LEAVES ARMY  FOR CIVILIAN  LIFE

Regimental Sergeant Major D.G. Rabley, of the 15/19 Hussars, is not only leaving UNFICYP he is retiring to civilian life after twenty five years Army service. During that time he has been in Malaya, Germany, Aden and Cyprus as well as on normal postings in the UK.

Brigadier General E. Leslie, the Chief of Staff, made a presentation, on behalf of the mess members, to the RSM at last Saturday's "Happy Hour" at the Camp Sergeants' Mess. He thanked the RSM for his work during his period with UNFICYP and remarked that although it was a sad occasion it came to each one of us to eventually enter the outside world where life was perhaps not quite the same. He wished the RSM the very best for the future. As do we all.

High up in the Troodos mountains a patrol from the Force Reserve, The Royal Hussars, led by Corporal Stagg wends its way through the pine forests, disturbing the occasional butterfly, passing through remote villages familiarizing themselves with the countryside. For full story see BRITCON page.
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SANITETS DELINGEN

De fleste kender lægøgten i Xeros lægen, det eneste telt med den lukser at have fliser på gulvet og en vugt, hvor man kan få kontraktert sit Cypern-tillæg. Her holder sa- nietsdelingen til. Den består af 3 mand foruden legen, og her tager man af alle forfaldende sygdomme og skraværker fra brakvede høv til vorten. Et trænings ord og en kop kaffe kan man også være bæredygtig af.

Det er ikke muligt at have patienter liggende i infirmeriet, derfor er pladsen for treng. Aller- læstere sygdomme, der kræver seng, leje, må derfor transporteres til Austria Field Hospital til om- sorgsfuld plage, dog desværre uden sygeplejerskes kærlige hænder.

Sanietsdelingen opbyder til stadigholdelse er beregnet, med nogen af kokkerens ambulancenæg, således at den øjeblikkelig kan ryk- ke ud og yde hjælp.


Foruden den egenlige lægerejs- ste har liggien også tilsyn med den ambulancens bygning i alle lejre og på OP’erne.

REDAKTØR RSKIFTE

For fremtiden skal Dancon siden i ”The Blue Beret” indføres til HQ senest fredag morgen. Det betyder, at arbejdet med den kom- men til at kollektive på en meget grænseædd måde med forberedelsen af Dancon radio. Jeg har derfor bedt mig friget for at redigere ”Dancon nya” fra og med denne nummer. Jeg vil gerne hermed sige tak til tiden, der er gået, og samtidig byde min efterfølger, LT Nilsen, velkommen og godt med arbejdet.

MARSCHERNA

Bataljonen har nu i sin helhed afventet tvært af de tre planerede marscherne. Det er Stavros og Kuntara. Tyvler er icke IRCON tillidlig for bataljonens personal at gå i deres distrikt med følge at den sin marsch ind i toppen af Stavrosvoune ikke kan fulf- sies.

Det er barat at beklaage at vi måde hun kunne trykke op diplomet da det under tidligere år ikke varit några hinder att gå mot den mars- chen. Det betyder att det för när- vänds finns bara teorier som har gått alla de marscher som var planerade. En av dessaUntitled marschplan har redan fått att diplomet. Det syns här t vän och det marscherna har startat relativt tidigt på morgonen men detta har Temperaturens gjort att förövning av ansträngningen. Om detta marschen gått de 26/8 och det var 1:a platoon som avslutade Kampansvansen. Bilderna ovanför diplomatet samt t.h. är tagna under den marschen.

THE ROYAL HUSSARS

A quick reaction time and thorough knowledge of all Contingent areas is a standard requirement for the Force Reserve whose tasks are to carry out mobile patrols into the countryside and villages, as well as being available to the Force Commander as a reserve to be moved into Contingent areas when needed.

Recently they have been carrying out familiarization patrols around the island. A base camp is set up and the Troops spend two days at the camp carrying out patrols in the local area. We picture 2nd Troop commanded by Second Lieutenant Rodney Marcus at a camp on the Troodos mountains.

Sergeant Watkins, Car Commander and Troop Sergeant of 2nd Troop, with Trooper Oland driving, set out on a familiarization patrol through the forests somewhere on the Troodos mountains.

The Squadron is one hundred and twenty strong. Of these 40 are in the five troops, the remainder provide the normal back up requirements. By the time the Squadron has finished its tour out here they will have patrolled most of the island. The next camp will be in the Paphos area where they will liaise with 1 Gardens.

The camp has a small vehicle repair team which is provided from the Royal Electrical and Mechanical Engineers. Light Aid Detachment, which is attached to the Squadron, Lance Corporal Webb removes a generator from a scout car engine for replacement.

It can get quite cold in the night on the Troodos mountains even in August. Lance Corporal Doyle who was the camp storeman re-fills paraffin heaters.

Corporal Bock, who was in charge of communications at the camp, prepares a meal.

Woman readers (there must be some) will, I'm sure, note the well planned layout of the kitchen, storage cupboards on the left, a good working table all within easy reach.

B R I T C O N N E W S

2nd Troop, The Royal Hussars. From left to right, Sergeant Watkins and Trooper Holliday, Lance Corporal Mathews and Trooper Rowson, Corporal Stagg and Trooper Bridge, Lieutenant Marcus and Trooper Oland.

BRITCON NEWS

Good for Morale

In any military unit, morale is a vital factor. In a multinational peacekeeping force it assumes even greater significance. Different Armies and different individuals in those Armies will have their own ideas about what constitutes "high morale", but if one had to reduce this idea to a single component, it is hard to beat the old phrase about "the troops are in good heart."

All sorts of considerations affect morale. The discipline in a unit must avoid extremes and protect the dutiful soldier against the "lead-swingers". Accommodation, food and living conditions have their part to play too. Welfare, in every one of its many facets, is probably the biggest single factor, since the whole function and purposes of welfare services is to provide an antidote to boredom, stress or loneliness.

Every soldier knows that it is very often the little things that contribute most to high morale. A switch from a camp where living conditions are good, to one which is not as comfortable, but has excellent beach facilities convenient to it, can improve the men's spirits enormously. A small sub-unit, which suddenly finds that it is able to hold its own in competitions in a small team game like volleyball, will find that its morale has soared.

Postal arrangements, news papers from home, film hings — these are all contributory factors. "The Blue Beret" itself has a distinctive role of its own in this context. There are few Armies who do not suffer at sometime or another, from a less than perfect "public image". It is important for the soldier that not alone must his achievements be publicised — they must be seen to be publicised.

I R C O N N E W S

One of the best morale raisers in the Infantry Group is Post Sergeant Patrick Kent, here seen handing Private Chrisy Porter a welcome letter from home.

The relaxing effect of Governors Beach is reflected in the features of Sergeant Major W. Kane and Battalion Quarter-master Sergeant M. Scally.

Corporal Terry O'Neill, Group photographer at work in the dark room.
The bearded wonders of the Canadian Contingent who sees around Cyprus are members of the Pioneer Platoon located at Blue Beret Camp. The nine-man group, headed by Captain Don Pippola and augmented by five engineers, are responsible for the maintenance of all Cancon buildings, for the building of showers and toilets, for painting and for operational tasks such as demolition.

Up to now over 700 work orders have been completed.

CO-OPERATION BETWEEN THE PIONEERS AND ENGINEERS IS NECESSARY FOR MANY JOBS. HERE PIONEER CORPORAL R.E. Furlong and Private D.A. Chase of the Engineers prepare to vacuum out the swimming pool at Blue Beret Camp.

CORPORAL W.H. BARRY IS ONE OF THE ARTISTIC TYPES IN THE PIONEER Platoon. HERE HE DOES A QUICK PAINT TOUCH-UP ON THE SERGEANT'S SIGN AT BLUE BERT CAMP.

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**OPERATIVIEN TOIMISTO ELI OPS**

Mikä on ops ja mitä se tekee

Ops on pataljonon operatiivinen toimisto ja miten se toimii

Pataljonossa on saatavana määrä työntekijöitä, jotka ovat valmennettu eri työntekijöihin. Tämä määrä riippuu pataljonon tehtävistä ja niiden tarkastukset.

Kun työntekijä on valmennettu, hän on valtuutettu tehdä työskennellä eri alueilla. Tämä mahdollistaa hyvän tarkastuksen ja niin opsi on mahdollista täyttää eri tehtävät ja tarkastukset.

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**PASTORIN SUNNUNTAIMMAT**

Sunntaisena syksynä 12 päästä klo 9.30 lähedellä Kykkosemarkkeina Stavroussin luostarin.

Tämä on erittäin erinomainen tilaisuus Troodos vuoriston itsearvioinnin tapahtumalle, johon on 700 metrin korkea.

Koeman kestää Konstantinos Stavrou meni, heinäkuun 1933 lähedellä Kykkosemarkkeina Stavroussin luostarin.

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**Teinen kahdesta munkista ja noviisi Stavroussin luostarin siipihallilla**

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**YKSPN KIRJASTO**

YKSP:n kirjasto joka sijaitsee Kykkosemarkkeina Stavroussin luostarin ja on avoinna kaikilla vuodenaikoina.

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**CAREWALL, ONTARIO, CANADA**

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**Captain Don Pippola, Office Commanding Pioneer Platoon, discusses a problem with the Canadian Contingent Engineer, Warrant Officer D.J. Dudley.**

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ANTIQUITIES LAW

In the summer season both tourists and residents of Cyprus snorkel and scuba-dive along the coast. When pieces of pottery and stone objects are seen, the temptation to remove them is great.

What these people do not realise is that when these objects are removed they lose their archaeological significance. Such an act is against the Antiquities Law of the Island.

However, the location of underwater archaeological finds is of great interest to the Department of Antiquities. Therefore, their exact position and depth should be carefully noted and reported to the Department of Antiquities. They should not, in any way, be disturbed or removed from the bottom of the sea. If such a procedure is followed, this could save the finder embarrassment and confiscation of the objects.

Even if you have obtained an antiquity as a gift during your service in Cyprus, you are not allowed to take it to your home without permission from the museum at Nicosia.

What is an antique? It is an object which dates from before the 17th century.

COST OF PEACE KEEPING

The Federal Council of Switzerland has contributed US $210,375 towards the cost of UNFICYP for 1971. In noting this contribution, the Federal Council expressed again the hope that the interested parties will do all they can to reach a settlement as soon as possible.

DETERMINATION

Corporal Mathieson did not in fact win the Javelin event in the 1 Gordons Battalion athletics meeting on the 27th August but he certainly made a determined effort.

MISS AUSTRALIA IN CYPRUS

A surprise welcome awaited June Wright, Miss Australia 1971, when she arrived at Nicosia Airport to visit Cyprus as part of her prize. Members of the Australian Police Element of UNFICYP had gathered from various parts of the island to wish her well. June is looking forward to spending the next twelve months raising funds for spastic children as well as enjoying the prizes she won.

Miss Australia 1971 (above) pictured with members of the Australian Civilian Police Element of UNFICYP at the Cyprus Tourist Information Office, Nicosia Airport. (Left to right) Sergeant Peter Marshman, Don Westwood, Senior Constables Pat McMahon, Ian Pime, John Kelly, Patr. Gibson, Inspector John Murray, Sergeants Les Randall, Mal Lynch, and Inspector J. Cook.

MP NOTEBOOK

ACCIDENTS — UNFICYP

| Week Ending 4 Sept 71 | 15 |
| Same Period Last Year | 7 |
| Total This Year | 226 |
| Same Period Last Year | 242 |

Main Cause Of Accidents This Week:

CARELESS DRIVING