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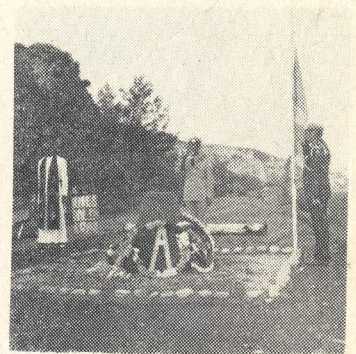


"Lieutenant General D Prem Chand the Commander of the United Nations Force in Cyprus, unveiled a memorial to Sergeant Ian Donald Ward of the Australian Civilian Police on the side of the Troodos-Lefka road on Tuesday 28 October 1975. The memorial has been built at approximately the spot where Sergeant Ward was tragically killed almost a year ago on Tuesday, 12 November 1974 while carrying out a humanitarian task of reuniting a family.

The memorial was dedicated by Reverend John A Murray CF in a short service held before the unveiling. After it had been unveiled wreaths were placed on the memorial by representatives of the military and police contingents in the United Nations Force".



The Force Commander unveils the memorial watched by members of the Australian Civilian Police Contingent.



Drummer Mathews, Welsh Guard sounding the "Last Post" after the wreaths had been placed on the monument.

GENERALS VISIT UNCIVPOL



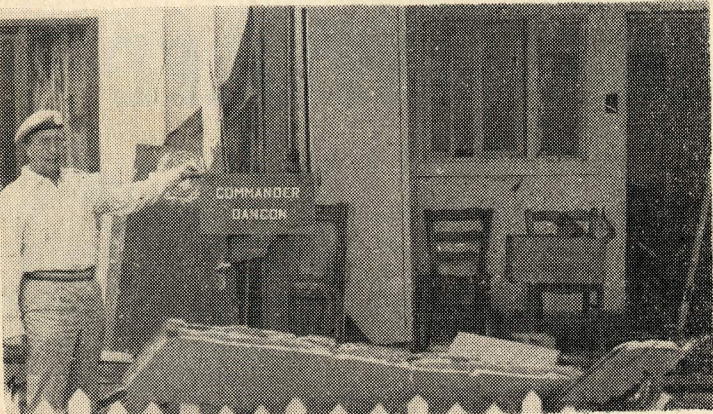
It is actually a rather rare occasion for a Police Station be visited by TWO Generals at the same time. But traditional co-operation and friendship between CANCON and AUSTRIAN CIVPOL made it possible. BGEN JLJ LEFEBVRE CD and BGEN CH BELZILE CD had lunch with the Austrians during their visit in CYPRUS and were shown what AUSTRIAN "Gemütlichkeit" means. Picture shows the two Generals welcomed by CO-AUS-CIVPOL Col. FUCHS.



On Tuesday, October 14th 1975, the Force Commander Lt. Gen. PREM CHAND, PVSM, and the Police Adviser, Commissioner Jim HAMILTON, OBE, QPM, paid a visit to HQ AUS-CIVPOL Nicosia to say farewell to the police officers due for rotation.

EKSPLOSIONSULYKKE I COMMANDER - BOLIGEN

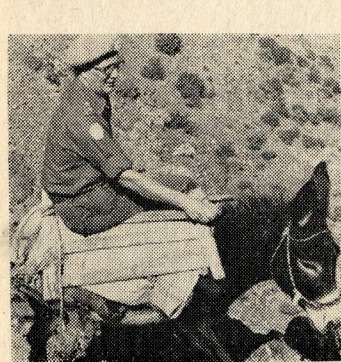
Fredag 24 oktober 1975 var 30-årsdagen for FN's oprettelse, og alle ved DANCON håbede på en fredfyldt dag. Allerede kl 5 blev de fleste i Viking Camp imidlertid vækket ved en voldsom eksplosion. Den, der blev mest brutalt vækket, var chefen for DANCON, OL T.B. Pilgaard, der sov kun ganske få meter fra eksplosionens centrum: En vandvarmer, placeret i bryggerset til Commander-boligen. Eksplosionen medførte ingen personskade, men de materielle skader var store, idet tre af væggene blev blæst bort og rummet blev fuldstændig raseret. Årsagen til eksplosionen var tekniske fejl på anlægget.



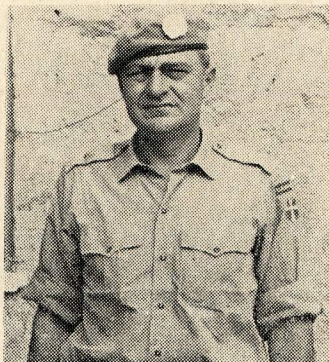
OL T.B. Pilgaard ved den tidligere indgang til bryggerset. Bag OL ses vinduet tæt ved hvilket, han lå og sov.



DISTRICT COMMANDER - MØDE
Tirsdag 21 oktober afholdtes der District og Zone Commander-møde hos DANCON. Efter en kort briefing i Viking Camp var der arrangeret en tur til nogle af DANCON's OP'er, ligesom dele af patruljesporene blev forevist gæsterne. Deltagere i mødet var (fra venstre) OL A. Rolff, fremtidig CH/SWEDCON — OL R.M. Igelstam, CH/SWEDCON — OL P.R.G. Williams, CH/1 Welsh Guards — OL J.A. Pullinen CH/FINCON — OL T.B. Pilgaard, CH/DANCON.



Lidt fornøjelse var også indlagt i mødet. Her demonstrerer OL T.B. Pilgaard, hvordan man bærer sig ad med at føre en "jallascooter". Bagefter "kørte" alle mødedeltagerne på sådanne "køretøjer" op til OP Stavromeni.



Th.: En ny funktion blev i oktober måned føjet til listen over stillinger i HQ, der bestrides af danske officerer: LO/GK HQ (forbindelsesofficer). Nævnte arbejde er blevet betroet MAJ B.B. Isaksen, der forøvrigt er et ganske kendt ansigt på øen, idet han tidligere har virket dels som adjutant hos Force Commander, dels som CH/A-KMP.



Straks efter ulykken indledte MP undersøgelser for at fastlå årsagen til eksplosionen. Her undersøges en rest af vandvarmeren.



Tv.: 10 oktober ankom atter en dansk officer til Cypern: MAJ A.M. Mortensen. MAJ skal fremover bestride funktionen FMCO/HQ UNFICYP, idet MAJ E.B. Larsen efter 1 års tjeneste på Cypern igen er befalet til tjeneste i Danmark.

A new battalion is taking over!

A new Swedish Battalion — 59 C — is taking over the control of the Famagusta district. Commander of the new Battalion is Lt Col Arne Rolff, who is here seen when receiving the UN-flag from the former DC, Lt Col Rutger Ingelstam of 57 C Battalion at Carl Gustaf Camp. The battalion numbers 531 men, and many of them have former UN experience from Cyprus, Middle East and Congo. Besides the main target to maintain peace and order in the vast northern district, another primary target is to continue the supply transports to the greek-cypriots in the area.

SWEDCON NEWS

The operations are carried out in cooperation with Britcon. The Swedish forces in Famagusta district also contain a new MP — and a Civil Police detachment (picture). Another job at the moment is to settle down and organise our new "home" for the next six months, a home that is divided in two, Carl Gustaf Camp and Gold Fish Camp. Both camps are situated in Famagusta. Although at the moment busy in making our camp as functional and comfortable as possible, our Sports Officer is eager to organise our sporting team to challenge our UN neighbours in a near future.



Swedish summary

Det här är alltså första sidan i Blue Beret. Med den hoppas vi i första hand nå våra UN-grannar med information om bataljonen, civilpoliserna och MP. Det är därför vi trycker huvudtexten på engelska och bara gör en summering på svenska. Det måste vara svårt med en massa svenska, danska, finska och franska i ett blad som ska kunna läsas av alla. I dagens tidning berättar vi om rotationen, presenterar vår nye chef, och talar om att ett par viktiga uppgifter just nu är att hålla igång supply - transportererna norrut och göra oss hemmastadda på Carl Gustaf och Gold Fish Camp. Sist men inte minst behåller vi om vårt sportofficers ansträngingar att organisera idrottsverksamheten för att så småningom utmana våra vänner på övriga kontingenter.



General Carl Erik Ahlmgren, Commander in Chief of the Swedish army, inspecting the new civil police detachment during the UN training in Linköping, Sweden.

BRITCON NEWS

Force Commander Visits 644 Signal Troop

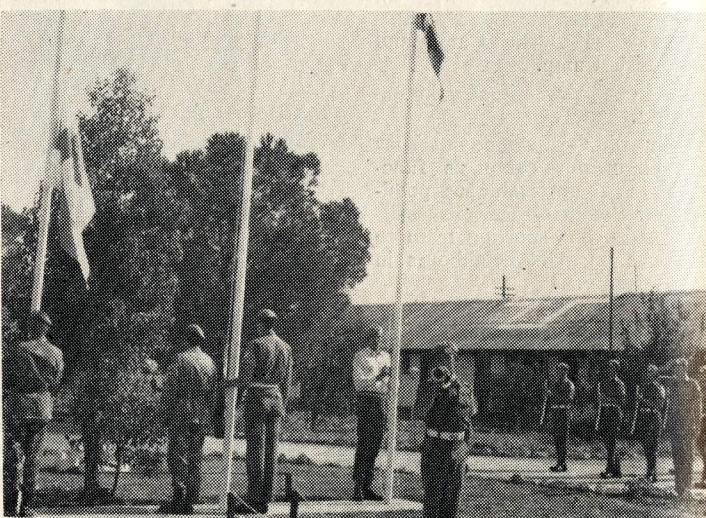
Last week the Force Commander visited a number of small units in and around the Headquarters. While he was with 644 Signal Troop he took the opportunity to present UN Medals to a number of British and Canadian soldiers as the picture shows.

FEWO HANDS OVER



WO1 J.W. FARROW, RE has handed over his slide-rule and has moved on to the Area Works office, DOE Bielefeld, BAOR. His place has been taken by WO1 D Hopewell, RE, previously of 62 CRE (Construction), Barton Stacey, England.

Fin Camp Becomes St David's Camp



In an unusual ceremony last week Lt Col J. Pullinen performed his last official duty as the CO of the Finnish Battalion when he handed FINCAMP to the 1st Battalion Welsh Guards.

This was done in a short ceremony in which the flags of the Danish and Finnish Battalions were lowered to mark the arrival of the Welsh Guards in Sector 2, gifts were exchanged by CO's to mark the occasion. A part of the Finnish Guard is pictured bottom left.



THE TRANSPORT SQUADRON DON'T JUST DRIVE



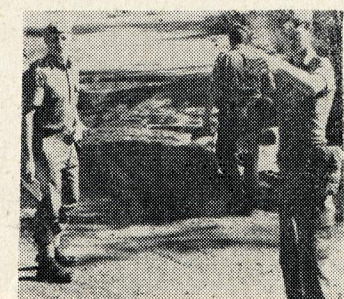
Captain Britton-Johnson leading his section the easy way up the road.



Only the winners got the beer, the rest were able to get ice-cream.

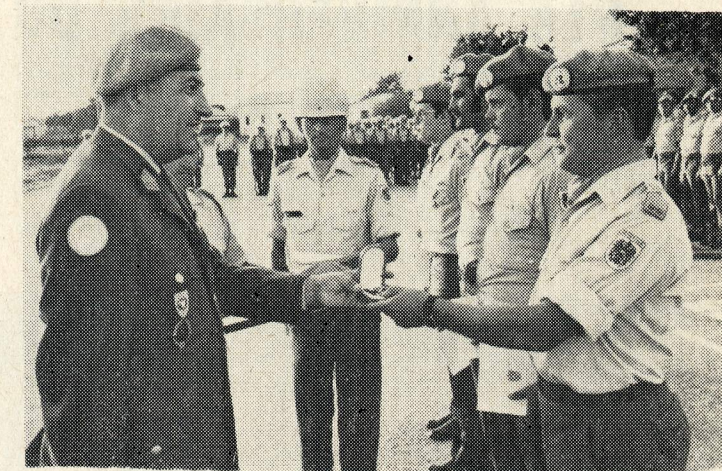
Recently five sections from I Squadron Royal Corps of Transport — the Force Transport Squadron — left their wheels behind at Kakopetria and set off on foot in the Troodos area to carry out their last training exercise of their tour in UNFICYP this year.

The sections walked by one of two routes from just north of Kakopetria up the mountain to Prodromos. The first team to complete the course did so in just under an hour and a half, while the last taking much longer claimed they took their time to enjoy the scenery.



Lieutenant Mathew stopping for a navigational check.

AUSCON NEWS



Anläßlich des österreichischen Staatsfeiertages wird im Rahmen einer schlichten, stilvollen Feier die österreichische Fahne gehißt.

Hoisting of the Austrian Flag on Liberation Day.

Anlaßlich der Feier zum österreichischen Staatsfeiertag, die gemeinsam mit der Medalparade abgehalten wurde, konnte unser Kontingent Kdt, Obstdt RIEGER, den FC und den österreichischen Generalkonsul Dr. MARANGOS begrüßen.

Lt. Col. RIEGER CO AUSCON welcomes the Austrian Gen. Consular Dr. MARANGOS on occasion of the Medal Parade and the celebration of the Liberation Day.

Unter Assistenz des kommandierenden Offiziers, Hptm HOCHHAUSER, verleiht der FC persönlich die UN Medaille "In the service of peace" an den österreichischen UN — Polizisten, Rittmeister PFOHL.

AUSCIVPOL Capt. PFOHL was presented with the UN medal "In the Service of Peace" by the FC personally.

Freudestrahlend nimmt Oblt SINTLER jene Auszeichnung entgegen, die ihm vom BMfLV für langjährigen, ehrenvollen Dienst in der österreichischen Armee verliehen worden ist. Obstdt RIEGER sieht man an, daß auch die Überreichung einer Auszeichnung Freude machen kann.

Lt. SINTLER, receives the Austrian Service to Duty Medal presented by Lt. Col. RIEGER.

In stilechten österreichischen Lederhosen sägen und hacken österreichische Soldaten an einem Baumstumpf herm. Die Musikanten im Hintergrund sind dennoch nicht deplaciert, handelt es sich doch wirklich um einen Tanz.

Folklore at the Medal Parade reception: Lederhosen = leather hot pants play part in a traditional wood-cutters dance.



CANCON NEWS

61e ANNIVERSAIRE DU ROYAL 22e RÉGIMENT

Samedi le 18 octobre, on fêta le 61e anniversaire du Royal 22e Régiment par une soirée amateur. Le tout commença par une messe célébrée par notre aumônier le Capt Fournier. Ensuite chaque compagnie et institut présenta un petit spectacle humoristique. La soirée fut entrecoupée de présentations de plaques souvenirs pour les chauffeurs, sportifs, et finalement pour les meilleurs soldats et caporaux. A l'occasion de cette fête tous les hommes travaillant sur les postes d'observations furent remplacés par les sous-officiers leur permettant ainsi de s'amuser pleinement.

On Saturday 18 October, the 61st anniversary of the Royal 22 Regiment was celebrated by an amateur night. It all began with a mass celebrated by our padre, Capt Fournier. Then each company and institute presented a short, humorous skit. The evening was interspersed with presentations of souvenir plaques to the drivers, sports players, and finally for the best privates and corporals. For this special occasion, all the men working on the observation posts were replaced by the senior NCO's thus allowing them to fully enjoy the celebration.



Le sketch de la Batterie "Q".
The skit from Battery "Q".



L'arrivée du sous-officier en charge du poste d'observation dans le sketch de la Cie "A".

The arrival of the NCO in charge of the OP in "A" company's skit.



L'orchestre de la Cie "A".
The band from "A" Coy.



Comme d'habitude, on mange bien au 2ième.
As usual, we eat well at the 2nd Battalion.



Des participants de la soirée amateur.
Some of the participants in the amateur night.

JOMPASTA SUPAUKKO

●●● Jomppa luovutti pataljoonan seuraajalleen evl Olli Lompe-
relle ja siirtyi supaukkona komentamaan rannikkojääkäreitä Upinnie-
meen. Fincon news kiittää lukijoittensa puolesta lämpimästi evl Jor-
ma Pullista tuloksekkaasta komentajakaudesta. Hänen saappaattensa
täyttäminen on vaikeaa, mutta uskomme Olli Lopmeren vanhana
YK-veteraanina siinä onnistuvan. Toivomme, että jokainen antaa
hänelle täyden tukensa vaativan tehtävän täyttämiseksi.

● Pataljoonan, pururadan ja laa-
jan ystäväpiiriin lisäksi Jomppa
joutui luopumaan myös vanhim-
man sauva. Hän velvoitti uutta
keppimiestä, Pekka Aaltoa, toimi-
maan ponnekkaasti toveruuden,
veljeyden ja hyvän YK-hengen
vaalimiseksi.
● Luovutusparaatin yhteydessä
ylennettiin 47 YK-miestä. Patal-
joonapääseerin komentaman ohi-
marssin otti vastaan Force Com-
mander Prem Chand.
● Lokarotaatio ei ollut täydennys
vaan paremminkin heikennys,

sillä miesvahvuus pieneni 600:sta
430 mieheen. Lähtijöistä ja tuli-
joista kerroilee tarkemmin ensi
viikolla ilmestyvä Kyproksen
paras suomenkielinen uutislehti
Supaset.

● UNFICYP siirtyi 30.10 alue-
ja vyökejaosta sektorijakoon. Alue
jaettiin kuuteen sektoriin lännessä
itään. Suomen sektorin nume-
roksi tuli 3. Samalla meidän vas-
tuualueemme ja ryhmityksemme
muuttui. Tarkemmin tästäkin asi-
asta Supasetissä.

ENGLISH SUMMARY

The Commander of Fincon has
changed. In the picture (right up)
Lt col. Olli Lopmeri is just assum-
ing the responsibility of CO
Fincon, Force Commander Lt gen
Prem Chand in the background.
During the handover parade 47
UN soldiers were promoted to
higher ranks. The march-part was
commanded by 2 IC Fin Bn, maj
P. Huhtanen and was inspected by
the Force Commander.

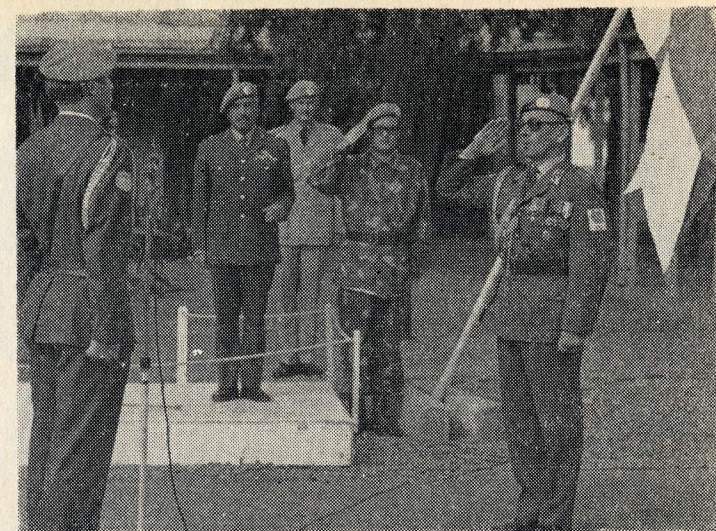
The stick belonging to that

finnish UN soldier, who has given
longest service in latest Fin Bns,
has a new owner. Former CO,
Lt col Jorma Pullinen is seen
handing over the stick to capt
Pekka Aalto (below).

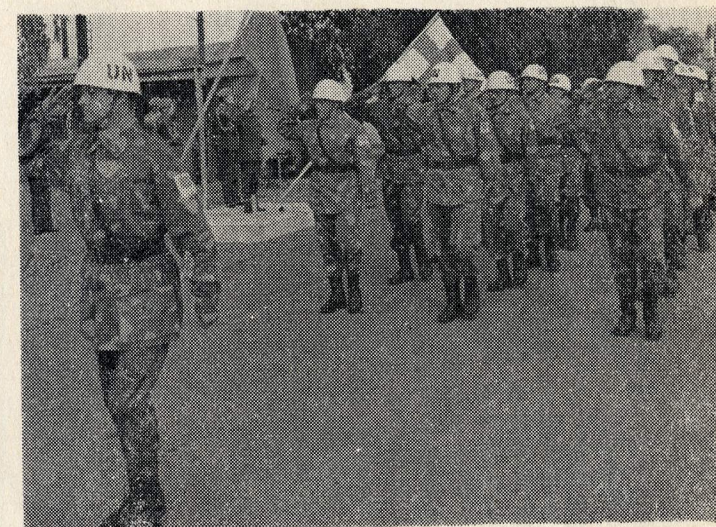
In the rotation which was com-
pleted by 30th of October, the
strength of Fin Bn was reduced
from 600 all ranks down to 430
all ranks. SSgt Kauhanen is seen
returning his assault rifle to
armoury (below right).



YKSP:ssa kaummin palvelleen keppi vaihtamassa omistajaa.
Jomppa on luovuttamassa keppiä siihen liittyvine velvollisuuksineen
kuljetusupseeri kapt Pekka Aallolle.



Vastuu Suomen YK-pataljoonasta on siirtynyt evl Olli
Lopmeren harteille. Taustalla tapahtumaa todistavat Force Com-
mander kenrl Prem Chand adjutantint ja tulkin seurassa.

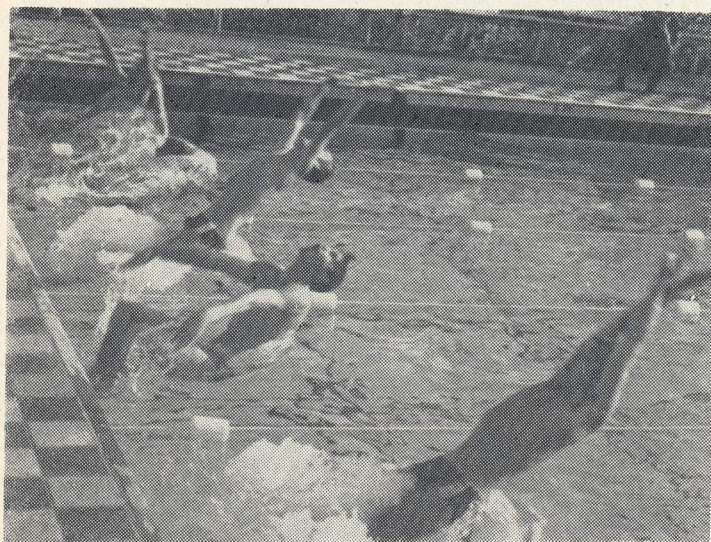


Tahdikasta marssia Pepe Huhtasen johdalla. Eturivissä vases-
malta Volle, sotapappi ja huoltopäällikkö.

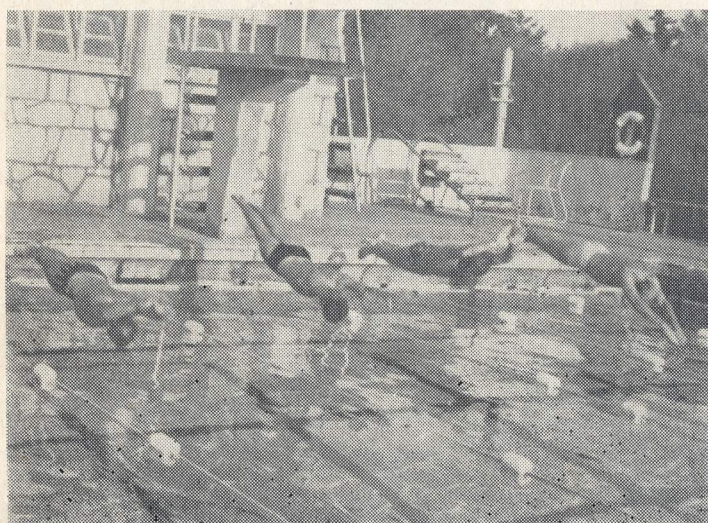


Kotimatka on alkamassa. Ylik Kauhanen saa kers Jari Iso-
salolta rynnäkökiväärin kotimatkinsa turvaksi. Varmuuden vuoksi
lippaat ja lukot pantiin menemaan eri lähetyksessä.

CAMP SWIMMING SPORTS



The start of the back-stroke.



A flying start for the breakstroke.

A blast of a whistle started the Camp UNFICYP Swimming Sports at the RAF Swimming Pool at Nicosia. The swimming competition was the last part of the Inter Sub-Unit Sports Competition held at Nicosia in October. The sports included in the competition were 5 a-side football, badminton, basketball, tug-of-war and swimming. The Force Transport Squadron and 644 Signal Troop were always very close at the top, and the final result depended on the swimming. In the end the swimming was won by the Force Reserve, while 644 Signal Troop won the Inter Sub Unit Cup.



Colonel P.I. Chiswell OBE presented the Cup to Signalman Nigel Courtney of 644 Signal Troop.

A THOUGHT FOR DRIVERS

Why do so many people sustain injuries and lose their lives as a result of motor car accidents? Is it the actual car, or the roads we use them on, or that character, who believes he is infallible, who sits behind the wheel?

Drivers are a strange group of individuals who en masse set themselves up as experts with relatively no training at all. We train jumbo jet pilots, ships captains and railway engine drivers, but "our friend" the car driver merely drives around the block, answers a few questions and is let loose on the road. He then assumes responsibility for his car, his passengers and all other road users.

se with a view to eliminating road deaths. Research has shown where the problem with drivers lies, yet we cannot communicate with these people even to save their lives. Despite the work of all the experts, the driver has the power to reduce their efforts to nothing.

Surely we in UNFICYP can do better.

Responsibility for almost all road accidents rests with the driver. He must be made to realise when taking the wheel of a car that it is his responsibility, his decision, his life.

Experts in road safety, vehicle manufacturers, highway and traffic engineers contribute experi-

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