OBITUARY

The death occurred on 9 March 1972 from natural causes of Ranger Frank Thomas McIlwraith, aged 37, a member of the British Contingent with UNFICYP. Ranger McIlwraith was married and came from Portrush, County Antrim, Northern Ireland. He had been serving with the United Nations Force in Cyprus since November 1971.

The next of kin have been informed.

DANISH MP JUBILEE

On Wednesday 8th March, the Danish Military Police Organization celebrated its 25 years anniversary. The jubilee was also marked in Cyprus where members of the Danish Military Police Detachment serving with UNFICYP invited friends to a reception at the MP lounge in Nicosia.

The Military Police in Denmark was established for service abroad, at that time for support to the Danish Brigade in Germany in 1947. This brigade was withdrawn in 1958 and shortly after the first MP companies were established in Denmark. Since then the MPs have been very helpful to Danish soldiers back home and also to those serving with the United Nations in the Congo and Gaza, and now in Cyprus.

Their service here was highly praised at the reception last week by (left) Captain O. Buigaard-Kristensen, Second-in-Command UNFICYP MP Company, Major R. C. Mooney, Force Provost Marshal, and Lieutenant Colonel V. J. Ubbe, Commanding Officer Dancon.

Wrapped in again! — The UNFICYP Soccer Final was played on Saturday last week between Sweden and The Royal Irish Rangers. The match, which took place at the stadium in Larnaca, ended 1-1, even after extra time. A new match will take place in a week’s time.

NEW FORCE ECONOMICS OFFICER

The appointment as Force Economics Officer has recently changed over. Major W. Claggett (right) hands over his duties to Major C.J. Vokes who comes from Headquarters Mobile Command at St. Hubert, Quebec. Major Claggett has left the island for an appointment in the Directorate of Operations at Canadian Forces Headquarters in Ottawa.
NYT FRA VELFÄRDSKONTORET

I sidan ute blev det nya velfärdskontoret uppfylt, det visste arrangementen allerede av i gang. Som det är bekant, är det velfärdskontoret inlåt flera par hicks-holster, och de allrafreda blev detta med noga modigt Dancon-kvinnor J.J. Mäster (Bäcker) och H.A. Hansen (Smakrike). Han blir alldeles i radordning angivna av de noga modigt Dancon-kvinnor. V. Böcks, säkerligt kan det upplysas att det nya hicks-holster är ankommande och venter på att bli taget i bruk. Det är sanning att, hvad hjerton betecknas som vackert, det spanar i seglsta avseende och så där fyller fyller, som är klar till att taga fat.
VISIT OF FORCE COMMANDER

The Force Commander, Major General D. Faron, C.B., visited The Royal Irish Rangers on Monday 11th February. The Force Commander arrived at Falmouth on a helicopter and gave a talk to the HQ Staff in the Zone Operations Room.


"PROMOTION ZONE"

Well for Sergeant "Andy" Anderson, Lieutenant has proved to be so — pictured below reciting his promotion in a cheque from Lieutenante Coo- lonel M.J. McCord — Colour Sergeant Anderson serves with The Royal Irish Rangers Anti-Tank Platoon.

NEW PAY SYSTEM

A new pay system will be operative as from 1st of April. The details of this will be that Warrant Officers, Junior Non-Commissioned Officers and others who volunteer will receive their pay monthly through their bank of their choice. The 4 to 5 week accounting period will be changed to an 11-12 month period. Further information may be obtained from your pay office.

BRITISH NEWS

"...BUT, BY GOD, THEY FRIGHTEN ME"

Famous words from the Duke of Wellington before the battle of Waterloo, which must surely apply to the three members of The Royal Hנסnars pictured on an Equitation Course at Dover. Even the "Three Horsemen of the Apocalypse" must be worrying about their jobs, after seeing those three together. From the left, Troopers Jack Hall, Roger Wood and Tim Burton.

IRELAND'S NATIONAL HOLIDAY

BLESSED OF SAINT PATRICK

On this Saint Patrick's Day, the National Holiday of Ireland, the Officers, NCOs and Men of the 21 Infantry Group, would like to wish the blessing of Saint Patrick on the people of Cyprus and on all their friends.

This week, on Sunday March 17th, the people of Ireland, at home and abroad, will celebrate their National Feast. Saint Patrick's Day. Saint Patrick, a native of one of the western provinces of the Roman Empire. Britain or the Irish, was the son of a Roman Government administrator and grew up as a Christian. While still very young, his town was raided by a land raid from Ireland and he was carried off into slavery. He spent the next six years helping the master, on the Hill of Sainm in Co. Antrim. One morning, following instructions given to him in a dream, he made good his escape by boat to Gaul and eventually returned to his own people. However, his years in Ireland had left a deep impression on him and he decided to become a priest and bring the light of faith back to that pagan land.

After many years of study and travel in Europe, he eventually set out for Ireland, with the blessing of the Pope, and landed at Saul in Co. Down. He converted the local chief, Oidbech, who in return gave him the use of his barn, as a church. He founded his Ecclesiastical Capital near at the top of Down. While remaining at Down, he arrived at Tara, the chief Capital of Ireland, where, having anticipated the flames to the God Belie, by lighting the Pagan Fire, he drew on himself the wrath of the high priests and nobility who had gathered there for the great pagan festival. However, in the ensuing war of words and wisdom, with the high priests, he succeeded in convincing the King of the validity of his doctrine and convinced him to the true Faith. With the conversion of so important a man as the High King, the power and influence of the high priests was broken and the conversion of the entire country was only a matter of time. This work was made easier by the fact that the Irish already possessed a high concept of the Natural Law.

Patrick established the new religion on the monastic system. In this way groups of men and women gathered in religious communities to work the land, study, pray and serve the glory of God. The numerous runs, high islands and round houses which dot the countryside to-day are a proof of the success of his mission. Many holy men settled stone and built themselves cells where they spent their lives in prayer and meditation. It was from this secure foundation that the monasteries and monasteries set out from the 6th to the 9th centuries to convert Western Europe, and to win for their country the title "Island of Saints and Scholars".

Patrick himself had shown them the importance of prayer and self-denial, and an occasion he returned to the wild and rugged places to fast and meditate. The most famous of these are the Hill of Croagh Patrick and Lough Derg. To the present day the Irish still follow his footsteps in pilgrimage to these places.

When he died after some thirty years work, he had won for himself a place of everlasting honour in the hearts of the Irish. People. We have not forgotten him for his gift of faith and it was this common belief which helped make us a nation and which has enabled us to bear the trials of centuries of persecution has been the most enduring force in our history.

SAINT PATRICK'S DAY: AT HOME AND ABROAD

Saint Patrick's Day marks a special place in Irish History and every year we honour him by parades, sporting events and in particular by the wearing of the Shamrock. When Patrick encountered difficulty in preaching the Doctrine of the Trinity, he made use of the Shamrock to illustrate these in One Mystery. Ever since the Irish have worn it on his feast day and it has become a symbol of Irish nationality. It is worn on the chest of the Irish Guards and is carried on the clouts of the English, Irish, International Air- forces, everyday, the world over.

Saire Patrick's use of it, in illustrating the unity of the Trinity in the person of the Three Persons, was a great step. In the Irish eyes, The Trinity, or the unity of the Three Persons, was a great step. In the world today, the Shamrock is packed and sent by the people of Ireland to all of their relations all over the world. Thus today it not only a symbol of unity but a sentimental link with the home land.
THE BLUE BERET

Wednesday, 15th March

MÉDAILLE DE BRONZE


DON A L'HOPITAL DE KYRENIA

Les membres du CONAN ont organisé une vente dans le but d'aider à la réparation des véhicules de l'hôpital des victimes de l'attaque de Kyrenia. Les capitaines Cohen et Veilfeus réunirent une somme de 500 000 $ qui est transférée à l'hôpital. Le capitaine Cohen, le lieutenant Marous et le capitaine Lefrance furent les gagnants de la loterie au nom des officiers.

CONCERT

Le vendredi dernier, la musique du Royal 22e Régim-ment dans le forteresse de Kyrenia. Ce concert est le premier d'une série que la musique présentera au cours de son séjour à Chypre. Les autres concerts seront donnés à Larnaca, au Théâtre Municipal et au Lyceé de Nicosie.

GANCION NEWS

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APRÈS MOIS

Depuis cinq mois, les hommes des compagnies en place sur la ligne de contact ont pu assister aux spectacles de la musique et aux concerts. Avec l'aide d'un guide qui leur a montré les lieux de Chypre et le vaste océan, ils ont pu apprécier la beauté de l'île. Il a montré la route à son pied de Papouts Gate.

GANCION NEWS

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FINCON NEWS

PAPINRETAKU

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saare huomattavimmat levissä

Merkana varrella

käydään Kokoos linnaan

vanhalla stadionilla.

GANCION NEWS
"QUEEN ELISABETH SLEPT HERE"

The next production by the "Windsock Players" of RAF Nicosia, is a three act comedy entitled "Queen Elizabeth Slept Here". The play will be performed at 8.00 p.m. Monday, Tuesday, and Wednesday, 30th, 31st and 1st March at the Little Theatre, RAF Nicosia.

Once again the Windsocks have the well-known faces of Hazel Kershake of St. Michael's School, and Bill Mills of the British High Commission, plus others who starred in the highly successful Christmas pantomime. However the audience will have the opportunity of seeing the new faces of Graeme Brice (Unleyer), Sheila Bourke (teacher) Malcolm McInrrey (UNFICYP) and David Seymour (RAF) making their debut in some of the leading roles.

"Queen Elizabeth Slept Here" promises to provide an enjoyable evening's entertain-

A.M.

Since the integration of the United Nations Civilian Police took place a while ago, two different nationalities take care of the police duty in connection with the Kyrenia Convoy. In the morning you will see the Austrian Civilian Police checking the vehicles, and in the afternoon the duty is handed over to the Danish Police.

P.M.

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| ACCIDENTS | UNFICYP |
| Week Ending | 10 March 72 | 7 |
| Same Period | Last Year | 10 |
| Total This Year | 70 |
| Same Period | Last Year | 59 |

Main Cause Of Accidents This Week:

IMPROPER REVERSING