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COUNCIL MEMBERS PRESS CASE AGAINST SOUTH AFRICA

A new draft resolution threatening "effective measures" against South Africa if she did not promptly free 33 South West Africans tried and sentenced under her "Terrorism Act" was introduced in the UN Security Council on Monday.

Sponsored by the Council's seven African-Asian and Latin American members, the draft censures the Government of South Africa for her "flagrant defiance" of the United Nations on the trial issue. Both the UN General Assembly and the Council had earlier urged that the trial be halted and the accused set free on the grounds that South Africa had no jurisdiction over South West Africa since her old League of Nations mandate was ended by the UN.

The new draft calls upon UN Member States to cooperate with the Council to ensure South African compliance.

In introducing the draft, Ambassador Agha Shahi of Pakistan said differences between the sponsors and the various other Council members regarding the language of the resolution had so far not been reconciled, but that the sponsors remained ready to engage in further consultations.

The Council, which is meeting at UN Headquarters in New York, was scheduled to go into session again yesterday afternoon.

HUMAN RIGHTS COMMISSION MOVES AGAINST S. AFRICA

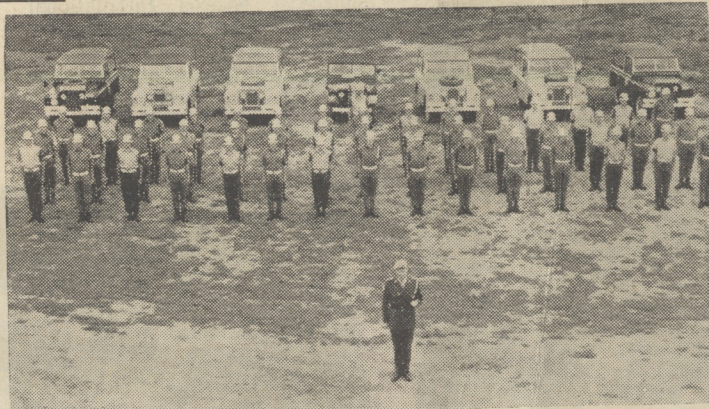
The UN Commission on Human Rights — which is currently meeting at UN Headquarters in New York — has unanimously condemned South Africa for its defiance of UN resolutions concerning the trials of South West Africans and "for instituting another illegal trial of South West Africans under its Terrorism Act".

The Commission acted after being informed of news des-

patches reporting that South Africa would shortly try eight more South West Africans. The issue is currently before the UN Security Council (see story above).

South Africa has not so far heeded UN requests to stop these trials, taking the position that the world Organisation had no authority to terminate its mandate or to interfere in her administration of the Territory.

MP's ON PARADE



Above, UNFICYP MP Coy based at Wolsley Bks formed up under the command of Maj V.A. Jakobsen, OC of the MP Coy, awaiting the arrival of the inspecting officer Lt Col R.F. Bornor, Force Provost Martial.

Below, the Provost Marshal, Lt Col R.F. Bornor, accompanied by Maj V.A. Jakobsen, OC, UNFICYP MP Coy inspects the patrol vehicles. Sgt G. Cullen, M.T. Section NCO stands by to answer any technical questions that may arise.



U THANT APPEAL TO AID NEW JORDAN REFUGEES

UN Secretary-General, U Thant, has appealed for more aid from all United Nations Member States to help the new flood of refugees moving eastward in Jordan following the recent border clashes between that country and Israel.

U Thant informed the UN General Assembly, in a report submitted to this body, on Monday, that recent incidents had caused some 75,000 persons to abandon their homes or shelters in the Jordan River valley and seek refuge on the higher ground to the East, away from the scene of the firing.

A report from the head of the UN refugee agency in the Middle East (UNRWA), which the Secretary-General forwarded to the Assembly, said that the movement out of the valley became a flood after 15 February when, according to Jordanian figures, 46 civilians were killed and 55 injured in the course of border incidents. Those moving away included Palestine refugees of long-standing — from the 1948-49 war — as well as Palestinians uprooted in last summer's Arab-Israeli hostilities.

Mr. Laurence Michelmore, the head of the UN Agency, said the movement remained at a high rate as of the first of March. The Agency, he said, was continuing to aid those staying in the valley and also helping the Jordanian Government provide emergency assistance to those who had gone eastward.

Secretary-General to Visit BENELUX Capitals in April

At the invitation of the Governments of Belgium, Luxembourg and the Netherlands, the Secretary-General, U Thant, will pay a visit to the Benelux countries after the conclusion of the meetings of the Administrative Committee on Co-ordination (ACC) to be held in Geneva on 4 and 5 April 1968.

According to present plans, he will visit the Netherlands from 7 to 9 April; Belgium

from 9 to 10 April; and Luxembourg on 11 April. U Thant will return to New York on 12 April.

Last week, the Secretary-General made a one-day visit to Hot Springs, in the state of Virginia, where he attended the global meeting of Resident Representatives of the UN Development Programme and of the UN family of organizations concerned with economic and social development.

ALLE CODE CAVER - DE KOMMER OVENFRA!



Ja, så kom de endelig - nej da, ikke de "skæve" rotanter, men de favre kvinder fra det kolde nord. Velfærdskontorets første "konefly" landede i Nicosia International Airport - fyldt til sidste plads. Passagererne fik den modtagelse, de havde fortjent efter den lange rejse. Det blev både til knus og brus!



DANCON VIII's MEDALJEPARADE

Efter at general A. Martola med OL C.J.K. Severinsen havde skridtet fronten af, lykønskede generalen de nye "silde-bærere" med en kort og klar tale på svensk.

DANCON - NYT

Foruden tv.: Men selv om der var konefly i luften, blev de "skæve" rotanter ikke glemt. De kom med den spændte forventning lysende ud af ansigtet til DANCON VIII med SCACYP'en den 27. februar og blev standsmæssigt modtaget af de respektive kompagnier.

Foruden th.: Konvojtjenesten fra Kyrenia til Nicosia og omvendt bestrides foruden af canadierne med

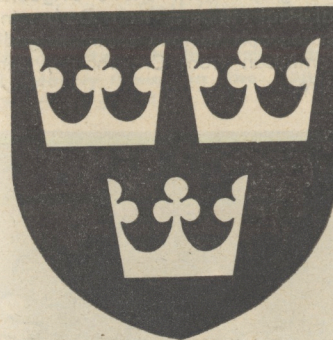
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NYTTIG ÖVNING MED HELIKOPTER

Under de två senaste veckorna har samövning med helikopter-förband ägt rum på den svenska bataljonen. Alla fyra kompanierna har fått vara med om förflyttning av larmstyrkor och utrymning av OP:n. En nyttig övning inte minst mot bakgrunden av vårt beredskapsläge.

På bilden är det fullt stridsmunderade stab- och trosskompanister som rusar fram mot den väntande Wessex-helikoptern.



Återförening på Cypern Sabina yngst bland 48

Inte många svenska ögon var torra när i torsdags morse en andra sändning fruar, fästmör, flammor och även föräldrar anlände till Nicosia Airport och återförenades med sina respektive FN-soldater.

Mottagningsceremonien på flygplatsen i Nicosia går annorlunda till än på alla andra flygplatser i världen. Alla ivrigt väntande inhyses i något av en apbur och tillåts från denna vinka åt sina embarkerande anhöriga. Rena zoologiska trädgården.

Nå, den som väntar på något gott.....Även pass-och tullkontrollen måste ta en ända någon gång. Ovanpå inreseformaliteterna följde scener som inte ens The Blue Beret har ord för.

och dottern Sabina, ett och ett halvt år gammal, precis lagom för att kunna säga pa-pa-pa.

Sammanlagt var det 48 svenskar som anlände till Cypern. Furir Hans Egertz från Katrineholm var dubbelt lycklig mottagare, när han kramade om sin hustru Christina

**SWEDCON
NEWS**



Rörligt bad i Arsos

Mycket är annorlunda på Cypern, badrummen ute i terrängen bland annat, se bilden. Ett märkligt ekipage vid namn Mobile Bath Unit - Rörliga Badenheten - har kommit till den svenska utposten i Arsos, bemannad av 1. komp. Och tåget med värmepannan är välkommet, för då har de svenske i Arsos möjlighet att ta sig en varm dusch.

Mobile Bath Unit sorterar under Force Ordnance Officer och är som förstås av namnet ständigt på resande fot. Bortåt 50 mil i veckan stånkar tåget omkring och bereder de olika kontingenternas utposter ett värmande och renande avbrott i fredstjänsten på Cypern.





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INSPECTOR OF REME VISITS UNFICYP

Brigadier J.L. Dobie, Inspector of Royal Electrical Engineers' Establishments at the Ministry of Defence (Army), visited the Headquarters on Wednesday of the UNFICYP Workshops, REME and the Aircraft Segment of the UNFICYP Flight AAC. He also saw 8 Squadron RCT, at work. He had meetings with the Chief of Staff, Major M. N. Harbottle, OBE, and also the Chief Logistics Officer, Lieutenant-Colonel S. H. Clark, RE.

Brigadier Dobie was accompanied on his tour by the Commander, REME, HQ NEARELF, Lieutenant Colonel J. and by the Force EME Officer, Major K. Parker.

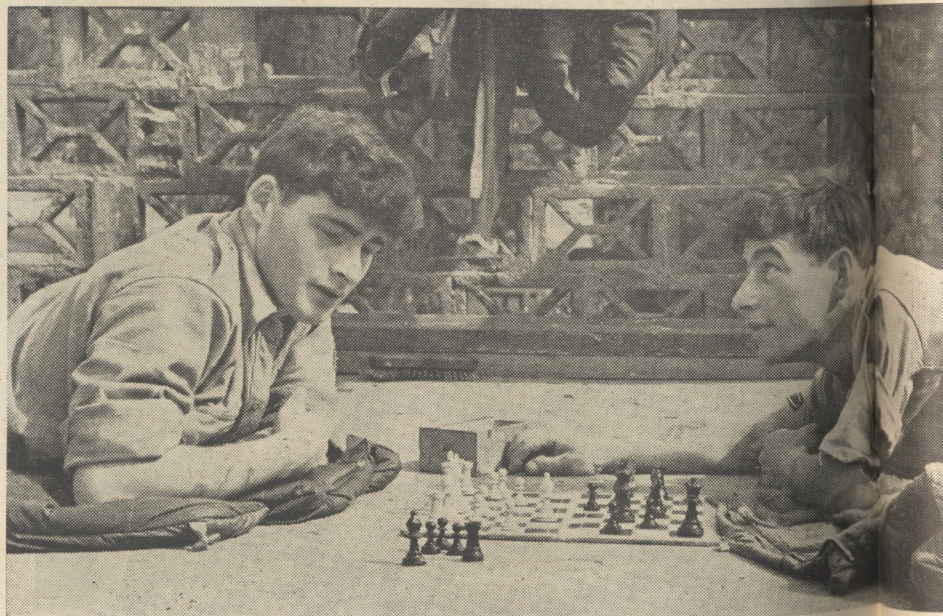
Photograph (left) shows Brigadier Dobie, special Lance-Corporal Paul Hibberd, from Derby, in the 'Tels' Workshop.

Photograph (Below) shows Brigadier Dobie speaking to WO II Fred Tomlinson from Crowthorne, Berks; Major K. Parker is in the centre.



SOMETHING BREWING?

WILLING HELPERS! Lance-corporal Alan (Tubby) Hone from Bodicote, near Banbury, Oxon, at the rugged Stavrokou OP is assisted by two young villagers in brewing-up operations.



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10 INFANTRY GROUP COMMANDER ARRIVES IN CYPRUS

Lt-Col Redmond O'Sullivan 10 Infantry Group (centre) being welcomed on arrival at Nicosia Airport last Thursday by Lt-Col M. J. Murphy 9 Infantry Group (left) and Lt-Col J. I. Cooney Force Engineer UNFICYP. Lt-Col O'Sullivan who is a Staff Officer in the Directorate of Training, Army Headquarters, Dublin Commanded 2 Infantry Group in the Congo Oct 63/May 64.



IRCON NEWS



The new Group Commander Lt Col O'Sullivan (centre) and the Company Commanders of 10 Inf Gp arrived in Cyprus on Thursday (left to right) Comdt P. Allen "B" Coy, Comdt E. Cusack "A" Coy, Comdt P. Sheeran, Liaison Officer and Comdt P. Croghan "C" Coy. Comdt Allen has served on UN Missions in the Lebanon and with the 32 and 37 Battalions in the Congo. Comdt Cusack is on his first UN tour. Comdt Croghan serve with 32 Battalion in the Congo.



Pte Jim Clarke (centre) is visited at Xeros by his friends Pte Jorgen Nielsen (DANCON) and Pte Matti Halko (FINCON). Pte Clarke serves with 2 Garrison Company Supply and Transport Corps, McKee Barracks, Dublin.



Sgm Ciaran Sweeney of Rathfarnham Dublin who arrived recently in Cyprus to take up duty as a clerk in Logistics Branch is seen here receiving the "gen" from WO II Tony Antenen of Morecambe Lancs, Chief Clerk Logistics Branch UNFICYP.



Sgt Noel Carroll and Gnr Brian O'Rourke ensure that A Coy sports gear is in good order for the next match. Sgt Carroll was a member of 32 Battalion and 40 Battalion which were the First Irish units to serve in the Congo and in Cyprus. He is a native of County Carlow.



Rifleman Brian Kinch from Ovington, Hants, is seen having a word with his Headquarters during a halt on routine patrol.

CHECK MATE

Getting down to a game of chess are Rifleman Terry Allen (left) from Cricklewood, London, and Lance-corporal Terry Wrighting from Bordon, Hants. The roof of Platoon HQ in Ayios Theodoros proves to be a pleasant spot in off-duty moments now that the warmer days are here.

BRITCON NEWS

UN FORCE PROVOST MARSHAL

Lt Col Reg Børnor was born Tilehurst, England, in 1919 and educated in Birmingham, England.

He joined the Territorial Army in 1938 and was embodied into the regular British Army in September 1939. During the war he served with No 12 Commando taking part in the raid on the Lofoten Islands in 1941 and later with the 1st Battalion the Devonshire Regiment. He joined the Corps of Military Police in 1946 and before leaving the British Army in 1952 served in Austria, Italy, Egypt, Palestine, India, Malaya, and Kenya.

In November 1952 he joined the Canadian Provost Corps. After regimental and staff appointments in Shilo, Manitoba, Halifax and Ottawa, he was appointed Chief Instructor, The Canadian Provost Corps School at Canadian Forces Base Borden, in May 1962.

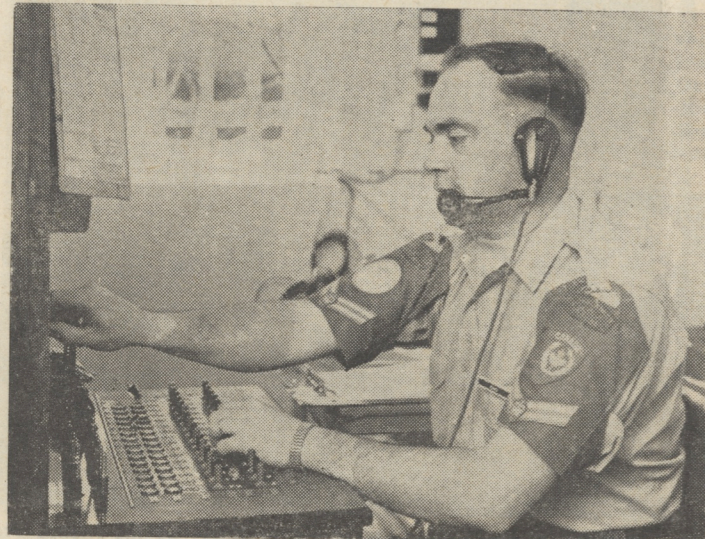
He served in Indo China with the International Control Commission from October 1963 to November 1964 and returned to the same appointment at Canadian Forces Base Borden.



Accompanied by Maj J. A. Jakobsen, OC UNFICYP MP Coy the Force Provost Marshal, Lt Col R. F. Børnor inspects the Coy. Shown on parade from L to R are Sgt J. Vincent (CANCON), Cpl P.L. Sorensen (DANCON) and Cpl G. F. Sorensen (DANCON).

CANCON NEWS

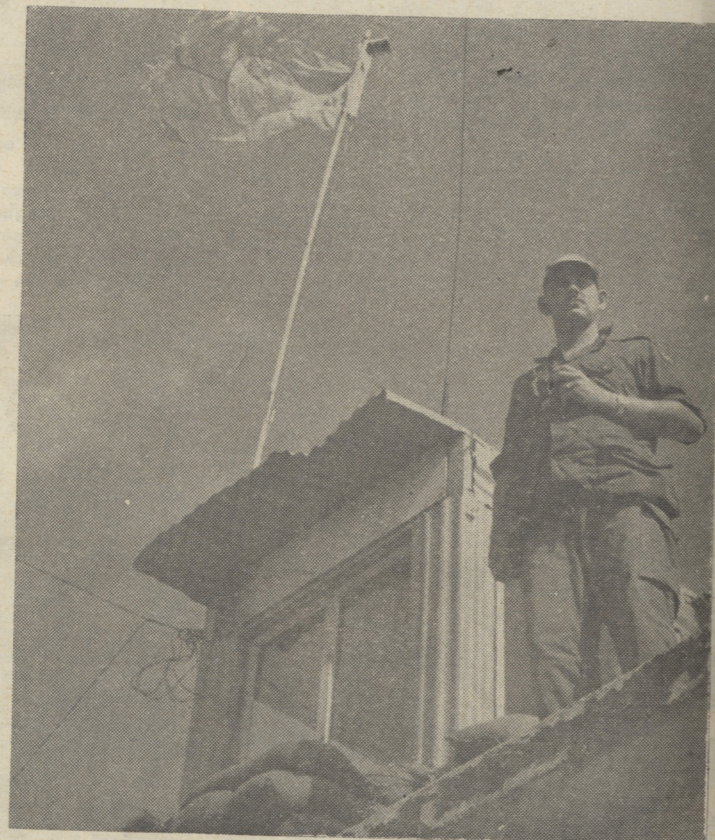
(Canadian Forces Photos)



Cpl Roy Adams is one of the senior switchboard operators at Camp Maple Leaf and hotly denies that Bell Telephone is trying to start a union amongst local operators.



Pte Richard Beyea, 1 Black Watch, scans the country with his binoculars from his vantage point on top the OP at Oneisha Lime Plant where he currently serving.



Pte Godon Renahan is shown standing atop his OP at the Teko Lime Plant.



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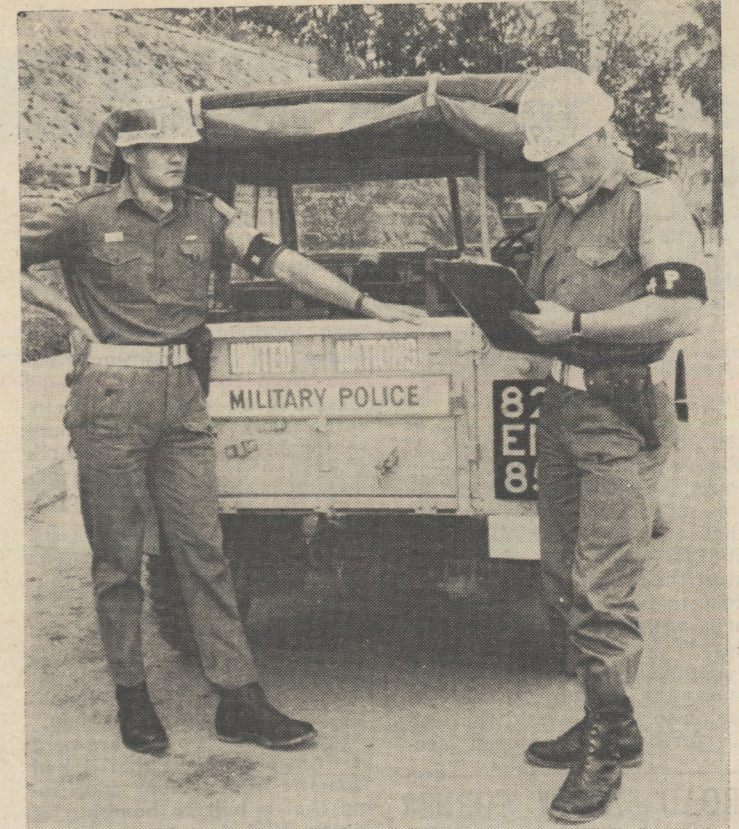
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SUOMALAISET SOTAPOLIISIT

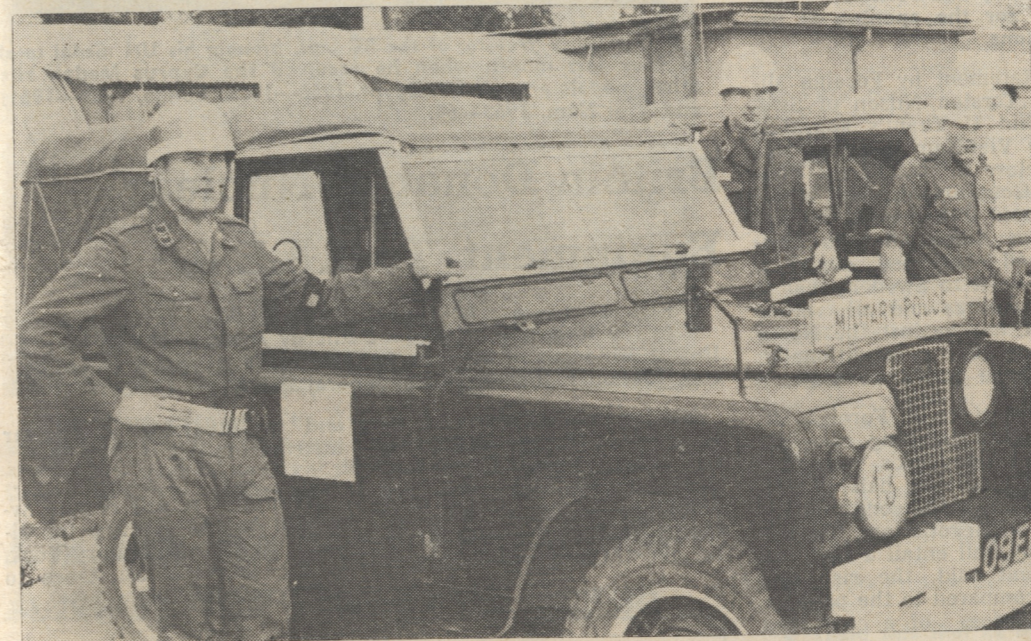
Tällä kerralla esittelemme ne miehet, joiden näkeminen saa meidät vaistomaisesti nostamaan jalan pois kaasupolkimelta, kohentamaan ryhtiämme ja olemaan mahdollisimman viattoman näköisiä. Kun nämä suurikokoiset miehet vielä pitävät päässään juhlallisen näköistä kypärää ynnä riippuvat pistoolia valkoisessa vyössään, niin tuntee olonsa sellaiseksi, jota modernit nykytieteilijät kutsuisivat termillä vieraantuneisuus.

Näitä karskin näköisiä miehiä lähemmin tututettaessa käy kuitenkin pian selville, että he ovat varsin harmittomia veikkoja, joilla tuntuu olevan erityisen hyvä yhteishenki. Meikäläisten sotapoliisien niin kuin kaikkien muidenkin saarella olevien "militäärien" tehtävänä on valvoa yleistä järjestystä ja suorittaa liikennevalvontaa YK:n rauhanturvaajien keskuudessa. Sotapoliisijoukkueen johtaja, ylik T Manner kertoi, että lievätköt järjestyshäiriöt ja epäsituaalinen käyttäytyminen ovat niitä asioita, joihin sotapoliisi kaikkein yleisimmin joutuu puuttumaan.

Vapaa-ajan ongelmia pojilla ei ole. Aika kuluu mukavasti Wolseley Barracks' illa, joka palvelee sotapoliisin tukikohtana. Oma elokuvateatteri tarjoaa eri filmin joka ilta, on oma sauna ja mainiot urheilumahdollisuudet aivan lähituntumassa.



FINCON NEWS



Kuvassa ylhäällä ollaan valmiina lähtöön, tosin eri autoilla, mutta valokuvausta varten ryhmittyneenä saman auton ympärille. Vasemmalta alik V Kaskinen, alik M Kivelä ja alik A Kivistö. - Kaikkiin kuviin muuten on aivan kuin huomaamatta pujahtanut myös sotapoliisin tärkein työväline, Lantikka.

Viereisessä kuvassa ei tilanne ole ollenkaan niin vakava kuin miltä se näyttää. Pysähdyttiin päin vain kaikessa sovussa kuvausta varten ja saatiin näin ikuistetuksi alikersantit A Vanttaja, M Junell ja R Reijo, joka taitaa tähyillä itselleen todellista "uhria".



Suomalainen sotapoliisipartio on tullut hetkeksi ulos autostaan. Kuvassa ylhäällä alik A Ojanen (vas) ottamassa vastaan ohjeita sotapoliisijoukkueen johtajalta, ylik T Mannerilta.



PRO AND CON

WORLD REACTION TO SG's CALL TO HALT BOMBING OF NORTH VIET-NAM

U Thant, UN Secretary-General, was gratified last week by the expressions of support issued by various Governments for his new call for a halt to bombing of North Viet-Nam as the indispensable first step toward a negotiated solution of the Viet-Nam conflict.

In a statement issued the previous Saturday, following a series of meetings with various Government leaders, as well as with representatives of the Democratic Republic of Viet-Nam in New Delhi and in Paris, U Thant declared he was more convinced than ever that an end of the bombing and all other acts of war against the North would open the door to peace talks "even perhaps within a matter of a few days."

Commenting on the statement, the United States Delegation to the UN, said that the US, for its part, had been "see-

king publicly and privately, and would welcome, confirmation from Hanoi that talks would start promptly in circumstances where we could reasonably assume that North Viet-Nam would not take military advantage of the bombing cessation."

In another comment, the Observer of the Republic of Viet-Nam to the UN, said talks could start "only if there was serious indication that Hanoi is genuinely ready to put an end to its aggression against the people of South Viet-Nam."

Meanwhile, the Government of France declared that it had "specific information" confirming that a halt to bombing of North Viet-Nam would be a "necessary and sufficient" condition for the opening of negotiations.

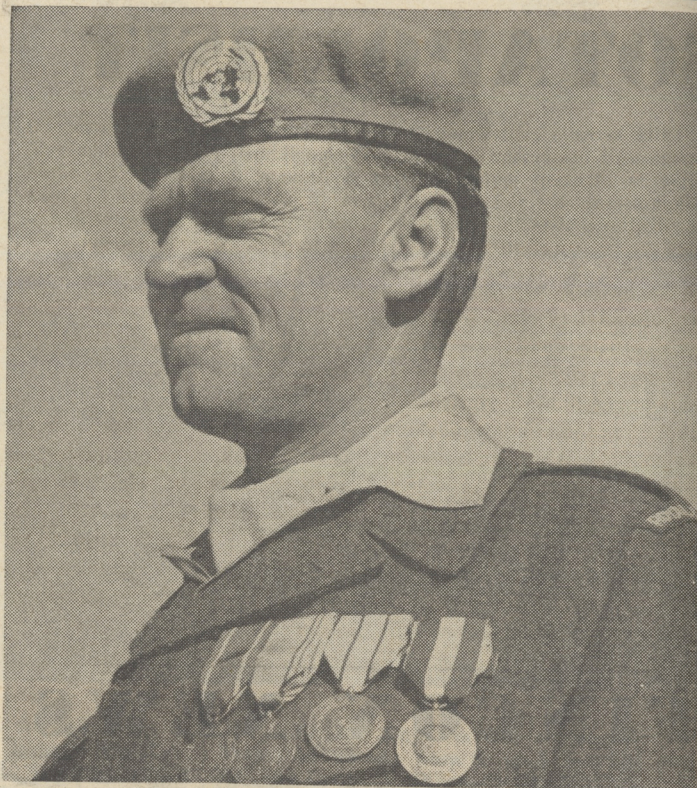
A statement by Foreign Minister Torsten Nilson of Sweden said U Thant's appraisal of the Viet-Nam situation was very close to that of the Swedish Government. The statement said that the North Vietnamese Ambassador to Moscow had confirmed, during a recent visit to Sweden, that if the bombings and all other acts of war against the North were ended unconditionally, then there would be talks.

A statement by Foreign Minister Poul Hartling also emphasized Denmark's view that an unconditional halt of the bombing was the condition for a start of negotiations. Though it might well entail a risk, the statement said, the risk was small compared to the possible consequences of a continued war.

In another statement received at UN headquarters, Foreign Minister Ahti Karjalainen of Finland emphasized that the Viet-Nam conflict would be solved only through negotiations between the parties concerned and that the unconditional halt to the bombing of North Viet-Nam would be a most important step to this end.

In his 24 February statement, U Thant took the view that, given a halt to bombing of North Viet-Nam, it could "reasonably be assumed" that matters such as continued fighting in the South would be dealt with in good faith. The Secretary-General also emphasized again that the problem was political and could not be settled by the application of military force.

WELL DONE!... FOR 4th TIME



Sgt Harry Webster of the RC Sigs, brought his UN medal total to four last month when he received the Cyprus Medal. His other medals are; UNEF Egypt, 1958—1959; Congo, 1960—1961; and Viet Nam, 1963—64.

ROAD SAFETY CORNER

1. MIRROR AND SIGNALS

A good driver, by making full and frequent use of his mirrors is just as aware of following traffic as of that in front. He will not neglect to indicate any alteration in course or speed for the information of those behind.

2. SPEED

At 60 M.P.H. you have 6 times the punch you had at 25 M.P.H. You require 6 times the braking distance and — if a flat tyre bursts you could roll over 6 times — in other words, the higher the speed, the greater the potential danger. Relate your speed and conditions and the distance you can see to be clear, particularly at night.

3. OVERTAKING

Before deciding to overtake, a clear view of the road ahead is the first essential, hence the advantage of the hang back position described last week.

The second is to check on traffic behind which may be about to overtake you. The third is correct judgment of comparative speeds.

If in any doubt — don't go.

4. DAWDLING

This really comes under Consideration. So many drivers on our congested roads must of necessity keep up a reasonable speed, and unreasonable slowness, particularly in narrow main roads, results in traffic queues, frayed tempers and dangerous overtaking.

5. LANE DISCIPLINE

This means keeping to the left lane unless about to overtake or turn right. Before changing lanes for either purpose, check in your mirror that it is safe to do so and signal your intention.

Give these point the attention they deserve!

Britain Donates Nuclear Equipment To I.A.E.A.

SPECIAL nuclear equipment worth \$6,000 has been given to the International Atomic Energy Agency (IAEA) by the United Kingdom in addition to the United Kingdom voluntary contribution to the Agency's General Fund.

The equipment will first be used jointly by the IAEA and the International Labour Organisation (ILO), which are holding a course at the ILO Centre in Turin during April, to give training on the repair

and maintenance of nuclear instrumentation.

After this it will remain available to the Agency for similar use, for laboratory work, or for technical assistance to other countries.

There are nine items in the gift, consisting of a radiation counting system, monitors and probes, oscilloscopes, a scintillation crystal for gamma spectrometry, a photomultiplier and a detector holder, meters, and a power unit.

UNCIVPOL TABLE TENNIS

1. Swedish Police — 6 points
2. Austrian " — 4 points
3. Danish " — 2 points
4. Australian " — 0 points

BEST PLAYERS

1. Swedish UNCIVPOL —
Inspt. Enckson
2. Austrian " —
Inspector Landauer
3. Danish " —
Inspector Petersen
4. Australian " —
Senior Constable Paddon-Jones

KONVOJTJENESTE

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