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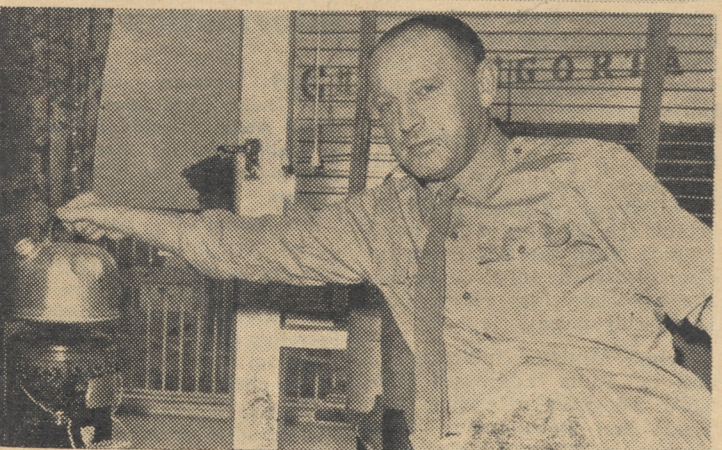
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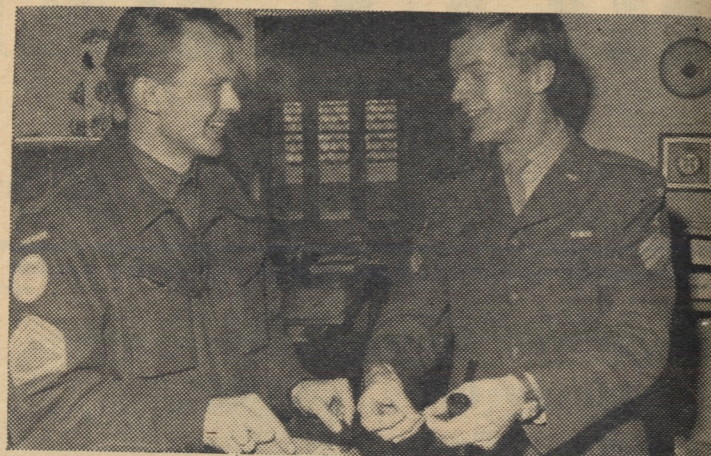
Vi præsenterer endnu et nyt medlem af DANCON's stab; en person, som De sikkert vil komme til at se meget til, idet MAJ L.C. Frederiksen (tv) er den nye chef på Velfærds-kontoret, hvor han skal overtage arbejdet efter MAJ F. Schiøtte, der rejser hjem den 4. februar efter endt tjeneste ved DANCON. MAJ Frederiksen er allerede i fuld gang med velfærdsarbejdet. Han havde en af de første dage en længere forhandling med "vores allesammens Emilio".

SÅ ER CODE RÅD DYRE

Hvad pokker skal vi nu gøre? Nu ville det være rart, om man havde husket spaden og snekæder samt monteringsværktøjet. Skal De til Troodos, så husk derfor disse ting, og så køør forsigtigt! Glem ikke, at regn, når De starter, betyder sne i bjergene! Glem heller ikke, at der skal være køler-væske på køleren, da De kommer op i højden, hvor der er frostvejr.

**SPECIELT FOR DANCIVPOL:**

Skulle De have et velfærdsproblem, som De gerne vil have løst, så er der manden, der kan klare disse ærter, nemlig inspektør Nybo-Frederiksen. Velfærden starter allerede på insp. Nybo-Frederiksens værelse, hvor man altid taler om problemerne over en kop "hjemmelavet" kaffe.

SÅ ER SPÆNDINGEN UDLØST!

Blandt de mange indsendte løsninger blev vinderen af The Blue Beret's nytårskonkurrence - "næsespøgen" — udtrykket af Notarius Publicus' stedfortræder her på øen, SG E. Olsen fra Velfærdskontoret. Den heldige vinder af den udsatte præmie — en amerikansk skrivemaskine — blev OS K.E. Jensen (V/MEK), der fik præmien overrakt af SG P. Hallas fra pres-setjenesten.

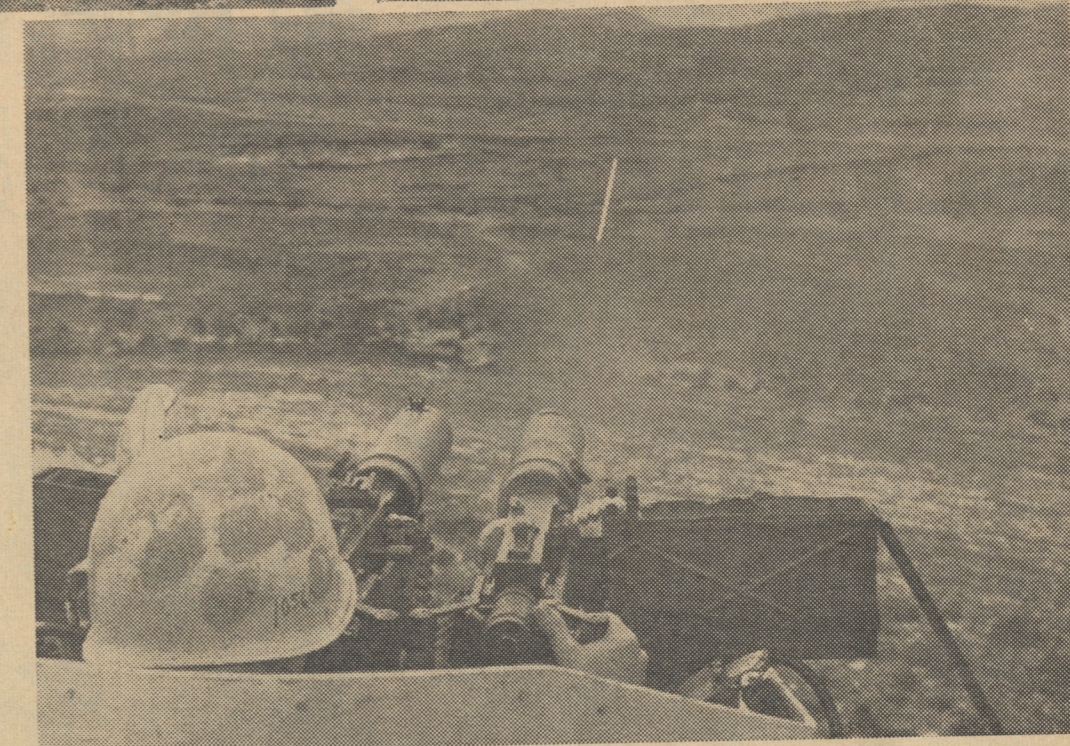
TIO GRENAR-FEM MÄSTARE

I 2. kompaniets förnämliga regi och med överfurir Torsten Stålnacke, Västerhaninge, som närmast ansvarig arrangör och dirigent avgjordes zonnmästerskapen i friidrott på Gold Fish Stadion i Famagusta förra tisdagen och onsdagen. Ett 60-tal deltagare ställde upp i de 10 grenarna. Det märkvärdiga i sammanhanget var att endast fem zonnmästare korades - furir Tor Andersson, Skövde, på STR-komp., överfurir Bo Nilsson, Härnösand, på 1. komp., kapten Hans-Erik Hansson, Viken, på STR-komp., Jan-Erik Jonsson, Tannaby i Jämtland, på 3. komp., samt i den svenska stafetten 2. komp.

Både Bo Nilsson och Tor Andersson blev 3-faldiga zonnmästare genom att ta hem 100 meter, längd och höjd respektive 800 m, 1500 m och 3000 m. Segrande ur den hårda striden om vem som är SWEDCON:s bästa idrottsman gick Bo Nilsson genom en andraplacing i diskus mot Tor Anderssons fjärdeplacering i finalen på 400 m. Bo Nilsson lade därmed beslag på 29 poäng mot Tor Anderssons 26.

Den stora överraskningen i zonnmästerskapen blev emellertid vår nye tandläkare, kapten Hans-Erik Hansson. Han kom till Cypern den 15 januari och kastade genast hem både diskus och kula.

Anmärkningsvärt är att STR-komp. tydligen har SWEDCON:s bästa och mesta idrottare. I täv-



lingen mellan de olika kompanierna och SWEDCIVPOL tog nämligen STR-komp. 65 poäng mot 1 komp:s 54. 2. komp. lade sig som artiga värdar på tredjeplats efter 3. komp, medan SWEDCIVPOL trots sin i förhållande till bataljonen underlägsna numerär lyckades kamma hem 13 poäng. På bilden till vänster är det Tor Andersson som spränger målnöret på 1500 meter, och till höger är det Bo Nilsson som går in för landning i längdhoppet.

Fullträffar på Goshi

En dag var tredje vecka knallar det särskilt starkt på Goshi skjutfält 15 km norr om Larnaca. Då är nämligen 3. komp i aktion med strids- och fältskjutningar, som sker i rent utbildningssyfte. Alla vapen på kompaniet "vädras" - granatgevär, kulsprutor, automatkarbiner och kulsprutepistoler.

På bilden har stabsfotografen Putte Sandberg lyckats fånga en

kulsprutesalva från tornet på en av våra kp-bilar. Man skulle kunna tro att bilden "snyggats upp" i efterhand, men så är alltså inte fallet. Med andra ord - en fullträff också för vår duktige fotograf.

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Japan and Iran Contribute to UNFICYP Costs

In response to appeals made by the UN Secretary-General, U Thant, for voluntary contributions to help meet the costs of the UN Force in Cyprus, Japan and Iran have informed him that they will make additional contributions for this purpose.

In a letter dated 26 January, addressed to the Secretary-General, the Japanese Government said it had decided to make contribution to the costs of UNFICYP in the amount of 125,000 dollars for a twelfth period ending 26 March 1968. The Japanese Government said it had taken this decision "without prejudice to its stand on problems concerning United Nations peace-keeping operations."

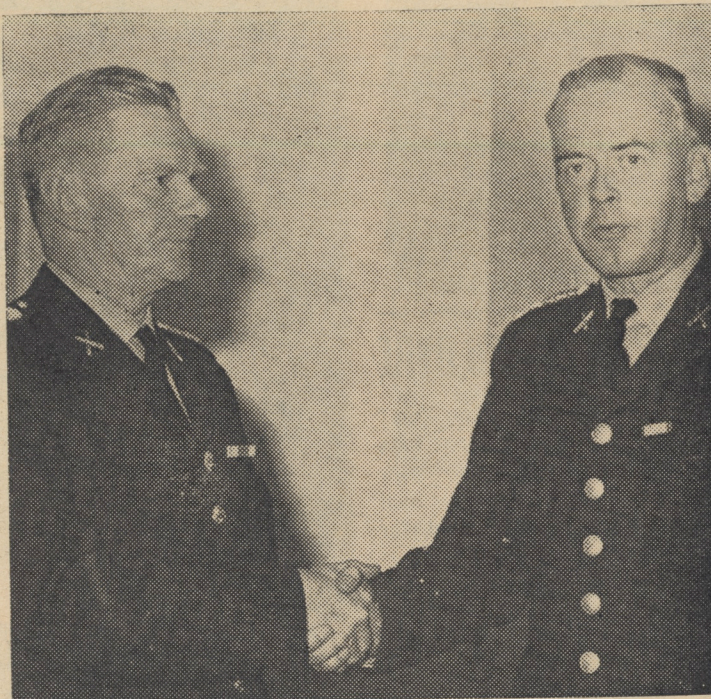
Iran, in a note dated 30 January, addressed to the Secretary-General, said that — subject to parliamentary approval — the Government of Iran will make a contribution of 4,000 dollars towards the costs of the stationing of UNFICYP for the six-month period ending December, 1967.

'Pueblo' Incident Taken Up At Panmunjom

AFTER a week of intensive consultations among the ten nonpermanent members of the UN Security Council, outgoing Council President, Mr Agha Shahi of Pakistan, announced on Wednesday of last week that the five African-Asian members of the Council had put forward tentative proposals designed to pave the way for the release of the USS Pueblo and her crew — seized the previous week by the Democratic Republic of Korea.

These suggestions were that the five seek informal talks with North Korean representatives in Geneva on inviting North Korea to present its case to the Council and on securing the release of the US vessel and her crew. Mr Shahi emphasized that the suggestions were merely exploratory and said the reaction of the United States and the Soviet Union was being awaited.

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Brig Widegren, CO of Swedcon Mother Regt Visits Cyprus

BRIGADIER-General S.A. Widegren, Commanding Officer of the Mother Regiment of the Swedish Battalion now serving with UNFICYP, arrived at Nicosia Airport on the 30th of January for a five-day inspection tour of the Swedish Contingent camps and observation posts in the Famagusta Zone. Brigadier-General Widegren was welcomed at the airport by Colonel P.S. Wallin, CO of the Swedish Contingent.

(See photo above — Brig-Gen Widegren, left).

On leaving Cyprus for Sweden on the 4th of February Brigadier-General Widegren expressed his satisfaction with what he had seen of the Swedish Battalion. "It has made an extraordinarily good impression on me", Brigadier-General Widegren stated on his departure.

PEACE AND PROSPERITY, THEME OF WORLD TRADE CONFERENCE

A wide range of major problems came under review at the second session of the United Nations Conference on Trade and Development as it got underway in New Delhi last week.

In a message to the opening meeting on Thursday of last week, the UN Secretary-General, U Thant, emphasized the link between peace and prosperity. He expressed the hope that concrete and permanent solutions of problems of economic growth, trade and development financing would form the basis of a realistic endeavour to achieve universal and lasting peace.

U Thant said he/hoped to be able to go to New Delhi as soon as possible. The Secretary-General cancelled plans to attend the opening of the Conference when the UN Security Council became involved in the Korean issue (see story, Col. 1, on this page).

Prime Minister Indira Gandhi of India addressed the 2,500 delegates attending the Trade and Development Conference on Thursday and also stressed the indissoluble links between peace and prosperity.

Mrs. Gandhi draw attention to the need for global strategy for development, and said there could be no peace without erasing the harshness of the

Secretary-General To Visit Moscow, London

U Thant, UN Secretary-General, left New York yesterday for Geneva enroute to New Delhi, Moscow and London.

In New Delhi, U Thant will attend the opening phase of the second UN Conference on Trade and Development (see story, Col. 2, below).

Leaving New Delhi for Moscow on Sunday, the Secretary-General will spend that Sunday afternoon as well as a greater part of Monday in the Soviet capital. During his stay there, he will be received by Premier Kosygin and other Soviet leaders.

U Thant will leave Moscow for London on Monday and will be received by Prime Minister Wilson and Foreign Secretary Brown on Tuesday. He plans to return to UN Headquarters that same night.

Hamid, New Head Of UN Public Information Office

UN Secretary - General, U Thant, has appointed Mr Agha Abdul Hamid of Pakistan as United Nations Assistant Secretary-General for Public Information.

Mr Hamid who assumed his duties during the week of 22 January as head of the Office of Public Information, was the Cabinet Secretary and Establishment Secretary in the Government of Pakistan, following a career spent in the civil service of his country.

Among the many posts held by Mr Hamid in Government service, he was Deputy Director General — at times acting as Director General — of All India Radio between 1942 and 1945, and between 1955 and 1956 he was Joint Secretary in charge of the Ministry of Information and Broadcasting of Pakistan.

THE STRONG ARM BOYS



Members of A Coy enjoying a test of strength (L to R) Cpl J.P. Parsons, Sgt Pat Gregan, Cpl Bernard Brady and Cpl Timmy O'Sullivan. Sgt Gregan has served with six Irish Units on UN duty. During his service in the Congo he was wounded in the face at the "Tunnel" in Elizabethville and was awarded the DSM for his part in that action. He is married and lives at Arbour Hill, Dublin.



MEDAL AWARDS



Terence Mulcahy receiving congratulations from the IRCON Contingent Commander at the recent presentation of UN (Cyprus) medals. Cpl Mulcahy joined the Air Corps Apprentice School in 1957 and having completed 2 years technical training was posted to the Technical Wing of the Air Corps where he serves as an Airframe Fitter.

THE BAND OF 1st BN THE ROYAL GREEN JACKETS



Every British battalion is proud of its Regimental band and no exception is the 1st Battalion The Royal Green Jackets. No big parade is complete without a band and, throughout history, soldiers have been urged to great victories by the sounds of their musical colleagues, whether they be playing drums and fife, bagpipes or the bigger brass.

Infantry Regiments usually have a band and drums (except for the Scottish and Irish who may have bagpipes as well) but Light Infantry and Rifle Regiments have a Band and Buglers and The Royal Green Jackets come into this category. The First Battalion The Royal Green Jackets has 18 Buglers under the Command and direction of Bugle Major G. Forti. The origin of this custom is in the wars of the mid-eighteenth century when Britain raised a large Army for service against the French.

Whilst serving in America certain Regiments discarded the drum beat as a means of communication because the drum was cumbersome and heavy, and because the sound of the drum did not carry as far as the bugle when soldiers were widely dispersed.

Other Light Infantry and Rifle Regiments soon adopted the bugle and two of the first to do so were the 43rd and 52nd now together forming the 1st Battalion The Royal Green Jackets. Now the buglehorn is incorporated in the badges of all the Light Infantry and the Royal Green Jackets. The band and bugles are versatile people playing orchestral as well as parade music, and they include two dance bands and a 'trad' group, which all played a most important part over the Christmas period, nearly playing themselves to a standstill whilst entertaining the scattered battalion in its various UNFICYP posts.

Whilst on active service the band has performed various military tasks. The buglers are also the battalion Defence Platoon and if the battalion goes to war the buglers come in that capacity. Their normal life includes training in weapons and fieldcraft so they have to be as skilled infantry as the rifle platoon.

BRITCON NEWS



MECHANICAL KNOW-HOW Craftsman Leslie Paris from Winchester, Hants, is cheerfully attending to one of those defects so well known to motorists who can rarely fix them. Such repairs are speedily effected by REME fitters here in St Patrick's Camp, Paphos, with the Royal Green Jackets — and wherever the Army is located, of course.



CONSTANT PRACTICE (left) makes for PARADE-GROUND PERFECTION (below) at the band's recent performance at Paphos.



IRCON NEWS

OPS A CLERKS



Cpl John Power of 1 AA Regiment serves as a clerk in OPS A at HQ UNFICYP. Cpl Power joined the Army in 1963 and has served continuously in the Artillery Corps. He has previously served in Cyprus with the 40th Battalion in 1964. He is married and lives in Kildare. (R) Cpl Dave Whitehead, Royal Canadian Army Service Corps.



Members of the Pipe Band admiring A Company Pennant while awaiting the "fall in" at Lefka Camp. Photo shows (L to R) Cpl John Doran (Company Pennant Bearer) Pte Daniel Smollen and Pte Michael Sammon. Ptes Smollen and Sammon are members of the Pipe Band 6 Infantry Battalion Athlone. On return to Ireland the Company Pennant will be presented to the museum at the Military College, Curragh Camp.



Jääkäri Reita Kallio vauhdissa. Rakennusvaiheessa Kallion kerrottiin toimineen "työnjohtajana". — Kallio itse kertoi varsinkin kanadalaisien olevan innostuneita autosta ja käyvän ajelemissa melko tiheään.

VAUHTIHURJAT

Vapaa-aika ei ole kaikille ongelma. Siitä saa hyvän todistuksen kun pistäytyy Kicon välittömässä läheisyydessä olevalla kilpa-ajoradalla, jonka asiantuntijat itse ovat kehittäneet ja rakentaneet. Ja mitäpä olisi hyvä ja tasainen ajorata ilman menevää autoa ja meneviä miehiä. Siellä mennäänkin sitäpaitsi lujaa niin että hiekka lentää ja pakoputket paukkavat. Ajetaan vuoronperään, ja toiset ottavat sekuntikello kourassa aikoja.

Tarvitaan vain mielikuvitusta, tarmoa ja harrastusta sekä mukavaa yhteishenkeä, niin johan rupeaa jouto-aika kulumaan. Edellämainittuja ominaisuuksia näillä omatekoisen kilpa-auton sekä ajoradan rakentajilla lienee ollut melkoisen runsaasti, sillä muuten tuskin olisi saatu mitään vastaavaa syntymään. Kaksi miestä oli käyttänyt jopa lomansa auton rakentamiseen. Ehkä siinä jäi Libanon tai Israel näkemättä, mutta vastapainoksi saatiin tyydytystä suoritetusta työstä. Auto, ketterä kuin kärppä,

saatiin valmiiksi vajaan kuukaudessa, ja nyt se on valmiina auttamassa rakentajiaan ja muitakin viihtymään paremmin. Kova-vauhtisuudestaan ja ketteryydestään huolimatta auto on myös mahdollisimman turvallinen. Painopiste on niin alhaalla, ettei sitä saa ympäri vaikka yrittäisi.

Myös ajorata on varsin tarkoitukseenmukainen ja turvallinen. Pienehköt peltitynnyrit, tyhjat, toimivat "pujottelukeppeinä". Toimituskin lupasi käydä pistämässä lommoille muutaman tynnyrin.



Hyväkin auto tarvitsee huolenpitoa. Tässä vahvistellaan hitsamalla jotakin ohjauslaitteisiin kuuluvaa hilavatkulaa.



FINCON NEWS

Vauhtihurjat ja auton isät. Edessä vasenmalta kersantti Kalevi Liikainen, vääpeli Vidar Fagerström ja ylikersantti Leo Karppanen. Takarivissä vasenmalta jääkäri Reita Kallio, jääkäri Jorma Vuorela ja jääkäri Jaakko Tuomi. Fagerströmin ja Tuomen lomat olivat kulu-neet mukavasti auton rakentamisessa.



UNFICYP PROVOST COMPANY

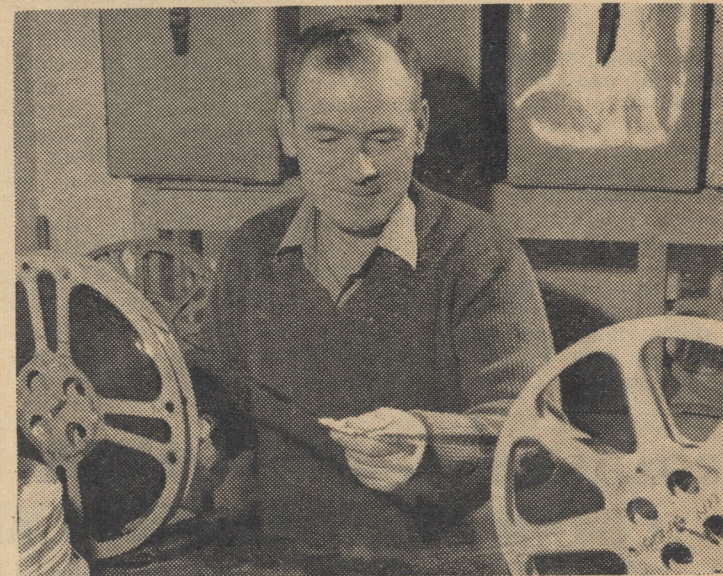
Capt Perry Smith, Second-in-Command and WO II Charles Douglas, both members of the UNFICYP Military Police Company based at Wolseley Barracks are fairly recent arrivals to CANCON. They are seen checking a map position while on a recent recon of the Island's road conditions.

CANCON NEWS
(Canadian Forces Photos)

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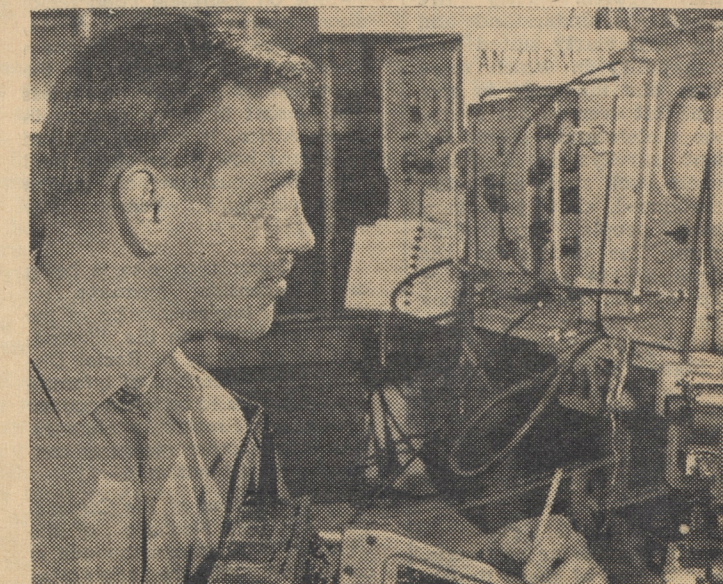


Pte Lawrence Walsh checks stores items on hand in the Royal Canadian Ordnance Corps warehouse needed to support the 900 man Canadian UN contingent.



MOVIE GOER — Cpl Vack Acorn rewinds a movie to be shown in CANCON. He is responsible for ensuring more than a dozen movies are available each day at different centres. A different movie at each centre each day sometimes poses headaches — particularly if a "repeat" occurs.

SIGNALS TECHNICIAN



Radio plays a vital part in the communication facilities of the UN force and technicians such as Cpl Bill Sveinson ensure the equipment is ready for use around the clock.

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WHAT'S ON THE MENU?



An Army marches on its 'stomach' was the saying immortalised by Napoleon Bonaparte.

Although HQ UNFICYP may not do much marching, the production of food to suit everyone is an important morale-boosting factor, and this is further complicated when there are members of several armies represented in a single dining unit.

Having seen to our needs for six months, Catering Su-

pervisor, Warrant Officer II Derek Owen (left), a Welshman, returned to Perth, Scotland. He handed over to Warrant Officer II Alex Black, a Scot, on detachment from the Army's School of Education at Beaconsfield, Bucks; all of which seems as good a national geographical mixture as anyone could cook up. In the picture it looks as if the chips are down or someone has had theirs!

ROAD SAFETY CORNER

An important part of road safety is a good knowledge of traffic signs by all users of the road.

In Cyprus the "Continental System" of traffic signs is used and these rely on symbols rather than letters and figures. They are simple to understand and are particularly suited to a community in which more than one language is spoken. But even so not everyone understands them. Recent surveys in England, where such signs are being introduced, show that very few people understand them. The details of the signs are in your copy of the Cyprus Highway Code but remember the three main types of signs.

Signs denoting danger within a red triangle (eg Road work in progress).

Prohibitory and mandatory signs within a red or blue circle (eg NO entry to lorries).

Informative signs — usually square or rectangular (eg End of speed limit).
KNOW YOUR TRAFFIC SIGNS.

HUMAN RIGHTS COMMISSION OPENS SESSION AT UN HQS

The question of the violation of human rights, including policies of racial discrimination and apartheid, occupies a prominent place on the agenda of the 24th session of the UN Commission on Human Rights which began at UN Headquarters in New York last Monday.

At its five-week session, the 32 nation Commission will consider two special reports relating to human rights in Southern Africa — one on apartheid and racial discrimination in South Africa, South West Africa and Southern Rhodesia, and the other on the treatment of prisoners, detainees and persons in police custody in South Africa. It is also expected to discuss how it can best deal with the question of human rights violations wherever they occur.

The Commission also is being asked to consider measures for the speedy implementation of the UN Declaration on the Elimination of all Forms of Racial Discrimination, freedom of information, measures to be taken against nazism and racial intolerance, and various other measures concerning discrimination.

The Chairman of the Commission, Mr Petr Nedbailo of the Ukraine, in a statement made in connection with the celebration this year of International Year for Human Rights, called for special efforts during the coming year to ensure the dignity of all men.

UAR, Israeli Exchanges Check Ship Evacuation

UN Secretary-General, U Thant, said last week that the planned evacuation from the Suez Canal of 15 foreign ships marooned there since the Arab-Israeli war last summer was in serious doubt because of conflicting United Arab Republic and Israeli positions which led to a firing incident Tuesday of last week.

However, U Thant declared in a report to the UN Security Council, he still hoped for an arrangement to get the ships out.

The Tuesday clash occurred after Israeli forces fired at an Egyptian survey boat attempting to go northward from Lake Timsah — about a halfway point of the waterway — and several wounded were reported by the two sides before a UN cease-fire went into effect.

U Thant's report detailed a series of prior exchanges on the evacuation issue, involving the UAR and Israel along with Ambassador Gunnar Jarring — special UN peace envoy to the Middle East — General Odd Bull — the Chief UN Truce Observer — and U Thant himself.

The UAR position was that although she had originally indicated she would — on her authority alone — evacuate the stranded ships through the southern exit, unforeseen technical difficulties had cropped up, and a survey of the northern segment of the Canal to check on obstacles was therefore essential. Following the Tuesday clash, Cairo halted the whole evacuation operation.

Israel, in communications set forth in the report, stressed she had agreed only to the southward exit for the ships, and that the

July '67 truce agreement barred any movement in the Canal without the acquiescence of both Israel and the UAR. Any northern operation, she said, would have to be the subject of a new agreement. She added that the existing accords must be scrupulously observed, as freedom of navigation through the Canal for all States remained an important unresolved issue.

In his report, U Thant said the difficulties encountered showed how arduous it was to solve even "relatively non-controversial matters on which the parties themselves are agreed in principle."

"PUEBLO"

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On Thursday of last week, the United States made it known that it was prepared to deal with the Pueblo incident through the long-standing Panmunjom Armistice Commission in Korea in accordance with the reported suggestion by North Korea.

Meanwhile, Ambassador Arthur Goldberg of the United States informed the new Council President, Ambassador Solano Lopez of Paraguay, that the US was deferring a formal response "to the Afro-Asian suggestions. The US statement on possible Panmunjom discussions noted the reports from Pyongyang saying that North Korea would not use the United Nations to deal with the Pueblo problem, but was prepared to deal with the issue through the Panmunjom Commission set up in 1953 to oversee the armistice ending the Korean war.

DO IT-YOURSELF GO-KART



FREE-TIME ACTIVITY. You can spend your spare time in many different ways. If you have imagination, skill, and energy, you can for example build a car for your own pleasure as well as for that of others. A car like this also needs a racing track, which can be found in the vicinity of Kykko Camp. This car is a result of team-work by six Finns. Pictured below is Pte Reita Kallio ready for a start.