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Mr. Osorio-Tafall (second from left) arriving at Nicosia airport being greeted by Lt. General A.E. Martola, the Force Commander (right) and Mr. P.P. Spinelli (left). The Chief of Staff Brigadier M. N. Harbottle, is at right background.

SWISS CONTRIBUTION TO FORCE FINANCES

THE SWISS FEDERAL COUNCIL, THROUGH THE PERMANENT OBSERVER OF SWITZERLAND at the United Nations, has informed the UN Secretary-General, U

Thant, that it has decided to make a further voluntary contribution of \$200,000 for the financing of the peace-keeping operations in Cyprus.

FINNISH MINISTER'S VISIT

THE MINISTER FOR DEFENCE OF FINLAND, MR. SULO SUORTTANEN, ARRIVED IN CYPRUS on 14 February to visit the Finnish Contingent serving with the United Nations Force in Cyprus. He was accompanied by his adjutant, Lt. Colonel A. Aarnio, together with Mr. H. Tuominen, Budgetary Chief of the Ministry of Finance and Mr. H. Valvanne, Deputy Director of the Bank of Finland.

The Minister was received at Headquarters UNFICYP by the Force Commander, Lt. General A.E. Martola and the Secretary-General's Special Representative, Mr. P.P. Spinelli, on 15 February.



The Finnish Defence Minister, viewing Nicosia from the roof of the wheat flour mill building, 1st Company Area Fincon. From left to right, Commander of 1st Company, Major Laine, the Defence Minister Mr. Sulo Suorttanen, Contingent Commander Colonel Nuutilainen and Chief of Operations Major Koskelo.

OSORIO-TAFALL ARRIVES

SPINELLI RETURNS TO GENEVA

MR. BIBIANO F. OSORIO-TAFALL ARRIVED IN NICOSIA LAST MONDAY EVENING (20 February) to take up his appointment as Special Representative of the Secretary-General in Cyprus. Mr. Osorio-Tafall succeeds Mr. Carlos A. Bernardes, who resigned from the post in December 1966 for pressing personal reasons.

At the airport, Mr. Osorio-Tafall was greeted by Cyprus Government officials, members of the foreign diplomatic corps in Cyprus, Mr. Pier Pasquale Spinelli, Lt. General A.E. Martola, the Force Commander and other UNFICYP officials.

Speaking briefly to reporters at the airport, Mr. Osorio-Tafall said he was no new-comer to Cyprus as he had been here several times while stationed in Cairo as Resident Representative of the U.N. Technical Assistance Board, and had been indirectly connected with United Nations technical assistance operations in Cyprus.

Touching on his new appoint-

ment as Special Representative of the Secretary-General, Mr. Osorio-Tafall recalled that there is a Security Council mandate and that the mandate stands.

He said that for the past few months, in view of the dialogue between the Greek and Turkish Governments, the United Nations had preferred "to keep a little aside" in order not to interfere with any progress that could be made.

But, he added, "our good offices are always ready to bring together the parties concerned because this is within the spirit of the United Nations Charter — to bring to the whole population of Cyprus the happiness to which the population is entitled."

Asked if there was any change in the United Nations position in the light of recent developments, Mr. Osorio-Tafall said: "Our job is always the same — the situation changes; our position is just to offer goodwill to bring together all the parties interested in a solution of the problem."

Goodwill, he stressed "is the essential thing because we believe there is always the possibility of getting round the table to discuss even the most difficult problems and reach a satisfactory solution."

Mr. P.P. Spinelli, Under-Secretary, Director-General of the United Nations Office in Geneva, who has been temporarily acting as the Secretary-General's Special Representative in Cyprus since the resignation of Mr. Carlos A. Bernardes, will be returning to Geneva today (Wednesday, 22 February).

FODBOLDEN RULLER STADIG GODT FOR DANCON



I DEN FORLOBNE UGE HAR DANCON'S FODBOLDHOLD SPILLET 2 KAMPE. Tirsdag den 14. februar spillede holdet på Nicosia stadion mod OLYMPIAKOS, der i øjeblikket er det førende hold i den græsk-cypriotiske 1.division.

Man mærkede, at DANCON denne gang havde fået en mere jævnbyrdig modstander end i de tidligere kam'e, men holdet spillede godt og solidt og sikrede sig en sejr på 3-1. Spillet vekslede i første halvleg fra den ene banehalvdel til den anden, og der blev glimtvis vist nydelig fodbold, men halvleggen gik til ende, uden at det lykkedes nogen af holdene at score.

Kort efter at anden halvleg var begyndt, lykkedes det sergeant Pedersen at skyde vort første mål, og det blev signalet til, at bolden rigtigt rullede for DANCON. Efter ca. et kvarters spil scorede løjtner Hansen til 2-0, og lidt senere fik grækerne bolden i DANCON's mål. For at få så megen spilletræning som muligt havde OLYMPIAKOS i anden halvleg sat 8 nye spillere ind, men det hjalp dem ikke meget, og oversergent Sauer sluttede scoringen, således at det ændelige resultat blev 3-1 til DANCON. Mod slutningens af kampen virkede begge holdspillere trætte, og det kneb med at få samling på spillet, men alt i alt spillede DANCON holdet dog så solidt, at det lover godt for Syriens turen.

Retur "landskampen" mod SWEDCON, der blev spillet søndag den 20. påbanen bag Mermaid Bar, blev en endnu større succes for DANCON, end kampen i Famagusta var. DANCON havde langt det meste af spillet så at sige hele kampen igennem, og det var fuldt fortjent, at vi vandt så stort som 5-0. Holdet har øbenbart haft godt af den senere tids træningska-

mp, og det virkede sammenspillet og sammentømret, som et hold skal være. Kampen var DANCON's fra først til sidst, og på intet tidspunkt var man i tvivl om resultatet. Af målene scorede sergeant Pedersen de 3 og sergeant Dreisig de 2. Kampen blev spillet i strålende solskin og blev overværet af mange både svenske og danske soldater. I kampens begyndelse var der optræk til landskampstemning med heppetor og tilråb, men efterhånden som kampen skred frem, og det blev mere og mere klart, at DANCON var overlegen, sank stemningen hos de svenske tilskuerne.

Holdet fulgte så afgjort succes'en op fra kampen mod OLYMPIAKOS, og det har nu bestyrket os i troen på, at det vil gøre en god figur i Syrien.



DANCON har for nyligt fået ny motorsagkyndig. Det er major V. Skovhus Thomsen fra Jydske Trainregiment. Majoren har tidligere i Congo været tjenstgørende under FN og er således erfaren med denne form for tjeneste. På foto'et ses major Skovhus Thomsen tv. sammen med den tidligere motorsagkyndige, major E. Hansen.



Den kommende chef for DANCON VII, oberstløjtnant P. Madsen, chef for Slesvigiske Fodregiments 1. bataillon, er i disse dage på besøg ved kontingentet. Oberstløjtnanten skal opholde sig på øen i ca. 14 dage for så meget som muligt at sætte sig ind i forholdene her, inden han i slutningen af maj måned overtager kommandoen over det nye kontingent. På billedet ses oberstløjtnanten th. under et besøg i KIH. Tv. står Stabskompaniets næstkommanderende kaptajn N. Oernstrup.



FALLSKÄRMSHOPPNING NYHET PÅ SPORTSCHEMAT

SENASTE NYHETEN PÅ SPORTFRONTESTEN INOM BATALJONEN HETTER FALLSKÄRMSHOPPNING. Omkring 25 man från de olika kompanierna har ägnat de senaste fjorton dagarna åt förberedande övningar i konsten att falla. Gamla uttjänta madrasser som sytts ihop tjänar som underlag, men detta till trots har övningarna redan resulterat i ett och annat brutet revben.

För utbildningen svarar fallskärmutsbildade FN-soldater på de olika kompanierna. När detta skrives är det inte riktigt klart när de första hoppen från flygplan kan företas. Underhandlingar pågår för att få fram ett lämpligt plan från Beirut. När den saken ordnats, får de blivande fallskärmshoppparna

delta i en veckolång kurs på Dhekelia under ledning av engelska och kanadensiska instruktörer. Och sen blir det dags för de första nervkittlande uthoppen några hundra meter över cypernjourden. Vi håller tummarna - för alla som inte glömmer fallskärmarna!



I den här bollduellen blev det i alla fall svensk seger. Håkan Åbrink, Nyköping satsar för fullt och snuvar den uppaktande dansken på lädret.

SVENSK REKORDMAJOR

MAJOR ERIC BONDE, STABSOFFICER VID HQ UNFICYP I NICOSIA, satte svenskt och troligen också internationellt rekord i innehav av FN-medaljer förra torsdagen.

Han fick då av Force Commander, general A.E. Martola, mottaga sin femte FN-medalj vid ens peciellt för detta tillfälle arrangerad medaljöverlämning på generalens tjänsterum.

Major Bonde är därmed den ende svensk och troligen också den ende FN-soldat i världen, som påsitt bröst kan ståta med de prydliga medaljbanden från fem FN-missioner. De är i tur och ordning Kongo, Pakistan, Palestina, Jemen och Cypern. Sammanlagt har major Bonde varit verksam 67 månader i FN:s tjänst. Vi gratulerar till det snygga rekordet!

Bilden: General Martola beundrar den unika rekorduppsättningen.

NY CHEF FÖR CIVPOL

MED SENASTE SCACYPEN FRÅN SVERIGE ANLÄNDE NYE CHEFEN FÖR den svenska civilpolisstyrkan på Cypern, kommissarie Torsten Lindberg, Stockholm.

Han övertar befälet i slutet av april efter avgående chefen, kommissarie Hans Lagerhorn, som lett



"Ack, som ett fjun så lätt.....". Tord Holmström, Lycksele, övermjukländning på det madrasserade golvet i gamla Ferret-baracken på STR-komp.

DANSKARNA OSLAGBARA

RETURMATCHEN I FOTBOLL MOT DANSKARNA SÖNDAGEN den 19 februari blev inte den revansch för svenska batlaget, som man hoppats på.

I stället övertygade danskarna ännu mer än förra gången om sin överlägsenhet och vann med inte mindre än 5-0. Trots extra svensk uppladdning dagarna före matchen

hade laget inte den geist som behövdes för att bjuda danskarna ordentligt motstånd. Det utesluter inte att det gjordes en hel del goda prestationer i det svenska laget, exempelvis av målvakten Anders Svensson, Bankeryd, 3 komp, utan vars många fina räddningar sifforna lätt hade blivit ännu mera förkrossande.



CHIEF OF STAFF VISITS XEROS

LAST FRIDAY THE CHIEF OF STAFF OF UNFICYP, BRIGADIER M.N. HARBOTTLE, OBE, INSPECTED THE IRISH CONTINGENT. Arriving by helicopter at Xeros the Chief of Staff was met by the Contingent Commander, Lt Col M.K. HANLEY, inspected the Headquarters Camp and then proceeded to visit the observation posts of JULIET and HOTEL which are in the composite company area.

The inspection party lunched at Limnitis and in the afternoon flew in to observation posts Nos ONE and FIVE. Brigadier HARBOTTLE paid a brief visit also to Kokkina Camp. In the time available the Chief of Staff managed to see and assess a very representative portion of the Irish area and took the opportunity also of speaking with a large number of NCO's and men of the contingent and after the trip expressed himself as satisfied with the general operational efficiency and with the morale of the men he had spoken to.

NATIONAL FESTIVAL ARRANGEMENTS

A MEETING of the general committee to make tentative arrangements for the celebration of the Irish National Festival on 17th March was called during the week. The Chairman was Comdt F.P. NEILL. The programme is not yet fully worked out but will probably include High Mass (open air), exhibition hurling and Gaelic football games in the evening and a reception that night. Sub-committees were nominated and the final arrangements will be notified later.

SPORTS

AN inter-contingent (Signal Platoons) volleyball match was played at UNFICYP HQ between the Irish and Canadian Signal Platoons last week. Although the Irish won the first two games the Canadians found their feet and turned the tables by winning three straight games and the match. Best for the Irish were Sgt John Hickey and Corporals Tony Harrington and Bill Gratten.

The return veterans volleyball game between HQ Xeros and UNFICYP HQ was a little one-sided due to casualties on the UNFICYP side and a very improved Xeros six. Nothing daunted, the revisionist spirit of this game UNFICYP team is steadily reviving and with a full fit com-



The Group HQ Veterans volleyball team which romped home easy winners against HQ UNFICYP last week.



Brigadier Harbottle jokes with Cpl John Pheilan about the recent Irish rugby defeat by England.



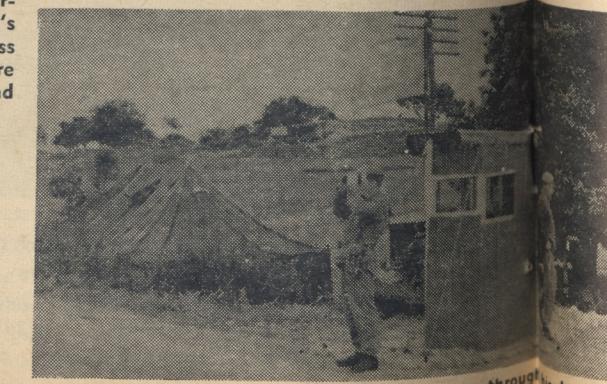
The Force Chief of Staff speaking with Cpl Jim Cooper at Limnitis Camp.



Picture taken during Chief of Staff's visit to NCO's Mess Xeros. Included are Sgt Mick Lacey and Sgt J. O'Reilly.



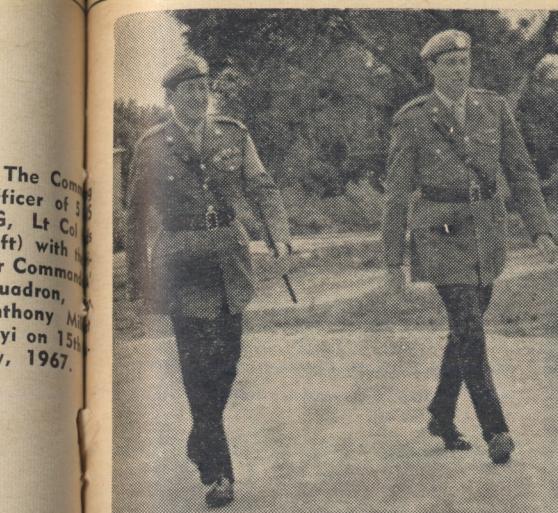
Clearing the ground at the "Nicosia Road".



Pte Bob Craig studies the local terrain through his binoculars whilst on duty at the "Limassol Road O.P."

"SKINS" MEDAL PARADE

The Commanding Officer of 35 DG, Lt Col H.G. Woods (left) with the Squadron Commander, Anthony M. Zyyi on 15th February, 1967.



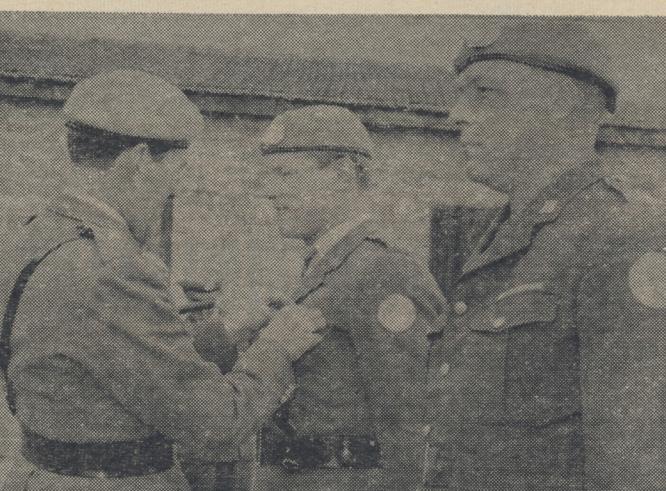
SIXTEEN MEMBERS OF 'A' SQN, 5 INNISKILING DRAGOON GUARDS, were presented with the United Nations UNFICYP Medal on a parade held at Zyyi on 15th February, 1967.

The medals were presented by Lt Col H.G. Woods, MBE, MC, the Commanding Officer of the "Skins", who was on a visit to Cyprus from the Regimental Headquarters at Benghazi.

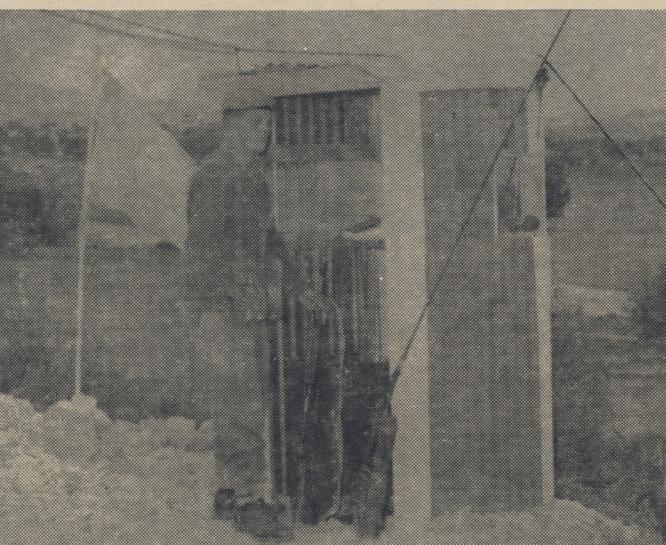
After the presentation, Lt Col Woods addressed the Squadron. He reminded those present that more than a year had passed since the Squadron had come to Cyprus as part of UNFICYP. He went on to say that it was essential that each member of the unit should continue to do his utmost to maintain the very highest of personal standards, as they had not failed to do since arrival on the island. He expressed great satisfaction at the unit's performance of all its tasks to date, and was confident that its present members would continue to uphold those standards under all circumstances.



Lt Col Woods (right centre) addresses the parade at Zyyi after the medal presentation ceremony.



Lt Ivor Ingall (centre) receives his medal from the CO. Awaiting his turn is SSM Derek Raymond.



On duty at the "Nicosia Road O.P." is Pte James "Plug" O'Neill, of 'C' Coy, 1 BW.



Pte Mike Byron reports to Coy HQ on the traffic situation on the "Limassol Road O.P."

"JOCKS" AT KOPHINOU

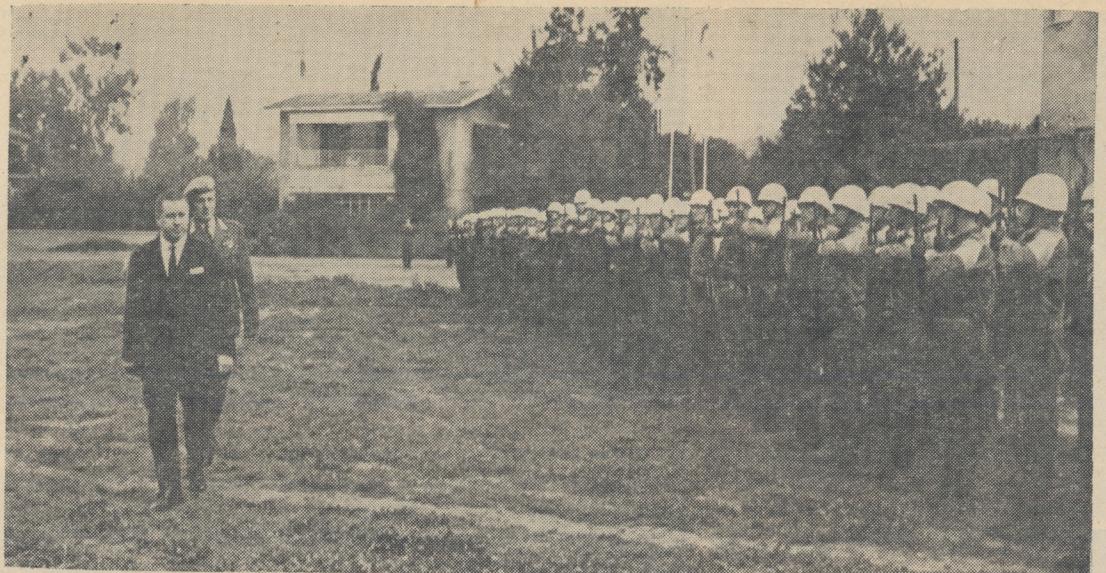
CHARLIE COMPANY THE BLACK WATCH, under the command of Major Ian Leslie is temporarily stationed in the Kophinou area, where it joined the Swedish platoon which has been positioned

there since late last month.

Our photo's show the "Jocks" establishing themselves in their new O.P. locations astride each of the three main roads into Kophinou.



Of the greatest importance is the "spud-bashing" chore, here expertly demonstrated by Pte Sid Draycott at the "Larnaca Road O.P."



"Eteen - vie!" Ministeri Suorttanen tarkastaa kunniamerkin liikkumatonta kolmiriviä Suomen pataljoonan esikuntarakennuksen edustalla. Ministerin takana kontingentin komentaja eversti Nuutilainen.

PUOLUSTUSMINISTERI TUTUSTUI PATALJOONAAN



Näytösharjoituksesta Omorfitassa. Ferretit ovat jyristäneet edellä ja Petteri on kylvänyt miehet paikoilleen kujan molemmin puolin. Ministeri Suorttansen (tummassa puvussa keskellä) vasemmalla puolella komentaja, oikealla EK:n pääliikö majuri RiiKKonen.

VIIHDERYHMÄ PATALJOONASSA



Samaan aikaan puolustusministeri vierailun kanssa saapui pataljoonaan korkeaa kansainvälistä tasoa oleva viihderyhmä, Erkki Ertaman orkesteri ja laulusolisti Yvon Carre. Kuvassa esiintyjät vauhdissa Myllyllä.



Ministeri vihreän linjan kieroksella. Kuva on ensimmäisen komppanian alueelta, myllyrakennuksen katolta. Vasemmalta eversti Nuutilainen, evel Kuosmanen, hallitusneuvos Tuominen, puolustusministeri, 1.K:n pääliikö majuri Laine ja evel A Aarnio.

FINCON NEWS



CANADIAN CONTINGENT NEWS

BEGINNINGS OF CANADA'S DEFENSE FORCES

IN THE EARLY 1600's SETTLEMENTS IN NEW FRANCE—AS CANADA WAS THEN KNOWN—were periodically attacked and destroyed by Indians. The earliest defence measures on record were adopted at Port Royal in 1627, when all male settlers were ordered to assist in the defence of the post. By 1660, the Iroquois had become dominant among the Indian nations of eastern Canada and soon turned their attentions to the settlers along the St. Lawrence. This brought a demand by the French governor for military assistance and the dispatch of a force to the territory. After an investigation by the Sieur de Gaudais the first four companies of the Carignan-Salières Regiment arrived in Canada in the spring of 1665.

FIRST FRENCH FORCE

In all, some twenty companies, totalling some 1200 men were involved, and the arrival of these fine French regulars brought hope to the colonists. For the first time in her history, Canada had a means of defence.

During the summer of that year, four companies pushed up the Richelieu River, constructing a series of forts as they went. From these forts, they carried the war to the Indians to such an extent that one contemporary historian wrote "...had so alarmed the Indians that every tree seemed to them to be a Frenchman". By the winter of 1666, the Iroquois had been forced to conclude a peace treaty. This ensured the peace and prosperity of the colony for nearly 20 years.

Although the Regiment of Carignan-Salières served only three years in Canada, it saved the settlements from destruction, gave the settlers new hope for the future, provided Canada with leaders for years to come and made the Militia the mainstay of Canadian defence.

FIRST CANADIAN ARMED FORCE

Four companies remained on the return to France in 1668 of the main body. Stationed at Montreal, Fort Chambly, Fort St Anne and Fort St Jean, this small garrison was reinforced by several companies from France through the succeeding years. It was these troops, later known as 'Troupes de la Marine' that developed into what might be called the first Ca-



An officer and men of the Regiment de Carignan-Salières. This famous French line regiment was sent to Canada in 1665 by King Louis XIV and formed the first military protection the colonists had enjoyed. (Photo: Ralph Clark Stone Ltd.)



Officer and men of the Black Watch about 1782. The First Battalion of the 42nd (Royal Highland) Regiment of Foot arrived in North America in 1756 and after numerous campaigns and engagements was garrisoned in Nova Scotia. It is from this regiment that the Black Watch (RHR) of Canada is descended, derives its name and much of its colourful dress and tradition. (Photo: Ralph Clark Stone Ltd.)

nadian armed force. They supplied all the regular troops and services until the arrival of the French regulars during the 'Seven Years War'.

THE BLACK WATCH

Thus, when Canada was still a French colony, the base was laid on which today's forces were built. Later, in 1756, came the first direct link with the present day. That year the British 42nd Regiment of Foot — perhaps better known as The Black Watch (Royal Highland Regiment) disembarked in New York. Twelve years later, it returned to Britain, having played a vital part in the 'Seven Years' War', but after a lapse of less than nine years,

The Black Watch (RHR) of Canada.

In October of that year, the Regiment received its first Colours from Lady Monck, wife of the Governor-General, and two years later went on active service at the time of the St Albans Raid. It also saw service during the Fenian Raids of 1866 and 1870 and in later years was frequently called on to aid the civil power.

The Regiment was gazetted out of the service by a General Order dated June 2nd, 1871, but such was the public outcry, added to the fact that the men continued to parade in the normal way, that the order was soon cancelled.

RECENT HISTORY

In 1899 a regimental detachment sailed for South Africa and fought in the Boer War as part of the 2nd Battalion, Royal Canadian Regiment, and in 1905 it became officially allied with the parent regiment in England. In 1907, its name was changed to the 5th Regiment, The Royal Highlanders of Canada. From then, until the present day, the Regiment has advanced steadily, playing an important part in both world wars, in NATO and in United Nations operations in Korea and Cyprus.

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UN COMMITTEE ON PEACE-KEEPING

PEACE-KEEPING PROBLEMS UNDER REVIEW

AUTHORIZATION AND FINANCING

THE UN COMMITTEE ON PEACE-KEEPING OPERATIONS HELD ITS FIRST MEETING of the year last week. A memorandum, introduced by Algeria, on behalf of 11 nations, suggested the creation of two working groups to expedite the Committee's work.

One would examine various methods of financing peace-keeping operations and the other would study matters relating to facilities, services, and personnel which Member States might voluntarily provide for a UN Peace-keeping operation.

In this week's debate, Ambassador Nikolai Fedorenko reiterated the Soviet Union's position that only the Security Council could take decisions on peace-keeping operations, including their financing.

He emphasized that the United Nations armed forces should be used only in "the most extreme" cases and said there was still talk of "so-called United Nations police operations" which would be in violation of the Charter.

Ambassador Roger Seydoux also reiterated France's position that the financing of peace-keeping could not be separated from the functions of the Security Council.

Ambassador Seymour Finster of the United States said

there were honest differences of opinion about the role of the General Assembly and commented that the Security Council could not take upon itself all the powers of the world Organization.

VIET-NAM

THREE-POINT PEACE PLAN

END TO BOMBING URGED

WITH THE END OF THE LUNAR NEW YEAR'S TRUCE IN VIET-NAM, THE world's preoccupation with the continuing conflict was again reflected at United Nations Headquarters this week.

In answer to newsmen's questions on Wednesday, the UN Secretary-General, U Thant, reiterated his conviction that his three-point proposal for Viet-Nam, beginning with an unconditional end to the bombing of North Viet-Nam, offered the best prospects for getting talks started between the parties.

A UN spokesman added that the Secretary-General considered that nothing had happened in the previous few days to change his view, which was founded in his deep conviction and on his knowledge of the situation.



FORCE MPIO MOURNED

L T. COLONEL CLIVE CHETTLE, MC, MILITARY INFORMATION OFFICER of the United Nations Force in Cyprus, died on Thursday morning, 16 February 1967, in The Queen Alexandra Military Hospital in London, where he was undergoing treatment.

Lt. Colonel Chettle, who also acted as Editor of 'THE BLUE BERET', was one of the most efficient and popular officers who have served with the Force, highly regarded for his professional capabilities, his tact, his impartial approach to problems connected to his assignment and above all for his warm human qualities and the consistently friendly approach which characterized all his activities.

All his colleagues in the Force, particularly in the Public Information Office and the editorial staff of 'THE BERET', join with his many other friends in UNFICYP in extending their deepest sympathy to Mrs. Ann Chettle on this sad occasion.

OBITUARY

L T. COLONEL CLIVE CHETTLE, MC, WHO HAD BEEN SERVING WITH THE United Nations Force in Cyprus as Military Press Information Officer since September 1965, was born on 4 June 1919.

A Memorial Service will be held at St. Paul's English Church for Lt. Colonel Clive Chettle, MC, on Tuesday, 28 February 1967, at 3.30 p.m. The funeral for Colonel Chettle took place at 1200 hours on 21 February at Sherborne Abbey, Sherborne, Dorset.

In July 1940 he was commissioned in The Dorset Regiment (later transferred to the Devonshire and Dorset Regiment on 17 May 1958 on amalgamation).

On 31st August 1944 he was awarded the Military Cross in Burma for gallantry during War Service.

Colonel Chettle served in India, Burma, Cyprus, Egypt, Germany and of course the United Kingdom.

He served in India and Burma from 1942 to 1945 and after that for seven years in the Parachute Regiment.

Colonel Chettle served in Cyprus twice before — in 1951 and 1960 to 1961, latterly in the Sovereign Base Area.

Before joining UNFICYP, Colonel Chettle spent three years commanding The Muscat Regiment in the Sultan of Muscat's Armed Forces.

NEW SPECIAL REPRESENTATIVE ARRIVES



Mr. Bibiano F. Osorio-Tafall being greeted at Nicosia Airport by Mr. Pier Pasquale Spinelli.



Mr. Osorio-Tafall speaking to news reporters at Nicosia airport.