

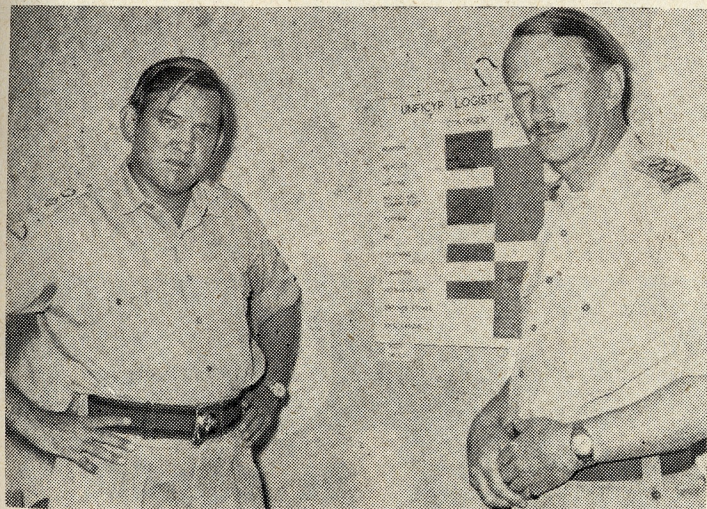


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Hand-Over In Logistics Branch

Last week saw the completion of the handover of the duties of Chief Logistics Officer by Lieutenant Colonel D. A. Barker-Wyatt (left) to his successor Lieutenant Colonel P.G.H. Morgan.

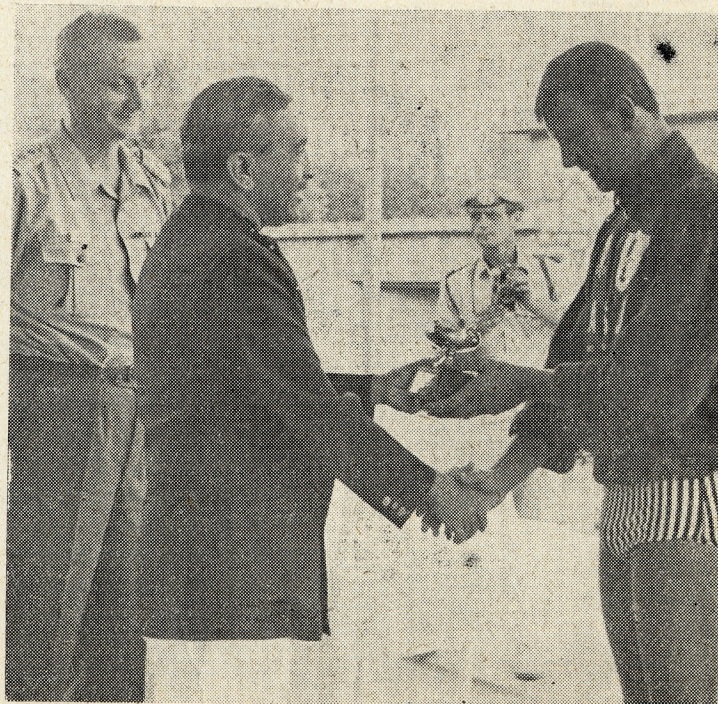
Lieutenant Colonel Barker-Wyatt came to UNFICYP in January 1969 and is now returning to UK. In January next year he will take up a new appointment in Northern Ireland on promotion.

'Blue Beret' offers congratulations and best wishes to

Lieutenant Colonel Barker-Wyatt and extends a warm welcome to Lieutenant Colonel Morgan who has come to UNFICYP from the Ministry of Defence in London.

SWIMMING

The Force Commander, Major General D. Prem Chand presenting to Craftsman John Butler of HQ UNFICYP, the team prize for the winning contingent in the Swimming Gala held at Nicosia on Saturday 5th September. Looking on is Colonel R.K. Raitasaari the Contingent Commander of Fincon. More pictures on back page.



DANISH OFFICER KILLED IN TRAFFIC ACCIDENT

We deeply regret having to report the death of Major Flemming Rye Hansen, 40, of the Danish UN Battalion Dancon XIII, who was killed as the result of a traffic accident on the Nicosia-Morphou Road just South of Morphou on 2nd September.

Major Rye Hansen was travelling as a passenger in a private car driven by another Danish Officer who was slightly injured.

Major Hansen, who was married, with three children, came from Slagelse, Denmark. He had been in Cyprus since May, 1970.

A memorial service was held at the General Hospital, Nicosia, on Saturday 5th September.

RE-SUPPLY BY HELICOPTERS

The re-supply of the more remote hilltop observation posts is a job for which the helicopters of the HQ UNFICYP Aviation Flight are ideally suited. This picture taken last week shows supplies being brought into an OP in Kyrenia District.

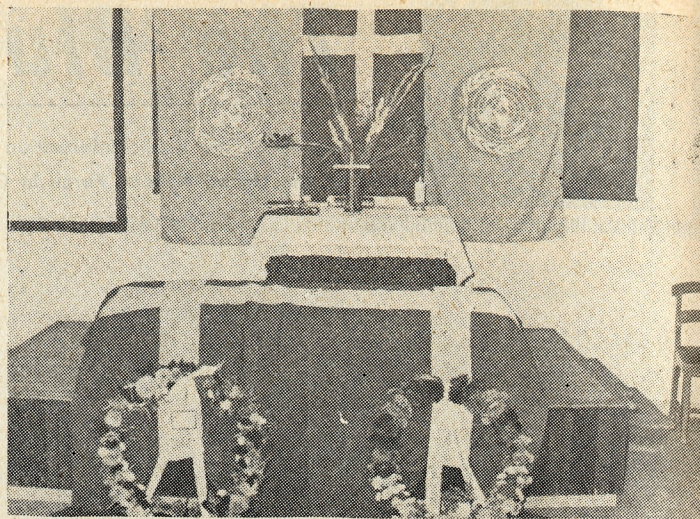
MINDEHØJTIDELIGHED FOR MAJOR F. RYE HANSEN

Forrige nummer af "Blue Beret" bragte et billede af Letkompagnis chef major F. Rye Hansen stående ved det nye bomærke foran indkørslen til Linnetislejren. Ingen kan forstå, at dette blev vort sidste møde med majoren her i bladet og i det hele taget. Onsdag den 2. september omkom major Rye Hansen ved en ulykke på Morphouvejen.

Lørdag den 5. september tog Dancon afsked med Letkompagnis chef ved en mindehøjtidelighed i "Central Hospital" i Nicosia. Et kapel findes ikke, men et auditorium indrettedes bedst muligt til formålet.

Forcecommander, general D. Prem Chand, deltog sammen med Dancons officerer og repræsentanter for alle personel-grupper og for Dancivpol.

● På billedet ses major Rye Hansens bære dækket af Danebrogssflag med to kranser fra Forcecommander og Unficyp. Majorens kiste blev fløjet til Danmark lørdag aften ledsaget af sekondløjtnant F. Plet-Hansen.



Sekretariatet

Enhver militær afdeling har sit sekretariat, stort eller lille. Dancons sekretariat omfatter seks mand. Bataljonsskriveren kaptajn K.O. Gissel-feldt, assistenten sergent H.S. Christensen og fire kontorordonnanser behandler al korrespondance til og fra Dancon, udfærdiger signaler, befalinger, bestemmelser, ordninger, meddelelser og meget andet.

Opgavernes art og mængde kan ikke klart defineres og afgrænses, men de løses løbende af den rutinerede chef og hans veluddannede mandskab.



● "Skriveren" kaptajn K.O. Gissel-feldt studerer sekretariatets papirer sammen med sin medhjælper sergent H.S. Christensen.



DANCON

● Et smukt billede af fem skriverkarle. Kaptajn Gissel-feldt til venstre og sergent Christensen til højre flankerer tre af ordonnanserne nemlig H.V. Nielsen, M. Stendys og K.H. Thomsen.



NY DCOS

Den afgående, stedfortrædende stabschef, oberst Riddell-Webster, aflagde afskedsvisit hos Dancon i sidste uge. Den nye mand på posten, Britcons nye chef, oberst D.E. Thornton, aflagde præsentationsbesøg i denne uge sammen med den nye Chief Operations Officer, oberstløjtnant P.J. Bondeson, som skal afløse oberstløjtnant A.S. Gundorf, der returnerer til Danmark 18. september.

Billedet fra ankomsten til Xeros-lejren viser oberst Thornton på vej ind i vognen, mens oberstløjtnant Bondeson nærmer sig.

SWEDCON NEWS

Swedish Forces Photos

44: ANS RADIO

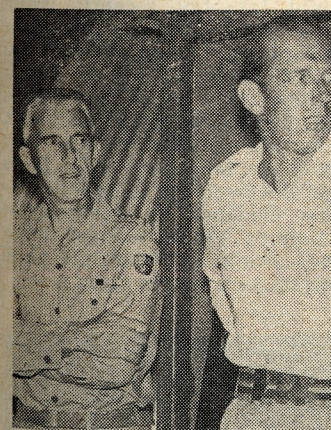
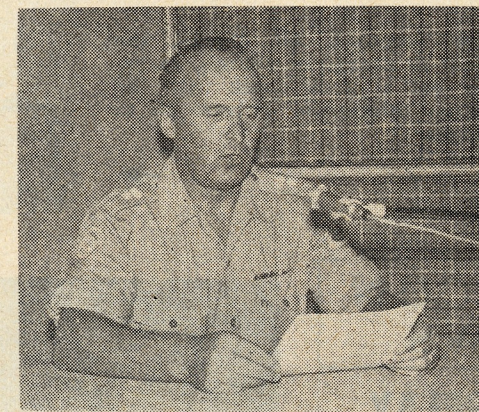
har blivit en, faktiskt, riktigt populär företeelse. "Snyften" på tisdagskvällarna, avleverad av allas vår batpasass Lennart Alasjö, Göteborg, missas sällan av grabbarna. T.o.m. stabsreds s.k. "Hörna" lär ha en och annan lyssnare.

T.v.: Leif Söderberg, Tranås, och Lars Bohman, Västerås, med stabsred inför miken i Hörnan.

Nedan t.v.: De svenska radioternas allt i allo Mrs Lana (i glasögon) på CBC:s english programs och hennes medhjälpare styr oss med fast hand och ser till att vi inte spårar ur.

I mitten: Lennart Alasjö skivpratar och-hälsar.

Nedan: Nervöst inför debuten. Söderberg lägger in en darrig prilla och Bohman formidabla rökrider.



THE DUKE

of Kent, chef för Force Reserve, hälsade på offmässen med några kamrater här för leden. Ovan tillsammans med vår egen trivsamma boss, öv Lars Lavén.

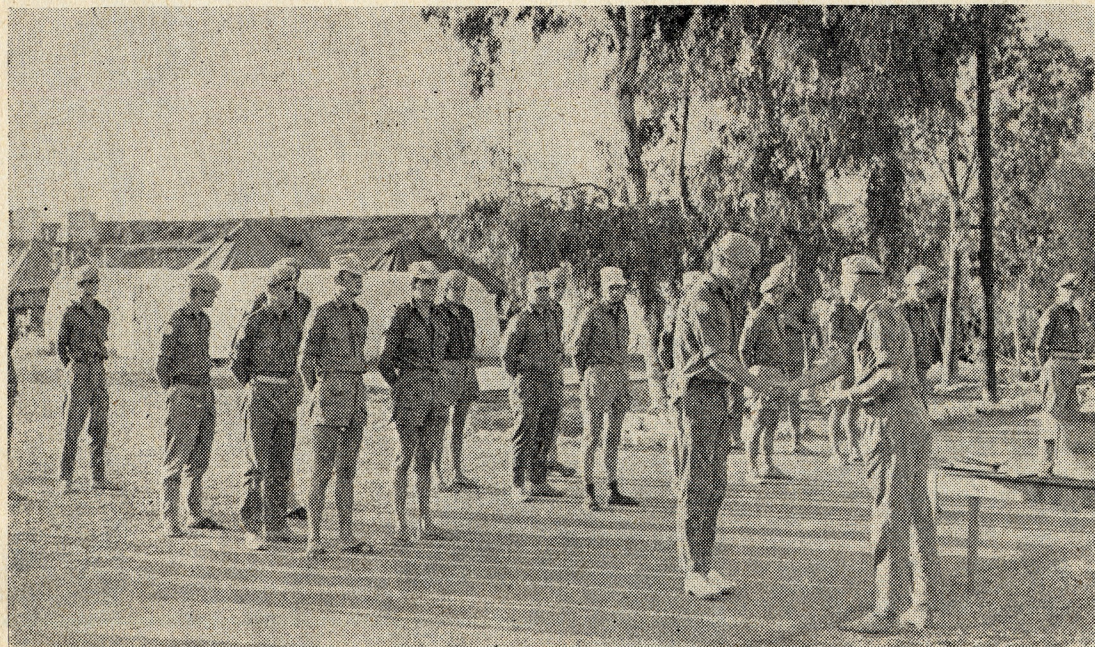
T.h.: Gemytlig sångsamling kring kaffeborden under "the grapes". "Duker" visade sig sjunga bättre än "Hellre-än-bra-Egon". Kul kväll.



De blå-hvide bånd uddelt

Efter tre måneders tjeneste i FN's fredsbevarende styrke, tildeles alt personel FN's medalje. Den officielle overrækkelse fandt sted ved Dancon XIIs medaljeparade den 8. september, mens tre måneders dagen markeredes med overrækkelse af det blå-hvide bånd.

Vi bringer et billede fra begivenheden, som fandt sted i forbindelse med morgenappellen. Stabskompagniets chef, major J.O. Bang, overrækker tegnet til konstabel S.P. Hansen.



HEADQUARTERS UNFICYP ORDNANCE DETACHMENT

People often ask "what goes on in that big shed over there?". Tucked away in one of the farthest corners of the HQ perimeter at Nicosia is the Ordnance Detachment who have one of the less glamorous jobs with UNFICYP and yet on whom can depend the whole efficiency and welfare of the force.

Their responsibilities are varied and cover the receipt, storage, issue and salvage of a wide range of British and UN commodity items required by the different contingents, as well as rations and POL.

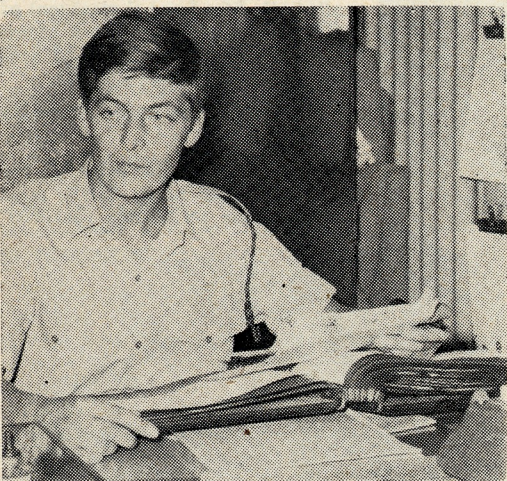
Captain Sam Allen, the

Detachment Commander, has a staff of 13 RAOC personnel and 4 civilian labourers. Their routine starts at 0430 every morning with the departure of the ration convoy from HQ UNFICYP.

● The new Chief Logistics Officer, Lieutenant Colonel P. G. H. Morgan (second from right) on a visit last week to the detachment. Also in the picture (from left to right) SQMS W. Swanson, Major A. R. C. Munro, the Force Ordnance Officer, and Captain S. Allen.



● Private Ray Marsh, the POL accounts clerk. He is responsible for accounting for over 3,500 gallons of fuel used by UNFICYP transport in a week.



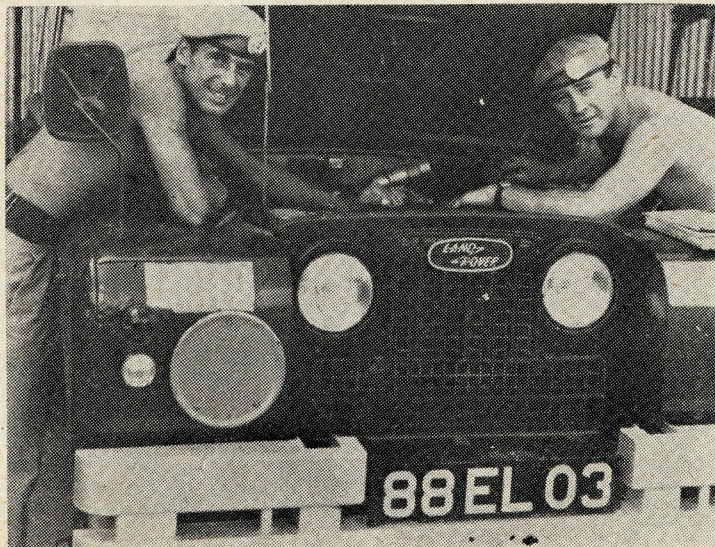
● Sergeant Alf Marks, the NCO in charge of rations, carrying out a stock check with the ration storeman, Private R. C. Hooper.



FOR LOVE OF MACHINERY

Corporal Hen Jackson (left) and Lance Corporal Garry Smith of 3rd Battalion Light Infantry are busy below preparing one of the Unit Landrovers for the technical inspection which begins on September the 9th at Polemidhia Camp.

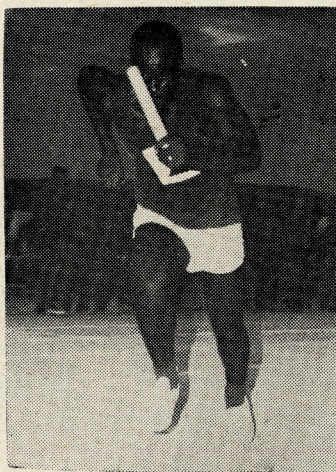
Corporal Jackson is Training Company MT NCO. He has served eight and a half years in the Army. Lance Corporal Smith is married and has two sons. His wife is now living in Plymouth.



BRITCON NEWS

SPRINT RELAY

Lance Corporal Stirling of 3rd Battalion Light Infantry at the start of the 4 x 100 m relay race at the Athletics meeting on 27th Aug. The Light Infantry team consisting of Lance Corporals Stirling and Gill, Private Whiteside and Second Lieutenant Tim Lerwell won the event.



DOUBLE TAKE

Private Victor Probert, a bugler with 3rd Battalion Light Infantry, recently went to a Town Company party in Polemidhia Camp where he asked a WRAF girl, Chris Lakey, for a dance. Imagine his surprise when he met not only his double but also his partner's double as well. If it had not been for the photographic evidence he would have imagined that he must have been drinking. Who said that the camera never lies?!



THE COMPANY SOCCER CHAMPS

The final of the Inter-company Soccer Championship between 'A' Company and Headquarters Company was played at Zyyi on Monday 31st August and provided plenty of excitement. Five goals were scored, three penalties were given and there were many near misses which kept the large attendance on their toes to the end.

Headquarters Company who started favourites were first to score when Corporal Devereaux scored with a flying header from a pass from Corporal English. 'A' Company came fighting back and were awarded two penalties in the first thirty minutes which Private Behan duly sent into the net. Minutes later Headquarters company were awarded a penalty but Corporal Devereaux hooked his spot kick yards wide.

The second half saw Headquarters Company come more into the game and their constant pressure paid off. Two goals by Sergeant Reidy gave them a 3 — 2 win.

Best for Headquarters Company were Corporal J. Ging, Corporal T. Sheehan, Corporal P. Devereaux, Sergeant W. Reidy and Private D. Cambridge, while Private Beehan and Corporal 'Boxer' Quinn played their hearts out for 'A' Company.

● **Headquarter Company Team, Front row (Left to Right) Private Cambridge, Sergeant Carolan (Capt), Sergeant Reidy, Corporal Ging and Private Boylan.**

Back row (Left to Right) Corporal McManus, Corporal English, Gunner Gunn, Corporal Devereaux, Sergeant Harrington and Corporal Sheehan.

Congratulations to Corporal Humpheries of 3rd Battalion Light Infantry for the excellent manner in which he refereed the game.

● **Team Captains and Officials, (left to right) Sergeant Hayes (Linesman) Corporal Humpheries (Referee) Corporal 'Boxer' Quinn (Captain 'A' Company) and Sergeant Carolan (Captain Headquarter Company).**



IRCON NEWS

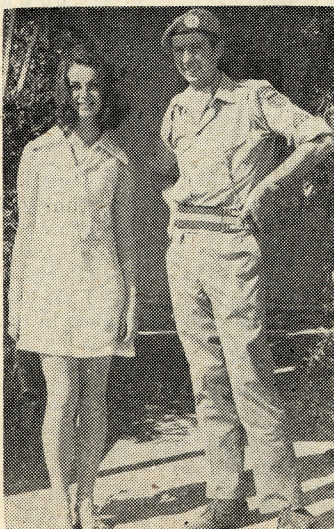
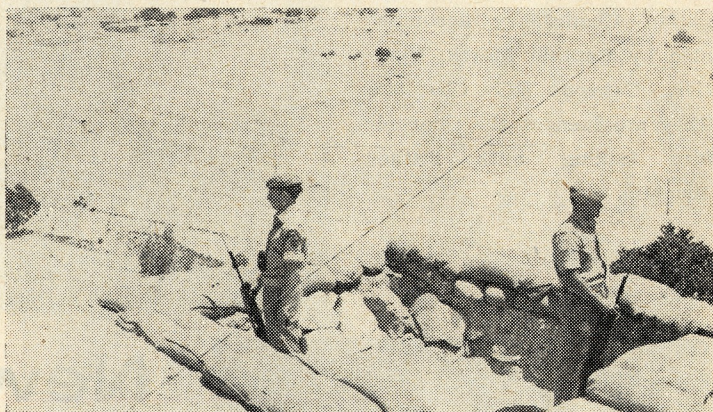


ROSE OF TRALEE AT ZYYI

Miss Kathy Quinn, the 1969 Rose of Tralee, who is also Miss Ireland Tourism 1970 took a break from her strict routine in Cyprus to pay a visit to the men of the 18th Infantry Group.

Accompanied by the lovely Miss UK, Shirley Jones, she was met by Commandant Jim Flynn, Second in Command, the Group Pipe Band and a large group of admirers. Our photograph above shows Miss Ireland (Left) and Miss UK with the Pipe Band.

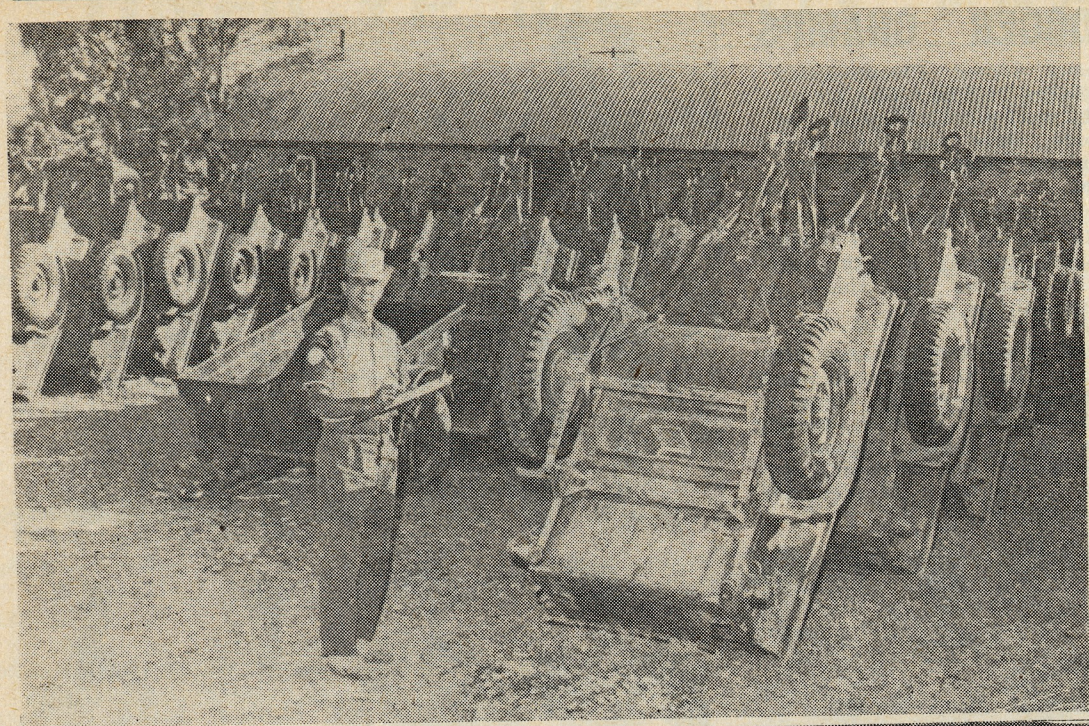
● **A proud Tralee man with his rose. He is Private Robert O'Brien, who is stationed in Collins Barracks, Cork, where he belongs to the Engineer Corps.**



VISIT OF DCOS AND COO

On Thursday 3rd September Colonel D.E. Thornton the Deputy Chief of Staff and Lieutenant Colonel P.I. Bondeson, Chief Operations Officer, both recent arrivals to UNFICYP, paid an official visit to the 18th Infantry Group at Zyyi.

Having being briefed they later visited all Observation Posts and Company areas. Our photograph above shows two of the men they met on Stavros Observation Post overlooking Louroujina.



DISTINGUISHED VISITOR

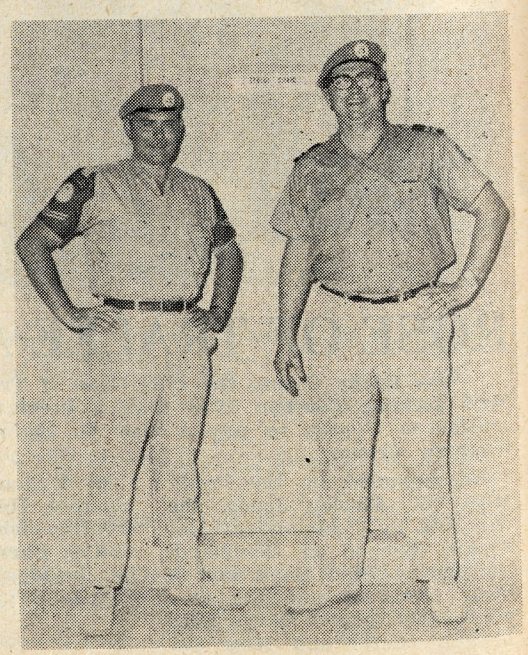
Colonel R. Poirier, Command Chaplain (RC) from Mobile Command Headquarters, is visiting the Canadian Contingent this week.

During his travels he visited the Nicosia Apostolic Delegation Chancellery accompanied by Captain Martin Cloutier, Cancon RC Chaplain. They are seen at the Chancellery talking with Father Joachim.



New Drill Team

We would like to take this opportunity to introduce the new members of the Cancon Dental Clinic who have recently arrived on the island. Corporal Bill Kilgrain from Ottawa is the Dental assistant and is on his second tour. His previous tour was in 1964. Head man of the team is Captain Doug Watson of Victoria.



BOTTOMS UP

Private Bob Jones of the Royal Canadian Regiment hopes that all his trailers are in the pile when his count is finished. Do you count the hitches, wheels or the bottoms?

CANCON NEWS

Canadian Forces Photos

IT'S STARTING AGAIN

Rotation time for the Royal Canadian Regiment is only one month away and the advance procedures have started. At the present time two members of the Movement Control staff are hard at it, but reinforcements are expected to arrive shortly. L. to R. Corporal Larry Myles of the rotating battalion is being processed by Sergeant Eric Campbell and Corporal Dave Arnott.

KONTINGENTTIEN VÄLISET UINTIKILPAILUT



Sotilasmestari Reijo Viiala voitti kontingenttien välisissä uuintesta-ruuskilpailuissa pronssia 200 m:n vapaauintissa. Palkintojen jakajina kenrm D Prem Chand ja eversti R K Raitasaari. Suomalaisen menestys yhteispistessä oli varsin hyvä, sillä saavutimme neljännen sijan HQ UNFICYP'in, SWEDCON'in ja BRITCON' in jälkeen.

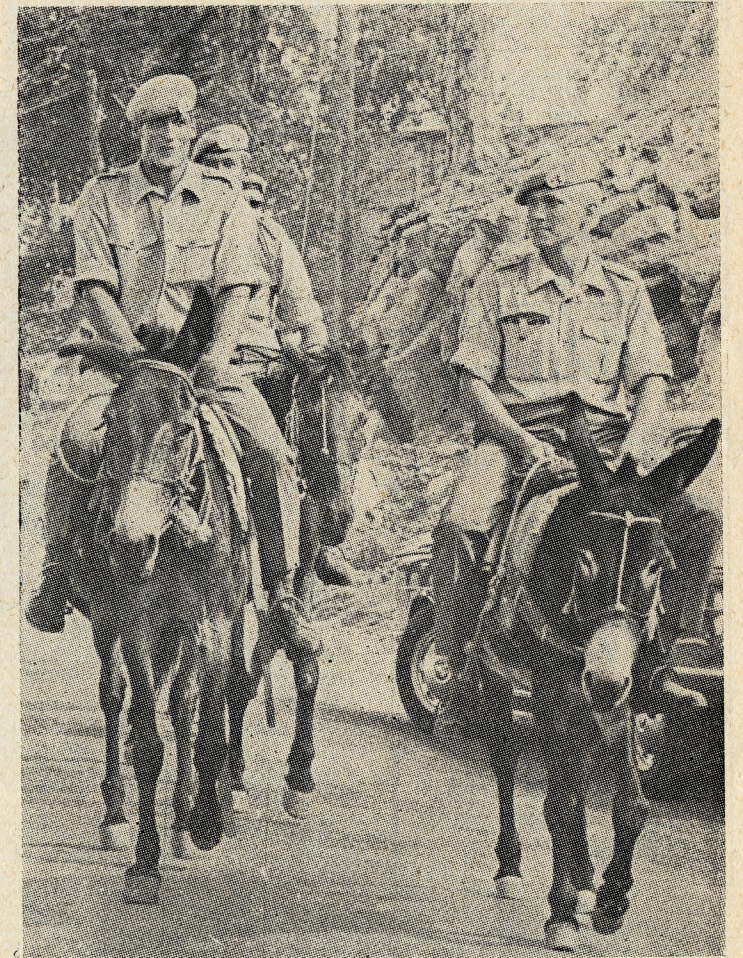


Lähi-Idässä puhjennun koleraepidemian vuoksi lomamatkalle läh-tijöiden on hankittava sairaalasta rokotus. Rokotuksen joutuivat otta-maan myös saarella lomaileet suomalaiset, heidän joukossaan Miss Europe Turisme-kilpailuun osallistunut neiti Arja Paakkinen. Sanotaan, että hunaja vetää kärpäsiä ja niinpä rokotustilaisuuteen saapui asiaankuulu-matonta väkeä. Alikersantti Stig Mattfolk antamassa kolerapiikkiä neiti Paakkiselle, henkisenä tukena kapteeni Erkki Ryyänen.

FINCON NEWS



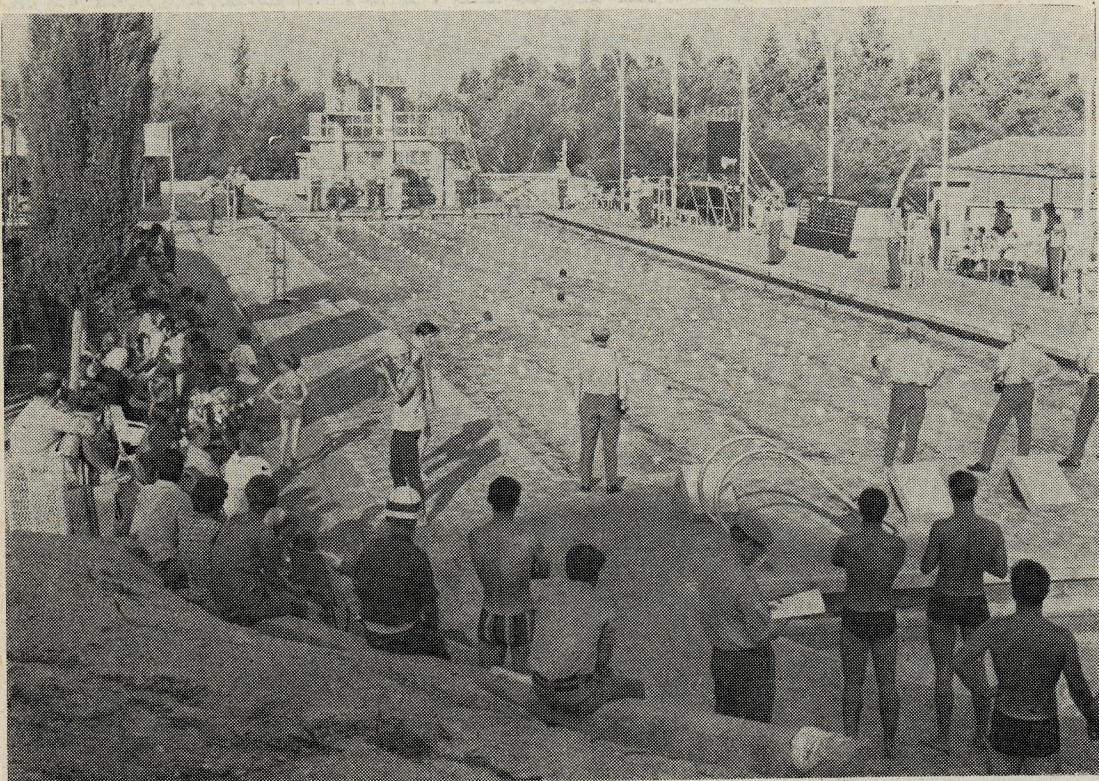
Alikersantti Matti Kartanoa ei hymyilytä vielä tässä vaiheessa vaika mieli onkin hyvä raskaan 100 m:n selkäuinnin jälkeen. Neljäs sija ja neljä pistettä.



Elokuun viimeisenä sunnuntaina tehtiin neljäkymmenen hengen voimalla retki Troodokselle. Ylhäällä oli mahdollisuus harrastaa vaika ratsastusta, ratsut eivät tosin olleet kovin kuumaverisiä ja jalorotuisia, kavioläimiä kuitenkin.

Syyskuun retkiohjelmassa on vielä jäljellä Limassol 13.9. ja Paphos 20.9.

SWIMMING GALA



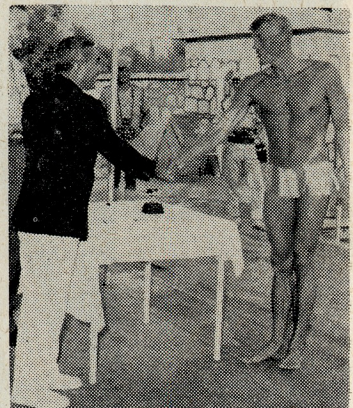
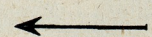
On Saturday 5th September the UNFICYP Inter-Contingent Swimming Gala took place in the Families Swimming Pool at RAF Nicosia by kind permission of the Officer Commanding RAF Nicosia.

The Gala was organised by Fincon who are to be congratulated on the smooth and

efficient way in which the events took place. The contestants gave an appreciative audience an entertaining afternoons display and there was plenty of excitement with the final team result in doubt right up to the last minute. The team from HQ UNFICYP and Force Reserve were the eventual winners with a one point lead over Swedcon. Individual honours must go

to Craftsman John Butler for 3 convincing wins in the 50 m. Butterfly and the 100 m. and 200 m. Freestyle. Lieutenant P.N. Hinde of the 3rd Light Infantry won the 100 m. Breaststroke, and Lieutenant Jegr us of Swedcon won the 100 m. Backstroke. A special mention should be made of Commandant Bill Bunworth, surely the oldest competitor, who put on a fighting display for Ircon.

● A general view of the pool showing one of the races in progress.



● Major General D. Prem Chand congratulating Captain H. Rose of Dancon who came third in the 100 m. Freestyle.

MP NOTEBOOK

Accidents - Unficyp

Week Ending 5 Sep 70

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Same Period Last Year

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Total This Year

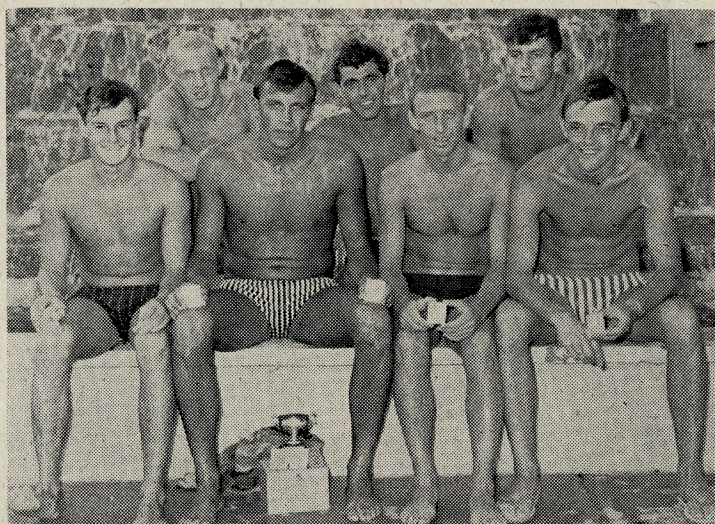
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Same Period Last Year

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Main Cause of Accidents This Week:

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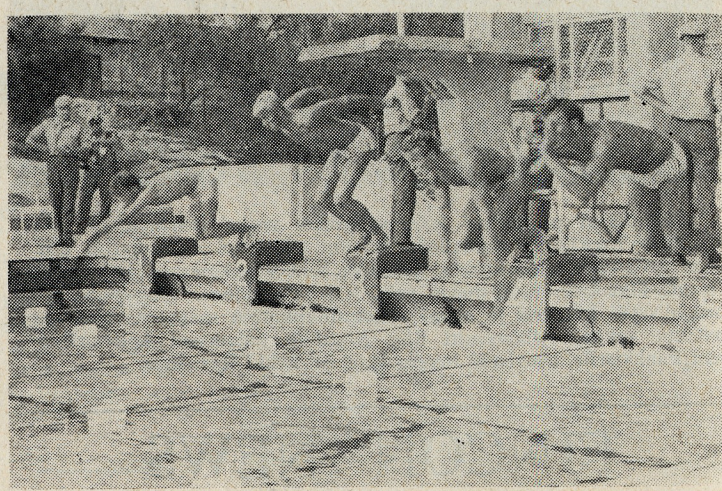


● The victorious team from HQ UNFICYP and Force Reserve who won the competition. Front row (left to right) Private Corless, Craftsman Butler, Sergeant Haslam and Corporal Wadley.

Back row (left to right) Driver Henderson, Corporal Wrigley and Trooper Frew.

HQ UNFICYP IN CRICKET FINAL

The HQ UNFICYP cricket team defeated 2 Squadron 9 Signal Regiment and therefore move into the final of the Cyprus Minor Units Knock Out Competition which will be played at Dhekelia on Saturday 19th September. They will meet the team from the 17th/21st Lancers.



	LI 3	HQ UNFICYP	IRCON	CANCON	DANCON	SWEDCON	FINCON
50m Butterfly	4	7	5	1	3	6	2
100m Freestyle	2	7	1	4	5	6	3
100m Backstroke	2	6	3	5	1	7	4
100m Breaststroke	7	2	5	3	1	6	4
200m Freestyle	6	7	-	3	-	4	5
4.50m Freestyle	5	7	2	4	1	6	3
	26	36	16	20	11	35	21