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CYPRUS CONTRIBUTES TO UNFICYP

The House of Representatives in Cyprus on Thursday, 24th April, 1969, voted £83,605 which will be paid to the UN Force for expenditure incurred for the maintenance of camps and other services of the Force.

The sum is to enable the government to meet its obligations under the agreement signed with the United Nations for the stationing of UNFICYP.

It covers expenditure for the Force for the period between October 1967 and June 1968, and accommodation expenses for the Civilian Police of UNFICYP between October 1966 and December 1968.

French Ambassador Visits Cancon



The French ambassador to Cyprus, Jean de Garnier des Garets, second from left, and his staff paid a visit to the Canadian Contingent's Observation Company at Tjiklos in the Kyrenia mountains last week and also visited some UN outposts. Later, they were luncheon guests at the NCO's Mess at Tjiklos.

AIR MARSHAL VISITS HQ



Last week a farewell visit was made to the HQ by Air Marshal Sir Edward Gordon Jones KCB CBE DSO DFC. He is the Commander British Forces Near East, The Air Officer Commanding in Chief Near East Air Force and the Administrator of the Sovereign Base Areas.

The Air Marshal is pictured with the Force Commander, Lt Gen AE Martola and the Chief of Staff Brig. EMD Leslie DSO CD.

FORCE COMMANDER ON LEAVE

Lieutenant-General A.E. Martola, Commander of the United Nations Force in Cyprus, will be absent from Cyprus from 28 April to 8 May 1969, when he will be on leave in Finland.

During the Commander's absence, Brigadier-General E.M.D. Leslie, DSO, CD, Chief of Staff, will be officiating Commander of the Force.

WANTED

Your photographs and articles are wanted for publication in Blue Beret. If you have anything which is suitable send it to: The Editor, Blue Beret, Wolseley Barracks, Nicosia.

Articles are required on Sport etc.

Photographs on almost any subject can be accepted.

40,000 Men Wanted for Peace-keeping Force

A panel of United States foreign affairs experts on 27th April, 1969, called on President Nixon to press for the setting up of a United Nations Peace-keeping Force of at least 40,000 specially trained men to control local conflicts in the 1970s.

The 26-member group, which included several former senior US government officials explained that its proposals partly resulted from profound disillusionment over the Vietnam war and a sense of inadequacy in current United Nations peace-keeping machinery.

A report from the panel — entitled "Controlling conflicts in the 1970's" — proposed that land, sea and

air units from non-permanent members of the Security Council be made available to the United Nations for a minimum of one year's service.

The present deadlock over financing UN peace-keeping operations could also be broken by the creation of a UN Peace fund of at least 60 million dollars (£25 Million) raised by voluntary contributions and with the United States providing half, the report said.

RESPONSIBILITY

"It is imperative that means be found, promptly, for a larger number of countries to share more fully the responsibility for international peace-keeping", the 62-page report said. "It would be a mistake for the US to continue carrying or attempting to carry, so much of the responsibility alone".

The improvement in East-West relations against a background of the Vietnam war and the Soviet occupation of Czechoslovakia provided the Nixon administration with a

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Parachutist drops 3,000 feet and lives

SSgt Carl E. Miller aged 37 stationed in Germany with the U.S. Seventh Army Parachute Team survived a jump of 3,000 feet when his main and reserve parachutes failed to open.

SSgt Miller escaped with two broken ankles and cuts and bruises.

The accident occurred on 29 March and the story just re-



SSgt Carl E. Miller.

leased. An 8th Infantry Division spokesman said that SSgt Miller, instead of rolling into a ball which would have caused death, used the parachute five point roll; toes, calf, thigh, buttock and chest.



Söndag den 20. april deltog KS S. B. Pedersen, A-KMP, i et cypriotisk landevejsløb over 25 miles på den gamle Famagusta-vej. Konstablen besatte andenpladsen.

BIVUAKTUR



C-KMP frideling har i sidste uge været på bivuaaktur på Panhandle. Udover at nyde det gode sommervejr ved stranden, supplerede man kostrationer, som det fremgår af billedet nedenfor, ved at fange blæksprutter. Her er det SG K.S.N. Jørgensen, der går i land med dagens fangst på 3 kg, mens KS L.C. Germansen ser til, lidt betænkelig ved dens størrelse. Dagen før havde man fanget en på 2½ kg.



DANCON NYT

HELIKOPTERUDDANNELSE



Fredag den 25. april var der igen helikopteruddannelse på golfbanen bag Nicosia Club. På billederne ses de enkelte faser i uddannelsen. Herover er en gruppe klar til at øve op - og afsidning.



Opsidning.



Afsidning.

DET HÄR ÄR BLUE BERET...

Det vill säga, det här är den svenska sidan i Unficyps egen veckotidning, som i regel når dig varje torsdag middag. Fram- och baksidan innehåller nyheter och informationer m.m. för oss alla i Unficyp, och sedan har varje kontingent sin egen sida på det egna språket för att spegla vad som rör sig inom "det egna lägret". Och naturligtvis - du är mer än välkommen med tips om nyttiga och trevliga nyheter för The Blue Beret. I synnerhet om du sänder dem till: Zonpressoiff, HQ Unficyp, Nicosia. Välkommen till Cypern och till The Blue Beret!

ROTATION

Nytt folk i svenska Unficyp - uppgifter



■ Förra veckan var rotationsveckan för svenska FN-kontingenten på Cypern. Nu är den avslutad, nytt folk är på plats i Famagusta Zone för att med bat 42 C överta de svenska Unficyp-uppgifterna. Till rekapitulanterna från bat 41 hör kontingentschefen öv Lars Lavén, som här välkomnar sin stf öv Bo Möller (t.h.) vid ankomsten till Nicosia Airport. (Överst t.h.)

■ Första huvudfligheten av den nya cypernbataljonen har anlänt till Nicosia Airport. Lt Martin Forsell lämnar av till mj Lennart Rapp, på plats redan med förtruppen. (Nedan t.v.)

■ Rotationschefen lt Bo Lewin önskar "happy landing" åt kamraterna i sista nordgående fligheten av bat 41. (T.h.)



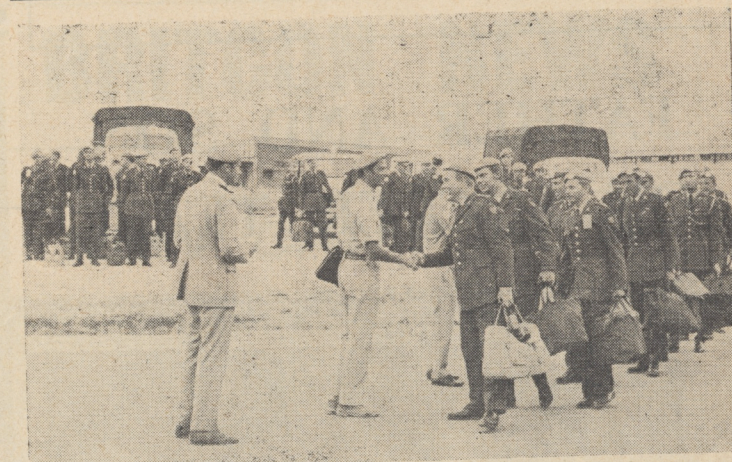
■ Och så har det nya jobbet börjat, FN-jobbet. Batass mj Arne Rödin och batpastor Sven Joelsson konfererar med mj Bertil Thelander, chef för 2 kompaniet på Gold Fish Camp. (Bilden t.h.)

■ De har faktiskt mer än cigarren gemensamt, Kalle Johansson (t.v.) och Olle Sjölund. Nämligen organiserandet av cypersvenskarnas leave- och reseverksamhet. Kalle återvänder nu till resebyråsslor i Stockholm, och Olle tar över för att se till att "42:orna" under sina sex FN-månader skall få chans att se sig om på sin fritid. (Nedan)



SWEDCON NEWS

Swedish Forces Photos



Radioprogram just för dig!

Ja, just för dig som nu kommit ned från Svitjod för att tjänstgöra i FN:s blå färger på Cypern sänder Cyprus Broadcasting Corp. (CBC) varje vecka ut speciala radioprogram på svenska.

Dels var tredje söndag kl. 1330-1400 ett FN-svenskt magasin med information och underhållning, dels varje tisdag kl. 2000-2030 ett musikönskeprogram med cyprenhälsningar

I det senare programmet kan

dina vänner och anhöriga hälsa till dig med en skiva, dvs om de skriver till: Zonpressoifficeren, Svenska FN-bat C, Utrikesavd, 205 05 Malmö.

Swedcons "svenska" skivarkiv är än så länge mer än magert, men hälsningarna kommer att framföras - snyftande eller ej - och musik skall det bli, av något slag.

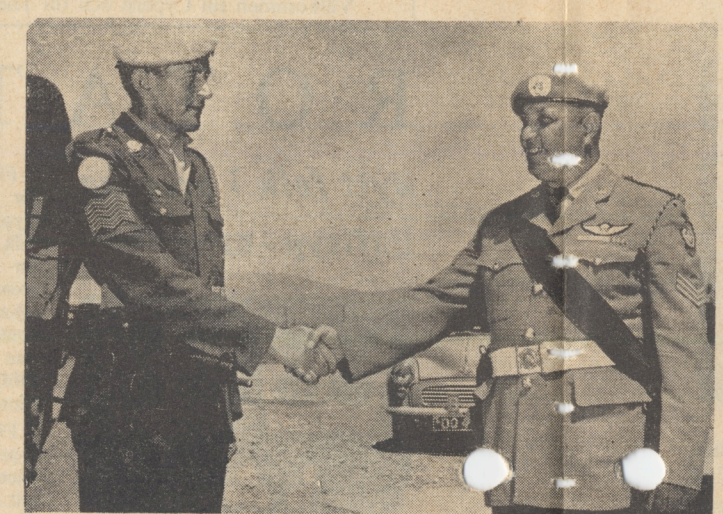
Programmen sänds på 498 m, 602 kc.—På eterhörande, "42:or"! önskar Zonpressoiff.



LEFT
During the past week the IRCON platoon (shown here) that had finished its tour of duty at HQ UNFICYP was relieved by a platoon from CANCON.

HAND OVER TO CANCON

BELOW
Sgt Foley (left) welcomes his opposite number Sgt G. Vezina CANCON during the hand-over of duty.



LIMASSOL ZONE HAS NEW MANAGEMENT



4 tonners, helicopters and landrovers have been motor-ing around the Limassol Zone this past week "rotat-ing" the Royal Hampshires and the Worcesters. The new Battalion is now well established and peace once more reigns in the outposts. That well known duty of all incoming and outgoing units "Panic Tanning" is now the main item on the agenda.

LEFT
Major C.E. Potts temporarily commanding the 1st Bn the Worcestershire Regiment, with, right Lt Col W.R.B. May Com-manding Officer of the 1st Bn the Royal Hampshire Regiment.

IRCON NEWS

FATHER AND SON ON SOCCER TEAM.

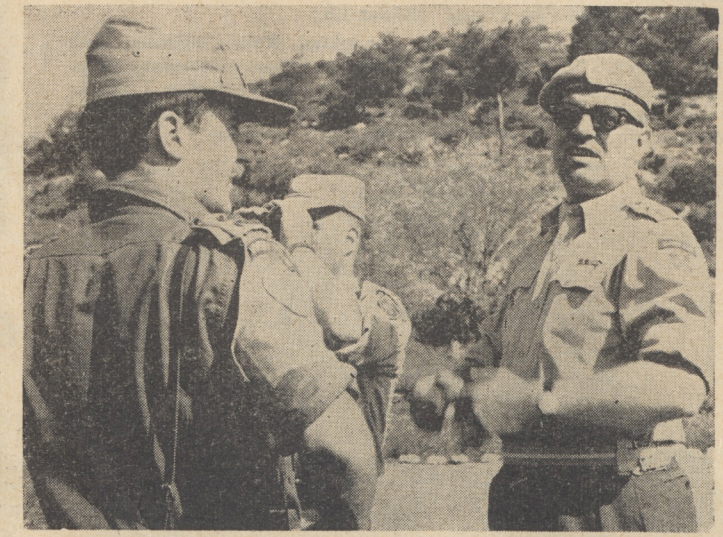


While it may not be very unusual to have a father and son serving in the same unit, it is we feel highly unusual to have such a combination playing together on the same football team. Sgt Thomas Murray and his son Pte Matthew Murray pose for a photograph before the start of a game.

SOCCER — HQ COY vs 644 SIGNAL SQUADRON



A team from 644 Signal Squadron recently played a match against a team from HQ Coy at Xeros. The feature of an enter-taining game that resulted in a 4-0 win for HQ Coy was a fine hat-trick by Lieutenant M. Kavanagh. Pte M. Murray of the father — son combination scored the other goal.



The newly appointed COO Lieutenant Colonel Jespersen of Denmark visited the Lefka District and made a tour of the area, mainly by helicopter. He visited all the Group's Camps and most of the OPs including Limekiln where this photo-graphs was taken. With his back to the camera is Lieutenant P. Brennan of 'B' Company.



Visit of COO To Lefka District

Ag dul thart a na PBI (OPs) bhuaill... (Irish text describing the visit and the area).



IN come the Worcesters with Lt. "Sam" Weller way out in front.



OUT go the Hampshires, with the CO Lt Col Roger May trailing at the rear.

BRITCON NEWS

NEW CAMP RCM



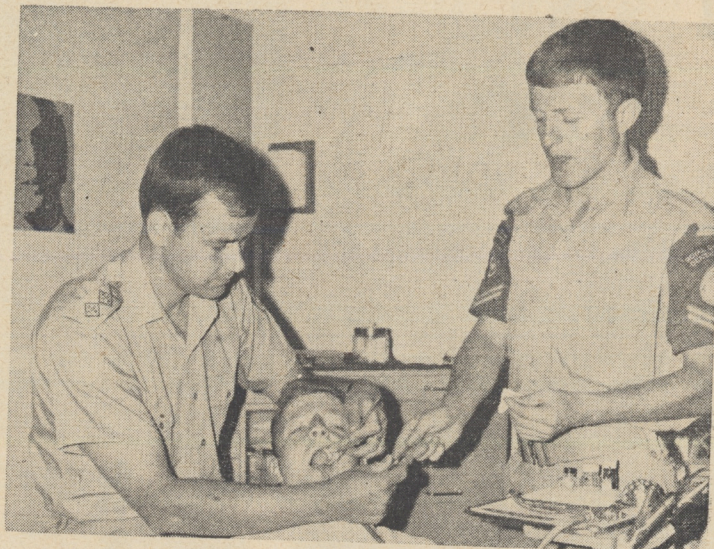
The new HQ UNFICYP Camp staff RSM is Regimental Corporal Major Wlodzimierz Watorski of The Blues and Royals.

The Polish born RCM joined the British Army in 1947. For those not on the know, Regimental Corporal Major is what they call a Regimental Sergeant Major in the Household Cavalry. The RCM was originally a member of The Royal Dragoons and his Regiment amalgamated with The Blues last March.

IF YOU'RE SICK!!!



Dental Lab technician Cpl N. Challenger works on a partial plate.



Terrible Tukum (Capt Zig Tukum, left) plies his torturous trade with the help of dental assistant Cpl J.R. Desgroseilliers and an unidentified soldier patient.

When anyone at Camp Maple Leaf wakes up with a sore throat or a throbbing toothache they can rely on instant relief by a team of medical/dental experts.

An eight-man Sick Bay, headed by Capt. Bruno Roy, is open for business 24 hours a day for members of the Canadian Contingent, UNFICYP and British military personnel requiring treatment.

The Sick Bay has a full range of medical facilities including a dispensary, diagnostic laboratory, wards and an operating room. While for those soldiers on duty in the Kyrenia mountains a staffed medical hut is available at all times.

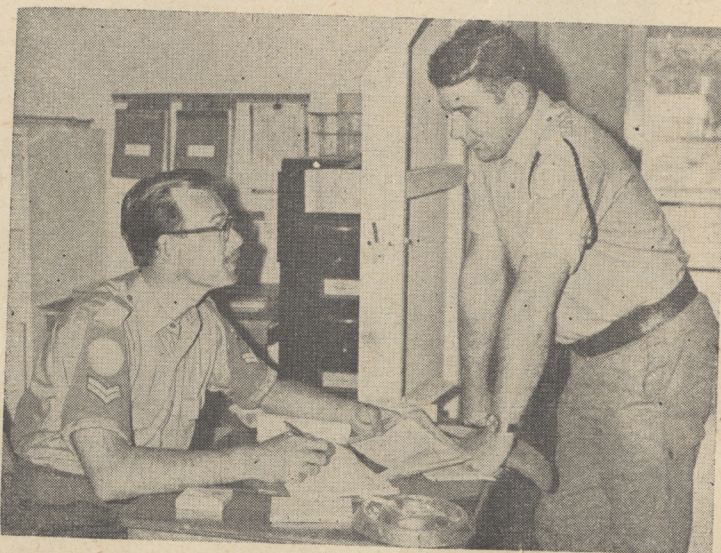
tants can take care of any dental problem in jig time at their CML office.

So, CanCon, UNFICYP and British military personnel need not worry about the state of their health or the fact that their upper plates keeps slipping because all they have to do is come to Camp Maple Leaf for help.

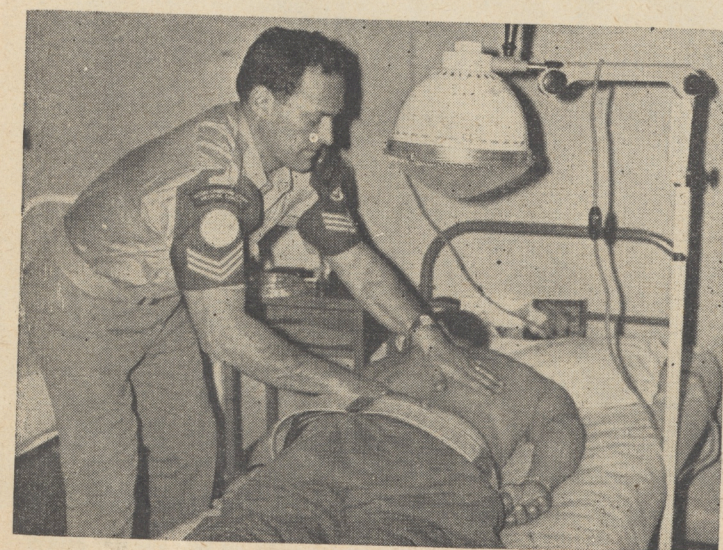
CANCON NEWS

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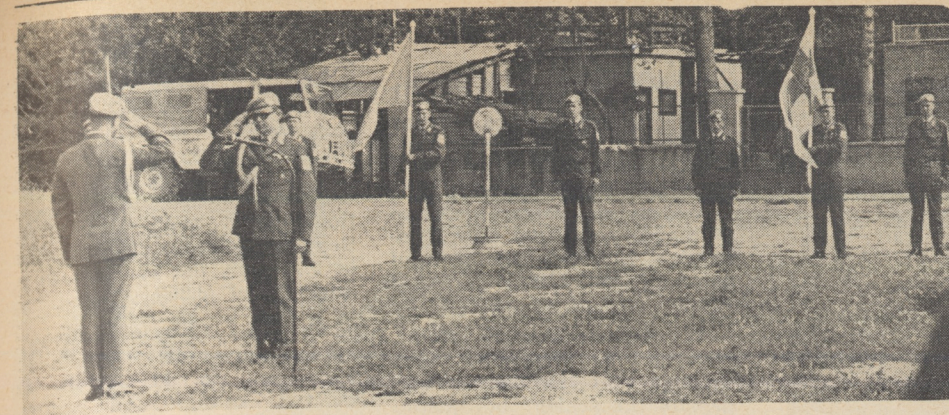
On the dental side, Capt. Zig Tukum and his two assis-



Hygiene technician, air force Corporal E. McIlvena left, jots down some case history facts at the Camp Maple Leaf Sick Bay office for an UNFICYP patient.



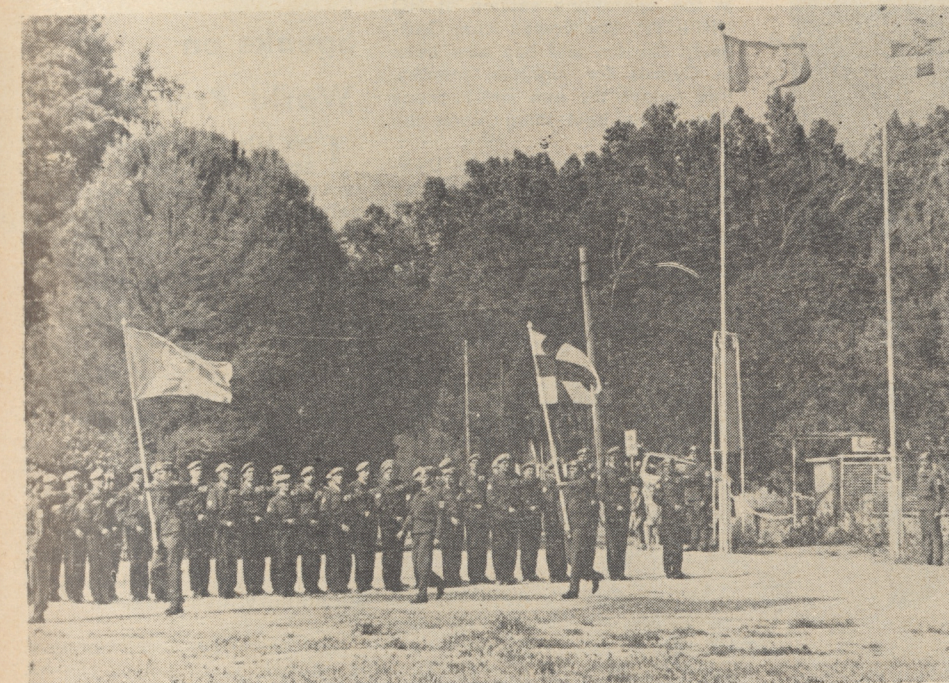
Sergeant Gaston Bergeron, NCO in charge of the Sick Bay works out a few kinks with the aid of a heat lamp.



YKSP 11 ALOITTA VAPUN PÄIVÄNÄ 1969

Tätä lukiessamme on taas yksi rotaatio takanapäin ja pataljoona eversti H. Anttilan komennossa aloittamassa uutta ja ehompaa aikaa merkinnällä YKSP 11.

25.4.69 pidettiin pataljoonan luovutus- ja vastaanottokatselmus esikunnan kentällä. Kuvissa oikealla ja ylhäällä nähdään ev A. Purhonen ja ev H. Anttila suorittamassa katselmusta sekä luovuttamassa ja vastaanottamassa pataljoonan komentajan tehtäviä. (Ev H. Anttila kuvissa oikealla)



Liput saapumassa esikunnan kentälle

UUSI ESIKUNTA

Oikella uusi esikunta valokuvattuna esikuntarakenuksen edessä.

Ev H. Anttila istumassa keskellä, hänestä vasemmalle evl R. Kankaanpää ja maj H. Matikainen, hänestä oikealle evl B. Helenius ja maj E. Käkelä. Toinen rivi vasemmalta kapt A. Salmi, ylil J. Laukka, kapt E. Takkinen, kapt P. Häkkinen, kapt J. Saarinen, kapt R. Kirjavainen, kapt R. Ahonen, sot past L. Aaltonen, ja sot virk P. Pirkkanainen. Takimmaisessa rivissä vasemmalta jääk P. Salmela, ylik M. Himanen, ylik M. Närvi, ylik P. Mattila, ylik M. Teikari, ylik M. Järvenpää, sot mest O. Hannuksela, ltn O. Huttunen, ylil M. Jääskeläinen, ylil M. Rytkönen, sot mest U. Toivonen ja vääp T. Saarinen.

FINCON NEWS



SUOMENKIELINEN
RADIO - OHJELMA
ENSI SUNNUNTAINA
4.5 - KLO 13.30 - 14.00
AALTOPITUUS 602 Kc





NEW UN STAMPS

The United Nations Postal Administration issued two new stamps on 21 April — a commemorative marking the twentieth anniversary session of the International Law Commission, in denominations of 6-cents and 13-cents, and a 10-cent airmail stamp.

The commemorative stamp, bearing the legend "Peace through International Law", depicts the scales of justice with the United Nations seal at the centre. The 6-cent denomination will be in green, blue and gold, and the 13-cent

in red, purple and gold. The stamp was designed by Robert Perrot of the Secretariat.

The stamp, printed in photogravure by Courvoisier of Switzerland, measures 29 mm. horizontally by 24 mm. vertically, perforation to perforation. The 6-cent denomination was printed in a quantity of 2,700,000, the 13-cent in a quantity of 2,200,000.

The new 10-cent airmail stamp, previously scheduled for issue on 14 March, is in red, orange and yellow. Printed by Setelipaino Sedeltryckeriet, Finland, in an initial quantity of 4 million, it measures 36 mm. horizontally by 26 mm. vertically, perforation to perforation. It was designed by Olav Mathiesen of the Secretariat, and depicts stylized wings and airmail envelopes, together with the United Nations seal.

BARBARA — MISS UNFICYP No. 12

Barbara Dew works as a typist in the operations section at HQ UNFICYP. She comes from Camberly, Surrey, and has now been in Cyprus for eighteen months. She enjoys the sun and reckons that is the best thing about the Island.

In private life she is Mrs Dew, and her husband Glyn works as a ground wireless fitter at RAF Nicosia.

U Thant

Speaks on

World Problems

The UN Secretary General speaking in London recently said that although East-West relations were still one of three major sources of international tension they showed encouraging signs of improvement.

The UNO had played an important secondary role in easing two decades of great power, and ideological conflict. He noted the trend towards great power cooperation in world problems, and instanced the Middle East situation. He pointed out the gap between the rich and poor nations as being the most difficult problem with which the world community had to deal.

UN resources were engaged in the effort to better the lot of poor nations but what was being done was totally inadequate.

The third main world issue was the relations between the strong and the weak. U Thant saw some advance in this problem due to the 'appalling nature of nuclear weapons'. The major role of the United Nations, he said, was to provide a bridge between international antagonists. A world of security and freedom was still very far in the future.

HAND BALL CHALLENGE

The Sports Officer IRCON is eager to arrange Handball games against players and teams from other Contingents.

Anyone interested in taking up this matter should contact Captain A. Whelan in Xeros. Tele Lefka 620.

Peace — Keeping Force

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good opportunity to take an initiative in the field of United Nations peace-keeping it added.

By strengthening the peace-keeping responsibility of the smaller and middle powers through the UN, future Vietnams and perhaps Czechoslovakias might be avoided.

MR. VANCE IN GROUP

The group convened last year by the United Nations Association of the United States, was headed by Dr Kingman Brewster, president of Yale University. Mr Cyrus Vance, President Johnson's special envoy during the 1967 Cyprus crisis and a US representative to the Vietnam peace talks in Paris last year was one of the members.

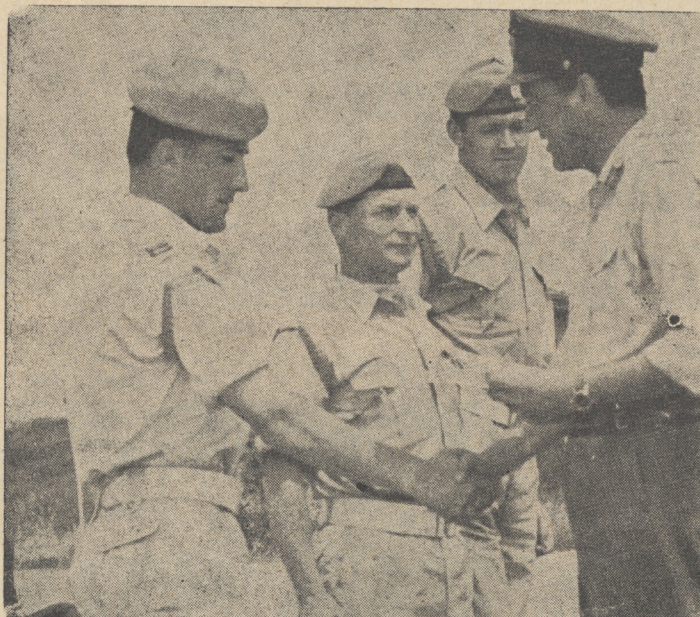
The panels conclusion have been sent to the Secretary-General, U Thant, the Nixon administration and US Congressional leaders.

STAND-BY FORCE

Main recommendations of the report were:

Establishment of a 25,000 man stand-by force, with another 15,000 men available on two to eight weeks' notice, from non-permanent members of the Security Council (UN Members other than the US, Russia, Britain, France and Taiwan).

ORIENTEERING



At a ceremony held in Episkopi members of the IRCON team that completed in the Episkopi—Troodos "Walkabout" receive their well earned Certificates of Merit from Maj Gen D.L. Lloyd-Owen, DSO, OBE, MC, GOC NEARELF Cyprus.

Left to Right: Lieutenant T. Hickey, Sergeant M. Rowland and Tpr E. O'Keeffe.

Provision of air and naval support by the five permanent Council Members for certain situations.

Establishment of a special peace-keeping section in the United Nations Secretariat to advise the Secretary-General in his capacity as executive agent of field operations.

Establishment of a UN peace fund of 60 million dollars to finance peace-keeping operations between annual General Assembly appropriations.

A package settlement of the United Nations debts for past peace-keeping operations, estimated to range from 38 to 60 million dollars, with adequate contributions from France and Russia, and the US contribution limited to one-third.

Earmarking of certain national forces to serve both the United Nations and regional peace-keeping efforts, such as under the Organisation of American States.