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## UN DAY CELEBRATIONS

The 25th Anniversary of the founding of the UN Organization was marked throughout the island last week in a series of meetings, special gatherings and receptions.

### Message From The Secretary- General To All United Nations Personnel

I am delighted to have this opportunity to greet you at this celebration of the Twenty-fifth Anniversary of our Organization. The United Nations has come a long way since its inception twenty-five years ago, and all of you who serve in the field in Peace-keeping Operations, in the Development Programme, or working for the specialized agencies who are members of the United Nations family, are witnesses to the increasing importance of the United Nations role all over the world in all sorts of matters relating to international peace and to the advancement of human well-being. You who are serving United Nations efforts in Cyprus in one way or another are making a valuable contribution for which I am grateful. This should be a time not for lamenting the shortcomings of the past for renewing our determination to meet with increasing effectiveness the challenges of the future. The United Nations task of attempting to bring peace and justice to an imperfect world has never been more imperative than now. On this day especially we are right to feel proud of taking part in this great adventure. I extend to you my heartfelt good wishes.

U THANT

Apart from local meetings sponsored and organized by the branches of the Cyprus UN Association, the House of Representatives met in special session to pass a resolution expressing support and loyalty to the principles and aims of the UN Charter. The resolution also expressed gratitude to the UN, and in particular to UNFICYP, for the valuable assistance which has been rendered to Cyprus for the safeguarding of peace and a return to normal conditions.

At noon on the 24th October UNFICYP and the UN Development Programme in Cyprus combined to hold a reception which was attended by over 500 distinguished guests, including Government Ministers, leaders of the Turkish Community, members of the judiciary and the Diplomatic Corps. During the reception, Dr. B. F. Osorio Tafall made a short address. Music for the reception was provided by the Canadian Armed Forces Central Band which was on a visit to the island.

During the afternoon UNFICYP personnel, their families and friends were entertained to a band performance given by the Canadian Forces Central Band, the Band and Corps of Drums of the 3rd Battalion,



● This happy group was taken on UN Day in Wolseley Barracks. L. to R.: Major General D. Prem Chand, Mrs. Mackenzie, Mrs. Osorio Tafall, Mr. R. F. Mackenzie, the Resident Representative of the UN Development Programme in Cyprus, Mrs. Prem Chand and Dr. Osorio Tafall. More pictures of the UN Day Celebrations on centre pages.

the Royal Green Jackets, and the Pipers of the 19th Irish Infantry Group.

In the evening many UNFICYP personnel attended a commemorative ceremony at

● The Canadian Forces Central Band under the direction of their Director of Music, Captain M. Ziska, playing for the public in Kyrenia Harbour on Sunday 25th October. The band has been in Cyprus to take part in the UN Day Celebrations.

the Nicosia Municipal Theatre which was held under the auspices of the UN Association of Cyprus. Special addresses were delivered by the President of the Association, the Minister of Communications and Works, Mr. Nicos Roussos, who opened the ceremony, the Acting President of Cyprus Mr. Glafkos Clerides, the UN Secretary General's Special Representative in Cyprus, Dr. Osorio Tafall, and the President of the World Federation of UN Associations, Justice M. A. Triantafyllides.

The recorded voice of U Thant was heard delivering a special message for UN Day, and the programme closed with the showing of the film "Workshop for Peace".

Music during the evening was provided by the Canadian Forces Central Band and the String Orchestra of the Cyprus Broadcasting Corporation.



## OBITUARY

We regret having to announce the death of Corporal Perley Chesley Isenor, aged 37, serving with the Canadian Contingent, who was killed in a tragic motor accident on 25th October while walking back to camp.

Corporal Isenor came from Oromocpo, New Brunswick, and he leaves a widow and five children. At the request of his family the body of Corporal Isenor will be repatriated to Canada.



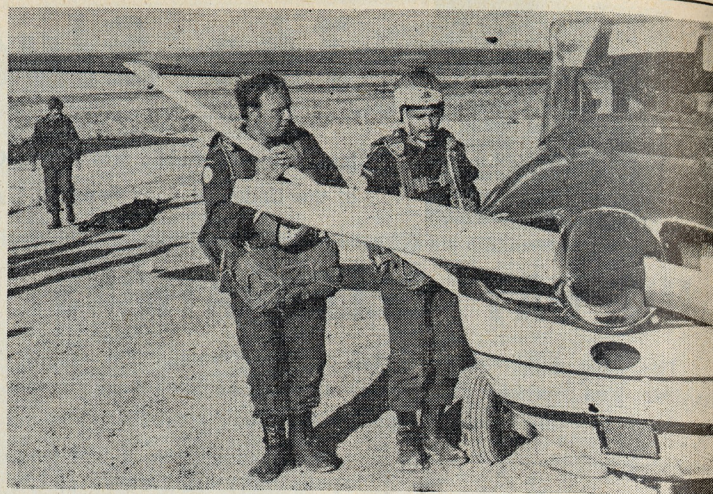
## FALDSKÆRMSUDSPRING

Faldskærmsudspring er en oplevelse af de usædvanlige. En fantastisk oplevelse at springe ud i det store rum, suse gennem luften i et frit fald og senere sejle på luft-havet under den udfoldede skærm

med jorden bredt ud til alle sider. Man føler sig fri som en fugl.

Adskillige benytter opholdet på Cypern til også at opleve faldskærmsudspringets glæder og risiko. Det foreløbig eneste uheld i denne omgang er en brækket arm. Springene foretages på Dhekelibasen.

● Det hele er overstået for denne gang for MP korporal A. Krogsgaard, med hjelm. De to andre parashutister er MP korporal J. Sørensen i midten og sergent J. Pedersen til venstre.



● Her er sergent J. Kjerrumgaard og konstabel E.S. Carstensen klar til opstigning med den lille maskine.



● Konstabel K.H. Thomsen bliver hjulpet med udrustningen af en instruktør-assistent, mens han selv holder sammen på modet og kort efter stiger ombord i Cessnaen.

## DANCON NYT

Efter at de store alvorlige fodboldturneringer er afviklet, spilles nogle mere hyggelige lokale kampe. Stabskompagniets konstabler har besejret befalingsmændene og forleden mødtes konstabler og officerer til deres venskabelige match på Xeros støvede stadion.

● Billedet af de vindende officerer er taget før kampen; man kan jo lige så godt tage det humoristisk og grine så længe, man kan. Og der var minsandten også smil tilsidst. Den som smilede bedst var keeperen Henry, som gav en fremragende opvisning i selvforsvarets ædle kunst, stærkt medvirkende til at sejren tilfaldt de gamle rotter.



● Her er den gode, gamle jord dejlig nær igen;

## DA OFFICERERNE SLOG KONSTABLERNE!



## FN-jubileum firades på Carl Gustaf Camp

Förenta Nationernas 25-årsjubileum firades lördagen den 24 oktober på Carl Gustaf Camp av den under veckan anlända bataljon 45 C med en högtidlighet på campens uppställningsplats.

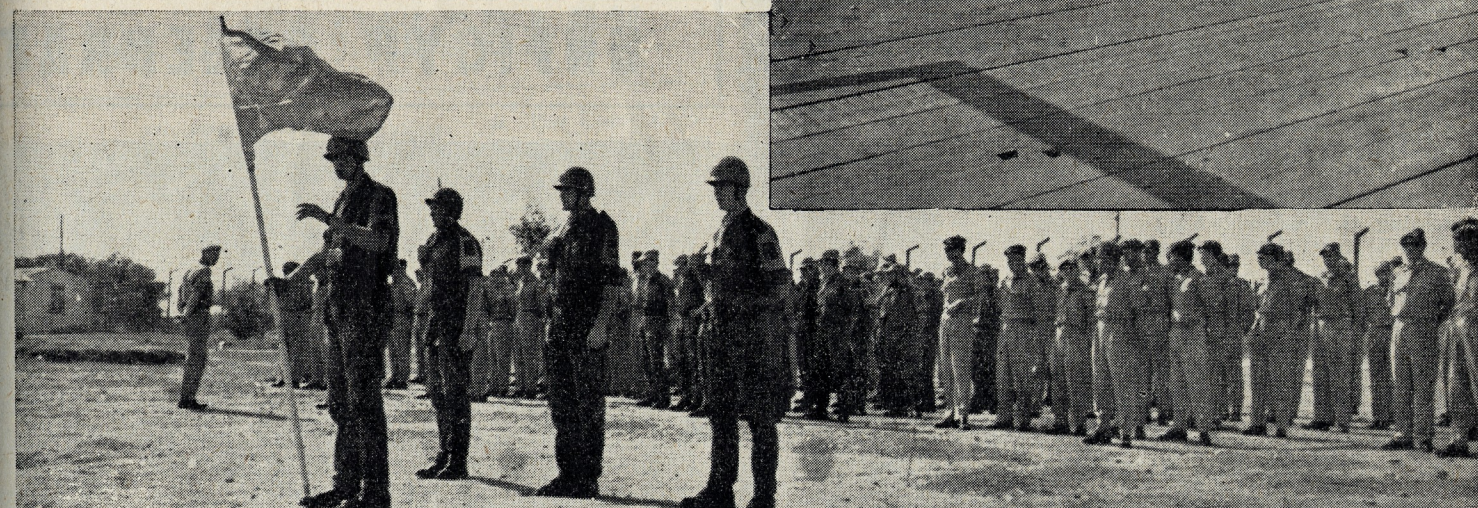
Överste Lars Lavén, som varit svensk kontingentschef i mer än tre år, men som avslutar sitt FN-uppdrag på Cypern i dagarna, talade inför delar av den uppställda svenska FN-styrkan.

Överste Lavén sade bl a att mänskligheten genomkämpat två världskrig under de senaste femtio åren och att vår civilisation inte tål ytterligare ett världskrig med tanke på de fruktansvärda förstörelsemedel, som världens krigsmakter

förfogar över numera. Han erinrade om de insatser som Förenta Nationerna under de gångna 25 åren gjort för att åstadkomma eld upphör i akuta konflikter och för att lugna ned oroshärdar i olika delar av världen. Han pekade också på hur uppgiften för FN-styrkan på Cypern gradvis övergått från peace-making till peace-keeping.

Slutligen påminde överste Lavén om de svenskar, som fallit i FN:s tjänst. Bl. a. nämnde han generalsekreteraren Dag Hammarskjöld och de många kamraterna i de svenska FN-styrkorna, vilka fallit på sina poster i Mellersta Östern, Kongo och Cypern. Till de fallnas minne påbjöd talaren en tyst minut.

## SWEDCON NEWS Swedish Forces Photos



## Snygg poststämpel

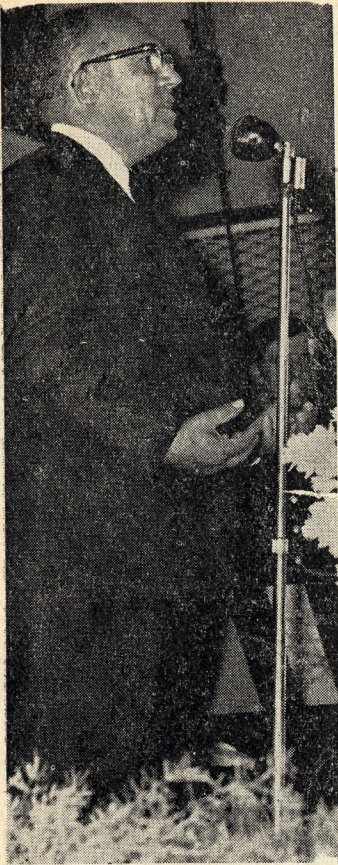
Postverket utfärdade en speciell stämpel att sättas på den post, som avgick på FN:s jubileumsdag den 24 oktober från det svenska fältpostkontoret vid FN-bataljonen på Cypern. Stämpeln hade nedanstående utseende och är väl inte en poststämpel i egentlig mening eftersom den inte användes för att makulera frimärken utan placerades bredvid frimärket. De svenska FN-soldaterna anammade idén or-

dentligt och sände iväg närmare 2 000 brev och vykort med den snygga stämpeln på. För den som är intresserad av statistik kan nämnas att det var 912 vykort, 377 vanliga brev och 361 militärbrev som gick genom fält-posten denna dag.

På bilden är det postis-fanjunkaren Olle Sjöstrand, Stockholm, som jobbar för fullt med stämplingen.







● Dr. B. F. Osorio Tafall addressing the assembled guests at the reception.



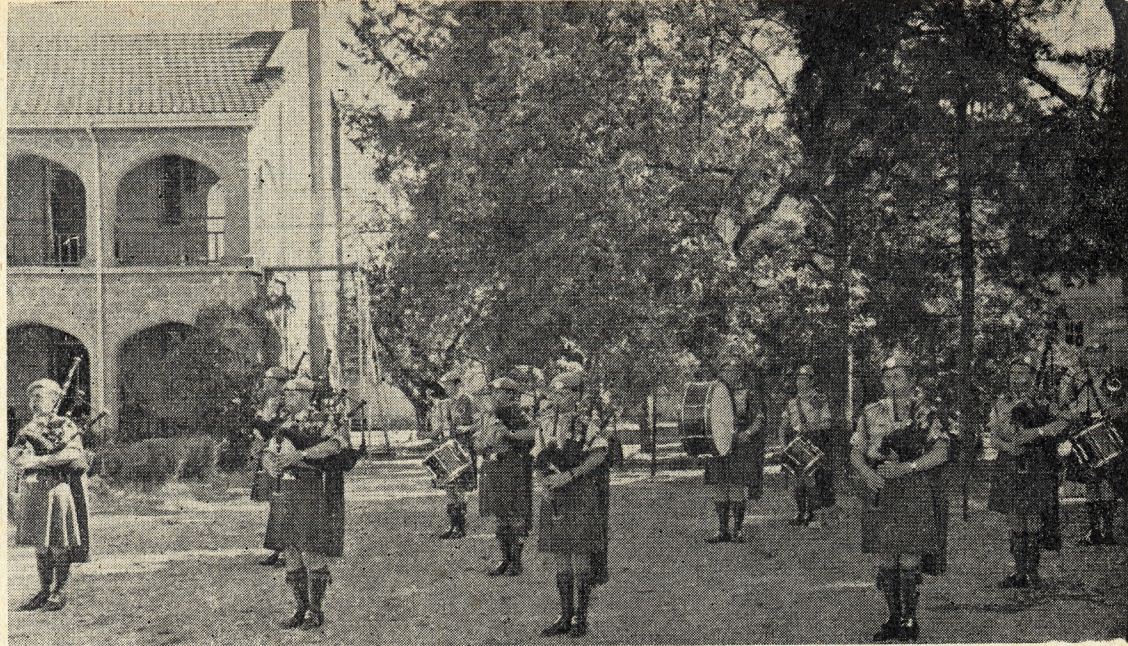
● The Turkish Cypriot leader, Dr. Fazil Kuchuk, and the Acting President of the Republic, Mr. Glafkos Clerides, (centre) with some of their hosts at the reception.



● Mrs. R. Gorgé, the wife of UNFICYP'S Senior Political and Legal Adviser, Brigadier General E. M. D. Leslie, the Chief of Staff, and Mrs. Leslie arriving at the Municipal Theatre.



● The Commandant of the Austrian Civilian Police Contingent, Major W. Beier, arriving at the reception.



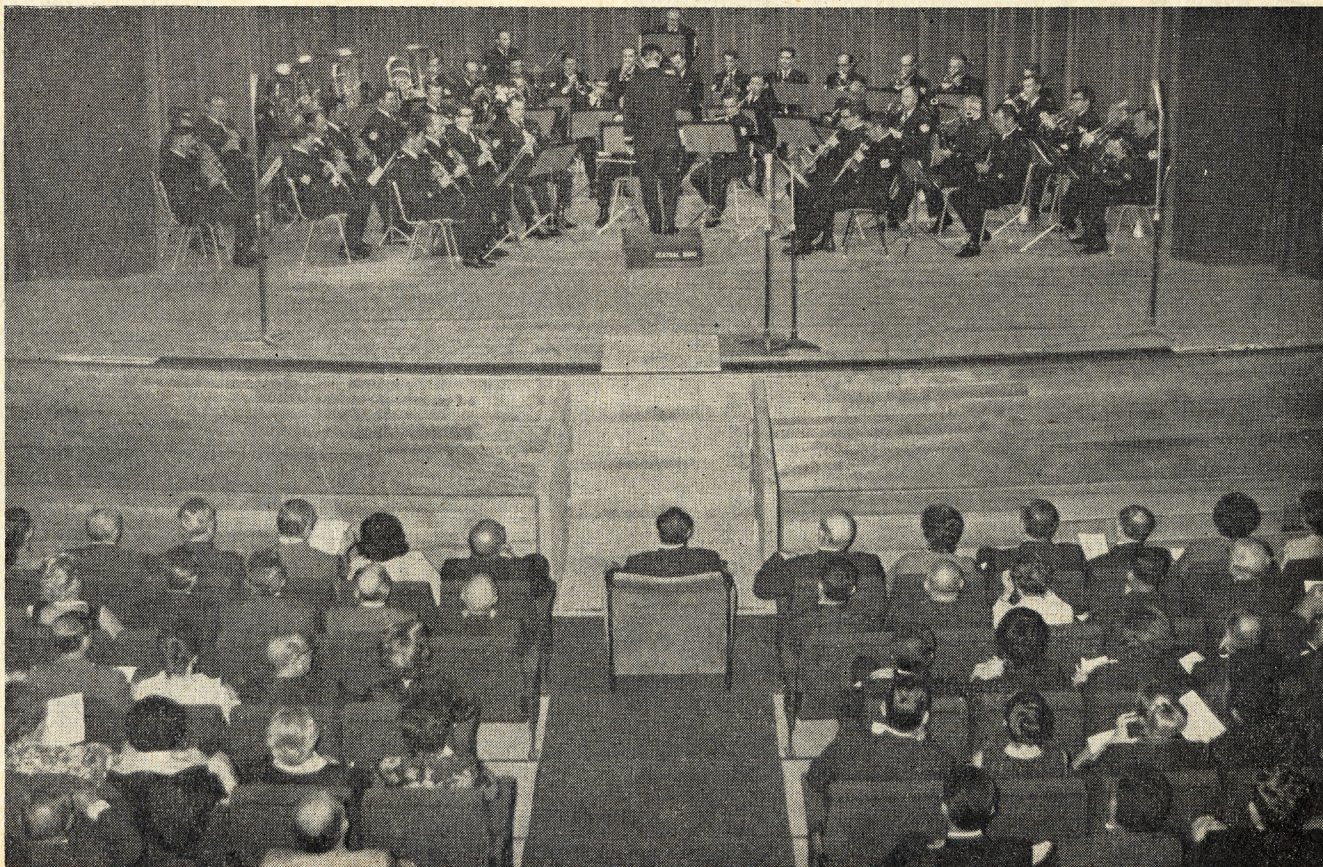
● The Pipers of the 19th Irish Infantry Group in their Saffron Kilts provided a colourful spectacle as they played for the arrival of guests at the reception in Wolseley Barracks.

# UNFICYP CELEBRATES 25th ANNIVERSARY



● The Force Commander welcomes Lieutenant General Charalambos Charalambopoulos, the Commander of the National Guard.

● Mr. V. Menon, Field Service Officer, Mrs. Khan, Mrs. Menon and Mr. A. M. Kahn, Chief Finance Officer, arriving for the reception.



The scene in the hall at Wolseley Barracks where the UNFICYP 25th Anniversary reception was held. The scene in the hall at the Municipal Theatre with the Canadian Forces Band on stage.

The Band and the 3rd Battalion of the Royal Green Rifles perform a figure movement display in the hall.



## VISIT OF QMG

On Friday 23rd October the Quartermaster General, General Sir Anthony Read, KCB, CBE, DSO, MC paid a short visit to HQ UNFICYP where he was briefed on the logistic support provided by British units.

He was met on arrival by Colonel D.E. Thornton CBE,

ERD and after a short meeting with the Force Commander was able to visit several of the installations.

## BRITCON NEWS

● The General accompanied by the Camp Commandant, Major N. Joplin, RA, meets some of the Camp Staff informally in the canteen.



## ROTATION COMPLETED

The start of the changeover with 3rd Bn, The Light Infantry, was not without its drama. One of the buses carrying 3 LI advance party to Akrotiri had an accident and rolled into a ravine. Fortunately only one person was detained in hospital, the remainder getting away on time.

This was followed by the news that the first aircraft carrying 3 RGJ main party to Cyprus had developed engine trouble and had to return to UK.

Apart from these minor setbacks the changeroad continued smoothly throughout this week and by 1200 hrs

Thursday 3 RGJ were in command of Limassol Zone, with their last party arriving at Akrotiri early on Saturday morning.

3 RGJ are no newcomers to Cyprus, for under their previous title of 3rd Bn, The Green Jackets (The Rifle Brigade) they served in Dhekelia from 1961-64.

At the beginning of the emergency they were employed in Nicosia and saw the institution of the present Green Line. Later, and immediately prior to the start of the UN Mandate, they were working in the Famagusta District.

It is of interest that with the recent arrival of 3 PPCLI in Cancon, 3 RGJ will be serving in the same theatre as one of their affiliated regiments.

● Major General D. Prem Chand, Force Commander, discusses duties with Private Matt Carefoot at an outpost in Nicosia. The Force Commander stopped at many of the outposts during his visit to the Canadian Contingent.

## FORCE COMMANDER VISITS OUTPOSTS

CANCON NEWS  
Canadian Forces Photos

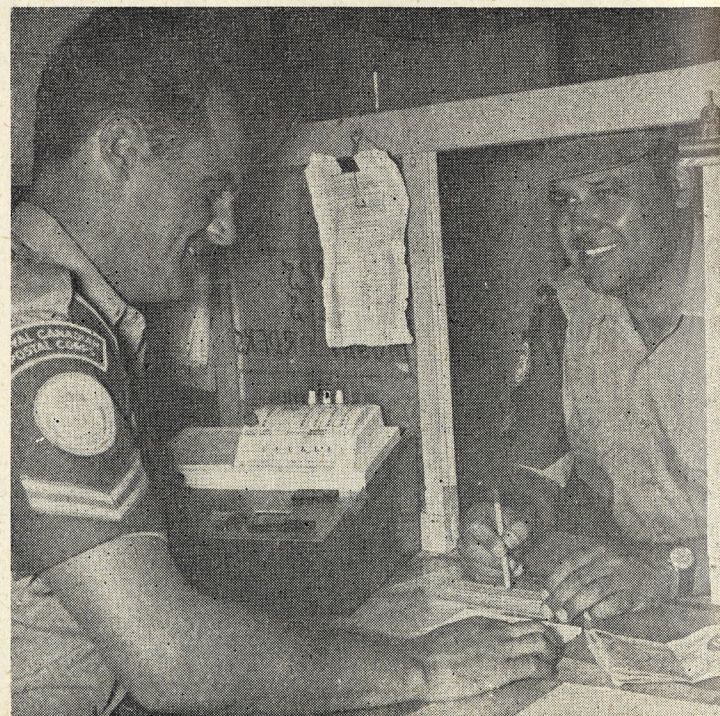
● Wearing his other hat as Colonel Commandant of the Army Catering Corps! During his visit General Read met all ACC personnel. He is seen above with (left to right) Corporal Stan Crews, Corporal Peter Britt, Private Martin Pellow, Corporal Pip Colledge and Corporal Charlie Mackie.

## FIRST PURCHASER

Sergeant Bob Ducharme (right) was first in line at the Cancon Post Office last week to purchase a new type of money order from Corporal Tony Hodder.

The money order system, developed by the Canadian

Post Office, has also eliminated the time that it takes to purchase one. The postal clerk simply registers the amount on the form with an imprinter and the purchaser fills in the details later. It's as simple as buying a stamp. Because of the time difference Sgt Ducharme was also the first person anywhere to buy the new money order.



## ETULEKO TULI JA LÄHTI 23. 9.



Lokakuun rotaation etukomennuskunta eversti RK Raitasaaren puhuttelussa Kykkon platalla



Plata on kova kävellä ja säkki on raskas kantaa. Varpaat varustettiin etsimässä uutta kotia.



Päivän ongelma. Mihin tähän nämäkin rojut työntäisi.

## FINCON NEWS



Suomalaisiin siivon on mukava matkustaa. Poikiemme lentomatkan viihtyisyydestä vastannut lentoemäntä.



No pojat mitäs siellä kasseissa oikein on? Hyvää matkaa takalekolaisille. Eihän siellä Suomessa vielä niin kylmää ole, etteikö siellä elää voisi.



## VISIT OF MINISTER FOR DEFENCE

The Minister for Defence, Mr. Jerry Cronin, called at UNFICYP Headquarters on Thursday, 15 October, to visit the Officers, Non commissioned Officers and Men of the Irish Army stationed there. On arrival he was greeted by Lieutenant Colonel Shanahan, Force Engineer, and afterwards he inspected a Guard of Honour drawn from 19 Infantry Group. Accompanying the Minister were the Adjutant General, Colonel J. Emphy, the Secretary Department of Defence, Mr. S. Kearney and Commandant J. O'Leary, Staff Officer Army Headquarters.

The Minister visited Ircon Headquarters Zygi on Friday 16 October. He was received by Lieutenant Colonel T. Tracey, OC 19 Infantry Group. Having inspected a Guard of Honour under the command of Lieutenant G. Boyle, the Minister was taken on a tour of the Camp Headquarters.

On Saturday the Minister visited A Company in Kophinou and met Commandant M. O'Shea, the Officer Commanding A Company.

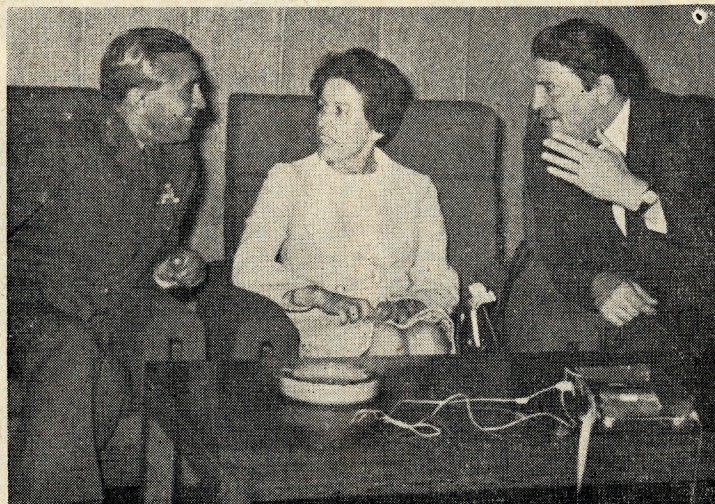
The inspection of B Company Larnaca followed and here again the Minister visited all the observation posts and greeted each man personally. Commandant P. Harte, OC B

● Force Commander, Major General D. Prem Chand, talking to the Minister for Defence, Mr. Jerry Cronin, and Mrs. Cronin on their arrival in Cyprus.

Company, accompanied the Minister on his tour. At a special dinner in the Officers Mess at Zygi the Minister congratulated 19 Infantry Group for its contribution to the maintenance of peace in Cyprus.

At a reception given by the Minister in the Ledra Palace Hotel, representatives of both communities were present as well as representatives of UNFICYP Headquarters and of the different contingents of UNFICYP. The Minister and his party left Nicosia on Thursday 22 October to return to Ireland.

All ranks were impressed by the genuine and obviously sincere interest displayed by the Minister in their welfare and service conditions. His warm and informal approach was appreciated by everyone.



● Corporal Sean Cremin, a native of Mallow Co. Cork, briefing the Minister for Defence at Observation Post Tango. Included from left, Lieutenant Colonel Tom Tracey, Officer Commanding 19 Infantry Group, the Adjutant General, Colonel J. Emphy, the Minister, Corporal Cremin, Commandant M. O'Shea, Officer Commanding A Company.

### MP NOTEBOOK

### Accidents - Unficyp

Week Ending		
24 OCT 70	—	7
Same Period		
Last Year	—	5
Total This Year	—	312
Same Period		
Last Year	—	302

Main Cause of Accidents This Week:

"DRIVING WITHOUT DUE CARE AND ATTENTION"

### IRCON NEWS

● General Sir Anthony Read, KCB, CBE, DSO, MC, the Quartermaster General of the British Army inspects a guard of honour provided by Ircon when he visited HQ UNFICYP last week.



● The new Force Engineer at HQ UNFICYP is Commandant Jim Murphy (right) seen here with his predecessor Lieutenant Colonel Maurice Shanahan who has now returned to Ireland.

