

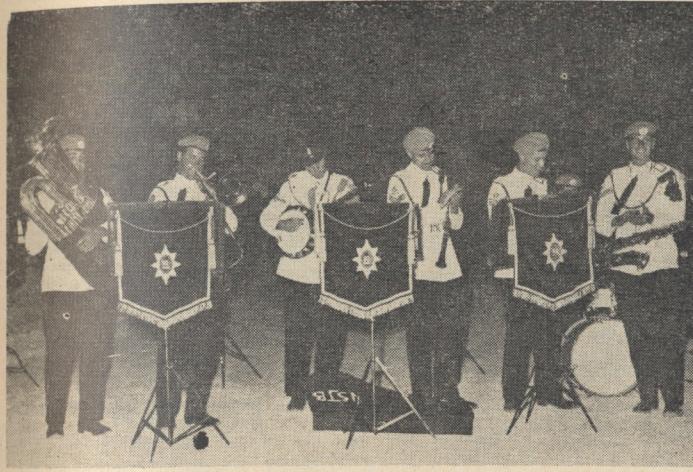


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• A dixieland section of the combined bands at the successful concert at Salamis on 12 Sept. Photo: HQ NEARELF.

Salamis Concert Band Success

"More, more, more...." With repeated calls from the enchanted audience for more of that super music the combined bands of the King's Own Royal Border Regt and the Worcestershire Regt ended their concert at Salamis Theatre in the evening of 12 Sept.

Not a single seat seemed to be left empty around the ancient arena, when the bandsmen started off with a romantic piece by Saint-Saens. Then followed a richly varied programme with classical tunes like Sibelius' Finlandia, potpourries on children's

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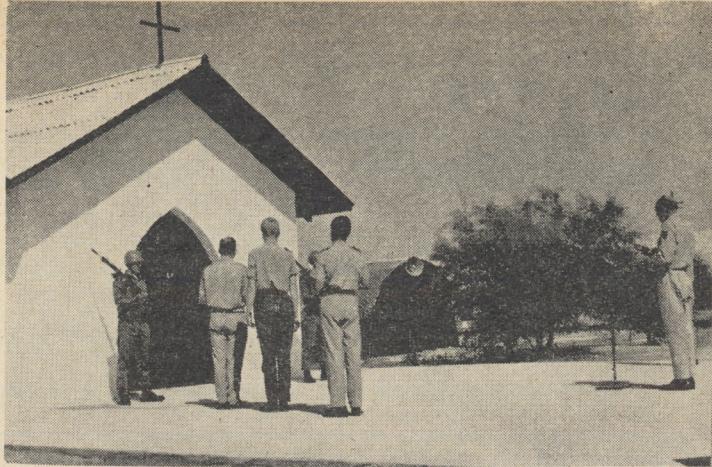
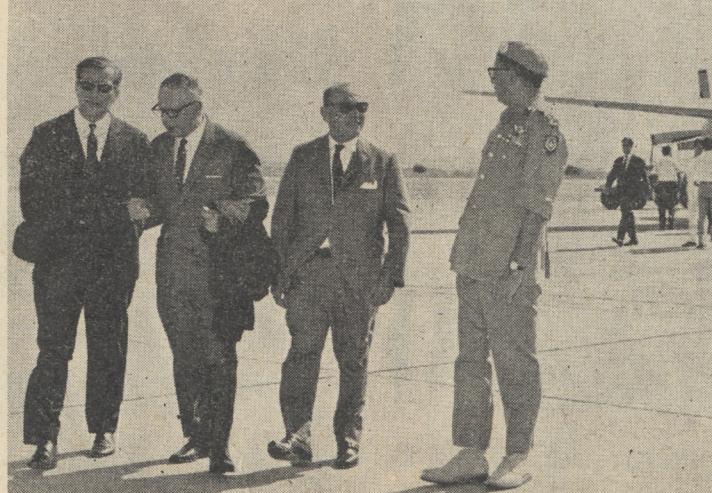
WFUNA Assembly Expresses Admiration For Unficyp Work

In a resolution passed by the World Federation of UN Associations at the end of its week-long plenary assembly in Nicosia WFUNA expresses admiration for the way in which Unficyp and the Secretary General's Special Representative in the island is carrying out their "delicate and responsible tasks".

The resolution also congratulates the Cyprus UN Association on its efforts to promote understanding between the Force and the people of Cyprus.

MAKARIOS - KUCHUK MEETING

The brief encounter between President Makarios and the Vice-President Dr Kuchuk in the opening of the assembly at the Ledra Palace on 7 Sept. is as well referred to in the WFUNA resolution, which pronounces confidence that this contact will "bear fruit" in the continuing Cyprus local talks.



• Father Fleming (right) of Ircon leads the Unficyp chaplains in the blessing of the inter-denominational chapel at the Austrian Field Hospital.

Unficyp Chapel Dedicated At AFH

An interdenominational Unficyp chapel was dedicated at the Austrian Field Hospital in Nicosia on 13 Sept. 1969 in the presence of Mr B.F. Osorio-Tafall, Special Representative of the Secretary-General and Brig-Gen. E.M.D. Leslie DSO, CD, Officiating Force Commander, UNFICYP.

The ceremony was presided over by Col B. Nussbaumer Commanding Officer, Austrian Field Hospital.

At present, only the chapel has been erected but it will soon be followed by a bell

tower and a nave.

All the construction work has been done on a voluntary basis by members of the contingents during their free time and amounted to a total

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Mrs BROOKS TO PRESIDE AT UN GENERAL ASSEMBLY

Mrs Angie E. Brooks, Asst Secretary of State of Liberia has been elected President of the United Nations General Assembly.

Mrs Brooks is the second woman to obtain this position the first being Mrs Bandit Nehru of India.



Force Commander Returns

On Sunday 14th September the Force Commander Lt Gen A.E. Martola returned to Nicosia from a short visit to Turkey where he attended a conference of the International Red Cross.

Gen Martola took part in the conference as President of the Finnish Red Cross.

• FC was met at Nicosia Airport by (L to R) Mr Yavuzalp, Turkish Chargé d'Affaires, Mr Jean Back, Unficyp PIO, and Brig Gen E.M.D. Leslie, COS.

"Glimt" af**DANCON NYT**

Denne unge dame er fotograferet paa en af Cyperns mange dejlige strande. Hun ser meget utilfreds ud og det er der ogsaa grund til. Forrige sondag laa jeg selv paa den dejlige strand ved Nisi, som

mange af os sætter pris paa. Det var deprimerende at gaa en tur langs stranden.

Det flod med tommel oldaaser, cigaretter, papæsker, papir og meget andet.

STRANDSVIN

Og der var desværre ingen tvivl om at en del af efterladenskaberne stammede fra FN-folk. Jeg fandt bl.a. flere tomme Prince-cigaretter, pakninger!

Vi er saa stolte af vort rene og nydelige lille Danmark, saa det er naturligt, at vi foregaar andre med et godt eksempel, og tager vort affald med hjem. -Hilsen fra MAJ AD B. Koefoed!



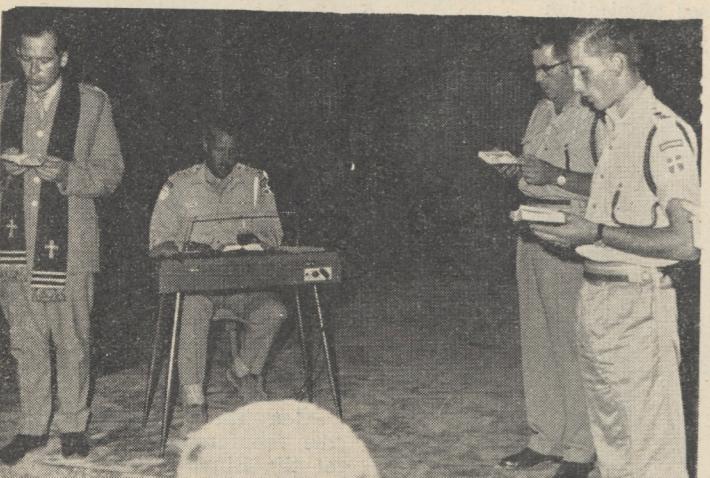
"Mon der er pakke til mig?" er mange soldaters spørgsmål naar SCACYPEN kommer.



OL O.B. Nielsen, som skal overtake DANCON XII er for tiden paa besøg. OL har i ugens løb besøgt de forskellige kompagnier.

Billedet til højre er fra SIGDEL, hvor der holdes radioøvelse. Man ser OS I.Svane og SG M. Olesen samt KS V. Nielsen og KS B.J. Andersen igang med arbejdet.

Nedenunder ses ALFA's DANCON-bog redaktion. I arbejdet deltager PRLT J. C. Lange, SG O.D. Andersen, SG Nielsen og KS Petersen.



Et glimt fra aftengudstjenesten i SIGDEL. Ved orglet ses KN Taagely. Endvidere FPR og OFR B.S. Kristensen, samt KS Harris.

**NORDISK AFTON HOS SWEDCON****Klackarna i taket ...**

Det var Nordisk Afton hos Swedcon i lördags kväll. Gäster från Dancon, Fincon och HQ var inbjudna. Ett formidabelt smörgåsbord kallat Klöddihop avåts med sedvanlig nordisk grundlighet. Sedan var det dags för andra nöjen, t ex dans.

Det började litet hemvävt med hambo och schottis - vem som hittade den skivan är nu föremål för separat utredning - sedan blev det litet mer internationella rytmer och mera schwung över agerandet. Kulmen nåddes när Swedcon Night Club öppnade och bataljonens Errol Garner alias övl Boo Möller stäfade igång på pianot kompad av danske lt Sven-Erik Svane på bas. Då slogs klackarna i taket inne på off-mässen och stämningen gick i topp.

I vimlet ute i vinpergolan och kring hibiscusen och baren såg man islämmande Tortur Asgeirsson med vackra hustrun Sista på skandinaviska konversationer dr Lars-Otto Dandenell med nyfrisad skön Helena d v s hustru hans Gunnell. Med en överbliven lökring från Janssons Frestelsen framför sig på tallriken satt lt Bo Lewin och var artig mot sin dam Vivien som tävlade med mj Sten Wittboldts fräsigaste byxaffontkläning, en luftig kreation för-

modlingen i thaisiden. Välpressad och elegant i kronans ljusa uniform satt batass Arne Rödin och förklrade surströmmingens betydelse för Helsinglands ekonomi för danskar och finländare.

Vid pilkastningstavlorna saknades för kvällen mj Lars Hammarberg och lt Lewin - detta sagt som bry för aftonen i dess helhet.

Swedcon Night Club. Övl Boo "Errol Garner"-Möller spelar piano och lt Sven-Erik Svane kompar så han blir skinflädd på fingrarna. På dansgolvet sitter lt Martin Forsslund och fru Gunnell Dandenell.

**Civpol inviger nya "substations"**

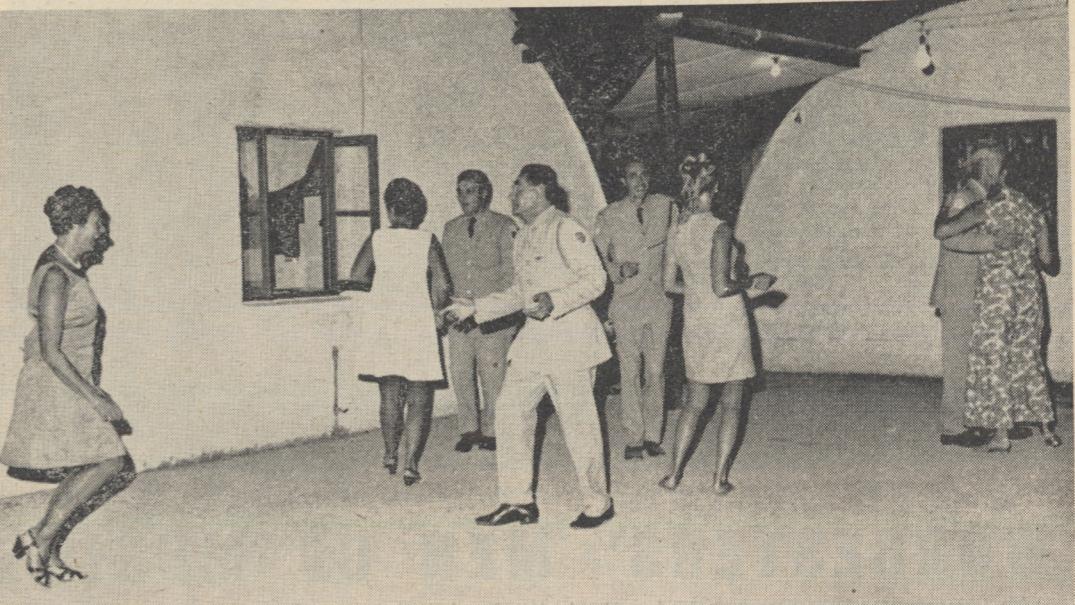
Fredagen den 5 september klippte if Force Commander, brigadgeneral Leslie, av det blå sidenband som officiellt förklarade Swedcivpols nya substanser i Yialousa och Angastina invigda. Invigningen skedde i närväro av bl.a svenska polischefen Torsten Lindberg samt australienske och danske polischefen.

Kommissarie Lindberg utbringade invigningskålen i champagne och med generalen som första namn

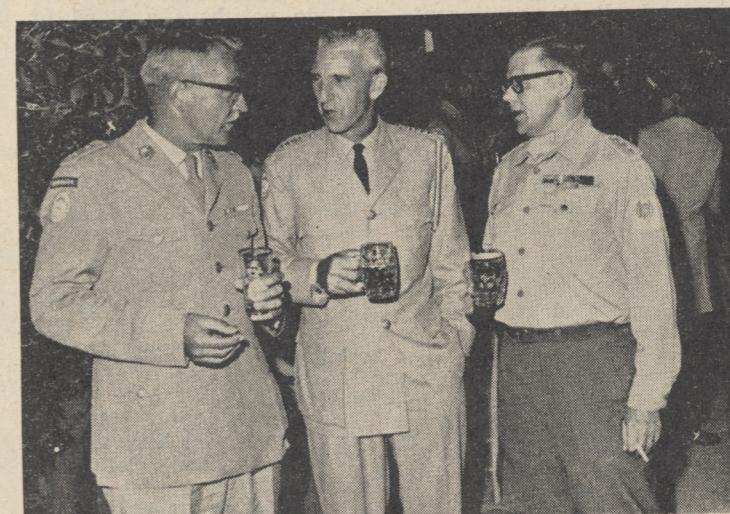
invigdes gästböckerna på respektive substanser. Generalen syntes vara nöjd med de båda substanserna. I sitt invigningstal berörde han något FN:s framtida arbete på Cypern.

På Yialousa substans ade personalen lyckats organisa en lokal skolorkester, varför invigningen kunde få vederbörig musikalisk bakgrund. Leif Netterlid dirigerade.

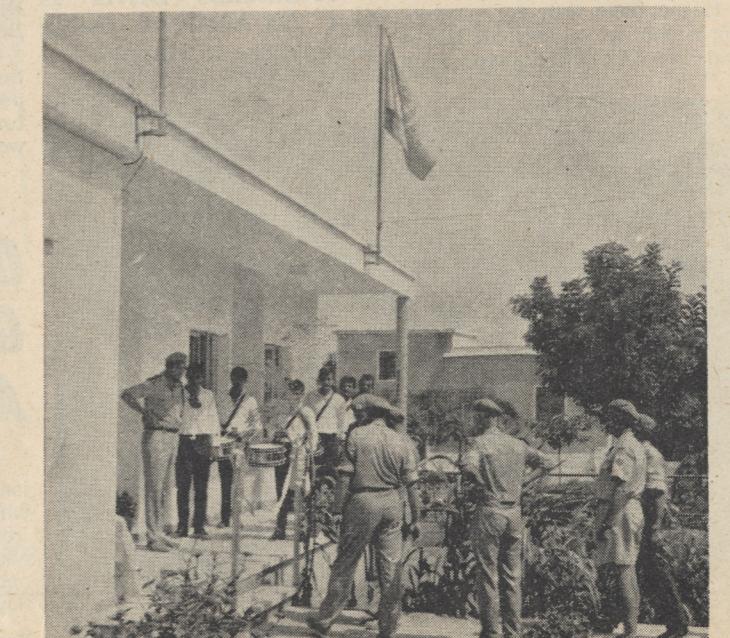
Leif Netterlid längst t h samlar sin skolorkester inför invigningsceremonin vid det officiella öppnandet av "substansen" i Yialousa. Det blå sidenbandet skall klippas av.



Dansen går på offmässen, Carl Gustaf Camp. Närmast twistar mj Lars Nilsson med fru Anne-Marie Lavéu. I bakgrunden likaledes twistande ses lt Göran Pettersson med fru Britt-Marie samt dr Lars-Otto Dandenell med barfotafru Gunnell. T h dansar öv Lars Lavén i mer traditionell stil med fru Ulla Wittboldt.



Nordisk förbrödring på Commander-nivå. Öv Lars Lavén underhåller sig med danske bataljonschefen, övl I Vase, och finländske bataljonschefen, öv H I Anttila.





The Saxophone section of the Regt. Dance Band; (L to R) S/Sgt Saunders, Bdsm Percic, Cpl 'Doc' Holliday, Cpl Compson and Sgt Barber.

WORCESTERS' MEN OF MUSIC

An important part of any Infantry Bn is its Regimental Band. The Band, coupled with the Regimental Corps of Drums, form together to play a leading part in the Ceremonial presentation of the Bn.

In the UN Forces in Cyprus however, the Regt. Band really assumes the role of the Force Band and plays for any and all the contingents that do not have a Band of their own.

The Regt. Band of the 1st Bn The Worcestershire Regiment has been extremely busy fulfilling all these tasks during their tour in Cyprus.

The Regimental Band is a audience participation like very versatile organisation and that at the last three consecutive events of the tour to date as, The Beating of Retreat at Polemedhia on 1st June and the three concerts at Curium and Salamis, but says "We thoroughly enjoy all our performances and if the spectators enjoy it as much as we enjoy playing then we are well satisfied".

The Band and Corps of Drums will be present during the Ceremonial Guard Mounting at HQ UNFICYP on 22 Sept. 69.

A Dance section; A 'Dixieland' Band; 'Old Time' Dance Band; Pop Group; Choir.

The Military Band has played at Medal Parades at DANCON, FINCON, SWEDCON and HQ UNFICYP as well as playing at concerts for both the Greek and Turkish communities.

Key figure in the Band is of course the Bandmaster, WO I Ted Boynton, whose name has become a household word in the island as a result of his brilliant presentations of the Band Concerts at Curium and Salamis. Ted has a tremendous flair for producing a concert to suit all tastes and rarely have we seen



"Mr Music Cyprus 1969" — WO I Ted Boynton.

SALAMIS CONCERT...

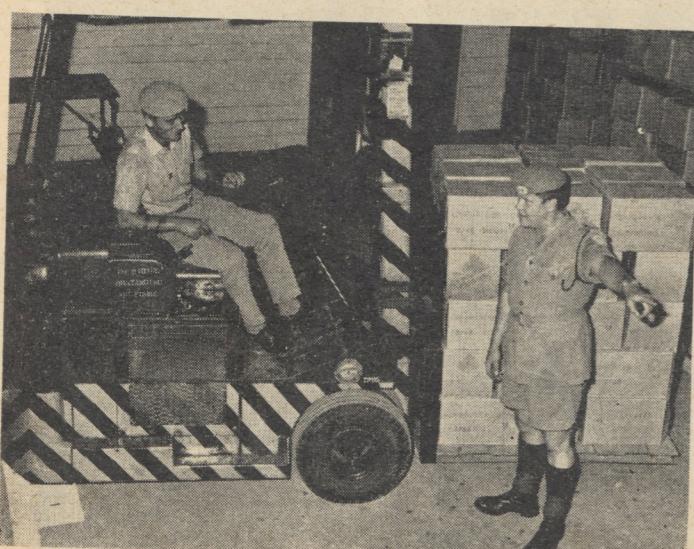
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songs, pop melodies, Louis Armstrong dixieland, Glenn Miller jazz, etc. a very entertaining programme in which the two bands proved their excellent musical virtues conducted by bandmasters Mr Dany Winter and Mr Ted Boynton.

Good music well played by the bands, and moreover a performance with a definite touch of humour. The concert was a success!

ROAD SAFETY:

"A Careless Driver Is Just An Accident Going Somewhere to Happen."

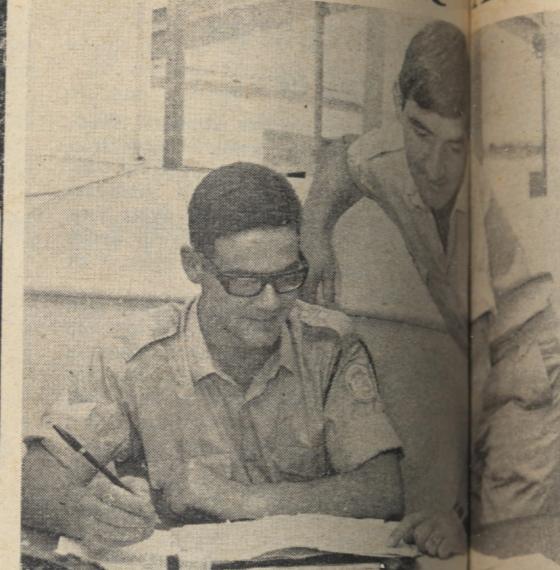


Ord Det Gets A Lift

The fork-lift-truck, or in Army language "Mechanical Handler", which is on "temporary" loan from RAF Nicosia makes work easier for the men of the Ordnance Detachment at HQ UNFICYP.

"Put it on the truck" Pte 'Jock' Turnbull tells Pte Mick Kirton.

BRITCON HQ AFF



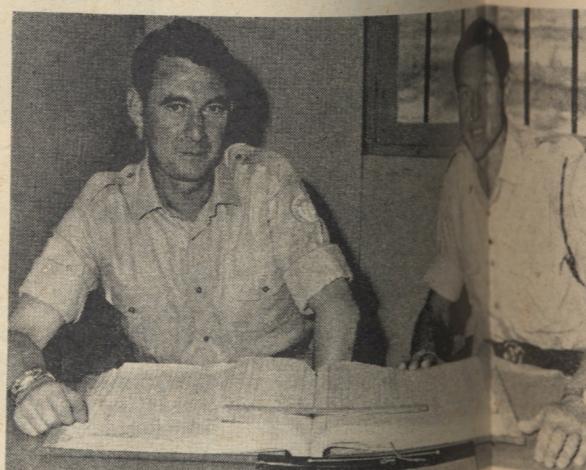
Sgt Pat Green (23) of Depot and Trg Bn RAOC whose home is near Stoke-on-Trent has been with the HQ for 2 months. Cpl Gary Leighton (24) of 48 Supply Coy Bedfordshire lives in Bullford. He has been with the HQ for 4 months. He was born in Stoke-on-Trent. Both are interested in Aqua Lung diving.

A Tiger In The Tank?

Cpl Vince Borg fills a UN Staff Car for Lop "Wid" Eells, whilst Pte Hector Fowle fills in the paper work.



RQMS Rotation



RQMS Tim Sullivan (left) arrived in Cyprus last week to take over the duties of RQMS HQ UNFICYP from RSM Harry Lees.

RSM Lees was awarded the Long Service and Good Conduct Medal and was promoted to the rank of Regimental Sergeant Major during his tour with HQ UNFICYP.

"Put it on the truck" Pte 'Jock' Turnbull tells Pte Mick Kirton.

Keeping the records straight

Everybody, at one time or another during his military career has had cause to complain of what is politely known as "Red Tape".

However a certain amount of paper work is inevitable and here keeping the records of the transport section at Xeros up to date are (left) Cpl Andy Devine a member of the 4th Field Company S & T in Mullingar and (right) Sgt Barney Ryan who serves in Sarsfield Barracks, Limerick.



Cpl Christopher Reidy entering a new item into his stores ledger.



IRCON NEWS



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The Patrol Goes Out

Coy Sgt Kevin Woods briefs Sgt Alphonsus Franklin on the route to be taken by his outgoing patrol.



SPORTS NEWS FROM HOME

Three members of B Coy examine the "Sports Page" of a newspaper from home. (Left to right) Pte Patrick Conneen, Pte Anthony Hayes and Pte James Nash.





Sergeant K.C. Thompson waits patiently.

VISIT by B.-Gen. Tellier

Brigadier-General H. Tellier of Canadian Forces Headquarters, Ottawa, recently visited Stampede Corral, an observation post manned by the 2e Battalion Royal 22e Régiment.

During his inspection of the OP the general spoke to (L to R) Master Corporal JRG Prive, Private JP Vincent and Corporal St Jean.



CANCON NEWS

Canadian Forces
Photos

Yes, Mrs Thompson, you're really here!



SAFE DRIVERS

SAFE DRIVERS are 5,000 milers (L to R) Corporal J.A. Dumas, Canadian Contingent Command Post, Private Gaston Fiset, Reconnaissance Platoon, Corporal John Brodeur, Royal Canadian Electrical and Mechanical Engineers, and Corporal J.C. Gervais, Reconnaissance Platoon.

SAFE DRIVERS again: 10,000 milers. (Left to Right) Corporal T.B. Huard, Battalion Military Police Section, Captain J. Yves Pedneault, who presented the awards, and Corporal Yvon Periard, driver for the battalion medical officer.

HOLIDAY TIME

Many wives of Canadian servicemen have been able to visit their husbands on the "Island of Romance" during his United Nations leave period.

Most choose to come toward the end of their husband's tour of duty, and nearly all have been able to stay for at least one week. Arriving by service flight, they usually take a quick look at Camp Maple

Leaf and then embark on a "second honeymoon" in Kyrenia or Famagusta, seeking swimming and a Cyprus suntan to take back home.

Visiting historical sites, old churches and rugged ruins of civilizations past is also a favourite. Quite often "hubby" splurges for a rented car putting the Troodos Mountains and Limassol within easy reach.

One wife recently commented that her trip was a "dream-come-true". She had never journeyed out of Canada before and the experience was one she will remember for a long time.

Kind of makes the Cyprus tour interesting, doesn't it Hubby?



Emotional re-union.
(V-e-r-y emotional—Editor's comment.)



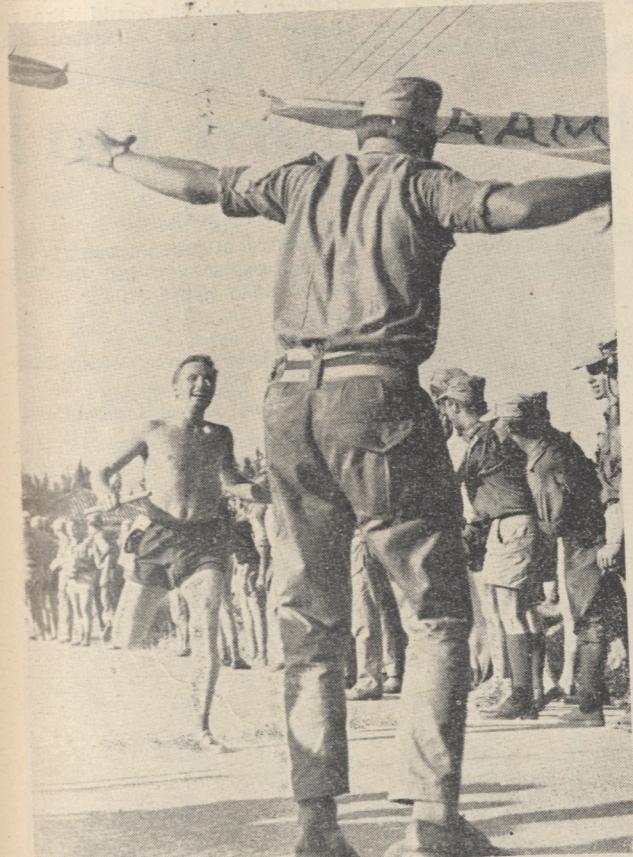
Raha vai paketti?

ISÄN TEHTÄVÄ— JA VASTUU!

Yllä oleva otsikko oli aiheena viime sunnuntain paneelikeskustelussa poliisikoulun jäätämessissä. Keskusteltiin - innostuttua - kiisteltiin - laulettiin - veisattiin voimallisesti, - ja nostuttiin - kääntettiin - useasti uudelleen. Jutun juonsi yliv. Fihl päätteliin kokoonuttaa useasti uudelleen. Alustajina toimivat majuri Pippuri, sotilasmestari Parikka ja jäätäri Kunnas. Runsas yleisö osallistui vilkkaasti ja mm. lapsia puolusti pontevasti rva Savolainen. Ylit. Eräkare ja väärä Kangasmäki pirtistivät iltaa laulelmillaan totuttuun tapaan.

Sot past Aaltonen piti lopuksi iltahartauden.

Koska keskustelu oli lopetettava lievää henkilästä väkivaltaa käytävän ja koska sen aikana ilmeni useita mielenkiintoisia kysymyksiä, jotka väliin jopa tempasivat jutustelun pois illan teemasta, -päätteliin, että samoissa merkeissä kokoonnutaan mahdollisimman pian uudelleen.



...ja niinhän siinä kävi tällä kertaa, että toinen jäätärikomppania lähti edustajansa perille kaikkein nopeimmin. Kapula kourassa katkaisee ylit. Kronqvist maalivian ja on sen näköinen, kuin haluaisi hän katkaista myösken maalinauhan - joka ehkä sittenkin on hieman liian korkealla. Ja täytyy sanoa, että kyllä on vastaanottajankin "syli avoin". Onnea kakkoselle ja millekin kiitos kilvasta.

MIEHEN SUU MENEET MESSISSÄ MESSINGILLE

Ajatelkaa, että mesejä ei olisi ollakaan. Tai että niistä loppuisi tavarat. Tahi mesejä olisi hylyt tavaraa pullollaan, mutta ei löytyisi messin avainta. Siinä vasta painajaissi aihetta. Messimies on ja hänelä välttävänne avaimet. Kiitos. Kuvassa messimies Tukiainen ja jääkäri Ilonen hymyilemässä kilvan keksien kanssa.

FINCON NEWS KUVIEN KERTOMAA



Vihreän linjan viesti kuumimmillaan. Ilmeet ovat kireän jännittyneet. Kaksikymenttä jalkaa samassa kuvassa, mutta sotkua ei silti syntynyt. Jalkaparit saapuivat maaliin hyvässä järjestyksessä, ... toinen oli HK, kolmas 1JK, neljäs 3JK, mutta kuka voitti?



PAPINKEIKKA

21.9. klo 9.30 St. Hilarioon

VIINIJUHLAT

Limassolissa 18-28.9.

KONSERTTI

Curiumissa 24.9.



Unficyp Chapel Dedicated

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of 690 working hours.

The initiative came from the staff of the Austrian Field Hospital. H.Q. company assist-

ed in providing material, the Irish Contingent built the altar and presented the candle sticks. The sliding doors were built by the Danish Contingent, while the Finnish

Swedcon Holy Communion



On 6 Sept there was a Holy Communion at the Swedish Contingent Chapel at Carl Gustaf Camp, Famagusta. Several of the soldiers took part in the ceremony, which was officiated by Rev. Sven Joelsson, who is due to leave for Sweden at the beginning of next month.

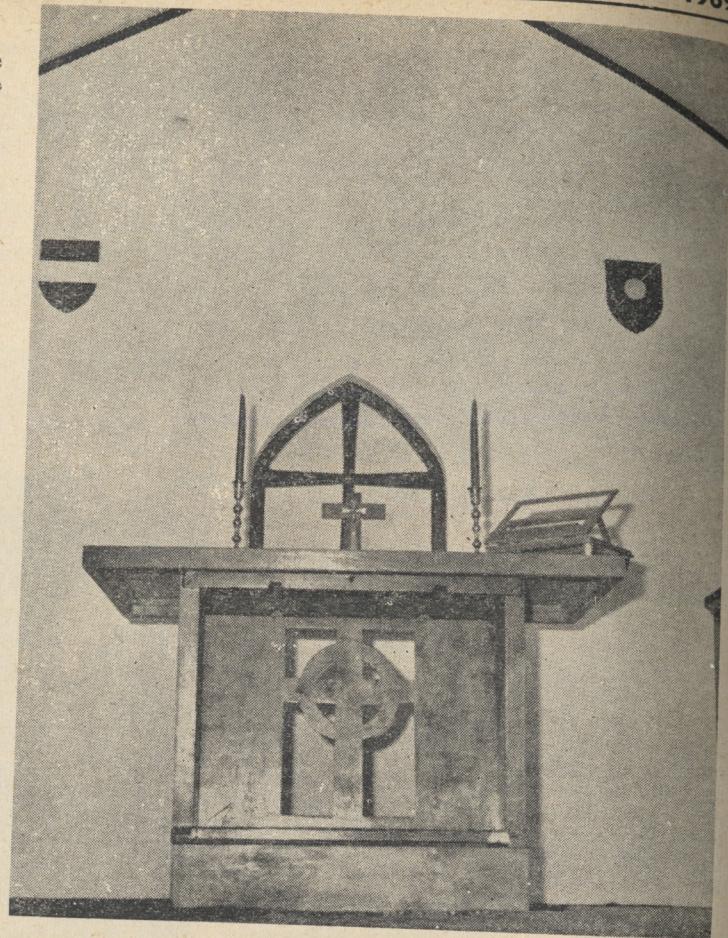
In the picture the Chaplain is serving the Holy wine to Cpl Anders Svedberg.

MP NOTEBOOK:

Accidents — Unficyp

Week ending 13 Sep 69:	8
Same period last year:	8
Total this year:	261
Same period last year:	326
Main cause of accidents this week: FAILING TO YIELD RIGHT OF WAY.	

Drivers must realize that Right Of Way is not an inherent right, but is a rule to obtain a smooth flow of traffic at intersections and road junctions. Let it be our rule, as defensive drivers, to Yield Right Of Way—and never enforce it.



Interior design of the Unficyp chapel at AFH.

Contingent was responsible for the benches.

The actual building was done by the staff of the Austrian Field Hospital.

Other contingents have promised their assistance for

the remaining construction work to be done. Moreover the 58 Scout Troop in Akrotiri has informed the Commanding Officer that it would like to assist in the construction work.

What A Burn Up!

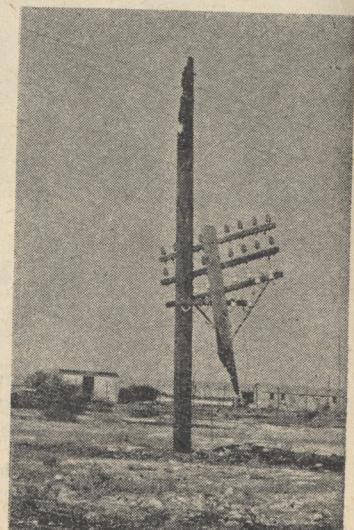
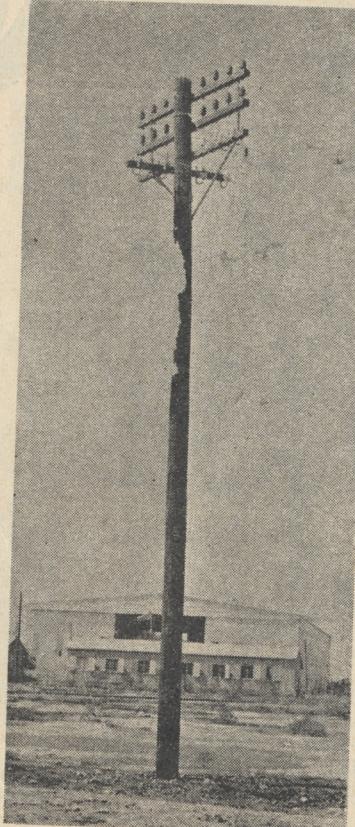
A very peculiar thing happened recently at Headquarters Unficyp

— a fire broke out half way up a telegraph pole

Nobody at present can give a logical explanation but the few suggestions heard so far are:

- Force Commander using the "Hot Line"
- An "Eager Beaver" from Camp Maple Leaf
- A ten foot tall firebug
- A severe case of sunburn

Whatever the explanation the recent high winds finally brought the pots down.



FOOTBALL:

18 (Amph) Sqn RCT v HQ UNFICYP

The Referee Sig Howden spins the coin for the start of the match between 18 (Amph) Sqn RCT and HQ Unficyp. The two team captains are Sgt Hoyland (right) 18 Sqn and Cpl Paton HQ Unficyp.

After a good clean match the game ended in a draw 2 goals each.