At a special luncheon in March, Mr. H. B. Bickley, head of General Services, was presented with a service pin and a pocket watch for 33 years continuous service with Tapline and affiliated companies by Mr. C. A. Swigart, president of Tapline. About 30 of Mr. Bickley's friends and associates attended the luncheon.

Mr. Bickley started with Standard in 1917 and in 1922 became a member of the refinery services department, remaining with Fluor East. He stayed in the operation and in 1926 was trayed to the Middle East, and in 1928 he was appointed Treasurer in Sidon, Lebanon. He was thereafter put in charge of the crude oil storage at Sidon, and operated it for 7 years.

When the company transferred to Tapline in 1949, Mr. Bickley has been in the office ever since 1949. In his present position he heads the Tapline office, Transports, Purchases, and Community Development Departments.

SNOW BOUND

Due to the weather, operations manager Vivian (Low) was unable to attend the annual meeting. Mrs. Bechtel was unable to attend the meeting for personal reasons. Mr. Bechtel's brother, Mr. Harold Schantz, was unable to attend the meeting due to his ill health.

NEW NAMES ON GOLF TEAM

Long time Tapline employees have been elected to the new Tapline golf team for the forthcoming season. The team consists of: James T. Anderson, John C. H. G. and the late Bill Thompson of the Middle East Oil Company and Charles L. Fisher of the Esso Company.

BOWLERS COMPETE

In their first competition of the year, five Tapline bowlers entered the annual bowling tournament held on March 3. The team consisting of: James D. Lindsay, Charles L. Fisher, and William A. Eddy won the tournament over the Central Oil Company team. The winning team consisted of: John C. H. G., John C. H. G. Jr., and Charles L. Fisher.

EDDY VISITS LEBANON

On their way back from New York, Mr. Eddy stopped in Beirut to visit his relatives. Mr. Eddy has been in Tapline service for 18 years and has spent his entire career with Tapline.

SIDON LOADING FILMED

Marking the opening new oil year, pictures of the operations of the BPD Oil Refinery at Sidon, a marine film, including Operation Report:

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SAFETY AWARD TO BADANAH

June 1953, to carry out the first

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Badanah Employee ‘In the Spotlight’

Ishbook, Now Studying in Beirut, Finds Typing Easy, Arabic ‘Hard’

They call him ‘Ishbook’, but his real name is Saudallah Kassir. He’s a 21 year old Saudi Arab now in Beirut as a ‘pilot case’ in a new Tapline training venture.

Ishbook and Tapline, since 1949, first worked as office boy, then as filing clerk in the personnel office. In 1950 he was transferred to Rafha and became a clerk in the personnel office. Later, he became a clerk in the Badanah warehouse.

Additional Training

According to Matt Schau, training coordinator, Ishbook had done such an outstanding job that the company wanted him to progress with Tapline. Ishbook, it was felt, would find it difficult to raise his rating unless he had additional training.

It was then that he was selected as the first Saudi Arab employee to attempt a new study program designed to help employees equip themselves for better jobs.

In Beirut, since November, Ishbook will finish his company-sponsored training in May. He receives his full salary during this period of study.

Takes Four Subjects

Of the four subjects Ishbook is taking in Beirut, arithmetic, English and French typing – he finds typing the easiest. Surprisingly enough, Arabic is most difficult. Though he could speak to read or to write it until he came to Beirut.

Ishbook is satisfied by the bright lights of Beirut that he wants to stay here. Not in the heart. He is anxious to go back to his old job. He likes the desert and he likes his work. And for all the reports Ishbook is sure to leave him back too.

Mr. Schau said that the future of the training venture may depend upon Ishbook’s success. Schau added that the venture seems to have a bright future.

Holiday Permits Extended Trips

Tapline’s new Easter vacation policy – using Easter Monday as the holiday rather than Good Friday – made it possible for a number of employees to take long trips.

Among those going to Cyprus were Sr. Thamer, George Petrie, Bob Parcell, Mr. and Mrs. Frank Esten, Mr. and Mrs. H. W. Baskis, Mr. and Mrs. Chick Nelson and daughter Cordelia, Mr. and Mrs. Howard Wells and son Mike, Mr. and Mrs. Howard Martin, and Mr. and Mrs. Alan Glidroast.

Journeying to Petra for the three-day Easter holidays were Mr. Zuhair Frey, Bill Walden, Ray Humiston, Gerald Turner and his mother Mrs. Jeanette Hasting.

Miss Jane Ringland, Miss Nora Bekjian, Mark Gatto and Bill Ardery spent their Easter holidays skiing at the Cedars.

Memo from The Acting Editor

Your Acting Editor has just learned that in the past year the company contributed approximately $80,000 to development projects, charitable institutions and other organizations in the Lebanon, Syria and Jordan.

More than $10,000 was given for charity and relief; more than $20,000 to assist educational institutions; upwards of $20,000 to aid in the rehabilitation of refugees and the indigent; and more than $3,000 in miscellaneous welfare subscriptions.

About 30 organizations received assistance. Among them were the Lebanon’s Buddhist Hospital for Mental and Nervous Disorders; the Lebanon Red Cross; the Arab Development Society, Jordan; the Jordan Red Crescent; the Arab Orphan Committee of Haifa; the New Foundation in Syria, and the Damascus Juvenile Protection Association.

Company Announces New Summer Hours

Summer hours for employees working in Tapline’s Beirut offices and in the Saudi Arab Development Committee of Zakata, H.E. Amin Mohamed al-Sudairi of Badanah and H.E. Amin Khateri of Tabuk.

Pipepline PERISCOPE

Meet Badanah’s Third Pump Station

Badanah, selected as the central location for the Governorate of the area by the Saudi Arab government, has developed into a thriving community since 1949 when Tapline began construction of one of its most important pump stations.

The Governor, His Excellency, Amin Mohamed al-Sudairi, has created a beautiful modern villa on a knoll overlooking the town.

This personal interest has inspired the confidence of the local inhabitants in the permanency of the community. Following the Governor’s example, others are building permanent homes and shops within the city, constructing new stores and shopping centers.

Inasmuch as the highest point on the pipeline lies between Badanah and Turfil, the Badanah station must raise oil from the pump to a higher elevation than any of the other stations. This load on the Badanah station is 900 psi compared to a maximum of 790 psi at any of the other stations.

Photographs on this page are by A. O. Clark and J. M. Weintraub.

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Available

Flat 1100, 1950 model. Contact Joe Mooshman, Youn Bldg., Ext. 28.

Dodge, 1951 model. Contact A. A. Peterson, Alaswy Bldg., Ext. 28.


The party, accompanied by Captains W. Earl Robinson and J. F. Hogan, with Officers and non-commissioned officers, and troop was met at the gatehouse and driven to the terminal farm where a platform covered with Persian rugs had been erected.

His Royal Highness drove through the ornate entrance put up for the occasion, around the compound. He was accompanied by Lebanon's Prime Minister, Emir Kaysi Shihabc, Grand Sheikh Shihab, Michel Saule, Mafoutes of South Lebanon, and other high government officials. The convoy of cars and trucks went to the farm gate where Tags of coronation were burnt.

Operations Explained

A short account of oil operations in Saudi Arabia was given to the Jordanian delegation. The large tank farm where Tapline of operations from the wells of Saudi Arabia to the loading terminal on its way back to Beirut recently due to the events. The Tanks of oil were opened and other high government officials. The convoy of cars and trucks went to the farm gate where Tags of coronation were burnt.

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Raja Salibi Says Magazines, Movies Misrepresent States

US magazines and Hollywood movies frequently give Lebanon and the Middle East a false impression of what the people are like, according to Raja Salibi, a Lebanese movie star who recently visited Hollywood and the US, to study operating methods of Y's in the States and to report ideas on the age and composition of the audience, he usually comments that country memberships are paid for by the individual members, while in Lebanon and the general economic situation, social conditions and political geography of Lebanon and the Middle East. He kept out of politics, as the Chairman of the YMCA, open about June 20, after his recent trip to Beirut.

Divorce, for example, Salibi said. "From the looks of movies and magazines divorce is a common thing. But it isn't so. There are many other characteristics of the people that the magazines either overplay or underplay, giving a false impression of their country."

"Lucky" Raja Salibi was welcomed at the Warner Brothers' studios by the lovely actress, Jane Powell, when he visited Hollywood on his recent trip. Refinishing of the United States, Ras el Lados golf course, Tripoli, Lebanon, May 16 and 17 under the sponsorship of the Iraq Petroleum Company, Ltd. Participating in the 1953 tournament other than IPC and Tapline were Aramco, Kuwait Oil Company and Bahar Petroleum Arab company.

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Sporting Club to Open About June 20

The Tapline Sporting Club will open about June 20, according to Club President Mike Hussen. Invitations to the inauguration will be sent to club members as soon as a definite date has been determined.

Putting of the club's interior has been completed. Furniture and accessories were moved in May 25. Furniture, sofas and chairs, as well as new, as well as book shelves for Y activities.

One of the most pleasant parts of his trip was a visit to Hollywood, where he was at the Warner Brothers studios by the lovely actress, Jane Powell.

Accounting

Just like the bus driver who goes driving on his holiday, Salibi could not get his mind off accounting. He spent two weeks with the Sun Pipe Line Company in Beaumont, Texas, to familiarize himself with business machinery and procedures.

He will give talks about his trip to the local YMCA and will make reports to both the local and YMCA headquarters in New York.

Visit Navy Ships

On April 5, 24 employees from St. Michel warehouse were the guests of Lt. J.B. Saylor aboard the USS Cheyenne, a 4139 ton oil tanker attached to the US Sixth Fleet, which paid a courtesy visit to Beirut port.

According to a report received from James Dunn, highlights of the group's tour of the ship included a visit to the bridge. There a Navy man explained the complicated apparatus which steers and controls the ship. Jim Butson, Jim Abboud, Kida Abu Nassar and Rashid Ghahaty translated for those members of the party whose understanding of English could not keep up with the remarks of the Navy guide. Another group of the Awlley building toured the USS Cascade, 17,000 ton destroyer tender, upon invitation of the US Navy, on April 9.

Operations Report

March 1953 Year, 1953

Received at Sidon (Average BPD) 312.549 511.419

Ships Loaded 80 335

Average BPD Loaded 336.466 386.832

Average Bbls per ship 118,722 118,736

Recent Visitors

Recent observers of company operations, as well as visitors to the US, Canada and Mexico, with stopovers in Europe.

On April 8, 24 employees were elected as committee members of the golf association held May 15 at Tripoli. The committee is comprised of representatives from such companies, adopted a constitution for the association and held an election of officers for the 1953 and 54 events. Nelson represented for Tapline as presi­dent for the next tournament, which will be held in Syria taking place in June. He will resign at the end of the tournament.

Tripoli: The Tapline team, representing Tapline for a thoroughly enjoyable tournament, won first place in theIPC for a thoroughly enjoyable tournament, won first place in the IPC, with Aramco second.

Winners of this year's tournament were the IPC, with Aramco taking second place and Tapline coming in third. Employees furnished by Aramco were awarded tickets to the Tapline club. The Tapline team has expanded its franchise to include IPC for a thoroughly enjoyable tournament, and works together for the many kindnesses extended to them.