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## UN SOLDIERS SAVE BOY'S LIFE

Two soldiers of the Swedish UN Battalion at Famagusta saved a boy's life last week.

The boy, Charalambos Theophanous, six years of age, was dead to all intents and purposes when he was found floating in the sea off Famagusta beach.



● Three days after the incident at the beach the two Swedish soldiers (left-right) Steffan Soredberg and Jorgen Thulin visited the fully recovered boy.

## 3 LI WORLD RECORD

The 3rd Battalion Light Infantry have established a new world record for darts. They recently scored 1,000,001 points in 24 hours, 30 minutes and 35 seconds, 5 hours less than the previous record. Full story on Britcon Page.

## Special Representative Returns From New York

Mr. Osorio-Tafall, Special Representative of the Secretary-General, arrived in Nicosia on 19 June last. Replying to questions by correspondents at the airport, he repeated that the good offices of the Secretary-General and his Special Representative are always available and in this context the possibility of his visiting Athens and Ankara cannot be ruled out.

## ROLE OF UN

The Secretary-General, U Thant, commenting on the role of the Organization and himself at a press conference held at a UNCA luncheon on the 11th of June, said:

"The news is so full of stories of conflict and violence that not enough attention is paid to the steady undercurrent of decency and common sense in the affairs of nations, and people increasingly have the impression that in international affairs nothing ever goes right."

This impression makes it even more difficult for Governments to choose the road of peaceful settlement, which is the road of the United Nations Charter. Most Gov-

ernments face similar basic problems in solving their differences with other Governments. Public emotion, domestic politics, lack of confidence and the fear of losing face often make it exceedingly difficult for them to take the course of peace, common sense and mutual understanding.

If the United Nations, even in small ways, can help Governments, as I am convinced it can, to overcome these difficulties, it is obviously the duty of the Organization and of the Secretary-General to respond whenever it seems that they may usefully do so.

If by these methods we can begin to build up mutual confidence among Governments and a willingness to follow the principles of the Charter in settling differences, we may not only forestall a number of conflicts, but we may also strengthen the basis of international peace and order which we so desperately and urgently need," he added.

Later in the day the boy had made such a good recovery that he could join his mother and go to his hometown, Angastina village near Famagusta.

(Mouth-to-mouth method on the back page).



● In jovial mood, looking fit and well the Special Representative shortly after leaving his plane accompanied by Mrs. Osorio-Tafall.



## "C" Squadron Arrives from UK

'C' Squadron, Royal Scots Greys arrived in Cyprus on Wednesday 17th June last to take over as Force Reserve from 'B' Squadron of the same regiment.

Our picture shows 'C' Squadron Leader, Major HRH The Duke of Kent, (right) meeting Captain R. R. Horne (centre) and Second Lieutenant J.O.C. Dewhurst. His Royal Highness has already been here for some time as a member of the Advance Party.

## Good-bye Sir Dennis

The Commander British Forces Near East, Air Marshal Sir Denis Smallwood, KCB, CBE, DSO, DFC paid a farewell visit to Headquarters UNFICYP last Monday, 22nd June. He is due to leave Cyprus at the end of the month.

After informal talks with the Force Commander and his Staff, the C-in-C lunched in the Headquarters Mess.

● Our picture shows the C-in-C inspecting a Guard-of-Honour provided by Swedcon.



## PÅ UDFLUGT MED VELFÆRDSTJENESTEN

## SWIM SAFELY

Drowning fatalities occur every year. In nearly every case they would have been prevented if the persons concerned had taken elementary precautions.

There are some basic rules which should be always observed by EVERYBODY. Here they are:

1. Don't enter the water unless there are at least two of you.
2. Don't enter the water if you do not feel well.
3. Don't enter the water if you are under the influence of alcohol.
4. Don't enter the water for at least one hour after having a meal.
5. Don't go out of your depth until you can swim well.
6. Don't indulge in rough play in or near the water.
7. Don't swim when the sea is rough.
8. Don't swim where there are eddies or currents.
9. Don't dive in shallow water.
10. Don't dive where you may injure yourself and or another person.
11. Learn how to float and how to tread water.

Velfærdstjenesten vidt forgrenede arbejde berører næsten alle punkter af soldatens liv i arbejdet og i fritiden.

Velfærdsofficeren major L.I. Johansen, som her ses i sit telt, har sammen med sine hjælpere forberedt en lang række arrangementer.



Blandt andet tilbydes mange rejser og udflygter med bus rundt til seværdighederne på Cypern.

Billedet viser en situation fra en udflygt fornylig til Limassol med bus og guide.

## BRAND VED OBSERVATIONS- POST

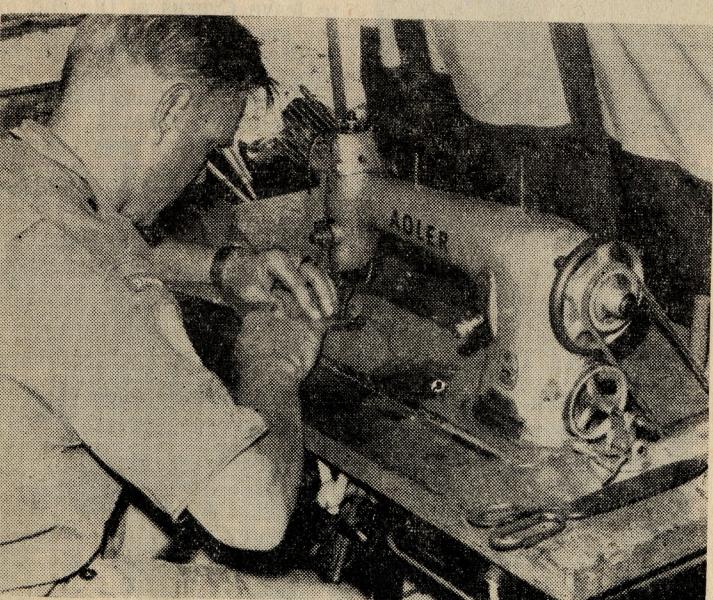
Forleden morgen opstod der brand i den tørre beovksning på højderne i nærheden af Observationsposten "Hotel." Ilden bredte sig hurtigt og en overgang var posten truet, så der måtte gøres klar til hurtig rømning.

Indsat mandskab både fra Limnitis og Xeros fik dog med hjælp af en gunstig ændring af vindretningen ilden under kontrol, så den truende situation for posten og en nærliggende landsby blev afværget.



## DANCON NYT

Hovedvagten i Xeros er blevet forsynet med et skilt, som angiver navnene på dagens watchkeeper, vagthavende officer og vagtkommandør. Den udkorende kan blot ved et øjekast konstatere arten af det nuværende beredskab, som klart angives af en farvet plade forneden på skiltet.



■ Stabskompaniets HMAK afdeling omfatter også et sadelmagerværksted. Selvom det er småt med sadler og seletøj ved Dancon, har sadelmageren, sergeant N.E.J. Lundquist, hænderne fulde af vedligeholdelsesarbejder - som her ved symaskinen.



## ATT RÄDDA ETT LIV

● Förmodligen känner alla vid det här laget till Söderbergs och Thulins beundransvärd bedrift förra måndagen. Ni såg dem också mottaga en belöning ur chefens hand på midsommarafon.

● Så här såg det telegram ut som gick hem till Sverige och Fst/Press:

● Sexåriga Charalambos Theofanous från byn Angastina, ett par mil utanför Famagusta, räddades härmedagen från en säker drunkningsdöd av två vpl soldater ur svenska FN-bataljon 44 på Cypern. Räddarna heter Staffan Söderberg, 22 år, Malmö, och Jörgen Thulin, 24 år, Kristianstad, båda är förlagda på Carl Gustaf Camp i Famagusta.

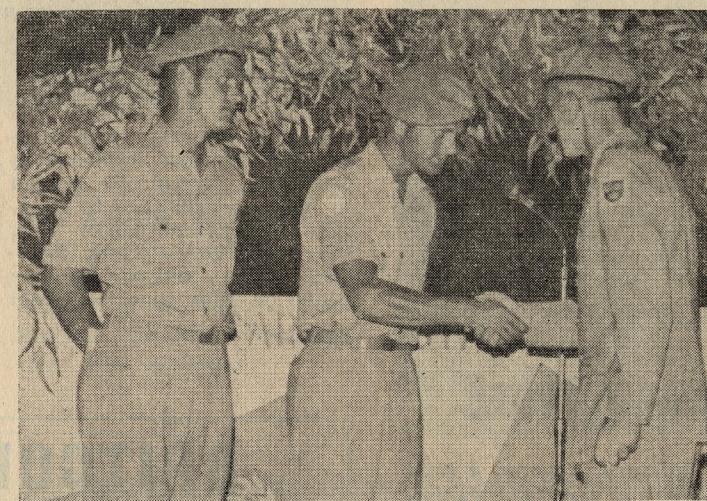
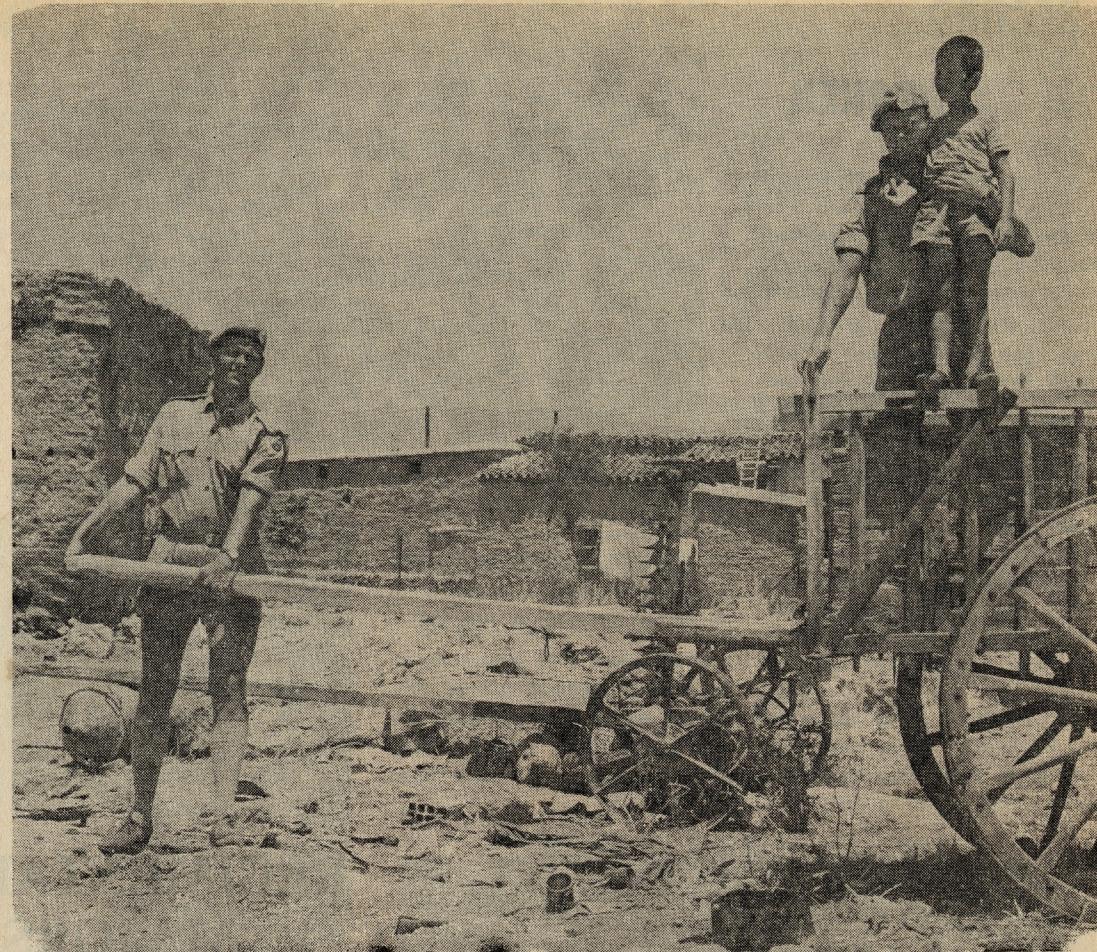
● Händelsen inträffade måndagen den 15 juni som är cypriskt helgdag, närmast motsvarande vår midsommarhelg. Söderberg och Thulin anlände till Famagusta Beach för att bada på eftermiddagen. Där fanns redan massor av människor. Plötsligt fick de en stor folksamling. Då de tittade närmare efter vad som försiggick upptäckte de att man höll på att bokstavligen skaka liv i en liten pojke. Söderberg och Thulin förstod att en drunkningsolycka inträffat och insåg ögonblickligen att den "behandling" som man utsatte den livlösa lilla kroppen för var helt felaktig.

● De svenska pojkena fick praktiskt taget kämpa sig fram i folkhopen och rycka till sig sexåringen. Thulin satte omedelbart igång med konstgiord andning enligt mun-mot-mun-metoden. Vid det tillfället hade hjärtverksamheten på sexåringen helt avstannat.

● Räddningsarbetet försvarades av att saltvatten blandat med uppkastningar ständigt rann ur den lilles mun. Slutligen överväldigades Thulin av illamående. Han blev då omedelbart avlöst av Söderberg som ihärdigt fortsatte upplivningsförsöken till dess den lilles hjärta åter började slå, till en början mycket häftigt men efter en stund i normal rytm, och han så småningom jämrande vankade till liv.

● Den svenska bataljonsläkaren major Anders Carlström, Stockholm, var snabbt på plats och kunde konstatera det lyckade resultatet av Söderbergs och Thulins insats. Sexåringen förses därefter i ambulans till sjukhus i Famagusta för observation. Han fick senare lämna sjukhuset, troligtvis helt utan men för framtidens.

● Pojkens mamma blev åsyna vitne till dramat på stranden och svimmade av sinnesrörelse. Hon kvicknade till senare och var givetvis överlycklig över den lyckliga utgången och tacksam över de svenska pojkaras berömvärt snabba, resoluta och skickliga ingripande.



## SWEDCON NEWS

Swedish Forces Photos

PRESSEN  
HEMMA

i Sverige rapporterade utförligt om Söderbergs och Thulins bedrift på Famagusta Beach. TT förmedlade också sedanligen sätt nyheten över hela landet. Även cypriskt press skrev om saken.

Klippen här intill härrör från Svenska Dagbladet, Dagens Nyheter, Expressen och Sydsvenska Dagbladet Snällposten. Vi har tagit med dem som exempel för att visa vilken uppmärksamhet som ägnats det inträffade. Varför? Jo, där För att vi är svenska FN-soldater i fredens och humanitets tjänst. Då har vi ögonen riktade på oss på ett aldeles speciellt sätt.

## RECORD

## BROKEN

A new British Army record has been set up by members of the MT Platoon, the 3rd Battalion The Light Infantry. Their aim: to score 1,000,001 points at darts in a faster time than the standing record of 29 hours and 30 minutes. They succeeded by the handsome margin of 5 hours, and finished on a 'double one', 24 hours, 30 minutes and 35 seconds after they started.

The average scoring rate was approximately 42,000 points an hour, or 800 a minute!

The team of eight throwers was backed by eight men who worked in relay removing the darts from the board, ten



outside judges from the Royal Engineers troop at Polemidhia, and Limassol detachments of UNMILPOL and UNCIVPOL. Six score keepers worked in pairs on an adding machine.



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THE RECORD  
BREAKING TEAM

The eight members of the record breaking darts team from the Motor Transport Platoon, 3rd Battalion the Light Infantry, relaxing after their 24 hour ordeal. Seated from left to right: Sergeant Fisher, Private Rowbotham, Lance Corporal Youens, Private Metcalfe, Lance Corporal Price, Corporal Saunders, Corporal Jackson and Lance Corporal Smith.

APPROACHING  
THE RECORD

About to throw a dart, Private Metcalfe, who threw ten one-hundreds in succession at one point during the attempt on the record. Next to him is Sergeant Fisher who was responsible for organising the event.

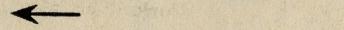
REGIMENTAL SERGEANT  
MAJORS ROTATE

Camp Regimental Sergeant Major, Headquarters UNFICYP, Regimental Sergeant Major W.C. Booth, Queen's Royal Irish Hussars recently handed over his duties on completion of his tour.

RSM Booth left the Island on Saturday 20th June to return to his regiment in Bovington, Dorset. He passed on his responsibilities to Regimental Sergeant Major R.E. Harriman, Royal Tank Regiment, who arrived in the Island on 16th June last from

1 Division in Germany.

Our photograph shows Colonel D.B. Riddell-Webster, Commander British Contingent, bidding farewell to RSM Booth and at the same time welcoming RSM Harriman (extreme left) to the fold. In the background Major Norman Joplin RA, Camp Commandant.



## HOT WORK ON TIRED TYRES

Vehicles of 3rd Battalion Light Infantry covered a total mileage of 118,952 miles during the month of May 1970. Paphos vehicles covered 38,123 miles whilst Limassol vehicles covered 80,829 miles. No wonder the drivers find it necessary to change their tyres.

Left, in the photograph, is Private Peter Kay who is the Second-in-Command's driver. He is married man with one daughter and his home is now

in Plymouth. Peter originally came from Liverpool and he has served for six years with the Light Infantry. During this time he visited Singapore and Malaya.



Private Keith Bucknall, on the right of the photograph, is also married and has one son. His home town is in Wolverhampton. With eight and a half years service he has been to the same countries as Peter Kay and also to British Honduras in 1964. His occupation in the Battalion has been as a rifleman and recently as a driver.



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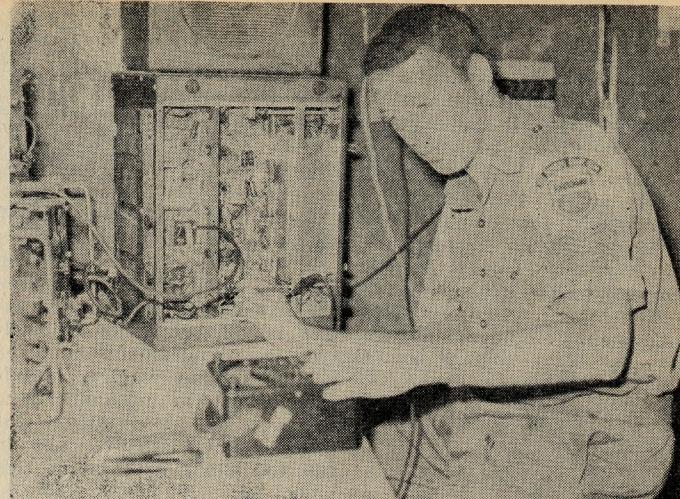
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## ORDERLY ROOM STAFF

Two of the most overworked (and underpaid) men of the 18 Infantry Group are Sergeant Brendan "Skip" Kavanagh and Corporal Tom Butler of the Orderly Room staff at Zyyi Camp. These two men had a high reputation on coming overseas and they certainly have lived up to it by being very industrious and devoted to their work which has resulted in a very orderly and efficient Orderly Room.

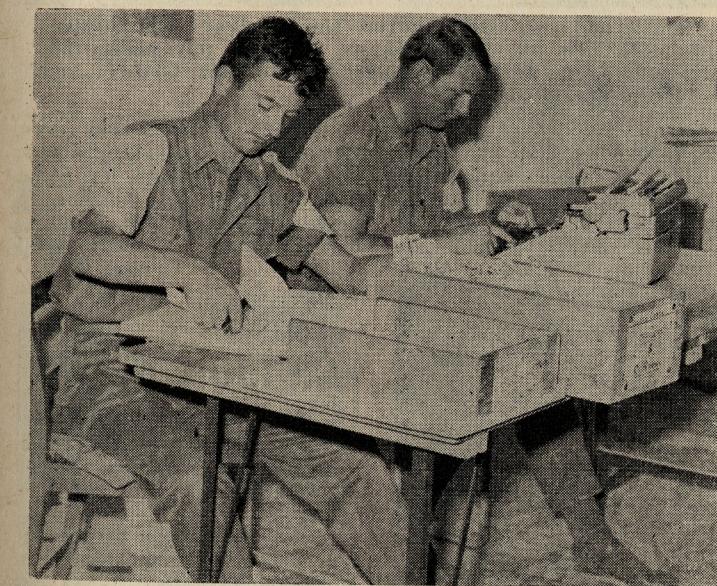
When it comes to sports and social activities they are to the fore also. Corporal Butler is the current Army Squash Champion and he has won all his squash matches in Cyprus so far. He is also

everybody yearn for the Curragh Plains. He has served nine years in the Army and he is on his sixth trip overseas. He is still single but we feel sure with such a sweet voice he is bound to charm



## COMMUNICATIONS

Communications are very vital in the UN organisation and highly skilled technicians are required to keep all equipment in first class order.



Ircion is lucky to have Sergeant Edward McNulty above to remedy any faults which may occur in the line. Here we see him repairing a communications receiver. His home station is 4 Fd Signals, Athlone.

## "NEWS FROM HOME"

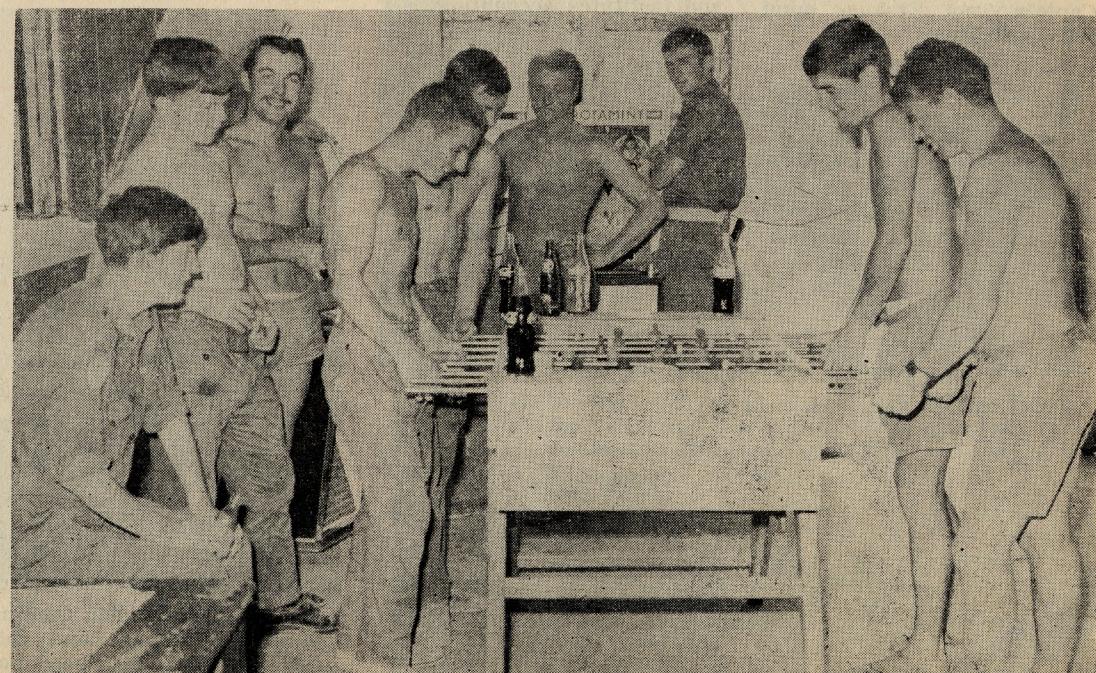
Another vital form of communication is the correspondence from and to home.



Big, fat, perfumed envelopes are great morale boosters to the husbands and boy-friends of the ladies back home. One man who keeps his friends in Ireland well posted on events in Cyprus is Corporal Michael (Joey) Brennan of the Military Police Corps. He is at Wolfe Tone Camp, Larnaca.

THE YOUNG  
PELES

With the whole world gone football crazy at the moment, is it any wonder that the most popular game is table-football. Here in the Canteen, in jovial mood they lash in balls from all angles.

IRCON  
NEWS

## THE MONEY MEN...

This week we say hello to the CC Fin O. That stands for the Canadian Contingent Finance Officer, and his staff, the people with all the green stuff and thank goodness they are not too stingy with it.

We are all familiar with the man who carries the "Beaver", who drops a few shekels in our pockets twice a month: the Paymaster. There is more, of course, to the finance section than the pay branch. Of the 11 people employed in the

finance group only four are assigned to pay accounting.

Budgeting and control of all public and non-public funds are the responsibility of the Finance Officer. Expenditures as varied as duty administrative, travel, recreation, miscellaneous procurement such as casual civilian wages laundry, engineer maintenance, etc., as well as accounting for messes and institutes are in the CC Fin O's realm of responsibilities.

Warehouse personnel, who provide goods and amenities to the non-public funds outlets, are also under the command and control of the CC Fin O.

An interesting fact about the finance section is that they deal in several types of currencies, making exchange easy for their customers but adding to their own workload. With the setting free of the



• The man who carries the "Beaver" who drops, Captain J.P. Boyer (left), confers with his pay accounting staff: Sergeant Jack Rheaume, Private Cal Gymer and Mrs Jenny Sanderson.

Canadian dollar a few weeks ago, the books have had to be adjusted four times so far, due to the ever varying rate of exchange.

Coming back to the pay accounting section, those "beautiful people" (Tiny Tim

dixit) are so good they even found one miscalculation that had gone unnoticed for some nine months in a contingent member's pay record.... and to his advantage — some \$200 worth — yet. Thanks HIC.... chaps!



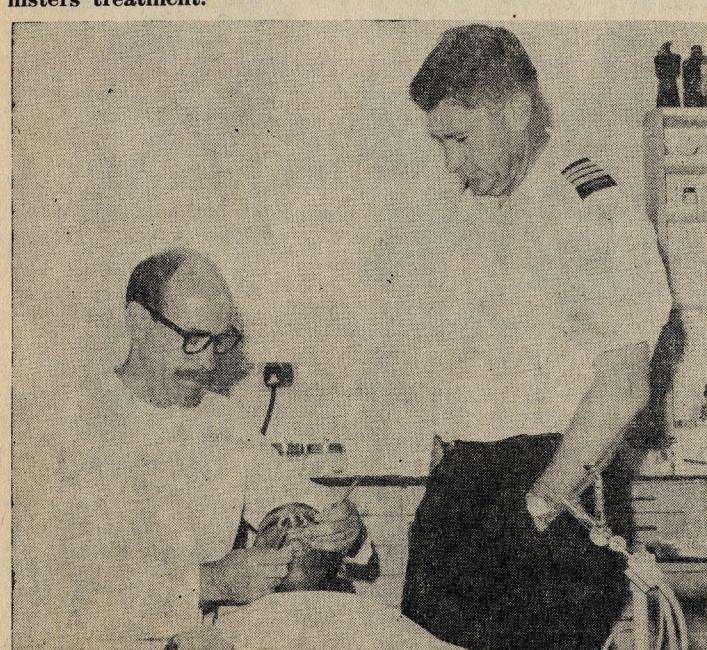
• Sergeant "Scotty" Kilpatrick, the NCO in charge of the warehouse, frequently deals with Mr Daphnos Dryades of the U.N. Duty Free shop in Nicosia.

## Senior Dentist Here

Lieutenant-Colonel Harry Protheroe, Commanding Officer of the Canadian Forces' 35 Field Dental Unit at Lahr, West Germany, is currently visiting the Canadian Contingent on behalf of the Director General of Dental Services. His mission is to evaluate dental services available in Cyprus and to make recommendations, if necessary, to ameliorate those services. Colonel Protheroe was a wartime Lancaster navigator who in 1944 was awarded a Distinguished Flying Cross during a particularly hazardous bombing mission. In our photo below, Colonel Protheroe (right) watches as dentist Captain Tom Erskine administers treatment.



• Sergeant Bob Bell (standing) and Corporal Dick Crowell do the bookkeeping for all the non-public funds of the Canadian Contingent; this includes warehouse, messes and institutes accounting.

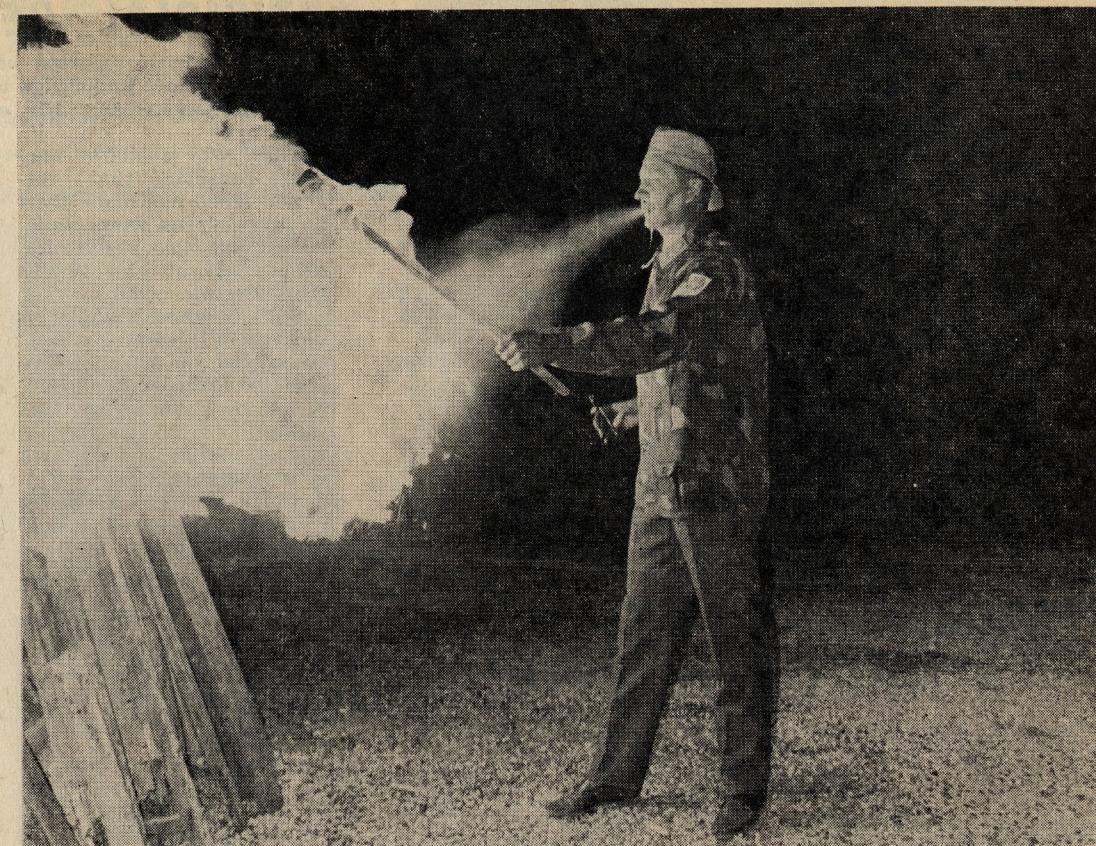


• The Canadian Contingent Finance Officer, Major Doug Bunting (sitting), and chief clerk, Warrant Officer Jim Dureen, check the "good book" on financial matters.

## FINCON NEWS



The Great Master of the Finnish Sauna Clubs, eversti Reino Raitasaari loittimassa suusta tulta juhannuskokoon esikunnan kentällä 19.6.



## Suomalaiset juhannustulet valaisivat Nikosian yönä

Nuo 'hullut suomalaiset' tekivät taas temppujaan. Vaarallisen näköisen nuotioidensa loimitessa lausuvat keskikesän taikoojaan ja hoiotivat yhteen ääneen naapuriensa ja kunnon kypriottien kummustukseksi.

Juhannusjuhlia vietetti FINCONissa sittenkin vaikkei siinä laajudessa kuin oli alunperin suunniteltu. Upseeri, aliupseeri-ja jääkärimessit olivat järjestäneet raihakkaita iltamia eri puolille kontingenttia. Tjikloksessa oli 2.JK:n jääkärimessi järjestänyt oikein ohjelmallisen juhallaan juhannuksen ja uuden saunan avajaisten merkeissä. Uima-altaan äärelle oli kokoonnutti nelisenkymmentä miestä mukana myös poikia vuorten vartioipaikalta. Syötiin makkaraa ja juotiin olutta ja jatkettiin meno alempana jääkärimessissä. Kokoa ei Kyrenian alueella kuitenkaan voitu polttaa.

Kykkossa oli rempseä meno juhannusaattona. Noin viisikymmentä henkeä esikunta- ja huoltokomppian pääillikkö, majuri Otso Salminen. Väilllä kostutti suutaan ja jatkoi jämerin askelin partiointia. Vartiojoukku sen sijaan piti vapaata ja purjehti merellä.

## Juhannuspurjehduksella Kyrenian rannikolla

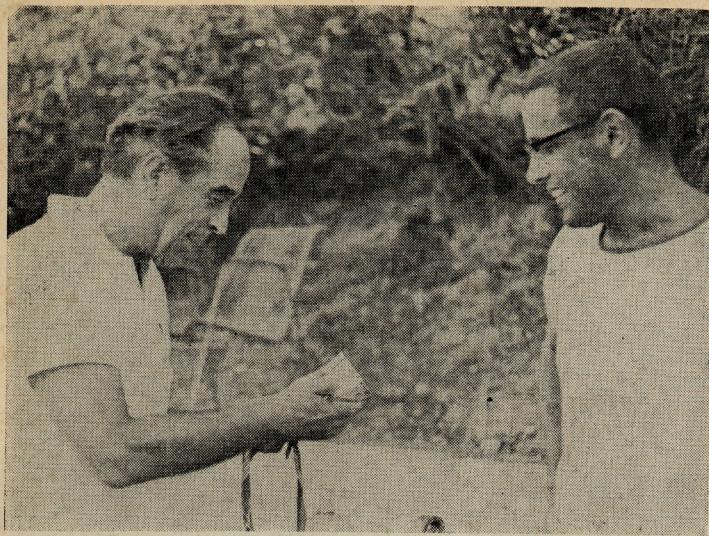
Afrodite, rakkaiden jumalatar, ei ole noussut merestä. Hän elää edelleen Välimeren aalloissa ja sinesässä ja hänen vaikutuksensa tunnustuu erityisen voimakkaana merellä kulkijoihin. Nämä ainakin voidaan väittää päättelien niistä haltioituneista katsista joita 45 suomalaisa YK-sotilaan silmäparia loi

niihin muutamaan vastaan tulevaan tai vesisuksilla ohi viilettävää naisvartaloon juhannuspurjehduksien aikana. Joka naisillellinen sopukka ja pohmeän kostea kohouma, jonka silmä saattoi eottaa tai uimapuvun alta aavista sai yhteisen jakamattoman hartaan lähteent ja palasivat takaisin kolmen tunnin purjehduksen jälkeen.



Virvoitusjuomapulloja kului noin neljä mieheen heitseisellä purjehduksella, jonka sotilaspastori Jouko Pulkkanen johti. Pulkkanen takana toinen veneistä. Radioyhteyttä pidettiin pataljoonan verkkoon kaiken varalta.

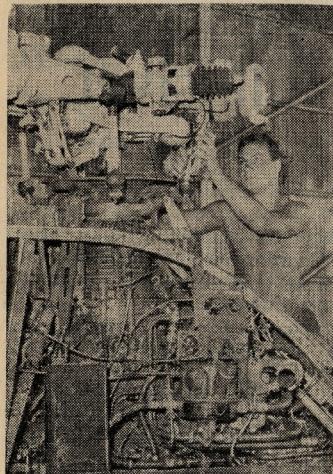
Välillä oli käytty uimassa, juotu virvoitusjuomia ja siristely silmiä kirkkaassa auringonpaisteessa. Uimapaihalla näkyi tyhjä pulloja syvällä kirkkaassa vedessä. Yksi lentokala kohosi siivilleen veneen edestä ja kaikkaan viisi tytöä näyttäytyi lähistöllä. Uskoimme että Afrodite itkee öisin



● The UNFICYP Tennis Competition has finished. The winner was Colonel R. Wech, Commanding Officer Austrian Field Hospital, who is seen left together with the runner-up, Police Inspector Holmberg, Swedcivpol.

## A SPECIFIC JOB

Working away at RAF Nicosia on a Whirlwind helicopter are a team of five men who have come out from RAF, Wittering, in England, for a specific job.



● On the top of the helicopter, working on the main rotor gearbox, is Senior Aircraftman Peter Pugh.

This is to do a minor overhaul on the Whirlwind which is the equivalent to 10,000 miles servicing on a motor car. To the layman watching the work being done on the aircraft it looks more like a major overhaul but not to these men and others like them in 230 Squadron.

This overhaul is completed on all Whirlwind helicopters every 200 flying hours, and without the knowledge and technical skill of the members of the unit the Squadron would be grounded.

### MP NOTEBOOK

## Accidents - Unficyc

Week ending

20 Jun 70 — 3

Same period

last Year — 3

Total this year — 190

Same period

last Year — 168

Main cause of accidents this week —

### "A MIXED BAG

1. FOLLOWING TOO CLOSE.
2. INATTENTION.
3. DRIVING ON WRONG SIDE OF ROAD".

● Working on the Gnome Jet Engine is Senior Aircraftman Jim Cotterill who is an engine mechanic. Climbing towards the cockpit is Corporal Peter Pugh.



## ARTIFICIAL RESPIRATION

The occurrence reported on the front page once again demonstrates how knowledge of the mouth method of artificial respiration can save life, even of an apparently drowned person.

The two soldiers may well consider that this action alone has made their tour in Cyprus worthwhile; they must also feel grateful to those who taught them the procedure.

This method, which is illustrated below, should be known by all members of the Force and particularly by swimmers and sailors.

1. Lay victim on his back immediately.
2. Clear throat of water, mucous, toys, coins, dentures, or food.
3. TILT HEAD BACK to open air passage.
4. Lift jaw up to keep his tongue out of air passage.
5. Pinch nostrils (or lips) to prevent air leakage when you blow.
6. Blow until you see his chest rise.
7. Listen for snoring and gurgling signs of throat obstruction.
8. Repeat 10-20 times a minute.
9. Continue Method Until He Breathes For Himself.

### ARTIFICIAL RESPIRATION

