



The Blue Beret

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FORCE COMMANDER VISITS UNCIVPOL

The Force Commander, Major General D. Prem Chand, last week paid calls on various civilian police elements serving with UNFICYP.

Our picture, at Xeros, shows (left to right) Major R. Sommerer, Commanding Officer Uncivpol, Xeros, the Force Commander, Lieutenant Colonel C. H. Christensen, the Danish Contingent Commander, Major W. Beier, Commanding Officer Austrian Uncivpol Element, and the Police Adviser, Chief Superintendent R. MacAulay.



CAMBODIA WARNING

The UN Secretary-General, U Thant, warned last week, before microphones and television cameras at the UN Headquarters, New York, that, with war in Vietnam spilling over the frontier into Cambodia and resumption of bombing of the north, the world was witnessing a situation "even more dangerous than the one created by the conflict which ravaged Indochina before 1954".

It was clear, he said, that a new and critical stage was being reached which could have fateful consequences if the parties involved did not take urgent decisive and courageous measures towards

peace. To this end, he called for an international conference to negotiate a basis for establishing a guaranteed peace settlement.

"Fight Cancer" Stamp

The third commemorative stamp for 1970 will be issued on 22 May 1970 and will be in two denominations, 6-cents (blue and black) and 13-cents (green and black). It was designed by Leonard Mitchell (New Zealand) and will be issued on the opening day of the Tenth International Cancer Congress of the International Union Against Cancer to be held in Houston, Texas, 22-29 May 1970.

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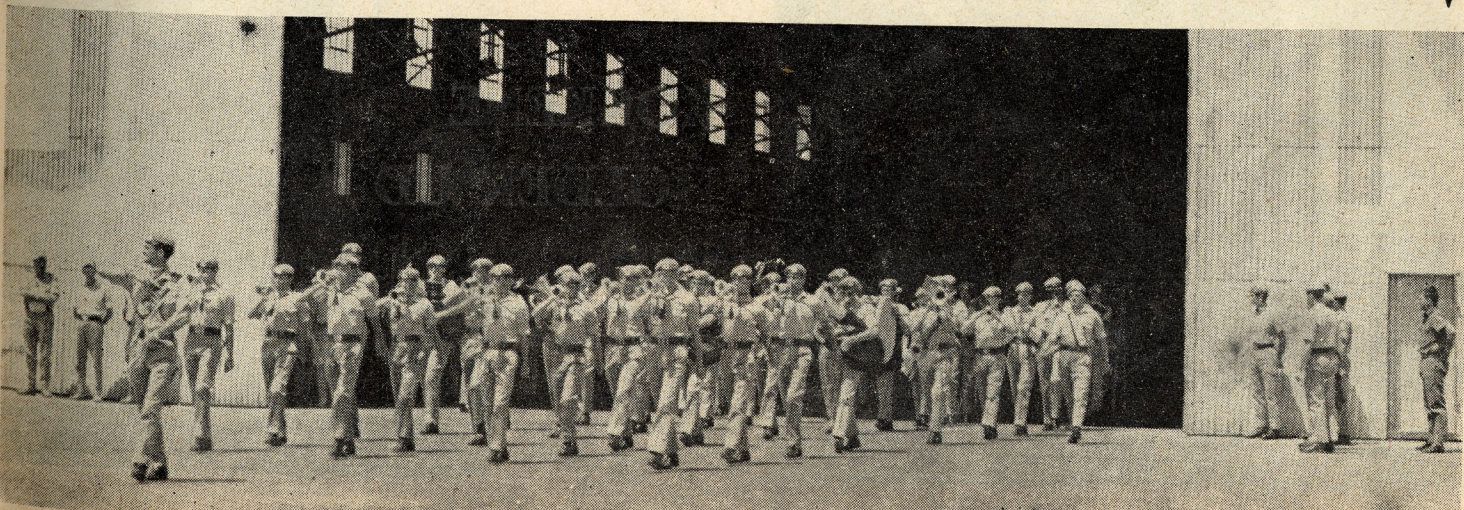
On Monday last, 11th May, in brilliant sunshine 3 LI took over the duties of guarding Force Headquarters from the Danish Contingent for the first time since their arrival on the island.

Spectators were treated to the novel experience of Light Infantry drill carried out at the traditional 160 paces (as against 116 paces) to the minute and all movements from the "at ease" position.

Despite the heat an excellent display of marching, counter-marching and intricate manoeuvres was carried out by the Band and Bugles

to an international programme of such favourites as "Sambre et Meuse" and "Marching Through Georgia".

The Band and Bugles of the 3rd Battalion The Light Infantry march on parade in the opening phase of the relief by the Regiment of the Danish Contingent Guard at Headquarters UNFICYP.



FARVEL DANCON XII

Pludselig er det ved at være forbi altsammen. Når dette læses, er vi allerede midt i den forvirrede rotationsperiode og har måttet sige farvel til mange, der havde fået en helt naturlig og selvfølgelig plads i vor dagligdag, og i stedet vil vi sidde omgivet af nye, fremmede, blege ansigter: Dancon XIII.

Når man så sidder og lytter til snakken, som den lyder her om aftenen i disse afskedsuger med dens stadige: "Kan du huske", Ja, så spørger man jo også sig selv: "Hvad kan DU huske fra din tid på Dancon XII".

Tja, siger vi så allesammen og skotter til hinanden. Og sådan MÅ det vel egentlig også være. Thi alle vore oplevelser og erindringer er uvægerligt knyttet til de kammerater, vi oplevede dette halve år sammen med. Det bliver først og fremmest kammeratskabet vi mindes. Trods lidt uundgåelig surhed ind imellem, trods forskelle i alder og vaner, trods så meget, der skilder os moderne mennesker, så fandt vi et fællesskab. Vi bar samme uniform, tilhørte samme enhed, der var som en lille båd, langt borte fra den hjemlige strand—og dog så hjemlig i sin kontrast til alt det fremmedartede, vi var omgivet af.

Når vi tænker på dette halvår hernede, så vil vi altid begynde med at tænke på hinanden, og så vil oplevelserne begynde at komme stormende i babylonisk forvirring: Vagter og slamtur, strandture og udflygtur i de skønne bjerge, drikkegilder og gudstjenester i den lille kirke i Lou, medaljepræd og besøg i de små madtempler, hvor mishandlede gæster bliver helbredet med en "steak poivre". Aftener, hvor vi hørte Dancon-Radio med alt, hvad dertil hører, og andre, hvor vi gik lange ture eller spillede kort. Dage, hvor vi sled i det og dage, hvor vi dasede på stranden. Tider, hvor rygterne feg os om

ørerne, og vi var ved at blive to-sede af bare uvished, og andre, hvor vi syntes at opleve den store harmoni med vore omgivelser.

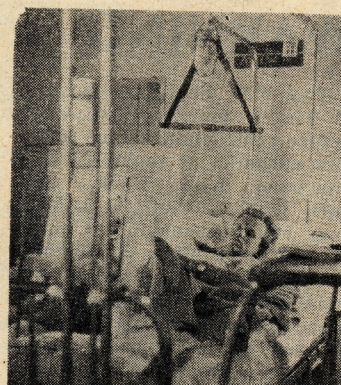
Men over det hele lyser Cyperns vidunderlige sol og dens venlige befolkning smiler sit lidt vemodige smil og trækker på skuldrene a al den uro, der gærer på deres dejlige ø, og som gør det knap så "Endoksi", som det ellers vilde have været hernede på denne vidunderlige plet jord.



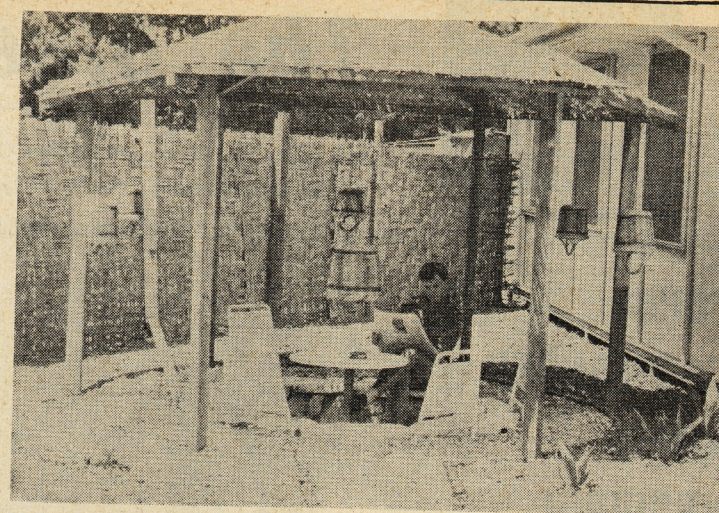
IDE TIL KOLONIHAVEN

LT. Quistgaard er ophavsmand til det nye Hyggehjørne i haven til officersmessen i Xeros, som Lyngby her sidder og nyder eftermiddagsfreden i.

Opskriften er nem og ligetil: Man tager et hul i jorden, en stak kønne fliser, 5-6 nye havestole, som man brækker i stykker, og dertil bjælker og brædder, som tilskræres. Det hele ordnes med sand og cement og dækkes med friske bambusmætter og tilslut tilsluttes elektriske ledninger, pærer og skærme efter behag. Og så er der serveret!



Der er nogle, der bruger deres sidste tid hernede til at tage ud på besøg hos østrigerne, hvor man jo altid får en vældig flot modtagelse. Her ligger KS Nielsen (Holmer) og prøver at finde sine egne ben igen, men i tankerne er han et helt andet sted henne, nemlig sammen med Gordon, der får sig lidt hjemlig hygge.



Mens præsten var på orlov tog Anders Degn og fotograf Bagger sig af Blue Beret. Her er de samlede til redaktionsmøde, hvor de sidder og ser tekniske ud.

DANCON NYT

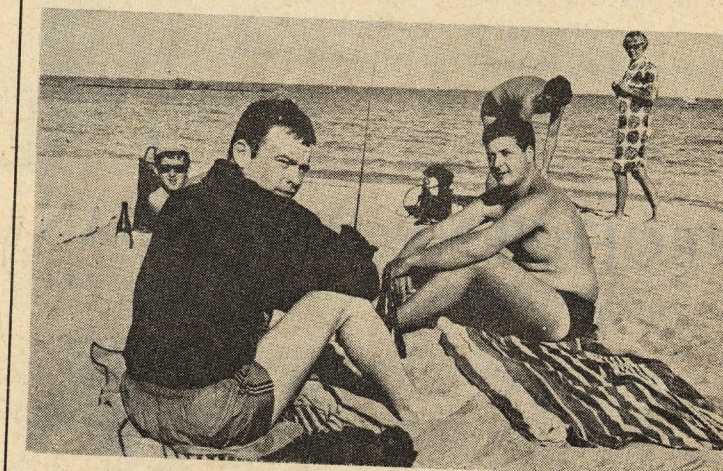
KOKKENE HOLDER UD

Kokkene holder troligt ud selv i den mest stegende varme, som her hvor Bager (KS Benny Madsen) er i gang med sovsen og kartoflerne.



BADLIVET

har kommet igång ordentligt for 44 C. I hovedsak förlagt till Famagusta Beach. Än så länge är väl kulörerna inte de bästa. Men, men de börjar så smått gå över från pink till svagt gräddat pepparkaksbrunt. Skönt tillbakalutade t.v. Inge Nilsson, Karlstad, och Jan Petré, Boden. I hetsanden nedan fr.v. Lennart Bergqvist, Nyköping, Håkan Sundbom, Skellefteå, och Torbjörn Berg, Östersund.



D. PREM CHAND,

generalmajor och chef för FN-styrkorna på Cypern, kom (ovan, per helikopter), såg och lämnade CGC förra onsdagen. En kort blixervisit bara av den charmfulle indiern. Men det lär bli fler tillfällen. Högste chefen hälsades välkommen av vår kommandant Stig Landgren, Enköping, t.h.



SWEDCON NEWS

Swedish Forces Photos



ETT PARAD-NUMMER

blev helikopterövningen i lördags på CGC, ovan. Minnesvärt. Stort bildreportage i nästa Cyperns. Glöm inte det!



SALAMIS,

ruinstaden omedelbart norr Famagusta, t.h., är en sevärdhet av främsta rang. Vi var där, förnämligt briefade av chefen sektion 3 Lars Molin. Antik kultur till mättnad. En som inte blev mätt var dock stabsfotografen Lennart Andersson, stundom levande farligt i jakten på otaliga utsökta motiv, t.v. Läs vidare i Cyperns.



COLONEL READMAN VISITS FORCE RESERVE

Colonel A.G.J. Readman DSO, the Colonel of the Regiment of the Royal Scots Greys, followed by the Commanding Officer, Lieutenant Colonel M.D. Blacklock, and 'B' Squadron Leader, Major S.G.F. Cox, on the occasion of their inspection of Gleneagles Camp last Tuesday.

The two Colonels flew in from England on 4th May and stayed a week during which they became thoroughly acquainted with 'B' Squadron's role as the United Nations Force Reserve.



OFF DUTY PASSTIME

Passing away the off duty hours in their Headquarters, Limassol, with a game of dominoes, are Lance Corporal Davis Rutherford (left) and Private Alfred Jackson.

Lance Corporal Rutherford has served for four years in the Army and his home is in Hartlepool, Co Durham. His job in the Battalion is a section 2nd-in-Command but he manages to find time to play football and basketball; two sports which he enjoys. This is his second tour with the United Nations in Cyprus.

Private Jackson aged 19, says it's good to be back in the sun. He is a Rifleman in No 19 Platoon and during his two years service in the Army he has already visited Malaya.



ONE OF THE FIRST

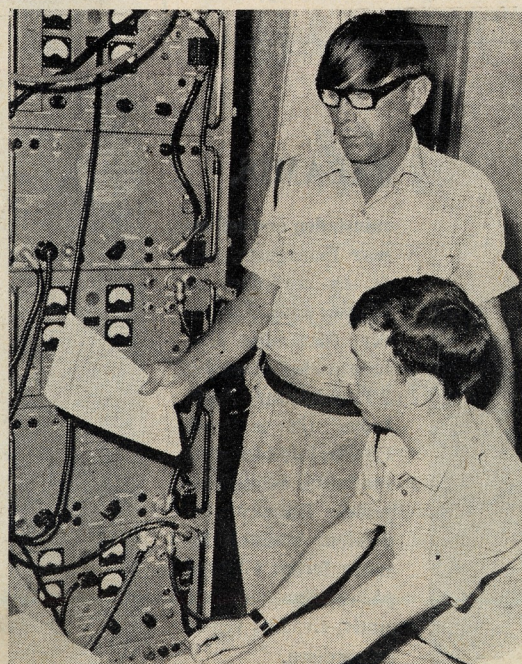
On the completion of his fourth tour of duty with Headquarters UNFICYP Sergeant G. White (Chalky) is seen here handing over the duties of Duty Signals Officer to Sergeant Clive Haslegrave who has recently arrived in the island for his second tour with UNFICYP.

Chalky was one of the first arrivals to UNFICYP when it was first formed in 1964. He also served with the Headquarters from May 1968 until February 1969. He then returned to the United Kingdom for a short spell and returned to the fold in April 1969 until the 9th of May 1970.

It will seem strange not to see Chalky around the Headquarters, but who knows he may even return again.



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UNFICYP MEDICAL CENTRE

Corporal Frank Sheppard, Royal Army Medical Corps, arrived in Cyprus for a six month tour with Headquarters UNFICYP in March of this year. Frank is to be employed in Headquarters as the Corporal-in-Charge of the UNFICYP Medical Centre.

Previous to UNFICYP he was stationed in Catterick, Yorkshire. Frank has not wasted any time in getting into the swing of things as can be seen from our photograph above. Private Frank Faulkner, a technical clerk is having routine inoculations.



SPORTING ACTIVITIES

Under the chairmanship of Commandant Jim Flynn and with the whole-hearted assistance of Captain Owen Tansey, sporting activities are well under way. A programme has been drawn up which will enable personnel of the Group to take part in all sports during their six months stay.

At the moment Soccer, Darts, Volleyball, Badminton and Swimming are those which have attracted most attention.

'B' Company, based at Kophinou, were first in their stride and to date they have played five soccer matches against local teams from Kophinou, Lefkara, Ayios-Theodorus and Mare having been beaten once. Among the stars on the team are Lieutenant D.O. Carrol, Private P.

Barr and Private J. Murphy who is the real find of the Company.

'A' Company, Headquarter Company and the Armoured Car Group also fielded teams which are equally promising. So we are eagerly looking forward to the Inter-Company Competition.



VOLLEYBALL

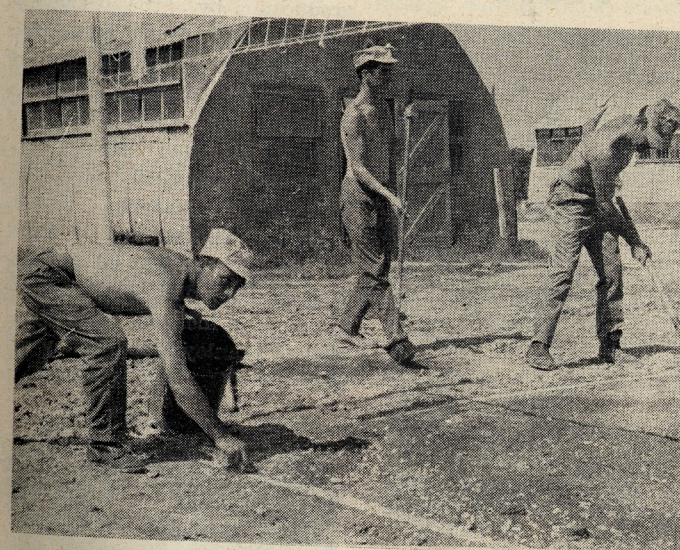
Volleyball, always a very popular game with all age groups, is making rapid progress under the fatherly guidance of the Battalion Sergeant Major and Company Sergeant Kearney. A league

● All is ship shape again and the Heavy Mortar troop get in some practice.

commenced on 8th May and the Armoured Car team drew first blood by hammering a Group Headquarters team, which included Sergeant Major Norris.

Unfortunately rain and a wandering Land Rover made every effort to destroy the Volleyball court at Zyyi but the Heavy Mortar troop came to the rescue.

● Here we see Gunners P. Whelan, J. Davannev and T. Gunn putting the finishing touches to the court.

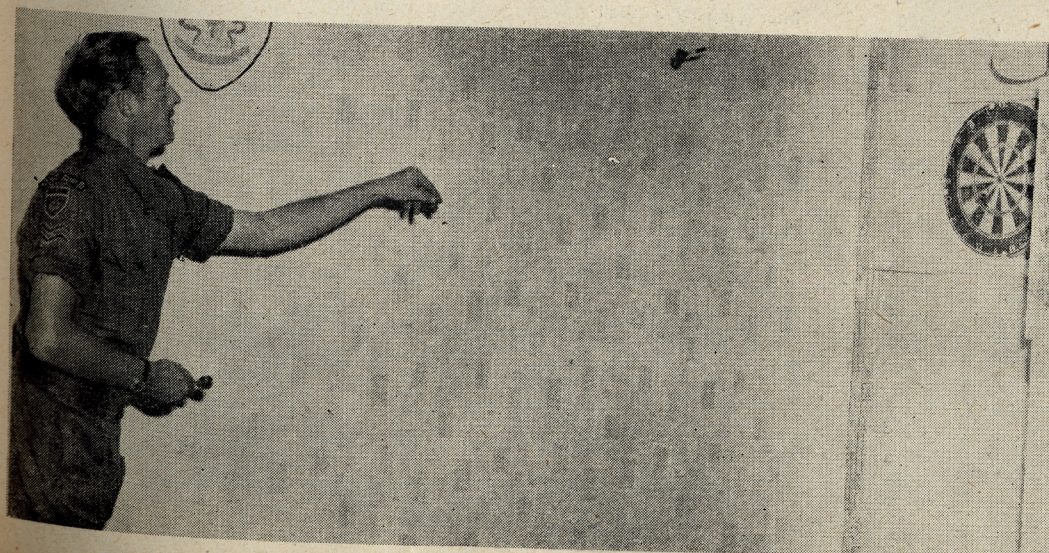


DARTS

Darts are played in all messes and in all Observation posts. A competition is nearing completion at Zyyi unfortunately the No. 1 favourite Corporal Tom Butler got the "BRUSH". This has put him

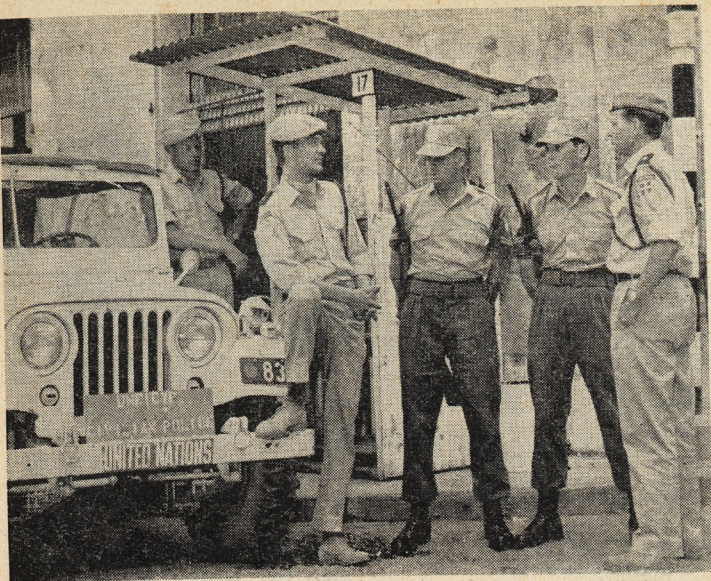
back considerably and as a result he has developed a "LIMP" probably it all stems from his right hand!

● Here we see Corporal D. Howard throwing for a "SHANGHAI".



● A group of darts enthusiasts in the NCOs Mess, Zyyi. Standing (left to right) Corporal McManus, Sergeant Sherry, Corporal English, Sergeant Heyes, Corporal Howard. (kneeling) Corporal Connolly, Sergeant Mulvey and Corporal Brogan.

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Solving
Transport-
ation Problems

That's what many people thought when they saw Sergeant Al Lounder, of the Transportation section, riding a donkey. In fact the "Sarge" was giving "Corporal" Ramazan a bit of much needed exercise. Reports have it that the CML mascot clocked in at 5 mph... downhill. ➔



CO-OPERATION between the various elements of UNFICYP is exemplified in this photo of Danish Civilian Inspectors O.J. Nilsen (left), G.G. Kragelund and V.E. Nielsen (extreme right) conversing with Canadian Corporals Gord Smith and Ken Smith at the Paphos Gate outpost during a routine patrol of the Green Line area.

PSP CHIEF'S VISIT



Brigadier-General C.H. Mussells, Director-General of Personnel Support Programmes at Canadian Forces Headquarters, Ottawa, visited the contingent late last week. He was accompanied by Captain (N) J.B. Tucker, the PSP Assistant-Director. In addition to administrat-

ing the Canadian Forces Exchange System (CANEX), PSP is the agency responsible for the co-ordination of all welfare activities in the Forces. In our photo, General Mussells hears the troops' point of view at the Beaver Lodge Men's Canteen.

"CALLING ALL CANADIANS", A radio programme produced by the Cyprus Broadcasting Corporation for Canadians in Cyprus, is hosted by Master Warrant Officer John MacLeod (picture below) every Wednesday night between 2000 and 2030 hours. The programme features music, news and sports, and is aired on the AM band at 60, 600, or 6000 on the dial. Future programming includes highlights of the Stanley Cup hockey finals.



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THE SCUBA CLUB... Another of the many activities supported by the welfare programme support it! The club meets on Andreas' boat in Kyrenia thrice weekly.

CANCON RECREATIONAL ACTIVITIES:

Day	Time	Activity	Location	Remarks
MONDAY	1400 1800 & 2000	Inter-company softball Navfac Softball League (Canadian Contingent team plays twice weekly)	Coy locations American Club Stadium	
TUESDAY	all day 1400 1800 & 2000	SCUBA instruction Inter-company volleyball Navfac Softball League	5-mile beach Coy locations American Club Stadium	
WEDNESDAY	1030 1800 & 2000	SCUBA diving Navfac Softball League	Andreas' boat Kyrenia American Club Stadium	(members)
THURSDAY	all day 1400 1800 & 2000	SCUBA instruction Inter-company volleyball Navfac Softball League	5-mile beach Coy locations American Club Stadium	
FRIDAY	1030 1400 afternoon	SCUBA diving Inter-company softball Sky-diving Club	Andreas' boat Kyrenia Coy locations Dhekelia S.B.A.	(members) (members) Instruction avail.
SATURDAY	all day all day	SCUBA instruction Sky-diving Club	5-mile beach Dhekelia S.B.A.	as above
SUNDAY	all day 1030 0900	Sky-diving Club SCUBA diving Explorers' Club	Dhekelia S.B.A. Andreas' boat Kyrenia various (by bus)	as above (members)

NOTE: For Further information on the individual clubs, contact welfare office.

Lomasuunnitelmat
ajankohtaisia

Lomansa eli oikeammin palveluksesta vapaat päivänsä voi tietenkin viettää täällä Kyproksella. Onhan tämä saari monelle varsinainen turistikohde. Halvemmaksikin se useimmiten tulee kuin käydä naapurimaissa Israelissa, Egyptissä tai kauempana. Libanon on valitettavasti edelleen matkustuskielossa. Saarelle jääminen on varsin mukatonta ja loma-aika täällä voi muodostua rentouttavaksi ja nautittavaksi.

Ulkomaille lähteminen on hyvin suositeltavaa joskin se on hieman monimutkaisempaa. Kaksi viikkoa ennen lähtöä on tehtävä matkailmoitus, jolloin tehdään paikkaym. varaukset. Israeliin matkustavien on täytettävä viisumihakemus ja hankittava passikuva. Matka on maksettava etukäteen. Ennen lähtöä suoritetaan matkatavaroiden tarkastus ja sitten tapahtuukin kuljetus lentokentälle. Sieltä sitten neuvotaan eteenpäin.

Kuljetuksen aikana tulee olla YK-lakki ja maastopuvun takki siviilivaatteiden päällä. Kuljetusvaatetus pannaan lentokentällä

pussiin, jossa tulee olla oma nimi päällä, ja luovutetaan lomatoimiston virkailijalle odottamaan paluukuljetusta lomalta palattua.

Matkat ovat ryhmämatkoja siitä syystä, että yksityinen matkustaja pääsisi mahdollisimman vähin muodollisuuksin lähtemään ja oleilemaan ulkomaalla. Opastus on perillä ja puolihoidto ts.aamiainen ja yksi ateria majoituksen lisäksi kuuluvat hintaan.

Matkalle lähtiessä on oltava mukana ID-kortti, lomatodistus ja tarpeeksi rahaa.

Loma ulkomailla uusine ja usein outoinekin kokemuksineen on lähes aina siihen sijoitetun rahan arvoisen. YK-sotilaille myönnetään erityisalennus, joten matkat ovat normaaleja turistimatkoja huokeampia. Lomakohteista on olemassa edellisen lomaupseerin, kapt Rytkösen, laatima monistettu Matkaopas, johon ennakkolta perehtymällä voi valita itselleen kiinnostavimman matkan kohteen. Matkaopasta on jaettu yksiköihin. Lomaupseerin puoleen voi kääntyä kaikissa matkailuasioissa.

Koetehtäviä ratkottiin
Kyproksellakin

Viikon vaihteessa ovat eräät pataljoonassa palvelevat miehet hieroneet älynystyröitään ja pinnistäneet muistiaan milloin matematiikan milloin äidinkielen tehtäviä ratkaistessaan. Ponnistelun aiheuttajana on ollut sisäänpääsykokeet valtion teknillisiin oppilaitoksiin.

Pataljoonan komentaja, eversti Reino Raitasaari, kävi maanantai-aamuna ennen kokeen alkua toivotamassa menestystä kokeeseen osallistujille ja lausui tyytyväisyytensä sen johdosta, että harrastusta tämäntapäisiä pyrkimyksiä kohtaan on olemassa.

Kokeiden valvoja, kapteeni Timo Raunu, sanoi, että hakijoita oli ollut täältä pataljoonasta noin 20, joista osa kuitenkin ehti poistua huhtikuun rotaatiossa ja osa hyväksyttiin pääsykokeisiin. Pojat olivat itse ehdottaneet kokeiden järjestämistä. Eräille pyrkijöille



Vartiopaikka Martti sijaitsee kuivalla, kuumalla ja tuulisella tasangolla. Martin miehet joutuivat eräällä menneellä viikolla olemaan ilman sähköä generaattorin rikkoutumisen vuoksi, jolloin mm. maito oli kiiireesti pantava räiskäleiksi ettei se hapanisi tehottomassa jääkaapissa. Vartiovuorossa jääk Ylönen seisoskelee kait kuivin suin mutta silmälä valppaana ja ehkä lomasuunnitelmat jo mielessään.

sotilasteknikko, insinööri R Rantanen eli MOTO oli järjestänyt valmentautumisopetusta matematiikassa.

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Pääsykokeisiin osallistujat ovat täällä Kyproksella täysin samassa asemassa kuin samoihin oppilaitoksiin pyrkijät Suomessa. Koekysymykset sisältävä sinetöity kuori avattiin komentajan talolla Tjikkloksessa maanantaina klo 9. Toimitusta seuraavat kers T Kaplas (vas.), kers T Saha, ltn K Ketolainen, kapt T Raunu, ev R K Raitasaari, jääk O Martikainen ja jääk V Rautiainen.



MP NOTEBOOK

Accidents - Unficyp

Week ending 9 May, 70,	—	3
Same period last Year	—	6
Total this year	—	164
Same period last Year	—	128
Main Cause of Acci- dents this week — 'ALCOHOL'.		

UN PROGRAMMES FROM C.B.C.

The weekly C.B.C. transmission of special programmes for UN Forces are broadcast on 498 metres, 602 kilocycles, as follows:

Monday 1330 — 1400 hrs
Radio EIREAN production.

Tuesday 2000 — 2030 hrs
SWEDISH local requests.

Wednesday 2000 — 2030 hrs
News from CANADA and records.

Thursday 2000 — 2030 hrs
Radio HELSINKI production.

Friday 2000 — 2030 hrs
UN Discotheque presented by John Crosse.

Saturday 2000 — 2030 hrs
DANISH local requests.

Sunday 2000 — 2030 hrs
SCANDINAVIAN local productions from each of the Nordic Contingents in turn.

News in English can be heard every day at 0830 hrs, 1400 hrs and 1945 hrs.

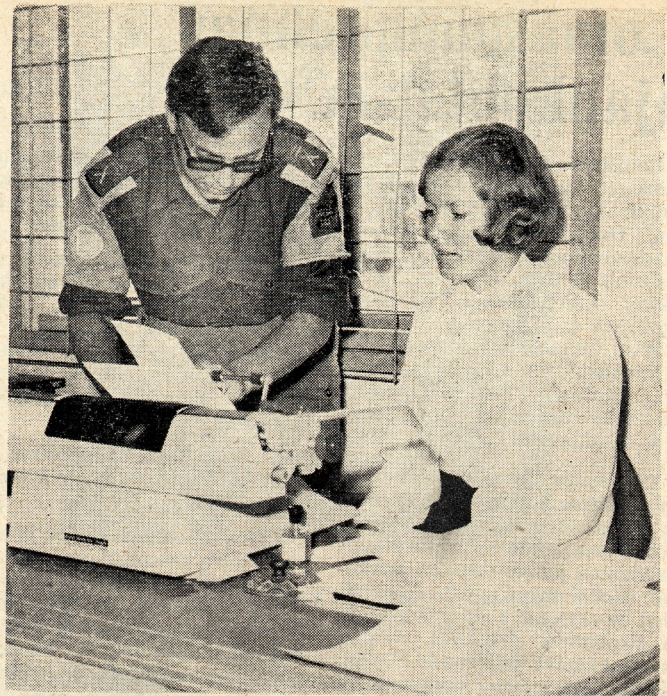
New Secretary For Operations Branch

Mrs Susan Stinson has recently joined UNFICYP as secretary to Operations Branch.

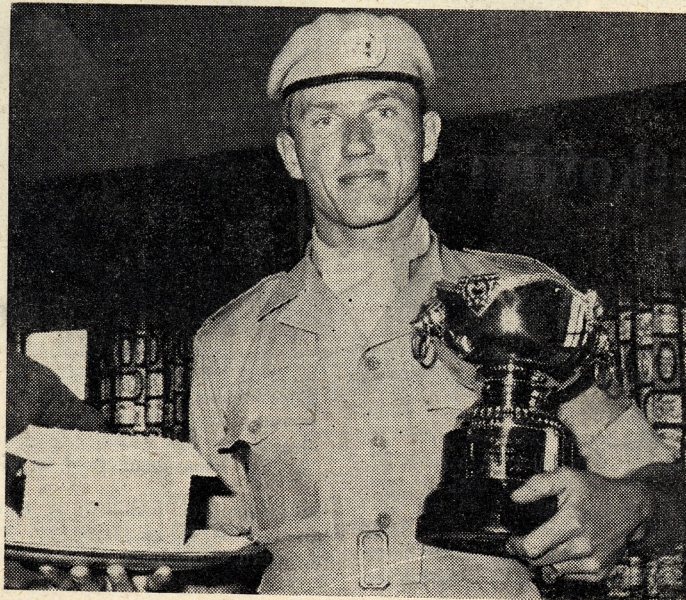
Susan, who comes from Sussex, is married to Corporal Stinson who is in the Royal Air Force and stationed at RAF Nicosia.

Susan's last post before joining UNFICYP was with the YMCA in RAF Nicosia.

Our photograph shows Susan having one or two points clarified before typing a letter for Corporal Christer Egonsson. Christer, also employed in Operations, is from Sweden and joined UNFICYP in April last.



CORPORAL WINS PREMIER AWARD



Corporal Mills.

The 1970 Catering Corps Championships were held last week in Dhekelia. The star of the week was Corporal Mills who works in the Officers Mess, Headquarters UNFICYP.

His entry was judged as the best Army exhibit and the best over-all exhibit. Sergeant Wood and Warrant Officer Class II Carr also entered this competition and the results were highly satisfactory. Congratulations for a splendid effort.

TABLE OF HONOUR

Premier Award, Corporal Mills, Headquarters UNFICYP. Best Army Exhibit, Corporal Mills, Headquarters UNFICYP.

CLASS I

2nd place, Sergeant Wood, Headquarters UNFICYP.

CLASS III

1st place, Corporal Mills, Headquarters UNFICYP.

CLASS IV

2nd place, Sergeant Wood, Headquarters UNFICYP.

CLASS V

2nd place, Warrant Officer Class II, Carr Headquarters UNFICYP.

Sergeant Wood (left) and Warrant Officer II Carr (right) having an informal discussion about the decoration of the food in the men's cook house.

