

THE STORY a century of memories

Platres, is an allure for foreigners and for citizens. Exploring through the Pattichion Municipal Museum – Historical Archive – Limassol Studies Centre.

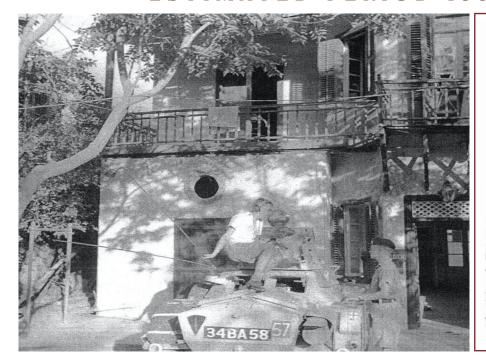


Various documentation and B/W photos indicate the Petit Palais standing at the same place since 1926, with a different name. It was named The GRAND BRITTANIA HOTEL.

Since those days, Platres was very popular destination amongst the rich and famous. Royal Families, Artists and Poets from abroad, visiting to relax and therefore the blended cultures, views and opinions marked the early years of this evergreen mountain retreat.

During the mid-1930s around 17 hotels have been traced to exist and operate at Platres. More than 700 tourists and around 2000 locals would spend the summer holidays, enjoying the Nightingales chatter along with the unique climate during the hot summer months, the climate which has always been a dominant characteristic.

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Military Camp

general The situation in Cyprus naturally accounts for the lack of tourists from the nearby countries (Eg Israel etc.) but the turn (Egypt, Platres into a military camp, is another main deterrent to Cyprus people from lishing their families during summer, or visiting Platres during week-ends. The area occupied by the army is a small part, in the centre, of Platres. It starts from «Kallithea» hotel, a little over the Church, at the entrance of the resort, along the main road over «Grand Hotel», and proceeds westwards to «Pendelis hotel, near the Municipal Market.

This area includes the Po-



SUPPLEMENT No. 3

TO

THE CYPRUS GAZETTE No. 3898 OF 15TH DECEMBER, 1955. SUBSIDIARY LEGISLATION.

No. 786.

THE SUPPLIES AND SERVICES (TRANSITIONAL POWERS)
(CYPRUS) ORDER, 1946.

ORDER MADE BY THE DEPUTY GOVERNOR UNDER DEFENCE REGULATION 64.

G. E. SINCLAIR,

Deputy Governor.

In exercise of the powers vested in the Governor by Defence Regulation 64, as set out in the First Schedule to the Supplies and Services (Transitional Powers) (Cyprus) Order, 1946 (which continues in force in consequence of the Supplies and Services (Continuance) Order, 1954), I, the Deputy Governor do by this Order order as follows:—

- r. I authorise, subject to the restrictions and conditions contained in the First Schedule to this Order, the use, for military purposes, of the land and property specified in the Second Schedule (hereinafter referred to as "the land") during the period of six months from the date of this Order.
- The persons using the land in pursuance of this Order are entitled to do thereon or in relation thereto such acts as may be necessary for such military purposes.
- 3. The exercise of any right of way over the land and of any other right relating thereto which is enjoyed by any person, whether by virtue of an interest in the land or otherwise, is hereby prohibited during the period this Order shall remain in force.

FIRST SCHEDULE.

- 1. The land shall be occupied and used for military purposes only.
- At the expiration of this Order the land shall be restored to the persons
 entitled thereto free of any erection, structure or construction erected or
 constructed thereon after the making of this Order.

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Compensation shall be paid to the persons having an interest on the land for its use and occupation under this Order.

SECOND SCHEDULE.

All that area of privately-owned property situated in the village of Pano

Platres, that is to say :-

The property known as the PETIT PALAIS HOTEL, PLATRES, being plots Nos. 123 and 510 of the Pano Platres Village Plan and comprising land, buildings and all appurtenances thereto, more particularly defined as the area coloured red on the plan signed by the Assistant Director of Hirings, Cyprus, dated the 5th December, 1955, a copy of which is deposited in the office of the Commissioner, Limassol.

Made this 9th day of December, 1955.

No. 787.

THE VILLAGES (ADMINISTRATION AND IMPROVEMENT) LAWS, 1950 AND 1953.

Order made under Section 22 (a) (i).

Authority to the Improvement Board of Trikomo to contract a loan.

J. W. Sykes,

Administrative Secretary.

In exercise of the powers vested in me by section 22 (a) (i) of the Villages (Administration and Improvement) Laws, 1950 and 1953, I, the Administrative Secretary, do hereby order as follows:—

- r. The Improvement Board of Trikomo (hereinafter referred to as "the Board") shall be at liberty to borrow from the Loan Commissioners (hereinafter referred to as "the Lenders") a sum not exceeding five hundred pounds (£500) at a rate of interest not exceeding four per centum (4%) per annum, subject to the following terms and conditions, that is to say:—
 - (a) the sum borrowed shall be repayable by the Board to the Lenders in eight equal annual instalments (comprising sinking fund and interest);
 - (b) the sum borrowed shall be utilized by the Board for asphalting the village streets.
- 2. For the purpose of securing the repayment of the sum under loan, the Board shall, subject to any prior mortgage thereon, mortgage to the Lenders all the rates, fees, rents, tolls or charges now payable or hereafter to become payable to the Board.

Made this 9th day of December, 1955.

(M.P. 1155/51.)

No. 788.

THE RURAL CONSTABLES LAW. CAP. 267 AND LAWS 46 OF 1954 AND 59 OF 1955.

REGULATIONS MADE UNDER SECTION 19H.

In exercise of the powers vested in him by section 19H of the Rural Constables Law, His Excellency the Governor has been pleased to make the following Regulations:—

 These Regulations may be cited as the Rural Constables (Leave and Gratuities) Regulations, 1955. CML | Thursday, July 26, 1956 | 5

Platres without visitors

On Sunday, hottest day so far this year, Platres, the main summer resort, at the foot of Troodos mountains was without visitors.

At this time last year, movement at Platres used to be in full swing, centres were full, traffic was exceptional, but when I walked through the resort's streets on Sunday last, not a single car was met, not a house occupied by foreign tourists or Limassal and other townsfolk, not a visitor seen in the once popular open air centres of «Graces valley» and «Psilo Dentro» (Tall Tree).

Wireless Office, the Post Office, the Post Office — which, however, has been moved outside near the market — and all hotels in the area, «Kallithea», «Pavsilypon», «Pendell», and the «International Bar», are occupied by troops mainly the 45 Marine Commando.

Barbed wire

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Barbed wire, sandbags and sentries are posted at the approaches to this area, «Kallithea», «Pendell», «Grand Hotel». All Platres inhabitants, men and women, can move in and out of this area by means of passes which have been given them, and which must be shown to the guards on both entrance and exit:

Militarian Campa

Limassol, Wednesday. Wireless Office, the Post On Sunday, hottest day so Office — which, however, has been moved outside near the

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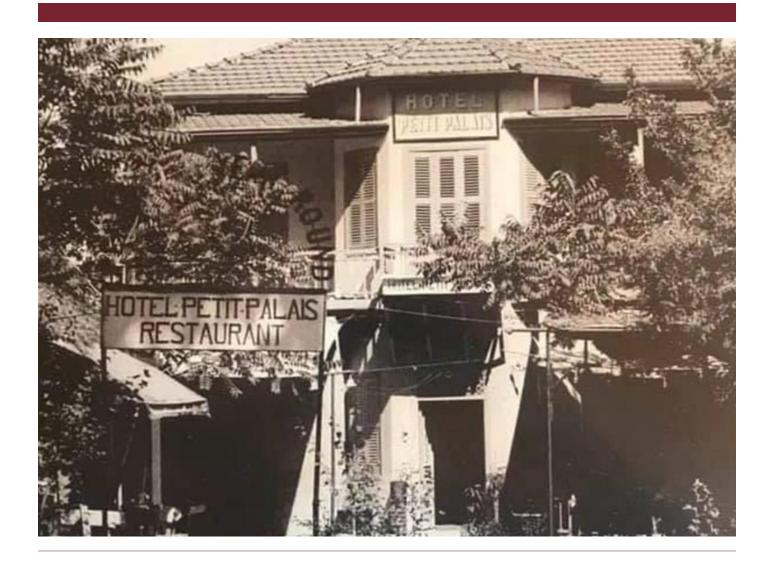
the Cyprus Broadcasting Service that if they decide to with draw their entries by April 24 they will be re-funded their fees in full. Many such applications have already been received.

The Department of Education reminds candidates that their letters of withdrawal must reach the Education Office, Nicosia, by Tuesday next. April 24. Schools may send lists of such candidates. The details required are name, examination registration num-ber subject or subjects to be withdrawn and examination centre.

ALL ROOMS. FULLY BOOKED

Limassol, Saturday. It is understood that the six hotels at Platres which

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the war, instead of being on a sliding scale, to facilitate Land Registration work and eliminate the temptation of making false declarations of sale prices; No increase is made in trans-

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Platres Festival

Programme for Sunday, August 30, will be: 10.30 a.m. The police band will play outside the Public Garden.

Garden.

11.00 a.m. Egg-spoon race for children and grown-ups.

From Petit Palals to Public Garden. (Prizes will be

Garden. (Prizes will be given).

12 noon. Draught horse race from «Kokkino Fanari» café to «Psilo Dendro» café (lat prize £5, 2nd prize £3, 3rd prize £2.)

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1 p.m. Trap shooting (finals) at «Kokkino Fanari».

2 p.m. Award of prizes of winners of trap shooting at Forest Park hotel.

3 and 9.30 p.m. Theatrical performances by Onisilos group (7 p.m. performance 2s. & 4s.; 9.30 p.m. performance 3s. and 5s.)



ESTIMATED PERIOD 1996-2018

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