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BRITISH NCO KILLED - TWO INJURED IN COLLISION

Another death was added to the list of UNFICYP road casualties on Monday when 36-year old Corporal Tom Hollingsworth, an Army Catering Corps NCO with the British Contingent at HQ UNFICYP died of his injuries shortly after being involved in an accident on the New Famagusta Road.

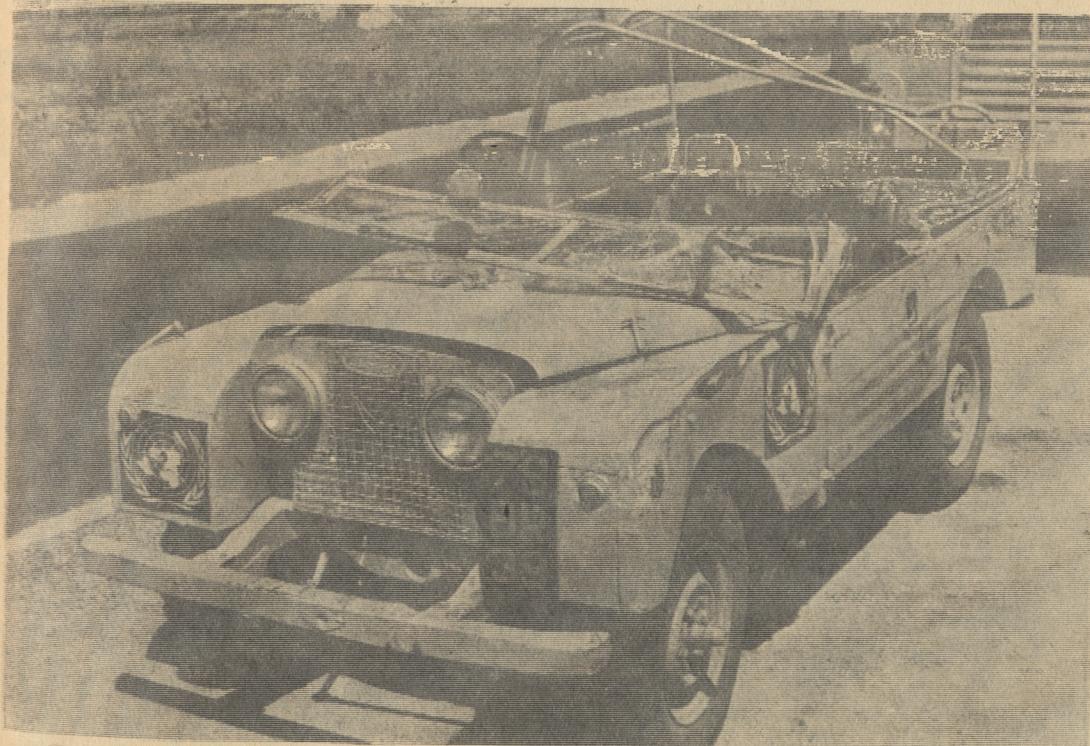
The collision, between a Landrover of the British Contingent containing six soldiers on a day trip to Famagusta in which Cpl Hollingsworth was a passenger and a National Guard vehicle took place near the village of Prastio at about 0930 hrs. Cpl Hollingsworth, of Catterick Camp, Yorks, was admitted to Famagusta Hospital



Cpl. Hollingsworth

tal with head injuries but died at about 1030. He was married and leaves a wife and five children.

Also injured in the accident and taken to Famagusta, but later transferred to the British Military Hospital, Dhekelia, were Private Jake Gibson Army Catering Corps attached to HQ UNFICYP and Sapper Vic Collier, Royal Engineers, MT Platoon, HQ UNFICYP. Pte Gibson was suffering from lacerations to the face and bruised ribs and Spr Collier received injuries to his left arm and ribs. The three other British soldiers travelling in the vehicle were unhurt.



Increasing concern

At UNFICYP Headquarters the growing list of road accident figures is viewed with ever increasing concern. Since the Force has been on the Island, UN vehicles have, on average, been involved in more than an accident per day.

Nicosia Zone, the largest UN Zone or District and with the highest amount of traffic in its area, has records of, 340 accidents on the books of

Above: Both occupants of this British Landrover escaped with minor injuries when they were involved in an accident on the Famagusta Road on Thursday last week, although the vehicle was badly damaged. Below: The vehicle in which Cpl Hollingsworth was a passenger.

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Marsikinpaivan paraatista ja Muustakin

Kesäkuun neljäs päivä on takana. Joukot marssivat uljaasti vaikkei kavattua mitälienjakotilaisuutta tullutkaan. Oikein silmää hiveli nähdä pataljoonan ryhdikkaat rivot ja uljas astunta Lytras kadulla Neapoliksessä. Ohimarssin otti vastaan eversti Boldt ja asiaainhoitaja Malinen.

Esikunnan kentälle järjestetyn kenttähartauden yhteydessä puhui pataljoonan komentaja, eversti Lauri Boldt. Pataljoonalle osoittuissa sanoissaan hän ensin palautti mieliin Suomen Marsalkan vaakunakilven "puhtain asein - puhtaan asian puolesta" tunnuslauseen ja korosti näiden sanojen erinomaista sopivaisuutta vaikeaa rauhanturvaamisesta. Suuresta auttanut tunnettu sotilaallinen traditioimme. Eika kukaan ole missään vaiheessa saattanut asettaa sitä kyseenalaiseksi.

VALITTUNA OLEMINEN VELVOITTA

Kuitenkin tilanteen ainakin ulkonaisesti rauhoituttua meiltä on ruvettu vaatimaan myös muunlaisia ominaisuuksia. Tällä taroitetaan erikoisesti ulkonaisista käytätymistä, pukeutumista puhuttaa yms. seikkoja. Pataljoonamme on nimittäin jatkuvan ulkopuolisen tarkkailun alaisena, jonka perusteella paikallinen väesto ja ulkomaiset tarkkailijat vetävät johtopaatoksia suomalaisesta sotaväesta ja samalla koko kansasta. Olemme aivan kuin mallijoukkosasto, jonka kilpailijoja saarella ovat muista maista lahetetyt 'kaar-



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tin pataljoonat'. - Ja meidän on opittava täytämään myös nama velvollisuuden yhtä tinkimättöman esimerkillisesti kuin ne muut. Siinä suhteessa muodostii päivän merkkihenkilo, sotamarsalkka Mannerheim, loistavan esimerkin meille muille suomalaisille.

Itsenäisyyspäivän ohessa merkitsee kesäkuun neljäs sotaväesa tavaksi tullutta 'ylennyspäivää', jolloin kaikki puolustusvoimissa palvelevat tai reservissa olevat koetelun kansalaiskunnun omaavat miespuoliset kansalaiset silmäilevät lehtiä tavallisesti tarkemmin. Mielyt-

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Finnish Flag - Day Ceremony



On Friday, June 4th, YKSP 3 celebrated the Finnish Defence Force's Flag Day with a Field ceremony and parade in Neapolis, Nicosia, near the Finnish Headquarters. The picture shows some of the officers of HQ YKSP 3 during the ceremony.

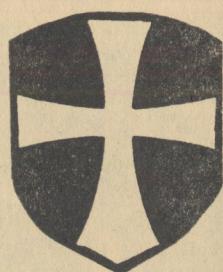
REJSEFEBER I BEIRUT-LIBANON

DANCON III har nu saa smaat tilpasset sig forholdene på Cypern og er faldet ind i fastere rammer, og rutine har afloest den første tids spaending. Derfor kan vi begynde at tænke paa det, som tjenesten ved FN ogsaa giver os, nemlig rejser til spaendende lande som Libanon, Jordan og Israel og maae Egypten.

Velfaerdstjenesten har udgivet nogle meddelelser med mere eksakte oplysninger om rejser, saa det er ikke min opgave at gaa velfaerdsofficeren i bedene, men at give nogle praktiske forholdsregler og gode tips om ophold i de forskellige lande, og jeg vil idag fortælle lidt om rejser til Libanon.

Vi bliver indkvarteret paa et helt nyt hotel "Dolphin", der ligger i udkanten af Beirut med utsigt til det blaa Middelhav. Herfra starter ture som kan bestilles og betales allerede paa Cypern eller paa hotellet. Et man interesseret i oldtidsminder, er der rige muligheder for at pleje denne interesse i Byblos og Baalbeck. Vil man vælge, boer man i hvert fald se Baalbeck, der rummer et meget velbevaret antal romerske templer. Jovrigt kan man paa hotellet bestille en heldagtstur til Baalbeck og Damaskus, og det skal her bemærkes, at vi hos det rejsebureau UNFICYP og DANORIGAZA benytter, faar 30% rabat.

Turen til cedertraerne (Libanons nationalsymbol) er en meget smuktur, hvor man ser Libanons righolde natur og faar en pragtfuld koeretur i bjergene. Cederskovene ligger i ca. 3 km høje næsten paa toppen af Libanons sneklaede



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bjerge i et skiparadis, der taaler sammenligning med Europas bedste.

Før man vover sig ud i Beirut, boer man tage med paa en bustur, der former sig som en loeselig gennemgang af Beirut, hvorved vi senere kan orientere os i byen og faa et mere fuldgyligt indtryk. Beirut er Mellemøstens sydende, boblende, foretagsomme hjerte, den ting, man ikke kan koebe i Beirut, er ikke vaerd at eje, og inden nogen gaar paa indkoeb der, boer han raadfoere sig med Emilio, som sikkert alle har hoert om. Emilio har en bar taet ved Place des Cannons, byens centrale plads og der samles FN-soldater fra Gaza og Cypern. Emilio, der er graeker, kan man spørge om raad i ethvert henseende, og goer det, foer de gaar paa indkoeb, det betaler sig. Koeb kun guld i den forretning Emilio anviser og hoer godt efter de raad, han giver.

Christer Wänstedt från Adak i Västerbotten skyldrar framför den svenska flaggan, som halats på halv stång med anledning av HKH Prins Wilhelms bortgång.

Ved hotel Saint George ligger "Indian Shop", der til fornustige priser saelger pragtfulde brokader, mosaikarbejder, specielle indiske arbejder og Gurkaknive.

I Damaskus i Sýrien faaes den skønneste brokade, der kan opdrives, en virkelig god kvalitet koster 4 £ pr. meter (90 cm bredt). Mosaikarbejder er meget billige.

Af byens natteliv maa man ikke snyde sig selv for den oplevelse, det er at besøge "Casino de Leban", et meget eksklusivt spillecasino og nat-club med et storslaet floorshow; det er dyrt, men kan blive en virkelig oplevelse, og jeg behøver vel ikke fortælle, at det på visse

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Var flagga en symbol for ett liv i oberoende

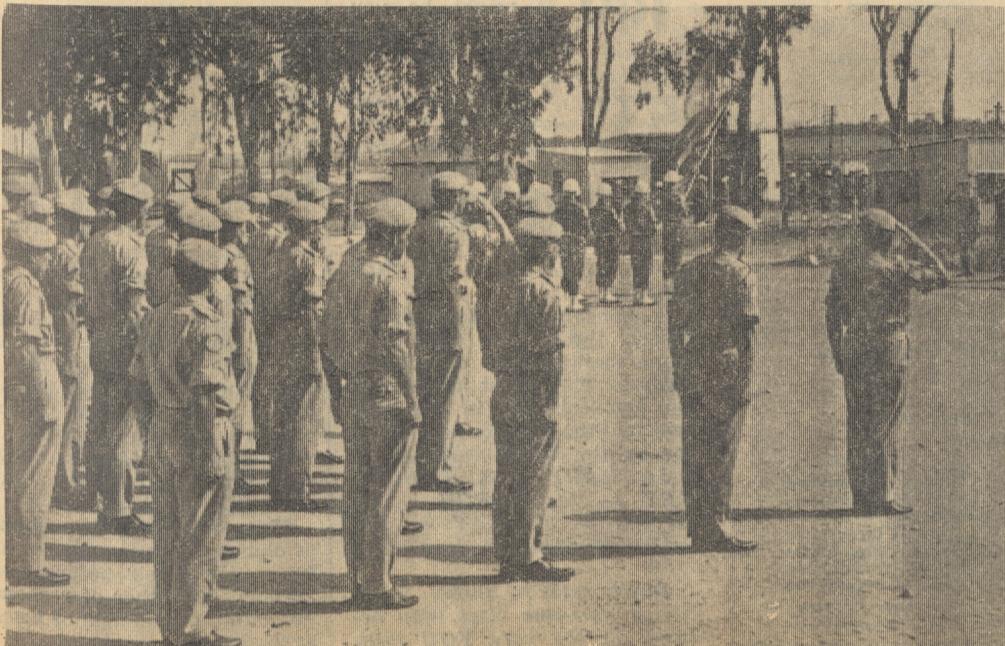
Firandet av den svenska Flaggans Dag fick tyvärr inledas med en tyst minut, då den svenska FN-bataljonen på lördagskvällen näts av budet om HKH Prins Wilhelms bortgång. Omedelbart efter flaggceremoni i de olika camperna halades flaggan på halv stång.

Bataljonschefen, överste Sten Geijer, och ställföreträdaren, överstelöjtnant Harald Norgren, erinrade i sina högtidstal till soldaterna om att vi kunde fira flaggan som en symbol för ett nära 500-årigt liv i oberoende och ett över 150 år långt liv i fred.

Det fanns anledning att denna dag sända en tacksamhetens tanke till våra förfader, vars insatser gjort det möjligt för oss att leve detta liv i oberoende och gjort oss särskilt väl ägnade att verka i en fredsbevarande styrka på främmande mark och vars insatser också gett oss en levnadsstandard, som kan räknas till de högsta i världen.

Vid andra kompaniet, som hade ordnat en pinjelund, minnande om en svensk talldunge, som "samlings-sal" deltog delar av besättningen på den svenska båten "Tyrusland", som vid tillfället lastade i Famagusta hamn, i högtidligheten och det körum, som hölls i anslutning till firandet av den svenska flaggan.

På kvällen hade den svenska bataljonen inbjudit c:a 200 gäster till



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områder adskiller sig fra "Miami" og "Moulin Rouge".

Taxakoersel er ikke dyrt, men benyt ogsaa Service-taxi, der koerer konstant ad bestemte ruter. En Service-taxi er en slags rutebil, tager saa mange passagerer, der kan vaere, og fast pris er 25 piasters (1 libanesisk £ — 2,33 kr — 100 piasters).

Husk at arabisk handelsfacon i høj grad adskiller sig fra hjemlige forhold, vaer kritisk i varevalg, koebslaar om prisen og bliv ikke bjergtaget af handelsmanden forsikringer om "special prize for my UN-friend", brug oejne, oerer og fornuft saa kan det ikke gaa helt galt.

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Den svenska bataljonschefen, överste Sten Geijer högtidstalar till de svenska FN-soldaterna i Famagusta HQ pa Svenska Flaggans dag.



IRISH CONTINGENT NEWS



Pictured above are Sgt. Christy Grogan, 4 Inf Gp and Major John Barrett, Cancon. Sgt. Grogan was Irish Army Individual Rifle Champion in 1955, 1963 and 1964. Major Barrett won the Canadian Forces Rifle Championship in 1959 and has represented his country at the Bisley National Rifle Association Matches.

To what do they attribute their success? Both of them drink and smoke and Major Barrett's ancestors came from Co. Cork.

4 INF GP

THE postponement of the Inter Contingent Relay Race in Dhekelia was a bitter disappointment. It completely upset our training schedule as our entrants were racing to go just at that time.

Our Padre has declared open war on all questionable literature in this area. As soon as search warrants are made out Sgt. Nothing To It' Keeley will swing into action.

The Western Platoon supper was held last week and its success was due in no small way to the efforts of Lt. Hayes, Sgt. Joyce and Pte. Redmond. The Jolly Tinker was voted top of the pops for the night, followed closely by The West's Awake.

Slaving over a hot stove has forced Cook Cpl Jimmy Quinn to sport shorts. The Coy Comdr was under the impression that a local schoolboy had been added to the kitchen staff.

The Signals team led by Cpl Texan Twamley had a great volleyball win when they defeated Gp HQ. It is felt that the HQ team had too many Kerrymen aboard. Watch out for 'A' Platoon who are inspired by CQ (Dr. No) Lawless.

We welcome back Cpl Larry Fagan from his week's course in Dhekelia. He states that the standard in this LMG Competitions will fall due to the unavoidable absence of the Fenian Gunner.



42 INF BN

OFFICERS Mess A Coy suffered a three pronged attack last week. Representatives from HQ & B Cos and HQ Nicosia converged on the Limnitis area at eventide. To the accompaniment of Lt. Noel Kelly the party soon broke into quick time. The singer of 'The Forty Shades Of Green' is to be awarded a golden disc. He has now sung it one million times since coming here. Comdt. Madden was, as usual, the host and mediator par excellence.

A member of this Unit stated on June 2nd that he was four months on the Island. One day in March, April, May and two days in June. As Comdt. Liddy would say he is technically correct.

The Quartermaster has received a requisition for a snorkel with built-in radar.

We welcome back to the active list Cpl Geraghty and are delighted with his speedy recovery.

A darts match has been arranged with the Australian Police. We intend to catch them while they are still feeling their way as it is felt that once his group of doublefopers get acclimated that they will up to Irish "snug" standards.

Private John France (left) and Corporal Thomas Connolly, both of 'C' Coy, 42 Inf Bn on OP duty at Xeros. Corporal Connolly is a former Irish international amateur boxer.

Canadian Contingent News :-

SINCE this is our first article for "The Blue Beret" it was felt that a brief history of the Regiment would do well to familiarize readers with the Squadron here in Cyprus. This article will include our history up to World War II and will be concluded in the next edition.

The Regiment originated on 21 Dec 1883 when the "Cavalry School Corps" was formed. A Cavalry School of Military Instruction was established within the Corps and on 15 Jul 1887 the Cavalry

RCD News from Fort Phillips

School of Military Instruction was designated "Royal". The "Cavalry School Corps" was redesignated "Canadian Dragoons" on 14 May 1892. On 27 Jun 1892 the "Canadian Mounted Rifle Corps" was amalgamated with the "Canadian Dragoons" and designated "B" Troop, "Canadian Dragoons" which was redesignated "The Royal Canadian Dragoons" 24 May 1893 "1st Armoured Car Regiment (Royal Canadian Dragoons)" 11 Feb. 1941, 1st Armoured Regiment (Royal Canadian Dragoons), 16 Oct. 1946; "Royal Canadian Dragoons" 19 May 1958; "The Royal Canadian Dragoons" 12 Jan. 1952.

Early History — During the campaign North-West Canada, 1885, the Cavalry School Corps patrolled the lines of communication of General Middleton's Column. A detachment of the Regiment served in the Yukon Field Force in 1898. During the South African War, 1899-1902, it raised the 1st Battalion, Canadian Mounted Rifles, which was redesignated in South Africa, 22 Aug. 1900, "The Royal Canadian Dragoons". Three members of the Regiment won the VC: Lt. H.Z.C. Cockburn, Lt H.E.W. Turner, and Sgt E.J.G. Holland, all on 7 Nov 1900 at Lillefontein.

First World War — 1914 — 1919. The Regiment was mobilized in Sep. 1914 and was despatched to England in October, and to France in May 1915. The Regiment served as infantry with the 1st Canadian Division during 1915, and subsequently as cavalry during 1916 — 18 in the Canadian Cavalry Brigade of the (British) Cavalry Corps.

Meanwhile back at Fort

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Italy and Nigeria contribute to costs of UNFICYP

ITALY has informed the United Nations that it will make a contribution to help in the costs of the United Nations peace-keeping operations in Cyprus, while Nigeria also has informed the United Nations that it will increase its contribution to the same costs.

The Representative of Italy to the United Nations, Mr Piero Vinci, in a note verbale to the Secretary-General, U Thant, dated 28 May, said that his Government will contribute the sum of Lira 183,000,000 (approximately \$292,800) to the costs of the United Nations Peace-Keeping Force in Cyprus, for the period of 27 June 1964 to 26 March 1965. At the same time, Mr. Vinci added that his Government also has decided to contribute the sum of Lira 85,000,000 (approximately \$135,000) to the cost of UNFICYP for the three-months' period of operations through 26 June 1965.

Furthermore, the Italian Government has also informed the Secretary-General that it will take upon itself the cost of the rotation of the Swedish contingent of UNFICYP, undertaken by the Italian Air Force in October 1964.

Meanwhile, the Permanent Representative of Nigeria of the United Nations, Chief, S.O. Adebo, sent a note-verbale dated 28 May to the Secretary-General informing him that the Government of the Federal Republic of Nigeria had agreed to increase the amount of its contribution to the United Nations operation in Cyprus from \$2,800 to \$5,000.

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täväksi yllätykseksi siinä suhteessa muodostui tämänkertainen Marskinpäävii mm. seuraaville ansioituneille pataljoonaan kuuluville: H. Hämäläinen, Arto Salonen, Johan Lager, Veikko Kaukonen ja Pekka Aalto. Tähtiseesta pääsi osalliseksi myös esikuntaryhmästä majuri Eero Lehtovirta, jolle tasavalan presidentti on myontanut Suomen Leijonan Ritarikunnan 1 lksn itärimerkin. Onnittelemme uuta ritaria ja muita runnostaatuneita.

VIERAITA KAUKAA JA LAHETTA

Viikon aikana on pataljoonassa vierailut jäähyvaihtoistillä käyneen asiainhoitaja Pekka Malisen lisäksi myös Suomen Kypriksen suurlähettiläs Oskari Vaheruori, joka jo suhteenkin lyhyen ajan sisällä on ilahduttanut pataljoonan kahdesti. Lisäksi meillä on käynyt saarella viraleiva, paasihierte U Thantin New Yorkin sotilasesikunnan jäsen, suomalainen majuri Lauri A. Koho, joka viikon ajan on tutustunut Kypriksen turvajoukojen toimintaan eri puolilla saarta. Mainittakoon, että majuri Koho nimitti nykyiseen virkaansa viime helmikuussa, jota ennen han oli toiminut Suomen YK-edustuston sotilaallisen neuvoontajana ja sotilasasiamicen apalaisena Washington D. Cissa ja Lontoossa. Aika paljon maailmaa nahnyt mies hänkin.

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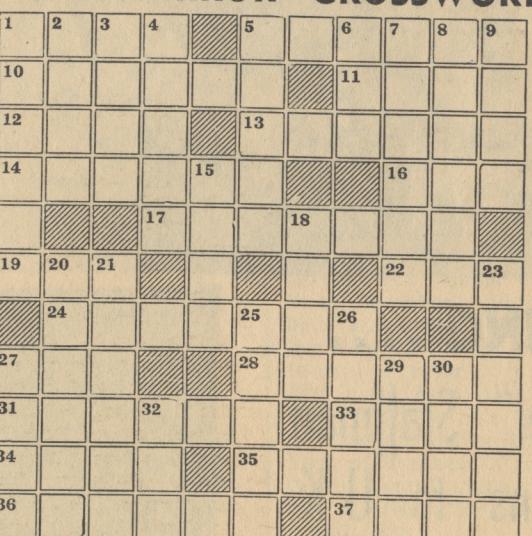
Regimental History of RCDs

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Phillips in Nicosia we've been well occupied especially in the swimming department. Our swimming prowess was demonstrated when we had eight first place showings at Nicosia Zone swim meet not long ago. Inter Troop Volleyball competitions have been quite keen lately and is quite a topic in the canteen every night.



"DAILY MIRROR" CROSSWORD.



ACROSS: 1. Man (4). 5. Native (6). 10. Sausages (6). 11. Crimean battle (4). 12. Sugar-coated (4). 13. Glamour photos (3-3). 14. Leave (6). 16. Shoe part? (3). 17. Biceps, etc. (7). 19. Harden (3). 22. River (3). 24. Titled lady (7). 27. Not hers! (3). 28. Nuclear (6). 31. Writings (6). 33. Game (4). 34. Betrayed for gain (4). 35. Rubber (6). 36. Bears tales (6). 37. Lie (4). **DOWN:** 1. Stage remarks (6). 2. Fish (4). 3. Guinness? (4). Form of address (5). 5. H.G. Wells character (5). 6. Cooler! (3). 7. Grooved (6). 8. Lay on (6). 9. Flatten (4). 15. Greatly (4). 18. Throw (4). 20. Inventor (6). 21. Scrap (6). 23. Accompany (6). 25. Relaxes (5). 26. Of the sun (5). 27. Dame Myra? (4). 29. Goddess (4). 30. Certain days (4). 32. Feminine name (3).

SOLUTION TO LAST WEEK'S CROSSWORD: **ACROSS:** 1. Brass. 5. Stunt. 10. Bar. 11. Loser. 13. Opine. 15. Breve. 16. Kid. 17. State. 18. Veneer. 20. Car. 21. Velvet. 24. Spit. 27. Eel. 28. Chile. 29. State. 31. Ripe. 32. Tor. 33. Rhine. 34. Sonny. 35. Berne. **DOWN:** 1. Bulbs. 2. Asset. 3. Steve. 4. Sure. 5. Stoker. 6. Abide. 7. Fan. 8. Freer. 12. Orate. 14. Pin. 18. Vat. 19. Exile. 20. Celery. 21. Vests. 22. Learn. 23. Vet. 24. Shine. 25. Piper. 26. Tense. 28. Crib.



COMING....

Above: Lord Louis Mountbatten (right) representing the British Government, who was on a visit to Cyprus last week is shown on his arrival at the airport. He is pictured with the Force Commander. **Below:** Maj Lauri A. Koho, Assistant Military Adviser to the UN Secretary General is greeted by the Force Chief Admin Officer Mr. Albert de Lauro. Col Wildman, LOG 1, HQ UNFICYP looks on.



GOING....

"Beret" Staffman returns to UK

Homeward bound this week after a six month tour with UNFICYP is 'Blue Beret' editorial assistant Sergeant George Lilley, pictured here at his desk in Wolesley Barracks, Nicosia.

George, who is married with two sons and lives at Bushey, Herts, returns to England to take up an appointment at the Ministry of Defence in London.

He leaves behind him in Cyprus many friends in every Contingent serving with the Force, and on their behalf as well as our own the 'Beret' says 'Thanks, George, and good luck'.



UN Solvency:

Voluntary scheme of contributions to peace-keeping sought by Mexico

MEXICO proposed last week that all Member States of the United Nations, particularly the industrialized countries act to restore U.N. solvency by making voluntary contributions to cover the costs of the peace-keeping operations in the Congo and the Middle East.

Such contributions would be made without prejudice to the legal and political stands taken by Member States on the operations and their financing.

The Mexican proposal is contained in a draft resolution submitted by Ambassador Francisco Cuevas Cancino to the 33-member Committee set up by the U.N. General Assembly to examine and make recommendations on all aspects of United Nations peace-keeping operations, including their financing.

The resolution specified that all contributions to the Congo and the Middle East operations, past as well as future, should be considered voluntary. This, said Dr. Cuevas, would eliminate the whole question of the application of the U.N. Charter provision which states that Members more than two years in arrears in payments to the U.N. shall have no vote in the Assembly.

It was disagreement on the issue of peace-keeping operations and their financing that led the Assembly to adjourn the 19th Session in February without conducting its normal business or taking a formal vote on any matter of substance.

The United States in particular has insisted that the Assembly has the right to apportion all U.N. expenses, including those incurred for such peace-keeping operations as the Congo and Middle East. A similar view was taken by the International Court of Justice in an advisory opinion rendered in 1962 and subsequently endorsed by the Assembly.

The Soviet Union and France argued that only the Security Council has the authority under the Charter to initiate peace-keeping operations and make their support obligatory on Member States.

Disputing the Assembly's right to impose charges for the Congo and the Middle East operations, the Soviet Union has refused to contribute to either one, while France has not paid her Congo assessments and contributed to the Middle East costs only on what she described as a voluntary basis. As a result, both France and the USSR were listed as more than two years in arrears by the end of last year.

In a report issued last week, the President of the General Assembly, Mr. Alex Quaison-Sackey, and Secretary-General, U Thant, urged the Committee on Peace-Keeping to give special attention to the need for ensuring the normal functioning of the Assembly and resolving the U.N.'s financial difficulties.

The report said there seemed to be substantial support for the view that solvency should be restored by voluntary contributions by the entire U.N. membership without prejudice to any of their basic positions.

As for the comprehensive review that the Committee has been asked to undertake of the whole question of peace-keeping operations, the report said this could not be completed by the June 15 deadline set by the Assembly for the report from the Committee. This review, it said, must necessarily begin with a clear definition of the term of peace-keeping operations, at present interpreted in several different ways which cannot be reconciled to the satisfaction of everyone without further study.