

THE BLUE BERET

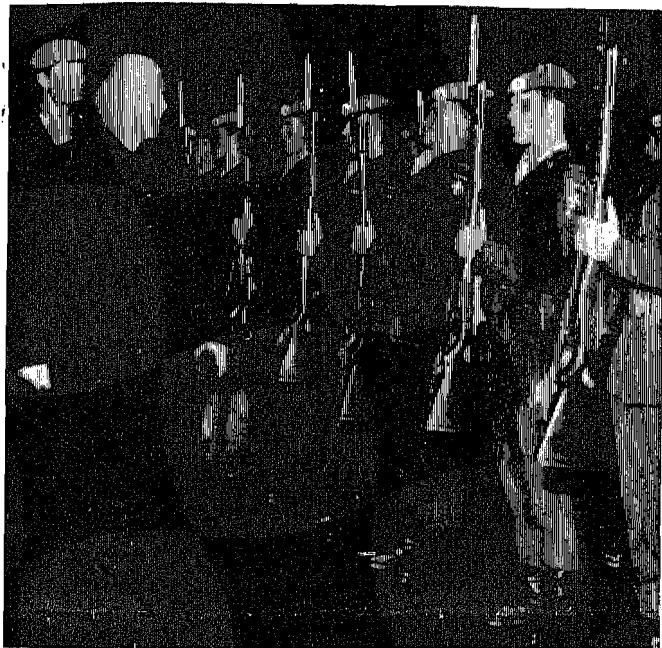


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DANISH DEFENCE MINISTER'S VISIT

THE Danish Minister of Defence, Mr. Victor Gram, arrived in Nicosia on Monday (31st January), for a three-day visit to Cyprus to inspect Denmark's Contingent with the United Nations Force in Cyprus.

Mr. Gram was met at the Nicosia airport by the Danish Minister to Cyprus, Mr. V. de Steensen-Leth, and the Officer Commanding the Danish Contingent with UNFICYP, Lieutenant Colonel E. Lorenzen.

Yesterday (Tuesday) morning, the Danish Minister of Defence called on the Acting President of the Republic of Cyprus, on the Acting Minister of Foreign Affairs and the Minister of Interior, Mr. P. Yorgodjis. He also called on Turkish - Cypriot leaders.

Mr. Gram later that morning met with Mr. Carlos A. Bernardes, Special Representative of the Secretary-General in Cyprus and Brig. A. J. Wilson, Force Chief-of-Staff now acting in Command, and other UNFICYP officials at Force Headquarters.

In the afternoon, the Danish Minister visited Louroujina, Kyrenia and Famagusta.

Today, Wednesday, Mr. Gram will visit Danish units serving with the Force and he will leave Nicosia tomorrow morning.

Pictured above, Mr. Gram inspects a Guard of Honour from

'C' Coy, DANCON, commanded by Major J. Hoejland - Christensen, on his arrival at Nicosia.

Malta: 'token' contribution

MALTA has made a further token contribution to the costs of the United Nations Peace-Keeping Force in Cyprus.

In a letter sent to the U.N. Secretary - General, U Thant, by the Permanent Representative of Malta, to the United Nations, Mr Arvid Pardo, the Government of Malta informed the United Nations that it would be making a further voluntary "token" contribution of £100 for this purpose.

FINANCES -

S-G submits report to 14 experts: UN now has short term debts of \$ 55m

A REPORT made public at United Nations Headquarters in New York last week showed that since the end of 1956, the United Nations paid out almost \$194 million dollars more than it received in assessed and voluntary contributions from Government and from miscellaneous income earning activities.

To meet this shortfall in income, the Organization authorized the sale of United

20 million and appealed to Members for special voluntary contributions to enable it to meet its commitments. As a result of these measures, the United Nations remains solvent in terms of net liquid assets, but short-term indebtedness had increased just over two million dollars in January 1957 to over 55 million dollars as of last 30 September.

FURTHER APPEAL FOR UNFICYP FUNDS

UN Secretary-General U Thant last week sent out a new appeal to all Member States for contributions to cover the costs of the U.N. Peace-Keeping Force in Cyprus. The operation faced a deficit of about 6 million dollars as of last 26 December. The cost of extending the stay of the Force till 26 March is estimated at an additional 6 million dollars, including costs of repatriation. Since only one million dollars has been pledged to date for the current three month period, about 11 million dollars are still needed if all financial obligations of the peace-keeping operation are to be fully met.

Nations bonds during 1962, 1963, and 1964 realizing 173 million dollars, increased working capital by just over

The report containing these figures was issued by the Secretary-General for consideration by a Committee of fourteen experts set up by the UN General Assembly to examine the finances of the UN and the specialized agencies and to recommend financial policies and procedures for the future. The Committee will meet this week.

A fact which emerged from the report was that the UN, over the nine years under review, had spent less than the sums authorized by the Assembly as distinct from the amounts collected, for regular budget and special accounts for the Mid-East and Congo operations. Had the UN received all contributions assessed against or requested of Member States by the Assembly to meet authorized expenditures, it would have had a credit balance of ap-

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UNFICYP assists move of students

Five hundred and twelve Turkish Cypriot students left Xeros at 0340 hours on Friday morning (28 January) on board the Turkish 6,750 ton vessel 'Giresun' for Turkey to resume their studies there.

Departure of the students, who were in Kokkina, Limnitis, Lefka and Nicosia, was arranged through the good offices of the United Nations Force in Cyprus between the Government of Cyprus and the

Turkish Cypriot Leadership. UNFICYP supervised the entire operation and provided logistic facilities to assemble the students at Xeros and embark them on board the ship.



Mandag formiddag var den danske gesandt paa Cypern, ambassadoer V. de Steensen - Leth med chefen for DANCON, oberstløjtnant E. Lorenzen paa en uformel inspektionstur paa "den groenne linie". Mandag aften ankom forsvarsminister Victor Gram med fly til Nicosia.

Lovens menneskelige arm

OVERSKRIFTEN falder let, for chefen for DANPO, politikommisær J. Storgaard er virkelig et varm og levende menneske, der ikke blot forstaar at kommandere sin styrke, men hvis bevaeggrunde er saa rigtige, at man uvilkaarligt faar den tanke, at hvis alle politifolk har samme indstilling til deres gerning, saa er vi danske borgere i god varetaegt.

I over 25 aar har politikommisær Storgaard vaeret ved politiet — i Roenne, Padborg og sidst i Roedby,



Chefen for DANPO, politikommisær J. Storgaard ved skrivebordet i chef-kontoret paa Saray Hotel.

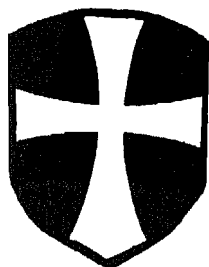
hvor han til daglig er leder. Han har mest vaeret beskæftiget med fremmedpolitiets mangeartede opgaver, saa ogsaa den sproglige side af

sagen var i orden, da han soegte til Cypern. Han ankom den 2 November og forlader oeen allerede den 9 Februar, idet chefen for DANPO kun kan vaere her i tre maanedere, medens det oevrige personel kan soege op til seks-syv maaneders tjeneste.

DANPO's opgave er at vaere et civil supplement til den militaere FN-styrke, og for at understrege dette er politiet altid ubevaebnet og koerer altid i hvidmalede vogne, der er tydeligt afmaerkede.

I den senere tid har der ikke vaeret alvorlige episoder

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NEWS IN DANISH

Tre løjtnanter er i Tirsdags kommet i den pinlige situation, at de mangler stjerner. De er nemlig blevet udnævnt til premierløjtnanter. Det er premierløjtnant P. Majgaard fra Falsterske Fodregiment, der er ordonnansofficer ved staben; premierløjtnant P. Ditlefsen fra Gardehusarerne, der farretter tjeneste ved C-kompagniet og premierløjtnant S. E. Bentzen, som er delingsfoerer for pionerdelingen og kommer fra Jydske Ingenioerregiment.

Heldigvis kan "Den blaa Baret" anvise hvor stjernerne kan hentes, idet kaptajn C. J. Forman, der er chef for A-kompagniet, fra samme dag er blevet udnævnt til major.

Desvaerre er vi ikke bekendt med, at der ogsaa skulle foreligge udnævnelser til general indenfor DANCON, saa vi ser os ikke i stand til at anvise major Forman, sam ses her, hvor han kan hente sine stjerner.



BREV HJEM

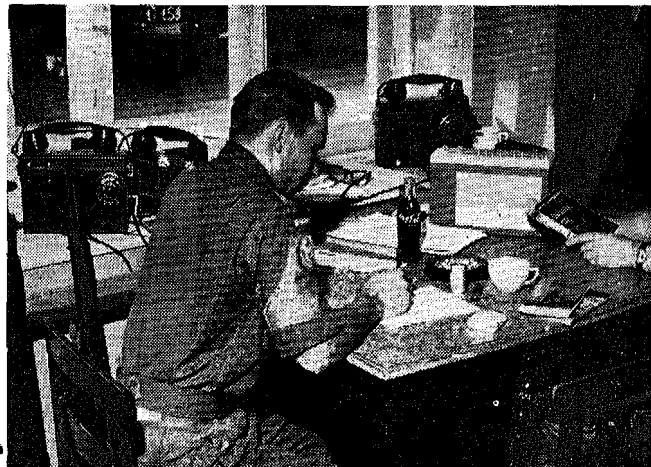
SOM en gratis laeserservice bringer "Den blaa Baret" hermed et eksempel — til almindelig afbenyttelse — paa et brev til dem derhjemme:

Kaere Allesammen!

Saelsomt, dette at vaere saa langt vaek fra Jer — men nu havde jeg altsaa besluttet, at jeg vil'e gennemfoere dette, at fra skrabet de gysser sammen.

Jeg oplever en masse og har det herligt, men af og til strejfer tanken mig: det ville nu vaere rart, hvis jeg var derhjemme. Dig, lille skat, savner jeg selvfoelgelig saerlig meget. Det er ikke fordi, der er mangel paa kvinder hernede, men ingen af dem er som du, og desuden er de ikke til at komme i naerheden af, medmindre man da ligefrem vil styre sig ud i et aegtskab.

I kan lige tro vi har det skaegt sammen. Vi drikker nu ikke saa meget, som ham Ole, der havde vaeret hernede, sag-



de, at de gjorde, men af og til smutter der da en enkelt lille en ned gennem spiseroret. Naa, men I kender mig jo, jeg ved lige noejagtigt, hvornaar jeg har faaet nok. Saa snupper vi os af og til en aegsandwich — den er ikke som du plejer at servere dem, Mor, men naar noeden er stoerst er Charlie naermost, som vi siger her.

I har vel faaet det faareskind, jeg sendte til Jer? Det var helt fantastisk bil'igt, saa I maa endelig ikke tro, at jeg har kastet mig ud i for store udgifter. Forresten, nu vi taler om penge, saa ryger der nok et par knapper til Libanon-turen, men jeg synes, at naar man nu er her, saa er det da bare om at faa set noget, ikke?

Mit cigaretforbrug er kun steget med tyve stykker om dagen! Det er da flot klaret, naar man taenker paa hvor mange penge jeg derved sparer med de lave priser her og afgiftsforhojelserne hjemme hos Jer.

Naa, men nu skal jeg ud paa vagt, saa jeg maa hellere sluge min Cola og se at komme af sted. Hav det nu rart til naeste brev — og jeg skal nok love ikke at blive vred, hvis I skriver — er det forstaat? Tak — slut!

Jeres soen — og hvad deraf foelger

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Kriminaloverbetjent P. Steenvinkel fra fremmedpolitiet i Kastrup Lufthavn, der blandt andet eftersøger forsvundne personer, ses her ved sit "isskab" — den hvidmalede land-rover.

Lovens
menneskilige
arm

i DANPO's omraade. Tilloeb til smaastridigheder er flydt ud i sandet, naar de hvide vogne dukkede op og de rolige og dog myndige danske politifolk viste sig paa scenen.



Major Creighton surfaces after a trial dive.



Major Creighton gives instructions as he is being helped into his gear by members of the Club.

Guards learn
SCUBA diving

A familiarization course in SCUBA (Self Contained Underwater Breathing Apparatus) diving is being conducted in Kyrenia Harbour near the Coeur-de-Lion Hotel, by members of the Canadian Contingent's 2 Canadian Guards.

The course starts by introductory short dives so that personnel become familiar with a new element and unfamiliar surroundings. During this period the student scuba divers are taught swimming, ditching drills, safety signals and other prerequisites. As the equipment on hand is very limited in quantity the course must be divided into theoretical as well as practical phases. For those not engaged in actual and practical scuba diving, they are taught to do surface and limited underwater to become more proficient swimmers.

At this time there are fifteen all ranks involved in the training programme and enthusiasm is at a peak. The chief instructor and the prime organizer of the SCUBA Diving Club is Major W. D. Creighton, commanding officer, W. Battery 4 RCHA.

BARBED WIRE BELIES FRIENDLY
ATMOSPHERE AT
AUSTRIAN HOSPITAL

A former detention centre some quarter mile off the Nicosia—Morphou road, surrounded by barbed wire and with an armed guard on the main gate — that is the Austrian Field Hospital near Kokkina Tremithia. Although this setting seems rather forbidding for a hospital, once behind the wire, a visitor is immediately struck by the warm and friendly atmosphere of the camp. The staff of the AFH are kept busy by the members of UNFICYP. Last year, staff conducted more than 4,000 laboratory tests and took over three thousand

X-rays. Three thousand plus outpatients and 1300 dental patients attended and there were almost eight hundred admissions, some in serious condition. Amongst these was Private Raimo Merilainen of the Finnish Contingent, who was admitted in a critical condition and whose life.. was saved after almost twelve hours of work by hospital doctors and staff. Present CO of the Hospital is Major Leo Effenberger, better known as the 'Flying Doctor'. He has had previous experience with UN in the Congo and is now on his second tour in Cyprus.



Major Erwin Wiesler, of Vienna, the hospital's resident dentist, examines Corporal Michael Fitzpatrick of the Irish Contingent. Looking on is interpreter Kalevi Tanninen of FINCON.

'Radio Manana' DJs, CQMS Christy Coyle and Sergeant Jack Daly (left) surrounded by record sleeves as they put out a request programme.

Radio, papers for UNFICYP Irish

Irishmen, the world over, are renowned for making their temporary 'homes' as much like the 'old country' as possible and the soldiers of the 5th Infantry Group are no different. Now, with the Group half-way through its UNFICYP tour, troops serving at Lefka, Limnitis and Xeros can read their own weekly news-sheets and personnel of the Group's Xeros headquarters have their own 'radio' show broadcast over the camp's public address system every night.

"Radio Manana", the brain-child of CQMS Christy Coyle and Sergeant Jack Daly (see BLUE BERET of 26 January, page four) goes on the air every night between six and seven, "to fill in the time be-

part of the life of the Group. "McAuley's Roundup", the news-sheet of Lefka based 'A' Company, was also founded in December. Based, as the name suggests, on life on a ranch, the 'Roundup', to quote its editor, Corporal Michael Lacy, "makes fun of all ranks from the CO down". To protect the editor and staff of printer Corporal Benny Molloy, main contributor Signalman John Durcan and cartoonist Private Christy McQuaide, however, pseudonyms are used through-

Staff of 'McAuley's Roundup'. Left to right: Sgmn John Durcan, Cpl Michael Lacy, Cpl Benny Molloy and Private Christy McQuaide.



fore the cinema starts", said CQMS Coyle. "When we first started, nearly all the requests were from people in the camp, but now some of the lads have written home and we get requests from wives and families back in Ireland".

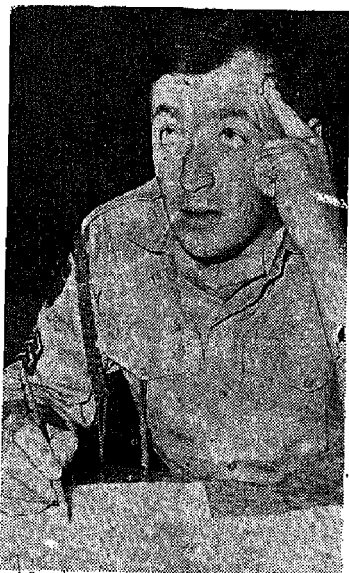
Xeros is also the home of the 5th Infantry Group's news-sheet "The Bugle Call". Edited

out. "Some people still don't know that we are writing about them", said Corporal Lacy. "One man has been asking for some time who a certain character refers to — and it's him".

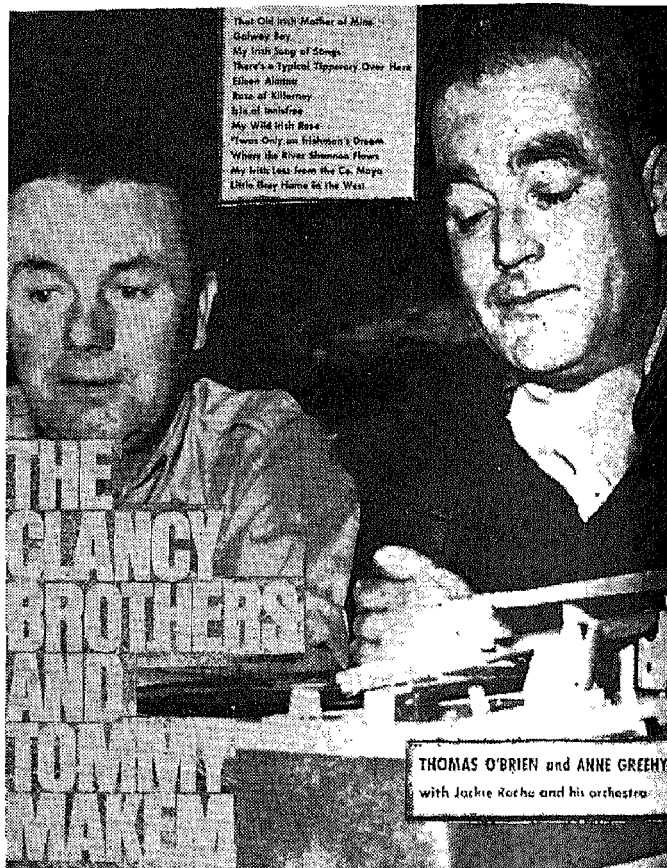
Camp Knockanure, the Limnitis home of the Cavalry Group, boasts an experienced editor for its "Banshee Cry" in 24 year old Sergeant Eddie O'Callaghan. Eddie, better



by Captain Jimmy Flynn, "The Bugle Call" is a combination of news from the Group's camps, sports news and announcements welded together by the satirical pen of Captain Flynn and the cartoons of Corporal Jim McArthy. It is produced entirely on the camp by the staff of the Operations Room. From its beginnings in December of last year, it has gone from strength to strength and is now an indispensable



In pensive mood, 'Bugle Call' cartoonist Cpl Jim McArthy and above (left) the masthead cartoon of the Xeros news-sheet.



known as "Doc", was associated with 2 Infantry Group's successful publication "Boots and Saddles" during the Congo peace-keeping mission, and it was only natural that on his return to Cyprus last November — he previously served

Captain Bill Turney, OC of the new 644 Troop with Sergeant Bill Couperthwaite in one of the Troop's wireless trucks.

Signals

THE new 644 Signal Troop, Royal Corps of Signal's, commanded by Captain W. H. "Bill" Turney, of Cambridge, flew into Cyprus in two drafts on the 5th and 12th of January to take over the task of manning and maintaining the communications for Headquarters UNFICYP.

This Troop is quite unique in that it is trained and equipped to use every existing means of communication in current use in the British Army, and in doing so, employs a wide range of Royal Corps of Signals tradesman. Its two officers and 55 NCOs and men come mainly from units in BAOR, the remainder being made up of personnel from UK based units.

The Troop Communications Centre at HQ UNFICYP is controlled by Lt Ken Bicknell, of Torquay and is manned 24 hours a day, in three shifts, each of one Duty Signals Officer and eleven NCOs and men. The four main means of communication provided by the Comcen are firstly a teleprinter network, using the Siemens T-100, the most up-to-date teleprinter in the Service, to work to the Headquarters of all zones and districts, HF and VHF Force Command nets provide the second means from a radio room in the Comcen and the third is a Signals Despatch Service which handles



Sergeant 'Doc' Callaghan.

with 4 Inf Gp — he should start the "Banshee Cry". Again, the majority of the content is humorous, with cartoons drawn by himself or Sergeant O'Keefe, but "Doc" also adapts poetry for the magazine, often rewriting much of it himself. A keen cine-photographer, his greatest regret is that no facilities exist for pictures.

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ter General of the former ordered that Kolossi should be maintained as the centre of the conventual life of the Order. Kolossi appears, however, to have passed into the possession of the Templars for a brief period prior to the measures taken against them in 1308; for the castle and estate of Kolossi are included in the list of properties confiscated from the Templars on the abolition of their Order, and handed to the Hospitallers.

In 1310 the Hospitallers

By Major O.H.M.

Haxthausen

KOLOSSI

transferred their headquarters to Rhodes, retaining a Commandery in Cyprus with its seat at Kolossi. The Commandery of Kolossi was renowned as the richest possession of the Knights. It derived its wealth from many vineyards in the villages it held, whose best wine is still named after it, *Commandaria*, and from its sugar-cane plantations, watered from the neighbouring river Kouris.

The Genoese expeditions of 1373 and 1402 and the Mameluke raids of 1425 and 1426 must have caused serious setbacks to this prosperity; nor can the buildings have remained untouched, though it is claimed the castle was never taken. Indeed the damage caused in these years seems to have necessitated a general rebuilding, for in the present form the Castle of Kolossi dates only from the middle of

the fifteenth century.

The main building of the castle is the keep. About the time when the first crusade set out in 1096 there was a new departure in military architecture. The essential feature of this new design was the Norman keep, either alone or in conjunction with a curtain wall. It was designed for passive defence. There was comparatively little that the

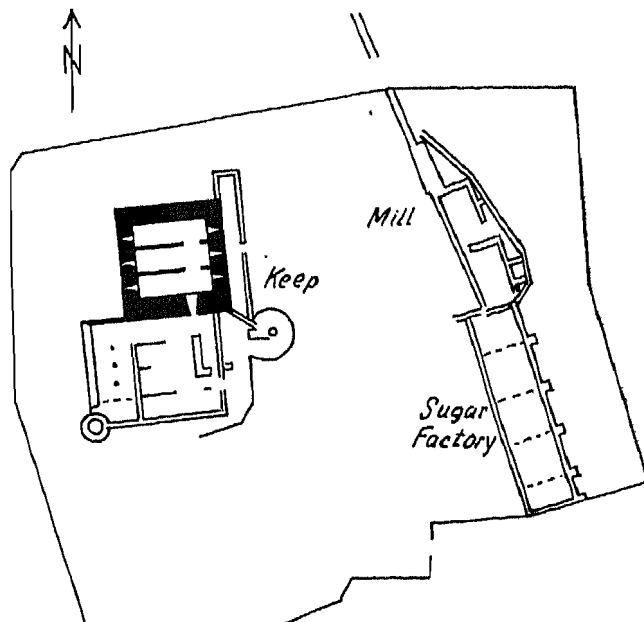
defenders could do to harass their besiegers, but as long as their food held out they could remain in safety until impatience, disease, or a relieving force raised the siege. The siege instruments in the early days of the keep were not sufficiently developed to cause much disquiet to defenders protected by several feet of masonry.

It may seem strange that the bellicose Normans should have been the authors of so passive a development in military art. The Norman keep, however, was complementary to the striking force of those days, the heavily armoured Norman knight.

The keep of Kolossi is situated on level ground and must be envisaged as an administrative centre of a large property and as typical of a class of fort not designed primarily to resist major siege operations, though offering effective defence against sporadic revolts and raids. Kolossi was linked with Limassol by signal.

The present keep is attributed to the Grand Commander Louis de Magnac. The coat of arms on the east wall set below the royal quarterings of Jerusalem, Lusignan, Armenia and Cyprus is his. Flanking these are the arms of two Grand Masters of Rhodes: Jean de Lastic and Jacques de Milli. The keep can be dated to the year 1454, the year Jacques de Milli was elected Grand Master.

The keep is in three storeys. The ground level is occupied by three storage vaults, originally reached only by a trap door from the floor above. Beneath two of them are rock-cut cisterns. The original entrance is on the south side on the first floor level, protected by a drawbridge and covered by a machicou's high above it. Two chambers with pointed vaults and a large kitchen occupy the first floor.



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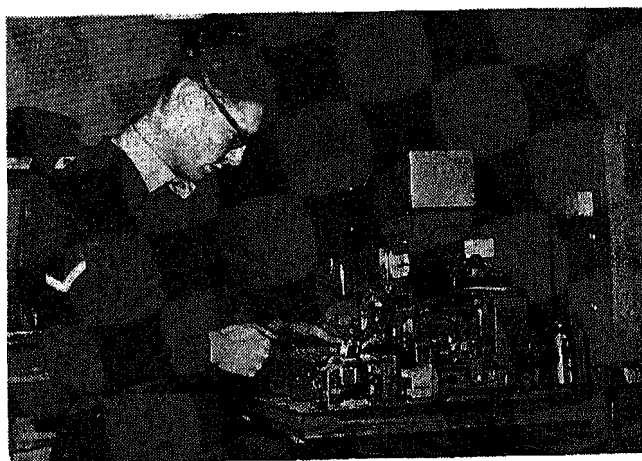
all official night for emergency repair districts; work. The remaining twelve Air Des- NCOs and men of the Cana- Flight, dian detachment work in teams of four, each team man- Troop. ning one of the Rear Link Sets at the Headquarters of the Dan- exchange ish, Finnish and Swedish Contingents.

In charge of the Signal's Troop Workshops is Sergeant Harry Stickley who joined the UN Force in May 65 is now half way through his second tour. He and his four technicians are trained and equipped to carry out repairs to the wide range of modern instruments and sets held by the Troop.

Members of the Troop are keen to take as big a part in games and all other sporting activities as time permits. The football team is already competing in two leagues, one at Dhekelia and the other at RAF Nicosia. Others play basketball and badminton and the Troop is also represented in the HQ UNFICYP rugby team. For indoor recreation the Troop has its own "Mercury C'ub", a thriving concern which provides for darts and other indoor games and where refreshments are available. In addition to occasional darts matches against teams from other Corps and Contingents they hope soon to be able to run their own Tombola "sessions".



Corporal Jim Foley of Easington, Co Durham, punching up a tape on a Siemens T - 100 teleprinter, the latest in use in the Service.



Teleprinters again, but this time stripped down as Lance - Corporal Ray Cawthra works on a repair job in the Troop's workshop.

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Operation 'Sandsäck' topp idel lovord för bat 32C

Den svenske ambassadören i Beirut Claes Wollin, överste Sven Widegren, chef för I 4, Linköping samt överstelöjtnant Sten Ljungqvist, chef för arméstabens FN-avd. har under en vecka besökt Cypern och den svenska bataljonen. Ambassadör Wollin gjorde ett månatligt rutinbesök och berättade vid ett samtal med zonpressofficeren, major Arne Friberg att han var mycket nöjd med sitt besök. Utöver den svenska bataljonen har han träffat de flesta regeringsmedlemmarna samt sina kolleger och en del av de turkypriotiska ledarna.

Vid hans tidigare besök på Cypern i november förra året förklarade president Makarios att han var mycket nöjd med svenskarnas insats på Cypern och gärna såg att de stannade kvar. Försvars- och inrikesministern uttryckte denna gång sin glädje över svenskarnas närvaro och gav en speciell eloge till den nuvarande bataljonschefen, överste Iwan Hörnquist, som med stor framgång ledde demilitariseringsarbetet i Famagusta i slutet av förra året. Han sade vidare att bataljonschefen inte skulle tveka att vända sig till honom direkt om det uppstod några problem.

Till slut sade ambassadören Wollin att han var mycket imponerad över händelseutvecklingen i Famagusta och att han hade gott hopp för framtiden.

Aldrig färdigutbildad.

Överste Sven Widegren chefen för I 4 (där han f.ö. började sin militära bana som aspirant) "moderregementet" som sätter upp och utrustar FN-förbanden sade sig ha fått ett mycket gott intryck av både befälets och soldatens sätt att lösa förelagda uppgifter. Härtill kommer ett mycket gott personligt uppträdande.

"Det har varit en stor glädje för mig att såväl i Gaza som på Cypern från auktoritativt håll höra synnerligen erkännssamma omdömen om svenska FN-bataljoner".

På en fråga om utrustningens beskaffenhet, svarade överste Widegren att den var bra. Men det är självfallet att "enhetlig utrustning" främst ifråga om organisationsbestämmande materiel såsom sambandsmedel och fordon vore att föredra. Nu har förbanden delvis svensk materiel och delvis sådan som ställts till förfogande av FN. Personalminskningen på Cypern medför en önskan om fler fordon genom ökad försörjning av nuvarande fordonsbestånd, därför att nuvarande fasta posterings har ersatts med motoriserade patruller till viss del.

"All vidareutbildning av militär personal är alltid värdefull, vare sig det gäller befäl eller meniga", sade överste Widegren, på en fråga om vi får någon praktisk nytta i exempelvis våra fältförband genom FN-tjänsten.

"En soldat blir aldrig färdigutbildad. Genom FN-tjänsten höjs våra fältförbands kvalitet. Befäl och meniga får ökade personliga färdigheter från stabstjänst till vapentjänst. Och all personal får dessutom en ökad känsla för ans-

var för kamrater och materiel och för samarbete och samlevnad under kårvar och ovanliga förhållanden. Fältdisciplinen framstår på ett konkret sätt för all personal. Initiativ och företagsamhet på olika områden uppväxas också på alla nivåer. För förbandschefer, kompchefer, plutchefer och posteringschefer slutligen framstår kravet på personal-



Kapten Stig von Bayer orienterar fr.v. överste Sven Widegren och överstelöjtnant Sten Ljungqvist om sitt arbete på I b.

vård - att ta hand om och ta sig an underställd personal i olika situationer.

Denna erfarenhet synes mig vara en av de väsentligaste värdefulla tillgångarna för våra fältförband".

Putsen imponerade.

"Enbart positiva intryck". Så sammanfattade chefen för arméstabens FN-avd. överstelöjtnant Sten Ljungqvist sitt veckolånga besök vid den svenska bataljonen på Cypern. Han konstaterade att han under rundresan till bataljonens olika förbandsenheter överallt funnit ett påfallande allvar inför uppgiften. Soldaterna gav intryck av att vara väl orienterade och den enskilda putsen imponerade också smått på chefen för FN-avd, som bl.a. överallt möttes av blankbortade skor.

"Minst sagt imponerande är också den skicklighet och fantasi som skapat de många trevliga förläggningarna".

Han har tidigare besökt den svenska Cypern-bataljonen, liksom även överste Widegren. Det var 1964 då svenskarna var förlagda i



Svenske ambassadören Claes Wollin vid middagen på Car Gustaf Camp, omgiven av fr.v. fru Christina Wollin, överstelöjtnant Sten Ljungqvist, överste Sven Widegren och bataljonschefen, överste Iwan Hörnquist.

av representanter för arbetsmarknadsstyrelsen, som också i övrigt lovat att vid behov lämna FN-personalen all tänkbar hjälp.

Avsikten med besöket var bl.a. att skaffa underlag för organiserandet av kommande FN-bataljoner. För trots allt torde det bli en del ytterligare svenska FN-förband framöver.

Middag med underhållning.

På tisdagen förra veckan gav den svenske bataljonschefen överste Iwan Hörnquist middag för ambassadör Claes Wollin, överste Sven Widegren och överstelöjtnant Sten Ljungqvist. Bland gästerna märktes även ambassadörens fru och dotter.

"TV-gänget" från 1. komp underhöll med sång och musik och fick livliga applåder för sitt framträdande. Extranumren var många.

Att det var ett par trötta men storbelåtna officerare som lämnade Nicosia airport på onsdagsmorgonen, intygas härmed.

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Xeros-området. Famagusta Zone är ju oändligt mycket större.

Kan den svenska bataljonen klara sin nuvarande uppgift sedan nedskärningen ägt rum?

"Med den omorganisation av bataljonen som skett bör uppgiften kunna klaras. Men givetvis räcker inte bataljonens nuvarande resurser ensamma till om det på nytt skulle uppstå sammanstötningar i större omfattning inom Zonen", ansåg överstelöjtnant Ljungqvist.

Han berättade också att man från FN-avd gjort allt för att bistå de människor som nyligen sändes hem "i förtid". Grupperna möttes bl.a.



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KENRAALI WILSON VIERAILI

Viiime tiistaina vieraili. Turvajoukkojen komentajan sijainen, kenraali Wilson pataljoonamme alueella. Vierailu alkoi komentajamme suorittamalla tilanneselostuksella Opsissa ja vaikka ohjelma olikin tarkoin etukäteen suunniteltu, huomattiin kenraalin mielenkiinnon olevan niin suuren, että suunnitellut voitit jo tässä vaiheessa pitää paikkaansa pitämättöminä. Puolisen tuntia ohjelmasta myöhemmin lähdettiin kenraali Wilsonille esittelemään pataljoonamme aluetta.

Vihreää linjaa ajettaessa Forest Departmentin alueella, tuli polkupyörällä vastaan suomalainen jääkäri. Kenraalin auto pysähtyi ja itse kenraali heittäytyi jääkärin juttusille.

- Kuinka kauan olette ollut Kyproksella?
- Kolme viikkoa, herra kenraali.
- Mitä pidätte tehtävästänne?
- Hyvin menee, herra kenraali.
- Mitä te teette Suomessa Työksenne?
- Olen myyjänä rautakaupassa, herra kenraali.
- Pidätkö tästä työstänne enemmän kuin siviilipuuhastanne.
- Kyllä pidän, herra kenraali.
- Minä kiitän teitä erittäin hyvin suorittamastanne työstä uskon, että juuri suomalaisten päättäväinen työskentely tällä alueella aiheuttaa sen, ettei pahempia välikohtauksia pääse syntymään.

Kenraalin mentyä jääkäri jäi yllättyneenä seisomaan ja ihmettelemään. Kenraali itse jatkoi komeasti tervehtivien vartiomiesten ohi sairaalaan.

—Mikä teitä vaivaa, hän kyseli sängyssä makaajilta ja amatohtorimme Rintala tulkitsti sanat englanniksi. Vastaajat vastailivat jämerästi suomeksi.

Sairaalan läheisyydessä sijaitse-



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valle kentälle oli suunniteltu reservikomppanian toimintanäytös. Sinne kävellessään kenraali jututteli vastaantulijoita. Oli selvästi havaittavissa hänen ihastuksensa, poikiemme paukutellessa suomenkielisiä ilmoituksia hänelle ilmeenkään värähtämättä.

Aika kului nopeasti ja huomauttamatta. Kenraalin saavuttua harjoituskentän laitaan, rävähti kentälle reservikomppania kiitettävällä nopeudella Ferretiteineen ja miehineen.

Kenraali katsoi hetken ja lähti astelemaan aseisiin jääneiden miesten pariin. Hän käveli, kiitteli ja kätteli. Oli ilmeisen tyytyväinen.

—Mikä teidän nimenne on, kenraali kysyi Ferretin luukusta tähystä vältä jääkäri.

- Jääkäri Jalava.
- Mistä olette kotoisin?
- Mäntsälästä. Läheltä Helsinkiä.
- Pidätkö tästä ajokista?
- Kyllä.
- Muistakaa, että tämä vehje kaatuu helposti. Muut kontingentit kaatelevat niitä jatkuvasti.

Kenraali olikin tässä vaiheessa jo käyttänyt varaamansa ajan ja niinpä ohjelman muut kohdat, mm Dirty Hill, jäivät käymättä, mutta kantautukoot hänen kiitoksensa kaikkien pataljoonamme sotilaiden tietoon ja kannustakoot ne meitä edelleenkin olemaan maineemme veroisia suomalaisia niin palveluksessa kuin vapaa-aikanakin.

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Fälksjutning i rusk goda resultat ändå

Måndagen den 24 januari anordnade 3. komp en fältskjutning på Goshi skjutfält. Vädret var inte det bästa med stark bläst och regnskurar. Trots detta var deltagarantalet stort och resultatet goda. 3. komp, bäst hittills på idrottssidan dokumenterade även här sin skicklighet och lade beslag på de främsta platserna både individuellt och i lag i kpistskjutningen. Lfkomp. tog full pott i AG tävlingen.

Tävlingsledare var major Carlsström, 3. komp, löjtnat Wåhlin svarade för kpist och överfurir Bugwall för AG tävlingen. Intresserade åskådare var överstarna Widgren, Ljungqvist och Hörnquist. Efter skjutningarna serverades varm dryck och smörgås, vilket var mycket uppskattat i det kalla och regniga vädret. Pristutdelning förrättade senare av I 4- chefen på 3.komp camp.

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NON-PROLIFERATION TREATY SOUGHT

Disarmament talks resumed

18-Nation Committee hears appeal from Pope for swift progress

RENEWED efforts to achieve progress toward disarmament got under way in Geneva last week as the eighteen-nation U.N. Disarmament Negotiating Committee resumed its deliberations. Before the negotiators were a series of recommendations approved by an overwhelming majority of votes at the last session of the United Nations General Assembly. Before them also were a message of good wishes from the U.N. Secretary-General, U Thant, and an appeal from Pope Paul VI.

In his message to the Disarmament Committee, the Secretary-General pointed out that the members of the world Organization had made it amply clear that they regarded an early achievement of a treaty to prevent direct or indirect proliferation of nuclear weapons "as the most imperative and urgent object" of their negotiations.

Expressing confidence that the negotiators would exert a major effort to solve the complex problems involved, U Thant said he was confident too that, in the meantime, both nuclear and non-nuclear States represented in Geneva would continue to exercise restraint and responsibility.

The Secretary-General noted that, in addition to the problem of non-proliferation, the General Assembly had requested the 18-nation Committee to give urgent attention to achieving a comprehensive test-ban treaty and to making a substantial progress towards general and complete disarmament. He also pointed to the Assembly's decision to refer to the Committee the question of convening a conference to sign a convention against the use of nuclear weapons.

"Difficult though the circumstances seem to be," U Thant said in his message, "I am convinced that all participants in the conference will wish to take advantage of the renewed opportunity provided by your meeting to make an effective contribution towards international peace".

This, he said, would be signified by the achievement of an agreement on some measure of disarmament.

The Secretary-General also transmitted to the conference the text of an urgent appeal for disarmament addressed to him by Pope Paul VI.

In issuing his appeal, Pope

Paul expressed recognition of the complexities involved and the immense difficulties faced by the United Nations. But, said His Holiness, "there is no denying the fact that each passing day shows more clearly that no lasting peace can be established among men without an effective and controlled reduction of armaments. Each passing day also heightens the painful and tragic contrast between the huge sums squandered on the manufacture of weapons and the immense and growing material distress of more than half of mankind, who are still waiting to see their most elementary needs satisfied."

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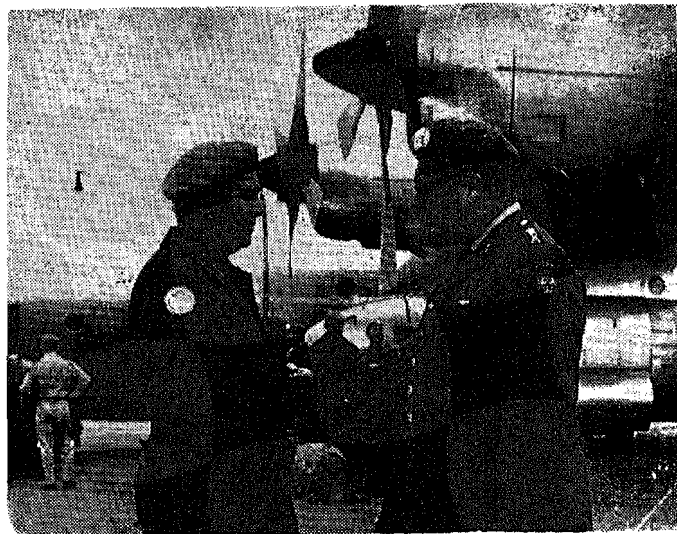
proximately 55 million dollars as of 30 September 1965.

The report explained that the present financial difficulties began at the end of 1956 when the Assembly first levied assessments to cover

CASTLES OF CYPRUS

The staircase is built into the thickness of the wall at the south-east corner. The upper storey comprises of two lofty vaulted chambers, set east-west, at right-angles to the axis of those below. Both these have large fireplaces. Four windows light each chamber, all of them furnished with side seats. The Grand Commander's apartment, which is the northern chamber, is provided with a privy. It has been suggested that all four main chambers were subdivided by wooden floors carried on beams at the springing of the vaults. The garrets thus provided were lit by windows set high in the end walls.

The spiral staircase continues to the terrace roof, sur-



SWEDISH PIO LEAVES: About six months ago we published a picture of homeward bound Swedist PIO, Maj Arne Friberg, saying goodbye to his relief Maj Kaj Karlholm. Now, Kaj, having completed his tour with the Force, has returned to Sweden. Pictured above, he is saying goodbye to his relief at Nicosia Airport. His relief — Arne Friberg — small world!

Withdrawal—

India and Pakistan sign two part agreement

INDIA and Pakistan have signed a formal agreement on the withdrawal of their armed personnel as called for by the United Nations Security Council last September.

Representatives of both countries have been meeting since the beginning of the year under the auspices of General Tulio Marambio, Secretary-General U Thant's representative, seeking to formu-

late a plan and schedule for the withdrawal. Meetings have been held alternatively in Lahore and Amritsar.

The agreement, signed in Lahore over the weekend, is in two parts.

The first concerns the immediate disengagement of troops and reduction of tension between the two countries in two phases.

The second part of the agreement relates to the procedure concerning the withdrawal of troops from occupied areas.

The good offices of General Marambio are also provided for in case of disagreement between the military representatives of India and Pakistan. In such an event, General Marambio's decision would be final and binding on both sides. However, a subsequent clause of the agreement states that General Marambio's functions in this connection will end not later than 28 February this year.

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part of the cost of the UN Emergency Force in the Middle East. They assumed far more serious proportions after the undertaking of the UN Operation in the Congo in mid-1960.

rounded by battlements, largely restored in 1933.

The area to the south of the keep formerly accommodated stables and stores and beyond it a postern gate. Beside the gate are the remains of a circular tower.

East of the castle stands a large vaulted building which evidently housed the sugar-factory. North of this building the aqueduct, which still conveys water from the Kouris river to irrigate the lands around the castle, ends in a steep mill-race.

Near the castle is a small double aisled Chapel. This possibly served as the chapel of the knights, as the coat of arms of Louis de Magnac is still visible on the arch of the apse.

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STOP PRESS

The United Nations Security Council was scheduled to hold an emergency meeting yesterday, Tuesday, 1 February, at United Nations Headquarters in New York to consider the situation in Viet-Nam.

The United States requested the meeting of the Council. In doing so, it submitted a draft resolution which would have the Council call for immediate discussions "without preconditions among the appropriate interested Governments to arrange a conference looking toward the application of the Geneva accords of 1954 and 1962 and the establishment of a durable peace in South-East Asia".

In the draft resolution, the place and date for holding these discussions were left open for the Council to decide.

The draft would have the Council recommend as the first order of business of such a conference the arrangements for a "cessation of hostilities under effective supervision".