REPORT FROM UN ASSEMBLY:

U Thant Speaks Out

U Thant, the Secretary General told the UN Assembly in New York that the United Nations today was being accused of impotence. What was needed, he said, was that UN members honour or at least show some concern for decisions of the world organisation's deliberative bodies. The crux of the problem, he declared, was that they must conform to the Security Council's decisions as mandatory. U Thant said that this was not to be taken as a slight on the Assembly whose powers are described in the Charter as recommendatory.

The Secretary General said that the United Nations should not be criticised for ineffectiveness. Fault, he said, lay with a few member states who ignored Security Council decisions.

Good Luck, Paddy!

At the recent rotation of Irish troops with UNIFCYP the Irish personnel serving at Headquarters also handed over their duties to successors flown in from Dublin.

Wishing good luck in Cyprus are (fr Front to Rear, l to r) Capt KF Duffy and Capt JC Patton, Comdt S Flynn and Comdt L Prendergast, Comdt JE Reynolds and Comdt OR Kelly, and finally Lt Col M Sheahan and Lt Col J Seward. (The outgoing officers are seen to the right).

BRITISH MP's VISIT HQ UNIFCYP

A number of British Members of Parliament recently paid a visit to Cyprus and the United Nations Peacekeeping Force in the island. Accompanied by the British High Commissioner they also called on the Force Commander, Lt Gen AE Martola, and were given briefings by the Headquarters staff.

The British High Commissioner, the Hon Mr PE Ramsbotham is greeted by FC as he leads the visit of the British MP's to HQ Unficy.

The Flavour of the Cyprus Grape

With the grape harvest in Cyprus in full swing, those soldiers of the 1 Worcesters make certain they get their share. (Picture above). Many of the soldiers of the Battalion come from the richest fruit growing districts of England and know what good fruit really is. — There is no sour grapes look here amongst these men.

During the recent Cyprus Wine Festival many personnel from the various Unficy Contingents tasted the flavour of the Cyprus grapes from the wine barrels in the festival grounds in Limassol.

NEW CONVOY TIMES

The Force Commander of the United Nations Force in Cyprus announces that with effect from 1 October 1969 the departure time of convoys on the Kyrenia Road will be as follows:

From Nicosia Racecourse Check Point: 0900 hours and 1430 hours.

From Kyrenia Check Point: 0730 hours and 1600 hours.

C COY

C-COY består av 180 mannl. inkl. afleverer og øvingsbefalingmann (IP).

Dor er en DIGIDEL og fire vågfellere, 1. og 2. dødel. turner om vågsposten i Melgaard House, og 3. og 4. dødel. turner om vågsposten i Kanslom-området.


Samtidig instruert rapporter fra UNFRO at østerrekr. pluss-lagt tog slut, samt pågår hovedkv. blir iskol宴会, i øvrig, er det ingen svarte til åitta inn til nær." (Det ble iskolennialen fortsatt på det mørkaste plante med det var ingen man som kunde snu når han klarte fortsatt avgjøre det.)

KS P. Bentzen, KS H. Olsen, KS P.H. Ørnsrud


DANCON NYT

Frisk luft om natten. Sommeren er flytter paa grund av "husmektarke."
BEAT GROUP OF 1 WORCESTERS: The Green 'Uns'

The POP Music scene has caused most Regimental Bands to broaden their scope by forming Beat Groups and the Regimental Band and Corps of Drums of the 1st Bn The Worcestershire Regiment are no exception.

On arrival in Cyprus a Beat Group was formed under the able guidance of Sgt Stan Barber and aptly named the Green 'Uns'. Starting from scratch they had a hard slog ahead if they were to compete with the other Groups on the island. Prolonged practice in their own time however soon produced dividends and the Green 'Uns' are now a very popular Group indeed and much in demand.

A recent appearance at the Pensioners' Club at Akrotiri they received a standing ovation, a rare compliment indeed!

The Group consists of: Col Gary Campson - Vocals,-list and Tenor Sax, Dnr Tony Farley - Guitar, Bndm Harry - Trumpet, Gtr Bill Calborne - Electric Gtr, Bndm Martin Thomas - Pianist

Bill Calborne, Drummer, Green 'Uns', Electric Organist for the 'Uns', Dnr Martin Thomas, Pianist

Hand Over Time

The time of ‘Hand-over’ is once again with us as members of 1st Bn prepare to pass on all their worries and cares to the eager and perhaps unsuspecting newcomers.

ABOVE—Capt Sean Flynn (left) is introduced to Lt Col D. Raify, Chief Signals Officer by Comdt Owen Kelly (centre).

Below — Coy Sgt Tom Dillon (left) Chief Clerk Personnel Branch outgoing and Coy Sgt Paddy Doherty who has recently arrived.

The rotation of I Ron units got properly underway last week with the arrival, at Nicosia Airport on Sunday 21st Sept, of 100 personnel of 1st Bn Group.

Some of the first arrivals. In front is C/Sgt Mc Carthy. (Picture above)

IRCON NEWS

Flying Colleens Off For A Rest

Our picture shows the members of the Catering platoon who cook and prepare the meals for men of the 1st Worcesters at Palermo. Considering they work in the high temperatures of a Middle East cookhouse they all look fit and cheerful.

THE CHEERFUL CATERERS

VIST BY THE COEOL OF THE RIMENT

The arrival of the Worcestershire Regiment: Col. T. J. Bowler, MC, is currently staying with the Battalion at Palermo. The Colonel has spent much time visiting districts and outposts renewing many old acquaintances and also meeting many of the new members of the Battalion. Among many of the official and unofficial he has attended are: The Battalion Mess and Officers' Cocktail Night Annual Officers' Mess dinner, Cyprus Football Cup which he went to the Limassol event. Whilst in Limassol the Battalion received an official and unofficial welcome by the Army.

Volunteer for 1st Bn

BRITCON NEWS

A Chat With The Pilot

The arrival and departure of the RAF helicopters which transport personnel and stores to UN forces throughout the island are always a matter of great interest for the village youngsters. Pte Duncans McDougall, a pilot of one of those aircraft, is seen talking to children of Angastina in Cyprus.

Checking The Hubs

The scout cars of the Force Reserve of Unfics cover a very high mileage during their far ranging patrols in Cyprus. The Queen's Own Hussars who man the Force Reserve are stationed in Zygi in southern Cyprus. The driver of the scout car in our picture is testing his wheel hubs for temperature to ensure that all is well.

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Aer Lingus hostesses leaving their Boeing 707 at Nicosia for a well earned rest, prior to taking some of the 12 Inf Gp home to Ireland.
"Weighing Anchor" At UNFICYP

Second Canadian sailor now serving in Cyprus: Leading Seaman (Corporal) William R. Glenn sails from the "big silver bird" at Nicosia airport for his UN tour as a hygiene expert.

He last served with the navy on Canada's east coast in December, 1968. Since then he has been a medical assistant and hygiene specialist with The Black Watch Regiment, soon to replace the 2a Battalion Royal 22d Regiment as the Canadian infantry battalion serving on the island.

Sunday Engine

A stubborn engine receives the treatment. Sgt Patrick A. Bryant, weapons technician at the Camp Maple Leaf workshop, tinkers with a miniature jet engine of a swing fog machine. It's a special piece of equipment used by base hygiene to rid the camp of pesky flying insects.

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A Spare Part

Need a spare part? Sergeant Larry F. Hager, ordnance sergeant in charge of the Canadian Contingents' spare parts store section is the expert who can find it.

Sergeant Hager handles them for vehicles, wireless sets, generators and a host of other equipment used by the Canadians in Cyprus. (Left).

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International Volunteer Corps

In a letter to U Thant, Mr. Nixon, President of the United States of America said he was pleased that the United Nations was now studying the possibilities of an International Peace Corps.

If volunteers of the world could work together, Mr. Nixon said, the vision of development would become less distant and the promise of peace would move closer to reality. Mr. Nixon added that the Peace corps was undertaking a number of new initiatives, including a commitment to the concept of international voluntary service.

Guiding its new directions, he said, was a conviction that developing countries themselves must take part in their own human development through the formation of their own voluntary organisations.

ROAD SAFETY:
Experience is not the best teacher if you don’t stand a chance to use it again.

MEDICAL MEN MEET

These are the men who care about our health! — At one of the recent visits to the Austrian Field Hospital by Colonel Tommy Pace, Unficyp Chief Medical Officer, the picture below was taken.

Together with CMO (centre) is the Commanding Officer of AFH, Colonel B. Huesbommer (4th fr R), and his hospital staff.

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SIGNALS SENIOR NCO’S CONVENTION

Lieutenant Colonel D.D. Rankin, R Signals, Chief Signal Officer Unficyp, kindly opened the Signals Senior NCO’s monthly convention held at Force HQ on 26 Sept. (Below).
The members discussed matters of common interest and renewed the atmosphere of conviviality which ensures that Unficyp communications remain an outstanding example of United Nations co-operation.

MAISA
Miss Unficyp
No 20

Two flowers in one picture. MAISA Tulikoura, the only one for Major Tulikoura, came and left for Finland last Thursday morning.

MAISA is going to be a lawyer and married her major — the junior medical officer of the Finnish contingent — a month ago.

All the best for MAISA and her doctor!

MP NOTEBOOK

Accidents Unficyp

Week ending 27 Sept 69:  8
Same period last year:  8
Total this year:  278
Same period last year:  342
Main cause of accidents this week: INEXPERIENCED NIGHT DRIVING

Night driving requires reduced speed to permit stopping within the range of your headlights. Be prepared for emergency stops, for unlighted vehicles, pedestrians wearing dark clothing, or animals crossing the road. On curves your vision is seriously restricted even with the best headlights. Only a fraction of the road ahead is illuminated while driving into the curve. Dim your headlights when you can distinguish two separate headlights on an approaching car. Keep lights dimmed even when the other driver does not return this courtesy after you flash your lights several times. Avoid the glare of the oncoming car, reduce speed, keep to the extreme left of the road and concentrate your left eye on the left edge of the road, to prevent the blinding effect. — The change for an accident increases when both drivers are blinded! Night driving is considerably more dangerous than day driving. A good rule is to drive two thirds of the speed maintained during daytime.

SLOW DOWN — AT SUN DOWN

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