



DAILY INFORMATION BULLETIN

ISSUED BY GOVERNMENT INFORMATION SERVICES
BEACONSFIELD HOUSE, HONG KONG. TEL: 5-233191

SUNDAY, MARCH 30, 1980

<u>CONTENTS</u>	<u>PAGE NO.</u>
YOUNG MUSICIANS LOOKING FORWARD TO QUEEN'S BIRTHDAY CELEBRATIONS	1
LOGO FOR NEW TERRITORIES SERVICES DEPARTMENT	2
THREE VOLUNTEERS RETURN FROM UK TRAINING	3
COMMUNITY CENTRE FOR SEEUNG SHUI	4
FIRST TCY LIBRARY IN NT OPENS	5
SNT PRAISES ST JOHN AMBULANCE BRIGADE	6
TRAFFIC RE-ROUTING AT WATER STREET	6
WATER CUT IN THREE NT AREAS	7

SUNDAY, MARCH 30, 1980

- 1 -

YOUNG MUSICIANS LOOKING FORWARD TO
QUEEN'S BIRTHDAY CELEBRATIONS
* * * * *

A NUMBER OF YOUTH BANDS AND ORCHESTRAS ARE ENTHUSIASTICALLY REHEARSING FOR THEIR COMING PERFORMANCE IN THE QUEEN'S BIRTHDAY CELEBRATIONS ON APRIL 21.

THEY WILL PERFORM IN TWO CONCERTS TO BE PRESENTED BY THE MUSIC OFFICE IN ASSOCIATION WITH THE ROYAL HONG KONG POLICE BAND AND THE HONG KONG SCHOOLS MUSIC AND SPEECH ASSOCIATION.

AT 3 PM ON APRIL 21 AT THE MAPLE STREET PLAYGROUND IN SHAM SHUI PO, A 300-STRONG COMBINED YOUTH BAND, UNDER THE BATON OF MR JOHN CHENG, AND THE POLICE BAND, CONDUCTED BY MR COLIN WOOD, WILL PLAY A PROGRAMME OF LIGHT MUSIC AND MARCHES.

THE PROGRAMME WILL FEATURE MOVIE HITS INCLUDING THE THEME FROM +STAR WARS+, +CLOSE ENCOUNTERS OF THE THIRD KIND+ AND +SOUND OF MUSIC+ AND POPULAR TUNES SUCH AS +TIE A YELLOW RIBBON ROUND THE OLD OAK TREE+ AND +PERSIAN SCIMITAR+. THERE WILL ALSO BE A GRAND BAGPIPE DRILL.

AT 8 PM, THE HONG KONG YOUTH SYMPHONY ORCHESTRA AND THE HONG KONG YOUTH CHINESE ORCHESTRA WILL PLAY A MIXED PROGRAMME OF WESTERN AND ORIENTAL MUSIC IN THE ACADEMIC COMMUNITY HALL, KOWLOON TONG.

THE ORCHESTRAS WILL BE CONDUCTED BY MR THOMAS Y.S. WANG AND MR TONG LEUNG-TAK FROM THE MUSIC OFFICE.

THE PROGRAMME WILL INCLUDE +JOYFUL TIMES+, +GOOD HARVEST+, +SPRING IN TIAN SHAN+, +SAN MEN GAP CAPRICE+, +THREE VERSES OF THE YANG GUAN+, +BOAT SONG+, AND +WATER MUSIC+ BY HANDEL AND +POMP AND CIRCUMSTANCE MARCH+ BY ELGAR.

A BONUS TO THIS +EAST MEETS WEST+ PROGRAMME WILL BE A MOVEMENT FROM A PIANO CONCERTO TO BE PERFORMED BY KO SIU-WAI OF KEEP YUNN SCHOOL, WINNER OF THE PIANO CONCERTO CLASS IN THIS YEAR'S SCHOOLS MUSIC FESTIVAL.

THE HONG KONG YOUTH SYMPHONIC BAND, WHICH WILL APPEAR AT THE COMBINED BAND CONCERT, THE HONG KONG YOUTH SYMPHONY ORCHESTRA AND THE HONG KONG YOUTH CHINESE ORCHESTRA ARE MUSIC GROUPS FORMED AND TRAINED BY THE MUSIC OFFICE.

THEIR MEMBERS ARE MAINLY IN THEIR TEENS AND EARLY TWENTIES. SINCE THEIR FORMATION IN 1978, THEY HAVE GAINED WIDE EXPERIENCE BY GIVING PUBLIC CONCERTS OVERSEAS AND LOCALLY.

IN AUGUST 1979, THE HONG KONG YOUTH SYMPHONY ORCHESTRA MADE AN EXTENSIVE CONCERT TOUR IN BRITAIN AND FRANCE AND TOOK PART IN THE INTERNATIONAL FESTIVAL OF YOUTH ORCHESTRAS.

/THE YOUTH

THE YOUTH CHINESE ORCHESTRA ALSO WON GENERAL ACCLAIM IN 16 CONCERTS THEY GAVE IN BRITAIN AND FRANCE LAST AUGUST.

THE HONG KONG YOUTH SYMPHONIC BAND MADE ITS DEBUT IN 1978 AT A PROMENADE CONCERT OF THE FIRST INTERNATIONAL YOUTH MUSIC EXCHANGE WITH THE VISITING COUNTY OF AVON SCHOOLS ORCHESTRA. IT HAS SINCE PLAYED IN OVER 50 CONCERTS.

THESE THREE YOUNG MUSIC GROUPS ARE VERY POPULAR WITH LOCAL AUDIENCES AND HAVE PARTICIPATED IN MOST OF THE MAJOR MUSICAL EVENTS, INCLUDING THE TUEN MUN FESTIVAL IN 1978, THE HONG KONG ARTS FESTIVAL 1980 AND THE SECOND TSUEN WAN ARTS FESTIVAL THIS YEAR.

THE QUEEN'S BIRTHDAY CELEBRATIONS NEXT MONTH OFFER YET ANOTHER OPPORTUNITY TO THESE ASPIRING YOUNG MUSICIANS TO DISPLAY THEIR TALENTS.

FREE ADMISSION TICKETS FOR THE OPEN-AIR CONCERT AT MAPLE STREET PLAYGROUND CAN NOW BE OBTAINED FROM THE SUB-OFFICES OF THE MUSIC OFFICE, MOST CITY DISTRICT OFFICES, TSUEN WAN AND SHA TIN DISTRICT OFFICES, AND BRANCHES OF TOM LEE PIANO COMPANY AND TSANG FOOK PIANO COMPANY.

ADMISSION TICKETS AT \$3 AND \$5 FOR THE EVENING CONCERT IN THE ACADEMIC COMMUNITY HALL ARE NOW AVAILABLE AT THE VARIOUS BRANCHES OF THE TWO PIANO COMPANIES AND THE ACADEMIC COMMUNITY HALL.

ENQUIRIES ABOUT THE TWO CONCERTS CAN BE MADE TO THE MUSIC OFFICE IN THE HK ARTS CENTRE, WAN CHAI (TEL: 5-283257).

- - - - 0 - - - -

LOGO FOR NEW TERRITORIES SERVICES DEPARTMENT

* * * * *

THE NEW TERRITORIES SERVICES DEPARTMENT HAS PRODUCED A LOGO FOR EASY IDENTIFICATION BY THE PUBLIC OF THE VARIOUS SERVICES IT PROVIDES.

THE NEW LOGO WITH THE CHINESE CHARACTER 'URBAN' IN A BOX WAS DESIGNED BY THE INFORMATION SERVICES DEPARTMENT AND WILL BE USED ON VEHICLES OF THE DEPARTMENT AS WELL AS VARIOUS SIGNBOARDS DISPLAYED AT THE ENTRANCES OF PARKS AND PLAYGROUNDS OPERATED BY NTSD.

A NTSD SPOKESMAN SAID THAT THE DESIGN HAD ALSO INCORPORATED THE ENGLISH NAME OF THE DEPARTMENT.

HE SAID, +THE DOT AT THE TOP OF THE CHARACTER HAS BEEN SLIGHTLY STRETCHED TO MAKE THE SHAPE OF AN 'N' WHEREAS THE HORIZONTAL AND VERTICAL STROKES FORM THE LETTER 'T'.

+THESE LETTERS, TOGETHER WITH THE DOUBLE 'S' PLACED SYMMETRICALLY ON THE SIDES OF THE VERTICAL STROKE MAKE UP THE ABBREVIATION OF 'NEW TERRITORIES SERVICES'.+

- - - - 0 - - - -

THREE VOLUNTEERS RETURN FROM UK TRAINING

* * *

LOCAL YOUNG MEN FOND OF SOLDIERING AND WITH LEADERSHIP AND MANAGEMENT POTENTIAL MAY NOW HAVE THE CHANCE TO GO TO THE ROYAL MILITARY ACADEMY IN SANDHURST, AFTER JOINING THE ROYAL HONG KONG REGIMENT (THE VOLUNTEERS).

THREE CADET OFFICERS OF THE REGIMENT, DR ALVIN YEUNG, IN HIS OWN TIME AN ORTHOPAEDIC SURGEON= PAUL YUEN, AN ENGINEER, AND MICHAEL LEUNG, AN INSURANCE COMPANY MANAGER, HAVE RECENTLY RETURNED FROM A TWO-WEEK OFFICER CADET TRAINING COURSE DEVISED FOR UK'S TERRITORIAL ARMY OFFICERS. THEY HAVE SINCE RECEIVED THEIR COMMISSION AS SECOND LIEUTENANTS.

THIS WAS THE FIRST TIME IN THE REGIMENT'S HISTORY THAT LOCAL VOLUNTEERS WERE SENT TO SANDHURST.

THERE, THEY WERE FURTHER DRILLED IN THE ESSENTIALS OF A GOOD ARMY OFFICER -- LEADERSHIP, MANAGERIAL SKILLS, INITIATIVE, PHYSICAL FITNESS AND GENERAL MILITARY TECHNIQUES.

+IT WAS ALSO A VERY USEFUL COURSE FOR THE OFFICERS THEMSELVES AS IT FURTHER DEVELOPED THEIR SELF-CONFIDENCE AND COMMONSENSE AND BROADENED THEIR OUTLOOK,+ THEIR COMMANDING OFFICER, LT COL EDWARD PEPPER SAID TODAY (SUNDAY).

HE WAS GLAD THAT HIS MEN HAVE HAD THE BENEFIT OF GOING THROUGH ONE OF THE WORLD'S MOST ESTEEMED TRAINING ESTABLISHMENTS FOR ARMY OFFICERS AND THAT IT HAS MADE A MARKED DIFFERENCE TO THEIR OVERALL MILITARY ABILITY.

+THE REGIMENT WILL PROFIT BY THE MODERN MILITARY KNOWLEDGE THEY GLEANED FROM THE COURSE AND WILL IMPART TO THEIR FELLOW SOLDIERS DURING THE REST OF THEIR ACTIVE SERVICE. THEIR EMPLOYERS TOO WILL INDIRECTLY GAIN BY HAVING ON THEIR STAFF A MUCH MORE MATURE AND EFFICIENT EMPLOYEE.

+FOUR MORE MEMBERS OF THE VOLUNTEERS ARE LIKELY TO BE SENT TO THE SANDHURST OFFICER CADET TRAINING COURSE BY THE END OF THIS YEAR,+ HE ADDED.

IN ORDER TO ACHIEVE A HIGHER MILITARY STANDARD, THE ROYAL HONG KONG REGIMENT IS SENDING MORE OF ITS PART-TIME SOLDIERS FROM ALL RANKS TO OTHER COMMONWEALTH COUNTRIES INCLUDING FIJI, MALAYSIA, BRUNEI, AND AUSTRALIA, FOR DIFFERENT TRAINING COURSES AND FOR ATTACHMENT TO THE REGULAR ARMIES IN EXERCISES.

A LANCE CORPORAL IS NOW TAKING PART IN A SEVEN-WEEK EXERCISE WITH GURKHA SOLDIERS IN AUSTRALIA. TWO LOCAL VOLUNTEERS HAVE JUST RETURNED FROM A TWO-WEEK EXERCISE WITH THE 7TH GURKHA RIFLES IN BRUNEI. LAST YEAR TWO OTHERS ATTENDED A SMALL ARMS COURSE AND A SIGNAL OFFICER'S COURSE IN BRITAIN.

LOCALLY, ANOTHER SIX WILL ATTEND THE TOUGH OUTWARD BOUND COURSE THIS YEAR.

FOR THOSE WHO ARE INTERESTED IN BECOMING HONG KONG'S OWN VOLUNTEER SOLDIERS, THE REGIMENT WILL LAUNCH A RECRUITMENT CAMPAIGN THIS AUGUST, TO BE FOLLOWED BY A TRAINING CAMP IN DECEMBER.

SUNDAY, MARCH 30, 1980

- 4 -

RECRUITS WILL BE TRAINED IN A VARIETY OF MILITARY SUBJECTS, INCLUDING MAP READING, WEAPON HANDLING, DRIVING, RADIO OPERATING, FIELD CRAFT AND HELICOPTER DRILLS.

THIS REWARDING AND INTERESTING PART-TIME CAREER IS OPEN TO WELL-EDUCATED YOUNG MEN ABLE TO SPEAK ENGLISH, OF NOT LESS THAN 1.7 METRES (5 FT 4 IN) IN HEIGHT AND 50 KG (110 LBS) IN WEIGHT, AVAILABLE FOR TRAINING TWO EVENINGS AND ONE WEEKEND EACH MONTH, IN ADDITION TO TWO 7-DAY CAMPS EACH YEAR.

- - - - 0 - - - -

COMMUNITY CENTRE FOR SHEUNG SHUI

* * * * *

A COMMUNITY CENTRE WILL BE BUILT SHORTLY IN SHEUNG SHUI TO ENABLE MORE PEOPLE TO TAKE PART IN SOCIAL AND CULTURAL ACTIVITIES.

IT WILL REPLACE THE EXISTING SOCIAL CENTRE, THE FACILITIES OF WHICH ARE NOW INADEQUATE.

THE NEW CENTRE WILL BE SITUATED ON A 2 000-SQUARE-METRE SITE NEAR THE SHEUNG SHUI RAILWAY STATION.

WORK ON THE PROJECT INCLUDES THE BUILDING OF A HALL OVER A COVERED PLAY AREA AND A SIX-STOREY ANNEXE.

THERE WILL BE A STAGE, DRESSING ROOMS AND A BALCONY IN THE HALL WHICH WILL SEAT ABOUT 1 000 PEOPLE.

THE ANNEXE WILL PROVIDE ACCOMMODATION FOR A LIBRARY, EXHIBITION AREA, OFFICES, NURSERY, COFFEE BAR AND ACTIVITY ROOM FOR CHILDREN, YOUTHS AND ADULTS.

THE PROJECT FORMS PART OF THE DEVELOPMENT PROGRAMME OF SHEK WU HUI NEW TOWN.

A PWD SPOKESMAN SAID THAT WORK ON THE PROJECT WOULD START IN MAY AND BE COMPLETED IN THE MIDDLE OF NEXT YEAR.

TENDERS FOR THE WORK ARE BEING INVITED BY PWD'S ARCHITECTURAL OFFICE.

- - - - 0 - - - -

15

SUNDAY, MARCH 30, 1980

- 5 -

FIRST TOY LIBRARY IN NT OPENS

* * * * *

THE DEPUTY SECRETARY FOR THE NEW TERRITORIES, MR AUGUSTINE CHUI KAM, TODAY (SUNDAY) OPENED THE FIRST TOY LIBRARY IN THE NEW TERRITORIES AT TAI HING ESTATE, TUEN MUN.

THE TOY LIBRARY, THE SECOND IN HONG KONG, HAS BEEN SET UP BY THE HONG KONG JAYCETTES IN CONJUNCTION WITH THE FINNISH MISSIONARY SOCIETY TO DEVELOP THE SKILL AND INTELLIGENCE OF CHILDREN AND TO ENHANCE THEIR SPIRIT OF CO-OPERATION.

IT OCCUPIES AN AREA OF 56 SQUARE METRES IN THE ESTATE'S TAI HING CHRISTIAN YOUTH AND CHILDREN'S SERVICE ON THE GROUND FLOOR OF HONG SHING HOUSE.

WITH THE SUPPORT OF THE CHAIRMAN OF TUEN MUN RURAL COMMITTEE, MR LAU WONG-FAT, IT WILL BE RUN BY THE SOCIETY ON A NON-PROFIT-MAKING BASIS.

LOCAL TOY MANUFACTURERS HAVE DONATED 3 000 ITEMS TO THE LIBRARY WHICH WILL PROVIDE FACILITIES TO MEET THE RECREATIONAL NEEDS OF CHILDREN IN THE ESTATE.

SPEAKING AT A CEREMONY TO MARK THE LIBRARY'S OPENING, MR CHUI SAID WHILE THE GOVERNMENT HAD TRIED TO MEET THE MULTIFARIOUS NEEDS OF THE NEW RESIDENTS IN THE PLANNING AND PROVISION OF BASIC REQUIREMENTS OF A COMMUNITY, THERE WAS A CLEAR DEMAND FOR SERVICES FOR CHILDREN WHO WERE SETTLING IN.

+IT IS GRATIFYING TO SEE SUCH A VAST VARIETY OF TOYS HERE, WHICH I FEEL WOULD NOT ONLY DELIGHT, BUT ALSO EDUCATE THE CHILDREN OF TAI HING,+ HE SAID.

MR CHUI SAID: +A TOY IS TO A SMALL CHILD AS A STORY BOOK IS TO AN ADOLESCENT AND A MAGAZINE OR NOVELS TO A GROWN-UP: IT PROVIDES MOMENTS OF PLEASURE AND DIVERSION, IT CAUSES AN EXPERIENCE TO HAPPEN TO THE SUBJECT AND IT STIMULATES A RESPONSE.

+TO A CHILD, I IMAGINE, A TOY SIGNIFIES JOY AND HAPPINESS. IF HE CAN TOUCH IT, PLAY WITH IT, BANG IT ABOUT OR EVEN THROW IT AROUND, HE FEELS HAPPY.+

IT WAS UP TO RESPONSIBLE GROWN-UPS, INCLUDING TOY MANUFACTURERS, PARENTS AND ORGANISERS OF COMMUNITY SERVICES, TO ENSURE THAT THE TOYS WERE OF A SUITABLE HYGIENIC STANDARD FROM BOTH THE PSYCHOLOGICAL AND PHYSICAL POINTS OF VIEW, HE SAID.

THE FIRST TOY LIBRARY IN HONG KONG, ASLO INITIATED BY THE HONG KONG JAYCETTES, WAS SET UP IN 1977 AT TSZ WAN SHAN ESTATE.

- - - - 0 - - - -

/6

SUNDAY, MARCH 30, 1980

- 6 -

SNT PRAISES ST JOHN AMBULANCE BRIGADE

* * * * *

THE SECRETARY FOR THE NEW TERRITORIES, MR DAVID AKERS-JONES, TODAY (SUNDAY) PRAISED THE ST JOHN AMBULANCE BRIGADE WHICH HE SAID HAD BEEN PLAYING AN OUTSTANDING ROLE IN PROVIDING EXCELLENT FIRST-AID AND AMBULANCE SERVICES TO THE COMMUNITY OF HONG KONG, INCLUDING THE NEW TERRITORIES, SINCE ITS ESTABLISHMENT IN 1915.

MR AKERS-JONES WAS SPEAKING AT A PARADE OF THE MAINLAND AREA OF THE ST JOHN AMBULANCE BRIGADE HELD ON THE SEK KONG AIRSTRIP.

THE PARADE WAS PART OF AN ANNUAL TRAINING FIELD DAY ORGANISED BY THE BRIGADE'S AMBULANCE AND NURSING DIVISIONS IN CONJUNCTION WITH THE ARMY.

FIELD DAYS ARE HELD TO IMPROVE STANDARDS OF FIRST-AID AND RESCUE TECHNIQUES BY PROVIDING MEMBERS WITH PRACTICAL TRAINING.

MR AKERS-JONES SAID IT WAS PARTICULARLY ENCOURAGING TO KNOW THAT THE BRIGADE'S ACTIVITIES AND SERVICES WERE BEING EXTENDED INTO THE FAST GROWING NEW TOWNS.

+FOR IT IS MOST IMPORTANT THAT YOU, AND SIMILAR ORGANISATIONS, PREPARE A SYSTEMATIC PROGRAMME OF EXPANSION IN PACE WITH THE GROWTH OF POPULATION,+ HE SAID.

TODAY'S EVENTS STARTED WITH FIRST-AID AND DRILL COMPETITIONS IN WHICH 350 BRIGADE OFFICERS AND MEMBERS TOOK PART. IN THE AFTERNOON, THE ROYAL ARMY MEDICAL CORPS GAVE DEMONSTRATIONS OF LIGHT RESCUE, BATTLE-FIELD AND LAND CASUALTY EVACUATIONS.

MR AKERS-JONES SAID THE PERFORMANCE OF PARTICIPANTS IN THE COMPETITIONS +DEMONSTRATES THAT THEY ARE WELL EQUIPPED BY THEIR TRAINING TO MAKE A SIGNIFICANT CONTRIBUTION TO THE COMMUNITY AND THOSE IN NEED.+ HE SAID THE PARADE GAVE HIM MUCH CONFIDENCE THAT MANY YOUNG PEOPLE IN HONG KONG WERE READY TO DEVOTE THEMSELVES TO THE SERVICE OF OTHERS.

ASSISTED BY THE BRIGADE'S MAINLAND AREA COMMISSIONER, DR DAVID MOK, MR AKERS-JONES LATER PRESENTED TROPHIES TO COMPETITION WINNERS.

- - - - - 0 - - - - -

TRAFFIC RE-ROUTING AT WATER STREET

* * * * *

A SECTION OF WATER STREET BETWEEN DES VOEUX ROAD WEST AND QUEEN'S ROAD WEST WILL BE RE-ROUTED ONE-WAY NORTHBOUND FROM 10 AM ON WEDNESDAY (APRIL 2) TO IMPROVE TRAFFIC FLOW IN THE AREA.

TRAFFIC SIGNS WILL BE SET UP TO GUIDE MOTORISTS.

- - - - - 0 - - - - -

17

SUNDAY, MARCH 30, 1980

- 7 -

WATER CUT IN THREE NT AREAS

* * * *

FRESH WATER SUPPLY TO A NUMBER OF PREMISES IN SHEUNG SHUI, FANLING AND SAI KUNG WILL BE INTERRUPTED ON TUESDAY (APRIL 1) TO FACILITATE WATER MAINS WORK.

IN SHEUNG SHUI AND FANLING, SUPPLY WILL BE TURNED OFF FOR EIGHT HOURS FROM 10 PM THAT DAY TO 6 AM THE FOLLOWING DAY.

THE PREMISES TO BE AFFECTED ARE ALONG TAI PO ROAD (FANLING SECTION) BETWEEN FANLING ROUNDABOUT AND SHEUNG SHUI CROSS ROAD= CASTLE PEAK ROAD BETWEEN SHEUNG SHUI CROSS ROAD AND LOK MA CHAU= AND FAN KAM ROAD BETWEEN SHEUNG SHUI CROSS ROAD AND TSIU KENG VILLAGE.

IN SAI KUNG, SUPPLY WILL BE TURNED OFF FOR EIGHT HOURS FROM 9.30 AM TO 5.30 PM ON TUESDAY.

THE AFFECTED PREMISES AND VILLAGES ARE ALONG CLEAR WATER BAY ROAD BETWEEN A KUNG WAN AND HIRAM'S HIGHWAY, INCLUDING TAI PO TSAI VILLAGE= HIRAM'S HIGHWAY BETWEEN CLEAR WATER BAY ROAD AND PO TUNG ROAD, INCLUDING TUI MIN HOI, AND SAI KUNG MARKET AREAS.

- - - - 0 - - - -