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Mr OSORIO-TAFALL LEAVES UNFICYP AFTER SEVEN YEARS

At the end of this month, Mr B.F. Osorio-Tafall will relinquish his post as Special Representative of the Secretary-General, a post he has filled with great distinction and devotion since February 1967.

Mr Osorio-Tafall will also be retiring from the United Nations after having served in many capacities as an international civil servant for more than twenty-five years.

After a distinguished political career in his mother country, Spain, and after filling senior scientific and academic appointments in both Spain and his adopted country Mexico, he joined the Food and Agriculture Organization of the United Nations in 1948, becoming Director of the FAO Regional Office in Santiago, Chile in 1951. He remained there in different capacities until 1959 when he became Resident Representative in Indonesia for what has now become the United Nations Development Programme, a post he held until 1961, when he was transferred to the same position in Cairo.

In January 1964, Mr Osorio-Tafall went to the Congo where he became Officer-in-Charge of the United Nations operations. While there, he supervised the withdrawal of the last United Nations troops (ONUC) and assisted in laying the foundations of the civil economy.

On his many achievements since becoming Special Representative of the Secretary-General in Cyprus, perhaps his most important was his part in establishing a means of communication and negotiation between the two communities which culminated in the first meeting of the inter-communal talks between Mr Clerides and Mr Denktash in June 1968.

Mr Osorio-Tafall is also well known for his keen interest in and deep knowledge of the natural history of Cyprus, in particular its plant-life. He has been instrumental in assembling the most comprehensive collection of Cyprus plants and has begun a series of publications on them which he hopes to continue after he leaves UNFICYP.

We join with the Secretary-General of the United Nations who in his most recent report to the Security Council on the Cyprus operation had this to say: "On this occasion I also wish to pay special tribute to my Special Representative, Mr Bilbiano F. Osorio-Tafall, as he is about to relinquish his post and to leave the service of the United Nations after 25 years. For seven and a half years he has served UNFICYP with great distinction and unswerving dedication. For this work, as well as for his earlier contributions to the Organization, the United Nations owes him a great debt of gratitude."

We wish both Mr and Mrs Osorio-Tafall a happy retirement.



The Secretary-General of the United Nations, Mr Kurt Waldheim being greeted by Mr B.F. Osorio-Tafall at Nicosia International Airport for his official visit to UNFICYP in August 1973.



A view of the international talks held at the office of the Vice President of the Republic, located in the Turkish Cypriot Sector of Nicosia. From left to right: Professor O. Aldikacti; Mr G. Clerides; Mr B.F. Osorio-Tafall; Mr R. Denktash and Justice J. Dekleris.



Mr B.F. Osorio-Tafall and the Force Commander Maj Gen D. Prem Chand, PVSM during Farewell Drinks in the Officers Mess at HQ UNFICYP on Wednesday 12 June.

EN DAG PAA GAMMEL SELEMANI

Hvis De trænger til at slappe rigtigt af og nyde livet, kan ingen læge-eller trolldomskunst hamle op med en dag på Gl. Selemeni. Det hele begynder nede i Selemeni-dalen, hvor "Mustafa", og hans muldyr venter på forplejningsvognen. Så snart den er kommet, bliver muldyret tæt pakket, og så går turen op til OP Gl. Selemeni. Der findes nok ikke skønnere natur på Cypern, end den man oplever under denne "bjergbestigning", og der er rigelig tid til at nyde den, for "Mustafa" og hans muldyr har så afgjort ikke travlt. Op kommer vi, efter 45 minutters fysisk uddannelse, og nu nydes der godt af OP-ens gæstfrihed, først en kold drik, og siden en kop veltillavet kaffe. Der hygges rigtig om tilløberne, og "mustafa nægter at forlade OP-en, før han har fået en 7-up og et par spil dam. Tiden går alt for stærk, når man sådan rigtigt hygger sig, og man må se at komme nedinden mørkets frembrud. Det var alletiders dag, og kan stærkt anbefales personel der ønsker at opleve en skøn natur, og dygtig OP tjeneste.



▲ Oversergent Berthelin informerer om forholdene i Kokkina.



→ Detteher minder stærkt om Dancon-marchen.

PINSETUR TIL FAMAGUSTA

Velfærdstjenestens tur til Famagusta i Pinsen blev en meget stor succes for deltagerne. Men en anstrengende tur var det. For der var jo ikke den ting, der ikke skulle nås - og blev nået. Samlet middag lørdag aften og aflytning af Dancon-radio, besøg på diverse danseetablis - sementer, tidligt op søndag morgen og sight-seeing i Salamis og Barnabas klosteret, frokost, Famagusta beach om eftermiddagen, søndag aften endnu engang "Famagusta by night", tidligt op mandag morgen og besøg i den gamle bydel samt visit på en svensk OP. Et helt under, at der blev tid til søvn.

Hos alle deltagerne var der meget stor tilfredshed med arrangementet, som ledes af triumviratet: Rønn, KN Skafte og Kaj med mesterlig assistance fra Ingrid. Oven på denne start er der ingen tvivl om, at der til velfærdstjenestens fremtidige arrangementer vil være ovenud stor tilstrømning.



NEWS IN BRIEF

The trip to OP SELEMANI is very beatiful and done by a "donkey-man", who brings the food, drinks and other supplies which are needed for staying at the OP.

The Danish Contingent spent a wonderfull time in Famagusta during the Whitsun Holidays.

It is assumed that "The New Nissen-huts Camp" in Limnitis will be finished in the end of June.

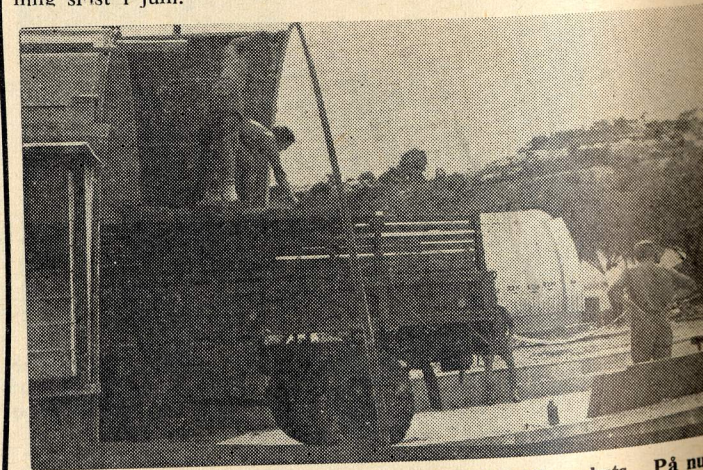
DANCON NEWS



I naturskønne omgivelser går det stejlt opad.

BYGGER I ETILIMNITIS

Fra pionerofficeren har redaktionen endnu engang modtaget såvel billeder som supplerende tekst. Et forkortet uddrag resulterer i flg: Omkring 12. juni er første hytte færdig og klar til indflytning, medens både murer - og elektrikerarbejde skrider godt frem i de resterende tre hytter. På nuværende tidspunkt siger en meget forsigtig prognose, der må tages med forbehold, at alle resterende bygninger er klar til indflytning sidst i juni.



Her er man halvvejs med den største af de fire Nissen-huts. På nuværende tidspunkt er den rejst, og arbejdet med vægge, gulve og el-installationer er igang.

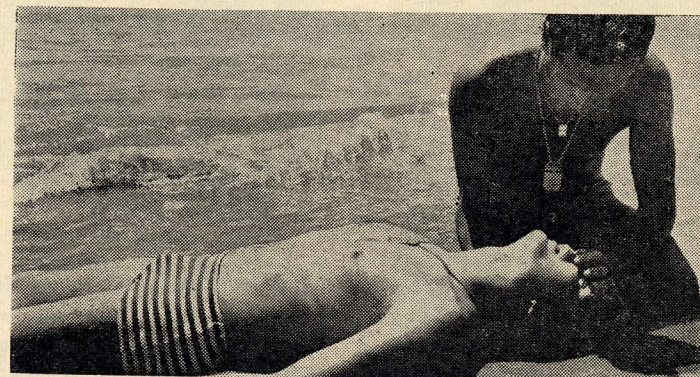
THE LIFE-SAVING KISS

● An accident has happened out in the water. Get the victim out of the water as soon as possible. There is not time for caution — speed is essential. If possible start the method already out in the water. Lay the victim down on the ground immediately. Call a doctor.

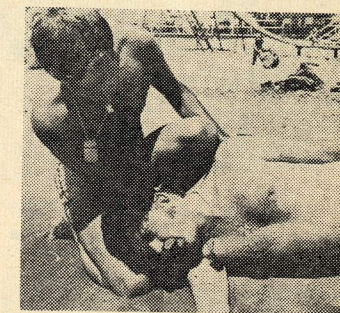


Demonstrating the Kiss of life method on this page is Sigmund Matti and Jan Quick from the Oasis, the Swedish Camp-hospital at Carl Gustav Camp in Famagusta.

● Next lay his head back. Put one hand under his neck and the other hand on his forehead and tilt the head backwards. This will open the air passages. Keep this position all the time.

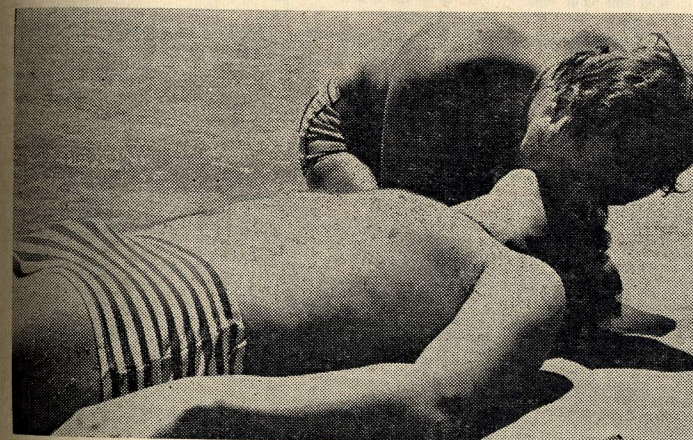


● Turn the victim on his side so that as much water as possible runs out of his body. Check the air passages. Clean out his mouth which may be filled up with sand or slime.



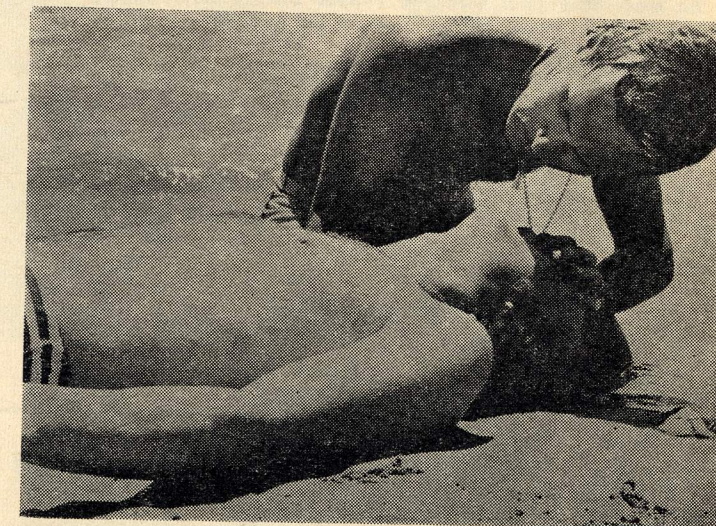
● Continue breathing in air without a break. Keep calm and repeat at a speed of 12 to 16 breaths per minute. Keep the position with hands at neck and forehead. Check his chest all the time. Continue this method until the victim is breathing for himself.

● When you start to breath air into the mouth of the victim, hold his mouth open all the time and cover it with your own mouth. With your cheek cover up his nose to prevent the air escaping. All the time, keep an eye on his chest to see if he starts to breath again.



● When the victim is conscious, take care of him as best you can while you wait for the doctor to arrive. At this stage, talk to him. GIVE HIM NOTHING TO DRINK!

● When the doctor arrives the victim will be taken to hospital to be put under observation. Your job is finished. Through THE KISS OF LIFE METHOD, you perhaps have saved a person from drowning.



Det enda svenska på sidan idag är följande: Ett varmt tack till hela gänget på Oasis som ställde upp för denna demonstration med sakkunskap och entusiasm!

Swedcon News

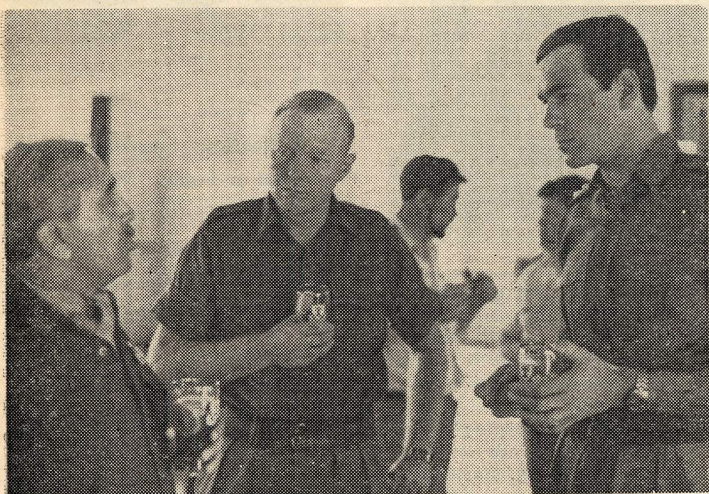
Swedish Forces Photos



FORCE COMMANDER VISITS BRITCON



Captain J.R. Smith, Officer Commanding 644 Signal Troop greets the Force Commander on his recent visit.



The Force Commander Maj Gen Prem Chand, PVSM, relaxes in the Mess at Paphos with the Paphos District Commander, Major Richard MacFarlane and Lieutenant Bill Stewart.



"It's hard trying to keep a car clean", so states Driver Richard Beck whilst cleaning the MPIO car.



Whilst at Polis the Force Commander inspected 2 Troop 4th/7th Royal Dragoon Guards. He is speaking to Cpl Robert Browne with Lcpl Monty Montgomery and Cpl Stewart Worrall in the foreground.

NEWS FROM UNCIVPOL

Recently, the Austrian Ambassador, Dr S. Koller paid a visit to HQ Auscivpol. Leaving the "Embassy of Styria" are, from left to right, Counsellor of Trade, Dr Draszczik, DCO Maj Hofbauer, His Excellency Dr Koller, Inspector Pirker, (the "Styrian Ambassador") and CO Auscivpol, Colonel Fuchs.

Styria is one of the nine federal territories of Austria and a considerable number of efficient "Aborgines" of the beautiful "Green Styria" are serving with Auscivpol.



BRITCON NEWS



UNSER OBSERVERZUG

Der seit 1.12.1973 bestehende Observerzug des Auscon hat sich bewährt, das kann man nun, ein halbes Jahr nach seiner Gründung ohne jeden Zweifel feststellen.

Hptm Schalber und seine Crew, bestehend aus erfahrenen Offizieren und Unteroffizieren, haben die Wichtigkeit ihres Auftrages erkannt und dementsprechend ihre mannigfaltigen Aufgaben im Distrikt bewältigt. Der Observerzug ist heute ein nicht mehr wegzudenkendes Instrument der Ops-Branche und richtunggebend für die Lösung der Operations - Aufgaben.

Von Sonderaufträgen abgesehen

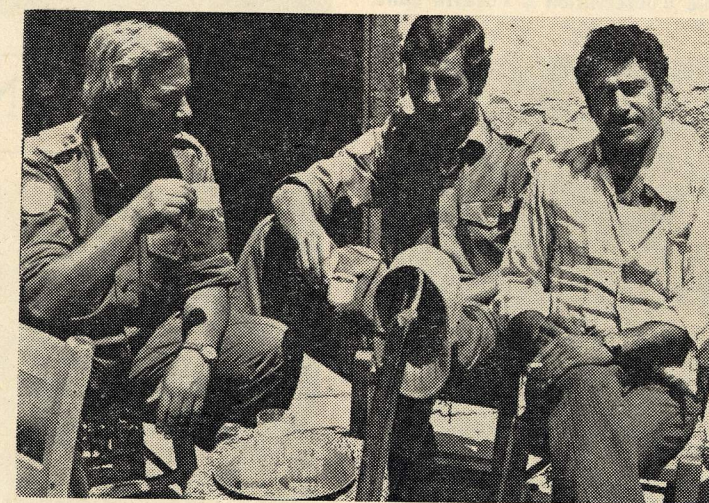
wird nach einem monatlich zu erstellenden Patrouillenplan gefahren, der als Orts - und Routenrichtlinie dient. Es gehört zu den Aufgaben des Observerzuges durch ständiges Patrouillieren den Gesamtüberblick im Distrikt zu bewahren. Durch diese häufige Präsenz in allen Dörfern ist es den Observern möglich, viele Probleme zu sehen, im Gespräch mit den Ortsbewohnern zu hören und, wenn möglich, gleich an Ort und Stelle zu klären. Die Aufnahme in den Dörfern ist meist freundlich und herzlich.

Unsere Observer kommen auch in die entlegensten Bergdörfer, so z.B. lebt in Drapia ein einziger Hirte in dieser verlassenem Gegend zusammen mit seinen Ziegen und Schafen in einem Raum und freut sich natürlich immer, wenn ein kurzer UN-Besuch seine Einsamkeit unterbricht. Gelegentlich kommt es auch zu heiteren Erlebnissen, so passierte es einmal, dass beim Stavrovouni Kloster die vielen dort lebenden Katzen einem Observertrupp die Frühstücksjause aus dem Rover stahlen, während die Wagenbesatzung mit einem Mönch sprach. Schadenfrohe

behaupteten nachher, der Rover wäre knapp neben einer Tafel abgestellt gewesen, worauf in grossen Lettern eine entsprechende "Katzenwarnung" stand.

Ein für einen Pfeifenraucher ausgesprochen unangenehmes "Erlebnis" soll angeblich Oblt Krauland bei einer Fahrt nach Aplanda, einem verlassenem türkisch-zypriotischen Dorf, gehabt haben, der Funkspruch lautete jedenfalls: "Pfeife ausgegangen, keine Streichhölzer, keine Vorkommnisse, ich rücke ein."

AUSCON NEWS



UNFICYP TENNISMEISTERSCHAFTEN

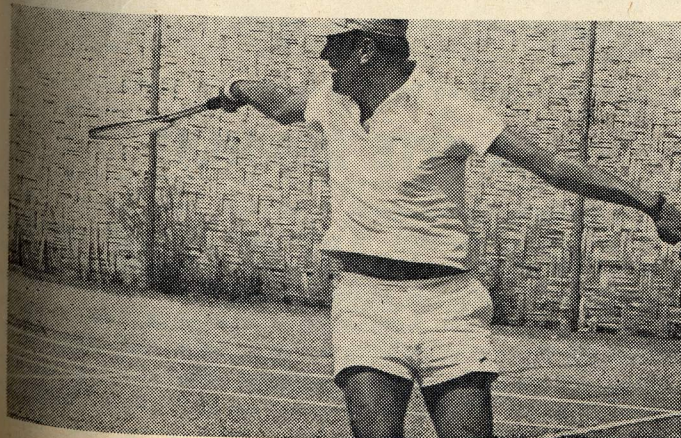
Vom 27. - 31.5.1974 fanden die Tennismeisterschaften der UNFICYP im "Blue Beret" Camp Nicosia statt.

Die Mannschaft des Auscon hatte heuer nicht soviel Erfolg wie letztes Jahr, wo wir bekanntlich Sieger des Bewerbes wurden, doch konnte unser Doppel MjrA Dr. Kurz-Oblt Pacher den zweiten Platz und damit die Silbermedaille erringen.

Im Single waren wir weniger erfolgreich; wir schieden mit allen Startern schon in den Vorrunden aus.

Trotzdem kann man sagen, dass guter Tennis, vor allem in den Finalkämpfen, geboten wurde und die wenigen Zuseher zufrieden sein konnten.

Im Bild: Hptm Goess in Action. Er verlor zwar dieses Spiel, aber das Game war wirklich sehenswert und zeigte die hohe Klasse unseres Ops A auch auf dem Tennis Court.



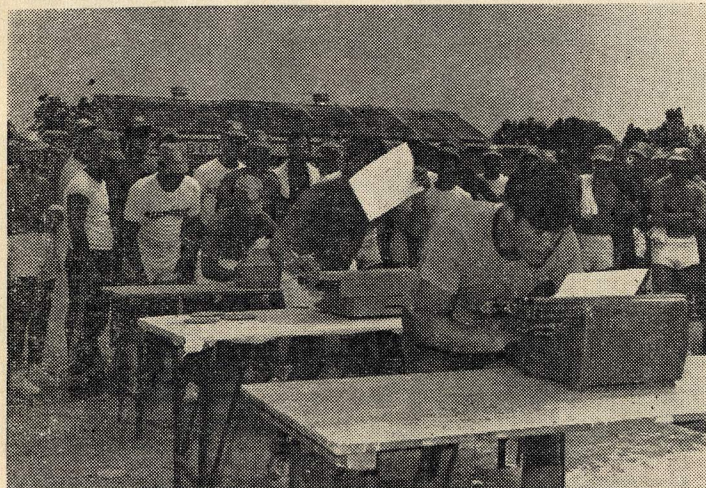
REGIMENTAL BIRTHDAY 74

For the first time in the Airborne Regiment's history, a large portion of its members are out of the country to celebrate the Regimental Birthday. The Regiment, which was formed in 1968 has normally been in the home station of Edmonton, Alberta for the celebration. So on Saturday, 8th June, the members of No 1 Commando Group assembled on the sports field, Wolseley Barracks, to recognize the event. The day started with a series of competitive sports in the "informal Manner" as teams from the three companies vied for honours in activities ranging from "tug-of-war" to "pitch the baseball". After a picnic-type lunch, the celebrations continued with the more serious events such as "changing the tyre" and the Company Commanders/Sergeant Major's "push-me pull-you" race. The final event of the day was a magnificent barbecue of various meats washed down by the "Birthday beer". A good day, that somehow brought the drop zones of Canada just that much nearer.

OC/CSM "push-me/pull you" race or "who carries who?"



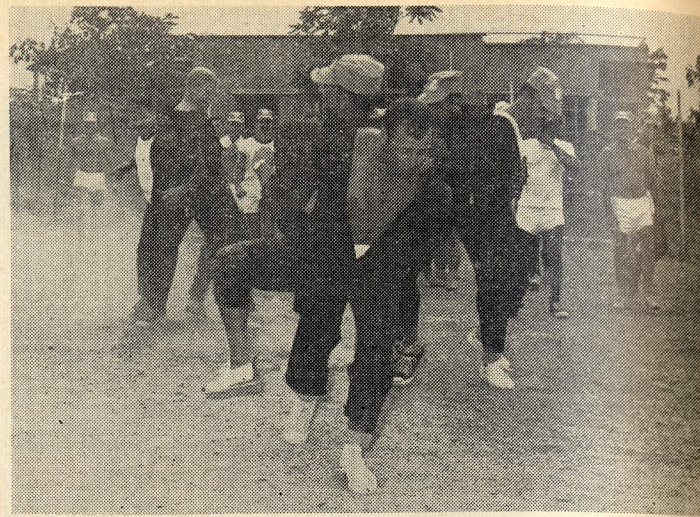
Une des équipes de la compagnie d'observation à l'oeuvre dans un des jeux du Tabloid.



Compétition du dactylo aéroporté.



Lancement du poids pour la série de jeux du Tabloid.



CANCON NEWS



L'équipe du RECCE à la course de poche.

LA FETE REGIMENT

La compagnie d'observation a participé aux activités pour célébrer la fête du régiment. Il y avait une participation maximum de notre part mais même à ça on n'a pu gagner une compétition majeure. Au Tabloid nos équipes aboutirent en quatrième et en cinquième position. Au ballon-volant on se rendit jusqu'en semi-finale mais on dut s'incliner devant l'équipe du Quartier-Général. L'après-midi aux jeux bizarres on gagna les compétitions du "dactylo aéroporté" et du "changement de pneu" qui nous donnaient seulement une deuxième position. Mais de toute façon ce fut une bonne journée, merci pour votre participation et félicitation aux organisateurs.

PUOLUSTUSVOIMAIN LIPPUJUHLAN PARAATI

Kesäkuun 4 päivän
lippujuhla
mitaliparaateineen

Kesäkuun 4:nä pidettiin jälleen kerran perinteellinen mitaliparaati Kykko Campin platalla, jossa 72 suomalaista sotilasta sai YK-mitalinsa.

Kaikessa koruttomuudessaan ja yksinkertaisuudessaan suomalaisenkin mitaliparaati on omalla tavallaan näyttävä. Korpisotaan koulutetut jäyhät soturit tekivät nytkin vaikutuksen katsojiin, sillä illalla kuultiin monia ulkomaisten lausumia tunnustuksen sanoja tästä eleettömästä mutta kuitenkin vaikuttavasta paraatiesityksestä.

Force Commander, kenraalimajuri Prem Chand, kiitti puhessaan suomalaista YK-soturia, sillä hänen ansiostaan Kyrenia District on pysynyt rauhallisena. FC muistutti myös mieliin, että tätä suomalaisten paraatipäivää vietetään myös kaikkialla maailmassa marsalkka Mannerheimin syntymäpäivän muistoksi. Hän korosti myös edeltäjänsä kenraalimajuri Martolan panosta rauhan turvaamisessa Kyprokseksi.



Paraatijoukot ottaa vastaan kenraalimajuri Prem Chand ja everstiluutnantti J Pullinen.



Entinen 1Jkn komentopaikka Neapolis Clinic luovutetaan pois omistajalleen.

FINCON
NEWS

Muista Suomi-radio torstaisin klo 20.00. Osoite: Kypros-konsertti, Oy Yleisradio Ab, Kesäkatu 2, Helsinki 26.



Kolme kuukautta nuhteettomasti palveleet saavat mitalinsa.

MEDAL PARADE AT FINCON

In the beginning of June Fincon celebrated their Flag Day of Defence and on the same day they held their Medal Parade in Kykko Camp.

In the photograph the Force Commander Major General D. Prem Chand PVSM, presents the UN Medal to WO II Timothy Buckley (English Liaison Warrant Officer to Fincon) while the Finnish Contingent Commander Lt. Colonel J. Jorma looks on.



5000 HOURS IN THE AIR

On landing at RAF Nicosia on May 24th the Whirlwind Helicopter XK 986 piloted by Flt. Lt. Mike Lloyd (left in photograph) completed 5000 hours in the air. Passengers on the VIP helicopter flight were Air Marshal Sir John Aiken and Lady Aiken.

The crewman Tom Hepple has just completed 2000 hours flying on Whirlwinds.



Who said the Officers could not pull their weight? Officers of No. 1 Commando Group participating in the Tug-Of-War during the Regimental Birthday celebrations on 8th June.

RULES FOR SPEARFISHING

In this issue we continue to tell you about rules when you enjoy the sea. Today about spearfishing.

Divers are to adhere to the following rules on spearguns: Guns must only be loaded in the water. Guns must be unloaded in the water before the Diver leaves the water. Guns must not be pointed upwards whilst in the water. Guns must never be pointed at anyone at any time.

It is recommended that, wherever possible, spearfishing should take place in organised parties or under the auspices of a special spearfishing club.



A memorial service was held in St. Colombo Church on Wednesday 5th June for Pte Niels Ove Pedersen, who died on Saturday 1st June in Viking Camp, Xeros.

Danish Army Chaplain Mr. Roenn Soerensen officiated the ceremony, which was attended by the Force Commander, Major General D. Prem Chand, PVSM.

TRAFFIC ACCIDENTS UNFICYP

Week ending 12th of June	15
Some period last year	12
Total this year	130
Same period last year	151

LESSON OF THE WEEK

Reversing without due care and attention.

UN CONVOY

From the 15th of June the departure times of convoys on the Kyrenia Road will be as follows:

From Nicosia Racecourse Check-Point: 0900 & 1430 hours.

From Kyrenia Check-Point: 0700 & 1730 hours.

These departure times will be effective until further notice.