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CASEVAC EXERCISE

An important role which the helicopters fill at all times is to provide emergency medical evacuation facilities.

For this vital task it is necessary to have a standing procedure which is clearly understood by all concerned — both those in the air, and those on the ground.

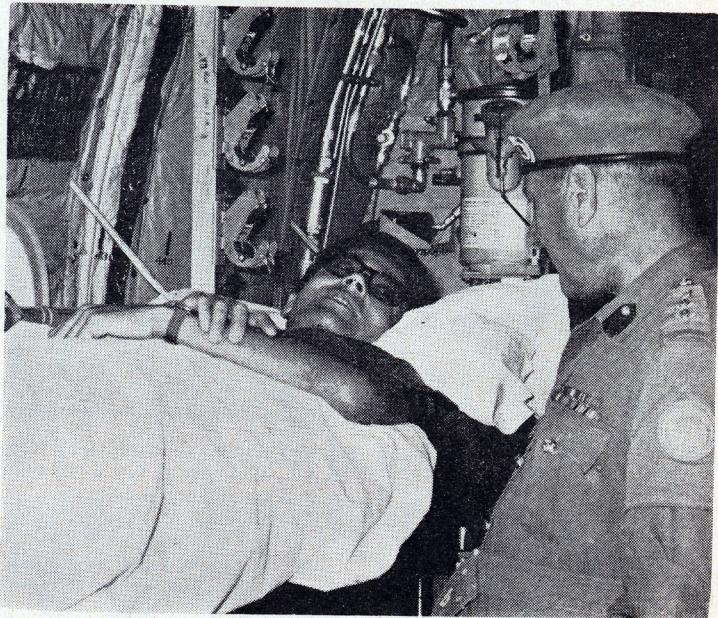
Simulated casevac training is taken very seriously by the emergency medical teams at the Austrian Field Hospital and by the helicopter crews. At a training exercise last week the following timings were recorded:

Emergency call made to 230 Squadron at 1015 hrs
Helicopter airborne at 1018 hrs
Helicopter arrives at AFH at 1021 hrs
Helicopter airborne from AFH at 1025 hrs
Helicopter arrives at Tjiklos at 1034 hrs
Helicopter leaves Tjiklos at 1040 hrs
Helicopter arrives at AFH with patients at 1050 hrs

● An exercise casualty who is considered to have fractured his leg is being transferred from a helicopter to an ambulance car at the AFH. The third orderly is holding an infusion container which is used to combat shock.

Although this was only a training exercise when swift timing could be expected, a 35 minute interval from first call to hospital was nevertheless a very satisfactory performance, and one on which all personnel who took part are to be warmly congratulated.

For those UN personnel on lonely OP duty in isolated locations it can be comforting to know that in an emergency, expert medical attention is always readily at hand.



● Being seen off at Nicosia Airport by Colonel E. D. H. Williams, the Chief Medical Officer, is 1st Lieutenant T. Dalskov, a member of Dancon, being repatriated to Denmark as a medical casualty.

1st Lieutenant Dalskov incurred injuries in a road accident involving a jeep in which he was travelling. He was evacuated from Pendayia Hospital to Nicosia Airport in a helicopter of 230 Squadron RAF Detachment.

● The helicopter with the casualty comes in to land at the Austrian Field Hospital.



BRITISH CONTRIBUTION TO UNFICYP

In a letter dated the 20th July to the Secretary General, U Thant, the Permanent Representative of the United Kingdom to the United Nations, has stated that the British Government is prepared to make a financial contribution in support of UNFICYP up to a total figure of £875,000 for the period of the renewed mandate. This figure will include both the extra costs of the British Contingent, and as before, a cash element which will not exceed the previous level of £625,000.

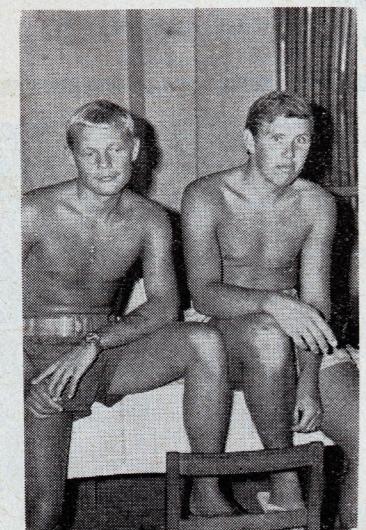
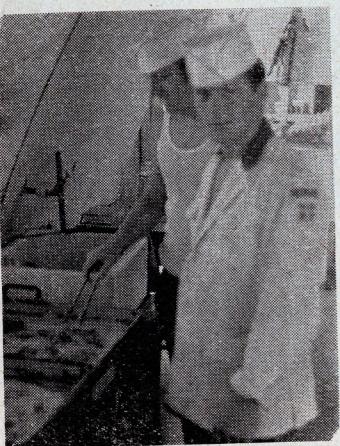
HELT ALENE - OG HELE UGEN ALENE MED..... SE, DET GØR FORSKELLEN

DANCON

NYT

KALORIER

1. TILBEREDES...



● KSerne Overgård og K.A.L. Pedersen på OP 4 ved vejen mellem Limnitis og Kokkina

● Duften af dejlig mad ombelger kokkenne Tingleff og "Bager."

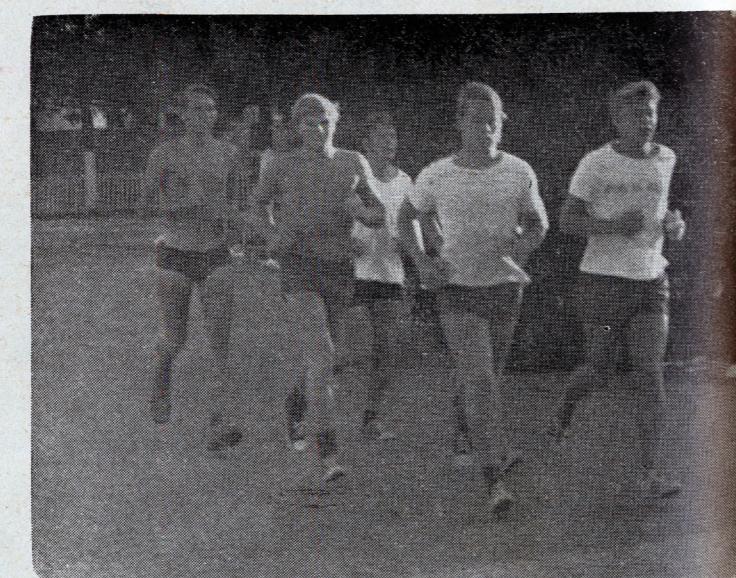
2. INDTAGES I FAST....



● KS T. Iversen og Lilly Sørensen søger efter en plade til næste Dancon-koncert.

● MAJ E.I.S. Christensen, OL Nørgård og frue samt OB Lohmann-Kragh og MAJ Meldgaard tager for sig af retterne i den solspættede skygge under halvtaget ved officersmessen i Xeros under besøget for nylig hos Dancon.

4. SAMT SVEDES UD IGEN!



3. OG I FLYDENDE FORM....



● SGerne "Mc Donald", Hougaard og Andersen hygger sig i SGmessens i Limnitis.

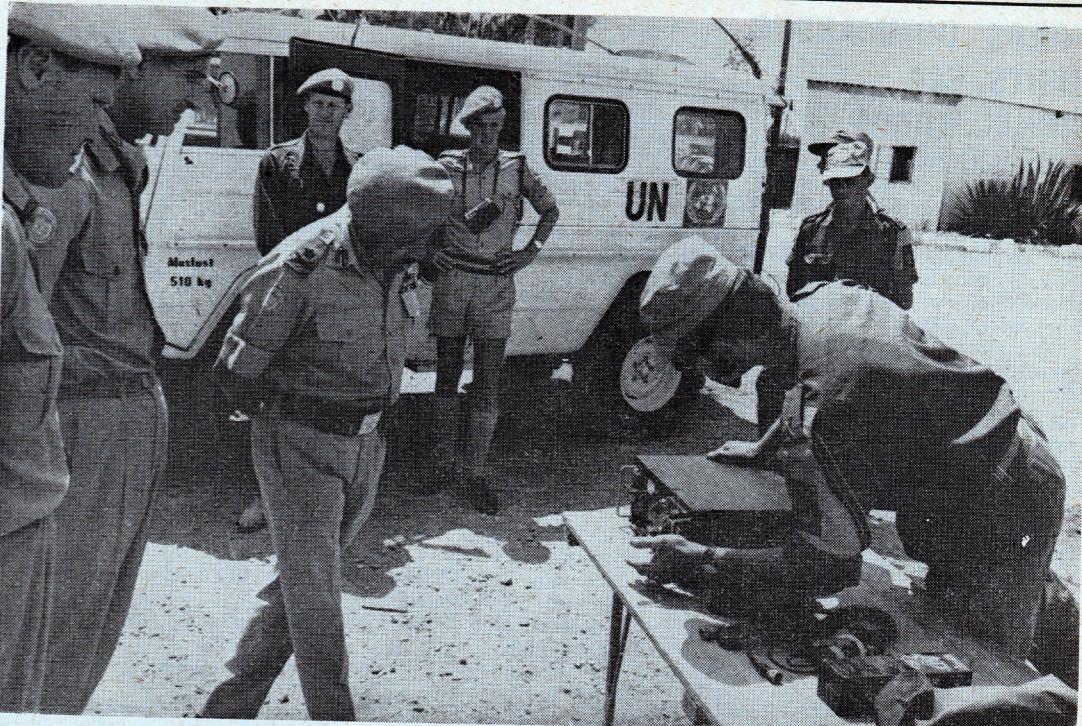
● KSerne J.T. Hansen, Jepsen, Martens og SGerne Rasmussen og Madsen runder et hjørne under morgen-FUT i XEROS-lejren

INSPEKTION

Force Commander inspekterade den svenska kontingensten för vekan. Han dämpar ner från skyn via helikopter. Efter en kort briefing togs han ut på ett föreväningsprogram som omfattade FN-exercis, beskrivning av svensk signalmateriel (bilden t.h.) svensk FN-plutons organisation och verksamhet där 4:e platoon stormade fram i rök och damm, under ledning av serg Harder.

Efter det visade force engineer, mj Thelander, förbättringarna i privatatematsalen. Serg Kronberg demonstrerade sedan all den materiel som finns i våra kp-bilar samt den utrustning som bärts av en svensk soldat med blå hjälpm.

Fv Larsson visade närrörelse och kravall-exercis varvid inspektionsrundan avslutades med en demonstration av avgående doktorn, Ingemar Helin, som med hjälp av Tore Mas, Nils Lindroth och P-O Jönsson från The Oasis demonstrerade MMM-metoden.

AMBULANS
FRÅN SVERIGE

Med sista SCACYPEN landade en ambulans på Cypern. Ett fordon som skänkts efter en svensk hjälplänsats till ett litet sjukhus i staden Tafila i Jordanien.

Med ambulansen följde tre man: Överste Sven Lampell från Söderhamn, (bilden t.v.), major Bo Lindahl från Linköping samt dr Jan Bergström från Söderhamn. Samtliga tre gjorde förra året ett besök i Jordanien i Röda Korsets regi. Ett besök som nu resulterat att de ensamma beslutade om en insamling. En insamling som fick en ambulans som mål.

Fordonet överlämnades på Beiruths flygplats till jordanska läkaren Wali Moumami, som därmed fick vad som tidigare saknats på hans sjukhus: Ett sjuktransportfordon.

SWEDCON NEWS
Swedish Forces Photos

FOTBOLLEN

Ja, fotbollsturneringen rullar vidare. För att ta det i rätt ordning har följande hänt: 2:a platoon slog 4:e med 7-6 efter särslagning med straffar.

I nästa match möttes 1:a platoon och Civpol. En match som var mer än hård och innehöll en rad ojustheter. 1:a vann med 6-5 änyo efter straffslag.

Det gör att finalen spelas mellan 1:a och 2:a den 29/7 på planen i Old City. Båda lagen hoppas på en stor publik. I tröstdturneringen slog Staben Trossen med 3-1.

Vi har också haft fotbollsutbytte med Britcon där vårt bataljonslag fick stryk med 3-2. Avgörandet föll under matchens sista 15 sekunder. Vår målvakt var ur slag men bra backspel av främst Paulsson räddade målet från ytterligare påhändningar.

De svenska målen gjordes i 7:e minuten av Bo Sundkvist. Det andra målet gjordes av Dan Lust på nick efter hörna under första halvlekens sista minut. Vanligtvis halvfarlige Johansson från kompanjén hade en mellanlag.



● Det var mycket folk som medföljde SCACYPEN sista vändan. Bl.a fanns där en folkvald, riksddsman Anders Gernandt från Arboga åtföljd av Jonas Nordfeldt från UD. De hann under den korta tiden bl.a besöka såväl Mr Clerides som Vice president office i Nicosias Old City. Guide under Cypernträffen var major Hans Akke.

HÅRLÄNGD

Jaha, påstötningar har kommit redaktionen tillhandha. Därför publiceras vi ovan en interiörbild från en hantverkars lokal. Känner någon igen arbetet som utförs.

Med andra ord är det en liten påstötning om att kapa hårlängden. Frisören hotar redan med att höja priset då svenska soldater har alltför mycket man för att sortera under "ekonomipris".

Någon har också undrat om lagom hårlängd endast gäller bataljonen. Svar Ja! Civpol sköter sig själva!



De mycket populära Troodos-resorna fortsätter. Fler får plats ombord på bussarna. Två resor återstår. Mj Akke är bas som vanligt.

Snart är den svenska medaljprägraden ett faktum. Den inträffar torsdag 5 augusti. Bl.a kommer FC att utdela medaljerna till chefen och ytterligare 16 man.

FORCE COMMANDER VISITS 644 SIGNAL TROOP

On 24 July 71 the Force Commander, Major General D. Prem Chand, paid a visit to 644 Signal Troop where the OC Captain George Finney, Royal Signals, showed him the static element of the Troop based in Blue Beret Camp.

Split into two parts, the operating and maintenance sections under WO II (Yeoman of Signals) Wright and Staff Sergeant (Foreman of Signals) Hill respectively, the Troop provides teletypewriter and telephone communications for UNFICYP and also an access into the Defence Communication Network (Worldwide).

(L to R) Force Commander and Captain Finney in the Teletypewriter Room.



(L to R) Signalman Gignac, Royal Canadian Signals, Lance Corporal Broom, Royal Signals, Lieutenant P. F. Meaning, Royal Signals (Radio Officer), Force Commander.

THE BAVARIAN BAND

The Gordons' Military Band are an adaptable group. By day they may be seen on the square rehearsing for a formal parade, and in the evening they may be putting on a concert, or playing at a dance.

The band can also produce two smaller dance groups: One plays "The Pops" while the other, some of whom are seen above, play Bavarian music. Dressed for the part, this popular gimmick goes down very well wherever they play. On the sax is Sergeant Massie, Staff Sergeant Forsyth on the trumpet and Sergeant Greig on the tuba.



BRITCON NEWS



midia Camp. Betty Wynn arrived in Cyprus just as the Gordons arrived, which was a pretty wise move on her part!

She does a great job touring the outstations, as well as arranging social evenings and outings for "The Jocks". Seen in the photograph with Betty are Privates Morrison, Gillies and McPherson. Outnumbered by more than 600 to 1 Betty copes remarkably well!

"JACKS OF ALL TRADES"

"Jacks of all Trades" are the Royal Engineer Detachment at HQ UNFICYP. (L to R) Lance Corporal Ward, plumber and pipe fitter, Corporal Myers,

electrician, WO I Wheeler, "the boss"! Corporal Rainey, the outgoing electrician, and Lance Corporal Richardson, carpenter. They manage to look and keep cheerful despite the problems of overloaded circuits and under pressured water supplies!

WRVS AT POLEMIDHIA CAMP

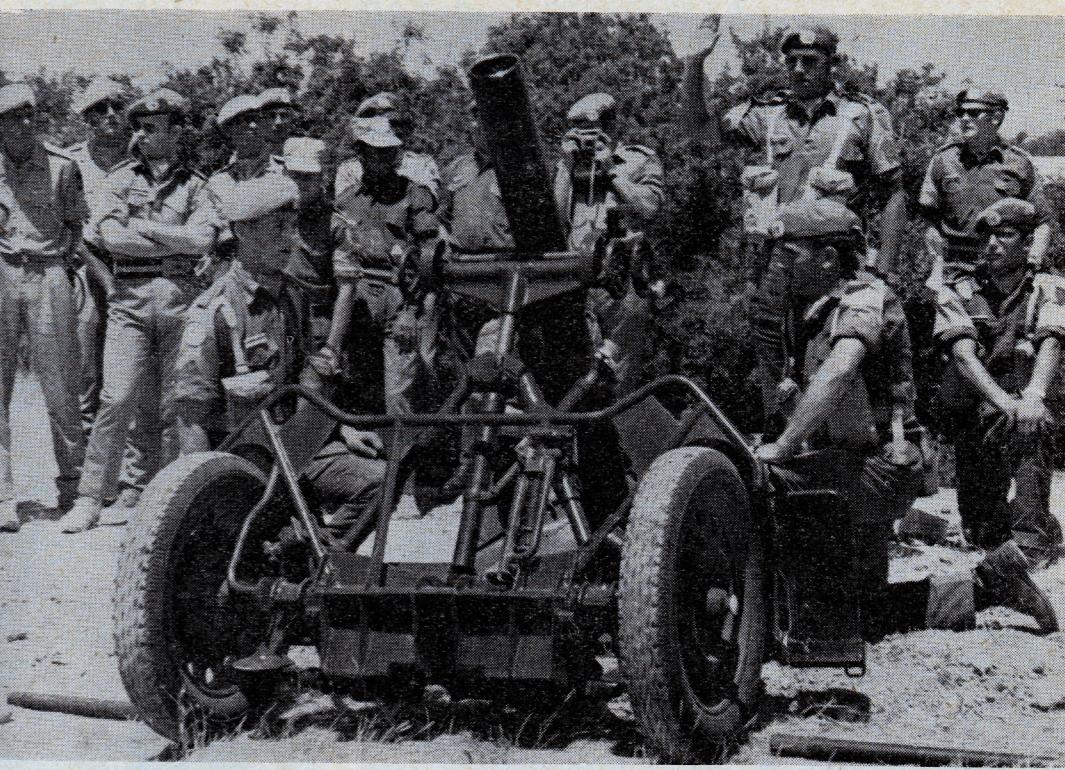
Miss Betty Wynn below is in good Company chatting to a group of Gordon Highlanders in the WRVS room at Pole-



THE HEAVY MORTAR TROOP

The Heavy Mortar Troop of the 20th Irish Infantry Group, is the only self-contained Artillery Unit in UNFICYP. The Troop is armed with four 120mm French Brandt Heavy Mortars.

This mortar fires a 13kg bomb up to 7,000 metres. The danger area of the bomb is 550m, and HE, Smoke or "PEPA" (a rocket booster which gives an extra 1500m) can be fired. A four gun Troop can put nearly 1,000 lbs of lethal projectiles into the air before the first bomb lands on target.



"Fire!"

ones" as they are usually called, are Sergeants Hugh Cassidy, Mick Kelly, Steve Geary and John Molloy, all veterans of Congo and Cyprus. One of the brains of the outfit is Sergeant Bill Keating, Surveyor Sergeant, whose normal speech is in terms of angles, ranges,

degrees and mils. The gunners have already established themselves in the sporting field in Cyprus and some of them have been very prominent in Ircon soccer and volleyball.

The Troop have to a certain degree almost abandoned their

personnel of the Heavy Mortar Troop are drawn almost exclusively from the 1st Field Artillery Regiment stationed in Ballincollig, County Cork. Most of the NCOs have already seen UN service both in the Congo and in Cyprus.

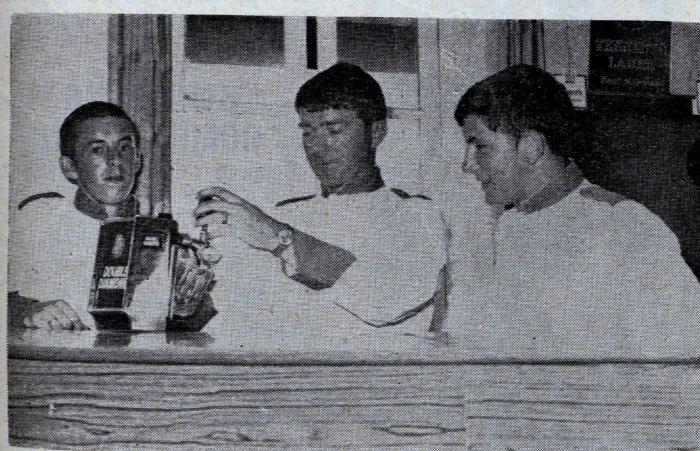
The Commander of the Troop is Captain M. Shannon, who has previous ONUC and UNFICYP service, with Lieutenant Enda Breslin as Gun Position Officer. Sergeant Tom Walsh combines the duties of Troop Sergeant with that of Officers' Mess Sergeant in Zyyi Camp. The four NCOs in charge of the Mortars, or the "Number



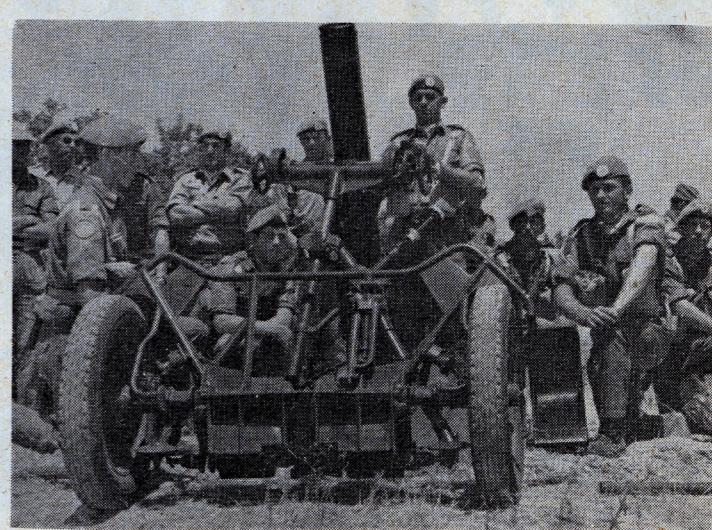
Into Action.

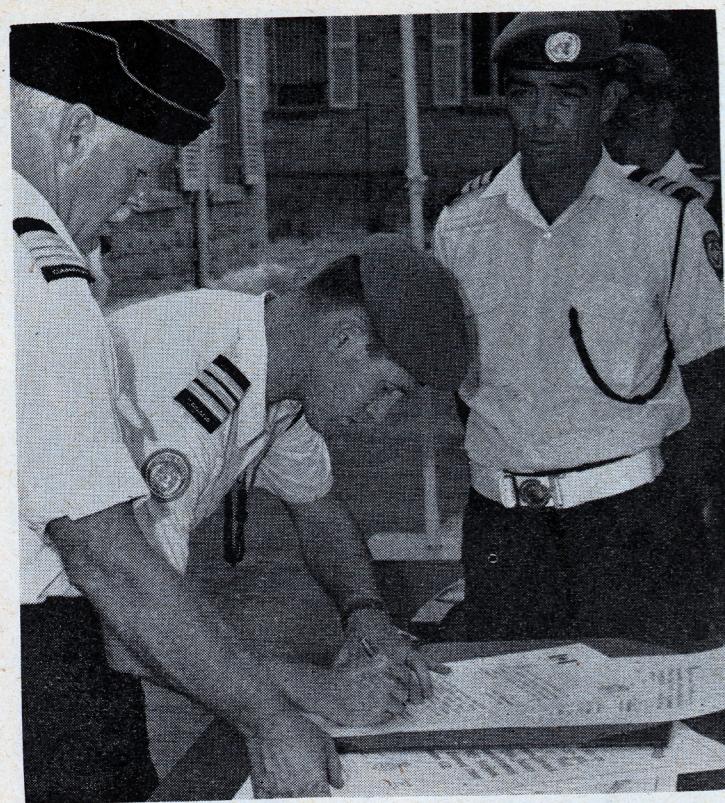
directors, plotting boards and dial sights, wireless sets, etc., and have taken to the very necessary tasks of administration in the field. Their chief tasks are the day to day running of the various Messes in Zyyi. They contribute greatly to the traditional "Failte" (Welcome) that Irish specialise in. Already, quite a few "Maitres d'Hotel" have emerged. Leading sportsman in the unit is Gunner Paddy Kelleher from Cork City. Paddy recently played soccer as centre forward for UNFICYP and scored a goal for his side against a Cyprus Lawyers Selection.

Awaiting a correction from the Command Post.



Sergeant Hugh Cassidy (centre) displays his expertise at pulling a pint to Gunners Kelleher (left) and O'Callaghan.





CHANGE OF COMMAND

Lieutenant Colonel C. W. Hewson signs the document giving him command of the 1st Battalion PPCLI. Looking on (Right) is former Commanding Officer Lieutenant Colonel W. E. J. Hutchinson. Also officiating at the ceremony at Wolseley Barracks was the Colonel of the Regiment, Major General (ret'd.) C.B. Ware. Colonel Hewson came to Cyprus from Mobile Command Headquarters in Montreal where he was a senior staff officer. Colonel Hutchinson has been posted to Washington to take up the duties of Canadian Liaison Officer to the Pentagon.

CANCON NEWS

Canadian Forces Photos



● Lieutenant Arnold Lavoie discusses water problems with a Cypriot goatherd on the outskirts of Nicosia. Lieutenant Lavoie is the economics officer with the 1st Battalion PPCLI and he has dealings with both Greek and Turkish Cypriots in attempting to solve some of the economic problems in Cyprus.

LAND SEA AND AIR

Three members of the Canadian Contingent in Cyprus talk about old times at CFB Trenton where all three were stationed before being posted here. The three are, Sea Element Sergeant D. B. Scopie of River Hebert, Nova Scotia, (left), Air Element, Corporal J. N. Rainville of Waterloo, Quebec, (centre), and Land Element, Sergeant H. W. Robertson of Guelph, Ontario. Sgt. Scopie is a physical educational and recreational instructor, Cpl. Rainville works in the Movements Office while Sgt. Robertson is with the UNFICYP MP Company.

SWIMMING COMPETITION

Reserve Company of the 1st Battalion Princess Patricia's Canadian Light Infantry was declared winners of the Battalion swimming competition held recently at the Chimo Club. The winning team consisted of back row, left to right, Privates Collins, Boyce, Leger, Corporals LeBigot and Jackson, and Privates Hansen and Gordon. Front row, left to right, Corporal Boyd, Sergeant Villiger, Privates Todd, McLean, and Beilman, and Master Corporal Conley.



FORCE COMMANDER VIERAILI



Force commander vierailli Finconissa 20.7.1971. Ohjelmaan kuului komentajan pitämä briefing ja sen jälkeen tarkastuskerros Kykkossa, Farmilla, Pilerissä ja Tjiklosessa.

UI TURVALLISESTI

Useimmat hukkumistapaukset olisi voitu välttää noudattamalla varovaisuutta. Jotta säästyisimme niiltä täällä ja kotimaassa, on syytä kerrata taas uimaohjeet:

1. Älä ui koskaan yksin
2. Älä ui ennenkuin tunti on kulunut edellisestä ateriasta
3. Älä ui, jos voit pahoin tai olet humalassa
4. Älä mene syvemmälle kuin missä jalkasi tapaavat pohjaan ellet ole hyvä uimari
5. Älä ui myrskysäällä
6. Varo pyörteitä ja merivirtoja. Jos joudut virtaan, ui sen poikkisuuntaan, ei vastaan, kunnes olet virtauksen ulkopuolella
7. Älä sukella liian matalassa vedessä



Viestihuollon porukka tutkimassa Risto-radion ihmellisyysiä. Kuvassa vasemmalta oikealle ylvi Jokinen, jääkäri Kuisma, kers Niinikoski, alik Kettunen ja jääkäri Leppänen



Sotilaspoliisikomppanian suomalaiset kasvot ovat vaihtuneet osittain uusiksi. Vasemmalta oikealle kuvassa ovat alik Lampi, alik Pellikka, alik Mikkola ja alik Lehtonen. Kuvasta puuttuu alik Olkkonen, jolla on pystyvä komennus Nicosian ulkopuolella.

RADIO - OHJELMAA

Suomalaisilla on omaa radioohjelmaa saarella: joka viikko torstaisin ja joka kolmas sunnuntai. Näistä jokaviihkoista ohjelmaa kuunnellaan varmaan enemmän. Sensioina tuo joka kolmas sunnuntai lähettetään ohjelma jää pienemmälle huomiolle.

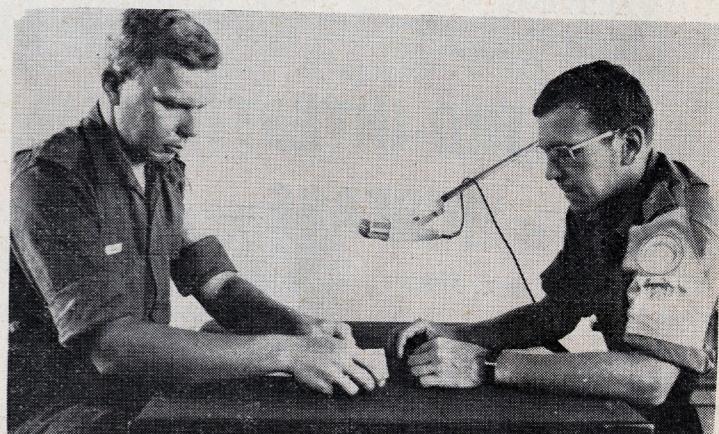
Torstaipäivään kuuluu kolme hyvää asiaa pannukaku ja hernekkä, posti ja suomiradio. Ohjelmaa luetaan lähettettyä terveyksiä YKSP:ssä palveleville

ja soitetaan toivelevyjä. Jos haluat saada terveisä eetterin kautta, lähetä kotiin osoite OY YLEIS-RADIO, Kesäkatu 2, 00260 Helsinki 26. Kuoren tai mieluunmin korttiin merkitä "YK-konsertti". Ohjelma lähetetään joka torstaina klo 20.00.

Joka kolmas sunnuntai samaan aikaan lähettää Kyröksen radiossa tällä valmistettu suomenkielinen ohjelma. Tämän ohjelman toimittamisesta vastaa lomaupseeri sotilaspastori avusta-

mana. Kuluneiden kahden rotatiosioiden aikana on tämä ohjelma ollut "poimintoja levystöstä"-tyylinen. Varsin niukasta levyvarastosta on valittu muutamia kappaileita joiden tiimoilta on keskus-telttu. Jos sinulla on hyvä idea jommankumman ohjelman parantamiseksi tai jos ne ovat mielestäsi joitain syistä aivan määnteitä, olimme ilahduneita ehdotuksista. Voit jättää ne jommallemme syillisistä. Molemmat ohjelmat lähettetään aaltopituudella 620 kHz, siis keskiaalloilla. Tämän lisäksi Suomen Yleisradio lähetää suunnattuja radio-ohjelmia joka päivä. Tallinnalla matkaradiolla voi tälläkin kuunnella uutis-lähetyksiä, joskaan kuuluvuus ei ole kehutava ilman erikoislaitteita.

FINCON NEWS



Tällä ikioma ohjelmannen, mikrofonin ääressä pastori ja lomaupseeri... Joka kolmas sunnuntai klo 20.00 lähetetään suomenkielinen ohjelma äänitetään paikallisen radioyhtiö studiossa.

VIESTIHUOLTO TOIMII

Monet tärkeät toiminnot tässä suomalaisessa pataljoonassa tapahtuvat "salassa". Jollakin tavalla vain viestiyhteydetkin pysyvät kunnossa. Tutustumme tällä kertaa hiukan viestihuoltoryhmän työpäivään.

Viestihuollon valtakunta on jännittävän näköinen sekamelska joka koostuu levällään olevista laitteista, varoista, virvoitusjuoma pulloista, kolveista ja mittareista. Itse asiassa ei voi puhua sekamelskasta. Esineet näyttävät löytäneen oman paikkansa. Huoltoryhmän johtaja ylvi Jokinen ei ehdi kauaa oleskella tällä, nytkin hän lähtee seuraajansa kanssa viemään kahta generaattoria. Martins Moundissa palaa sähkövalo taas kohta kunnrikkinäinen generaattori vaihtuu uuteen. Suomesta tulleiden generaattoreiden tilalle ei olekaan mitään lähettettävä, vanhat käytetään varaoiksi.

Huoltoryhmään kuuluu puhelin-, sähkö- ja radioasentaja. Pataljoonan radioidien sisulukuihin on perehtynyt jääkäri Kettunen. Hänen työpöydällään onkin aina pari Risto-hajoitettua osiin. Siviiliammattilaista hän on radio- ja tv-asentaja.

Viestihuollon työkenttä lienee yksi kiinnostavimmista työntekijän kannalta tässä pataljoonassa. Työtä riittää joten on syytä toivoa etteivät ihmiset poltaisi propujaan, ainakaan viestiyhteyksien takia.

MP NOTEBOOK**ACCIDENTS —****UNFICYP**

Week Ending	—	3
24 JUL 71	—	3
Same Period	—	8
Last Year	—	8
Total This Year	—	166
Same Period	—	208
Last Year	—	208
Main Cause Of Accidents This Week:		
"INATTENTION TO DRIVING"		



GASTRO-INTESTINAL DISEASE

The Manual of Army Health quotes the old tag:

"Dairies, drains, drinking water, the dust of dried dejecta, the repulsive regurgitation, dangerous droppings, and the filthy feet of faecal-feeding flies fouling food" to indicate the main causes of this group of diseases which includes cholera, typhoid, dysentery, jaundice, food poisoning and "Gypy tummy".

While pasteurised milk delivered in cartons and the control of drains and of water supplies have removed much of the risk imposed by the first three quoted causes, it is still wise to remember that these are very much present in developing countries. Unfortunately infected dust, the fly and the rodent still succeed only too frequently in trifling with the

contents of our gastro-intestinal tracts despite all efforts to keep our food free from them.

Few of us have failed to assist at one of those mass casualty demonstrations when the awful truth gradually dawns on the assembly be they schoolboys, officers taking part in an atomic exercise or wedding breakfast guests, that the cook

has had his little joke at our expense and that the majority of us are going to have an unhappy and embarrassing next few hours. Not so long ago in the SBA two young ladies who prepared a buffet supper for a teenage beach party which successfully incapacitated the majority of their guests, were subsequently known as the BORGIAS!

Those medieval poisoners knew precisely what they intended to do. The feckless food handler is usually ignorant of the danger of a little dirt in food in a hot country. If only he would learn!!

FSO'S VOLLEYBALL LEAGUE

By September, the winners of the Force Signal Officers Volleyball League will have been presented with their medals and the FSO's Volleyball Cup.

The League Table to date is:

	P	W	L	F	A	Pts
IRCON	8	8	0	16	0	16
FINCON	9	7	2	14	4	14
CANCON	7	4	3	8	6	8
BRITCON	7	3	4	7	9	6
F. RESERVE	6	3	3	8	8	6
644 SIGS	9	2	7	6	13	4
SWEDCON	5	2	4	2	8	2
DANCON	5	0	5	1	10	0

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NICOSIA Cyprus

• A troop of armoured cars of "A" Squadron The Royal Hussars patrolling through a village in the Karpas peninsula during a recent exercise with Swedish ground troops.

The Force Reserve vehicles have become a familiar sight around the island in recent weeks carrying the UN flag into some of the more remote country areas.

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.