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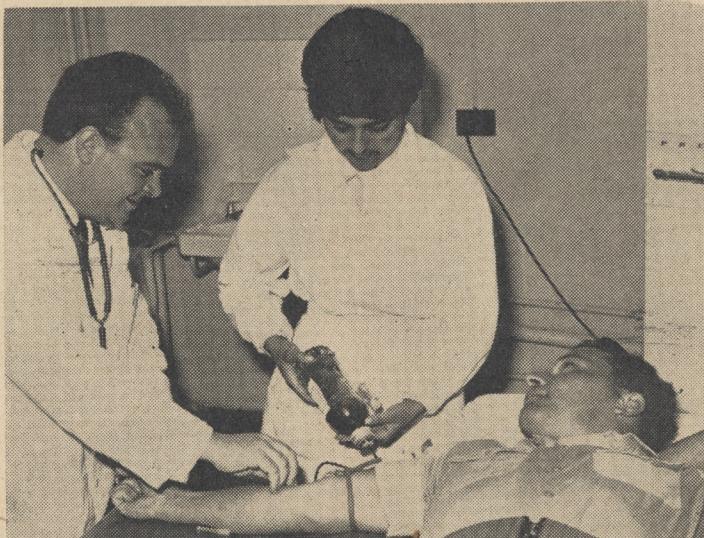
## UNFICYP VOLUNTEERS ANSWER CALL FOR BLOOD DONATIONS

Last Monday, in response to an appeal, twenty volunteers from UNFICYP Headquarters donated that number of pints to the blood bank of Nicosia General Hospital.

The photo above shows members of UNFICYP Flight AAC, three of whom, seem to think that the lighter vein was penetrated when drawing the valuable commodity. It is understood that some froth had to be blown off some individual pints before being put into the freezer!

The volunteer in the horizontal position is Lance corporal Brian Holmes (RAOC) from Boston, Lines. Those onlookers in the vertical but soon to take their turn in the prone position were (left to right) Driver William McGrath (RCT) from Belfast, Lance corporal Peter Gill (RAOC) from Newcastle, Corporal Alan Kenyon (Cheshire Regt) from Crewe and — just in the picture — Corporal Graham Dubber (REME) from Portchester, Hants.

In the photo at right, Corporal Alan Kenyon watches some of his blood being extracted by the staff at the Nicosia General Hospital.



## SECRETARY - GENERAL RETURNS TO NEW YORK FROM EUROPE

U Thant, United Nations Secretary-General, returned to New York from Europe on Friday evening following a meeting in Paris with Mai Van Bo, Delegate General of the Popular Republic of Viet-Nam. The talks lasted an hour and 20 minutes.

The Secretary-General declined to comment on the talks he had with the North Vietnamese representative except to state that the atmosphere was cordial.

U Thant decided to stop over in Paris at the end of a trip which had taken him to Geneva and the BENELUX countries — Belgium, the Netherlands and Luxembourg.

## U Thant Again Calls For New Contributions To Help Meet Costs Of UN Force in Cyprus

UN Secretary-General U Thant has again called for voluntary contributions from Governments to help meet the operation costs of the United Nations Force in Cyprus.

In a letter to all Member States of the United Nations and its specialised agencies, he noted that over five and a half million dollars were needed to cover the current three-month mandate of the 4,700-man Force. However, he said because of the "chronic and growing" deficit, an additional four million dollars was

needed if the UN is to honour past commitments to nations furnishing troops to the Force.

U Thant recalled his warning last month that if the financial deficit were not met this may bring about the premature withdrawal of United Nations units. The Force has been in Cyprus since March 1964.

When the UN Security Council met in New York in March and agreed on the most recent extension of the Force's stay — until 26 June — it expressed the hope that progress toward a Cypriot settlement during the current period would enable the troops to be cut or withdrawn entirely.

U Thant said that the total cost of the peace-keeping operation from March 1964 to June 1968 was about 90 million dollars.

The Force is financed on a voluntary basis. The major contributor has been the United States, with close to half of the 80 million dollars so far received. Forty-nine other nations have also made contributions.

## New Contribution By Denmark To UNFICYP Costs

Denmark has informed the United Nations that it will make a further contribution of 60,000 dollars to help meet the operation of the United Nations Force in Cyprus.

In a letter dated 5 April to the UN Secretary-General, U Thant, the Permanent Representative of Denmark to the United Nations, Mr. Otto R. Borch, said that the new contribution by Denmark was being made to meet the costs of the period ending 26 March 1968.

In the course of his trip, U Thant attended the laying of a foundation-stone of the new wing of the UN Office in Geneva and met with Government leaders in the BENELUX countries.

At The Hague, he also met with the President and Judges of the International Court of Justice at the Peace Palace.

GIV AGT - LØB!



C-KMP fjerner nu på frivillig basis det tildelte UN-illeng(bilringe, deller m.m.). Inddragelse af tillegget foregår hver morgen mellem kl. 0630 og 0700. Påkledning er fri, dog kræves baret. Tilmelding kl. 0630 i 0-rummet på Melgaard House til delingsfører 2.

## Festafstener ved DANCON

En underholdningsgruppe fra Danmark besøgte Tove Reinau og Melody Mixers har besøgt DANCON i tiden 5.-10. april. Underholdningsgruppen vakte glæde overalt, hvor den kom frem. Disse billede er hentet fra STKMP, hvor det lykkedes Tove Reinau at

## DANCON - NYT

lokke STKMP's våbenmester op på scenen for at synges med, en opgave som OFR(S) T.M. Jensen klarede strålende. Her synger overfenriken: "Man kan vel ikke gøre for, at man har charme," yndefuld støttet af Tove Reinau. Gruppen havde stor succes på sit humørfyldte program - hvem kunne modstå to så dejlige danske piger, og lag mærke til de mandlige medlemmers ansigtsudtryk. De har publikum med sig, og alle har det dejligt.



## Vittberest journalist tar över Blå Baskern

Intet är som rotationstider. Till och med FN-bat 39 C:s zonpressofficer måste bytas ut och fara hem till det enligt uppgift strängare klimatet i fosterlandet. Han gör så i förväntningen att efterträdaren, major Finn Rideland, Stockholm, besitter överväldigande meriter att ta över jobbet.

Major Rideland är 36 år gammal och på de åren har han hunnit avverka det mesta av världen. Bördig från Lingbo och Kilafors i Hälsingland har han upplevt så avlägsna delar av jordklotet som Nya Guinea och norra Salomonöarna, där han under åren 1958-63 tjänstgjorde som Patrol Officer i den australiska distriktsadministrationens tjänst. Han har därutöver företagit två omfattande resor för Sveriges Radio-TV:s räkning till Sydostasien och Söderhavssöarna Samoa, Tonga, Tahiti och Fiji. I tre år var han anställd på utlandsavdelningen inom Sveriges Radio-TV och har ett stort antal program i båda medierna på sitt samvete. Hans utlandserfarenheter omfattar vidare reportageresor i Afrika och Sydamerika.

Om sina många gånger häpnadsväckande eskapader i fjärran och ännu utforskade länder har Finn Rideland skrivit fyra böcker och utger i höst den femte. Utöver dessa verk av trycket kommer i höst två andra böcker av hans hand, vilka skall användas som brevidsläsningslitteratur i ämnet geografi i grundskolan.

Major Rideland har varit på Cypern tidigare. Som reporter för A-pressen tillbringade han för nu 12 år sedan några veckor på Cypern, främst i Limassol. Det var under EOKA-tiden - och mycket Medelhavsvatten har omsköjt Cypern sedan dess.....

Avgående zonpressofficer lämnar med största förtroende över ansvaret för bl.a. The Blue Beret till major Rideland, som härmad Cypern sedan dess.....

En hedersvakt i blåvitt mötte ambassadör Jarring vid hans ankomst till Carl Gustaf Camp. Den

pern. Bilden visar major Rideland tillsammans med en papuansk polissoldat under ett patrullupprödrag i Nya Guineas okända inre år 1962.



## AMBASSADÖR JARRING PA AVKOPPLANDE VISIT

Ambassadör Gunnar Jarring med hustru Agnes och dotter Eva gjäste under förra onsdagen den svenska FN-bataljons högkvarter på Carl Gustaf Camp. Zonchefen, överste Per Sune Wallin, tog emot och visade runt. Besöket var, yttrade ambassadör Jarring vid den lunch som gavs till hans ära, otvunget och angenämt - en skön avkoppling i hans tjänstgöring i Mellanöstern.

Ambassadör Jarring är som bekant generalsekreterare U Thants specielle medlare mellan Israel och de omgivande arabstaterna i det politiskt oroliga Mellanöstern. Vi följer hans göranden och lätanden i tidningarna - ambassadör Jarring är i högsta grad en flygande fredsmäklare.

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## Riksdagsmän snabbesökte FN - bat 39 C

Två svenska riksdagsmän snabbvisiterade under förra veckan den svenska FN-bataljonen på Cypern. Socialdemokraten G. Gustafsson och folkpartisten C.G. Ehnskog kom till oss med SCACYP den 9 april och återvände med samma färdsmedel den 11 april.

Ett späckat program föreläg för de två riksdagsmännen förra onsdagen. De tog del av verksamheterna på alla våra fyra kompanier. Inte minst imponerade hundupvisningen på STR-kompaniet. Lars Östlund, Torsby, gav riksdagsmännen ett prov på vad våra fyrfota vänner kan uträdda i fredens tjänst. På bilden ses kommandanten och STRchefen major Helge Gard, Tyresö, och stabschefen major Bengt Medin, Stockholm, flankera de gästtade riksdagsmännen G. Gustafsson och C.G. Ehnskog.



tretungande svenska flaggan vajade tillsammans med FN-fanen vid infarten till campen och överste Wallin hälsade de svenska gästerna välkomna.

Besöket på FN-bat 39 C var det första ambassadör Jarring avgått hos de svenska fredsbevarande styrkorna på Cypern. Som bekant är han i vanliga fall stationerad som Sveriges ambassadör i Moskva.

## LOCAL COMMANDER MEETS LOCAL LAW



Last week the camera reached Polis after several false starts and caught some interesting shots. One of any local commander's many tasks is to liaise frequently with the local police. Here Major Tim Hartley (right) is talking to Inspector Economides during the course of his rounds. The commander's driver, Rifleman Alan (Phil) Phillips from Freshwater, Isle of Wight, is also welcome to take a cup of coffee with his boss and the law — not the same in this case! Perhaps being an islander himself, has contributed to Phil's admitted enjoyment of life at Polis.

## A LONDONER - FROM NORTH AMERICA



At the Platoon Headquarters in Polis town, the camera and scribe thought for a moment that they had inadvertently stepped on a magic carpet and were suddenly in the wrong contingent zone.

The sentry on duty had a distinct North American accent — small wonder it turned out, because it belonged to Rifleman Dan Phillippe from Ottawa, Ontario, but now living at Peckham, London. Dan came to London when he was thirteen years old, after having lived in Montreal and Toronto as well as Ottawa. He says he thinks he may join the Canadian Army when his present engagement expires with the British Army.

## BRITCON NEWS

As the time approaches for the Green Jackets to leave the Cyprus scene for home, inevitably the packing of one's belongings takes on a priority rating.

Here is Rifleman Cliff ('Zeke') Hutton, from Kensington, London, putting the finishing touches to the OC's MFO box. For the benefit of the uninitiated, MFO stands for Military Forwarding Organisation and sees to the unaccompanied baggage of its members on overseas posting or return to UK from same.



Lance corporal Gerry Bennet, from Birmingham, having a discussion with the head teacher of the village of Nata during a routine visit. The school-children are always glad of these visits as they provide a short diversion from lessons!



Two for the Price of one? It seems that Nick Thompson from Wembley, Middlesex, is getting a break even though it's peanuts! An off-duty moment in

## ROTATION PREPARES



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## EASTER CELEBRATIONS AT XEROS

Religious ceremonies play a large part in the Irish celebration of Easter. Here at their HQ in Xeros, Rev Fr. C. Matthews C.F. is seen blessing the Paschal Fire during the ceremonies there on Easter Saturday. His attendants are (from the left) Cpl E. Fitzgerald, Cpl P. Roche and Pte P. Holohan, all members of HQ Coy, 10 Inf. Gp.

## IRCON NEWS



## COS Visits 10 Inf Gp at Xeros



The new Contingent, 10 Inf Gp, recently received a welcome visit from the Chief-of-Staff, Brig. M.N. Harbottle. OBE. He was met at the Gp HQ in Xeros by Gp Comdr, Lt Col R. O'Sullivan and inspected a Guard of Honour under Lieut. A.G. Gray.

The photograph on the left shows the Guard being inspected by the COS (from the left) Cpl J. Kinsella (Tpt Sect.) Sgt Roddy Taylor (Hvy Mor Tp) and Cpl John Landy (Armd Car Gp).

During the visit of the COS, the Group Standard was on parade for the first time. Over the scroll with its legend "10 Irish Inf Group", the shield contains the emblems of the various formations of which 10 Inf Group is composed. Displaying the standard to advantage are (from the left) Wicklowman Gnr Paddy Merrigan, Mayoman Sgt Roddy Taylor and Dublinman Gnr George Manifold.

## MAIL CALL AT KATO PYRGOS



The pleasure afforded by a letter from home is evident here on the faces of the lucky recipients. The Sgt distributing the mail seems rather cynical about it all while the man on the right who has not yet got any letter seems rather determined that there simply **MUST** be one there for him. Our picture shows (from the left) Sgmn J. Sexton, Pte J. Kane, Pte W. O'Reilly, Sgt M. Collins, Sgt J. Fogarty, Pte J. Wilson and Pte P. Foy, all members of "C" Coy, 10 Inf Gp.

# BLACK WATCH PRESENTS FAREWELL GIFT FOR CHILDREN



**HAPPY MOMENT FOR THE CHILDREN:** And so it was last week for the children at the Red Cross Children's hospital in Kyrenia when men of the 1st Battalion The Black Watch (Royal Highland Regiment) of Canada presented the traditional gift of money to the hospital authorities prior to returning to Canada. Making the presentation were Corporal Lewis J. MacPherson (left) and Corporal Eric Frederick. Accepting the gift is Matron Hilda Bufton. Corporal MacPherson is the son of Mr and Mrs Rod MacPherson of Antigonish, N. S., and he resides in Oromocto, N. B., with his wife Edith and six children. Corporal Frederick hails from Boutilier's Point, Halifax County and he lives in Oromocto with his wife Noreen and three children.

**CANCON NEWS**  
(Canadian Forces Photos)



## MECHANICS AT WORK

Warrant Officer L. (Leo) Cote, a supervisor with the Royal Canadian Electrical Mechanical Engineering Detachment supervises the work of one of his men, Private Bruce MacKay working on one of the engines of the many vehicles used by the Canadian Contingent in Peace-keeping duties in Cyprus. Private MacKay, a Vehicle Technician, is the son of Mr and Mrs Bruce MacKay, St. Marie and is serving on a six-month tour in Cyprus.



## HIGHLAND FLING CYPRIOU STYLE

Corporal H. Hayden, a piper with the Pipes and Drums, 1st Battalion, The Black Watch (Royal Highland Regiment) of Canada provides some entertainment and training for "Kiriacos", a young Cypriot patient at the Red Cross Children's Hospital at Kyrenia, a small resort town on the north shore of the island. The entertainment took place when men of The Black Watch presented the hospital with a gift of money for the patients welfare. From the looks on both participants' faces, one might wonder who is enjoying it the most — the instructor or the student? Corporal Hayden like most men of the 1st Battalion is a Maritimer from Pictou, N.S., where his mother resides. His wife Marilyn and two dependents reside at Oromocto, N.B.



### Staff To Cancon Commander

Assisting the Canadian Contingent Commander, Colonel H.C.F. Elliot with the numerous details associated with the running of the Contingent are Captain S. T. (Stan) Klubi, General Staff Officer 3 (left), Corporal S. Champagne, Personal Assistant to Colonel Elliot and Miss Rae Edwards, secretary to the Colonel, who in addition to his responsibility as Canadian Contingent Commander is also Deputy Chief of Staff at headquarters United Nations Forces in Cyprus. Captain Klubi hails from Edmonton, Alta., where his wife and four children reside. Corporal Champagne is from Montreal, P.Q., where his parents live. Miss Edwards lives in Nicosia.

# "AAVIKON SANKARIT"....



Vahti kolmonen. Kehabpaimen koirineen katselee kaukaa suomalaisten vartiopaikkaa. YK on paikalla, valvo, vartioi.

## ...ELI VAHTIKIERROS

vuoronsa ajan, rynnäkköiväri poikkiteloim rinnan päällä, katselee ohi menevää liikennettä silmäkovana, mitään ei jää huomaamatta. Kolmen tunnin kuluttua tulee toinen mies tilalle, edellinen on äkkii uimahousuillaan ja alkaa kärventää nahkaansa keväisessä, melko polttavassa auringonpäisessä. Matkaradio soi. Kauempana paimen huuhtee lampailleen. Joku kavereista nukkuu viileässä teltassa, toinen pelaa leipäpasiassia ja yrittää saada läpi. Tulisi sen muonalanterian mukana nyt jääti.

Kahvia pojilla tuntui kuluvan paljon, nelisen puolen kilon purkkia viikossa. Yksiköstä tuodaan muuna kaksi kertaa päivässä. Paljonhan sitä kuluu kahvia päivän mittaan, 1+4 tai 1+5 senttä kuluttaa, vierailijat lisääksi.

Vahdit, 1, 2 ja 3. Kourallinen miehiä keskellä aroa. Vahdeissa on jotakin erilaista, mitä se sitten lienee, hohtoa, tunnelmaa, haukutakin, selittämätöntä rauhan tuntaa.

Pojilla tuntui olevan hyvä olla.



Vahti ykköselle on tunnusomaista, että se sijaitsee vanhojen, Jumalan ja paikallisten asukkaiden hylkäämien talorötlöiden keskellä. Viereissä on melko vilkkaasti liikennöity vanha Famagustan tie. Jääkäri E Friman ja kersi T Heinonen ottavat aurinkoa ja lueskelevat. Taustalla vartiomies, jääkäri S Huhta.



Kuva on Vahti kakkoselta. Vapaavuorossa olevat jääkäri R. Allen ja jääkäri P. Vaalivirta ovat syventyneet koronaan, vartiomies, jääkäri M. Makkonen ei ole pelistä kiinnostunut tällä kertaa. Työ ennen kaikkea.

## FINCON NEWS



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## CANADA'S LIBERALS NAME TRUDEAU PRIME MINISTER

The Liberal Party supporters serving with the Canadian Contingent of the United Nations Force in Cyprus have sent the following to the editors of THE BLUE BERET. It is being published as a nonpartisan bit of news of general interest to Force readers.

Following the Liberal leadership convention in Ottawa in April 1968, the Honourable Pierre Elliott Trudeau became Prime Minister designate of Canada.

Mr. Trudeau was born in Montreal on 28 October 1921, the son of Mr. Charles Emile Trudeau and Miss Grace Elliott, both Canadian citizens. He was educated at Jean-de-Brebeuf College, the University of Montreal, Harvard University, Université de Paris and London School of Economics. He is a lawyer and professor of law and a member of the Royal Society of Canada and Quebec Bar.

He was first elected to the House of Commons in 1965 and appointed Parliamentary Secretary to the Prime Minister, Mr. Lester B. Pearson, in January 1966. He became Minister of Justice in early 1967.

Mr. Trudeau will become Prime Minister of Canada approximately at the end of the current month. His home is in Montreal.

## UN Emergency Food Aid For Jordan, Syria, UAR

Emergency food aid, originally sanctioned for six months to help feed victims of last June's hostilities in Jordan, Syria and the United Arab Republic, has been ex-

## DANCON Soldier Killed in Speed Boat Crash



Pte. Soerensen

A soldier of the Danish Contingent serving with the United Nations Force in Cyprus was killed in a collision between two speedboats which occurred Sunday afternoon off the coast of Famagusta.

The soldier, Private First Class Ole Busk Soerensen, 21, of Vilstrup, PR, Taulov, Denmark, was in one of the two boats that collided.

Pte Soerensen had been serving with the Danish Contingent in Cyprus since November 1967. His body was brought to Nicosia and is being flown to Denmark this week for burial in his native country.

## Road Safety Corner

- 1) Keep your headlight adjusted so that the dip beams will fall below the level of an oncoming driver's eye.
- 2) If for any reason you park your vehicle on the road at night, switch on your parking lights. Make it a point to carry always with you the internationally approved "Red Triangle" with reflectors which you can place 20 feet in front and 20 feet to the rear of your vehicle in case your lights are out of order. Failing this, inform the nearest Police Station so that adequate action may be taken to avoid accidents.
- 3) Pay particular attention to pedestrians especially in poor lighted areas. It is difficult to spot a pedestrian when he wears dark clothing.
- 4) Check the beam of your headlights and your dipping system.
- 5) Check your electric traffic indicators.

tended for another two months, in view of the continuing hardship of the victims.

The additional allocation of 1.6 million dollars from the resources of the World Food Programme (WFP) was approved on 9 April by Mr. A.H. Boerma, Director-General of the Food and Agriculture Organization (FAO). It raises the total of emergency aid for the Near East to 5 million dollars over an eight-month period. It covers 150,000 displaced persons in Jordan, 100,000 in Syria and 35,000 in the United Arab Republic.

## SUGAR CONFERENCE OPENS AT UN PALAIS IN GENEVA

The United Nations Sugar Conference will be open at the Palais des Nations, Geneva, today Wednesday, 17 April, for the purpose of negotiating a new comprehensive sugar agreement.

The Conference has been called by the Secretary-General of the United Nations Conference on Trade and Development (UNCTAD), Dr. Raul Prebisch, to find means of providing a mechanism that would bring with it better prices and increased stability in the world sugar market.

## UN General Assembly To Resume Session In New York Next Week

The 123 Member States of the United Nations have been notified formally that the XXII General Assembly, in recess since December, will be resumed at United Nations Headquarters in New York on 24 April.

## South West Africa Council Fails To Enter Territory

The UN Council on South West Africa announced in Zambia late last week that it had not been able to charter an aircraft for a flight to the Territory because of the opposition of the South African authorities in control.

In a statement issued in Zambia, the Council declared however that it would pursue its efforts to enter South West Africa, an old League of Nations mandate Territory for which the United Nations asserted its direct responsibility in 1966.

Meanwhile, the Council said, it would go to Tanzania to meet with South West African figures residing there.

The Council was set up a year ago to take over the administration of South West Africa and prepare it for speedy independence.

South Africa, which contends that the UN has no jurisdiction, has refused to let it in.

The Council had been meeting last week in Lusaka, Zambia, to hear representatives of South West African independence movements.

## Reorganization of UN Secretariat Weighed

The UN Secretary-General, U Thant, has appointed a small team of experts to consider the problem of reorganization of the UN Secretariat and to make appropriate recommendations to him.

A seven-member Committee has been appointed by the Secretary-General on a wide geographical distribution basis which will enable him to secure the assistance and advice of people of recognised competence from the various parts of the world.

When the session was suspended last December, the issue of non-proliferation of nuclear weapons, the Middle East situation and the question of South West Africa were left open for further consideration.

Since then, the Geneva Disarmament Conference has submitted a report containing a draft treaty on the non-proliferation of nuclear arms based on a text jointly submitted by the United States and the Soviet Union and subsequently revised to incorporate changes proposed by other Member States.

The report also contains a draft resolution in which the United States, the Soviet Union and Great Britain have undertaken to sponsor in the UN Security Council a resolution designed to give assurances — through the Council — against the threat or use of nuclear weapons against any State denying itself the possession of such weapons under the proposed treaty.

## Seminar Submits Measures to Check "Brain Drain"

Measures to help stem the "brain drain" of scientists from the developing countries to the more advanced ones came under discussion at a weekend seminar held at UN Headquarters in New York under the auspices of the UN Advisory Committee on the Application of Science and Technology to Development.

Some 25 Canadian and American scientists took part in the seminar. Their view was that the major aspect of the "brain drain" problem was the feeling of isolation from the international scientific community experienced by many scientists in the developing nations.

To overcome this, the Advisory Committee proposed to the Seminar that associate scholarships be given to scientists from developing countries by US and Canadian universities. These, which would run for two to three years, would allow scientists to spend up to three months a year in either Canada or the United States provided that they returned to their own countries to continue their work for the remainder of the year.

Another scheme put forward was for joint research projects between scientists in developed countries and those in underdeveloped ones. Scientists would remain in their respective states but would pool their knowledge, discuss their research and publish their results jointly.