Canadians Save Family from Drowning

Three Canadian soldiers courageously risked their lives to save a Turkish Cypriot family from certain death in the Mediterranean sea this week.

The soldiers are Lieutenant Jay Lapeyre of Kamloops B.C., Corporal Donald Gross and Corporal Patrick Andrews both of Edmonton, Alberta. All are members of the Canadian Contingent serving with the UN in Cyprus.

The Canadians were on the beaches near Kyrenia watching six-foot breakers thunder into the shore when they saw a young girl attempting to reach the beach.

The girl, Ayfer Veli, aged 10, was having extreme difficulty against a treacherous undertow. Without hesitation the two corporals plunged into the sea and pulled her out. It was then pointed out to them that the girl’s older sister Ayshe, aged 12, and her father Ogur Veli were still in the water.

Dashing into the sea again Corporals Gross and Andrews reached the couple. Mr. Veli passed his daughter to Cpl. Andrews and was then taken in tow by Cpl. Gross.

The rescuers struggled against the waves and undertow and succeeded in reaching shore with Mr. Veli and his daughter.

Simultaneously another Turkish Cypriot who swam to assist the Veli family found himself being carried out to sea and unable to escape the eddy formed by rock formations.

Lieutenant Lapeyre spotted him and after a severe struggle reached the drowning man. Unable to return to shore, Lapeyre pulled the man to the rocks 200 yards away, from where after a short rest, he was able to bring the man to the beach.

Seen below is Col. D.B. Riddell-Webster, OBE who, on 15 July, took over from Col. H.C.F. Elliot CD, as Deputy Chief of Staff at HQ UNFICYP. In mid-August he will take over from Brig. M.N. Harbottle, OBE as Commander Britcon.

Col. Riddell-Webster, who is married and has two daughters, arrived from the United Kingdom where he was lastly a staff officer to the Chief of the Defence Staff.

After attending the Staff College, and a period as Brigade Major, Col. Riddell-Webster returned in 1955 as Adjutant and then as Company Commander to the 1st Battalion. In 1957 he first came to Cyprus and spent two enjoyable years on the Staff at Episkopi.

In 1959 he left Cyprus to command the Regimental Depot at Lanark and, on completion of this tour, returned to the Staff as Military Assistant to the Commanding British Forces Hong Kong and later, as PSO to the GOC - in-C Farelf.

From 1964 to 1966 Colonel Riddell-Webster commanded the 1st Bn the Cameronomians (Scottish Rifles) in Minden, Edinburgh, and Aden; for his services in Aden he was awarded the OBE in 1967.

His first comment in landing: “I am very pleased to return to Cyprus, though perhaps it’s a little hot!”

Nuclear Disarmament...

Biological and Chemical Warfare to be Included

U Thant, UN Secretary-General, in his address to a press conference in Geneva on 11 July, 1968, said that the treaty against the spread of nuclear weapons, endorsed by the assembly last month, was of major importance and a step towards general and complete disarmament.

There were some heartening trends in the field of disarmament,” U Thant said. He trusted the Geneva Disarmament Conference, which is shortly to resume its work, would take up questions such as stopping underground nuclear tests and curbing strategic nuclear vehicles.

The Secretary-General also added that he felt that the hazards of biological and chemical warfare had not received sufficient attention, and that he would deal with them in his annual report to the General Assembly.

“...in a way”, U Thant said, “...these methods of mass murder” were more threatening than nuclear weapons as they were accessible to the poor countries whereas atomic weapons could be acquired only by the wealthy nations.”
8 Sqn RCT
Renovate locomotive

Before they returned to motor, UK, on Fri 17 Jul, several members of 8 Sqn (the former UNIFICT sport Squadron) spent a renovating an ancient locomotive in Famagusta. The whole idea began in the form of a coast of standing in the forecourt of a station in Famagusta. As a wayman (RCT) by trade, the idea's pride was hurt. He called in M. Oger, the station engineer, who immediately arranged for a volunteer party to renovate the old engine. The engine was then painted and repaired, and the volunteer party worked long and hard, to complete the task. The locomotive was finally put into service in Famagusta, to be used as a steam rail. The railway staffs of Famagusta — Niceta line.

Volunteer party from 8 Sqn RCT, HQ UNIFICT renovating the 1924 steam locomotive in Famagusta. Polishing the engine is Cpl. C. D. F. Proud from Blaydon — on Tyne, Durham, in charge of operations.

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MIENIIÄ TYÖÖSÄ

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SWEDCON NEWS

SÄKERI I SADELN

Säkeri in sadeln kunde sig sammant Lidingörubben Berne Oldsson
hämtas, när han föreställ testa rätte i Deltalla exekterad av söta
enhanckarna Margareta Beresford och Sheila Bawtie, WRAC-koordin.

Det var under månaden i Deltalla som den, får vi förmoda, ingenåma
rätten förestogs. Tillsättningen
hadde arrangerats i välgöringsbelyf

ta för förran för barnstamhuset i

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Finlanden

FINCON NEWS

JAG ÄR INTELLIGENT

"Jag är intelligens". Lina egentlig

Namnet Chybo betyder "jag är

Många av er har väl tid tidet här

veckor sn, och längtar inte hem
det har laget träffat eller sett tillför

Sundbyberg, där pappa majors

Närhelikopterställen

NÄR HELIKOPTRARRNA KOM

BALEDJONS-

Radio

sida fick därför städa mycket småt

värdet det att han blev utskrattad av

helikopter, och befolkningens

Det är med stor tillfredsställelse

The Blue Beret nu publicerar

heält, verkligen intelligens

skall börja i skolan i höst.

Road Safety Corner

The Roads of Cyprus

Many are being released. Watch out for Road Works.

They are not always marked.

Many bends get tightness as you get into them.

The cumber on bends is sometimes in the wrong direc-
tion and throw you in the outside of the bend.

Mast roads have an extra "shoulder", keep off if possible.

Keep off the junction of shoulder and tar and asphalt.

Adjust your speed to the road conditions.

"THE BLUE BERET"

Wednesday, 17th July 1968

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Närhelikopterställen

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DRONNING BODILS GRAV OG KNUD DEN HELLIGES BILLEDE

Kommer De på orlovstur til Israel, må De naturligvis også til Jerusalem og Bethlehem. Begge steder vil De finde minder om danske fra middelalderen.


Ovenfor haven på Oliebjergets skråninger ligger Paternoster Kirken på det sted hvor Jesus læste sine discipler at bede Fadervor. Denne kirke blev genopført i året 1152 af Bodils brodersønen, Es-kild og Svend som havde været biskop i Viborg. Begge endte deres dage i Jerusalem og blev begravede i den kirke de havde genopført - kun få hundrede meter fra deres fasters hvilested. Af Eskilds og Svendes kirke er der i dag næsten ingen spor, men i den nuværende kirkes klostergård er Fadervor gengivet på fliser indsat i murene på en række forskellige sprog, heriblandt også dansk.

Det naturlige mål for en tur til Bethlehem er fodselskirken, og her finder vi det ældste eksisterende maleri af en dansk konge. Kirkesskabet er delt i et midterskib og to sideskibe ved to rækker sjøle.

Konstabel Ole P. Valentin Nielsen kunne forleden næsten ikke komme frem for legende børn i trekanten i B-kompaniets område. Til fotografens forblæffelse tog han situationen med kunsende ro. Forklaringen er, at konstabel Nielsen selv er ud af en børneflok på seks.

SAA KOM

Tidlig mandag morgen ankom det længeselskraft ventede konefyl fra Danmark medbringen sin dyrebare last på godt 60 koner, forloveder og andre pårejende til DANCON og DANCIVPOL. En times tid senere førte maskinen til bage med orlovssoldater til Danmark.

Konstabel Ais Per Andersens foretrukne befordringsmiddel er en racercyk.