**TAPLINE PLACES FOURTH**

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(Bazijn) and Renee (Yared)
reminisced of ... in Beirut board an airliner
that will take them on the second lap of their journey to freedom. (Photo
courtesy USIS).

**WEDDING BELLS**

Mr. and Mrs. Khalil O. Saadeh

Congratulations are in order for two newlywed couples that were married during August and September. Lucky bidelegroomsmen were Khalil Saadeh of Beirut Engineering and C.P. (Pip) Van Der Klink of Maintenance, Rafha.

Khalil and Miss Jameil Dabu were married August 17 in the home of the bride’s mother in Beirut. Following the ceremony, the Saadehs departed on a motor tour of Belgium, Holland, Germany, Austria, Italy, Monaco and France. They are presently residing in Beirut where Khalil has been assigned to the Catholic Protection section. He was formerly with Operations and Maintenance, Sidon.

While on home leave, “Tiny” and his English bride were married September 17 in Brighton, England. Mr. Van Der Klink will continue to reside in Brighton.

**QUARTET TO PERFORM**

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“Tiny” Van Der Klink of Maintenance, Rafha.

Mr. and Mrs. C.P. Van Der Klink

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**PROTRAN GUESTS**
Prominent personalities attending the luncheon included Prince Fahad, son of the King and former Chief of the Personal Cabinet; HE Shihab Yundus, Deputy Minister of Foreign Affairs; Shaikh Abdul Sahib, white-bearded patriarch and an advisor to the Majesty; HE Jamal al-Hussaini, another of the King’s advisors; HE Shaikh Abdul Rahman al-Tubaishi, Minister of State and reputedly head of the personal Cabinet; HE Shaikh . Meanwhile, hordes of people and government officials would have all gathered to witness the first ever appearance of the King’s party in Turaif.

**COMMUNITY CENTER**
The community center, thus a symbol of community cooperation, was the scene of a farewell ceremony held in the town of Turaif preparatory to the Majlis of His Majesty and rehearsed therefrom to inspect the preparations. The hour was at hand. The community center was the scene of a large scale celebration. Over the hillside surrounding the station the camel’s caravans outside shuffled cuttings with pack saddles and riding litters eying another the news was out via the village. While Shaikh Hamadi, the Mashaghesh, minister of Turaif’s Religious Committee, said that the Masjid would be extended to contain the station area on the slope of the hillside and would serve as a temporary shelter for those stationed there. The people at Turaif had just departed. Placed on a raised platform was a raised platform was an elaborate tent set up with the gleaming head cloths it was all decorated with colored head cloths and riding litters. The first of the group to seek the King’s attention was a small group of refugee women from the Hungarian border.Amongst them was Mrs. Grade, the wife of a Hungarian officer who had been� the station. The King was escorted by Bill Amir, “Abd Al-Lah bin Musa’id, General Sup’t B. E. Prusinski and Mr. B. E. Marsh, company representative to the North Star and guards.

**NEW PLANS MADE**
Preparations were started immediately, and a sudden interest in international events developed—sudden interest in international events developed—sudden interest in international events developed—sudden interest in international events developed—sudden interest in international events developed—sudden interest in international events developed—sudden interest in international events developed—sudden interest in international events developed—sudden interest in international events developed—sudden interest in international events developed—sudden interest in international events developed—sudden interest in international events developed. The station came all its peak, for ancient custom decrees that the King’s guests should be entertained with all the comfort and respect possible.

**SECOND TOURNEY**
On October 26, Turaif’s shuffleboard players invaded Rafha and in a one-day match carried off the championship trophy. Heading the Turaif team was Tom Evans, who was reported by Rafha’s Ahmad, Ibrahim B. Ahmmed and Mohammed B. Ahmmed, while the team included Ahmad Sa’id, Moharram B. Othman, Rangala and Sulaiman B. Othman. The competition was exceptionally close and Rafha plied off the most points in the morning. The Turaif team hosted the game in the afternoons on the course of the season. In the evening and the next two teams were honored at the Rafha Downs with trophy presentations.

**AFRICAN-TURKISH RELATIONS**
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"We will get some people, and put our money together, and buy some land, and build some buildings... and then we'll buy some baby chicks and breeding stock from, maybe, Holland... and we'll go into the chicken business, and..."

But, this is about as far as he would get before he was interrupted:

"...I have worked hard, and put a little money in the bank for my future, and now I should gamble it all on some chickens that may get sick and die? And how do you know you could sell them even if they didn't die?"

So, if you drive out today on the Damascus road, about 30 kilometers from Beirut, you will see on your left the cluster of gleaming white buildings that have materialized out of the young man's dream castles.

His name is Rashid Beidell, of Tapline's General Office Services, and the buildings beside the road are the plant of the National Agricultural Corporation, S.A.L. - - "Agrico."

In 400 shares of LL. 500 par value each are owned by Beidell and 29 former doubters, 90 per cent of them Tapline employees. They are doubters no more, for Agrico is in business.

Listen to some figures from its president and general manager, Adeeb Samaha, formerly of Tapline:

"We are selling 2,000 baby chicks a week to farmers, in the Bekaa Valley, who raise them for broilers. They are a cross of Sussex and Rhode Island Reds.

"Right now, we are importing them from Holland, but in the future we plan to have the chicks farm ship us 1,500 fowls and 1,500 Rhode Island Red breeding stock. We will cross them and raise our own chicks.

"Our technical manager is going to Holland to study the most modern hatchery methods. By next March, we will be able to supply 1,000 chicks a week from our own farm, in addition to what we get from Holland. Our goal is to supply all the chicks from here."

In addition to the tender chicks, Agrico has 1,500 hens for egg production, and 500 brooding stock for flock replacement. They are White Leghorns. The farm is now selling 1,200 eggs daily, but Samaha notes with satisfaction:

"We'll have it up to 3,000 a day in December."

On top of all this, Agrico is Middle East distributor for several American and European manufacturers of poultry equipment and feed.

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Beidell is thinking about this:

"Is it a very sensible thing to do?" he decides. "You work for your money, and then your money works for you."

So, when he can spare a little money, he buys a share in some company, or two shares, or as many as he can afford. And, gradually, he begins getting another idea:

"One corporations is possible because many thousands of people, all, and save their money, and buy shares to provide the necessary capital. Why can not a small corporation be built if a few people will get together and buy shares?"

Well, we need to go into detail. It took persistence, perseverance and patience; and it wasn't until a couple of years ago that he began winning a few converts. It took many more months until enough support to go ahead.

The chicken project was chosen, rather than something else, because there was great demand for chickens and eggs, and very little to supply; and the necessary investment would be moderate.

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**Badanah** by Abduliah Siblani

**RAFAH**

Welcome to Bill Khoury (Stores) and W. A. Kruyt (Communi.). Bill was formerly of Turaif and married to Young of Turaif. A majlis, consisting of doctors congratulated him on his appointment as Office Supervisor, Turaif.

A dinner party was given in the community center, October 15, by Representatives R. A. Stupay and E. D. Curtis in honor of Amir Abdullah Haddan of Rafha and Mr. E. R. Marsh, Company Representative to the Amirate of the Northern Borders Frontier. Several government and company officials attended including Amir Sa'id ibn Yusuf of Aramco, Superintendent R. C. Davis, Messrs. P. C. Graham, A. Burnett and Dr. F. A. Sihl, while Foremen Salah S. Bakri and Salim B. Mohammed of Water Well Maintenance are taking their leaves in Arabia.

Mustapha Stiply, son of Mr. and Mrs. B. Stiply (Tripoli), celebrated his fourth birthday on October 7 with a luncheon and theater party for Rafha's little folks.

Mr. and Mrs. Rose Thomas, daughters and Beverly, were guests of honor at a farewell, potluck dinner on October 16. Everyone enjoyed the delicious food prepared by the Ladies. The Thomas family departed on leave on October 21.

Mr. Khaliel Akhras was guest of honor at a farewell dinner party in the community center, October 22. Hosting the affair were Mr. A. Khariel, M. A. Durah, B. Alkhawwi and S. Alshard. Congratulations to Khaliel on his assignment as Office Supervisor, Turaif.

Mr. Garijan replaced Mike Ammar, who, after a short leave, was reassigned to Aramco-Dhahran. Speaking for all of us, he said: "Sorry to see you go, Mike."

The welcome party also included Nurse Anton Hanna who replaces Abdulrahman Rashid, now at Badanah, and Construction Engineer Joe Gunnell.

A dinner given in the company center dining room. Several members of station personnel were among the guests.

Conrad's in the Northern Borders Administration (Photo by R. Fanous).
Prince Fahd ibn Saud (far left) occupied the seat of honor in the absence of His Majesty at the November 11 lunchtime. To the left of the Prince are W. E. Locher, Manager of Operations, and Abdul Hadi Darkazalli, Syrian Charge d'Affaires. (Photo by H. E. Cross).

Arriving in the station's compound about 6 p.m., the Royal party proceeded to dinner, which was followed by an informal coffee in the guest house and a so-called “battery room” — actually a sort of Antivenin nursery across the sands.

Unfortunately, affairs of State prevented His Majesty from attending luncheons at the community center. However, Prince Fahd took the seat of honor in his father's absence.

About 10:00 p.m. His Majesty drove to the airport, where a tremendous crowd had assembled. Amidst cheers and applause, the King said farewell to government and company officials, and as he stepped aboard the plane, a chorus of the traditional Arabs chanted, “Ya, A'ish! Ya, A'ish!”

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THE CHICK, THE EGG AND AGRICO

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At the central building, you'll find Samaha's office, a slaughter house (for the future), several sections that make Agri-co chickens, lab, egg and feed storage room, incubator and egg grading rooms, and a so-called “battery room” — actually a sort of “nursery” for baby chicks.

An ingenious egg-grading device, from Holland, can grade 2,000 eggs an hour into as many as six classifications; and, at the same time, stamp them with Agri-co's trademark.

One of the incubators has a capacity of 4,800 eggs; the other, 3,180. Incubation requires 21 days.

As Samaha shows you around the breeding house, and the brooder and laying houses, you get the impression that you've entered a world populated entirely by white chickens... and chicken... and chickens.

They regard their visitors with some curiosity and occasional annoyance. The hens are crowing — either contentedly or grumpily, you can't be sure; but there's no question that the cocks' crowing is to let you know they're here around them.

All during your visit, you've been thinking of the imagination that this enterprise represents, and the fine spirit of achievement of the thirty people who raised their savings, and the diligence and resourcefulness they have shown.

Breidi is saying that he hopes the undertaking will increase many others, from the villages whence he and his associates came, to join together and become small capitalists, too.

"They do not have to quit their jobs," he emphasizes. "They shouldn't. But, if many young people will do as we have done, they can make their money work for them, too; and it will do much for building up our country."

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