

THE BLUE BERET

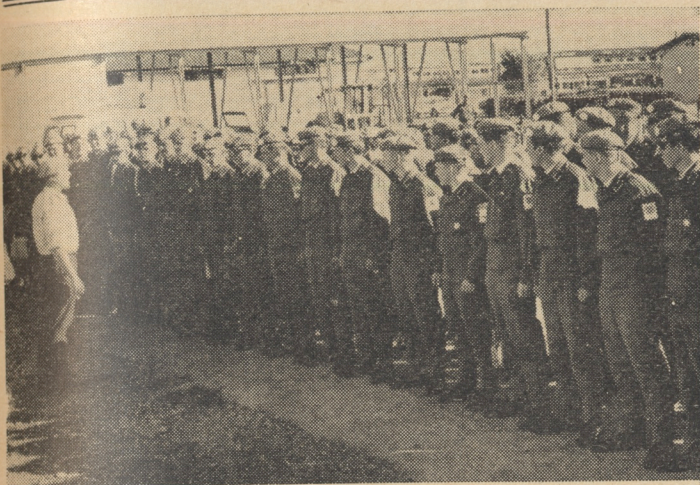
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The new Finnish Commander, Col. A. V. Rusanen, addresses his newly arrived men at Nicosia Airport.

FINCON ROTATES

A PARTIAL ROTATION OF THE FINNISH CONTINGENT IS ONCE MORE TAKING PLACE. Commander of the contingent for the last nine months Colonel O. Nuutilainen is due to leave the island on the 30th of this month, and his replacement,

Colonel A. V. Rusanen, arrived with the advance party on the 17th.

Apart from the commander, a total of 23 officers and 240 other ranks have arrived or are on their way to replace a similar number of homeward bound peace soldiers.

UNWRA

REPORT ON REFUGEES

A REPORT FROM THE UN RELIEF AND WORKS AGENCY WHICH HAS BEEN HELPING ONE MILLION THREE HUNDRED THOUSAND PALESTINE REFUGEES FROM THE 1948 conflict, told of the Agency's efforts to cope with new dislocations arising from the recent hostilities.

Lawrence Michelmore, Commissioner-General of UNWRA, said the Agency needed funds more than ever so that it might restore and, as necessary, expand its capacity to serve those in need.

He said that the Agency has maintained its services to 280,000 refugees normally resident in East Jordan and was taking emergency measures to cope with the influx of new refugees.

The Agency's services to refugees on the West Bank had been resumed on an emergency basis, he reported, and ra-

tion distribution was back to normal in the Gaza Strip.

Mr. Michelmore, said the Agency was working to solve many problems of supply, transport, repairs and reconstruction.

From Rome came word that the UN Food and Agriculture Organization was dispatching a high-level mission to Syria and Jordan to find out the food needs of Arab refugees and victims of the war.

Here at headquarters, the Executive Board of UNICEF concluded a session during which it authorized the expenditure of half a million dollars in emergency relief to mothers and children in the general area affected by the hostilities.

The board also authorized the Executive director, Henry Labouisse, to explore the possibility of extending emergency aid to children on both sides of the conflict in Vietnam.

GENERAL ASSEMBLY

PROPOSALS FOR MIDDLE EAST PEACE

AS UN DELIBERATIONS ON THE MIDDLE EAST CRISIS MOVED FROM THE SECURITY COUNCIL TO THE EMERGENCY SESSION OF THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY last week the Soviet Union and the United States offered divergent proposals for steps to follow up the cease-fire between Israel and her Arab neighbours.

Premier Aleksei Kosygin of the Soviet Union urged the Assembly to condemn Israel for aggression and demand the immediate and unconditional withdrawal of her troops from Arab territories occupied during the recent six-day war. Mr Kosygin also said that the Assembly should insist that Israel make a prompt and full restitution to the United Arab Republic, Syria and Jordan for damage inflicted on them.

Ambassador Arthur Goldberg of the United States introduced a draft resolution calling for a general Arab-Israeli peace settlement to liquidate both the recent war and the twenty years of conflict. Arguing that troop withdrawals should be part and parcel of the overall settlement, Mr Goldberg said that to call merely for an Israeli withdrawal would be a prescription for yet another round in the Arab-Israeli struggle that had brought war to the Middle East three times since Israel was founded in 1948.

The British Foreign Secretary, Mr George Brown, urged for a stronger UN presence in the area and cautioned Israel against seeking territorial gains from war.

The French Foreign Minister, Maurice Couve de Murville, said that, if the big powers had been able to act in concert, hostilities could have been prevented.

Foreign Minister Abba Eban of Israel told the Assembly that his country had defended herself against a massive Arab effort to destroy her, and that the suggestion that everything

go back to where it was before the 5th of June was "totally unacceptable". He urged negotiations between Israel and each of the Arab States involved in the fighting to search for a genuine peace settlement. The true origin of the crisis, he said, was the openly proclaimed Arab attempt to deny Israel peace, security, maritime freedom, and the very right to exist. In the course of his statement Mr Eban said that the abrupt UN agreement to President Nasser's request for the withdrawal of the UN force that had acted as a buffer between the UAR and Israel for more than a decade had had a disastrous effect.

UN Secretary-General U-Thant took the floor to stress again that the force had operated only in territory under UAR jurisdiction and that, legally and practically, it could function only with the continuing consent of the UAR. U Thant noted that Israel had never allowed the force on her territory, and said that when he had suggested this before Cairo's withdrawal request, Israel had said that it was totally unacceptable.

President Nouredin Atassi of Syria and the Deputy Prime Minister, Mahmoud Fawzi, of the United Arab Republic, declared that Israel had carried out a premeditated and unwarranted attack on Arab States in line with her expansionist policy and with the support of the imperialist circles in the United States and Britain. Stating that the aggressor must not be allowed to remain in

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Rundt i DANCON

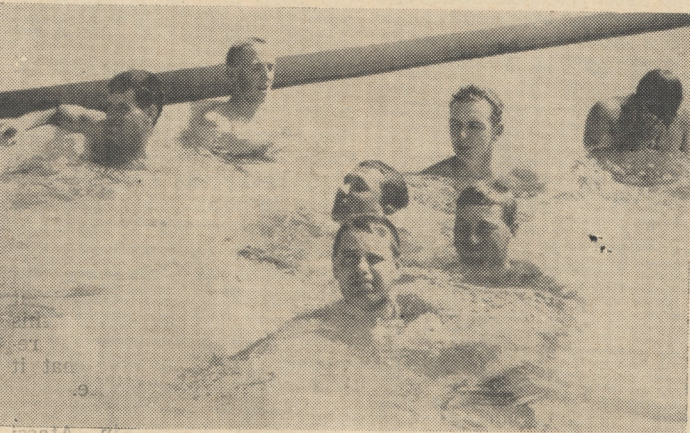


CH/A-KMP MAJ B. Ahrenst, FAFR. (Ivrig klaverspiller, klassisk musik). NK/A-KMP PRLT O.S.Skov, DLR

Da vi har opdaget, at det kniber lidt med kendskabet til naboerne, laver vi en lille serie billeder fra hvert KMP for lige at præsentere CH og NK samt lidt andet.



Fabrikation af fangsnore ved A-KMP i fuld gang. Efter at have fremstillet 110 snore, kan fabrikanten dog nu tage det mere roligt foreløbig. KS 540142 J.K. Jensen ("Elmer"), SIR, DANCON V og VI ses th. Hans "lærling", KS 683156 S.E.S. Jensen, BV, arbejder til venstre. Fremstillingen lettes ved et selvopfundet instrument bestående af to bøjler.



Ikke ret mange ved DANCON har så rig mulighed for at dyrke svømmerporten som A-KMP, der selv har egen swimming-pool ved Roundel Club. Billedet viser nogle af A-KMP konstabler i gang med behagelig tjeneste.

Notits
Da "Blue Beret" under krigen i Mellemøsten blev tykkere end fastsat i kontrakten, skal dette nu modvirkes med det samme antal numre med reduceret stof, formentlig to numre.



MIDSOMMARFIRANDE "SVENKST VÄDER

Med famnen full av cypriotiska blomster kommer fu Lars Nordqvist, Malmö, Serg Erland Eriksson från Gäddede i Jämtland följer med (bilden ovan) för att se till midsommarstången blir riktigt smyckad på Gold Fish Camp (bilden nedan). Midsommarfirandet vid svenska cypernbataljonen

SWEDCON NEWS

påminde faktiskt även på andra sätt om Sverige - det öste ned regn på midsommaraften! Men med extra god spis, dans på mässar och lövade stänger på camper och OP:n blev det ändå helg.



UNEF-svenskar från Gaza stannar i UNFICYP-tjänst

På vägen hem från Gaza beslöt sig några FN-svenskar för att stanna på Cypern - i UNFICYP-tjänst! På bilden ses fyra av dem samlade: (fr.v.) fv Torsten Nybom, Stockholm, Bonny Larsson, Huddinge, fu Rolf Spångberg, Stockholm, och fu Sven Johansson, Göteborg.



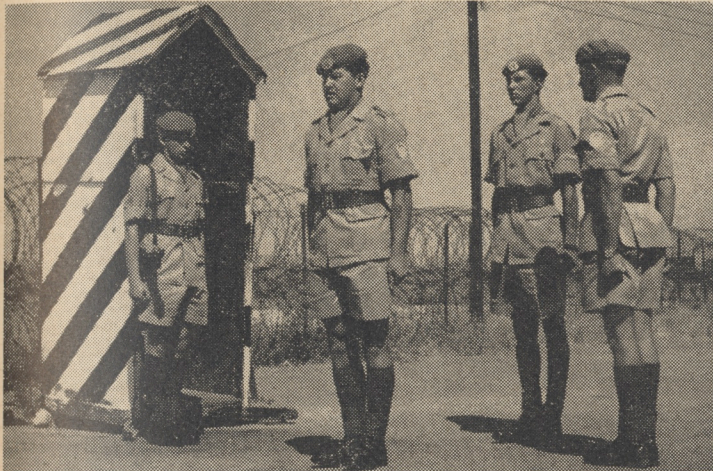
DUKE SAVES GIRL

REGIMENTAL LIFE-SAVING COURSE PAYS OFF

DAVID FRY, A DRUMMER IN THE DUKE OF WELLINGTONS' REGIMENT saved Linda Jessop from drowning in the sea at Limassol on Sunday 18th June. David who comes from Kippax in Yorkshire, was sitting on a buoy out in the bay resting after his long swim from the shore. He noticed Linda was in difficulty and diving in, pulled her back to the shore where he applied artificial respiration. The RAF air sea rescue arrived soon after and took her to hospital. Linda is now recuperating at home where she vows she will never swim away from the shore again. Incidentally, David was awarded his Bronze Life Saving Medallion only a week before the incident, having attended a Regimental Life-saving Course. 'LUCKY LINDA'.

CHANGING THE GUARD

The Duke of Wellingtons' Regiment are currently providing the Defence Platoon at HQ UNFICYP.



Our picture shows Lcpl Walter Ormerod changing the Sentry at the Airport entrance to HQ UNFICYP. (Left to right Pte Ellis Terry, Pte Malcom Pearson, Pte Malcom Harris).

HQ UNFICYP WATER POLO LEAGUE

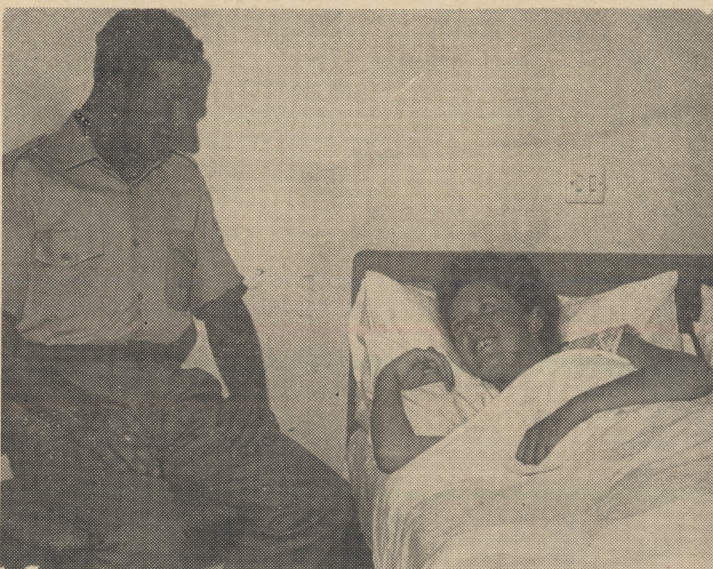
FINAL TABLE

	P	W	D	L	GF	GA	Points
Wheel-Em-Inn Club	6	6	—	—	76	24	18
International Club	6	4	—	2	56	44	14
Craftymans Club	6	1	—	5	20	47	8
Mercury Club	6	1	—	5	19	56	8

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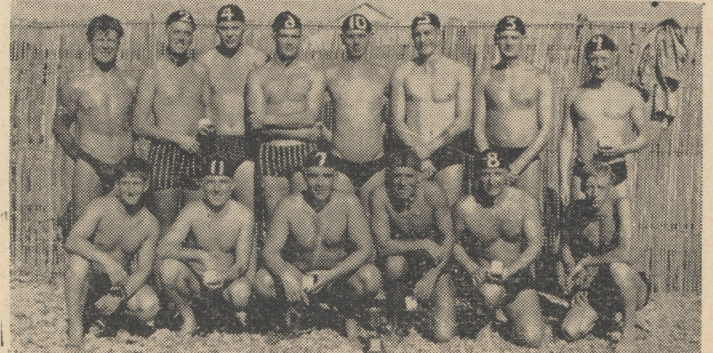
David Fry visits Linda at her home in Limassol.

WATER POLO CHAMPS

In a thrilling all action match, the Wheel - Em - Inn Club splashed home to a 17-6 victory over the International Club on Monday 19th June. Despite stubborn resistance, the shooting power of the RCT team began to tell and soon they had piled up a large lead which ended in a convincing victory.



The Camp Commandant Maj Peter Gough, RA, presents the Water Polo Trophy to the Team Captain of the Wheel - Em - Inn Club, Lt Tony Graham RCT.



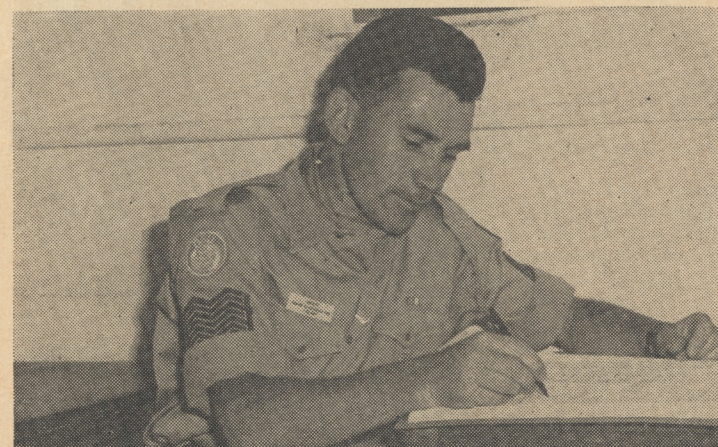
The "Champions" pose with their trophy and prizes, after the match.



(L to R) Cpl Tom O'Connor, Athlone; Cpl James Smith, Dublin; and Cpl Paddy Murdock, Cork; get ready for duty in Xeros.



MPs at 8th GP HQ. (L to R) Sgt Michael Brennan, Mayo; Coy-Sgt Kevin Cahill, Wexford; Cpl Robert Farrell, Clonmel and Capt John MacLacLainn from Cork discuss police matters.

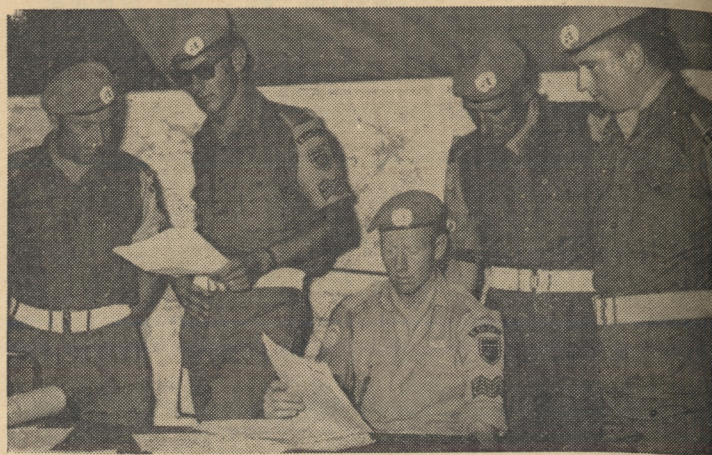


Sgt Patrick Keaveny of the SIU, HQ UNFICYP, who comes from Fernoy, Co Cork.



(L to R) Sgt Maurice McQuaid from Dublin briefs Cpl Sean Keogh Dublin, Cpl Dick Ryan, Athlone; and Cpl Sean Allen from the Curragh for an MP patrol of Nicosia area.

IRISH CONTINGENT NEWS



Report time for MPs (L to R) Sgt James Dillon, Listowel; Cpl James Hartnett, Limerick; Cpl Paul Byrne, Newbridge; who also acts as mail NCO, Cpl Tim Curran, Clonmel; and Sgt John Power, Dublin check over the situation in their area.

IRCON VOTES

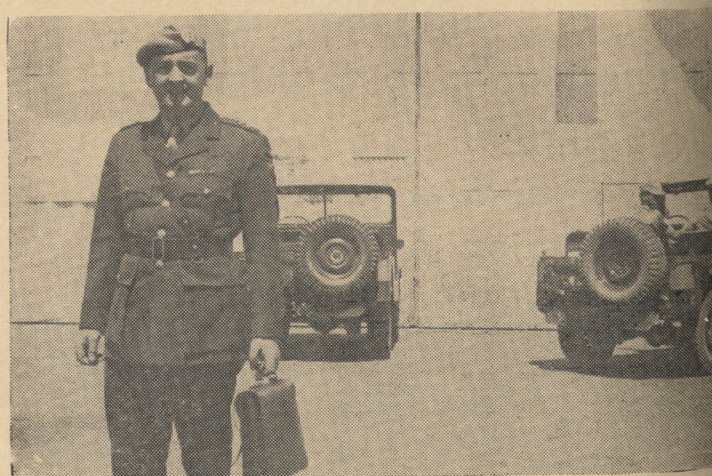
TODAY, 28th JUNE, PEOPLE IN IRELAND ARE VOTING IN THE LOCAL ELECTIONS. They are voting to elect the members of 31 Administrative Councils whose functions include, road maintenance, housing, health services, vocational education and agricultural advisory services to name a few.

These 31 represent 27 rural counties (Tipperary having two, North and South Riding) and the four largest cities, Dublin, Cork, Limerick and Waterford each ranking as a County Borough. In addition 7 Borough Councils such as Galway, Wexford and Clonmel and 49 Urban District Councils are being elected.

To ensure that each member of the Defence Forces serving overseas had the opportunity to exercise his franchise under our Constitution an Officer from the Adjutant Generals Branch came to UNFICYP with voting papers.

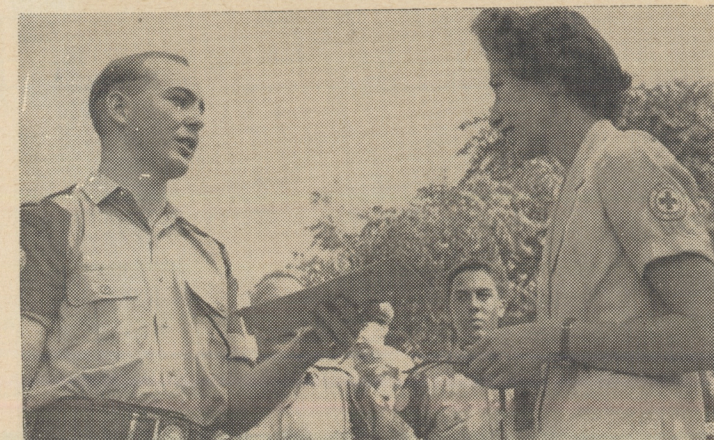


Each voting paper was sealed by the voter in a double envelope and then taken back to Ireland for inclusion in the count.



Capt Fergus O'Connell of the Adjutant Generals Branch, AHQ, Dublin who brought postal voting papers to IRCON for the Irish Local Elections.

CANADIAN FORCES PHOTOS



Rfn Rodger Potvin, of Sweetsburg Quebec, presents a gift on behalf of A Coy, 2 QOR of Canada to Miss Holland, the Matron of the Red Cross Home for Sick Children in Kyrenia. The gift, of £102 represents £1 per man of "A" Coy. The Company, who are the "ex-Pig Farmers" from Oneshia raised the money in various ways, through bingo's, donations into a large "Piggy Bank" kept for the occasion and through donations in the messes.



Sharing a mutual joke are these two friends. The one on the left wearing the UN Blue Beret so jauntily, is one of the children at the Red Cross Home for Sick Children in Kyrenia and his buddy is Cpl Cliff Kiaallen of the Queens Own Rifles of Canada.



The Sergeant Major's Moustache gets a playful tweek by one of the Children at the Red Cross Hospital in Kyrenia. The occasion was the presentation of a gift of money to the hospital and Sgt/Major John Hearn went along and as usual, he along with the other Canadian soldiers, ended up playing with the children.



Juhlarahvas oli viikonvaihteen tienoolla kokoontunut sankoin joukoin jälleen kerran Juhannusta viettämään. Kokko oli tällä kertaa Kykkon kentällä ja lämmitti niin mieliä kuin miehiäkin. Runsas vierasjoukko tuntui viihtyvän isäntien ja monien ulkoilmapelien parissa.

OLI JUHANNUS...



Ohjelma oli kirjavaa, joten valinta oli helppoa: kukin mielihalujensa mukaan. Tässä paistetaan makkaraa yhteisellä tulella kansainvälisessä yhteisymmärryksessä. Virallisempaa puolta edusti suomalaisen juhannuksen olemusta vieraillemme selvittävä puhe. - Vanhan ja vankan kansallisen tavan mukaisesti juhlaa ei lopetettu kesken.



Hyvin ja perusteellisesti valmistellun illan isäntiä edustavat kuvassamme kenraali Martola ja eversti Nuutilainen. Suomalaiseen keskikesän hymyyn vastaa prikaatinkenraali Harbottle - Vieraiden joukosta erottui mm. eri kontingenttien edustajia sekä korkeinta paikallista hierarkiaa.



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Civilian and military staff members are shown in the original canteen of UNFICYP, at Wolseley Barracks, where they held a get-together last week to make a farewell toast to the departing secretaries, left to right, Jo, Dorothy, Lt General AE Martola, Joan, Dr. B.F. Osorio-Tafall and Adelita.

GIRL-FRIDAYS LEAVE

THE BLUE BERET REPORTS PERIODICALLY ON THE ROTATION OF THE NATIONAL CONTINGENTS SERVING WITH UNFICYP. There are, too, from time to time reports on departures and arrivals of United Nations officials assigned to serve with the UN operation in Cyprus.

This week, however, we have a unique "rotation" — four representatives of the fair sex of the United Nations Secretariat are leaving UNFICYP after serving in Cyprus since 1964.

Dorothy Griffin, Jo Rich, Joan Martin and Adela Guzman have left or are leaving this week — Dorothy, to join her husband (Bennie — a very good friend of many UNFICYPers, who served with the United States AID mission in Cyprus for a number of years); Jo will return to her native Australia; Joan, back to UN Headquarters; and Adelita, first to Colombia for a holiday, and then to New York.

Dorothy first arrived in Cyprus in March 1964 when the Force first became operational

and was one of the "pioneers" working in the Ledra Palace Hotel and then later in the first Force offices in Wolseley Barracks. It was the days when Force secretaries were really girl Fridays serving wherever they were most needed at a moment's time. She leaves the Force serving with the UN Civilian Police, where she worked during the last months' as secretary to the Police Adviser (really Advisers — to Jim Hamilton, first, and later to Earl Canney). Incidentally, Dorothy arrived in the Island as Miss Dorothy Healey — she met Bennie in Cyprus and their wedding in February of 1965 was a major social item!

Jo and Joan, both Australians (as Dorothy, too), both arrived in Cyprus in May 1964. Joan came from the "38th Floor" — where the offices of the Secretary-General and the Under-Secretaries for Special Political Affairs are located. Jo had been making herself useful in the budget division of the Office of the Controller. Both were always a pleasant sight at Wolseley Barracks, shuttling back and forth from the offices occupied by the Special Representative of the Secretary-General and the Political and Legal sections of the Force (where the MP's now have their quarters) and the original UNFICYP Canteen which was located in one of the offices now occupied by the Force Public Information Office. Now, Joan returns to New York and the "38th", while Jo will be leaving not only UNFICYP but also the UN after five years of service to return to Australia (those lucky Australians!).

Adelita, is the "youngster" of the group — she arrived here only in October of '64. Reason: Spanish was needed



Adelita chats with Desmond McReynolds (centre) and Toshio Ishikawa.



PHILATELIC CORNER

INTERNATIONAL TOURIST YEAR STAMP

THE United Nations Postal Administration issued a new commemorative

stamp on 19 June to mark "International Tourist Year".

The year was designated by the United Nations General Assembly, in a resolution adopted on 4 November 1966. The designation had been recommended by the Economic and Social Council in March 1966, on the basis of a request by the International Union of Official Travel Organizations (IUOTO), a non-governmental group with members from more than 100 countries.

The new stamp will be printed in denominations of 5-cents (brown, beige, green and red) and 15-cents (blue, beige, green and red) in quantities of 2,900,000 and 2,600,000 respectively.

The stamps may be obtained at UNFICYP Headquarters. (Main Hangar) as of next week.



Brigadier M. N. Ha, bottle, OBE, with Jo, Background, Major Bourne and Major Hardy.

as the Special Representative of the Secretary-General was then Mr Galo Plaza of Ecuador, who later became United Nations Mediator for Cyprus. Adelita stayed with Mr. Plaza's office until he completed his Report to the Secretary-General. When Mr. Plaza did not return to Cyprus, the Force PIO was happy to inherit the vivacious and always smiling, Adelita. She now returns to her old bailiwick: the UN Special Fund.

The departure of the four secretaries closes, so to say, a chapter of UNFICYP life, although we still have a number of "old timers" among the ranks — military and civilian — of the Force.

In the meantime, UNFICYP —through the BLUE BERET— says farewell, bon voyage and thanks to Dorothy, Joan, Jo and Adela for a job well done.

PROPOSALS FOR MIDDLE EAST PEACE

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the occupied territory, they urged full support for the Soviet request for condemnation and the demand for immediate withdrawal. They rejected US proposals as sanctioning aggression and seeking to impose solutions favouring colonialism.

The view that Israeli forces must unconditionally and immediately be withdrawn was also voiced by Saudi Arabia, Mauritania, Sudan, India, Pakistan, Iran, Turkey, Czechoslovakia, Bulgaria, Yugoslavia, Ukraine, Mongolia and Tanzania.

Denmark said that the Israeli withdrawal should be linked to a final peace settlement. Italy said that withdrawal was necessary but not sufficient, and Belgium also stressed the need for a durable settlement.