GREYS MEDAL PARADE

With less than three weeks left on the Island, 'B' Squadron held their UN Medal Parade at Nicosia last Tuesday, 2nd June.

7 officers and 63 men under command of the Squadron Leader, Major Simon Cox, were drawn up in an immaculate rank of 23 Ferret Scout Cars and 4 Landrovers to await the arrival of the Force Commander, Major General D. Prem Chand, who was to present the medals.

A resounding “General Salute” played by the band of 3rd Light Infantry, announced the Commander’s arrival. He then presented medals to six members of the squadron representing all ranks. They were piped on by the Squadron piper, himself a recipient.

This small ceremony was followed by an impressive “Drive Past” of all vehicles on parade and the salute was taken by Major General Prem Chand.

To round off the event the Band and Bugles of 3 LI gave a short sharp display of their marching and playing prowess with which we are now more familiar.

The Officers, subsequently, gave an open-air cocktail party for some of the distinguished guests present. These included the Special Representative, Mr B.F. Osorio-Tafall and the Chief of Staff, Brigadier General E.M.D. Leslie.

DISTINGUISHED CANADIAN VISITORS

- Major General D.C. Spry, (retd) Canadian Army, (centre right) is seen talking to Major General D. Prem Chand (right) with Brigadier Generals S.V. Radley-Walters (left) and E. Leslie looking on.

- Major General Spry and Brigadier Radley-Walters were here on a six day whirlwind tour of Cancon. Full story on Cancon page.

3 LI Band Sound Retreat

In a whirling, crashing, 160 paces to the minute the Band and Bugles of 3rd Light Infantry sounded Retreat before some 300 spectators last Friday.

The thirty minute ceremony took place on the heights of Polemidia Camp against a magnificent backdrop of the Limassol plain.

The music ranged from stirring Light Infantry marches to “Abide with Me” and ended with the solemn and beautiful “Evening Hymn” in which the sweet high notes of the bugles sounding “Retreat” rose above the band music in the gathering dusk as the Regimental Flag was slowly lowered to the ground.

The Force Commander, Major General D. Prem Chand, took the salute.

STOP PRESS

The Security Council last night unanimously decided a further six months extension of the United Nations Peace-Keeping Force in Cyprus. The new mandate will last until 15th of December, 1970.

Mr. Bibiano Osorio-Tafall, Special Representative of the Secretary-General, left Nicosia for United Nations Headquarters in New York on Saturday 6th June to attend this meeting of the Security Council which considered the Secretary-General’s report on Cyprus to the Council. Mr. Osorio-Tafall is expected to return to Cyprus in approximately two weeks.
**GENERALEN PÅ INSPEKTION**

Frakta kommanderende i Liminits KN P. Fabreins Jensen i midten sammen med kameraterne H. Nikolajsen til venstre og F.O. Pih-Hansen til højre afventer generalens adkomst.

**6 JUNI - KORUM - LEDIGA**

- Svenska flaggans dag, den 6 juni, funderes förstas på CGC. Och för första gången fick vi se så gott som hela huvudet 44 C. samtal. Det var i stort sett bara chefen som inte var med den dagen. Vi saknade honom.
- Kl 06.00 hâlades nationalgymnastik och Henry Anderson, Uddeback, vår trumppers välfylld klinga ut över campen. Danseflor och några ansträngningar gjorde av lämmande. Njal Lannström och Lambert Almström, Göteborg, korum.
- Företrädarna övertog ingen "blomsterh oferta." Det är uppsättningen på förvärv planen. Tryckt i tidningen är emellertid inte alltid det bästa men vi hoppas att åtminstone något skall synas.

Till höger hissas flaggan vid vakten.

Endast: Kamrerama från bl.a. trossen och TPC.

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**SWEDCON NEWS**

*Swedish Forces Photos*
SAPPERS AT WORK

WIN GLEN EAGLES CAMP

For some time now the UNFICYP Detachment, Royal Engineers, have been at work, converting buildings and in general giving Glen Eagles Camp, Nicosia, a face lift. Directly responsible for the operation is Corporal Al Mayes.

In one building Sapper John (Leuty) Smith, who is a bricklayer, was photographed whilst bricklaying the roof entrance to the new armoury. Leuty’s father unit is the 6th Field Squadron, Royal Engineers.

Plant mechanic Sapper Terry (Slim) Staff (photograph left) maintains such machinery as the compressor, which he is seen working on, and mechanical diggers. He is detached from the 3rd Field Squadron, Royal Engineers. Both are normally stationed at Tullworth in England.

COOKING FOR HEADQUARTERS LIMASSOL

Private John Collins is a regular table cook with ‘C’ Company, 3rd Battalion Light Infantry. This is his first tour overseas with the Army and he has served only one year of a nine-year engagement. He is a single man whose home is in Seaham, County Durham.

He says he likes the added responsibility of working for a small group of soldiers at Headquarters, Limassol, and he enjoys the Cyprus sun.

LETTER HOME

Private Don Kiarde is a storeman in ‘A’ Company, 3rd Battalion Light Infantry and he is stationed in Paphos. He is a single man who has already served six years of a nine-year engagement.

He enjoys sport, in particular swimming and volleyball, but likes to take time off to write to his family who live in Pontypridd, South Wales.

BRTN CON NEWS

68TH ANNIVERSARY OF 65 SQN RCT

Though for home 65 Squadron, Royal Corps of Transport, still managed to celebrate the 68th anniversary of their formation in 1952, with a traditional evening meal served by the officers and Senior NCOs. Our thanks are extended to the catering staff for all the hard work that provided an excellent five-course dinner.

The squadron then met and had a sing-song and got together at the Wheel Inn Inn Club for an inter-troop games evening, from which A Group emerged victorious yet again.

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SOCCER

Soccer is continuing to be the “No 1 game with Iroon personnel. A Group was selected and had its first outing against Marl Villages. This proved to be a very keenly fought game with Iroon emerging the winners by 5 goals to 1.

Goals scored by Lieutenant Declan O’Carroll and Private Boylan gave them the boost they needed for the forthcoming game against the Aer Lingus soccer team, who arrived from Dublin for Whittam.

Having seen Aer Lingus get in some practice, our soccer experts, who are many, batted our team into a false sense of security by suggesting a railway win for Iroon. After Private Behan had settled early on, it looked as if this was so, but Aer Lingus settled down, tied up their game in defence before mounting and slamming in two goals to win the match. Iroon were caught on the hop and would have to have had another crack at Aer Lingus, but that was not to be as they had to say “bon voyage” the following day to a well-drilled Aer Lingus team.

Our picture shows 18th Infantry Group and Marl soccer teams. Left to right front row, Private Behan, Private Murphy and Private Harr. Middle row, Corporal McCannus, Lieutenant O’Carroll, Sergeant Carolan and Private Boylan. Back row, Captain McManus, Corporal Sheehan, Corporal Devereux, Private Kough and Harvey.

REUNION AFTER 21 YEARS

Three men, who have never been together since they completed their Non-Commissioned Officer’s course twenty one years ago, are now serving in the 18th Infantry Group at Zygi Camp. They are Company Sergeant Harry Wolverson, Sergeant Major Paddy Norris and Company Sergeant Christy Kearney.

Together they underwent their Corporal’s Course at Cathal Brugha Barracks, Dublin, and were awarded their stripes on April 31st, 1949.

Company Sergeant Harry Wolverson is the dynamic force behind the Engineer Unit at Zygi. His home unit is in Cathal Brugha Barracks, Dublin.

Sergeant Major Norris keeps a fatherly eye on all men of the 18th Infantry Group and has done a lot of good work in promoting sporting and social activities. His home unit is the 2nd Battalion, Cathal Brugha Barracks, Dublin.

Company Sergeant Kearney is in charge of Headquarters Company and he is also Mess President which ensures plenty of sing-songs.

In our photograph we see left to right Company Sergeant Wolverson, Sergeant Major Norris and Company Sergeant Christy Kearney.

SIGNALS CONVENTION

On Friday 28th May 1979 a United Nations Senior Non-Commissioned Officers Signal Convention was held at Zygi Camp.

On arrival the convention was addressed by Lieutenant Colonel M. O’Flynn, 18th Infantry Group Commander, who welcomed them to Reykjavik. Sergeant Bill Brennan handled matters from there on and did a first class job supervising and entertaining.

Our photograph shows the NCOs who come from Sweden, Denmark, Finland, France and the Austrian Field Hospital.
Generals Visit

Two generals who are very closely associated with the main body of the Canadian Contingent, the lst Battalion, Royal Canadian Regiment, visited here last week.

Retired Major-General D.C. Spry, Colonel of the Boys, and Brigadier-General S.V. Radley-Wallace, Commander of 2 Combat Group, were swallowed throughout the Continent’s areas in an effort to meet all the Canadian Citizens on the island. Their visit, normally scheduled to last only a week, had to be condensed into a six-day period due to the delayed arrival of their flight from Canada.

Highlights of their visit seemed to be the many hours they spent among the soldiers at work and at play. After a comprehensive briefing on the activities of the contingent, the generals managed to pay a call to practically all the contingent’s observation posts, company locations, messes and recreation areas; they jointly took part in presentations of awards at sports activities and in official opening of the “Pro Patria” Club and the Canadian Overseas Man’s Club. The high-ranking officers and ladies also paid protocol calls to the U.N. officials here in Cyprus.

The distinguished visitors were to return to Canada on Tuesday after having spent six days with the contingent.

Visiting Reporters

Private Paul Gein, “does his thing” for visiting reporters John Arie (left) from CICCO-TV Kitchener, and Ted Kostick, from 680 Radio, a series of reports on the London CICCO, will be seeing Canadian’s in Cyprus as well as greeting to families from noon serving here. In addition to news being broadcast next week, CICCO-TV is preparing a half-hour special on the Canadian Contingent to be aired in early September.

CanCon Soldier Saves Life

A Canadian soldier saved the life of a 16-year old Cypriot girl on Tuesday, May 26th.

The soldier, Corporal Real Degroos, was on life-guard duty at 5 a.m. when he found a young lady panicking in deep water some distance from shore. The girl had been pushing a prammatic mattress with a child on it. The wind had come up, the mattress drifted away and the young lady panicked when unable to retrieve it.

A Royal Navy officer vacationing in Kyrenia brought the child back to shore while Corporal Degroos recovered the young lady whose only sin was to be identified as Mary who is the daughter of a Cypriot priest from the Kyrenia area.

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- Corporal Degroos.

Volleyball Kings

Alpha Company took the title last Thursday by winning the best two out of three games against Support Company. Left to right: Brown, Corporate “Beatle” Ronaldo, Ward Young and Private Gerry Ridey; standing: Corporal Doug Hill, Capt. Castron Nuys, Sergeant Dave Nolin and Bill Sutherland. Master Warrant Officer Gerry Engstrom and Major Bob Hersey.

CanCon Fastball Champs

Support Company took the title by beating Alpha Company 6-3 last Friday.

Photographs above are left to right: front row: Corporals Ralph Ryan, Jim Cunnick and Snow. Middle row: Captain John MacNeil, “Bick” Richard, Fred White, District Howard, D.G. Cockshott, Roy Fairweather, Sergeant Dave Burgin, Lieutenant Walt Holmes and Sergeant Ken Blustrom.

Pudhasta ja ehjäa

Varusavastuulla vahvansaita ja pestutetun pinnoitteen hintaa koskien varttunaan. ”Rättäinen” Mika varasarkkileivät myös kauko-aikaisiin tilaisuuksiin. Ei ole tärkeää, että sotilas onkin kuin kevyt vartalo, joten jo painaa liian paljon tätä. Varsavastuulla syyttävät ainoat järjestelmä nekkimiseksi eivätkä pyytävänkaan miettävätkän. Samoin sotilaan toiminnan arvot ovat vauras ja täällä myös vahvuus ja ”ehjäa” olisi mahdollista.
Emergency Food For Drought Victims In Cyprus

Drought in Cyprus has resulted in a drastic reduction in the island's wheat and barley crops. The World Food Programme is sending emergency food supplies sufficient to last 65,000 persons for three months.

The Director-General of the Food and Agriculture Organization has recently approved 700,000 US dollars worth of food aid, including shipping costs, to provide returns of wheat flour, vegetable oil and coffee.

In its request for emergency aid, the Government said that severe drought was gripping 102 villages in Central Plains of Mesopotamia. The loss of wheat and barley crops in the affected areas would, it was feared, in most cases exceed 75 per cent and in many cases be close to 100 per cent. The Government had so far provided 312,000 US dollars for relief. It planned to spend more, but required WFP help to meet the food requirements of the affected people.

FC VISITS LEFKA DISTRICT

On Friday last the Force Commander, Major General D. Prem Chand, inspected the new Danish Contingent, Danoon XIII.

The General first visited Xeros Camp and later on he paid brief visits to the platoon at Gazivezan, the Light Company at Limnitis and two of the OPs. The inspection finished with a lunch in the Officers' Mess at Xeros.

The Bugles of the 3rd Light Infantry just before sounding "Retreat" last Friday, the 5th June. Bugle-Major Adams is on the left.

Congratulations 65 Sqn

The Force Commander, Major General D. Prem Chand, publicly congratulated 65 Squadron, Royal Corps of Transport, on having no accidents during the month of May 1970.

At a conference, held in Headquarters, on 3rd June last, he made a special point of drawing this fact to the attention of all contingents saying "Major Jordan and all the members of his squadron are to be highly commended on this splendid effort."

During the month they covered 146,186 miles. Seen in the photograph are some of the squadron vehicles and drivers.

The 4 ton Bedford's and ciss pit empters belong to 'A' troop and the staff cars belong to 'B' troop, who also boast having driven for 74 days without an accident.

The Squadron leave Cyprus at the beginning of July and

MP NOTEBOOK

Accidents - Unficyp

Week Ending 6 Jun 70 — 5
Same period last year — 4
Total this year — 179
Same period last year — 159
Main cause of accidents this week — IMPROPER OVERTAKING (PASSING ON CURVES)