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Cross Wins
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Alattaya, Jr. (Raffa), W. R. Mccormick (Shushan), Mrs. Petturar, Mrs. C. G. Rod (Ta—
fay) and Mrs. Lucy Doris of Bud—
nah. J. T. Perry of Turaif—
cast served as alternate.

Beirut Trains

Gifts on the Beirut trains, besides Pete and Mr. Brie—
low, were A. L. Nelson, H. D. Lambt, W. E. Lender, T. De—
trickery, R. F. Anderson, J. Y. Malan, Mrs. H. L. Selsey, Mrs.
Nelson and Mrs. Leitner, E. R. Honoveson served as alternate for H. S. Smith.

An official banquet was held at the evening of March 22 at which Superintendent K. K. Carvan awarded trophies to prize winners.

Launched for this successful tournament go to Never Green Golf Club members and presi—
dents of the other nations' golf clubs on cold-morning prepa—
rations; to Piter and John Maki—
ker for a clearly designed and

informative program; to sports announcer and master of cere—
monies John Kellner; to Hank
Mainacht for the continuous flow of coffee, sandwiches and
doughnuts; to the enterprise
deaths of Moors. Ritter and
Heide on their operation of a
dark drink stand; and, to the
best of others who extended an
all-out effort. Among this last

group were:

The committee headlines by Mrs. R. A. Provis and in
mixed Mrs. F. W. New, Mrs.
J. K. Tammis, R. A. Stepy,
Khalid Ahkn, Abous Ameeli and
Fareed Agha.

The volunteer caddies for the
ladies: Norma Krup, Joe Re—
ter, Paul Cains, Neville Nas—
ter, Bill New, Jan Mainacht,
John Tammis and S. M. Sel—
diges.

Chief Judge Walter Heiland and his helpers: Chap. R. Savick, Provis,
C. G. Rod (also wa—
der), Mike Chehade, V. C.

A native of Benton, Vermont,
Mr. Mainacht served in the Mar—
chael Massey and the U. S. A.

Army Transport Service during
World War II. An aviator
today, he also enjoys fishing, baseball
and hunting—ever for truffles!

OPERATIONS REPORT

Average BPD received at Sidon
Ships Loaded:

1957
1956

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308,306
407,227
231,237
188,199
322,928
291,792

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ior Radio Technician Dekker
hails from Orange, Texas and
comes from an army family.

He went from the U.S. Army to
work as a radio technician for
BP and has served with distinc—
tion with BP since 1942. He...
ed for a night on the road..fine
way to end a vacation!
Other vacationers were Fahid
bin Othman, A. B. Ibrahim, M.
Abdulla, Rafik Hamadeh, Mike
Cuthbert, H. Rakib, Saif Saleh,
Awad, Khalef Morad, A. Ghayed
and Ash
had his blood.

Badanah
by Abdullah Sillali

Mr. Thabit was formerly with the U.S. Embassy in Beirut as an investigator of refugee pro-
lerts. He holds LLM and LLB degrees from New York Univer-
sity and had his own law prac-
tice in New York. A native of
Brooklyn, Mr. Thabit is mar-
rried and has two children, Allen
and Mona, one-and-a-

F. F. Khoury

Formerly with TFC, Mr.
Khoury calls Tripoli, Lebanon,
home where his wife and two-
year-old son, Oscar, now reside.
He is a graduate of College des
Fleures, Tripoli.

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Mrs. Alward returned March 25.

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