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» IN APPRECIATION...

EDITORIAL

The concept of military participation in peacekeeping operations is a relatively new one, created by the inception of the United Nations. The requirements of this novel facet of the "profession of arms" have created new sets of demands, new patterns of constraints and new opportunities for experiences. However, there is one thing in common with military campaigns and peacekeeping missions; they both require the family of the service person selected for duty in this new theatre to remain at home, to wait for the return of the spouse and parent.

The Canadian Forces have in recent years opened new trades and classifications for women, thereby allowing their expanded role in peacekeeping operations, as well as in other fields. This has created a new situation for the husbands of servicewomen; never before have they had to accept that their wives would have to deploy to an operational theatre on peacekeeping duties, leaving home and family for six months at a time.

Whether a serviceman or servicewoman proceeds on these duties, whether the household chores, such as mowing the lawn or taking out the garbage, are done by the spouse or by a neighbour is immaterial. There is the fundamental difficulty that those left at home must adjust to the absence and the emptiness caused by the demands of military service. While the reunion is cherished, it also causes many problems of readjustment and time before the serviceperson can resume his or her former place in the family. Both can be difficult and trying times for all concerned.

Not all families are able to survive the hardships imposed by unaccompanied, overseas postings, but most do. It serves as a testimony to the fact that military careers must remain a family concern, with all the difficulties and benefits shared by all members of the family.

It has been suggested albeit facetiously, that the wives and husbands of service members should also be awarded medals for their sacrifices — their duties. I don't believe that they either expect or want anything extra, but I do believe that they deserve some degree of recognition as they too participate in these missions in a very real sense.

On behalf of all of us in uniform, I commend and thank all of you whom we have left behind, for your co-operation, your support and your patience.

IN MEMORIAM

Warrant Officer D. M. Henderson	21 Nov 73	Captain R. B. Wicks	9 Aug 74
Captain G. H. Foster	9 Aug 74	Corporal J. P. C. Blais	24 Dec 74
Corporal M. H. T. Kennington	9 Aug 74	Corporal N. Edwards	24 Dec 74
A/Master Warrant Officer C. B. Korejwo	9 Aug 74	Corporal R. W. Miller	24 Dec 74
Master Warrant Officer G. Landry	9 Aug 74	Private T. E. Abbott	14 Jun 75
Captain G. H. Mirau	9 Aug 74	Sergeant L. W. Daily	10 Nov 77
Corporal M. W. Simpson	9 Aug 74	Sergeant J. F. B. Demers	6 Dec 77
Master Corporal K. G. Spencer	9 Aug 74	Corporal D. C. Ross	3 Mar 78
Corporal B. K. Stringer	9 Aug 74	Private C. A. Dodge	2 Jul 79

FRONT COVER!

Miniature reproduction of an ancient Egyptian monument in an Ismailia park.

BACK COVER!

The monument to the defence of the Suez Canal during the First World War. (One "attaboy" to Sgt Tom Smith for his photo suggestion.)

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FROM THE MINISTER OF NATIONAL OF DEFENCE...

I regret that other commitments have made it impossible for me to visit you again prior to the termination of your UN duty in the Sinai.

However we all look forward to your return to Canada so that your expertise can again be utilized back home in your units.

You are to be commended for successfully carrying out a very diffi-



cult task in a serious situation, under environmental conditions far different from those experienced in Canada. Your responsibility in the supply of all UN contingents, the maintenance of all western-bloc vehicles and equipment, the provision of communications, air transportation, movement control and postal services was an essential and central role.

I know that the Emergency Force could not have been sustained without an efficient support system which you obviously provided.

Canadians are justly proud of your record and that of your predecessors and we all hope that you and the other UN forces have helped to lay the groundwork for a lasting peace in the area.

The Hon. Allan McKinnon
Minister of National Defence

FROM THE CHIEF OF DEFENCE STAFF

Many Canadian servicemen and women have served since 1973 in this troubled part of the world, helping to maintain the peace.

Now, after many years, the basis for peace has been laid down and you will soon rejoin your units at home although some of you may be called to pursue other peacekeeping duties in the future.

The role of logistics support, which you have played in communications, supply, maintenance, air and ground transportation, movement control, Military Police and postal services



to all UN contingents, was vital to the success of the overall operation. Moreover your efforts demonstrated the professionalism for which Canadian military people are respected around the world.

Your performance and sense of dedication have brought credit to Canada and I would like to take this opportunity to thank you and those who served before you for a job well done.

R. H. Falls,
Admiral
Chief of the Defence Staff

FROM THE FORCE COMMANDER UNEF

Please find below the contents of a cable I have received from the Secretary-General of the United Nations:

"As the mandate of the United Nations Emergency Force comes to an end, I wish to extend to you, as the Force Commander, and through you to all members of the Force, my warm appreciation for the outstanding work you have done. UNEF is one of the most successful peacekeeping operations in United Nations' history. Established in October 1973 in the wake of a violent conflict in the Middle East, UNEF has been effective in restoring and maintaining peace and quiet in the Egypt-Israel sector. The officers and men of the Force, its



civilian supporting staff and the military observers of UNTSO assigned to the Egypt-Israel sector, have carried out the important tasks entrusted to them by the Security Council with exemplary efficiency and dedication in often difficult and sometimes dangerous circumstances. The United Nations owes the members of UNEF a debt of deep gratitude for a difficult job well done.

"The President and members of the Security Council have asked me to associate them in this expression for the future.

Kurt Waldheim
Secretary-General"

I would like to take this opportunity to express my own sincere appreciation for the co-operation that I have enjoyed and wish to stress again my joy and pride in serving with you in this important peace-keeping mission. I wish you all the best and hope that experiences gained with UNEF will be of benefit to you whatever your future assignments may be.

Major-General Rais Abin
Force Commander

FROM THE COMMANDER CCUNME

Almost twelve thousand Canadians have served the United Nations in the Middle East during the past six years. The eighteen who died are remembered in this, the final issue of CHIMO.

Elsewhere in this issue, both the Minister and the Chief of the Defence Staff have mentioned the Canadian Contingent's success in providing high quality logistics support to the UN forces. That success has been acknowledged in statements of appreciation from the other UN contingents in the theatre.

Worthy of mention is the contribution of women and of reservists. Whether or not Canadian women should be included in future operations in countries whose mores are so much different from ours is debatable. Beyond debate is the fact that, in their primary jobs, most



women who served with UNEF 2 maintained standards of performance at levels as high as or higher than those established by male colleagues. Canadian women who served with UNEF II can be proud. Some of those women were among the hundreds of reservists who came over, often for second and even third tours. Most reservists learned fast and worked hard, confirming the value of having a large, trained reserve in Canada.

In exchange for the continuing extra heavy workload which this commitment placed on support personnel who remained in Canada, the experience here expanded the minds of thousands of our people. We learned something of how other UN forces operate. Many had direct dealings with the forces of the countries in the theatre.

Many had the opportunity to travel on leave throughout the Middle East and to learn something of cultures vastly different from our own. Without belittling anyone else, I can say that our experience here has reinforced our gratitude that we are Canadians. For me, personally, it has been a privilege to command you during the withdrawal of UNEF. You were superb — as I always knew you would be.

Colonel J. A. Mitchell
Commander -- CCUNME

QUARTERMASTER STORES PACKS UP ...



Pte Bruce Alberry

Quartermaster (QM) Stores is the section responsible to the Canadian Contingent Administrative Unit for the provision of clothing, material and equipment to the members of the contingent. With the termination of the UNEF mandate on July 24, QM went through a rapid role-reversal. While still providing personal kit to new arrivals, replacing items as required for those serving in-theatre and providing for the on-going material requirements of the various units of the Contingent, the priority now stands at the receipt and disposal of both UN and Canadian-owned stores.

With a staff of 14 to recall and process goods valued at a total of \$12 million, QM has been augmented by daily work parties of up to 10-15 people. Their tasks included:

- accounting for UN and Canadian-owned material;
- cost-recovery as required from the UN;
- accounting for all distribution account material;
- receipt of material during the close-out period;
- cataloguing equipment and non-expendable stores;
- on-site inspection and disposal of material to 73 Canadian Service Battalion, CANLOG Golan, the Canadian Contingent in Cyprus, CFE or Lahv.

The various milestones of the close-out of the Contingent have also become the milestones of QM, including the withdrawal of 116 ATU, the closure of the Contingent Travel and Recreation Office, the Gym, HAM Radio shack, CFME Radio/TV, the Buffer Zone, all Movement Control Detachments as well as the assignment of cargo, priority of shipment and movement by convoy.

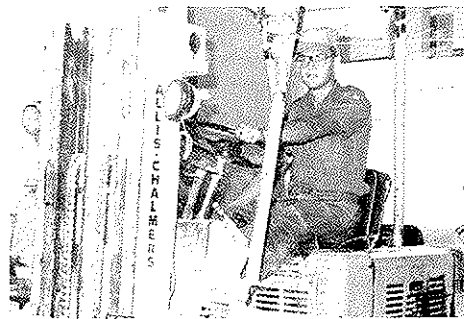
The closure of the Contingent depends on the closure of QM activities, and the Contingent remains open until all administration and supply transactions have ceased. This means that while the staff of QM decreases, work remains at a high level, with the target completion date set at Oct 31.



Pte Rick Dunphy



MCpl Lawney Rines and Sgt Larry Mullins



Pte David Maddess



QM Staff with Mr. Omar Sirry, translator, front row, third from the left



Cpl Michele Lacey gets "wrapped up" in her work



MWO Ed Riggs checks the inventory of material with two UN Field Service Officers



MCpl George Playfair



Pte Doug Bissonnette



MCpl Norm Woodside



MCpl John Kennedy

FAREWELL ADDRESS TO ALL RANKS

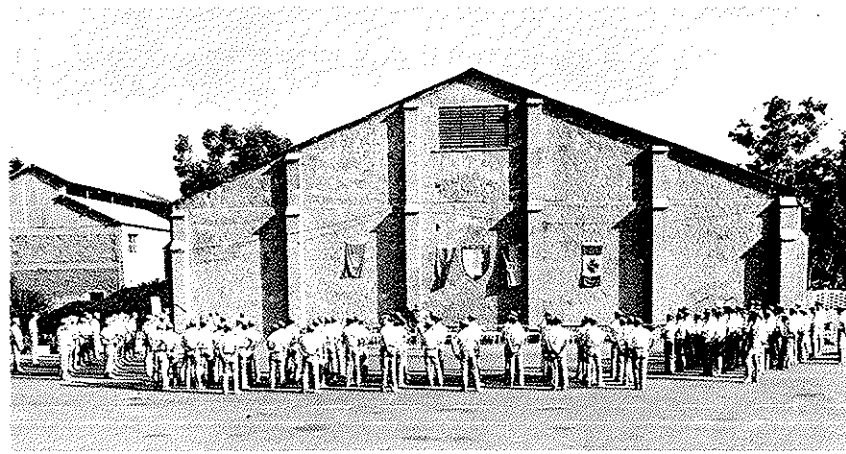
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CANADIAN SERVICE BATTALION



Lt Col K. K. Murata
Commanding Officer

On the occasion of the closure of UNEF II and the termination of 73 Cdn Svc Bn, I wish to make this last address to all those who served with me. On numerous occasions during my tenure, I have had very good reason to consider myself fortunate to be your Commanding Officer. Up to 24 July 79, you worked together to provide the supply, maintenance, movement control, second line transport and postal services for UNEF. The standard of these services was maintained at a high level due to your unselfish efforts. During the next period until 24 Oct 79, you provided excellent assistance to UNEF in closing out. Special mention must be made of all those who were involved in clearing the Buffer Zone on schedule. This was a hectic and sometimes frustrating operation. Nonetheless, as expected, you rose to the occasion and once again proved your worth. During the last two months, I have received many compliments regarding your performance — I want to pass these accolades on to you, who deserve them the most. From a personal point of view, this has been the most challenging and rewarding period of my career and I feel nothing but pride when I look back at what you have accomplished. I feel privileged to have been your last Commanding Officer and I thank you sincerely for your excellent support. Best wishes to you all and Mah El Salaam.



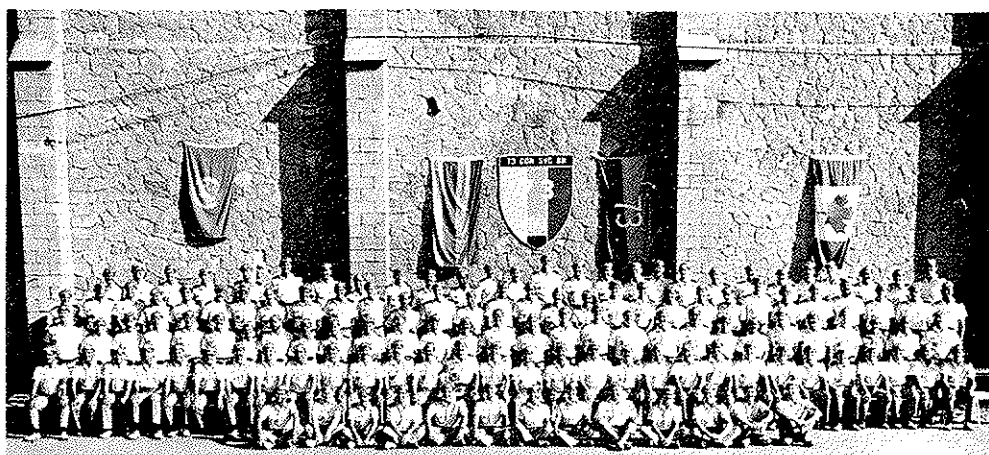
Battalion "O-group" Sept 21



Lt. Col. Murata passes the parade to Col. Mitchell



Maj. Gautron presents Lt Col Murata with a gift, on behalf of the members of the Battalion



The members of the Battalion.

the "buffer zone" closes

nications since the creation of the United Nations Emergency Force in 1973. Many of the services provided were done by Canadians in the Buffer Zone — Sinai Desert.

Weapons technicians, mechanics, communicators, vehicle operators, supply technicians and cooks worked to support the Swedish, Ghanian, Indonesian and Finnish Contingents at their base camps throughout the thin line that divided the Egyptian and Israeli forces.

With the end of the UNEF mandate resulting from the peace treaty between these two former adversaries, the requirement for the maintenance of the Buffer Zone ceases, and therefore material and equipment were gathered together for disposal to either owner-nations or local contractors. Consequently, the last Canadians left the Zone's Forward Logistics Base of El Tasa on Sept. 29.

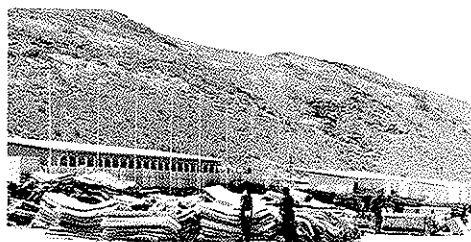
Before the departure, Col. J.A. Mitchell, Lt. Col. K.K. Murata and Maj. P.R. Weisbrod attended a small ceremony in which the last Canadians to leave El Tasa were awarded the UNEF Peace Medals by Col. Mitchell.



Indonesian base camp, Wadi Reina



Swedish base camp, Baluza



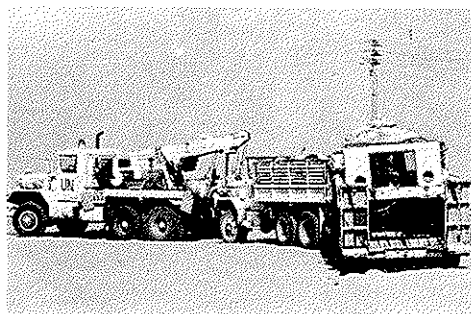
Ghanian base camp, Mitla



Material for disposal at Baluza



Vehicle recovery at the Finnish base camp, Abu Redias



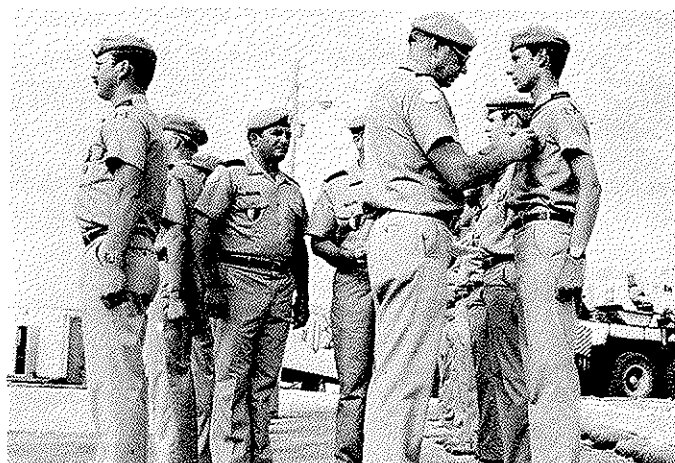
Forward logistics base, El Tasa



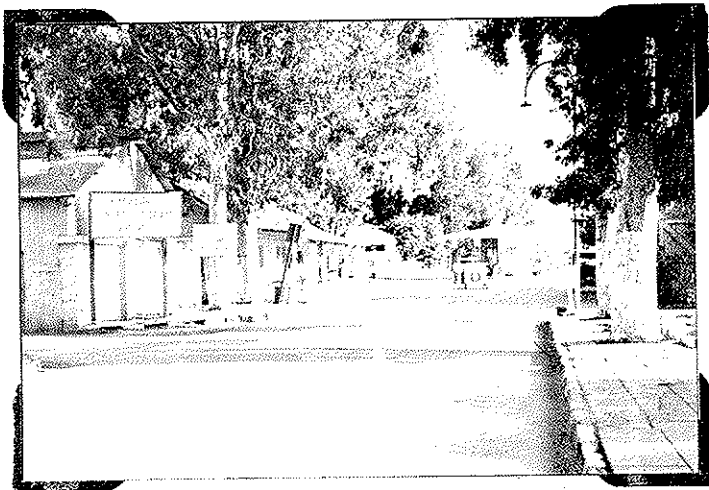
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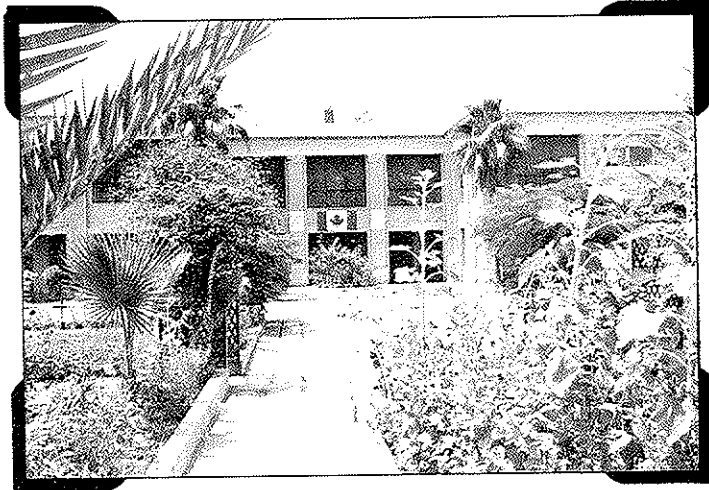
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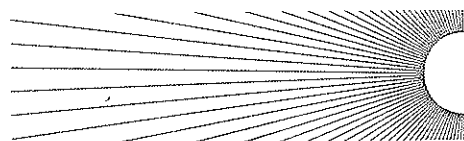
Col. Mitchell presents the UNEF Peace Medal to the last Canadians at El Tasa



The front gate



The Headquarters Building



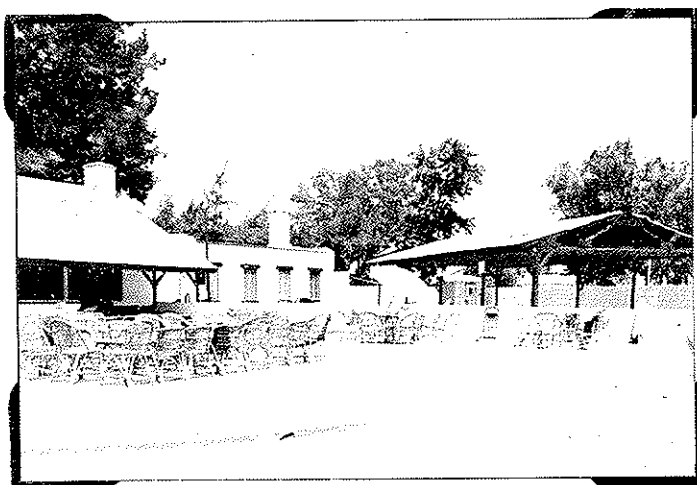
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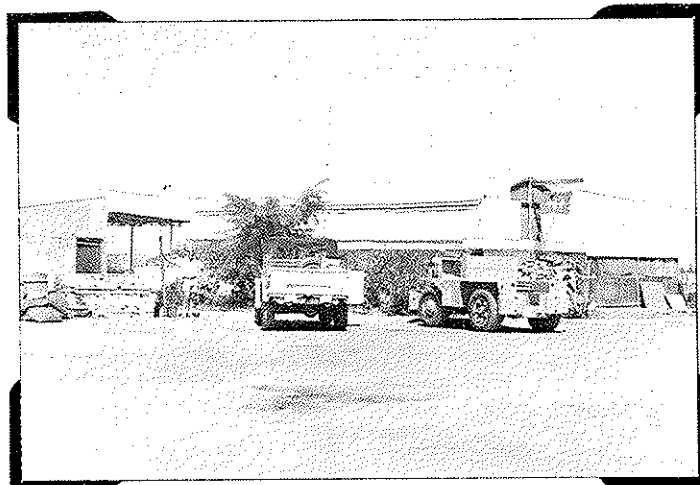
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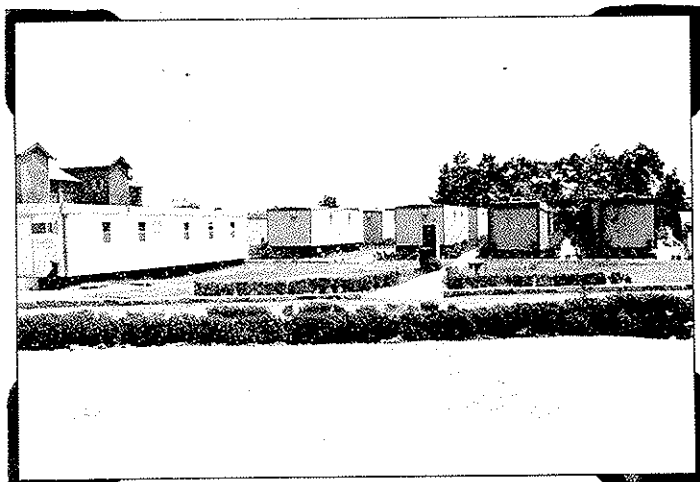
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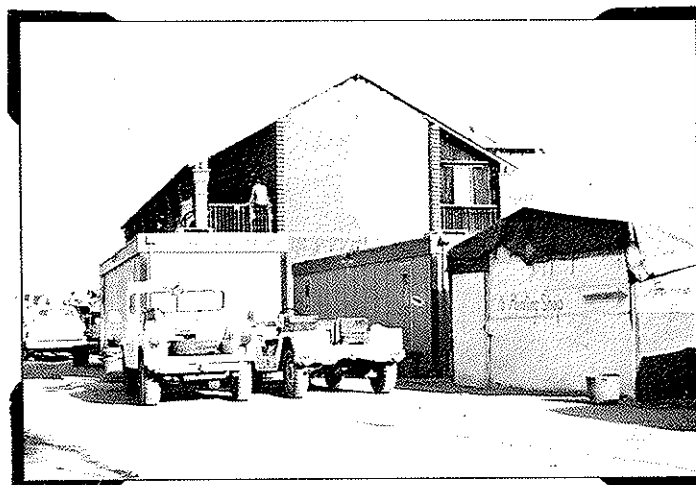
The Warrant Officers' and Sergeants' Mess Patio



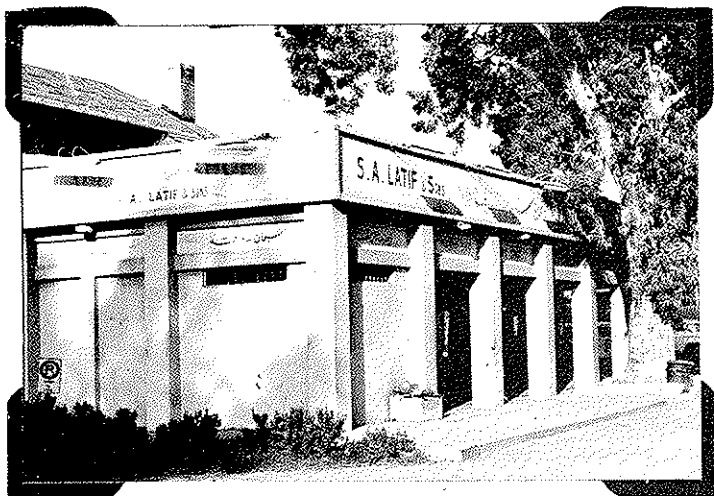
The 116 ATU "Barn"



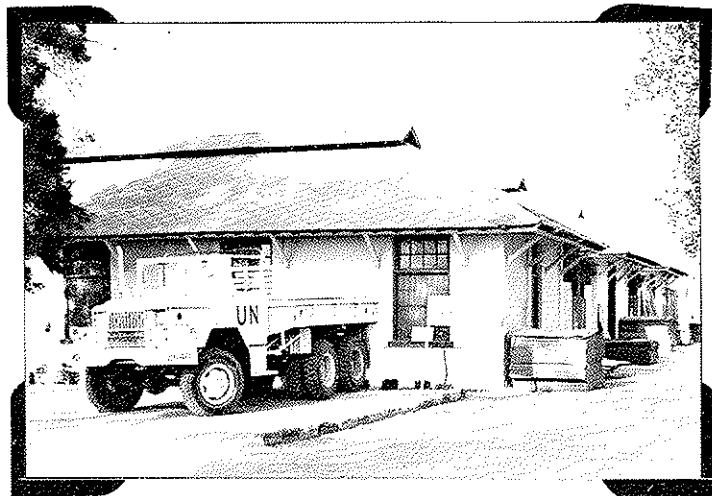
Sergeants' quarters



Grandview Apartments

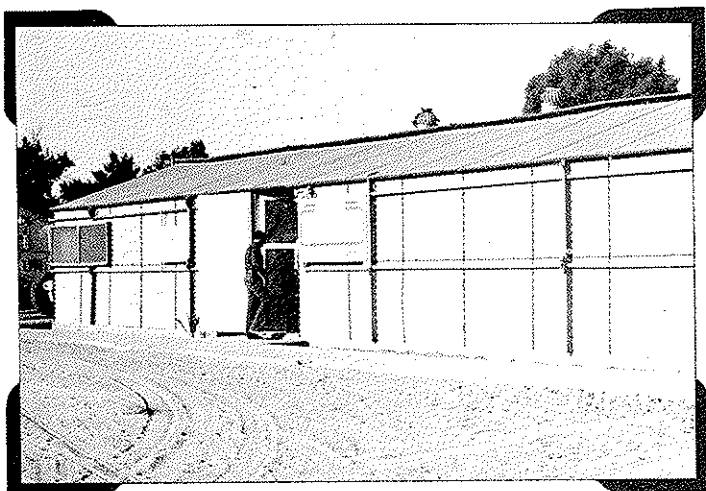
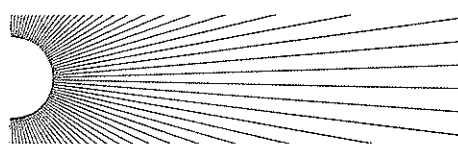


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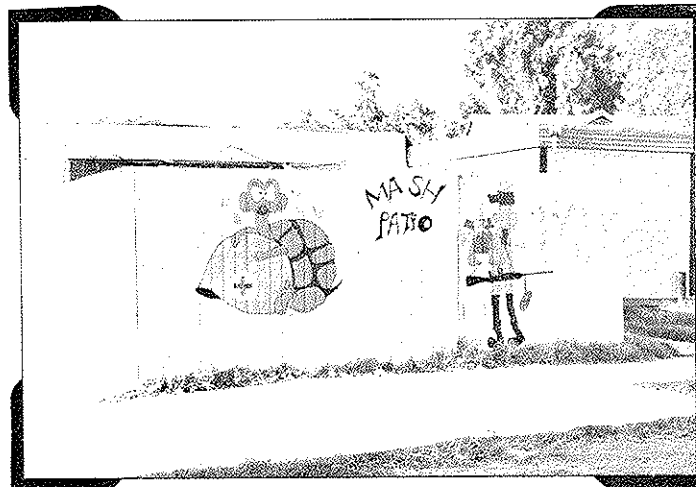


QM Stores

Places to remember



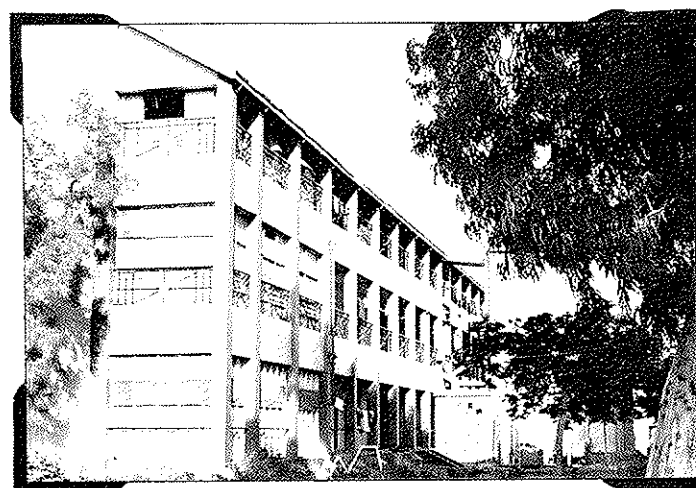
The Four Forks Snack Bar



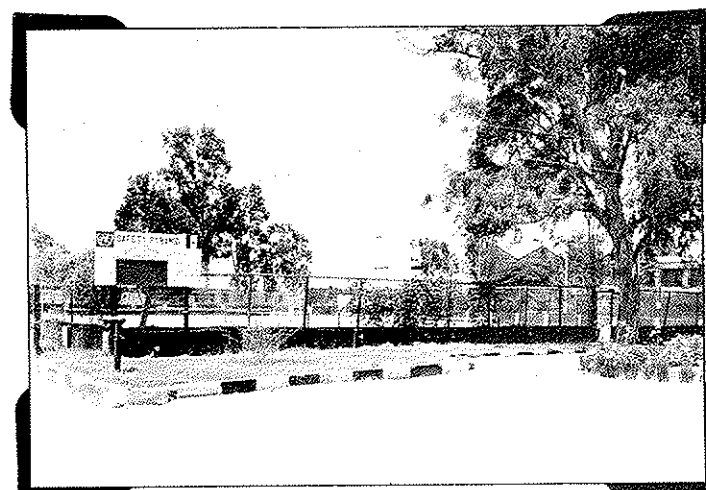
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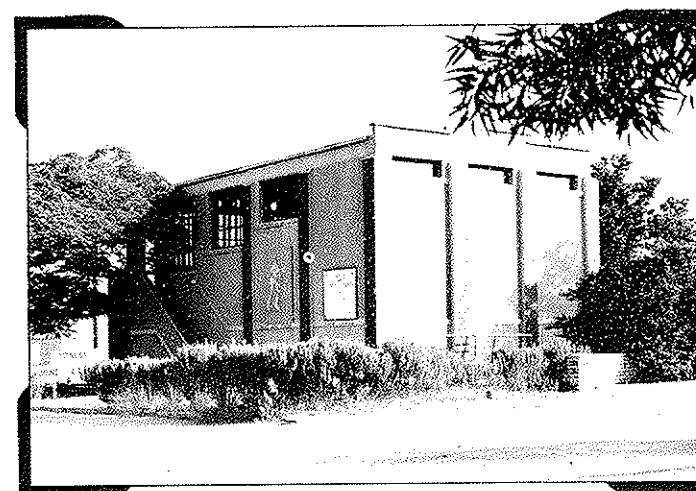
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Ismailia Towers again



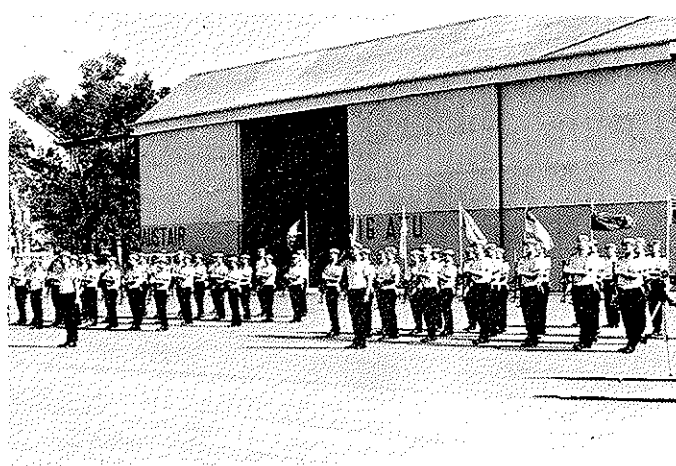
The Tennis Courts



The Squash Court



Col. Mitchell inspects the 73 Canadian Signal Squadron Farewell Parade, Sept 24.



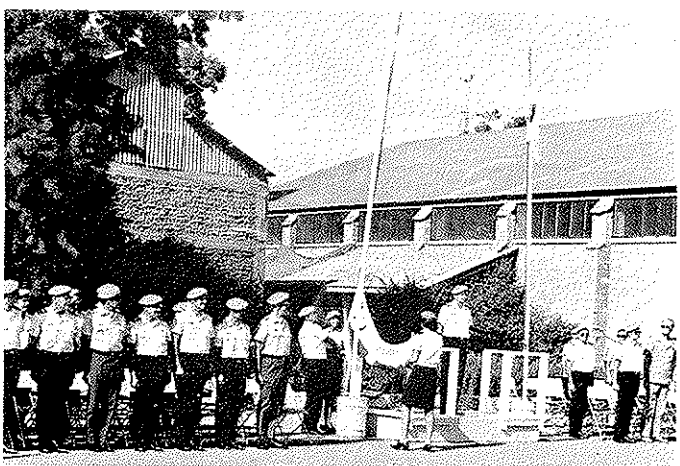
The Squadron salutes Col Mitchell



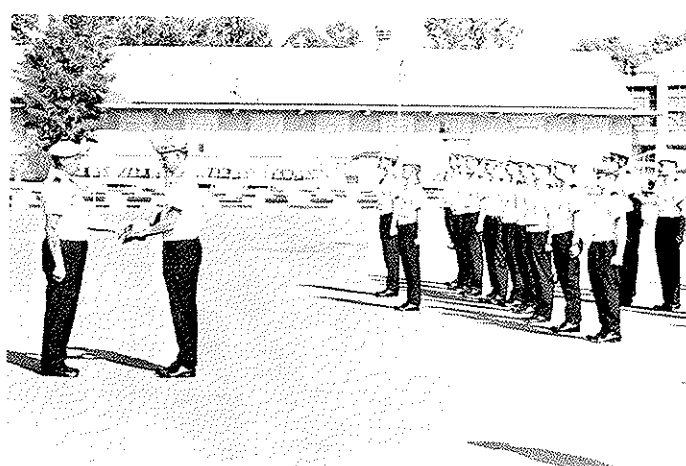
The March Past



Col Mitchel presents Lt. Peter Huyghebaert with his UNEF Medal



The Squadron Colors are struck for the final time.



The Colors are passed to Maj. Weisbrod

73 CDN SIG SQN

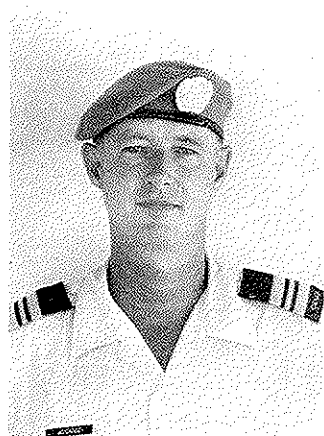
In November 1973 1 CDN Sig Regt led the Canadian Contingent UNEFME into Egypt. On 31 October 1979, members of 73 Cdn Sig Sqn will depart on the last flight home, on termination of CCUNEFME. In the intervening six years, through twelve rotations, nearly one hundred officers and 2,000 other ranks have served with 73 Cdn Sig Unit, and since 1975, 73 Cdn Sig Sqn.

This unit provided the Signal Troop to UNDOF, and the initial signal element to UNIFIL, during the most critical times.

The performance of this Squadron throughout the six years has been marked by pride and excellence, with particular praise coming consistently from the Buffer Zone infantry battalions supported by our Signal Detachments. As well, our Commcen/CRATTZ has provided the vital national rear link. One of the most visible and beneficial facilities has been our HAM radio detachment, providing over 45,000 patches to Canada.

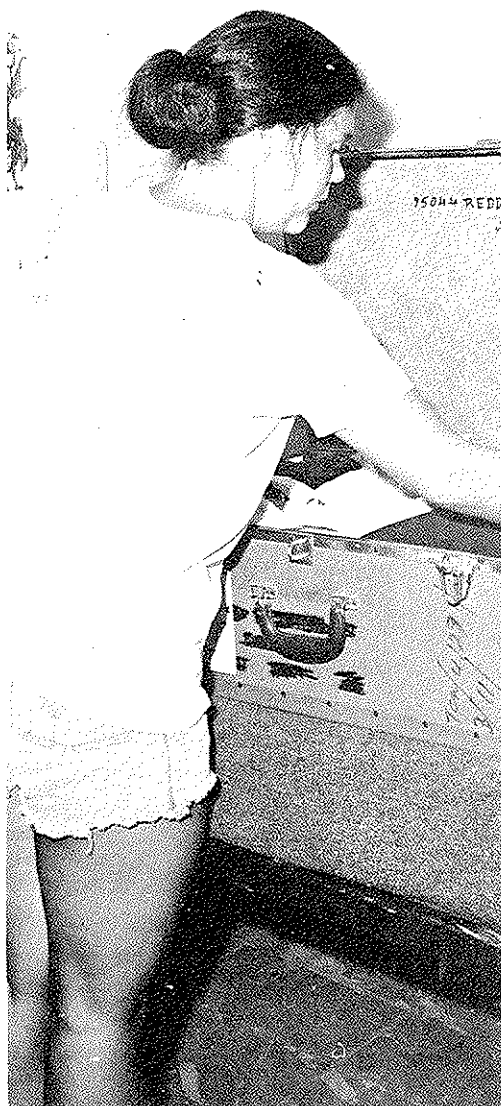
We shall all carry memories, both fond and sad, of our time in the Middle East. The Sweetwater Inn, home of the Sweetwater Savages, shall be alive only in the memories and stories of those who served here.

I am proud to have served as Commanding Officer of this Squadron, of its performance during my tour, and throughout the six years.



Mah El Salaam Sweetwater,
VeloX, Versutus, Vigilans,
P.R. Weisbrod
Major
Commanding Officer
73 Canadian Signal Squadron





Cpl Linda Rawson prepares her barrack box for shipment.

BRABATT DEPARTS...

The United Nations Emergency Force 1973-79 represents the first time that service women were fully integrated with men in a peacekeeping operation. In the course of their participation in this theatre, women have done a multiplicity of jobs, such as cooks, clerks, supply technicians, nurses, pharmacists and administration officers, to mention only a few.

The remaining members of Brabatt left the Middle East on Sept. 26, aboard the regularly scheduled Boeing 707, following the weekly repat parade.



Col. Mitchell presents the UNEF Medal to Capt Leslie Oakes, OIC, Brabatt.



MCpl Lillian Bran, Cpl Linda Rawson and Cpl Linda Baker at the repat parade.

Ham Shack Establishes A NEW RECORD

At half-past midnight, Sept. 10, Master Corporal Bill Bell, the manager of the HAM Radio Station at El Gala, began a transmission: "VE1DID, this is VE3HYU/SU, I have one into Trenton Ontario for you, Nick. Ready to copy?"

MCpl Ron Hall of Trenton, then spoke to his wife, thereby breaking the record for the greatest number of calls during a calendar year. The previous record was established in 1976 with 10,360 phone patches. MCpl Hall's call was the 10,361st, only eight months and ten days into the year.

All calls are normally limited to five minutes, with special consideration given in exceptional situations. Through this short wave radio system, engagements were made, hearts broken, urgent messages passed and family budgets co-ordinated.

During the last months of UNEF, the Canadian Forces Affiliate Radio System (CFARS) came into use. This new system used military frequencies and gave selected civilian HAM operators special CFARS call signs. All military stations were issued with new CFARS equipment; digital read-out and multi-frequency memory made it among the most sophisticated systems in existence.

The El Gala HAM Shack, administered as part of 73 Canadian Signal Squadron, was constantly the most popular meeting place, for both users and assistants. Volunteer helpers formed the backbone of the operation; they came from all trades and backgrounds to help contingent members speak with family and friends in Canada.

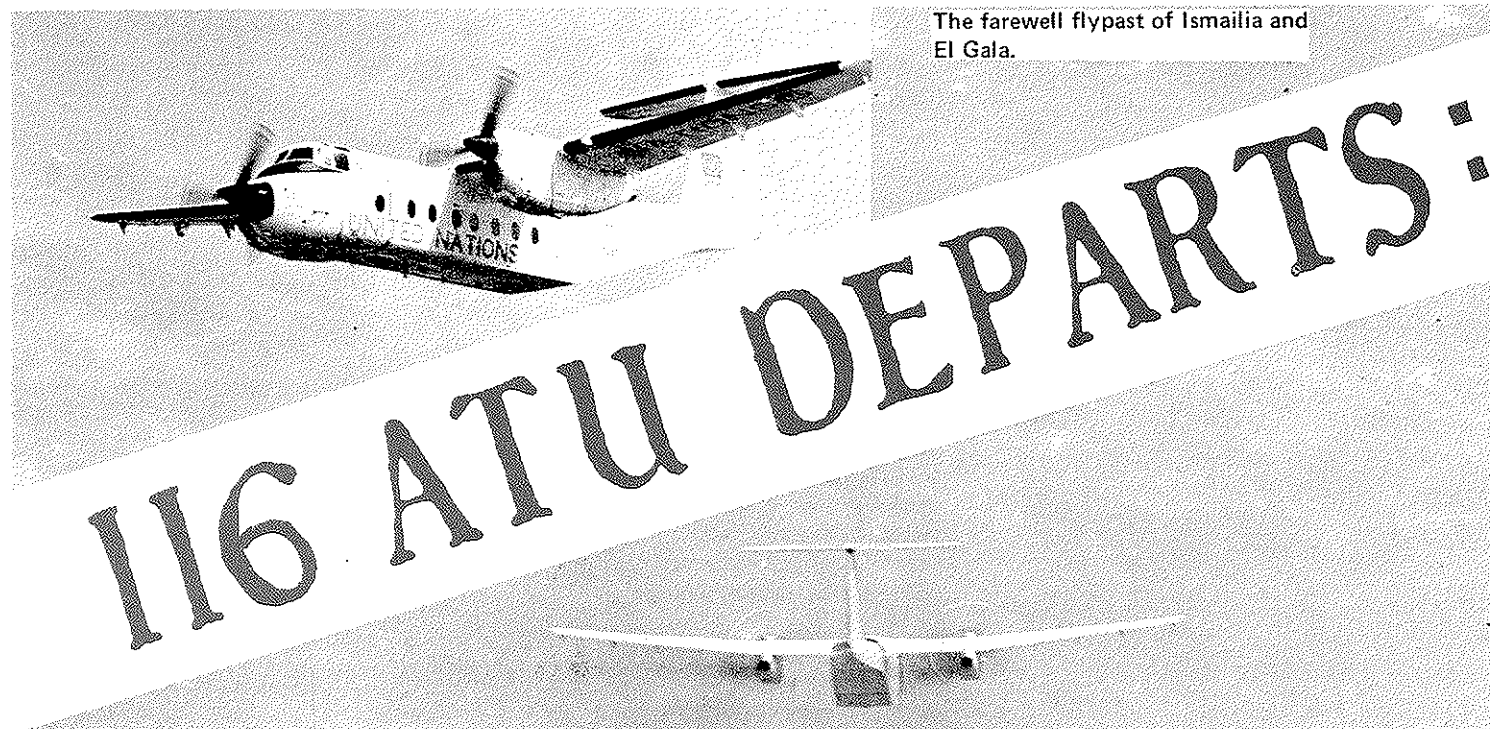
Canadian HAM radio operators completed the link. Both the volunteers here and in Canada provided countless hours operating their sets to give a few minutes of happiness to the service members serving here. These operators formed an informal system that stretched from coast to coast and consisted of both military and civilian members.

In the six-year history of the HAM Shack, since its creation in Nov. 1973, it and the uncountable number of assistants and Canadian HAM operators have completed more than 45,000 phone patches.

73's and 88's — OUT!



MCpl Bill Bell (left) completes the link, allowing MCpl Ron Hall to make his call. WO Roy MacNeil (center) records the patch.



The farewell flypast of Ismailia and El Gala.

Homeward-bound.

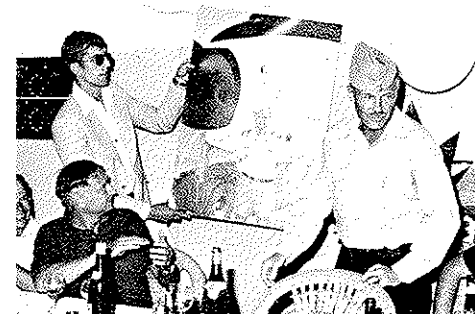


Five years of Canadian air operations in the Middle East drew to a close with the departure of 116 Air Transport Unit. The official close-out ceremony took place at 9 a.m., Sept. 19 with the lowering of 116 ATU's and Austair's UN flags and their presentation to the Commanding Officers.

Later that morning, 21 selected ground crew were awarded the UNEF Peace Medal during the weekly repatriation parade and departed on the regular Boeing 707 flight.

The remaining members of the Unit began their return to Canada on Sept. 23, following an early-morning medals parade. Seven accompanied the CC-130 Hercules aircraft to Lahr, and from there to Canada by Boeing. The last 18 flew their two CC-115 Buffalo aircraft on a five-day return flight. Enroute, they touched down in Keirkire, Greece; Lahr, Germany; Prestwick, Scotland; Keflavik, Iceland; Sondrestrom, Greenland; Frobisher, NWT; Le Grand P.Q.; and finally CFB Trenton, Ont.

The closingout of 116 AUT has heralded the end of five years of personnel and cargo transport by Canadians in this part of the world. During the Unit's service, the principal ports of call included Cairo, Egypt; Tel Aviv and Jerusalem, Israel; Damascus, Syria; and Akrotiri, Cyprus.



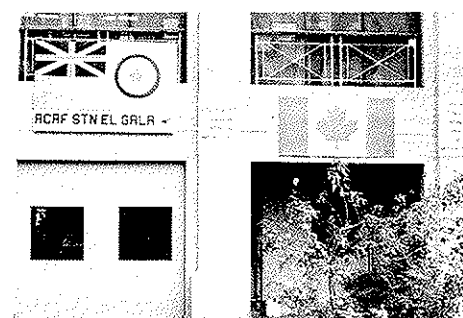
Lieutenant-Colonel Bill Stewart, Commanding Officer, receives a gift from the members of 116 ATU at their final Mah el Salem.



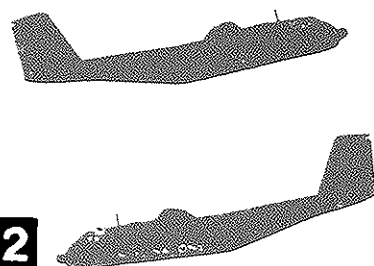
"Starting number one . . ." The first step in the return to Canada.



Ground crew about to depart by Hercules wave good-bye.



116's UN flag is lowered for the final time.



116's parting shot? (see page 15)

CANLOG UNDOF ISRAELI SOFTBALL CHAMPS..

by Captain Ted Sosiak

Tel Aviv's Yarkon Park on July 28 was the site of the first Israeli National Softball Championship and CANLOG UNDOF was the winner by a close, but decisive, eight-to-seven victory. The winning team comprised Canadian personnel from Camp Ziouani while the chief opponent was the team fielded by the Association of Americans Living in Israel (AALI). The final game was a very Canadian affair as the AALI included five Canadian Forces personnel on the team roster, three from MOVCON Tel Aviv and two from Ismailia.

CANLOG UNDOF started the game with a bang in the first inning by taking a four-to-zero lead with a three-run hat-trick by team captain Ken Shipley and singles by batters Kent and Milton.

In the third inning the AALI made a comeback with one run on a single by Shucart and a double by Goldstein. CANLOG rallied again in the bottom of the third as Kent's home run drove in Saunders, who had walked.

AALI started to put on the pressure in the top of the fifth when Skip Leary of MOVCON Tel Aviv hit a single and was driven in by Robbins, whose single became a home-run because of a three-base error, making the score six-to-three. The rocky, uneven surface of the field made fielding ground balls treacherous and added extra distance to missed balls, a decided advantage to the team at bat.

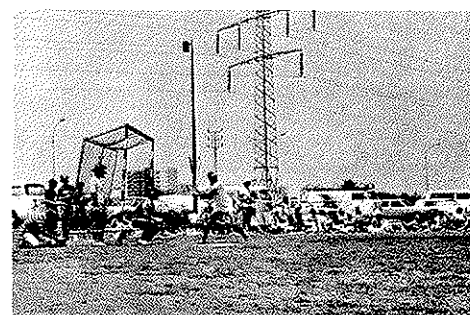
In the bottom of the sixth, CANLOG again took command of the game. Hartley hit a double and Ratté hit a single to bring him home. Hamelin walked and both runners stole to second and third. Shipley drove both players in on a single, making the score eight-to-three.

In the seventh and last inning, the AALI really bounced back. Shucart and Goldstein both hit homers, thus narrowing the gap to eight-to-five. Then Amell hit a single, Leary walked and Brown doubled for another run.

With two men out and runners on second and third, Glantz hit a hard ground ball to the third baseman, Luc Ratté who made the big catch and deftly tagged Brown at third for the final out. The winning pitcher, Al Beach, added a fourth victory in as many games.



Al Beach pitching



Dave Saunders at bat

On the lighter side of Op BUGLE

— From Lt Col G. Harvey, HQ CCUNME to Lt Col L. Johnson, 3 Cdo, Canadian Airborne Regiment, Lahr:

Dear Len:

We have a young officer, 2/Lt Bruce Burton, who has been posted to your unit. He has requested authority to drive his antique car to Lahr, which he has acquired from a local merchant. It's a Morris LIC No. CA 9542. Is it alright?

Yours truly,
Greg

— From 3 Cdo to HQ CFE

PLEASE ADVISE IF PRIVATE CAR, MORRIS CA 9542 CAN BE BROUGHT TO THIS LOC BY 2/LT BURTON B.

— From HQ CFE to NDHQ Ottawa

UNDERSTAND 2/LT BURTON B, POSTED TO 3 CDO, HAS REQUESTED THAT PTE CARR MAURICE CCUNME CARD CA 9542, ACCOMPANY HIM ON POSTING. PLEASE ENSURE THAT CARR IS PARA TRAINED.

— From NDHQ Ottawa to FMCHQ St Hubert, info Canadian Airborne Centre, Edmonton:

SUBJECT: PTE CARR, M — CA 9542 — VOLUNTEER FOR CDN A/B REG'T PTE CARR HAS VOLUNTEERED TO SERVE WITH 3 CDO, CFE. REQUEST HE BE LOADED ON PARA COURSE 7908 AT CABC.

— From FMCHQ to NDHQ, info CCUNME:

UNDERSTAND 2/LT BURTON WISHES TO HAVE PTE CARR ACCOMPANY HIM ON POSTING TO CFE. HAVE NO RECORD HERE. SEND PARTICULARS INCLUDING AGE AND WHETHER FIT FOR OVERSEAS DUTY.

— From HQ CCUNME to FMCHQ St Hubert

WAS NOT AWARE THAT YOU DEALT WITH THIS SORT OF THING. CAR WAS ORIGINALLY REGISTERED IN UPPER SCHLOCO IN 1948 AND TRANSFERRED TO ISMAILIA IN 1974 BY SEA. CAR IS IN BAD STATE AND LIABLE TO BREAK DOWN. UNLIKELY TO SURVIVE JOURNEY BUT BURTON IS PREPARED TO ACCEPT RISK. CAR ONLY DOES 10 MILES PER GALLON.

— From FMCHQ to NDHQ: Attention Director Recruiting and Selection:

SUBJECT: PTE CARR — CCU

SUBJECT: PTE CARR — CCUNME CA9542

SUBJ MAN HAS FRAUDENTLY ENROLLED IN CANADIAN FORCES IN UPPER SCHLOCO IN 1948 AND TRANSFERRED TO CCUNME IN 1974 FROM MARITIME COMMAND. HAVE NO RECORD OF THIS SOLDIER. CCUNME ADMITS HE HAS RECORD OF BREAKDOWNS AND IS HEAVY DRINKER THEREFORE UNFIT FOR OVERSEAS DUTY. THIS MAN SHOULD NOT BE IN THE CANADIAN FORCES. CAN YOU TRACE HIS RECORDS?

— From the Member for Upper Schloco to the Minister of National Defence:

My Dear Colleague:

This is to give notice that I intend to table a Question in the House about another outrageous case that has come to my attention. It concerns a very worthy member of my constituency, a Private Maurice Carr whom I have known since boyhood. This young man, although he requires treatment for alcoholism and is moreover subject to nervous breakdowns, is being forced to go abroad, although his regiment admits that he is unlikely to survive the journey.

I warn you . . . etc . . . etc . . .

— From NDHQ Ottawa to HQ CCUNME

IMMEDIATE: FULL MINISTERIAL ENQUIRY INITIATED INTO CASE OF PTE CARR. SEND FULL REPORT. HE WILL NOT REPEAT NOT BE POSTED TO LAHR. MEANWHILE FULL EXPLANATION . . . DISCIPLINARY ACTION . . . PUNISHMENT . . . CAREER ACTION . . . ETC . . . ETC . . .

— From Lt Col G. Harvey, HQ CCUNME to Lt Col L. Johnson, 3 Cdo, Cdn A/B Reg't

Dear Len:

Sorry not to have written lately, but we have been busy over a most extraordinary misunderstanding with NDHQ.

This is just to remind you that you haven't let me know the answer about Burton's automobile. I hope to hear from you soon . . .

MOVCON

The Movers

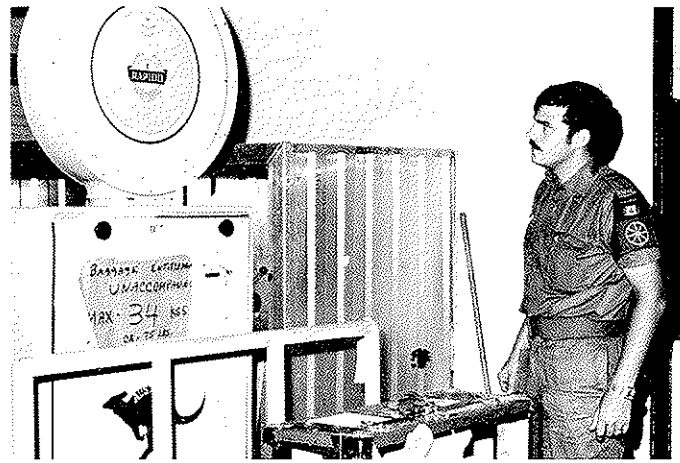
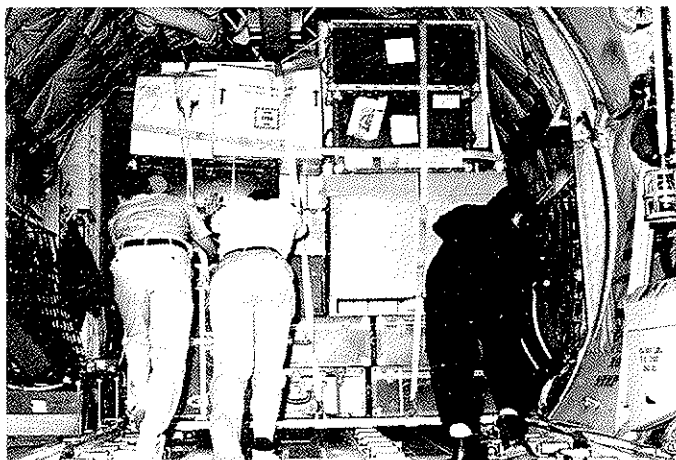
Movement Control Detachments throughout the Middle East are charged with the responsibility for the movement of personnel and their baggage as well as freight and mail.

The tools of their trade are the Canadian and UN flights which consist of the Boeing 707, Hercules, Buffalo and Skyvan aircraft, and the MOVCON personnel who work out of detachments in Cairo, Ismailia, Port Said, Tel Aviv, Jerusalem and Damascus.

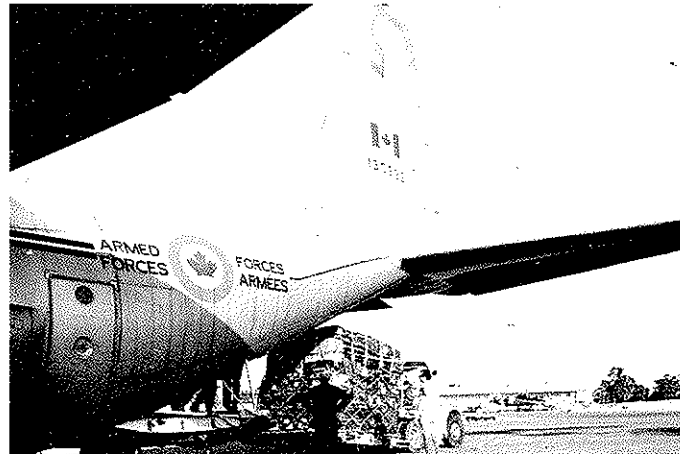
With 170 arrivals and departures monthly, ferrying 900 passengers, with their baggage, 58,000 pounds of freight and 3500 pounds of mail into, out of and throughout the Middle East, the MOVCON Detachments have their hands full at the best of times. However, with the withdrawal now in full progress, requiring the return of personnel, baggage and barrack boxes to Canada, the workload is even heavier.



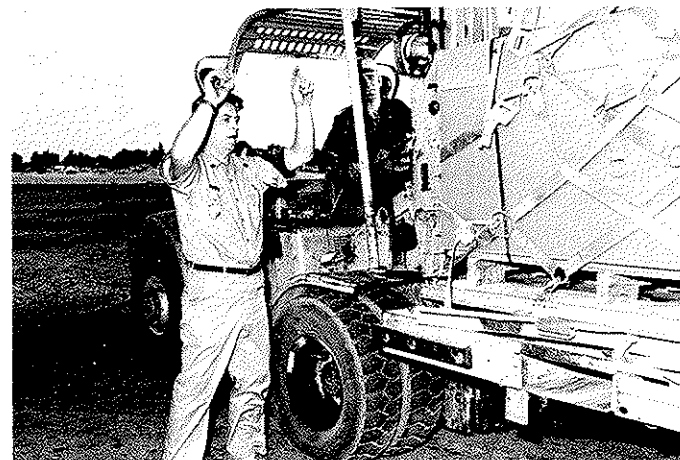
Sgt Bob Ratcliffe straps down a Paul Bunyon onto a pallet



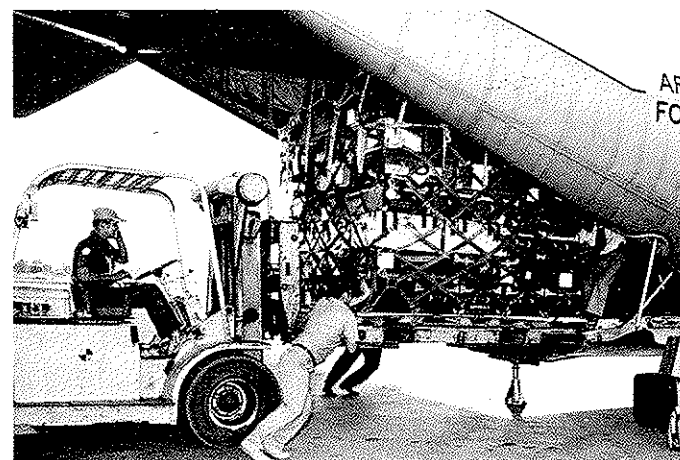
Mcpl Dan Beland weighs a barrack box



Capt Bert Boehme supervises the loading of a pallet onto a Hercules



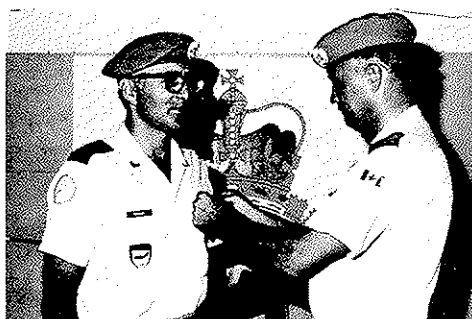
Sgt Cliff Lahey guides a pallet into position for loading



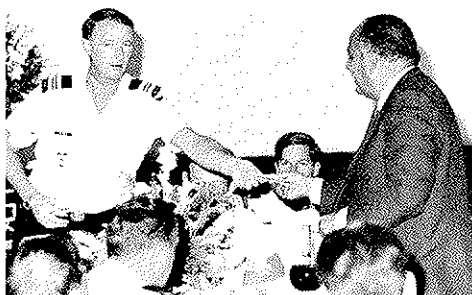
It takes a lot of push and shove . . .



MWO A.K. Glen receives the first clasp to his CD from Col J.A. Mitchell



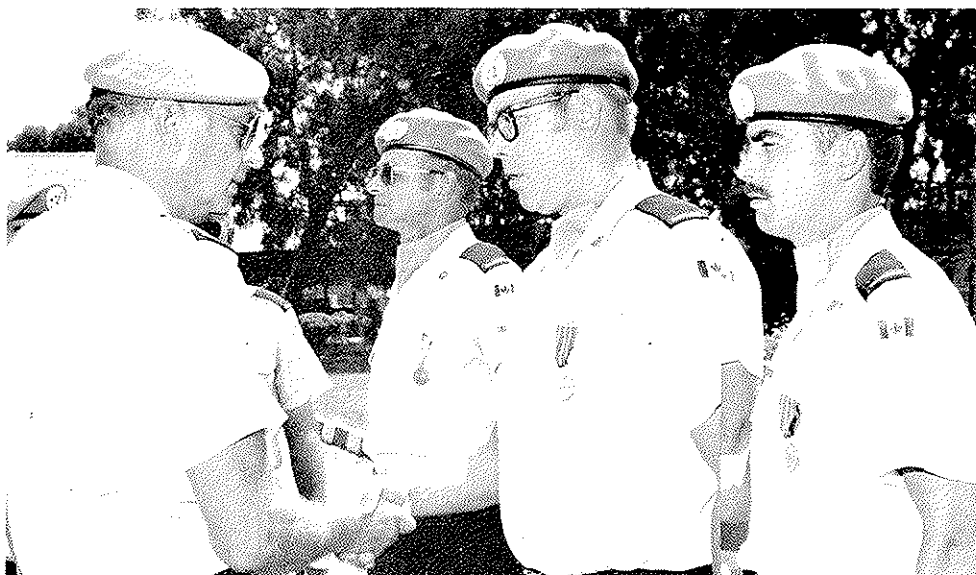
Cpl Roger Briand receives his CD from LCol Bill Stewart



Maj Paul Weisbrod presents Mr. Latief with a letter of appreciation for his quick action in saving the lives of two Canadian servicemen in a recent auto accident.



Abdul Hakim Mohamed is presented with a token of appreciation from WO Roy MacNeil on behalf of the Senior NCOs of 73 Canadian Signal Squadron.



Col. Mitchell presents CDs to MCpl Doug Sprague and MCpl Norm Woodside.



LCol K.K. Murata presents Contingent Chief Warrant Officer H.A. Johnston with a pace stick to commemorate being the last CCWO.



PRESENTATION OF PACE STICKS

The members of the Warrant Officers' and Sergeants' Mess presents MWO George Struthers with an "Air Force" pace stick.



Our sleuthful photographer catches the culprits in the act...



Cpl Coleen Dunfee cheesecakes for the camera.

SCOTT FULLER

