Eddys Returning

Mr. and Mrs. Eddy (he is Tapline’s Political Consultant) are returning from the United States this week by way of Rome, Libya, and Cairo. They were based in Washington D.C. by illness for which Mr. Eddy was hospitalized.

Transfers on Line

Qairawani and Turaif are trading operations forming this month. John Arnold moved to Turaif where there is a 3 bedroom home available for his wife and four children (twins last Nov., and John Bradey moved directly to Qaisumah after his long leave. Dan Ball also is from Sidon, the rest are urged to contact Joe Jabbour of Personnel first before the cadets of the Military section, and he will reside in California for the time being.

Trainee Schools in Beirut

Sidon Arabic High School. Said, school clerk from Badamia, is in Beirut for a six to eight month course studying Arabic, English, Arithmetic and Typing.

Off To Okinawa

The far off Pacific Island of Okinawa is the new home of Joe Rehman, formerly with Community Services in Beirut. Joe’s new job is to manage a store in the American Service section, and he plans to return to Beirut for a visit every two years.

Rain Shelter

Before the next rainy season Sidon Terminal communications will have a new waiting station on the southeast corner by the main gate.

St. Patrick’s Day Dance

All Tapliners and their families and friends are invited to join the festivities of a St. Patrick’s Day Dance to be held in Sidon at the Cassanova Club on March 14. Mrs. Betty Kennedy is chairman of the dance, and all profits will be turned over to the building fund of the French Catholic Girls’ School.

Doctor’s Visit

Arriving aboard the tanker "Al Arbia" is Caltex Petroleum, Mij. John Bradey, formerly with Caltex. His wife, Lucille, will reside in California for the time being.

Eddys Returning

Jordan Tapliner in London

Mohamed Trakh of the Tapliner office in Amman, Trans-Jordan, is on leave of absence to attend secretarial work in London. He will return to work as a senior clerk upon completion of his year’s study in June.

Jensen on Route To Sumatra

New address of V. H. Jensen is Calcutta to Calcutta, Pers, Petroleum, Mij. Jensen, 82 Dakkarta, Java, Indonesia. Barney visited his Tapline friends for a few days in February in his way to new assignment with Calikin, Nariya, will reside in California for the time being.

Vice-President on Visit

Avising in the middle of a storm, vice-president Harry H. Britton spent the few short days of his Middle East visit battling the rain in the Tapline Hospital.

Rafah

Late in February he accompanied Mr. C. A. Bigwett and Mr. Walter Lember on a tour of the IPC pipeline system in and around Kirkuk, Iraq. The three men reported on the perpetuating and informative trip.

"I am looking forward to some time alone at this station along Tapsa," says Mr. Britton, "before I return to New York." Mrs. Margaret Britton accompanied her husband from New York.

Duplicate Bridge Tourneys

Every Tuesday night is Duplicate Bridge night in the Bay Room of the Palm Beach Hotel. Organized by S. E. Thomas of Accounting, three weekly games are attended regularly by bridge enthusiasts Mr. and Mrs. Hal Cross, and Mrs. Hal Cross, W. A. Swain, Janet Nelson and Lola Wolfe. The tournament is open to all Beirutans interested in bridge.

Keane is Keen on Music

Retired arrival in Beirut is Dorothy Keane, wife of Bill Keane of Accounting, who is studying to become an opera singer. A mezzo soprano, Mrs. Keane is planning to return to Sidon, Italy, this spring, to study under a scholarship with the Torino Nuovo Opera group. She sang roles in Calikin, Nariya, and And America Cherin while in Milan last year.

Jen ice Pipe...Line...Periscop...e

"Pipeline Periscope" has been selected as the name of the new Tapline employees’ monthly paper. The winning name was submitted by Raja Ilja of the Beirut Engineer- ing department, and was one of over 600 names entered in the contest.

"We plan to buy a radio pick-up the 150 LL prize money," says Raja, pictured above with his wife Laila (former Tapline employee and 2 month old son, Raja). "The Army rolled out the carpet for us," says Raja, "and we were able to have our boy live with us for three weeks. We were the first parents to visit a soldier son on Guam."

From Guam the Bradys continued east to Honolulu where they visited friends of the 69th AAF. Mrs. Betty Kennedy of Sidon, and met the brother of Mrs. Art Olsen. After spending Christmas in Kansas, they returned to Beirut by air in time for John to take over his new duties as Operating Foreman at Qaisumah.

New Arrivals

Miss Beverly Arrowsmith, fiancée of engineer R. C. Thompson, arrived in Beirut last week from Beverly Hills, California. The couple plan to be married some time in March.

Miss Mary Ann Fleen, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. L. N. Fleen of Turairiff, arrived in Beirut on February 28. She plans to attend school in Beirut. Mr. and Mrs. Fleen reside in Chicago, and in January, 1953, moved to his present job in structural engineering at AT.&T. Illinois.

Qaisumah Pump Station - First on Tapline. In the foreground are the six 150,000 and nine 91,000 barrel Aramco royalty tanks used to measure the oil. In the industrial area are the pump house, warehouses, offices, Aramco maintained water tanks, diesel tanks and garage. Across the yard are family quarters, lovely town houses and guard tower. For more pictures on "Most Qaisumah" see page 7.
PIPELINE PERISCOPE

IN THE SPOTLIGHT

He volunteered in the British Army when he found it impossible to reach Belgium, and when his brother was sent to the Libyan Arab Force to serve the present King Habib and Ben Younes.

For three years Captain Louis Misson fought in North Africa. He was twice torpedoed in the Mediterranean and once miraculously escaped to safety after being cut off by the Germans. In June, 1943, he was transferred to Libya to attend a police school, and upon graduation was sent to Jordan and Palestine to study and obtain experience in police work. He was later assigned to the Arab Legion where he became a staff officer under Ghul Pasha until June, 1947.

Since 1947 Louis Misson has represented Tapline in Jordan. He is a Belgian citizen, born in Egypt, studied in France, served in the British Army where he was first in the Libyan Arab Force, then transferred to the Arab Legion in Jordan and Palestine, and now works for an American company.

Louis' father came to Egypt in 1918 to head a large agricultural firm. Young Louis was sent to France to study agriculture, but when the European war broke out he returned to Alexandria.

FOUR JUBILEES

Two fires broke out at the Badanah station within a week, and both were put out by the men on duty without losing the building. The first occurred early Monday morning, March 23, in the storeroom of the Recreation Hall; the second, in the Canteen in the A.M. of Saturday, March 28.

Proud Fathers

BEIRUT

Zeidel Hayek (P&S-Whse) a girl, Linda.
George Chehbeh (Eng') a girl, Nida.
Nicholas J. Berberi (P&S-Whse) a boy, Alam.

SIDON

Mohamed Wadieh (Constr.) a boy, Ahmad-Jawad.
Ahmad Shouayri (P&S-Whse) a girl, Maryan.
Mustafa Khalfah (Constr.) a boy, Hassan.
Mustafa Merhi (Op's) a boy, Saleh.
Mohamed Hussein (Ops) a girl, Amal.
Khalil Sliman (Ops) a boy, Nicolas.
Youssef Ersawi (Maintenance) a girl, Hanan.
Ali K. Hanandeh (Phone Ops) a boy, Mustafa and a girl, Anwar.
Barba Harb (Ops.) a boy.

DAMASCUS

Mahmoud El Youssef (Govt Relations) a boy, Munif.

WEDDINGS

Yvonne Kana (Manager) a girl, Mary Issa.
Jasik Khalaf (Ops.) to Marya Meow.

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Flour Given to Needy

Through the cooperation of the Mohafza of South Lebanon, Tapline is providing approximately 35 tons of flour to the door of the SIDON station.

The Mohafza provided a list of needy families in the area, and they will control the distribution of the flour — about 43 tons in 18 burlap bags to the SIDON station in the district. The flour is distributed once a week by the SIDON station.

Transfers

Khalil Alkiki transferred from GOB to Communications (Beirut). Antoine Kana transferred from GOB to Public Relations (Beirut). Emile Tylak transferred from Engineering, SIDON to Turf.

Engagements

Georges Kanous of (P&S-Whse) to Violette Khalaf.

AVAILABLE

Pizza 1100, 1950 model.

Thank you to judges

The Line, submitted by F. J. Stabik to Senior Clerk. (Beirut).

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The six judges who undertook the ponderous task of choosing one out of 445 entries. Those who acted as judges are Joseph Bitar, Lebanon; Mahmoud el Youssef, Syria; Mohammed Y. Ahmad, Jordan, G. I. Abulafia, Saudi Arabia, Benjamin Davies, American, and J. Rebholz, Dan.

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RAFAQ

by Evelyn Hughes

We had unexpected British visitors recently, and since none of all avenues out here are grateful a cup of tea enjoyed by all was planned. The plane took off the wrong pipeline and was blown off in an Oxalan & Bill Graham interrupted the Brigadier General and his aide before dinner, and after doing the crowd gathered at the Hughes house where a small dinner party for John (Government Relations) was under way. The Brits were heard to say: 'We jolly well hope to get this way again some time.'

I was in Paris (Elsa Maxwell) Grey had another of their fun for all parties where everyone seems like “mad” and dancing, music and conversation flows. My birthday, Mons. Jim Grimes, Charles H. Schmidt and Mel Christian were out of-town. Bill Boggs was playing his bugle – mostly Irish tunes upon request.

For a hang-up bugle boy: all the ladies baked cakes and cookies, with Lydia Jamm-ami’s cherry cake taking the grand prize. Emil Minder in charge, everyone had a good time.

Sun Rusty Hughes celebrated his eight birthday with a party, Gary Graham and Gordon Ragdale his guests.

SIDON

by Mounes Bitar-Bin Gomme

At long last, Captain and Helen Brown broke into their new house on a quiet little hill (half way to Mesh Meah). They join the H. Osborns, Bill Hellman and Walter Ludwiges. The new home is a charming one also on the hill.

Lea Walshers had just moved into the ex-Hospital house where Lea was not to long ago the place where Johnny Kellower’s ex-femal female contingent of the Chacoun family (E.J.’s guests) was in residence. Bill Pickert entered with his singing – mostly Irish tunes upon request.

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**NEW NAMES ON GOLF TEAM**

Long-time Tapline employees Norman M. Cross, Harold E. Egan, and Harold L. Henry have joined Bechtel's forces in Aden. The three are now members of the Tapline golf team competing on the Tapline golf team in the future.

**JORDANIAN ENTERTAINS**

Aramco is providing prizes for winners of the competition. The Middle East Oil Industries Association recently scheduled for April 17 to 21, will be held in Beirut. The tourney will now be held May 16 and 17 in Tripoli and will be sponsored by the Arab Petroleum Company.

**BOOKLET TO EMPLOYEES**

The book deals with the objectives of Tapline, the benefits it has derived from the transportation of oil, are substantial. Approximately 118,000 employees have not yet joined may be sold by the Esso Company to make repairs. The project at the new Arab kingdom of Libya, says Mr. Eddy, "to view the farms and to find out the attitude of the inhabitants. We met Captain Juma Al-Saad, Arabian Petroleum Company's director of personnel, and we met with Mr. Yahya.

**SAFETY AWARD TO BADANAH**

Mr. Yahya has had considerable experience in club stewardship and services during. He is president of Tapline—Two Years of Progress—Talpi, Lebanon.

**EDDYS VISIT LIBYA**

On their way home from New York City, Mr. and Mrs. W. A. Eddy stopped in the New Arab Oil Company, and was welcomed by Mr. Yahya and Mr. Eddy.

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