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U THANT OFF ON ASIA TRIP

TALKS SCHEDULED IN FIVE ASIAN CAPITALS

UNITED NATIONS SECRETARY GENERAL, U THANT, LEFT NEW YORK last week on a trip scheduled to take him first to Geneva and then on to five Asian countries — Ceylon, India, Nepal, Afghanistan and Pakistan.

During a stop-over in Rome on Friday, U Thant held meetings with President Saragat and Foreign Minister Fanfani of Italy, was received by Pope Paul in the Vatican, and had an unscheduled meeting with the three-man UN mission to Aden, which had flown to the Italian capital after leaving the British territory after less than a five day stay.

Following his meeting with the Pontiff, U Thant left for Ceylon, where he had weekend talks with the Ceylon government on their recent peace-proposals for the Viet-Nam conflict.

In a Headquarters statement before leaving on his trip, the Secretary-General urged the United States to take the initiative in seeking an end to the conflict. He suggested that American forces voluntarily put his proposed 'stand-still' truce into effect and that American troops should only return fire if attacked.

U Thant said that it was more and more clear to him that the impasse could be broken and a halt put to the increasingly horrible slaughter and destruction only if one side showed the wisdom and courage to take the first step.

He said he shared the views of US Senator Joseph Clark that America could afford to take such unilateral action — although it might face a limited risk in doing so.

During flight stop-overs in Paris and Geneva, U Thant again stressed the need to break the present impasse and said that prospects for a peaceful settlement were as distant today as at this time last year.

VISIT TO SWEDISH BATTALION



On Thursday the Force Commander, Lt-General A.E. Martola accompanied by Mr B.F. Osorio-Tafall, the Secretary General's Special Representative, visited the Swedish UN-Battalion in Famagusta Zone. Here they are being briefed on the Karaolos Beach near Famagusta by Major Birger Qvist.

ISRAEL AND SYRIA IN NEW CLASHES ON BORDER

THE ISRAEL — SYRIA BORDER DISPUTE FLARED INTO VIOLENCE again at the end of last week, with aircraft, armour and artillery being involved in a series of clashes near and around the village of Ha 'On.

In a letter to the President of the Security Council on Friday, Israel charged that Syria was menacing peace in the border area by 'deliberate resumption... of the practice of shooting at Israeli farm villages and activities...'

Ambassador Michael Comay

said in the letter that on April 2nd and 3rd and again on Friday, Syrian military positions opened increasingly heavy fire at civilian activities in fields belong to the village. These fields had been under Israeli cultivation for a long period, Mr Comay said.

The letter said that following nearly two hours of artillery, mortar and machine-gun fire, Israeli planes were brought into action to silence Syrian positions. In subsequent air actions, Israel claims to have brought down six Syrian pla-

nes without loss, but Syria said she had destroyed five Israeli machines for a loss of four of their own. Syria also claimed to have killed more than 70 Israeli troops.

A report received at United Nations Headquarters from UN observer teams on the spot said they had succeeded in bringing about a halt in firing by mid-afternoon local time on Friday and in subsequent reports, observers said they had negotiated a cease-fire.

Following border flare-ups some months ago, Israel and

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PEACE-KEEPING

THE ISSUE OF UNITED NATIONS peace-keeping operations, their authorization and financing, which has long been a controversial subject among UN members is still under consideration by a special 33-nation committee.

At Headquarters last week, the committee heard the views of various delegates. The So-

viet government restated its view that both authorization and methods of financing were purely Security Council rights and must not be encroached on by the General Assembly.

The USSR argued that precedents such as the operation in the Congo (ONUC) showed the danger of America and other western powers imposing

their views on the Assembly for the benefit of neo-colonialist ventures 'ornamented' by the United Nations flag.

Were an attempt to be made to weaken the Council's jurisdiction, a Russian memorandum said, the USSR would have to reconsider its attitude towards UN activities.

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GENERAL MARTOLA BESOEKER BATALJONEN

GENERAL A.E. MARTOLA OCH U THANTS specielle representant på Cypern, B.F. Osorio-Tafall, besökte förra torsdagen den svenska bataljonen i sällskap med UNFICYP:s Principal Information Officer O. Lopez-Noguerol och MPIO, överstelöjtnant D.A. Johnson.

Vid en genomgång i den s k chefshyddan på Carl Gustaf Camp gav zonchefen, överste B. Stjernfelt, gästerna en översikt av den svenska bataljons uppgifter och problem. En del av dessa studerades senare på ort och ställe.

På Karaolos Beach i Famagusta informerade chefen 2 komp, major B. Qvist, om händelseutvecklingen på den omstridda strandremsan. I Scalaområdet gav chefen 3 komp, major U. Ling-Vannerus, en orientering om det aktuella läget och bakgrunden till problemen där. OP 314 passade på att bjuda generalen och hans följe på kaffe och kakor, bl a en egenhändig tillagad sockerkaka, som smakade förträffligt och väckte alla beundran.

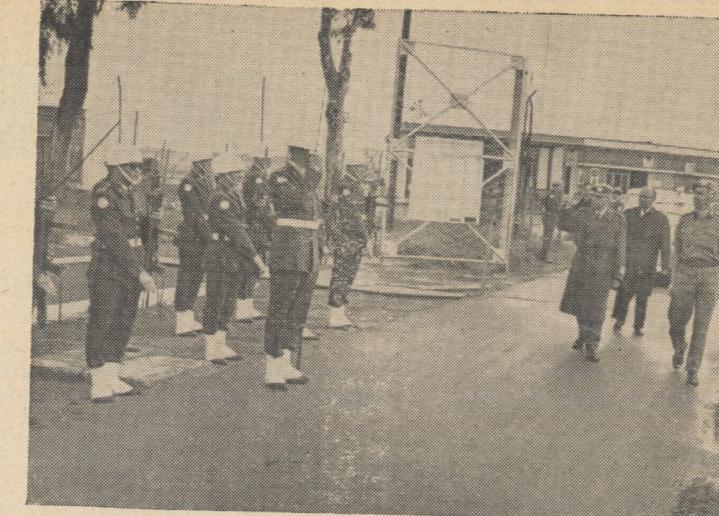
Snabba 'guldfiskar' vann UNFICYP orienteringen

UNFICYP-MÄSTERSKAPET I ORIENTERING som avgjordes i fredags, resulterade i en överlägsen seger för Swedcon och 2 komp. De snabbfotade "guldfiskarna" lade nämligen beslag på de tre första platserna i den hårdta tävlingen, som fick nära hälften av deltagarna att bryta.

Banan omfattade nio kontroller och var cirka 6 kilometer lång. Den var lagd av kapten Nils-Olov Enqvist uppe i Kakopetria-området i Troodosbergen. Terrängen är som bekant mycket kraftigt kuperad där, och backarna tog hårt på de tävlandes kondition. 23 av de 55 startande bröt före mål.

Endast tre FN-kontingenter stälde upp i tävlingen nämligen Fincon, Danson och Swedcon-orientering är ju också en nordisk special-sport. Resultatlistan blev alltså lite oartig mot gästerna, fyra svenskar bland de fem bästa:

1. Korpral Arne Henriksson, 2 komp 1.24.21.
2. Furir Bengt Karlsson, 2 komp, 1.24.25.
3. Menige Jan Qvicklund, 2 komp, 1.31.00.
4. Menige Salminen, Fincon, 1.34.52.
5. Menige J.E. Palmberg, 3 komp, 1.40.08.



General A.E. Martola inspekterar hedersvakten under befäl av löjtnant Ingvar Andersson vid infarten till Carl Gustaf Camp. T h o m generalen U Thants specielle representant på Cypern, B. F. Osorio-Tafall och överste B. Stjernfelt.

FÖRTRUPPEN UR FN — BAT
38 C HÄR!



Korpral Arne Henriksson, Trollhättan, 2 komp, forslar fram i Troodos-terrängen på väg mot segern i UNFICYP-orienteringen

BÄSTA BILFÖRARNA FINNS PÅ I KOMP

BATMÄSTERSKAPET I BILKÖRNING avgjordes den 3 april i en verklig hård tävling på Carl Gustaf Camp. Resultatet blev en smickrande seger för 1 komps drivers - kompaniets båda deltagande lag lade nämligen beslag på de båda främsta platserna i resultat-tabellen.

Deltagarna tävlade i tvåman-napatruller, som samtidigt utgjorde bilbesättningar. Sammanlagt sju lag från bataljonens fyra kompanier ställde upp enligt följande: 1 komp 2 lag, 2 komp 1 lag, 3 komp 3 lag och STR 1 lag. I tävlingen ingick både teoretiska och praktiska prov. Teoriproven handlade om materiel-vård, gällande betsämmelser i Sold i motor samt cypriskt och svenska trafikregler.

I den praktiska delen förekom manöverprov med Volvo Duett, Volvo 903, Land-Rover och 3 tons Bedford, felsökning, körning med ledare etc. Teoriproven genomfördes patrullvis, medan alla tävlingsdeltagare testades på samtliga fordonstyper.

Organisation och arrangemang hade lagts upp av kapten Nils-Olov Enqvist och fanjunkare Jörgen Pehrson, som båda gjort ett mycket fint arbete.

De två förstaplatserna belades alltså av 1 komps lag. Tredjeplatsen delades av 2 komp och 3 komp:

1. 7321 Ekman, 7508 Wenström, 1 komp.
2. 7503 Söderberg, 7515 Larsson 1 komp.
3. 7196 Djerf, 7751 Hellström, 2 komp.
7777 Jakobsson, 7862 Sjövall, 3 komp.



WHITE STETSONS AND BLUE BERETS-Calgary arrives in Cyprus. The advance party of the Second Battalion of the Queen's Own Rifles, led by their Commanding Officer Lt Col N. A. Robinson, wearing the traditional Calgary white Stetson, is greeted by Royal Canadian Air Force Yukon aircraft will carry the main body of approximately 700 officers and men — the Second Battalion, the Queen's Own Rifles of Canada from Calgary and a Reconnaissance Squadron of the Royal

(Canadian Forces Photo).



CANADIAN NATIONAL DEFENCE COLLEGE VISITS CYPRUS — Left to right Mr G. K. Grande of the directing staff of the College and Air Vice Marshal F. S. Carpenter, RCAF, Commandant of the College are greeted on their arrival at Nicosia airport last week by the Canadian High Commissioner, Mr T. Wainmann-Wood, Col W. W. Turner, Deputy Chief of Staff UNFICYP and Lt Col W.C. Little, Military Attaché to the Canadian High Commissioner.

(Canadian Forces Photo).



The Canadian National Defence College pose before their plane prior to departure from Cyprus. (Canadian Forces Photo).

ROTATION IN FULL SWING

Canadian Dragoons from Gagetown, New Brunswick.

Lieutenant Colonel N.A. Robinson, Commanding Officer of the QORs and Major K.G. Troughton, Officer Commanding the Reconnaissance Squadron arrived with the advance party.

The First Battalion of the Royal Canadian Regiment and the Reconnaissance Squadron of the Fort Garry Horse now completing their six months tour with the Force will return to their respective bases at London, Ontario and Calgary.



LAST CONVOY — 7 April — The Kyrenia convoy took on a festive air Friday as the Reconnaissance Squadron of the Fort Garry Horse completed their last convoy escort prior to their departure for Canada on Saturday. Right, the Commanding Officer of the incoming recce sqn of the Royal Canadian Dragoons, Major K.G. Troughton congratulates Major C.G. Kitchen, Commanding Officer of the Fort Garry Horse. During their six month stay, the Fort Garry's racked up an impressive 180,678 miles. On 720 convoys, they escorted 72,661 people in 20,061 vehicles between Nicosia and Kyrenia.

(Canadian Forces Photo).

BRITCON NEWS

FATHER AND SON WITH FORCE

LAST WEEK SAW THE REUNION OF A FATHER AND HIS SON. Ssgt Ralph Brown (R ANGLIAN) has been the Officers' Mess Manager since January of this year. On 3rd April his eldest son, John, arrived to take up his duties as an Aircraft technician with HQ UNFICYP Flt AAC. John is a Lcpl in the Royal Electrical and Mechanical Engineers and has specialised in aircraft maintenance since his enlistment in 1965.

Ralph Brown has had an interesting career. He joined the Royal Navy in 1938 and saw active service during World War II in Scandinavian and Mediterranean waters. For much of the war he was in the submarine service and his vessel escorted the invasions of North Africa, Sicily and Italy. He retired from the Navy in 1952 and was employed as a cocktail barman, later head cocktail barman, in several celebrated London establishments incendiary "Snows", "The Red Lion" in Great Wigmore Street and the "Trocadero".

A short spell of coal mining in Leicester followed, and then Ralph joined the Army in 1954. Because of his abilities as a steward — he is a member of the Hotel Catering Institute (MHCI) and also of the Cookery and Food Association (MCFA) — he spent some time as House-Sergeant for two recent G.O.C.s in Cyprus.

He has also boxed competitively — both as amateur and professional. One of his amateur opponents was the late Randolph Turpin who became world middleweight champion. After turning professional, Ralph had 37 fights — including one against the South African champion, Eddie McGuire — of which he won 33.

An enthusiastic camper and tourist, Ralph's travels have taken him to Russia, America, Canada, Australia, New Zealand, the West Indies, most of the Mediterranean countries and all over Europe.

Apart from his interest in the RAOB (Royal Antedeluvian Order of Buffaloes), Ralph is a part-time author. His first book was published in 1953 and he is now completing another.



Father and son together — Ssgt Ralph Brown and his son John examining a Sioux helicopter of HQ UNFICYP Flight AAC.

THREE CALLS IN TWO DAYS FOR WESSEX

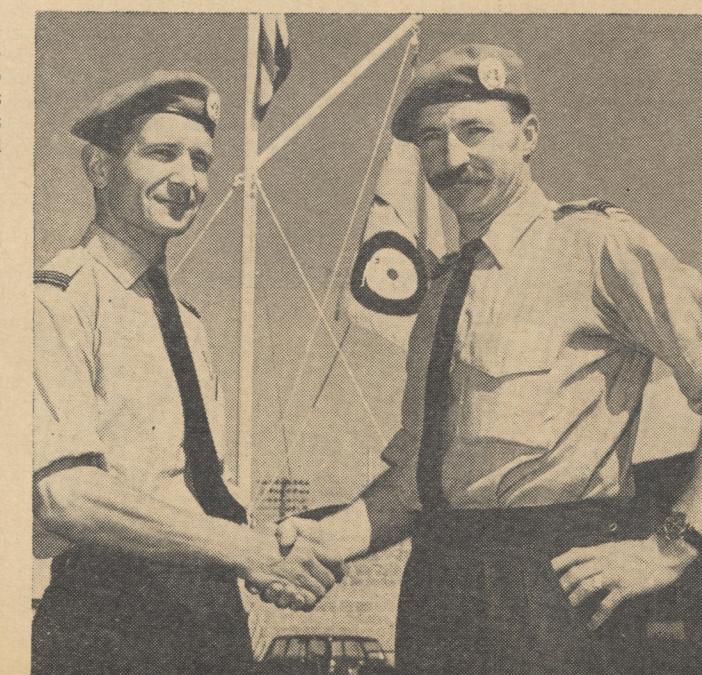
WESSEX HELICOPTERS OF 72 SQN DETACHMENT RAF were concerned in three medevac emergencies in two days during last week.

The first call answered by Flt Sgt Lawson and Sgt Dawson was to convey Inspector Schonfeld of the Austrian civilian police from the Kythrea area to the Austrian Field Hospital at Kokkinotrimithia. Insp Schonfeld had broken his leg whilst on patrol.

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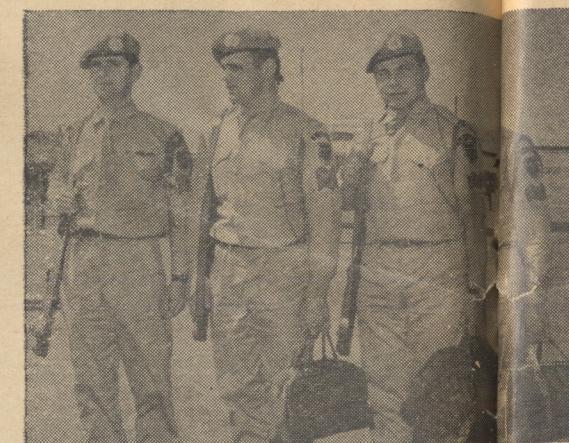
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Fit Lt Ian Wines (left) of 72 Sqn Detachment bids farewell to Fit Lt Ted Roberts who left Cyprus this week.

'WELCOME 8 - WOULD YOU BELIEVE SIX MONTHS?'



Four members of HQ Coy, 8th Inf Group arrival from Dublin. (Left to right) Sgt Thomas Kealy of gt Andrew O'Shea of the Curragh, Cpl James Brady of and Cpl Paddy Mannion of Roscommon.



72 SQUADRON'S THIRD DETACHMENT

THE THIRD DETACHMENT OF 72 Squadron RAF arrived in Nicosia last week preparatory to taking over their duties from the Contingent headed by Flt Lt Ted

Roberts which has been in the island since January.

The new Contingent is commanded by Flt Lt Ian Wines and will serve with UNFICYP until June.

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THE MESSAGE IN OUR HEADLINE SPELLED OUT WITH STONES ON A HILLSIDE, greeted the 8th Infantry Group, the last elements of which reached Cyprus just before the week-end. The area is well known to some of them from previous service on the island and comment on the welcome could best be described as varied. Settling-in presented no problems, all got off to a fine start, and are looking forward to their work with UNFICYP.

The Dowler family from Co Longford is well represented with three brothers now serving with the Group. Sgt Sean, the youngest and only bachelor is on his third tour, as is Cpl Mick, while Pte Paul has not been overseas until now.

Cpl Dan McGivern, the Contingent Commander's driver was at the airport recently to welcome his brother Cpl Noel. They are neighbours too at Arbour Hill quarters in Dublin. Dan has served once in the Congo and completed two Cyprus tours and Noel was twice with ONUC and now starts his second UNFICYP tour.

It is unusual to find a group of eight men from the same platoon keen to stay for a second consecutive tour, but this is the case with the Signal Platoon. The eight include Pte Billy McEvoy from Athlone, Cpl Raymond Mulvey from

THIS SPORTING GROUP!

Sport will figure prominently in the Group's activities. Each Company can produce personnel whose names frequently appear on the sports pages of our daily papers.

Games within the Group and against local teams have already been arranged. "A" Company has thrown down the gauntlet to all comers claiming that with teams led by 6' 2" and 220 lbs Captain Gerry Keyes, an international basketballer, Mayo senior footballer and All Army rugby medalist they are "money-on". They also have All Army pommeled-horse champion, Pte Kevin Cahill.

"B" Company has this year's All Army volleyball winning team and also soccer players Sgt Denis Leahy, the Bridewell centre-forward in the Cup, Cpl Joe O'Grady, the Cork Celtic goalie and Cpl Davy Sharpe. It also has most of the team which won this year's All Army PT championships.

FORCE MPIO BEGINNING HANDOVER

This week UNFICYP MPIO, Lt-Col Douglas A. Johnson, MBE, MC, RA, will begin handing over duties to his successor Lt-Col John H.L. Parker, MC, RA. To the former, IRCON expresses its thanks for his assistance and co-operation. We wish him luck in his new appointment in Aden. To Lt-Col Parker we say "Cead Mile Failte". He can be sure of our utmost co-operation at all times.



COMIRCON, Lt-Col James Beary welcomes Sgt Tom Heffernan, Engineer Platoon, to Nicosia, with (left to right in front) Pte Bernard Stevens "A" Coy, Cpl Pat Joyce "A" Coy and Sgt James Thompson, HQ Coy.



'Smiles as the sun greets new arrivals. The main body of 8th Inf Group arrives.'

UDBEDRING AF DANCON - STILLINGER



Sandsække kan ikke holde evigt. Vejrigtet tører, og fra tid til anden er man nødt til at udskifte dem. DANCON VI har snart afsluttet en sådan udskifting og forbedring, idet man dog mange steder i stedet for at anvende nye sandsække bruger bølgeblik som en slags sandkasse. Bølgeblik har mindst en fordel frem for sække: det er betydeligt længere om at forgå, og da stillingerne absolut ikke bliver ringere af, at man anvender dette materiale, kan man i fremtiden spare en masse udskiftingsarbejder.

Billedet er taget ved en af C-kompaniets poster og viser fra venstre vagten, konstabel 574110 H. Jensen, SAR, tidl. hold II og V. Han er tilsyneladende blevet meget træt af at se holdet arbejde, og dette er fra venstre KS 641359 S.B. Olesen, FLK, tidl. hold V, KS 632055 V.J. Jacobsen, SJLR, tidl. hold IV, sergeant H.J. Jørgensen, STRR, tidl. hold V, KS 650110 V.H. Jensen, NJAR, KS 651205 E. Agri, FLR, KS 513580 O. Mogensen, KJFR, tidl. hold III, IV og V og KS 631389 K. Kristensen, NJAR, tidl. hold V.

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HOBBIES VED DANCON

En del hobbies dyrkes kun for at udøverne kan slå friiden ihjel på en for dem fornøjelig og interessant måde, men andre er "Ej blot til lyst men og til gavn", og blandt disse sidste hører Jiu-Jitsu. På billedet ses oversergent Schmidt fra Prinsens Livregiment, p.t. næstkommanderende i A-kompaniets 3. deling i færd med at kaste konstabel 675732 Lyngsaa fra samme regiment, for tiden tjenstgørende ved A-kompaniets 2. deling. Det er ikke første gang, at Lyngsaa får en flyvetur af OS Schmidt, men det kan han bestemt godt være bekendt, eftersom OS har dyrket sporten i 11 år, medens Lyngsaa kun har været med, sålænge han har været soldat i Viborg. Han, der kun har været på

Cyprn i ca. 1 måned, har taget broncemærket i selvforsvar, medens OS Schmidt, der tidligere har været her på både hold III og IV, har det såkaldte "Brune Belte", hvilket er en af de højeste udmærkelser inden for sporten. OS Schmidt har tidligere været instruktør i selvforsvar ved Prinsens Livregiment, og han forsøgte den gang at starte en civil klub, hvilket dog desværre strandede på grund af lokalemangel. Regimentet har imidlertid nu lovet at stille lokaler til rådighed, og efter hjemkomsten fra Cyprn forsøger OS atter at starte en klub, idet man som en begyndelse dog kun har i sinde at oprette selvforsvarshold for husmodre. Dragten, som OS Schmidt har på, kaldes en "Gi" og koster omkring 150 kr.



TRANSPORTSEKTIONEN

I ARBEDJE

Det er vist den almindelige opfattelse, at vore seks mænd i Stabskompaniets Transportsektion (KIH) kun besæftiger sig med at passe og køre udrykningskøretøjerne, to ambulancer og en ambulancejeep. Det er imidlertid helt forkert. Naturligvis skalfolkene ligge i et vist beredskeb, således at ambulancerne i påkommende tilfælde er rede til at rykke ud med øjeblikkeligt varsel, og dette job kommer selvfølgeligt i første



Suunnistuskilpailu Troodoksen juurella

LULISI, ETTÄ SUUNNISTUSTA, TÄTÄ pohjoismaista urheilulajia, on Kyproksella mahdoton harjoittaa: suunnistaja on joko vuorella, josta hän näkee kaksi kolmennesta koko saaresta ja omistuisi mäkin eksymään vaikka haluaisikin, tai siten aukealla, josta hän näkee molemmat vuoristot eikä taaskaan voi eksyä.

Suunnistusruheilun Kyprokselle tuomista ajavilla olikin alkuvaikeuksia "pohjoismaisen" maaston löytämisessä, kunnes sitten päädyttiin Kakopetrian seutuihin Troodoksen liepeillä. Tällä metsäisellä ja mäkinellä alueella pidettiin sitten 7.4. Kyproksen todennäköisesti ensimmäinen kansainvälinen suunnistuskilpailu—oikeastaan maaottelu, sillä osanottajina oli 15 ruotsalaisen ja 25 suomalaisen lisäksi vain yksi tanskalainen.

Suunnistusrata oli kuuden kilometrin mittainen, mikä ei ole kovin paljon meikäläisten mittojen mukaan mutta on muistettava, ettei suomalainen suunnistusmaasto yleensä liene aivan näin korkeata. Lähtöpaikka sijaitsi aivan lähellä Nikosia-Limassol-Troodos risteystä ja maali oli ns Riviera-baarin kohdalla. Rasteja oli kaikkiaan 9, ja ne oli sijoitettu molemmen puolin Nikosian johtavia tietä.

Suomalaisien ei voi väittää kilpailussa juuri menestyneen, sillä Ruotsin pojat miehittivät kolme ensimmäistä sijaa ja sitten taas kaikki sijotukset viidennessä kymmenenteen. Neljänneksi tullut ja siis paras suomalainen oli jääkäri Salminen, jonka aika oli 1.34.52.

Kilpailun voitti Ruotsin aliker-santi Henriksson ajalla 1.24.21. Toiseksi tuli kersanti Karlsson ja kolmanneksi jääkäri Qvicklund, samoin ruotsalaisia. Kilpailun jälkeen jaettiin palkinnot-jakajana

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GROENLAENDER I DANCON

Medens vi er vant til, at vi i kontingenget har folk fra Jylland, Sjælland, Fyn, "Sydhavserne" o.s.v., er vi ikke forvært med at have soldater fra vort nordligste og største amt, Grønland.



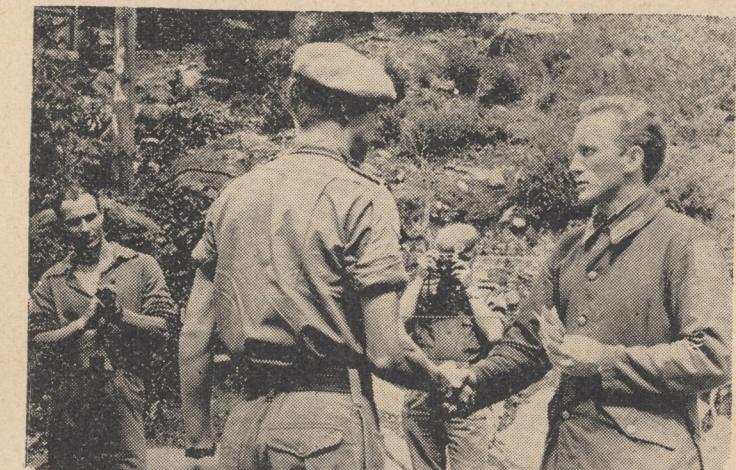
På foto'et ses konstabel 687323 G. Schmidt, fra Sjællandske Telegrafregiment i Høvælt. KS, der er født i Fredrikshab, har også været her på DANCON V, og han hører til Signaldelingen med tjeneste som centralmand i Nicosia Club.

Han har boet i København i 6 år og vil, når han har afsluttet sin tjeneste på Cyprn, blive der og fortsætte med at dygtiggøre sig som specialarbejder endnu nogen tid, før han vender tilbage til Grønland.

Da vi jo er forholdsvis forvante med postgangen fra den øvrige del af Danmark, spurgte vi ham om, hvor længe et brev er undervejs fra Grønland til Cyprn og blev glædeligt overrasket over at erfare, at det kun tager fem til seks dage.



Ennen maastoon lähtöä. Kapteeni Penttilä (toinen vasemmalta) antaa viime ohjeitaan suomalaiselle joukkueelle.



Tässä on kilpailu jo ohi, ja voittaja, Ruotsin aliker-santi Henriksson vastaanottaa onnitellut ja palkintonsa kapteeni Enqvistiltä.



Ja tässä paras suomalainen, neljännelle tilalle sijoittunut jääkäri Salminen kapteeni Enqvistin onniteltavana.



"Tuollahan juostiin..." Hiljaiseloa kilpailun päätyttyä hotellin parvekkeella. Taustalla hämmöttää kylän takaa kohoava vuoren rinne.

WHO CELEBRATES ANNIVERSARY

On Friday of last week the World Health Organization (WHO) celebrated its nineteenth anniversary of creation as a specialized agency of the United Nations. In a message issued on the occasion, WHO Director-general, M.G. Candau, pointed out that the scarcity of trained manpower for health services was an urgent problem almost everywhere, but more particularly in the developing countries. He emphasized the progress of medical science had made teamwork an essential feature of all health care.

POORER COUNTRIES DEBT BURDEN

Lagging aid to poorer countries and their growing burden of debts were stressed at United Nations Headquarters last week as a 45-nation committee opened its session on various development and aid problems.

The committee was told that the volume of aid from wealthier nations was not keeping pace with their steadily increasing national production and that many underdeveloped countries were facing a highly explosive debt situation.

MESSAGE TO E.C.A.F.E.

In a message to the United Nations Economic Commission for Asia and the Far East as it opened a new session in Tokyo last week, Secretary-General, U Thant, expressed the hope that regional development in the area would foster not only economic progress but also the restoration of peace.

ADMINISTRATIVE COMMITTEE

While in Geneva last week, Secretary General, U Thant, presided over the meetings of the Administrative Committee — the committee which coordinates the work of the United Nations and its specialized agencies.

ADDRESS TO W.M.O.

Addressing a meeting of the World Meteorological Association in Geneva last week, United Nations Secretary-General, U Thant, outlined some of the progress made by the agency is using new tools being made available to it by modern scientific and technological developments.

He said he had no doubt that considerable economic benefits would come from the WMO's unique programme of World Weather Watch, an international system, employing both weather satellites and computers.

UN MISSION QUILTS ADEN

LACK OF COOPERATION CHARGE

THE UNITED NATIONS MISSION TO ADEN left the troubled British South Arabian territory on Friday of last week after a stay of only five days, charging that they were unable to carry out their task due to lack of cooperation on the part of the authorities.

The three-man mission had been charged by the Secretary-General with the task of determining to what extent the United Nations could usefully participate in the preparation and supervision of free elections leading to independence. Britain has scheduled independence for next year, but has not yet set a date.

The mission was also to consider practical steps for the establishment of a central caretaker government to assist in organizing the elections.

The Chairman of the mission, Ambassador Manuel Perez-Guerrero of Venezuela, was to broadcast to the people of South Arabia on Friday evening. The broadcast was cancelled by Federal authorities, but a prepared statement was released to the press.

In this, Mr. Perez-Guerrero appealed for cooperation from all concerned. He stressed the mission would deal only with representatives of the British administering power and not with the Federal government of South Arabia.

Mr. Perez-Guerrero also insisted on assurances from the administering power that the mission would have full opportunities to establish contact with representatives of all shades of opinion. The mission would begin its study of the situation, he said, once this fact was established.

During the mission's stay in Aden there were considerable disturbances involving loss of life and injury among Arab demonstrators and injuries to British security forces.

British Foreign Secretary, George Brown, has issued a statement regretting the mission's departure from South Arabia without completing its task. The British authorities in the area, Mr Brown said, had offered the mission every facility it required.

The Foreign Secretary, the statement said, was not consulted about the refusal to broadcast the mission's statement. The British statement noted that the broadcasting station was under the physical control of the Federal authorities.

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Russia, as a permanent member of the Security Council has the power of veto, and the memorandum described this right as 'a safeguard for the independence and integrity of the less powerful nations of the world.'

Earlier, Czechoslovakia supported the Soviet stand, but Nigeria's J.T.F. Iyalla endorsed an idea for a finance committee composed of Security Council members and a number of other states which could operate to avoid the use of the veto.

Canada's George Ignatieff said the idea of a permanent UN Force was unrealistic, but that member states should earmark various units available for UN duty.

Sir Leslie Glass of Britain urged that financing of peace-keeping operations be placed on a firm and reliable basis. He appealed to countries who had not made voluntary contributions to help make up deficits to do so.

Brazil's Jose Sette Camara said he still considered the United Nations Charter should be revised in part to cover such peace-keeping operations as had actually been undertaken during the past two decades.

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Syria agreed to an appeal by the Secretary-General in January that they participate in extraordinary meetings of the Mixed Armistice Commission on the problems of cultivation in the area of the Armistice Demarcation Line. After three inconclusive meetings, further meetings were postponed, both sides accusing the other of obstruction.

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Seymour Finger of the United States said that even if agreement could be reached, a definition might serve to detract from, rather than enhance, the peace-keeping effectiveness of the United Nations because forms of aggression changed and a rigid definition would tie the hands of the Security Council in the future.

On Viet-Nam, Mr Finger said America was aiding the Republic of Viet-Nam in defending its right to self-determination and it was continuing to seek an honourable and enduring negotiated settlement.