vid Medelhavet. Två gånger var den öns huvudstad, första gången från mitten av 700-talet till början av 300-talet f.Kr. och andra gången från 400-talet e.Kr. och ca tvåhundra

år fram i tiden.

□ ENLIGT DE HISTORISKA källorna grundades staden år 1184 f.Kr. - alltså efter Trojanska kriget - av den grekiske prinsen Teucer, som landat vid trakten av nuvarande Yialousa och sedan uppsökt en lämplig bosättningsplats.

□ Staden förblev i samma dynasti i flera århundraden, men kom sedan under växelvis feniciskt, grekiskt, persiskt, syriskt, judiskt och arabiskt väld.

□ DET STÖRSTA NAMNET bland Salamis härskare är kanske Evagoras den förste - en ättling till grundaren - som är 411 f.Kr. besteg tronen och sedan förde det lilla kungadömet till ekonomisk och kulturell rikedom, militär styrka

och diplomatiskt fördelaktiga förbindelser.

□ Evagoras lade under sig ett efter ett av stadsrikena på Cypern, men när han också började erövra feniiska städer på fastlandet satte perserna punkt för hans och Salamis framgångar.

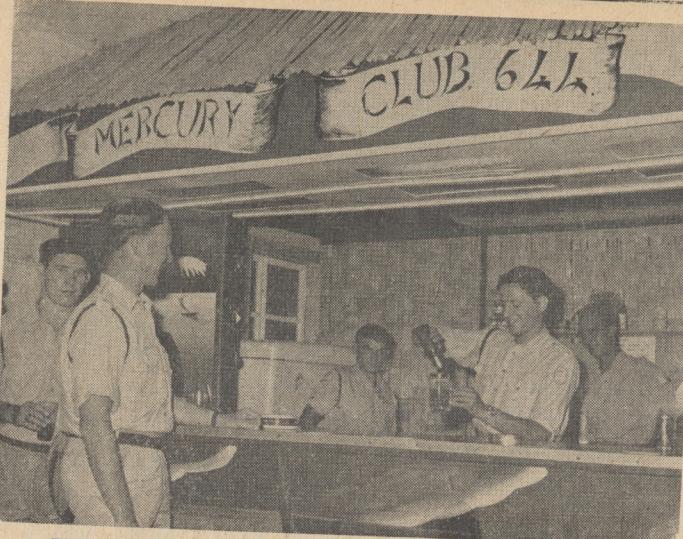
□ Och så finns där romerska bad, villor, vattencisterner, torg, ett Zeus-tempel och en kyrka - basilika. Kristendomen kom nämligen tidigt till Cypern och Salamis - genom aposteln Barnabas, själv uppvuxen i Salamis, som tillsammans med aposteln Paulus predikade i staden och sedan startade en missionsresa utöver ön.

□ VAD FINNS DÅ ATT SE i Salamis år 1969 e.Kr.? Ja, en Teucers gamla stad återstår ingenting, det mesta av det utgrävda hög till staden senare historia, då den f.ö. kallades Constantia. Två försvarsmurar - en ytter och en inre - har upptäckts och vidare en båthamn.

□ "Marmortorget" brukar drätoristerna till sig, marmortorget som egentligen var ett romerskt gymnasium eller mer än idrottshall. I närheten finner man också ett Hermesaltare.

■ Först möts en telefonerande "besökare" emellertid av "Headquarters Famagusta Zone" från en säker stämma tillhörig någon av zonstabens växeltelefonister. Christer Pettersson (bilden nedan t.h.) och hans kollega ser till att alla samtal slussas rätt. Ett viktigt jobb, som dessutom måste gå snabbt!





THE MERCURY CLUB, 644 Signals Troop, HQ UNFICYP, recently reopened after renovation.

Pictured above is the Troop Commander, Capt Ian Crouch, pouring a pint for the Chief Signals Officer, Lt Col D. Ranft, who performed the opening ceremony.



No. 13, Sgt Tracey of Camp HQ fights for possession of the ball with Signaller Sylvester of 644 Sqn. The Camp HQ team won with 24 points to 22.

## HQ Unficyp Basket Ball Winners

Winning team of 644 Royal Signal Sqn versus Camp HQ both of HQ UNFICYP was that from Camp HQ. L. to R. No. 14, L/Bdr Tom Kerr; No. 13, Sgt G. Tracey; No. 10, Sgt Tom Hawley; No. 15, Cpl Gaby Leighton; No. 4, Cpl Peter Maurice.



The 644 Signals Sqn team line up shows L. to R. No. 7, Sig Sylvester; No. 8, Cpl Powell; No. 11, Sgt Jennings (Capt); No. 4, L/c McCalfe; No. 5, Cpl Snape; No. 6, Cpl Handley; No. 12, Sig Taylor.



## SOUVENIRS FOR A UN SOLDIER

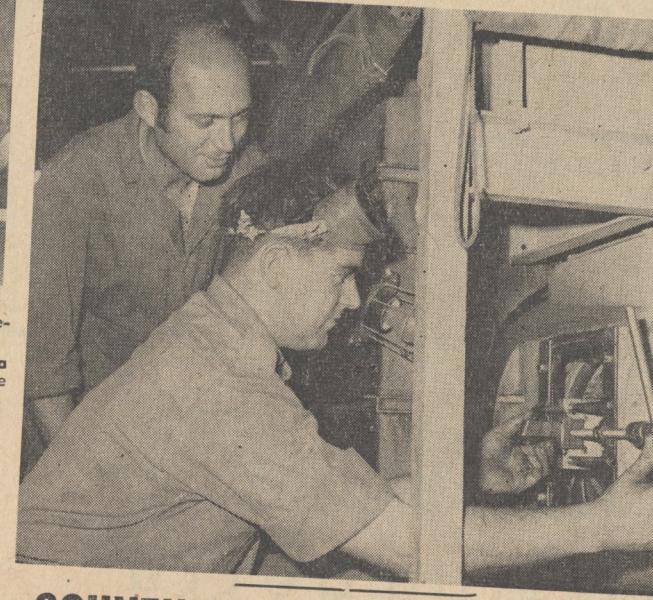
Two soldiers who have discovered the HQ Unficyp Gift Shop are seen having a good look at local Cyprus handicrafts. L/c T. Jones of 7 Sqn RCT shows his replacement from 18 Sqn RCT L/c Matt Dillon (centre) some attractive items available in the store. Mrs Maroulla Zivanari, the store owner, stocks a wide range of colourful fabrics and handicrafts locally made, which she sells at discount prices.



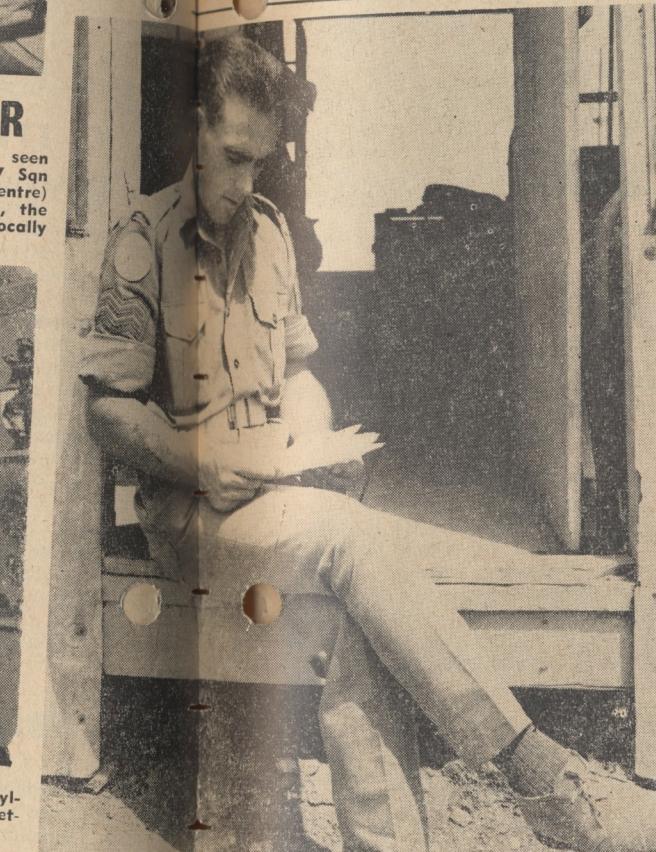
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## R.E.M.E. New Invention

Faced with a relatively minor repair problem on a large Meadows workshop, the Officer Commanding the UNFICYP REME workshop posed the problem to three of his staff for them to seek a solution on the spot. As a result of teamwork between Cpl Andrews (not shown), Cpl Jock Mc Gaurie, machinist, and Mr Ibrahim Hashmet, fitter, they produced a computer skimming tool which it is hoped will gain an award when it is put forward to MOD for assessment.



"A" Coy have recently left their Camp at LIMNITIS because of the rotation of the children of the Coys held a party there before departure for the Over one hundred children attended the party in "A" Coy's Camp and were treated to a Film Cartoon Show as well as the usual minerals, ice cream, sweets and the Pipe Band As can be seen from this photograph the recital of the Pipe Band was to be very popular with the youngsters. (Right) The O.C. Coy, Comdt Kevin O'Donovan receives a bouquet of flowers from one of the children who attended the party. (Above)



## PHOTOGRAPHER VISITS OP's

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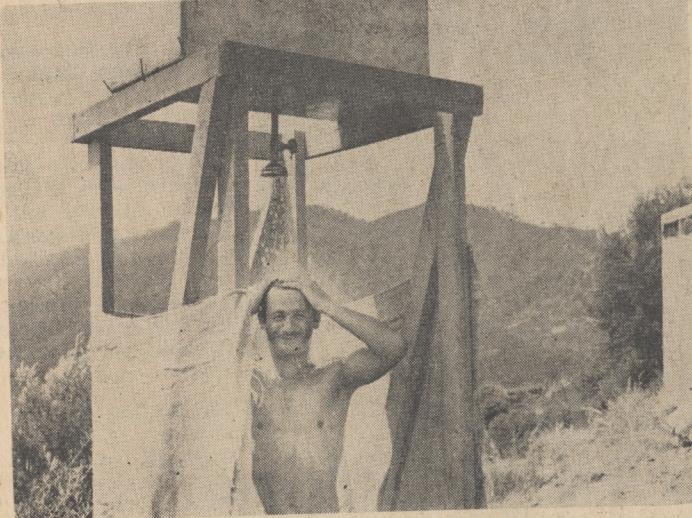
## Children's Party in Limnitis



### An Litir O Bhail

Is tabhactach litreacha o bhaile do mheanma saighdiuiri thar leir, ach is tabhactai go mor an post do phearsana ar dualgas sna PBI. Leann Cre Michael MacCarthaigh litir o bhaile go ciocrasach ar PB Juliet, a thainig chuije, ni go direach ar an "Pony Express" ach le Asal an Phuist. (Left).

## IRCON NEWS



## 21st Wedding Anniversary

Sgt Thomas Duffy, a native of Westmeath, who serves at home with 4th Garr Ord in Athlone and is at present in Operations in Xeros Camp, celebrated his 21st Wedding Anniversary on Tuesday last.

Unknown to himself some of his friends in HQ Coy got to know of the occasion and organised a small Function to celebrate the event in the proper manner.

Sgt Duffy is seen here as he is about to cut the cake. All his friends join in wishing him at least another twenty one years of happy married life. (Right).



# Veteran Chaplain sees Cancon

"Romantic stories of Cyprus as an island of sunshine does not properly present a true picture of the ruggedness of its mountains, and accessibility of the many isolated outposts where Canadian troops serve the United Nations peacekeeping force", says Reverend the Major Edgar J. Bailey, chairman of the Canadian Council of Churches.

Since his arrival in Nicosia July 1, he has visited the Headquarters of the United Nations Forces in Cyprus, the Canadian Contingent at Camp Maple Leaf, and outpost soldiers of the 2e Battalion, 22e Régiment in the mountainous Kyrenia District. He also visited President Makarios at the Presidential Palace in Nicosia.

Doctor Bailey is primarily interested in the spiritual welfare of Canadians serving overseas, and in consulting and visiting Chaplains serving with them.

"I am deeply impressed by the decorum of our soldiers and by their excellence as representatives of our country", Dr. Bailey stated, "and by their obvious appreciation of Chaplains as persons, and to myself as a representative of the Canadian Council of Churches".

Dr. Bailey, of 16 Winston Grove, Toronto, Ont., is Pastor



SAXOPHONE SOLO at Kyrenia Gate, Nicosia, by Warrant Officer Brian Gossip. The solo was a special arrangement for Alto Sax of the selection "Goldfinger".



DIRECTOR OF MUSIC for the band of the Royal Canadian Regiment, Nicosia, (Below).

A LESSON IN ENGLISH at Kyrenia Harbour through a presentation of variations in a well known American folk song. The band was directed by Chief Warrant Officer Guy Noakes. (Left Below).



During his visit to Cyprus Reverend the Major Edgar J. Bailey was received in audience by President Makarios.

## VISIT OF CANADIAN BAND

Standing ovations were indicative of the warmth with which the Royal Canadian Regiment Band of London, Ont., was accepted by people in various parts of Cyprus during its two-week visit to the Mediterranean island ending last weekend.

One and one-half hour concerts were played before five military and civilian audiences in Nicosia, Kyrenia, Salamis and Soli. Special Canada Day performances were presented to officials of the Greek and Turkish communities in Nicosia.

According to the band's director, Captain Derek Stannard, audiences were extremely receptive to the musical programs. "Absolutely no difficulty was experienced in communication", he said, "because music is an international

language.

"Our musicians have been honoured by being the

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first Canadian Armed Forces band to visit the United Nations Force serving in Cyprus. We hope other visits will follow", he concluded.

The band has been hosted by the Canadian Contingent Cyprus, the major component of which is the 2e Battalion, Royal 22e Régiment of Quebec City, P.Q. The battalion has reached the mid-way mark in its six-month United Nations tour.

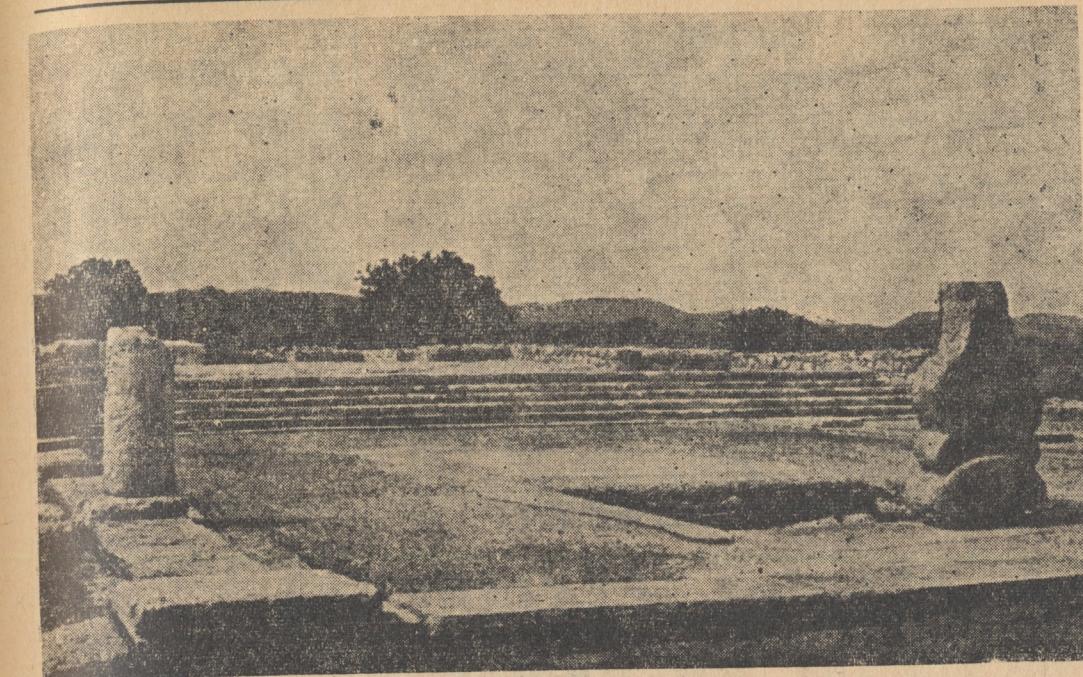
The Royal Canadian Regiment Band will return to Canada July 8, to commence rehearsals for an August engagement at Stratford, Ont., during the internationally recognized Shakespearian Festival.

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## Romanttinen Kypros VIII VOUNI - PALATSI

Mikä on Kyproksen kaunein paikka? Kun istuu korkealla vuorella Vouni -palatsin rauniokivellä ja näkee aivan vieressään sinisen Välimeren ja vihreitä hedelmätarhoja, uskoo löytäneensä vastauksen.

—Xeroksesta jatketaan matkaa pari mailia rantatietä, kunnes saavutaan Vounin tiehaaran oikealla puolella. Tie kierturee n. mailin verran todella ylös kukkulat huipulle ja näköala on kerrassaan loistelia.

—Noin vuonna 450 eKr. rakennettiin ylellinen palatsi, jonka taruja kuitenkin lyhyeksi. Palatsissa vietettiin upeata elämää —kunnes tuliv tuosi sen armottomasti. Ajan

mittaan rauniot hautoantuvat ja n. 40 vuotta sitten ruotsalaiset kai-voivat rauniot esii nykyisen kuninkaansa osallistuessa innokkaasti työhön.

—Paikan historian kertoo selvästi ja rutiinoidusti opas, jonka verstaista ei muualla tapaa. Mies on ollut itse mukana kaivaustöissä ja oman asiantuntumensa innoittamana hän selvittää asiat vierailijoille käden käanteessä.

## UINTIA

Pataljoonan uintimestaruuskilpailut pidettiin Nicosia Clubilla tiistaina 17. Parhaasta suorituksesta vastasi tällä kertaa maj E. Käkelä, voienta kaikki kilpailuissa uitut matkat. Tuloksia:

92,76 m:n rintautinti :	1) maj Käkelä 1.29,8
	2) kers Kirssi 1.39,8
	3) yli Laukka 1.40,4
92,76 m:n selkäuinti :	1) maj Käkelä 1.20,8
	2) yli Virolainen 1.48,2
92,76 m:n vu :	1) maj Käkelä 1.04,0
	2) yli Laukka 1.16,0
	3) maj Matikainen 1.24,4
185,52 m:n vu :	1) maj Käkelä 2.38,1
	2) jääk Nieminen 3.21,8



Kuvassa oikealla yli Jan Laukka tädessä vauhdissa kohti rinta-uintin kolmatta sijaa.

## KUNTORATATULOKSET

1	KERS PÄSSI	EK	2.45
2	JÄÄK KÄLUO KÖNNÖ	2 TK	2.47
3	LTN HYRYLÄINEN	1 "	2.52
4	KERS KOIVISTO	2 "	2.52
5	VÄÄP MUUJÄÄHÖ	3 "	2.55
6	KERS HENKILÖNEN	1 "	2.55
7	YLIK AIRAKSINEN EK		2.58
8	JÄÄK KETJUNEN	1 TK	2.59
9	" HALLAMÄKI	1 "	3.00
10	KERS KIRSSI	HK	3.00
11	VÄÄP HÄKÄÄ	1 "	3.01
12	" HOLOPÄINEN	1 "	3.01
13	JÄÄK LIITTI NEN	3 "	3.02
14	" PYKÖLÄINEN	EK	3.02
15	" RÖKKINEN	1 TK	3.04
16	YLIK KUUPÄINEN	1 "	3.04
17	YLIK MURTOJÄÄHÖ	1 "	3.05
18	JÄÄK PÄÄKKUNAINEN	1 "	3.05
19	" PÄÄRÄMERI	1 "	3.06

Jalkapallo-ottelu Suomi-Ruotsi pelattiin Famagustassa 4.7.1969. Ottelun voitti Ruotsi 3-2.



## FAMAGUSTA TOWN RACE

Cancon Win  
2nd Place

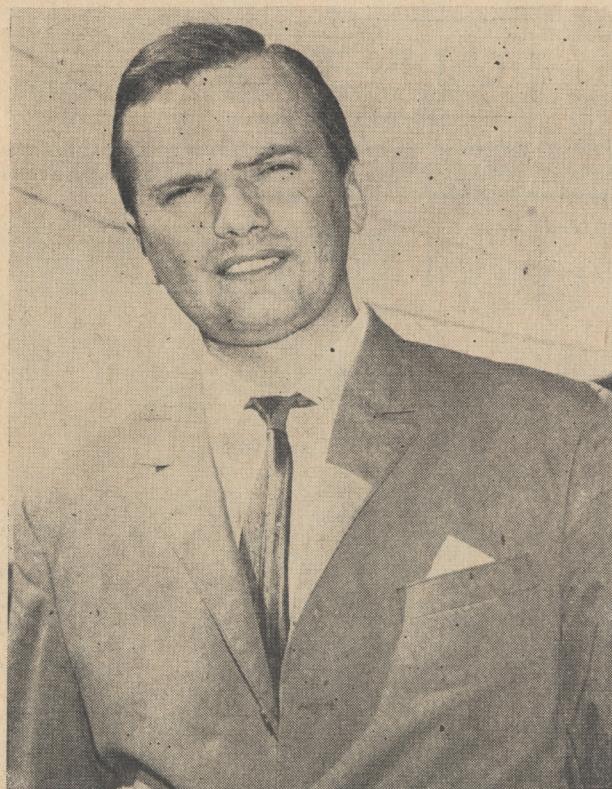
PRESENTATION of the Silver Medal to the 2e Battalion Royal 22e Régiment for capturing second place in the Famagusta Town Race.

The presentation was made by Colonel Lars Lavén, Commander Swedish Contingent. (L. to R.) Serg. J.S. Dobson; Cpl J.R.A. Couture; Cpl J.R. Couture; Cpl M. Mallandain; Cpl D.J. Thimot; Pte J.S. Peltier; and Cpl J.C. Gagnon. Missing: Team Captann Lt J.A.D. (Dan) Lemay; Cpl J.E. Alain, Cpl J.G. Gervais and Pte J.M.A. Raymond. — Canadian Forces Photo.



## New Political Affairs Officer at HQ Unficyp

Mr W.A. Jasinski, new Unficyp Political Affairs Officer. (Below).



Mr W.A. Jasinski of Poland has taken over the appointment of Political Affairs Officer in the office of the Senior Political and Legal Advisor.

This will be the first U.N. tour for Mr Jasinski, (pictured left). He hopes shortly to have his wife join him in Cyprus.

Mr Oldrich Hrachovina, a Czechoslovakian national, took his leave of HQ Unficyp Secretariat on July 1st at the end of his tour.

Mr Hrachovina has been the Political Affairs Officer in the office of the Senior Political and Legal Advisor to the Force. He held the position since 1st of April 1968, having come from United Nations Headquarters in New York where he was working with the UNDP.

With his family who have been resident in Cyprus with him, Mr Hrachovina is spending two weeks holiday in Greece before returning to his home country, where he is expected to return to service with the Czechoslovakian Government.

## ROAD SAFETY CORNER

## GOOD DRIVING

## 1. BRAKING

Sudden hard braking not only ruins tyres but it is the best way to induce a skid. Ideally speed should be adjusted with the throttle — which is misnamed the accelerator pedal — its decelerating functions are equally important.

## 2. PARKING AND STOPPING

Before doing so, think.... Will you cause obstruction, congestion, or block sight lines — if so — don't.

## 3. AT CROSS ROADS

Unmarked cross roads carrying little traffic are danger spots. Check your speed of approach so as to be able to stop if necessary.

## 4. AT MAJOR ROADS

You must obey the HALT sign, regardless of what the driver in front does. At a SLOW sign go really slow until you can see the way to be clear.

## 5. TURNING RIGHT

This is one of the most frequent accident situations. The need is for positioning — just left of the centre line, the gradual reduction of speed, avoiding late or hard braking, the selection of a suitable gear in good time and early correct signals.

**GIVE THESE POINTS  
THE ATTENTION THEY  
DESERVE!**

## PILOTS' SUCCESS

Two familiar faces on the Unficyp Secretariat staff are those of Miss Anne Roberts and Miss Ann Valentine who have been successful in winning their pilots licences.

In our edition of 2 April 1969 we showed these two young ladies at the time they were taking flying instruction. (Right).

## Peacekeeping Costs . . .

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was authorised by the unanimous decision of the Security Council.

## ● BELGIAN CONTRIBUTION

Belgium has announced its pledge of 2.5 million Belgium francs to UNFICYP costs for the six months ending June 15 this year.

## ● BRITISH CONTRIBUTION

Britain told the UN on

July 4th that it would contribute £624,000 towards the cost of the UN Peace Keeping Force in Cyprus for the six month period ending December 15.

Britain also told the Secretary General U Thant in a note published on the 4th July that it would maintain its contingent in the force for the same period, and meet its expences.

