



TRAIN WITH ANTI-TANK WEAPON

Two members of an infantry regiment undergo training with the "Carl Gustav" anti-tank weapon with which Canadian troops serving with the NATO Brigade in Europe were equipped several

months ago. The new weapon is manufactured in Sweden and weighs 33 pounds and replaces the "Heller" rocket launcher as the Infantry's main anti-tank weapon.

Canadian forces participate in many peace-keeping roles

The general was talking to some of his fighting troops. "You are not going out to kill people. Your mission is to prevent people from killing other people."

Gen. Jean Victor Allard, commander of Canada's Mobile Command, was speaking to members of the 2nd Battalion, The Black Watch (Royal Highland Regiment) of Canada before they left Canada this spring for peace-keeping duties with United Nations forces on the troubled island of Cyprus.

The number of Canadian soldiers, sailors and airmen who have participated in peace-keeping operations has grown steadily over the years and the defence department today estimates that more than 70,000 have served under the UN flag in one of the world's trouble spots. Veterans of these peace-keeping operations can be identified by the blue and white striped ribbon they wear proudly on their uniforms.

Canada has participated in every UN peace-keeping mission, beginning with the India-Pakistan dispute in 1948 which resulted in the establishment of the United Nations Military Observer Group in India and Pakistan. UNMOGIP is still functioning. The India-Pakistan operation was the forerunner of other UN operations — Korea

(a war in everything but name), Gaza, Lebanon, The Congo, New Guinea, Yemen and Cyprus.

Today of the more than 14,000 members of the Canadian forces who serve overseas, approximately 2,100 are serving on the UN flag. The remainder serve with Canada's NATO formations in Europe or with the International Control Commission in Viet Nam and Laos.

ties are put to the test almost daily. The UN mandate in Cyprus was established in Cyprus in March, 1964, and within hours of the government's decision to send a Canadian contingent, an RCAP Yukon from Air Transport Command was winging its way to Cyprus with an advance party. It was followed closely by aircraft carrying the remainder of the troops. At the same time the RCN's aircraft carrier Bonaventure was speeding to Cyprus with the contingent's heavy equipment. The first contingent served on the island for six months and this established a pattern which is still in effect.

The 2nd Battalion of the Black Watch from Canadian Forces Base Gagetown, N. B., and "B" Squadron, 8th Canadian Hussars, from Canadian Forces Base Petawawa, Ont., form the fifth Canadian contingent to see service on the island. The strength of the contingent has and is just under 1,000 all ranks. The present commander is Colonel George Hale of Toronto and St. John's Nfld.

A UN commitment that goes back to November, 1956, is the United Nations Emergency Force established to supervise the armistice between Egypt and Israel and to arrange for the

disengagement of both sides. The first Canadian soldiers arrived in the Middle East on Nov. 22 by RCAF aircraft and the RCN aircraft carrier Magnificent sailed with the contingent's heavy equipment and vehicles.

EXERTS INFLUENCE

UNEF exerts moral influence out of all proportion to its size of several thousand, made up of six countries: Brazil, Denmark, India, Sweden, Yugoslavia and Canada. Contingents from Columbia, Finland and Indonesia originally contributed to UNEF but have since withdrawn their contingents. The first commander of UNEF was a Canadian, Lt. Gen. E. L. M. Burns, who had headed the UN Truce Supervisory Organization in Palestine. For nearly 10 years UNEF has managed to maintain peace in an area recognized as one of the most sensitive trouble spots in the world.

Canadian servicemen play a vital role in UNEF. The maintenance area for the force is at Rafah, just outside the Gaza Strip, and about 700 of the 1,000 military personnel in the camp are Canadians. Canadians provide sappers for the heavy construction work, signallers for communications within the UN force, and long distance transport drivers. They also provide highly trained men for handling ammunition and equipment and for vehicle repair and provost duties.

At El Arish, some 20 miles west of Rafah, an RCAF unit is responsible for air supply, air movement of personnel and reconnaissance flights within the UNEF area. It flies Caribou and Otter aircraft.

A Canadian reconnaissance squadron operated for almost 10 years along the international

border but was withdrawn in February when the force was reformed in Egypt, however, in the various support arms which make it possible for UNEF to function efficiently.

Colonel George Bell of Toronto is the Canadian contingent commander. The UN soldiers have a dual role on both the Gaza Strip and Cyprus. They are members of their own national armies but serve under the UN flag with the authority of the UN. They wear the blue UNEF cap, helmet, beret or turban, national insignia on the left sleeve and UN insignia on the right.

Canada's most recent UN peace-keeping commitment was in the area where we first began UN peacekeeping duties in 1948 - Kashmir. Relations between India and Pakistan sharply deteriorated last fall and UNMOGIP was reinforced by navy, army and air force officers from Canada within days and a second observer group headed by Brigadier Bruce Macdonald of Edmonton rushed to the troubled area. The United Nations India-Pakistan Observer Mission (UNIPOM) and the older group

were given RCAF support with Caribou and Otter aircraft. By February of this year the UN secretary-general was able to announce the crisis over and the withdrawal of UNIPOM. Brigadier Macdonald, who was granted the acting rank of major, general while he carried out his difficult UN assignment home along with the dozen reinforcements who had bolstered UNMOGIP. The RCAF was able to withdraw most of the aircraft it had quickly dispatched to the trouble zone last fall.

Of the UN military missions round the world since 1948, half have been a success and no longer exist. The others continue to forestall the outbreak of war. Canadian servicemen, who have participated in all of them, have proved to their countrymen that they are potent peace keepers.

STEAM 35,000 MILES

A dozen ships of the RCN on spring, 1966, exercises in the North and South Atlantic steamed a total of more than 35,000 miles from early January to early April.

Dividend Payments Up

TORONTO (CP) — Dividend payments by Canadian companies in the first half of this year will be a record \$626,883,614, up 12 per cent from last year's record \$556,125,573. J. R. Timmins and Co., investment dealers, reports.

Timmins breaks its figures into four categories, miscellaneous industrials, mines, utilities and institutions and trusts. The biggest increase was shown in miscellaneous industrials which paid out \$326,404,845 in the first six months compared with \$287,297,646 in the comparable period last year.

Alcan, Aluminium, Imperial Oil and Simpsons aided the group's increase by raising their dividend rates. For this month, Canadian companies will pay out \$153,444,328 compared with \$196,756,245 in June, 1965.

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ONE REMAINS

Of the 122 corvettes Canada built in the Second World War, only the Sackville still has any connection with the RCN. She is a civilian-manned survey ship for the Naval Research Establishment of the Defence Research Board.

TOUGH JOB

Service with a UN peace-keeping mission is not the easiest job in the world for servicemen. It takes more than the traditional military virtues of skill-at-arms and a high standard of discipline. In the words of Air Chief Marshal Frank Miller, chief of Canada's defence staff, have high professional competence and must possess and exercise an extraordinary degree of patience, perseverance, tact, integrity and good will.

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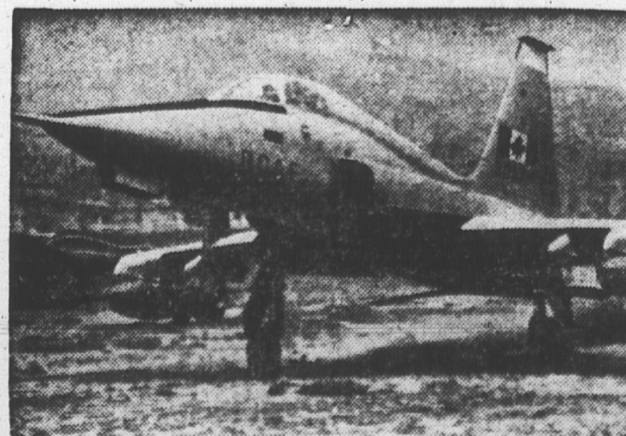
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