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## MESSAGE FROM GENERAL THIMAYYA

The Commander of the United Nations Force in Cyprus, General K.S. Thimayya, to-day sends the following message to all members of the Force.

"I am very proud to have been appointed as Commander of UNFICYP. I have been with you just a week and I am beginning to understand the very ticklish problem that you are faced with here. I am beginning to understand also the difficulties, the stresses and strains under which all of you are operating; particularly the men who have to deal with the day-to-day functions of this Force.

"I have been much impressed by the appearance of the troops, their standard of behaviour and their turn out and in spite of the psychological difficulties under which you are operating I find the morale very high indeed. I convey my greetings to you all and look forward to my further association with you in the next few months in bringing our work to a successful conclusion.

"I hope you all enjoy reading the "Blue Beret" and it keeps you in touch with the happenings within this Force and remember that it is by your own contributions that the "Blue Beret" can fulfil its obligations to you".



General Thimayya

### SEARCH RENEWED FOR MACEY AND PLATT

Acting on information received a thorough search is being made for the bodies of Major Edward Macey and Driver Leonard Platt and their Land Rover near the village of Gastria, north of Famagusta. The information received supports previous information supplied and gives indications about the whereabouts of the two and their vehicle and also how they disappeared.

Major Macey and Driver Platt were last seen at the

village of Galatia in the Panhandle area of north east Cyprus on Sunday, 7 June 1964. Last month the British Government offered a reward of £2,000 for information leading to their discovery and it is believed the recent information has been supplied as a result of this.

Taking part in the search are Australians of the UNFICYP Civilian Police, one platoon of the Irish Contingent and two helicopters.

## CALL FOR HALT IN ARMS BUILD-UP

Secretary-General U Thant sends note to Cyprus, Greece and Turkey.

*The following text was transmitted simultaneously on 16th July to the President and Vice-President of Cyprus and the Prime Ministers of Greece and Turkey through permanent representatives to the United Nations.*

"The reported build-up of military personnel and equipment on both sides in Cyprus has received much attention in recent days and is giving rise to growing concern. You will recall that I drew attention to this problem in my report to the Security Council on 15 June 1964. Since that time I have received from various sources information about a continuing build-up on on both sides, as well as repeated expressions of anxiety on this score from a number of governments, including several of those which are providing contingents for the United Nations Force in Cyprus. In view of this fact and of the almost daily reports showing that the build-up is continuing, I feel impelled to make an urgent and most earnest appeal to the governments primarily concerned to do all within their power to halt this perilous trend and to reverse it before it leads to a major clash in Cyprus with all the dangers that such a clash entails. I am fully aware of the suspicions and anxieties which have led to this development on both sides. My sole intention is to find a means of stabilizing the situation before it leads to disastrous consequences.

ly to worsen the situation in the sovereign Republic of Cyprus or to endanger international peace. In my view any action by any party tending to increase the tension and the danger of armed clashes in Cyprus at this time falls squarely within the terms of the resolution of the Security Council of 4 March 1964, and I appeal to all the governments concerned to adhere with the utmost care to their obligations under that resolution. It is hardly necessary for me to elaborate on either the dangers of the arms build-up in Cyprus or on the effect it must inevitably have upon the efforts of the United Nations peace-keeping force and of the Mediator, which, it seems to me, afford the most realistic and timely hope of a peaceful solution

"The military build-up in Cyprus must, therefore, be halted immediately and a trend which is clearly increasing the tension and danger in the island must be reversed."

"The resolution establishing the United Nations peace-keeping force in Cyprus calls upon all member states, in conformity with their obligations under the charter of the United Nations, to refrain from any action or threat of action like-

"I, therefore, deem it my duty to appeal strongly to your government to ensure full observance of both the letter and the spirit of the Security Council resolution of 4 March 1964."





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## CYPRUSCOPE

### CYPRUS TEA-PARTY

The following report appeared in HARAVGHI, a local newspaper on 11 July:—

"On the morning of 10 July, British soldiers of the UNFICYP travelling in a vehicle threw tea at the passengers of a bus on the Platres-Limasol road. The British vehicle then accelerated and disappeared".

Concerned over the wastage of soldiers' beverage we set our panel of experts to investigate the case and make a report with recommendations

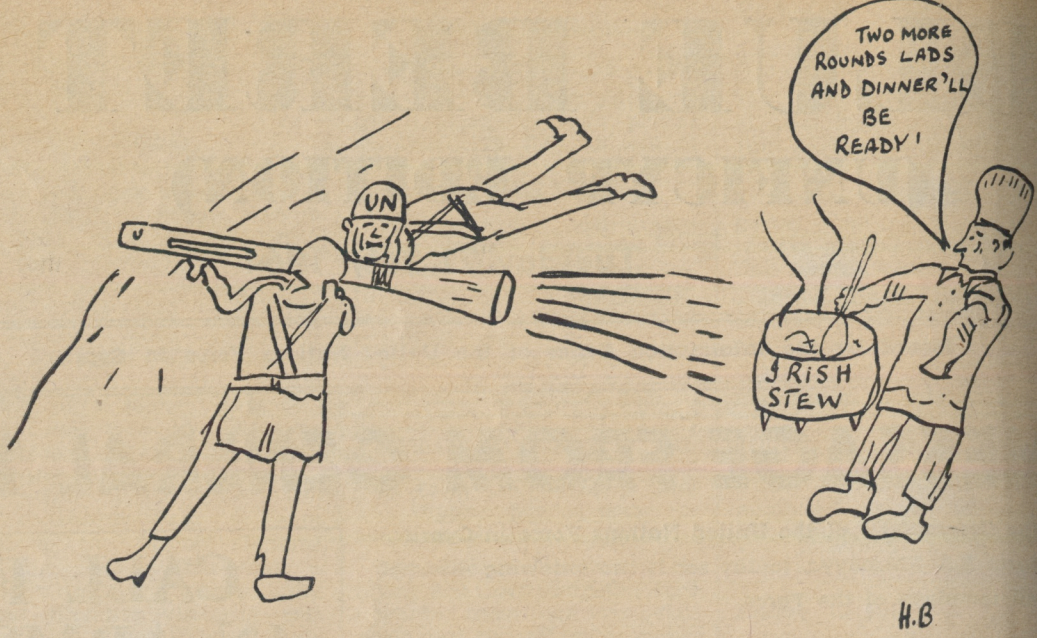
The report advised all villagers likely to be visited by patrols to acquire large china mugs or plastic aprons with which they could catch the beverage at the moment of descent.

It was discovered that the reason for the use of tea and not coffee was that the latter was found to be too expensive on the island

When asked if the tea was sweetened a military spokesman is alleged to have replied, "There was no sugar in the tea owing to the situation in Cuba!"

A private report received by the "Blue Beret" says that the original version of the story mentioned "tea with milk", but we would rather not comment on this.

## RANGE PRACTICE



### 84 mm Recoilless Rifle – a "dual purpose" weapon.

#### NEWS IN SWEDISH



I samband med rotationen mellan bataljon XXIV och XXVI har distributionen blivit förseiad. Vi ber om överseende härför och hoppas att tidningen skall nå också den nya svenska bataljonen lika regelbundet, som den gjorde tidigare.

För övrigt, så vill vi tala om att den nya läsekretsen i bataljon XXVI är välkomna med sympunkter på tidningen i brev på engelska eller svenska till kapten Lees, som är den engelske redaktören för tidningen eller major Poignant, som är den svenske pressofficeren vid UNFICYP HQ i Nicosia.

Från och med detta nummer kan The Blue Beret glädja sina läsare med utökat sidantal. I fortsättningen kommer alltså tidningen ut med åtta sidor mot tidigare fyra. Papperskvaliteten har också förbättrats på sistone, så att sakta men säkert förbättras UNFICYP:s egen tidning.

Apropå egen tidning, så börjar TBB bli verkligt internationell vid det här laget. I detta nummer har vi text på inte mindre än nio olika språk, så att varje man i hela fredsstyrkan ska kunna finna åtminstone några rader på sitt modersmål för att slippa stava sig fram på något främmande språk. Följande språk är representerade: Danska, engelska, finska, franska, grekiska, irländska, svenska, turkiska och tyska.

För att tala litet mera om Blue Beret kommer i fortsättningen tidningen att presentera UNFICYP-länderna, ett efter ett med text och bilder. Eftersom redaktionen har tänkt sig att presentationen ska ske i bokstavsordning, så dröjer det ännu några veckor innan det blir Sveriges tur.

#### LETTER FROM SWEDEN

##### Taken from the "Sand Dune"

(Capt. Braunerhielm — popularly known as Capt. Karl — had promised before retreating home that he would write us about his attempts to get adjusted to the life back home after twelve months of Gaza. He was in the Operations Section of the HQ for one year and has now returned to Djursholm, his hometown in Sweden).

"I promised to tell you, how it is to settle down and readjust to a normal life. I think one month is exactly the right time to do so or rather the time after which you start remembering promises you once gave.

"As a matter of fact the way of life here does not dif-

fer much from life in Gaza. For instance, you take your car. Yes, of course, you have to keep to the left — and you get almost immediately involved in an accident. It is all like Gaza.

"There are no problems with the servants. There are no servants. But you can revert to Gaza life, if you follow the principle of the old lady who used to live in a big house with many servants. She had to move to a small flat with just one room and a kitchen. Nevertheless she did not change her life. When she wanted her breakfast in the morning, she rang the bell on her bedside table, and then she went out to the kitchen and served breakfast to herself.

"Also language is the same. In Gaza my English was mostly Swenglish, here my Swedish is Swenglish. When you now and then by chance happen to say some words in English instead of Swedish, it gives you an easy opportunity to tell everybody that you have just arrived from the East.

"Most of the things I sent home as souvenirs have now arrived, among them eleven small pieces of clay. The family is sitting every evening glueing the pieces together.

"Every morning I light a cigar, a big cigar, a good cigar, and I do enjoy it.

"Best wishes to everybody!"

## MORE IRISH TROOPS FOR CYPRUS

It has been announced that a further body of 400 officers and men will fly out from Ireland before the end of the month.

The Irish Contingent strength at present in Cyprus is approximately 660 all ranks so the number of Irish personnel on the island by the end of July will be over a thousand. The strength of the regular Irish Army is approximately 9000 so the nature of the contribution will be appreciated when it is seen that one ninth of the force is serving overseas.

Within the last month an Infantry group of 350 returned to Ireland after completion of its tour in the Congo.

Commencing in 1958 fifty officer-observers were stationed in Lebanon and since then the link of Irish observer officers has remained unbroken in Palestine, Jordan, Syria and Lebanon. The Irish Army has contributed a force Commander, Lt. Gen. Sean McKevan, 2 Chiefs of Staff, one of the Chiefs of Staff being Col. James Quinn at present the Military Assistant to the Commander of UNFICYP, and many staff officers to UN since 1958.

## CAMP FIRE CONCERT

The peace of the Cyprus night was broken by sounds of merriment when the Adjutant General, Major General Sean Collins-Powell was entertained to a Camp Fire concert by the 40th Infantry Battalion at Wolfe Tone Camp, Famagusta.

It was a most enjoyable occasion with flames from the huge crackling camp-fire dancing on happy faces as pipers, singers and instrumentalists rendered marching tunes, ballads, pops and blues.

Variety was provided in full measure. A group under Cpl Patrick Crosbie of Dundalk skiffled skilfully in the shade of the eucalyptus while soulful solo renderings were given by Cpl Peter Lyons of Bagnalstown, Carlow, Cpl Thomas Maloney, Collins Barracks, Cork and Pte Michael "Mousey" O'Donovan of Malloy.

Pte John Brennan of Bally-



#### Cap Badge of the Irish Defence Forces

Since 1960 the contribution by the Irish Army to UN amounts to 9 Infantry Battalions 7 Armoured Car Groups, 3 Infantry Groups and 2 Armoured Car Squadrons.

Twenty-six Irishmen have lost their lives in the cause of peace since Ireland's first contributions to the United Nations. Sixteen were killed in action, seven from accidents and three from natural causes.

fermot sent silvery notes from his trumpet to the starry heavens oer them and minstrels from the Deep South under Sgt Tony Fogarty of Bandon crooned hushabyes soft and low.

The heavy wheel of Company Sgt insignia was rolled away by Company Sgt Harry Bray of Cork when he wheeled himself in from the darkness and had everybody rolling in the summer dress circle (sleeves rolled down) in his role of comedian. It was said that even the mosquitoes occasionally joined in with their little fiddles and danced disguised as fireflies.

The Officers contributed to making it a most harmonious evening when songs were given by Commandant W. O'Callaghan, Commandant P. Sheehan, Captain N. Cantrell and Lieutenant H. O'Connor.

## FOUR GENERALS



From left to right the generals are Major-General Sean Collins-Powell, Adjutant-General of the Irish Defence Forces, General K.S. Thimayya the present Commander of UNFICYP, Major-General R.M.P. Carver, who was Deputy Commander of UNFICYP, and Lieutenant-General P.S. Gyani, the first Commander of UNFICYP.

He called this the ultimate solution for the Cyprus problem and attended a reception given in his honor by the Geneva Association of United Nations Correspondents.

## VISIT OF IRISH ADJUTANT GENERAL

THE Adjutant-General of the Irish Defence Forces, Major General Sean Collins-Powell arrived in Cyprus on Tuesday 7 July to visit the Irish Contingent serving with the United Nations Force in Cyprus.

Whilst on the island he met the President and Vice-President of Cyprus and senior officials of the government.

He carried out a tour of inspection of Irish Troops both in their camps and out on patrols and was able to see them at work and recreation — rather less of the latter in the nature of the situation.

He expressed his pleasure at seeing the men in such good health, commended the troops on their cheerfulness and spirit and conveyed greetings to them from the people in Ireland.

On Saturday 11 July Major-General Collins-Powell flew to Damascus where he met Irish Officers serving with UNTSO as observers. He then went on to Jerusalem to

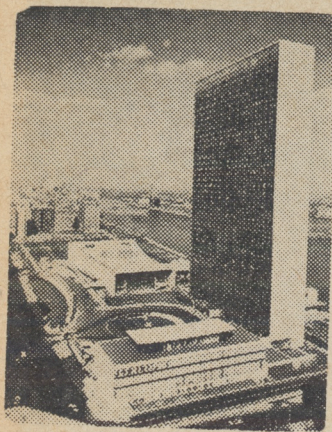
meet Irish Officers serving with the Mixed Armistice Commission for Israel and Jordan. He returned to Nicosia on 13 July.

To appreciate the duties of the Irish soldiers in the Famagusta District, the Adjutant-General, on Saturday 18 July, accompanied a patrol and interpreters under Captain Noel Cantrell to the north of Famagusta. The patrol visited Greek Cypriot, Turkish Cypriot and mixed villages and General Collins-Powell met and spoke with the inhabitants.

The Adjutant-General flew back to Ireland on Monday 20 July carrying with him memories of a beneficial and interesting visit and news for the people of Ireland of the well-being and spirit of the Irish Contingent serving in Cyprus.



# UNITED NATIONS NEWS



## SECRETARY-GENERAL'S VISIT TO CAPITALS

U THANT left New York for his tour of capitals on 14 July. He called first at Geneva, where he attended meetings of the Economic and Social Council, conferred with United Nations Officials concerning Cyprus and the Regional Economic Commissions and attended a reception given in his honour by the Geneva Association of United Nations Correspondents.

Asked for his views on an ultimate solution for the problem of Cyprus the Secretary-General said: "There is still a long way ahead — but I am not pessimistic."

Asked if he expected France and the USSR to pay their arrears of contributions to the United Nations peace-keeping operations U Thant replied "I wish I knew".

He noted the growing importance of Geneva as an international news source. Dean Acheson, United States envoy, called on U Thant on 16 July. He informed the Secretary-General of his talks with representatives of Greece and Turkey with a view to finding a peaceful solution of the Cyprus problem.

## CYPRUS AND ITS MEDIATOR

The United Nations Mediator on Cyprus, Sakari S. Tuomioja, stated on 10 July that he had so far worked on securing the fullest possible understanding and appreciation of the Cyprus problem, and in ascertaining the views of the people most directly concerned with his mandate, he had consulted Greece, Turkey and the United Kingdom. Having familiarized himself with the situation in Cyprus he judged it useful at this stage to concentrate, in meetings in Geneva, on the views of the three governments.

The following additional contributions to the Cyprus peace force were announced last week: Netherlands 115,000 dollars; Switzerland 80,000 dollars; Norway 355,000 Norwegian kroner, and Sweden 120,000 dollars.

Sweden has informed the Secretary-General that a contingent of about 1,000 and police personnel of about 40 will continue to form part of UNFICYP through 26 September.

## CONTRIBUTIONS TO UN ORGANIZATIONS

Canada is to contribute 450,000 dollars to two international labour organization programmes. The institute will receive a contribution of 30,000 dollars a year for the next five years.

Sweden has contributed 40,000 dollars to the United Nations international school, which brings the total of contributions received to 57,300 dollars.

## ADEN

The sub-committee on Aden, appointed by the committee on colonialism, issued a statement in Cairo on 10 July endorsing appeals of several petitioners that international relief organizations aid civilians "who are victims of the military operations."

The group expressed regret that the UK had not allowed it to visit Aden and that the UK had called a constitutional conference on the territory in circumstances and conditions that raised serious doubts as to its validity and whether its conclusions and recommendations conformed with the genuine aspirations of the people of the territory.

The continuation of the state of emergency and military operations in the regions of Radfan and Dathma, said the sub-committee, were a matter of great concern and constituted a threat to peace and security.

# MY BOY LOLLIPOP!



Mascot of 7 Platoon, 'B' Company, 1st. Battalion the Royal Inniskilling Fusiliers, the baby donkey was named "Lollipop" after Millie's record which was playing at the time the villagers of Ayios Theodoros handed him over to 7 Platoon. His ears prick up when his name "Lollipop" is called and he comes running over.

When General Thimayya visited this Company recently on taking over from General Gyani he was greeted not only by the Company commander, but also by a 9 week old donkey named Lollipop.

Lollipop originally came from Ayios Theodoros (Larnaca District), and was adopted by 7 Platoon of this Company when his mother was killed during the outbreak of fighting there. After his 'basic training' which lasted about 4 weeks, he became one of the Company and assumed the rank of Fusilier. In this capacity he has once or twice patrolled in Larnaca, attended parades unofficially, and taken it

upon himself to greet all visitors - whatever their rank!

He has become so used to living with humans that on occasions he has been found sunning himself on a camp bed, parading in the queue at meal times and enjoying a bottle of Keo during a party. He has a taste for Orangeade and Coca Cola and has his own account with the Cha-Wallah. As we will probably be leaving the island by the end of the year, we are now busily trying to arrange a good home for him, possibly in a children's school, and spend a lot of time interviewing would-be owners.

Above is a photograph of Lollipop taken a few weeks ago

# THE MOUFFLON

The Moufflon is a member of the sheep family and is found in Eastern Europe and Western Asia. The moufflon of Cyprus however is distinctive, particularly in the curve of the male horns. This "wild sheep" is a handsome and powerful animal and its body is covered with pale brown hair.

During the summer time the moufflon can be found near the mountain tops whilst during the winter it goes down into the valleys. The mating time of the Moufflon is during the autumn time and lambing during May.

Remains discovered on the island from about 4,000 BC show that the moufflon was at one time abundant. About 25 years ago, however, it became almost extinct but was saved



by a special law which made an area in the Paphos District a game reserve.

To-day there are several hundred moufflon in Cyprus. They can be seen at zoos in Limassol and Larnaca and in the forest reserve at Stavros Tis Psokas.

## Commander Canadian Contingent COLONEL EDWARD ALFRED CHARLES AMY, DSO, OBE, MC



Col. Amy was born in New-castle in the province of New Brunswick, on Mar. 28, 1918 and educated at Kentville, Nova Scotia, and the Royal Military College, Kingston, Ontario, where he graduated in October 1939. He was appointed to the Royal Canadian Armoured Corps and went overseas the following year with the Ontario Regiment.

While serving with The King's Own Calgary Regiment, RCAC, in Italy, he was awarded the military Cross. Later while commanding a squadron of the Canadian Grenadier Guards in Northwest Europe he was awarded the Distinguished Service Order. He subsequently took over command of this unit at the age of 26. He was twice wounded in action.

On his return to Canada after the war, Col. Amy commanded the RCAC School at Camp Borden, Ontario, and held senior staff appointments at Army Headquarters in Ottawa and at Western Command Headquarters in Edmonton Alberta.

From August 1952 to August 1953 he served as General Staff Officer (1st Grade) with the Commonwealth Division in Korea and was awarded the US Bronze Star for meritorious service.

He commanded the Royal Canadian Dragoons at Camp Petawawa, Ontario, from December 1953 to September 1956 when he was appointed to the staff of SHAPE in Paris.

In March 1959 Col. Amy was promoted to his present rank and appointed Assistant Standing Group Representative, NATO, in Paris. He was appointed Director of Armour for the Canadian Army in July 1961, and returned to Canada to serve at Army Headquarters in Ottawa.

He continued to serve in that capacity until 13 March 1964 when he was appointed Commander of the Canadian Contingent UN Cyprus.

Col. Amy is a keen outdoor sportsman, particularly enjoying fishing and hunting. He is also known to enjoy a game of tennis

## LOCAL NEWS IN DANISH.

Hvad kan det betale sig at købe?

De fleste af os er vel lullet ind i den forestilling at Danmark med oms og told og afgifter er et dyrt land. Yderligere havde man ventet, at prisniveauet på Cypern, der jo trods alt regnes blandt de underudviklede, allerede derfor ville ligge en del lavere endderhjemme.

Der har man imidlertid forregnet sig, og alle har vist nu gjort deres overraskende erfaringer på dette område. Mange ting kan man købe både bedre og billigere i Danmark end her. Der er simpelthen forbandet dyrt på Cypern. (Hvad svenskerne jo altså også fandt ud af, og derfor - dog uden held - bad om lønforhøjelse.) Man skal se sig godt for, når man går på indkøb. Tilmed er møntsystemet fremmedartet, - og man lader sig let narre til helt ubevidst at regne 25 mils - 25 øre og 100 mils - 1 kr. - og så får pundet hurtigt ben at gå på.

Alle vil gerne have nogle ting med hjem til minde om Cypernopholdet, - og inde i Ledra Street er der nok af forretninger med farvestrålende tilbud bestemt for blå-jede turister. Smag kan diskuteres i det uendelige, og varerne i disse forretninger skal jo nok også finde både deres købere og deres advokater. Men den, der gerne vil have nogle særprægede ting, der ikke med eller uden diskretion, er stemplet "made in Germany" eller "Great Britain" skal gå helt andre steder.

Man kan nemlig finde dejlige og originale ting hernede.

Helt uden diskussion må man først blandt disse nævne de antikke græske keramikting. Det drejer sig om krukker, vaser, fade, olie-lamper, etc. Ting, der er fra 2000 til 4000 år gamle; hjemme kan den slags ikke købes, men eventuelt beses på nogle af vore museer. Her er priser fra ca. - 1 og opefter, der findes bl. a. en forretning lige ved Ledra Street. Cypern har i 5000 år været alfarvej for erobrere og handelsfolk, og alle større historiske begivenheder i Middelhavsområdet har sat sig sine spor på denne ø. Den, der har øjnene med sig, vil kunne være heldig og gøre spændende fund spørg blot reservelæge Larsen, det kan han tale med om!

Værdifuldt og mange vil synes smukke er en række håndarbejder, som stadig udføres ude i landdistrikterne: Håndvævede stoffer, kniplingsarbejder. Disse varer kan købes rundt om i byen til overkommelige priser.

## SPOTLIGHT ON

### UN

## THE SECURITY COUNCIL

Members states of the General Assembly have conferred upon the Security Council primary responsibility for maintaining peace and security.

The Security Council consists of Eleven members, five of them permanent and six elected by the General Assembly for two-year terms. The five permanent members are China, France, the USSR, the United Kingdom and the United States. The six non-permanent members are Bolivia, Brazil, Czechoslovakia, Ivory Coast, Morocco and Norway. These non-permanent members are not eligible for immediate re-election.

Each member of the Security Council has one vote. A decision on any matter other than a question of procedure is by an affirmative vote of seven members, including the concurring votes of the permanent members. This is the rule of "great power unanimity," popularly known as the "veto" privilege. In practice, an abstention by one of the permanent members is not regarded as a veto. For example at the passing of the resolution of the 4th March, which recommended a UN force for Cyprus, Czechoslovakia, France and the USSR abstained from voting. Had the "veto" been used the resolution would not have been passed.

Enkle i linjerne og med en tradition helt tilbage til oldtiden er de talløse former for lervarer - vandkrukker, amforer o.lign. som ses så mange steder, og som kan fås for en billig penge.

Nogle vil måske foretrække at anskaffe sig rent praktiske ting. I så fald er det ikke ret meget, som man ikke med fordel ville kunne købe derhjemme i stedet. De fleste industrivarer er importeret og belagt med en betydelig told. Det kan dog betale sig at få syet et sæt tøjeller for den sags skyld flere. Prisen for et sæt skræddersyet tøj varierer fra - 11 til - 20 alt efter stoffets og skrædderens kvalitet.

Foruden de hærnævnte ting, skal der sikkert nok være andre, som vi ikke har fået øje på. Vi ønsker god jagt.

## NEWS

### IN FINNISH



## YK:n toiminnasta

Eri maiden pataljoonat ja siviilipoliisit ovat näkyvin osa YK:n Kyprokselle lähettämästä henkilökunnasta. YK:n palveluksessa, on tällä saarella kuitenkin myös melkoinen joukko siviilivirkamiehiä, jotka ovat vähintään yhtä montaa kansallisuutta kuin UNFICYP in palveluksessa olevat sotilaat. YK:n siviilivirkamiehistä mainittakoon tietenkin ensimmäisenä Mr. Sakari Tuomioja ja edelleen equadorilainen Mr. Galo Plaza. Lakiasiantuntijana palvelee täällä ceylonilainen ja siviilipuolen tiedotushenkilökunnan "vanhin" on meksikolainen, jonka apuna toimistossa on Filippiineilta ja Indonesiasta kotoisin olevat herrat. Taisteluisa siviiliomaisuudelle aiheutettujen vahinkojen arvioimista johtaa taas chileiläinen. Jo mainitun ceylonilaisen apuna on taas mm eräs tsekki. Pataljoonamme alueella kuvaamassa olleen YK:n filmausryhmään kuuluneet ovat italialainen, sveitsiläinen ja amerikkalainen. Siviilihenkilökunnan pääpaikkana on Wolseley parakit noin parinsadan metrin päässä Ledrasta.

Siviilihenkilökunnan toiminnan ansiosta on voitu estää saarella olevien appelsiini ja sitruunatarhojen tuhoaminen tai tuhoutuminen. Niinpä Kyproksen turkkilaiset kastelevat kreikkalais-kyproslaisten hedelmätarhoja Lefkassa. Xeroksessa tilanne taas on päinvastoin. Ellei sopimukseen hedelmätarhojen kastelemisesta, jota tapahtuu myös muualla saarella kuin tässä mainituissa paikoissa olisi päästy, olisivat puut päässeet kuihumaan. Uusien puiden kasvattaminen tuottavaan kuntoon olisi vaatinut vähintään viisi vuotta. YK:n toiminnan ansiosta on myös pystytty saarelta viemään ulos lähes entiset määrät tavaraa.



## NECTAR OF THE GODS

### Wine stories of Cyprus

#### "Roses and Champagne"

In ancient times Cyprus was known for the richness and the fertility of its land. One of the first duties that the early inhabitants of the island carried out was the development of agriculture and in particular the cultivation of vines, wheat and olive-trees.

The Greek poet Homer speaks in his poetry about various types of wines, and those of Cyprus he classified as "excellent".

In ancient writings one finds much information about Cypriot vineyards and wine that has led some to believe that it was not on Ararat, but on the slopes of Cyprus Olympus that Noah's Ark grounded after the flood and where Noah planted the first vine!

More recently however - during the Crusade Thibaut IV. Count of Champagne, on his way back to France stayed for a short period in the island to visit his cousin, Queen Alice. During his stay a young noble belonging to the court was sentenced to death because one night he concealed himself in the apartment of his fiancée.

Count Thibaut, a genuine troubadour, intervened to save the lover's life and took him to his castle in distant Champagne. But the youth could not suffer the separation and returned to Cyprus, where he married and then returned with his wife to France.

To show her husband's gratitude to the Court the girl brought him a rose-bush that still gives the famous sweet smelling roses of Provence.

The youth brought him a bunch of cuttings from the best vines of Cyprus Olympus. Those plants were cultivated in areas with a March rainfall and gave France the world famous wine of Champagne.

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## SUOMEN MIES JA KYPROS

He saapuivat Kyprokseen, miehet etäisen Suomenmaan, jäi kauaksi Suomen kesä, monen miehen kodin turvaista pesä. Oli mielessä sodat isäin, teot uljaiden urhojen. Kun mainittiin sota ja Kypros, ne Suomen veikkoja puoleensa veti lähtöön valmis oli mies ja heti Sota ja, seikkailu, miksikä ei, niinpä Suomelle sanottiin hei.

Jo Kyproksen taivaan alle tuli Matti ja Kalle seka myös maskottinalle, Aurinko paistoi ja ruoka se maistoi ja miehet ne ihmetteli: ai, että aurinko aina paistaa tätä kuumaa maailman kaistaa Ja kun rannalle vain kulkee ties, jo on sotilaan otsa hies, ja kohta ruskee kuin kahvipapu jok' äidin on kulta kun aurinko iskee kuumaa tulta.

Yöt kulkee he etelän tummassa yössä, niin, tietysti, vartioyössä, pyssy olalla, kypärä päässä Siniset silmät ja pellava pää, tunnusmerkit ne Suomen pojan vieressä kyproslaisen ojan valppaana vahtii liikettä pyssyn,

ja kohta jo rauhottuu kyproksen kansa, kun tulee ilmi sen joka ansa, sill' Suomen veikko hän mies ei olekaan heikko. Hän tahtoo ett' jokainen sovussa elää, niin että kaikkien laulu yhdessä helää, rauha oltava kaikkialla kaduilla, pelloilla, vuorimailla sitä kenkään ei olla saa vailla, tuo YK-miesten on tunnus, se rauhanturvaajan vahva on punnus.

Helena Miemi

## FOR YOUR LISTENING RADIO BROADCASTS

All times are local

SHORT WAVE

<b>Australian Radio</b>			
31 Metre Band	0830 — 0930	English	
25 Metre Band			
<b>Austrian Radio</b>			
19 Metre Band	0800 — 1100	German	
16 Metre Band	1300 — 1600	French and English	
25 Metre Band	1900 — 2200 (Sat, Sun and Mon only)		
<b>British Broadcasting Corporation</b>			
31 Metre Band	0500 — 2315 (1000-1100 Closed down)	English	
24 Metre Band			
19 Metre Band			
16 Metre Band			
13 Metre Band			
<b>Canadian Broadcasting Corporation</b>			
19 Metre Band	2201 — 2350 (2245-2300 Forces Broadcast.)	French and English	
25 Metre Band			
31 Metre Band			
<b>Voice of Denmark</b>			
19 Metre Band	2145 — 2245	Danish and English	
<b>Finnish Broadcasting Corporation</b>			
19 Metre Band	1200 — 1250	Finnish and Swedish.	
25 Metre Band	1800 — 2030	(Monday and Friday 1800 — 1845 English)	
31 Metre Band			
<b>Swedish Radio</b>			
19 Metre Band	1815 — 1845	Swedish	
25 Metre Band	1845 — 1915	English	

MEDIUM WAVE

<b>Voice of America</b>			
238 Metres	0630 — 0900	News and reports in English	
	0915 — 0930		
	1800 — 1830		
	2300 — 0015		
<b>British Broadcasting Corporation</b>			
211 Metres	0500 — 0830, 1500 — 2315	English	
428, 417 & 470 Metres	0500 — 0545, 0745 — 1000		
<b>British Forces Broadcasting Service.</b>			
208 & 213 Metres	0530 — 2315	English	

## SNIPPETS

### Read in log reports

The lady refused to go into the house with the patrol fearing a baby-trap.

Indigestion?  
He last had a helicopter 4 to 6 weeks ago.

The caller said he would wring the Chief of Staff between 10.00 and 10.30 hrs the following day.

Escort required for 2 coaches of ladies and 1 lorry of vegetables.

## FINNISH SPORTS NEWS.

The series in football and "pesäpallo" a kind of Finnish baseball, of the championships of the Finnish Battalion YKSP 1 have Begun. The results so far are as follows:-

### Football

5 Rifle Coy—2 HQ Coy —1  
3 Rifle Coy—4 4 Rifle Coy—2

### Pesäpallo (Finnish Baseball)

HQ & HQ Coy—8 1 Rifle Coy—4  
3 Rifle Coy—22 2 Rifle Coy—5

## ERRATA

An apology is made for an error in last week's edition of the Blue Beret. The Inniskillings were given the Hurling match, much to the chagrin of 40th Irish Bn. who won a resounding victory

To put the matter right the correct results was as follows:-  
40th Irish Bn.

5 goals 9 points (24 points).  
Inniskillings

3 goals 5 points (14 points).  
NB We look forward to the next Hurling match

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