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NICOSIA ZONE CLOSES

Brigadier Macdonald pays tribute to past and present members at final ceremony of "Retreat"



Flags of Canada, Denmark, Finland and Great Britain were lowered for the last time at last night's ceremony, and delivered to the commander for safekeeping in the archives. The ceremony symbolized the disbanding of this part of the United Nations force in Cyprus. Here Major P. G. Hagenon, Queen's Own Rifles of Canada, (left), hands the Canadian flag to Brig. B.F. Macdonald, commander of the Zone. (Canadian Forces Photo.)



Nicosia Zone headquarters of the United Nations Forces in Cyprus was officially closed out with compliments for a job well done in its 18 months of peace-keeping activity.

Pictured here during the final "Retreat" ceremony are; left to right: Staff Sgt John McGillis, Victoria, BC; Capt Ennti Alanikola, Helsinki, Finland and Major P. G. Hogenson, Calgary, Alberta, as the flags of Canada, Denmark, Finland and Great Britain are lowered for the last time and stored away in the archives. (Canadian Forces Photo.)

AS the sweet solemn notes of "Retreat" were sounded here this evening Tuesday, 31 August, the flags of four nations were lowered simultaneously and the 18-month life of Nicosia Zone headquarters of the United Nations Forces in Cyprus came to an end.

With the ceremony the flags of Canada, Denmark, Finland and Great Britain were folded and presented to Brigadier B. F. Macdonald (Canadian Army) commander of the Zone. As announced by United Nations headquarters almost a month ago the improving situation in Cyprus had enabled the Zone headquarters to be closed in an economy move. Up until this evening this headquarters had held operational control over areas policed by contingents from Canada, Denmark and Finland with a small British unit assisting at the headquarters. From 1 Sept. each of these three national contingents will report directly to U. N. Force Headquarters in Nicosia.

Most of the headquarters had been supplied by the 1st Canadian Infantry Brigade Group, Calgary, Alberta and in his address to the parade Brig. Macdonald explained that the four flags would now become a proud possession of the brigade archives.

Brig Macdonald addressed his remarks particularly towards the young soldiers of his headquarters. He noted that the "Retreat" ceremony customarily symbolized the end of a day, a campaign, or a life and in this case it marked the end of one phase of a peace-keeping mission. This peace-keeping task was a proud and honourable one, he said, and its continuing success should be a great source of satisfaction to all concerned.

He congratulated his troops on the way they had carried out their important work. Although soldiers had traditionally been war-makers, United Nations officers and men were fulfilling a more important task — the maintenance of peace.

Gen. K. S. Thimayya, Force Commander, issued a special order on Tuesday marking the

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occasion and containing a farewell message to the Zone Headquarters.

ORDER OF THE DAY

"Any farewell always contains an element of sadness, and I am particularly sorry in this case to be saying goodbye to Brigadier Macdonald and the officers and men of HQ Nicosia Zone. Not only has your Headquarters been a uniformly efficient organisation with which to plan and work, but your generous hospitality and friendliness to visitors have become a byword throughout the Force.

For the eighteen months of its existence HQ Nicosia Zone has been responsible for the most important and critical part of the island. This has thrown heavy work upon you and your predecessors, but by your unflinching determination, scrupulous impartiality, and calm efficiency you have won and maintained the confidence of both communities and so made a great contribution in Cyprus. You will be sadly missed, but your good work will not be forgotten and its effectiveness is plain to see in the greatly improved situation in your Zone compared to eighteen months ago.

I wish you all a safe and happy return home, Good Luck, God Speed and Thank you".

THIMAYYA



George Sherry, Senior Political Adviser, besökte i förra veckan det svenska högkvarteret, Carl Gustaf Camp i Famagusta, och gav en utomordentlig orientering om de politiska förhållandena på Cypern. Efter hans föredrag tog stabsfotograf Gudmund Mårtensson den här bilden - fr.v. major S. Geite, bataljonschefen överste Sten Geijer, mr Sherry, stabschefen major Robert Lugn och kapten Stig von Bayer, som i dagarna återvänt till Cypern efter några månaders vistelse i Sverige.

'Het' vecka for bataljon 30 C - med riksdagsmän och artister

Den svenska bataljonen är just nu mitt uppe i sin "hetaste" vecka på länge. Bataljonen har nämligen - som tidigare nämnts - besök av både riksdagsmän och artister, samtidigt som den nye bataljonschefen överste Iwan Hörnqvist är här för att bekanta sig med förhållandena inför den stundande rotationen.

De tre riksdagsmännen Per Hilding, Lennart Mattsson och Wiking Werbro ägnar sig i första hand åt att studera bataljonens arbetsförhållanden, förläggningarna, rättsvården, ekonomiska frågor samt sociala problem, som t.ex. fritidsfrågor och fritidsundervisning.

Efter ankomsten på måndagsnkvällen blev det på tisdagen en informationsgenomgång av de politiska förhållandena på Cypern samt FN-styrkornas uppgifter på ön, indelning och gruppering. Famagusta Zone och den svenska bataljonens uppgifter ägnades en särskild genomgång. För informationen svarade bataljonschefen, överste Sten Geijer, stabschefen major Robert Lugn och chefen för sektion I, major Hans Åkesson. Efter lunch på officersmässen blev det besök vid zonstaben och STR-kompaniet, varpå dagen avslutades med middag på officersmässen.

Onsdagens program inleddes med redogörelse för förvaltning och rättsvård. Gästerna flög sedan med helikopter till Kophinou och besökte också Ayios Theodoros och Larnaca. Det blev sedan tid för bad, innan det var dags för middag på 3. komp.

På torsdagen besöker de tre riksdagsmännen 2.komp. i Famagusta och visas också runt i Old City. Lunchen intas på underbefälsmässen vid STR-kompaniet och middagen på 2.komp.

Civila polisens verksamhet och 1.komp. får gästerna bekanta sig med på fredagen, då det också blir besök vid Salamis och Barnabas-klostret.

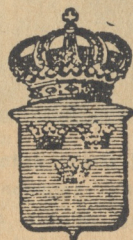
Riksdagsgruppen avslutar sitt besök på lördagen, då man på morgonen diskuterar igenom erfarenheterna under veckan och sedan efter lunch på underofficersmässen vid STR-kompaniet besöker operationsrummet vid UNFICYP:s högkvarter i Nicosia.

Artistpremiär i Famagusta

Den skandinaviska artistgruppen, som under veckan reser runt inom den svenska bataljonens område, hade på tisdagen två bejublade föreställningar i Famagusta. Vi återkommer till underhållningsgruppens jäktiga vecka i nästan närmaste, liksom till överste Hörnqvists besök.



Sverige är "bästa nation"



NEWS IN SWEDISH

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Sverige är "bästa nation", ännu så länge, ifråga om trafik-säkerhet på Cypern. Den svenska kontingentens fordon har - enligt den tidigare redovisade statistiken - varit inblandade i endast 30 trafikolyckor, det lägsta antal som någon kontingent kan uppvisa. Mycket arbete ägnas nu inom bataljonen åt att behålla ledarställningen och ytterligare nedbringa antalet trafikolyckor. Inom den svenska bataljonen utdelas dessutom varje månad en särskild "prisbil" till bästa kompani ifråga om trafik-



Turvajoukkojen organisatiossa tapahtuvien muutosten vuoksi tulemme varmaankin lahitulevaisuudessa entistä paremmin tutustumaan oheisiin herroihin, jotka ovat tanskalainen kapteeni P. E. Gustafsson, yhteysupsearina toimiva Johan Lagus ja itävaltalainen yll. Herbert Weiss.

News in Swedish

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säkerhet. Just nu ligger 2. komp. i "svensk-toppen", och den stora bilden visar en del av kompaniets duktiga förare. Fr.v. furir Rolf Jonsson, Enköping, Göran Nordin, Fagersta, Jan Adolfsson, Köla, Lennart Appelqvist, Falun, Sture Pettersson, Visby, Alf Andersson, Sthlm, Lennart Johansson, Hallsberg, fanjunkare K. G. Klingberg, Göteborg, Anders Kristiansson, Sthlm, Göran Paulsson, Gote, och Åke Persson, Årjäng. "Prisbilen" visas upp av Arne Sandin, Linköping, och Arne Karlsson, Karlskoga.

Frimarksflickor

Förra veckan var det en svensk flicka som efterlyste en brevvän bland FN-soldaterna. Den här veckans "brevfråga" handlar om frimärken.

11-åriga Gunilla och hennes jämnåriga kamrat Ulla samlar nämligen på frimärken och har nu hört av sig med en förfrågan, om någon kan skaffa dem frimärken från Cypern, Grekland eller Turkiet. Och det kanske någon kan?

Skicka märkena i så fall - med några vänliga rader - till Gunilla Bergstrand, Talavidsgatan 6, Små. Rydaholm, Sverige.

Uudellenjärjestelya UNFICYP: issa HQ Nicosia Zone lopettaa toimintansa

A skettäin on Kypoksen turvajoukkojen komentaja, kenraali Thimayya antanut ohjeet, joiden mukaan nykyinen Nikosian sotilashallintoalue (Nicosia Zone) tullaan jakamaan kolmeen itsenäiseen sotilaspiiriin: Nikosia itäinen, läntinen ja Kyrenian sotilaspiiri. Nikosian klubin suojissa toiminut alue-esikunta lopettaa toimintansa 31.8 ja piirit tulevat suoraan turvajoukkojen esikunnan alaisiksi.

Suomalaisille Nikosia Itäinen.

Nikosian itäinen sotilaspiiri (Nicosia East Dist.) tulee käsittämään kaupungin pohjoiset ja itäiset osat sekä alueita Kyrenian ja Nikosian siviilihallinto piirien itäosista. Pohjoisessa on rajana Välimeri, idässä ruotsalaispataljoonan miehittämä, Famagustan sotilasalue, lounaassa ja lännessä DANCON:in ja YKSP 3 nykyinen raja sekä luoteessa kanadalaisien tarkka-ampujien (QOR's) alue.

Uuden sotilaspiirin komentajaksi tulee suomalainen eversti Lauri Boldt ja sen esikunta tulee sijaitsemaan Neapoliksen Klinikassa. Toisinsanoen sen alue ja esikunta tulee samaistumaan suomalaispataljoon vastaavien kanssa.

Kyrenian sotilaspiiri tulee käsittämään QOR:n hallussa olevan alueen rajoittuen pohjoisessa ja lännessä Välimereen, lounaassa, Lefkan piiriin sekä etelässä ja idässä tanskalais- ja suomalaispataljoonien alueisiin. Piiriesikunta si-



Sgt. Chuck Rollins of Cardston, Alberta gives the cheque from the Canadian Provost Corps to Miss Cholmondeley, matron of the Home, as Cpl. Bill Shadforth, North Sydney, NS; Sgt. Ray Popplestone, Duncan, B.C. and Cpl. Glen Wallace, London, Ontario look on. (Canadian Forces Photo).

Canadians boost Red Cross Home funds

Crippled Cypriot children are moving a step closer to recovery, aided by the generosity of Canadian soldiers and some civilian organizations in New Brunswick and Ontario.

Last week in Kyrenia the Red Cross Children's Hospital received a substantial cheque from a fund organized by Capt S.D. Self, Protestant Chaplain and Capt L.P. Robichaud, Roman Catholic chaplain for the Canadian Contingent of the United Nations Forces. Collections are continuing and the goal of \$1,000, sufficient to purchase 10 hospital beds is in sight. So far seven beds have been bought by the fund.

With room for only 30 crippled children, the Red Cross hospital is the only one of its

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jaitsee Kyrenian solassa lähellä St. Hilarion linnoitusta.

Tanskalaiset muuttavat Nikosia klubiin.

Loput nykyisestä Nikosian sotilashallintoalueesta tulee muodostamaan Nikosian läntisen sotilaspiirin (Nicosia West Dist.) ja jäämään tanskalaispataljoonan haltuun.

Mielenkiintoisena yksityiskohdasta mainittakoon, että alue-esikunnalta vapautuviin kerhotiloihin tulee syyskuun puolivälissä muuttamaan tanskalaisesta E komppania, joka tähän asti on pitänyt kortteeria' Elisabeth Campissa.

Secretary - General welcomes UAR - Saudi agreement

UNITED Nations Secretary-General, U Thant, last week warmly welcomed the reported agreement on Yemen signed in Jeddah by President Nasser of the United Arab Republic and King Faisal of Saudi Arabia.

U Thant praised the two leaders for their statesmanship and vision. The Secretary-Ge-

neral had long been urging a meeting at the highest level to secure the restoration of peace in the Yemen.

In messages of congratulations to King Faisal and President Nasser, U Thant said that in reaching the peace agreement the two leaders had made a most important contribution to peace and goodwill in the Middle East.

UN Decolonization Committee hears Cook Islands report

THE United Nations Committee on Decolonization last week gave attention to the report of the United Nations representative who supervised the recent elections in Cook Islands which are under New Zealand administration.

The U.N. Representative, Mr. Omar Adeel, reported that the elections had been carried out in full freedom, and that the new Legislative Assembly had given an overwhelming vote of approval to the Constitution which provided for self-government in free association with New Zealand. He concluded that the people of the Islands did not wish, at this stage, to become an independent and sovereign state.

Mr. Frank Corner of New Zealand said the wishes of the people had been expressed beyond any dispute, and under the new Constitution they could at any time move into full independence if they so desired. Mr. Albert Henry, Premier of Cook Islands, told the Committee that they did not wish

to be cut off from New Zealand because they felt this "would be like a coconut falling from a tree without knowing where to fall". Until economic independence was assured, he said, the people did not feel that political independence was desirable.

Most speakers in the Committee praised the report of the U.N. representative, but Mr. Pavel Shakhov of the Soviet Union said he could not approve its conclusions. The report showed, he said, that a considerable proportion of the population did not have an opportunity to express its views on the future. The Constitution he said had been drawn up by a colonial authority, which would not diminish its control over the Islands.

U Thant congratulates US astronauts - message to Johnson

U.N. Secretary-General, U Thant, has sent a message of congratulations to President Lyndon Johnson of the United States on the safe completion of the 8-day flight in outer space by Gemini-5.

U Thant said the historic flight marked "yet another milestone in the triumphal onward march of science and space technology" which would, he was sure, benefit all humanity.

The Secretary-General also offered personal felicitations to Astronauts Conrad and Cooper who, he said, had shown such endurance and courage.

touch with the competent services in the Chilean Government to determine the best way in which U.N. experts could be of help in this emergency.

Turkey gives \$200,000 to UNFICYP costs

TURKEY has turned over to the United Nations a cheque for \$200,000 representing payment of the contribution of Turkey to the costs of the United Nations Force in Cyprus.

The cheque was sent to the Secretary-General, U Thant, with a message from the Permanent Representative of Turkey to the United Nations, Mr. Orhan Eralp.

WPC opens in Belgrade

SOME 700 demographic experts from more than 100 countries gathered in Belgrade, Yugoslavia, on Monday for the opening of the second World Population Conference sponsored by the United Nations.

The programme for the two-week meeting reflects the sharpened international concern with population questions especially as they affect economic and social development. Topics such as family planning rates, movement of urban and rural populations, educational development and food supply are listed among the major issues to be discussed.

In a letter to U.N. Secretary-General, U Thant, President Lyndon Johnson pledged the wholehearted support of the United States to the United Nations and its agencies "in their efforts to achieve a better world through bringing into balance the world's resources and the world's population".

Second only to the search for peace said Mr. Johnson, this problem was humanity's greatest challenge.

SG - sorrow at Chilean tragedies

IN a message to Foreign Minister Gabriel Valdes of Chile, the U.N. Secretary-General has expressed deep sorrow at the new tragedy that recently beset Chile in the form of storms, floods and avalanches.

U Thant said he had asked the Resident Representative of the United Nations Technical Assistance Board and Director of U.N. Special Fund projects in Chile to get in

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kind on the Island. All U.N. troops have helped out from time to time but as the buildings are located in the Canadian sector soldiers from that contingent have been able to take a deep interest.

Operating the hospital are two English nurses, Miss Cholmondeley and Miss Whit- assisted by six Cypriot nursing assistants.

Contributors to the fund for the hospital beds were the Strathcona Park Presbyterian Church, Kingston, Ont; the Gesner Street Elementary School, Oromocto, N.B.; Mrs Anna L. Harper, Kingston; Nicosia Zone headquarters; Provost detachment, U. N. Forces in Cyprus; Troodos Road Camp increments of the Ordnance Corps, Electrical and Mechanical Engineers, Pay Corps, Dental Corps and Transport section; offerings from the regular military church services; the Royal Canadian Dragoons and many other individual soldiers.

This is the second cash donation within recent months as £300 was recently raised by a collection from all national contingents of the U.N. Force.

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Canadian Agent News:-



Pictured are Rifleman Wagne West of Halifax, Nova Scotia and Rifleman George Dobson of Victoria, British Columbia, with the 1st Battalion, Queen's Own Rifles of Canada practising drill with a 106 mm recoilless rifle at the Battalion headquarters in the Kyrenia Pass.

QORs "most eligible bachelor" is engaged

ONE of the battalion's most eligible bachelors, Captain Allan Macdonald, has abandoned the ranks of the Queen's Own Rifles of Canada to become a nurse. He announced his engagement to Nursing Sister Moyra Scott of the British Military Hospital, Dhekelia at the Nicosia Zone "Roman" last week. His fiancée, who was supported well by the morning by his ex-friend, the single men's union, the battalion's ecoban officer can't decide if he should get married after a long, carob or olive harvest.

As of 1 September we welcome the Battalion into the chagrin of the writer who happens to be the 1 QOR of the Platoon which will be disbanded as of the same date. Members of the platoon return to their companies for rotation to Canada.

Try as we may to avoid "Rotationitis" one cannot help but notice the phantom stencillers removing "Canadian Contingent UN Cyprus" from our barrack boxes and inserting "VICTORIA B.C."

News from Fort Phillips

RCD 'op' employment changes today

As of the first of September the operational employment of Recce Sqn RCD will change from Nicosia Zone Headquarters to 1 QOR of C. We will be responsible for the reconnaissance of Kyrenia District under the Queen's Own Rifles. With the splitting of Nicosia Zone, Kyrenia District has become a Canadian responsibility.

Tpr Joe Foisy did not see the re-organization come about. He left for Canada on the thirtieth of August. Here's wishing him a safe journey home and a fast recovery from his injury.

One week ago, a new recreation was started in the Squadron. Bingo games have been organized on Thursday and Sunday nights. All are welcome to participate and to share in the prize. To date we have had two big winners - Tpr Keith Pelly and Tpr David Barber.

Capt John Long has left the squadron for a couple of weeks to take on the job of Liaison Officer at HQ UNFICYP.

On Wednesday of last week the squadron was honoured with a visit by Brigadier B F MacDonald, Commander Nicosia Zone. He inspected the morning parade and then talked to the squadron. The Brigadier then inspected the unit lines accompanied by the CO and SSM.

While all were working on their cars the other morning a familiar tune played on a harmonica came flowing across the compound to them. That of "Here comes the bride". It was the troops way of saying "Bon Voyage" and congratulations welcome to participate and to share in the prize. To date we have had two big winners - Tpr Keith Pelly and Tpr David Barber.

"DAILY MIRROR" CROSSWORD.

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ACROSS:- 1. Weeps convulsively (4), 5. Essays (6), 11. Capital (4), 12. Vessel (4), 13. Band (6), 14. Folds (6), 16. Cover (3), 17. Panache (7), 19. Jot or whit (3), 22. Short name (3), 24. Athletes (7), 27. Pale (3), 28. Heavenly drink (6), 31. Disagree (6), 33. Food (4), 34. Foreign name (4), 35. Dodges (6), 36. One who owes (6), 37. Good queen (4). **DOWN:-** 1. Soldier (6), 2. Verbal (4), 3. French cheese (4), 4. Masculine name (5), 6. Blunder (3), 7. Made dirty (6), 8. Commonwealth (6), 9. Pip? (4), 15. Double (4), 18. Triangular piece (4), 20. Cultivable (6), 21. Geographical name (6), 23. Emphasis (6), 25. Go into (5), 26. Brush (5), 27. Timber (4), 29. Water movement (4), 30. Fliers (4), 32. Newt (3).

SOLUTION. Ho last week's Crossword:- **ACROSS:-** 1. Coach, 5. Ideas, 9. Dream, 10. Ago, 11. Under, 13. Posed, 15. Seeps, 16. Are, 17. Hart, 18. Dressy, 20. But, 21. Shored, 24. Plop, 27. Mat, 28. Plane, 29. Adept, 31. Eaten, 32. Bog, 33. Earth, 34. Stair, 35. Messy. **DOWN:-** 1. Crush, 2. Adder, 3. Crept, 4. Hers, 5. Impart, 6. Eases, 7. Age, 8. Sadly, 12. Neath, 14. Ore, 18. Dud, 19. Stone, 20. Better, 21. Stabs, 22. Omega, 23. Rap, 24. Plate, 25. Laths, 26. Penny, 28. Perm, 30. Dot.

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16 Metre Band		1300 — 1600	French and English
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British Broadcasting Corporation	31 Metre Band	0500 — 2315 (1000-1100 Closed down)	English
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Canadian Broadcasting Corporation	19 Metre Band	2201 — 2350 (2245-2300 Forces Broadcast.)	French and English
25 Metre Band			
31 Metre Band			
Voice of Denmark	19 Metre Band	2145 — 2245	Danish and English
Finnish Broadcasting Corporation	19 Metre Band	1200 — 1250	Finnish and Swedish.
25 Metre Band		1800 — 2030	(Monday and Friday 1800 — 1845 English)
31 Metre Band			
Swedish Radio	19 Metre Band	1815 — 1845	Swedish
25 Metre Band		1845 — 1915	English
Voice of America	238 Metres	0630 — 0900	News and reports in English
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ROAD SAFETY AND YOU

A weekly series by
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Last week the "Blue Beret" presented a feature on road safety by Ob.Lt Bäumel of the Austrian CIVPOL. Now we are publishing a regular weekly column by Ob.Lt Bäumel containing points to help your driving and to help you keep safe on the roads.



"UN" - Accidents

Most road accidents are not "accidents" at all. They need not happen. We must try to stop it now. The following series of articles tell you just what you must do on road to save lives — your own as well as others.

Always remember:

CHILDREN are a special danger, particularly those under five and those who cycle.

OLD PEOPLE react slowly. Give them great consideration.

THE BLIND also need our help. Give every assistance to a person carrying a white stick or other identification signs.

HEALTH is important. Be sure you are fit to use the roads.

ALCOHOL, even in quite small amounts, makes you less safe on the roads. IF YOU ARE GOING TO DRIVE, DON'T DRINK.

LIGHTS, BRAKES, STEERING AND TYRES should be frequently checked.

MOTOR CYCLISTS should wear properly fitting protective helmets.

ANIMALS — remember they have not read the HIGHWAY CODE.

Next week's article: "The Road User on Wheels".



British Contingent News:-

Force Commander visits Grenadiers

General K.S. Thimayya, the Force Commander, visited the Grenadier Guards recently to present UN medals to members of the battalion.

Left: The Commanding Officer, Lieutenant Colonel M.S. Bayley, MBE, receives his award. First commissioned on 4 Dec 1942 as a Second Lieutenant in the Grenadier Guards, he took command of the First Battalion on 18 July last year. Nearest the camera is Captain R.G. Proes, the Adjutant Commissioned to the Grenadiers in December, 1957, he has served in all three battalions of the regiment. He was appointed Adjutant of the First Battalion on 2 March last year.

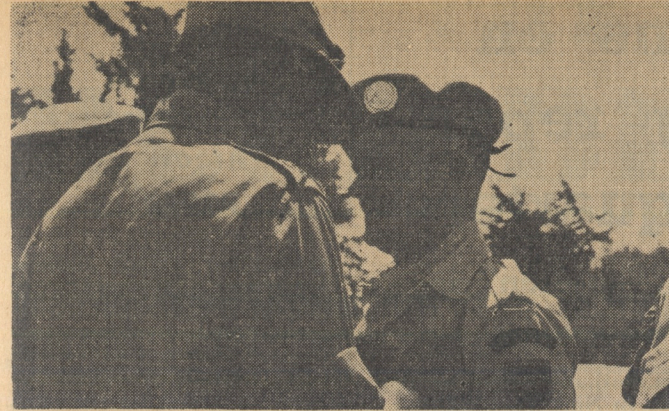
Below left: Major B.C. Gordon-Lennox, pictured here receiving the award, was first commissioned in February 1953, and has been Captain of the Queen's Company since January last year. This is a historical appointment, for since the year 1656 the First Company of the First Battalion has held the unique distinction of being the personal Company of the reigning Sovereign.

Bottom left: The Force Commander pins a medal to the shirt of Sergeant N. Collins. Sergeant Collins first enlisted in the Battalion in September 1951. Nearest the camera is Sergeant R. Robinson, the Battalion Pioneer Sergeant. He first joined the Regiment as a Boy in June 1950, and has served continuously with the First Battalion since that date as a domestic and assault pioneer. By tradition, Pioneer Sergeants in Infantry Regiments are granted the privilege of wearing a beard — the only men in the British Army allowed to do so.

ANIMAL LOVER



The Force Commander visited the WOs and Sgt Mess following the ceremony and was introduced to their Aviary cum Menagerie. The "Zoo" holds Budgerigars and other exotic birds, Guinea Pigs, Rabbits and Goldfish, and is the inspiration of Pioneer Sergeant Robinson and CQMS Clarke. The General is pictured discussing the points of one of the rabbits with Sgt Robinson. This rabbit was probably the culprit that had earlier dug a large hole — thereby allowing several birds to escape.



Presentation of medals at Camp St. Patrick

Last week the Force Commander presented UN (Cyprus) Medals to members of the 42nd Irish Battalion serving at Ktima. The presentation took place at Camp St Patrick and General Thimayya, accompanied by Col T. O'Brien and Lt Col P. J. Delaney inspected a Guard of Honour. In his remarks to the members of the Battalion, Gen Thimayya said he was proud and privileged to make the presentation and that he wished to convey the thanks of the Secretary-General to the unit.

Above Left: Rev. Fr. Denis Killian receives his award. This is Fr. Killian's first tour of foreign service.

Above Right: The Battalion band under the baton of Captain Jim McGee provided music throughout the ceremony.

Above: Commandant Hugh B. McDwyer was born in Glenties, Co Donegal in 1922. He joined the Army in 1941 and was promoted Commandant in 1960. He is OC of the Army School of Physical Culture at the Curragh. In common with other rifle company commanders in the battalion he has represented his province at rugby football. He served with the 34th Irish Battalion in the Congo.



NYT I NOTER

DEN grønne linie har været flittigt besøgt i den forløbne uge, blandt andre af TV-folk fra Italien og Israel. Rygtet vil vide, at enkeltpersoner i D-KMP allerede har modtaget smigrende tilbød fra Hollywood.

Redaktionen beklagede dybt de mange trykfejl og andre fejl, som saa ofte indsniger sig i "Den blå baret". En speciel undskyldning gives hermed til PRLT Aagaard, hvis navn i sidste nummer ved en utilgivelig fejltagelse var blevet forvekslet med den repatrierede PRLT Kroghs.

Forhenværende oversergent ved Dronnings Livregiment hr. Poul Christensen, nu ansat ved Landbrugs- og afsætningsudvalgs kontor for Mellemøsten i Beirut, arrangerede paa opfordring af Ledra Palace Hotel en dansk middag fredag aften. Begivenheden havde samlet ca. 150 gæster, heraf godt halvdelen danske. Afsætningsudvalgets opgave er blandt andet at skaffe Danmark af med den meget omtalte "svinepukkel". Danmarks export til Mellemøsten af landbrugsprodukter er jaevnt stigende, men det har kun været muligt at forøge exporten gennem energioege exporten gennem energioegiske informations- og salgssarbejde, idet konkurrencen paa dette marked, navnlig fra hollandsk er meget stor.

Med SCACYP'en den 16 AUG ankom DANCON's nye overlæge S.A.J. Jespersen. Overlaegen satte sig straks fra ankomsten i spidsen for en kampagne mod brug af viskestykker, og lufttoerrings-



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princippet har allerede sejret til gavn for folkesundheden. Foruden de laegelige kvalifikationer skal

det naevnes at overlaegen er en fremragende pianist, og da overlaegen i Avedoerelejren tillige havde bestridt posten som messeforstander, faldt det naturligt, at han ved et moede forleden valgtes som messeforstander for officermessen i KIH. Messedeltagerne lykoensker sig selv og ser med fortoestning deres madmaessige fremtid i moede under overlaegens dynamiske lederskab.

Den nye presseofficer oensker ikke for nuvaerende at fremsaette noget "programerklæring", men han er meget modtagelig for ideer, forslag, oensker og breve-

Congratulations "Sandy"

Right: Captain 'Sandy' Vye of the Canadian Contingent being congratulated on the recent award of his United Nations (Cyprus) Service Medal by Inspector M.H.A. Prentice of the Australian Civilian Police. In the background is Oberleutnant Herbert Weiss of the Austrian CIVPOL -, one of UNFICYP's 'old timers'.

Turvajoukkojen esikunnan tilannepalvystaja kapt. Vye on juuri saanut rintaansa YK-mitallin.



France ratifies Charter amendments

FRANCE has ratified the amendments to the United Nations Charter designed to increase the membership of the United Nations Security Council from 11 to 15 and that of the Economic and Social Council from 18 to 27. France's instrument of ratification was received at United Nations Headquarters in New York last week.

The amendments concerning the Security Council in addition to enlarging its membership would also change its voting arrangements on non-procedural matters so that the number of affirmative votes required on such matters would be raised from seven to nine (including the votes of the permanent members).

In order to take effect, the amendments require the ratification by two-thirds of the world organization's members including the five permanent members of the Security Council. The two-thirds figure has already been surpassed and it includes four of the permanent Council members — only the United States' ratification is now required for the amendments to come into force.

The amendments were adopted by the U.N. General Assembly in December 1963 in a resolution which also calls on Member States to complete ratification in accordance with their respective constitutional processes by 1 September 1965.

Chinese Representation at UN:

Ten States request issue be placed on agenda

Nine States from Africa, Asia, Eastern and Cuba requested last week that the issue of Chinese representation in the United Nations be included in the agenda of the XX Session of the U.N. General Assembly.

In a letter to Secretary-General U Thant, these States asked that the Assembly consider as an urgent matter "the restoration of the lawful rights of the People's Republic of China in the United Nations." The letter was signed by the delegates to the United Nations from Albania, Algeria, Burundi, Cambodia, Congo-Brazzaville, Cuba, Ghana, Guinea, Mali and Romania.

Consultations on Peacekeeping report at UN Headquarters

Mexican delegate urges "caution" in 33 Nation Committee's Report

As last week drew to a close, consultations were being held at United Nations Headquarters in New York on the report to be submitted to the U.N. General Assembly by the 33-nation Special Committee set up to examine all aspects of peace-keeping operations.

Speaking on behalf of the group of Latin American states in the United Nations, Mexico suggested in the Committee that a special refinancing fund be established on the basis of voluntary contributions to liquidate debts to the United Nations up to the end of this year.

Dr. Francisco Cuevas Cancino of Mexico said that new horizons had been opened by the evident agreement not to press for the application of Article 19 of the U.N. Charter to those States listed as in arrears as a result of non-payment if peace-keeping assessments.

In his view, said the representative of Mexico, the waiver of Article 19 applied to debts related to the United Nations operations in the Congo and the Middle East and that is all. The agreement on this point he said did not apply to the regular budget or to future peace-keeping operations provided there were clearly defined means for their authorization.

Urging the Committee to be cautious in its report, Dr. Cuevas Cancino suggested that it

send to the Assembly a declaration of the unanimous desire that the United Nations be strengthened through a cooperative effort, and that the Assembly reconvene under its normal procedures.



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Kashmir:

Situation "a dangerous threat to peace"

The Chief United Nations Military Observer in Kashmir, Lt. General Robert Nimmo, flew to New York late last week for urgent consultations with U.N. Secretary-General U Thant on the situation in Kashmir.

In summoning General Nimmo to U.N. Headquarters, U Thant described the developments in Kashmir as posing a very serious and dangerous threat to peace.

In a statement issued earlier in the week, the Secretary General observed that he had been in constant consultation with the representatives of India and Pakistan at United Nations Headquarters, seeking an end to violations of the cease-fire line and restoration of normal conditions along the line.

He again expressed grave concern over reports from General Nimmo that massive crossings of the cease-fire line had taken place resulting in a great number of casualties. Two weeks ago, U Thant had issued a call for utmost restraint on the part of India and Pakistan.

The Secretary-General, in his statement last week, said he had considered the possibility of sending U.N. Under-Secretary Ralph Bunche to Kashmir as his personal representative to explore ways of preventing a further deterioration and restoring quiet. He broached the idea to the two parties informally on August 20, said the Secretary-General, but responses, while not negative, had in each case involved conditions which he felt would make the mission non feasible at this time. He therefore abandoned it.

Expressing regret at the decision not to send Dr. Bunche, a statement issued by the Pakistan Delegation to the United Nations said that the military observers in Kashmir had only a very limited function and a mission such as that proposed for Dr. Bunche was long overdue.

It was Pakistan's understanding, said the statement, that Dr. Bunche would have had an unrestricted mandate to seek a solution to the conflict in Kashmir. The cease-fire line, it said, could not be isolated from the surrounding land and people, and the concept of restoring quiet on the cease-fire line presupposed the making of an effort toward a peaceful and honourable settlement of the Kashmir dispute itself.