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UNFICYP WEDDING



Mr Pier P. Spinelli (left) and Lieutenant - General A.E. Martola, with Captain and Mrs John McGregor at the Reception held in the Officer's Mess, UNFICYP. (More pictures and details appear on Page six).

NEW SPECIAL REPRESENTATIVE NAMED BY S-G

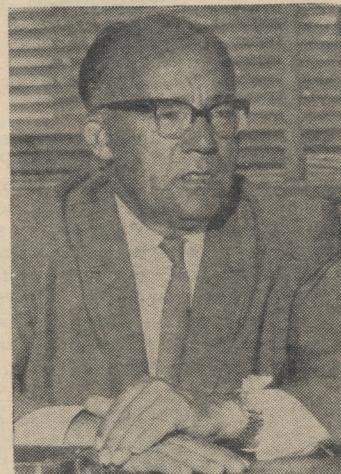
OSORIO-TAFALL SUCCEEDS BERNARDES

ON THURSDAY THE UNITED NATIONS SECRETARY-GENERAL, U THANT, ANNOUNCED THE APPOINTMENT OF Mr. BIBIANO OSORIO-TAFALL of Mexico as his Special Representative in Cyprus.

Mr. Osorio-Tafall succeeds Mr. Carlos A. Bernardes, of Brazil, who resigned last month for pressing personal reasons after serving in this capacity for a little over two years.

It is expected that Mr. Osorio-Tafall will take up his new appointment in Cyprus about 20 February 1967.

Mr. Pier Pasquale Spinelli, Under-Secretary, Director-General of the United Nations Office in Geneva, has been acting as the Secretary-General's Special Representative



BIBIANO OSORIO - TAFALL

in Cyprus since the resignation of Mr. Bernardes. Mr. Spinelli will be returning to

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ISRAEL-SYRIA PLEDGE RESTRAINT

ARMISTICE COMMISSION STUDY CULTIVATION PROBLEMS

ISRAEL AND SYRIA LAST WEEK RE-AFFIRMED THEIR COMMITMENT TO REFRAIN FROM ALL KINDS OF HOSTILE OR AGGRESSIVE ACTIONS as provided for in the UN Charter and the 1949 Armistice Agreement between them.

The renewed pledges were made at an extraordinary meeting of the Israel-Syria Mixed Armistice Commission which was convened — as agreed by the parties — to take up practical arrangements on problems of cultivation on the Armistice Demarcation Line in order to

secure a peaceful atmosphere for farmers and civilians in the area.

The meeting was arranged by the chief UN Truce Supervisor, General Odd Bull, following a series of border incidents, and as UN reports of heavy military build-ups in the Demilitarized Zones prompted Secretary-General U Thant to appeal for restraint by both sides.

The initial meeting took place on the eastern, or Syrian, side of the Jordan River in the vicinity of Banat Yaakov Bridge. Another meeting

took place on Sunday at Mahanayim, on the Israel side of the Demarcation Line.

S. G. HAILS SPACE TREATY

The Secretary-General last week hailed the signing of the Outer-Space-for-Peace Treaty in London, Moscow and Washington. In identical messages to the three major space powers, who are depositary governments, U Thant said he was particularly gra-

tified the United Nations was able to make a significant contribution to this major achievement.

He said he had no doubt that this treaty would not only greatly reduce the danger of conflict in space, but

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GENERALSEKRETERAER U THANTS
PERSONLIGE REPRÆSENTANT PAA
CYPERN AFLÆGGER BESØG HOS DANCON



De forenede Nationers generalsekretær U Thants personlige midlertidige repræsentant på Cypern, mr. P.P. Spinelli, aflagde onsdag den 25. januar besøg ved DANCON. Mr. Spinelli og Force Commander, general-løjtnant A. E. Martola, blev modtaget af chefen for DANCON, oberstløjtnant J.J. Ladegaard-Mikkelsen, og skridtede derefter fronten til et æreskommando stillet af B-kompagniet af. Efter at være blevet orienteret i DANCONs O-rum kørte gæsterne til C-kompagniet, hvor chefen, major O.P. Olling, viste sin del af "Den grønne linie".

På foto'et ses fra venstre E-officeren, kaptajn E.Oernstedt, oberstløjtnant Ladegaard-Mikkelsen, mr. Spinelli, general Martola, major Olling og O-officeren, major M. Thodberg.



Ved "Årets FN-bryllup" mellem general I.A.E. Martolas engelske sekretær, miss Virginia Biddell, og den engelske flyver-kaptajn, John McGregor, var der dansk æresvagter for brudeparret. Her er æresvagten fra C-KMP under anførsel af korporal Benny Andreasen, GHR, lynskudt, medens dagens hovedpersoner forlader bilen for at begive sig til receptionen i officersmessen på HQ UNFICYP.



DANCON VANDT 'LANDSKAMPEN' MOD SWEDCON MED 2-0

SOENDAG DEN 29 JANUAR SPILLEDE DANCON MOD SWEDCON I FAMAGUSTA. Begge hold stillede op i dragter i de respektive nationale farver, og allerede dette slog fra starten landskampstemningen an. De ret fåtallige tilskuere dannede heppekor, og alt så ud til at være lagt op til "landskamp".

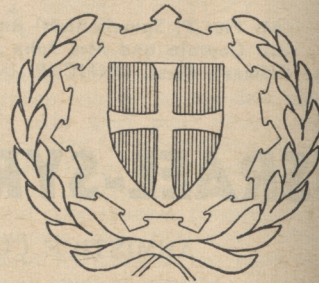
Efter at de to hold havde hilst på hinanden, fik vore spillere hver overrakt en Dalarnhäst skåret ud i træ, og kampen tog sin begyndelse. I første halvleg blev der vist pænt spil fra begge sider, men efterhånden som halvlegen skred frem, fik DANCON mere og mere af spillet, således at bolden faktisk kun opholdt sig på SWEDCONs banehalvdel, men hvor pænt spillet i marken end var, kneb det uhyggeligt med at få bolden i mål. Ind imellem havde SWEDCON enkelte fremstød, der dog alle blev stoppet af DANCONs solide forsvar, og man sad faktisk kun og ventede på, at vore elleve skulle åbne scoringen. Vort angreb var imidlertid ikke tilstrækkeligt effektivt, og halvlegen sluttede, uden at der blev scoret fra nogen af siderne.

Strax i anden halvleg tog SWEDCON teten, men til alt held for os, formåede heller ikke de at score. Efterhånden blev stemningen hos tilskuerne noget mat, og selv om der i markspillet blev vist mange gode enkeltheder, medens bolden vexlede fra den ene banehalvdel til den anden, manglede man et mål eller to for atter at få gejsten frem. Nærmest ved at score var løjtnant Nielausen, som for blankt mål trillede bolden mod den ene målstolpe, hvorefter bolden stille og roligt rullede om på den gale side af stolpen. Endelig - da der kun var ca. 10 minutter tilbage af kampen - lykkedes det løjtnant Nielausen at score, 1-0 til DANCON. Umiddelbart herefter havde SWEDCON nogle stærke minutter, hvor de danske tilskuere sad med livet i hænderne for, at det skulle lykkes dem at udligne, men til alt held for os ville bolden ikke det sidste stykke ind i målet. I allersidste minut lykkedes det atter løjtnant Nielausen at score, således at det endelige resultat blev 2-0 til DANCON.

Selv om vi vandt kampen, spil-

lede vort hold dog ikke overbevisende. Vort angreb lod en del tilbage at ønske, og havde det ikke været for vort solide forsvars skyld, var det nok lykkedes SWEDCON at score et par gange. Trods alt var vort hold det bedste, men det retfærdigste resultat efter spillets fordeling havde nok været 2-1 til DANCON.

I angrebet spillede faktisk kun sergent P.B. Pedersen rigtig godt. Han var meget flittig i marken, og det var ham, der lagde op til begge vore mål. Forsvaret spillede gennemgående absolut tilfredsstillende,



og hvis nogen skal fremhæves, må det være centrehalfback, KS N.C. Kristensen, B-KMP, og de to backs, oversergent Kristensen fra Movement control og KS Voxen fra C-KMP. Målmanden, KS Oestergaard fra Velfærdskontoret, blev ikke sat på de store prøver, men de få skud, der var på mål, klarede han med bravour. Hvis holdet vil gøre sig håb om at yde en hæderlig indsats på Syriens-turen, må angrebet tage sig ganske alvorligt sammen, thi med det spil, det blev vist i dag, vil det ikke kunne stille meget op mod det udvalgte syriske militærhold, der ifølge opgivelser fra Damascus skulle have en styrke, der svarer til et dansk anden divisions hold.

SVENSKNYTT



Två generaler möttes på Carl Gustaf Camp vid svenska FN-bataljonens avskedsmiddag för de senaste dagarnas sverigegäster. General Fredrik Öwénhielm (längst t.h.) samspråkar på bilden med fr.v. svenske zonchefen, överste Bertil Stjernfeldt, svenske ambassadören Claes Wollin, Force Commander vid UNFICYP, generalen A.E. Martola, och den svenske talmannen Ivar Johansson.



SPAENNANDE MAESTERSKAP PAA GOLDFISH STADION

TRE DUBBELSEGRARE INGICK I RESULTATSKÖRDEN AFTER TVÅ SPÄNNANDE TÄVLINGSDAGAR PÅ GOLD FISH STADION I FAMAGUSTA, då svenska bataljonens zonmästerskap avgjordes den 23-24 januari. Tävlingsgarna, som arrangerats med brio av 2.komp med major Birger Quist i kompanikamrater till de tävlande.

När poängresultaten hopsammanerats efter de två tävlingsdagarna, visade det sig att 3. komp lagt beslag på fjärdeplatsen med 44 poäng, att 1. komp valt tredjeplatsen med 4 poäng mer och att STR komp uppsökt andraplatsen med 56 poäng efter odiskutabelt segrande värdkompaniet, som nådde poängsumman 65. Även Civpol deltog och samlade få men naggande goda 4 poäng.

Dubbla grensegrare blev öfu



Skiftande stilar demonstrerades i höjdhoppstävlingen på Gold Fish Stadion. Den som Anders Svensson (på bilden) använde sig av gav honom en hedrande tredjeplacering.

S.I. Hansson, STR, som vann såväl 100-metersloppet som längdhoppstävlingen, och Lt L.R. Strömberg från 3. komp som tog hem kulstötningen och dessutom med långa ben svingade sig över segermåtten 1,73 cm i höjdhoppet. J.L. Quicklund från 2. komp vann 400-metersfinalen och säkrade också som slutman stafettsegrarna åt sitt kompani.



Små pratstunder med bydetolkningen nor om de trivsammare inslagen i patrullturerna från Komi Kebir. Har har fr.v. drivern Bengt Wärnelius från Björsäter i Östergötland, furir Göran Johansson, Örnskoldsvik, och Sören Ekelund från Mjölby tagit en siesta med några av invånarna i den nordöstliga byn Galinupurni.



Dubbelsegraren öfu S.I. Hansson hissas av entusiastiska kompanikamrater efter segern i den knivskarpa 100-metersfinalen vid måndagens zontävlingar på Gold Fish Stadion. Den sprintersnabbe öfuren tog också hem förstaplatsen i längdhoppet.

ROTATION WHEEL TURNS FULL CIRCLE FOR 644

IN JANUARY 1964 THE UK STRATEGIC RESERVE'S 3 DIV SIGS REGT ARRIVED IN CYPRUS to take over communications commitments for the UK Peace-Keeping Force. The original communications centre — formerly established in an hotel in Nicosia — was moved to its present location in the main hangar at Force Headquarters.

3 Div Sigs Regt, in April 1964, became an integral



Studying a message which has just arrived over a teleprinter are Corporal Allan Whenlock from Bolton and Yeoman of Signals (WO II) Tim Lockley from Wolverhampton.



Signalman Charlie Stuart is shown testing telephone circuits in the frame room. Charlie's home is at Inverness.

part of UNFICYP and was redesignated as 644 Signal Troop.

Since its formation the unit has provided vital communications to all the UNFICYP Zones and Districts of the island. For this task it is equipped with teleprinters, a

radio room and an SDS branch. (It also has several FFR vehicles for "field" operations). The Troop is responsible for the operation of the Headquarters UNFICYP Telephone Exchange.

In conjunction with members of the Royal Canadian Signals, 644 Troop helps to maintain in good order certain teleprinter and telephone lines.

Since its redesignation, in April 1964, the unit's personnel have been found from a number of different Signal Regiments and Squadrons based in UK and Germany. Now at last, after 2½ years, its manpower is again provided by the original unit — 3 Div Sigs Regt — thus bringing the "rotation wheel" through a full circle.

RADIO MAST MAINTENANCE— BY CHOPPER!!

'BLIND' LIFT ASSISTED BY
'POLESQUATTER'

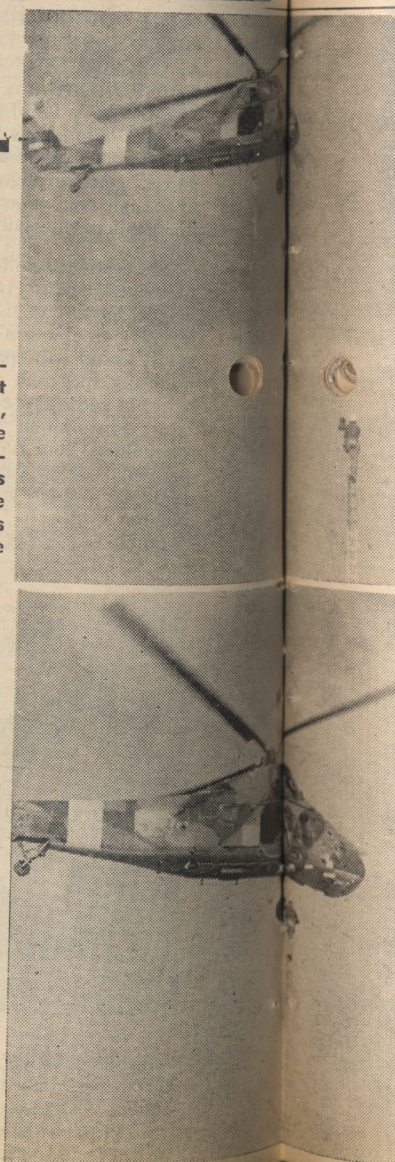
RECENTLY A WESSEX HELICOPTER, PILOTED BY LT MIKE BURNETTE, RN, AND WITH MASTER SIGNALLER "TAFF" HUGHES AS CREW, completed an unusual assignment when it raised and then lowered to the ground an 80 ft metal radio-mast. The mast, which had been damaged by storms over the previous weekened and was considered to be in a dangerous condition had been located beside the Main Hangar at HQ UNFICYP.

In an operation such as this, where the pilot cannot see beneath him, the crewman has to lean out of the helicopter and relay instructions by intercom. A man also has to climb the radio-mast in order to secure to it the helicopter's lifting-tackle. That this tricky assignment was completed without any untoward incident reflects the skill of all concerned.

Mike Burnette is a sailer doing an exchange tour with the RAF and is at present serving with 72 Squadron (Det) RAF.

The Wessex helicopter, piloted by Lt Mike Burnette, RN, closes in towards the mast. Master Signaller "Taff" Hughes is peering out of the fuselage acting as the "eyes" of the pilot.

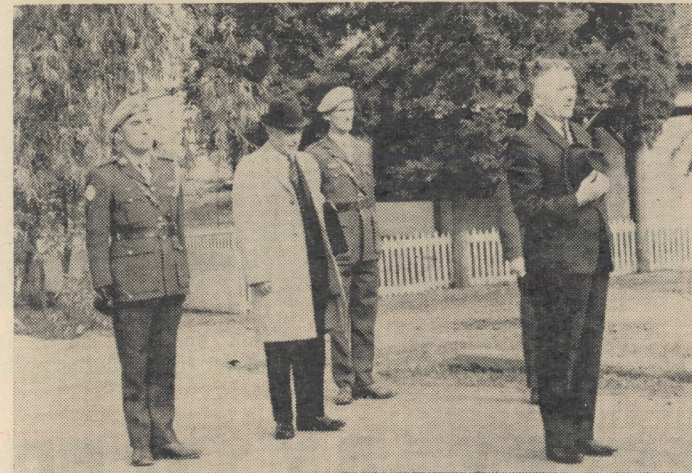
Up the pole!! That's Captain Mike Forge, from Hythe, Kent. He is the Troop Commander. His task here is to secure the helicopter's lifting tackle to the mast.



AN t-AIRE VISITS FORCE

FOUR DAY VISIT RECORDED IN PICTURES

WEDNESDAY—Lieut. Hanley introduced An t-Aire to Flavianio OFM, at the reception in Ledra Palace



WEDNESDAY — An t-Aire taking the Guard of Honour salute at Xeros Camp.



TUESDAY — An t-Aire inspects Guard of Honour drawn from the Royal Canadian Regiment at UNFICYP HQ.



WEDNESDAY — An t-Aire tests the weight of a barrowful of wet cement being used in construction work at "A" Coy Camp Lefka. Also in the picture are Pts Dick Egan, Billy Lawlor and Cpl. Jack Veale.

WEDNESDAY— An t-Aire chats with cook Sgt. Mick Potts who hails from his own home town.



THURSDAY — Lt. Gen. Mac Eoin enjoys a joke with the men of the composite company at Limnitis.



FRIDAY—An t-Aire and his party at the Sultan Tekke Mosque in Larnaca during the sightseeing tour.



FRIDAY — Mrs. Hilliard signs the visitors book for Major Quist (Swedish Contingent) at Carl Gustav Camp, Famagusta.

NEW COMMANDER FOR 2ND REGIMENT RCHA

MAJOR JIM HENDERSON, WHO WILL BE PROMOTED TO LIEUTENANT-COLONEL IN FEBRUARY and given command of 2nd Regiment, Royal Canadian Horse Artillery at Canadian Forces Base, Gagetown, New Brunswick, recently relinquished his post as Ops A(2).

He has been in Cyprus since August, 1966, in charge of the UNFICYP operations

centre.

Succeeding Major Henderson in the latter posting is Major Jim Fox who has been a watch-keeper in Operations Branch for the past four months.

A third Canadian has come from Canadian Forces Headquarters to replace Major Fox on the watchkeeping roster. He is Major Don Porter.



Majors Jim Fox (left), Jim Henderson and Don Porter, the three Canadian officers involved in the recent triple rotation within Ops Branch.

COMMANDER'S SECRETARY WEDS



The Guard of Honour with drawn swords greet the bridal pair as they leave St Paul's Church immediately after the marriage.

THE WEDDING WAS CELEBRATED AT ST PAUL'S CHURCH, NICOSIA ON SATURDAY 28th JANUARY, 1967 BETWEEN CAPTAIN JOHN MCGREGOR OF THE HEADQUARTERS UNFICYP FLIGHT (ARMY AIR CORPS) AND MISS "GINNY" BIDDLE, who for almost a year has been Secretary to the Force Commander. The bride is from Harrow, Middlesex and the groom from Cape Province, South Africa.

Arch-Deacon Chandler officiated at the service, which was attended by a large number of guests, among them being Mr Pier P. Spinelli, the Secretary General's Special Representative in Cyprus, General A.E. Martola, the Force Commander, and the Chief of Staff, Brigadier M.N. Harbottle. The bride was given away by her father Mr A.C.W. Biddell — who had come to Cyprus for the occasion — and the "best man" was Captain James McElroy,

Canadian Guards, who is on the Headquarters Staff at UNFICYP.

After their wedding the couple passed through a "Guard of Honour" comprising two representatives of each of the national contingents in UNFICYP, who made a triumphal archway with their swords. Two saffron-kilted pipers of the Irish Contingent rendered an air.

The couple then drove to the Officers' Mess, UNFICYP, escorted by six scout cars provided by the Danish Contingent, where they were again greeted by an Honour Guard — Danish soldiers with rifles held in salute — and pipers. In the Mess, Captain and Mrs McGregor received their guests at a traditional reception.

They were last seen being whisked away from the Mess in a Sioux helicopter of the groom's Unit, piloted by Lt Standen, AAC.



The happy couple cut their wedding cake.

LIFE HAS PRIORITY

PART IV

PARKING

WITH THE PARKING PROBLEM AS IT IS THESE DAYS, IT IS IMPORTANT TO BE ABLE TO PARK A VEHICLE CLOSE TO THE KERB in a limited space without too many extra turns of the steering wheel. There are certain simple rules for carrying out this manoeuvre:

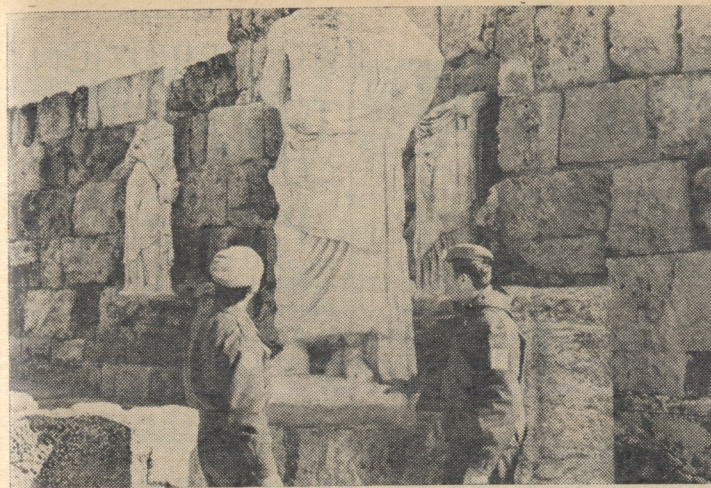
1. Drive up in a straight line and stop alongside fairly close to the vehicle in front.
2. Turn the wheels sharply and back the rear end of your vehicle in towards the kerb.
3. Swing the front wheels so as to bring the front of your vehicle near the kerb.

4. Pull the vehicle ahead into the parking position.

Particular care should be taken when parking on a hill. The front wheel should always be turned in the proper direction, against the kerb, so as to act as a brake. If the vehicle is headed downhill, the wheels should be turned sharply in towards the kerb; if headed uphill, the wheels should be turned out. Then the kerb will help prevent the car from rolling.

Bear in mind one caution: When leaving a parking space, the front of the vehicle swings out towards the centre of the street, so take care beforehand to look out for vehicles approaching from both front and rear.

VOOHIEEN VALTAKUNNASSA



Patsaita Salamiin raunioissa. Kiinnostuneet historiantutkijat ovat jääkäri Tiesmäki (vasemmalla) ja jääkäri Jokinen, jotka ovat molemmat toisen komppanian miehiä.

SUNNUNTAIAJELUITA JÄRJESTETAAN TAAS

VIIME SUNNUNTAINA JÄRJESTETTIIN JÄLLEEN, ENSI KERTAA ROTAATION JÄLKEEN, vanhastaan tuttu sunnuntaitreki, joka tällä kertaa suuntautui Famagustaan ja Salamikseen. Retkien aloittamisen on tähän saakka estänyt huono sää sekä erilaiset järjestelyvaikeudet, mutta tästä alkaen niitä tullaan tekemään joka sunnuntai, jos vain autotilanne myöten antaa.

Ensimmäisellä retkellä oli mukana kaikkiaan 47 osanottajaa, jotka tekivät matkaa kolmessa Pette-rissä ja yhdessä Volvossa. Matkaa johtamassa oli tällä kertaa lomaupseeri, yliluutnantti Viskari.

Autot ajoivat ensiksi Salamikseen, jossa tutustuttiin tämän n. 800 eKr rakennetun kaupungin raunioihin. Sitten karavaani siirtyi Famagustan rantahietikon luo, jossa lekoteltiin auringossa sen verran kuin sää salli ja kuljeskeltiin kaupunkia katselemassa. Kolmen aikoihin iltapäivällä ajettiin takaisin Nikosiaan.

Seuraavat matkat tullaan vielä suuntaamaan melko lähellä sijaitseviin paikkoihin, kuten Kyreniaan, Famagustaan ja kenties Larnakaan, mutta kevääseen päästyä lämpimät



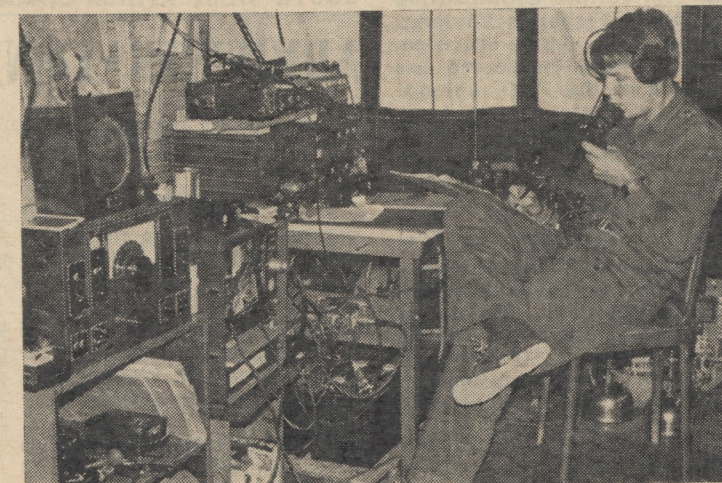
ilmat sallivat jo pitempiäkin kiertäjäluja. Tiedot matkoista löytyvät ilmoitustauluilta loppuviikosta, ja lähtö on pataljoonan esikunnan pihalta tavallisesti noin yhdeksän - kymmenen aikoihin.



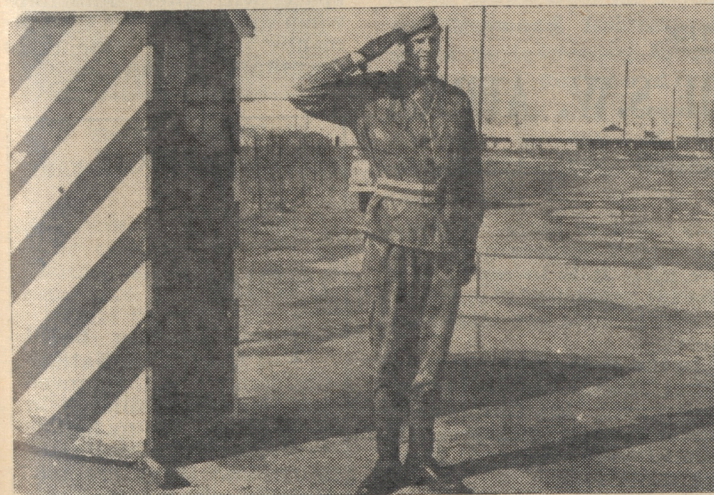
Blue Beretin toimittaja ja kuvaaja kävivät alkuvuokosta Releasemalla katsomassa miten siellä korvessa eletään ja siinä sivussa kokeilemassa relemiesten kintourheilua: kiipeämistä Pentadaktiylille. Oheiset kolme kuvaa ovat tämän retken satoa. Tässä automies, jääkäri Harri Bagge ja jääkäri Jouko Leskinen pitävät taukoa huoltoajon jälkeen.



Kyllä tästä keppipitkin meni... Bagge, joka näyttää syntyneen vuorikiipeilijäksi näyttää tyyliä jossa-kin loputtoman nousun vaiheessa korkeimman "sormen" kupeessa.



Takaisin on päästy, vaikka välillä sitä tuli epäilleksikin. Teltan nurkassa on kunnioitusta herättävän näköisiä laitteita, joiden ääressä valvoo yhteyksiä releaseman vanhin, jääkäri Vesa Kainu.



Unficypin Kykkon puoleista porttia vartioi tässä kuvassa jääkäri Ensio Kalske toisen komppanian toisesta joukkueesta. Kuva on otettu viime viikolla, kun vuorossa olivat suomalaiset. Meidän jälkeemme astuivat tanskalaiset vuorostaan hoitamaan Unficypin turvallisuutta.

UN DEVELOPMENT PROGRAMME SESSION

LINK BETWEEN PROGRESS AND PEACE

THE CLOSE LINK BETWEEN ECONOMIC PROGRESS AND THE GENERAL PROBLEM OF SECURING PEACE was emphasized at UN Headquarters, New York, as the Governing Council of the UN Development Programme neared the end of a two-week session, last week.

Making this point at a press conference on Thursday last, the President of the Governing Council, Taieb Slim of Tunisia, and Administrator of the Development Programme, Paul Hoffman, said the UN attack on the problems of poverty was marked by an encouraging spirit, with delegates from various parts of the world

leaving political weapons behind as they fought for the common objective.

Mr. Hoffman said the two hundred million dollars sought this year for the pre-investment work of the programme might be regarded as insignificant when compared with the amount which the General Assembly has urged be channelled by industrial countries into development aid — that is, one per cent of their gross national product, which would be a sum of about fifteen billion dollars.

He noted that only about half of this target figure had reached developing countries from all sources in 1966 and

said one sure way of increasing the flow was to identify projects in which money could be invested safely and profitably.

Mr. Hoffman pointed out that 31 survey projects completed under the UN Development Programme had stimulated some one-and-a-half billion in follow-up investment.

Mr. Slim commented that the merger of the work of the Special Fund and the Technical Assistance Programme had been marked by efforts to achieve the best results by helping more countries and getting the most out of each available dollar by reducing costs.

CONTRIBUTION TO UNFICYP COSTS

Pakistan has informed the UN Secretary-General, U Thant, that it has decided to make an additional voluntary contribution of \$3,000 towards operational costs of the United Nations Peace-keeping Force in Cyprus.

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also improve international co-operation and the prospects of peace on our own planet.

The Secretary-General said the Antarctic Treaty of 1959, the Partial Nuclear Test Ban Treaty of 1963 and the new Space Treaty were true landmarks in man's march towards international peace and security. He added the fervent hope that these achievements would shortly be followed by similar agreements on non-proliferation of nuclear weapons and other steps towards general and complete disarmament.

The Secretary-General's messages were addressed to the British Prime Minister, Harold Wilson, to Chairman of the Council of Ministers of the Soviet Union, A.N. Kosygin, and to President Lyndon Johnson of the United States.

Last week's signing in the three capitals follows the unanimous adoption of the treaty by the UN General Assembly last December 19th.

The treaty, which is designed to prevent the earth's military rivalries from being exported to the moon or other planets and, generally, to foster peaceful uses of outer space, will enter into force when ratified by five Governments, including the three depositary nations.

EMERGENCY AID TO INDIA

The Executive Board of the United Nations Children's Fund approved 1.4 million dollars in emergency aid to India's drought-stricken states of Bihar and Uttar Pradesh. UNICEF will provide foodstuffs, vehicles, drugs and pharmaceuticals, and aid for well-drilling.

OSORIO-TAFALL from page 1

Geneva shortly after the arrival of Mr. Osorio-Tafall.

Mr. Osorio-Tafall has been serving as Resident Representative of the UN Development Programme in the Congo since 1964.

BIOGRAPHY

BIBIANO OSORIO-TAFALL

MR. OSORIO-TAFALL, WHO IS A NATIONAL OF MEXICO, WAS BORN AT PONTEVEDRA, SPAIN, IN 1903. Following his education at the universities of Madrid and Santiago, Galicia and at the Biologische Anstalt, Dahlen, Germany, he held a series of posts in the Spanish Government and has been a professor at several academic institutions in Spain and Mexico.

In 1949, Mr. Osorio-Tafall was appointed by the Food and Agriculture Organization (FAO) as Fisheries Regional Officer for Latin America. Subsequently he served as Director of the FAO regional office for Western Latin America in Santiago, Chile (1951) and as Chief of the FAO Technical Assistance Mission in Chile (1955-56).

Mr. Osorio-Tafall in 1956 was appointed Resident Representative of the United Nations Technical Assistance Board in Chile. In 1959 he was appointed the UNTAB Resident Representative to the United Arab Republic.

Since 1964, Mr. Osorio-Tafall has been the Resident Representative of the United Nations Development Programme in the Democratic Republic of Congo.

ECONOMIC COMMISSION FOR ASIA AND FAR EAST

ENCOURAGING ECONOMIC PROGRESS REPORTED

ENCOURAGING PROGRESS IN UNITED NATIONS ECONOMIC PROJECTS IN THE ASIAN AREA was reported at UN Headquarters, New York, last week. The Executive Secretary of the Economic Commission for Asia and the Far East, U Nyun, said 1966 had been a year of marked achievement.

Beside the continuing development of the Lower Mekong River Basin, he mentioned the establishment of the billion dollar Asian Development Bank, the near-completion of the Trans-Asian highway, the first Asian Trade Fair — with 36 countries participating — the

experts training at Bangkok in the Asian Institute, the survey of off-shore resources and the project to control typhoon damage.

The Mekong project, backed by 26 other nations, is designed to develop flood control, electric power, irrigation and navigation. The Mekong project had brought together in active collaboration two countries not on diplomatic speaking terms — Cambodia and Thailand. Other direct participants are South Vietnam and Laos.

U Nyun also noted that the Asian Development Bank had been set up in a scant six months, and that 65 per cent of its capital came from Asian countries.

SOUTH WEST AFRICA COMMITTEE

ADMINISTRATION OF S.W. AFRICA

SPECIAL SESSION OF ASSEMBLY IN APRIL

THE SPECIAL UN COMMITTEE FOR SOUTH WEST AFRICA LAST WEEK HEARD AFRICAN SUGGESTIONS on how it should go about its work of recommending practical means of taking over the administration of South West Africa with a view to its independence.

The Committee was set up when the General Assembly decided at its last session to terminate South Africa's League of Nations mandate over the terri-

tory and to place it under the direct responsibility of the UN. It is to report to a special session of the Assembly to be held not later than April.

In the course of the debate, Pavel Shakov of the Soviet Union said his Government would support measures to compel South Africa to leave the territory.

Mr. William Rogers of the United States said the overriding objective should be the welfare of the people of South West Africa.