KING SAUD VISITS SIDON TERMINAL
ROYAL GUEST OF PRESIDENT CHAMOUN TOURS FACILITIES
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SIDON: During his October visit to Lebanon, HM King Saud of Saudi Arabia, with his host, HE President Camille Chamoun, called at Sidon Terminal and Medreco Refinery on October 13.

Arriving about 9:45 a.m., the Royal party was met by Government officials and members of Tapline and Medreco management. After reviewing the guard of honor, the Majesty and the President of Lebanon were escorted into the terminal auditorium for refreshments. Here, Mr. John Noble, President of Tapline, welcomed the honored guests with these words:

"Your Majesty, Your Excellency:

Speaking on behalf of Trans-Arabian Pipe Line Company and the Mediterranean Refining Company, we are deeply privileged and honored today to welcome Your Majesty and Your Excellency to Sidon Terminal.

The national anthems of Saudi Arabia and Lebanon greeted HM King Saud and HE President of Lebanon.

The royal party also was shown the world's largest supertanker afloat, the Universe Leader, which arrived at Sidon Terminal for the first time.

The huge vessel took aboard 601,189 barrels of crude oil at an average loading rate of 32,261 barrels an hour. The tanker also took on 28,502 barrels of bunker fuel. Loading the supertanker took 18 hours and 35 minutes.

Arriving in port at 6:10 a.m., October 23, the ship was moored in Berth No. 3 approximately two and a half hours later. The berth is about a mile offshore.

Large as an ocean liner and newer than most factories, the huge vessel is the world's largest supertanker afloat today. The ship is 1,037 feet long and is rated at 25,000 tons. It is owned by the Universe Oil Company, a subsidiary of the Universal Oil Company of New York.

The ship is equipped with a new and powerful loading installation, the first of its kind in the world. It is capable of handling 1,000 barrels of crude oil an hour, or a full load of 4,500,000 barrels, in 21 hours and 20 minutes.

As the ship sails out of the harbor, loaded with crude oil, the magnificent vessel will serve as a symbol of Lebanon's potential as a great oil-providing land and as a center of world trade.
IN THE SPOTLIGHT

CRUDE FLOW UPPED BY FOUR TURBINES

With the addition of Tapline’s four auxiliary pumping units on stream, the daily average flow reached a 366,136 bbls. record in October. The newly-commissioned units at Qaisumah and Uwaigilah went on the line October 14 and 18 respectively. The units at Shubah and Jalamid have been in operation since October 19. Start-up data for the new APU at Turaif was November 17.

Meanwhile, clean-up work progresses at Shubah, Uwaigilah and Jalamid. Preliminary acceptance tests of the new units have been completed at Uwaigilah and Jalamid and the units have been turned over to stations concerned for operation.

Some additional work at all auxiliary pumping units to meet operation requirements is yet to be undertaken. It will be performed when manpower and material become available before December 31.

Properly sized for Tapline’s gas turbine pump house continues at a reduced pace only because manpower has been diverted to higher priority construction work there. But now that the Taural APU is on stream, progress on the gas turbine pump house will be stepped up hereafter.

All turbine units have been delivered to their installation.

Other work in progress—agreed upon by Tapline’s Engineering and Communications— Radar towers have been installed at Qaisumah, Uwaigilah, Jalamid, Tarif, Badanah and Km. 113. With all work slated for completion before December 31, these towers are yet to be completed at all sites. Radar installations are scheduled for completion in South Lebanon.

An item of considerable interest to Tapline at this time is the completion of the VHIF linkage between Tarif and Jalamid. With this facility needed for surge pressure control, the Tarif APU will be able to operate at a higher discharge pressure than it is now to operate without it. Three booster pump installations: Concrete foundations at Qaisumah and Uwaigilah and the steel shell being placed at Badanah, in preparation for concrete work.

The piping connection for the two 600 horsepower electric booster pumps at Qaisumah was completed November 15th, in a record time of two hours and 40 minutes.

Yemeni villagers, The Eastern Bedroll Corporation construction crews, formerly headquartered at Qaisumah, has been transferred to Riyadh, and the remaining work at the former station has been undertaken by Tapline forces. Completion of all erection work at Qaisumah is expected by January 1.

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THE CRADLE ROW

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HEADQUARTERS MOVE INTO NEW OFFICES

Second stop on the "Periscope's" lens-tour of the new offices of Beirut headquarters in the seventh floor. Here are the offices of members of management, as well as various units of Operations, Law, Industrial, Government and Public Relations departments.

Next month the cameraman covers the remaining floors of Tagline's home office in the Arida building, Beirut. (Photos by Nasr).

Executive Vice President W. B. Chandler dictates to his secretary, Miss Wilma J. Avant, in Room 700.

President John Noble will be found in Room 701.

More work for Clerk Ibrahim Thomas from Supervisor Mary H. Walker, Organization & Planning, Room 708.

Charles H. Pope, assistant to Mr. Chandler, occupies Room 707.

In Room 714, Supervisor Paul S. Battle (right) discusses policy and benefit procedures with Personnel Specialist Sam Saba while Miss Samira Abdelnour, secretary, checks reference files.

Government Relations Manager W. A. Campbell (right) and his assistant, Mr. David S. Dodge, are located in 714.

Farid Najjar (right) and Chrysa Nakouzi discuss Government Relations matters in Room 752.

Mr. Joe Bevdi and Miss Janet Forgaham are located in the offices of Industrial Relations, Manager H. S. Smith.

Manager of Operations W. E. Locher (center) dictates to Miss Germaine Casparian in 715. Mr. Scott E. M. Hood (left) is assistant to Mr. Locher.

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Mr. D. T. Pinckney, Assistant Manager of Operations, discusses pipeline problems with Chief Oil Dispatcher A. C. Nelson (right) in 714. Miss Mary Rubeiz is their secretary.

Comptroller O. T. Swanson and his secretary, Miss Emily Dagher, are headquartered in 709.

Translations are handled by Messrs. Tewfic Ashou (foreground) and Amin Khalifeh of Government Relations in Room 751.
KING SAUD, PRESIDENT CHAMOUN TOUR TERMINAL

HM King Saud and HE President Chamoun were welcomed to Sidon Terminal and Medreco Refinery by Mr. John Noble, President of Tapline. (Photo Souren).

Operation of the control board in the tank farm control house was explained to His Majesty and the Lebanese President by Hikmat Badawi, shift foreman. (Photo Nasr).

HM King Saud and HE President Chamoun paused for refreshments in the auditorium of Sidon Terminal before touring the installation. (Photo Nasr).

An honor guard of the Lebanese Army was inspected by the visiting King of Saudi Arabia and his host, the President of Lebanon. (Photo Nasr).

Awaiting arrival of the honored guests were (left to right) Mr. W. A. Eddy, Mr. Abdallah Toubayshi, interpreter for the King, Mr. Adel Osseiran, Mr. Noble, Mr. W. A. Campbell and Mr. Byron Brown. (Photo Souren).
TUGBOAT M/S NOBLE LAUNCHED
BERUIT — The M/S Noble, a new tugboat costing more than L.L. 125,000 (340,000), was launched for the company on October 12 at the Pelicanos shipyard in Beirut.

The craft was sponsored by Mrs. John Noble (shown above), wife of President Noble for whom the vessel was named.

Master of ceremonies on the occasion, Captain A. A. Brickhouse, superintendent of Sidon Terminal, presented Mr. Pelicanos and his staff on the vessel's completion. In his comments, Captain Brickhouse pointed out that construction of the new tugboat in Lebanon was further evidence of Tapline's policy to obtain all possible supplies and services from local industry, thus boosting local labor and business.

He also thanked Mr. P. J. Goelz, American Bureau of Shipping representative, for his close inspection of the craft during construction.

The 250 hp vessel is powered by a 305 horsepower motor. The craft is now being fitted out at Sidon Terminal where it will join Tapline's present fleet of six tugboats used in tanker loading operations.

The launching ceremony was attended by Tapline officials, company guests and shipyard employees.

TANK FARM MANIFOLD GETS HARP EXTENSION
A new extension to the Sidon terminal "harp" has been installed as part of the Capacity Increase Program. The "harp," or pressure reducing station, controls pressure of the incoming stream. As oil enters the "harp," it is divided into 16 smaller streams, each passing through a control valve and a friction tube. The 16 streams are then joined again to enter the tank farm manifold.

The work on the new extension consisted of cutting two 20-inch headers and installing a new header which provides for two 6-inch and two 4-inch friction tubes.

The two headers were first drained of oil and then cut out with Wachs saws and the extensions connected with the use of two "weld-plus-ends." The last was then reconnected with oil and the "weld-plus-ends" welded to the PID.

The entire work was accomplished in 5 hours by Messrs. J. E. Hughes, W. Burgess, E. S. Tracey, and A. E. Kennedy. During that period, the main line was shut down.

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FACES AND PLACES...IN THE NEWS

Towering the Qaisumah pump station is this newly-erected VHF system with automatic dialing to all Tapline locations will provide more reliable communications than the present high frequency system and will reduce lost time in making radio calls. (Photo by H. C. Van Putten).

Mr. Habs exclaimed the excited pilot, Hajjar jumped into the water and started pushing the tiny craft towards a small cove, thus saving the plane's engine.

As the pilot's SOS had been intercepted by Civil Aviation authorities, they alerted the Beirut Fire Brigade who arrived on the scene to take over salvage operations.

"Operation Rescue and Salvage" complete!

But this is not the end of the story. After Mr. Emmerling arranged full legal indemnities with the proper authorities, Mr. Hajjar arranged a hotel reservation for him and intercepted an invitation to the Hajjar home for dinner the following evening. Many courses that night: Fish...naturally...the pilot's first. (Photo by Sayak)
Qaisumah
by M. Jaouni
We welcome Mrs. Norma Jean Despain and her family, Mr. and Mrs. W. R. B. Davis, Joan Cunningham, Jackie Hogie, Joni Dilworth, Charlotte Spragg and Jeanne Godfrey. (Photo by J. Parker.)

Mr. and Mrs. R. Richmond of Mr. and Mrs. B. Davies, M. Ha- been, 0. Saleh, F. Mutlag, F. Abdulla and R. Mohamad. (Photo by K. K. Zaman).

One we wish a happy vacation
to the Badanah guest was entertain-
ment for the Tiny “fancy dress” party was given by her New York
city that she also made her secretarial studies. In her future
time, Miss Casperian enjoys teaching and playing the piano.

By A. H. Hamodeh
A beautiful pot-luck party was given by Rafha families to Dr. and Mrs. F. A. Elia on their departure for Beirut on long va-
sion. They are scheduled to spend six months in the Luba-
new capital during which time Dr. Elia will specialize in ENT (i.e., ears, nose and
throat), at the American Univer-
sity in Beirut. We shall cer-
tainly miss the couple, and in wish-
ing them a pleasant vacation, we welcome Dr. and Mrs. J. A. Malak, who are to relieve them.

Another such “fancy-dress+-
party was given by Moser, Salbul Sci, Louis Bar-
che, and Raif Parach for the Syan and Malaks.

Mr. R. W. Thabet entertained Antare and company offic-
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med the Hamid, brother of the
Army of Rafha.

During the same period, we
 interviewed Mr. and Mrs. D. E. Eckert received prizes for
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e for the States on early
lee home leave. Mrs. Basset will be
continued by Mrs. A. H. Hamodeh, secretary, and Mrs. R. Misk.

Welcome to our stations to the
SIDON LOADS WORLD'S LARGEST TANKER

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A mammoth tanker had ever been berthed without tugboat assistance.

The operation was the result of careful planning by Captain A. A. Brackett, superintendent of the terminal, and skilful work by Captain Edward Greenwood, mooring master in charge.

Captain Greenwood was assisted by Mooring Masters Karl J. Tromstad and Mahlon K. Nathe, Captains A. L. Hendrix, marine superintendent, was also aboard to observe operations.

Actual loading of the ship commenced at 11:57 a.m., October 23 and was completed at 6:32 a.m., October 24. The cargo was destined for Santos, Brazil.

The 85,515 DWT vessel is 854 ft. 9 inches in overall length with a beam of 125 ft. 5 inches and is powered by a 23,175 h.p. steam turbine engine.

Built in 1956 at Kobe, Japan, the ship is owned by Universe Tankship Inc. of New York.

Present at the mooring-in of the vessel were President John Nola, Manager of Operations D. T. Pinckney and Mr. R. K. Barnett, acting manager of EAC.

Working together, terminal personnel and members of the ship's crew connect the 12-inch deck hose to the ship's manifold. Through this hose crude oil from the tank farm flows into the ship's storage tanks below decks. The Universe Lader loaded 601,189 barrels of oil in 18 hours, 35 minutes—an average loading rate of 12,844 barrels per hour. (Photo by Nasr).

KING SAUD VISITS SIDON TERMINAL

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Excellence to the Tapline Terminal and the Medreco Refinery. We recall with pleasure Your Majesty's first visit to the Terminal in April of 1953. At that time Tapline was a young company having been in operation little more than two years. Since then we have witnessed the growth and successful operation of this enterprise in conjunction with the development of the petroleum industry in the Middle East—a growth which has been made possible by the gracious foresight and cooperation of Your Majesty and Your Excellence, and of each of the governments in whose countries we are privileged to operate.

"Today we can look back with pride to a solid and I believe impressive record of accomplishment. Since the commencement of operations, Tapline has transported in excess of one hundred million tons of crude oil from Saudi Arabia to this terminal at Zahray.

In the same period we have unloaded in excess of 5,200,000 tons of crude oil from Saudi Arabia, and to maintain a solid basis of friendship and cooperation with the Governments in the countries in which we operate. By so doing not only will Tapline continue to be looked to as a leader in the adaptation of new technologies and improvements in the pipeline transportation industry, but we hope that it will likewise continue to play its readiest part in the economic and industrial development of these countries.

"After Your Majesty's and Your Excellence's visit to the Terminal last morning, Mr. Byron Brown will show you the Medreco Refinery. This refinery was completed in February 1953. Since the commencement of operations, it has refined in excess of 8,200,000 tons of crude oil from Saudi Arabia.

Thus, it is an added source of pride to both Tapline and Medreco that they are a means by which the mutual interests of these companies are being served—through the transportation of crude oil from Your Majesty's Kingdom, and through the processing of crude oil into the petroleum products needed by the peoples of Lebanon, Syria and Jordan.

"And so it is my privilege, Your Majesty and Your Excellence, to express our deep gratitude to you for your gracious visit and to extend to you our most sincere welcome and best wishes on this occasion."

At the conclusion of Mr. Nola's speech, His Majesty said:

"Thank you very much for your reception and speech. We hope your progress and prosperity will continue.

From the auditorium a motorcade carried the Royal party past the offshore control station, along the pier, through the tank farm to the tank farm control station. Accompanying His Majesty and President Chourou was Mr. Sales Al-Arak, Tapline's night watchman, who explained phases of operation observed on the motor tour.

Stoppings at the tank farm control station, the King and the President were shown the operations of the automatic control panel by Mr. Hikmat Bader, shift foreman.

With a roar of motors and a scramble of wires, the motor cycle-mounted pressmen moved from Medreco Refinery, passing under one of numerous archways decorated with the flags of Saudi Arabia and Lebanon.

Following a motor tour of the refinery, HM King Saud and HE President Chourou were served refreshments on the lawn of Medreco's administration building. This afforded a rare chance of husbanding your prospects in the area and in the Middle East. Leaders.

ALONG THE LINE

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On the courts of Tapline Sporting Club. The Tapliners lost two in the doubles, one in the mixed doubles and a game in the singles.

David Dodge (Tapline) was leading in another singles when the match was called off due to darkness. Others on the TC team were Mike Banioul, Stefan Finka, Ray Bednar, Adam Ali-Lamah, Mike Ajaib, Fadl Talha and Mrs. D. E. Marquardt.