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. Brickhouse, superintendent of the terminal, and skilled work by Captain Edward Greenwood, mooring master in charge. Captain Greenwood was assisted by Mooring Masters Karl J. Trowbridge and Mahon N. Noble. Captain A. L. Hendrix, mooring superintendent, was also aboard to observe operations. Actual loading of the ship commenced at 11:57 a.m., October 25 and was completed at 6:32 a.m., October 26. The cargo was destined for Santos, Brazil. The 85,915 DWT vessel is 854 ft. 9 inches in overall length with a beam of 125 ft. 5 inches, and is powered by a 31,175 h.p. steam turbine engine. Built in 1955 at Kure, Japan, the ship is owned by Universe Tankship Inc. of New York.

Present at the mooring of the vessel were President J. Noble, Manager of Operations D. T. Puckay and Mr. R. B. Borsell, 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 cargo tanks below decks. The Universe Launcher loaded 601,890 barrels of oil in 18 hours, 33 minutes—an average loading rate of 32,504 barrels per hour. (Photo by Near).

King Saud Visits Sidon Terminal
(Cont'd from page 1)

Excellency to the Tapline Terminal and the Medreco Refinery. We recall with pleasure Your Majesty's 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 watched the growth and successful operation of this enterprise in conjunction with the development of the petrochemical industry in the Middle-East—a growth which has been made possible by the greater friendship and cooperation of Your Majesty and Your Excellency, 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. Once the commencement of operations, Tapline has trans-shipped millions of tons of crude oil from Saudi Arabia to the Middle East and Zaitunay. In the same period we have loaded in excess of 60,000 tanker cargoes of crude oil for shipment to buyers in the markets of the world. It is worthy of note that this commitment has been made possible through the unique location of the terminal, and facilities which have been accorded to us by the Governments and peoples of Saudi Arabia, Jordan, Syria and Lebanon.

"We do not, however, content ourselves with past accomplishments, but are striving to improve our methods of operation and to maintain a solid basis of friendship and cooperation with the governments of 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 technological discoveries and improvements in the pipeline transportation industry, but we hope that it will likewise continue to play its modest part in the economic and industrial development of these countries."

"After Your Majesty and Your Excellency's visit to the Terminal this morning, Mr. Byrom Brown will show you the Medreco Refinery. This refinery was completed at February 1957. Since the commencement of operations, it has refined in excess of 1,270,000 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 countries 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 Excellency 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. Noble'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 to the offshore control station, the King and the President were shown the operation of the automatic control panel by Mr. Hikmat Badawi, shift foreman.

With a roar of motors, a sweep of sirens, the Rock cycle-escorted procession entered the Medreco Refinery, passing under one of numerous archways decorated with the colors of Saudi Arabia and Lebanon.

Following a master tour of the refinery, H. M. King Saud and H. R. President, Chairman were served refreshments on the lawn of Medreco's administration building. This afforded a rest for the throng of well-wishers assembled to photograph the two prominent Middle East leaders.

ALONG THE LINE

Incoming Main Line, Sidon Terminal

TRANS-ARABIAN PIPELINE CO. • BEIRUT • LEBANON
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IN THE SPOTLIGHT

This mural of a South American damsel is one of the latest painted by Vartan Bezdikian (right) for Tapline Sporting Club. (Photo by Nasr).

TO ALL EMPLOYEES:

With the close of 1957 and the beginning of 1958 Tapline has added another year of achievement and progress to its distinguished record and I wish to extend my thanks to all of you for making this possible.

I am especially appreciative of the excellent teamwork and enterprise shown by you in connection with our capacity revenue program and our move into new headquarters—two events of high significance in our 1957 calendar of events.

I am confident that the same quality of effort and co-operation will prevail in our work during the coming 12 months and that Tapline will continue to transport oil efficiently and economically so that we can maintain and improve our position in the highly competitive business in which we are engaged.

To all of you and your families my best wishes for a happy and prosperous New Year.

JOHN NOBLE, PRESIDENT

Welcome Aboard, Admiral Brown

NAVY OFFICERS TOUR TERMINALS

SIDON—During the November visit of the U.S. Sixth Fleet to Lebanon, Vice Admiral Charles R. Brown, Sixth Fleet Commander, and a group of his staff officers toured Sidon Terminal on November 14. The visit was made in two groups via helicopter.

Accompanying the Admiral were Capt. F. T. Williamson, Comdr. of the USS Sidon; Capt. E. E. Fruey; Cdr. C. E. Cuanni; Cdr. J. Dykes; Cdr. A. F. Huff; Capt. F. T. Williamson; Admiral Brown, Lt. Cdr. Dykes; and Lt. Cdr. A. S. Busch.

The helicopter landings were made in the vicinity of the terminal operation center where the guests were welcomed by Exec. Vice President W. R. Chandler; Operations Manager W. R. Locher; Terminal Superintendent A. A. Brickhouse; W. R. Heliman; and Mr. Byron Brown, General Manager of Sidon Operations.

Following a tour of terminal and pipeline installations, Admiral Brown and his officers were served luncheon at the terminal. (Photos by Nasr).

Tunisian Desert airbase is shown below. (Photo by Nasr).

Vice Admiral Charles R. Brown and party arrived at Sidon Terminal via Sixth Fleet helicopter.

Before touring the terminal, the visitors were shown the famed Wall-Ludwigson model of the terminal and its installations. From left to right are W. R. Locher, Capt. Williamson, Cdt. Kelly, W. R. Chandler, Capt. Ensey, Admiral Brown, Lt. Cdr. Dykes, A. A. Brickhouse and Lt. Cdr. Huff.

Function of the "harp" or pressure reducing station was explained by Mr. A. A. Brickhouse and W. R. Chandler. Shown are (left to right) Admiral C. R. Brown, Brickhouse, Capt. Ensey, Capt. F. T. Williamson, Chandler and Lt. Cdr. Dykes.

W. R. Chandler explained the automatic control board and the operation of the tank farm control station in Admiral Brown and party.
Superintendents Meet in Beirut

Improved Operations
Developed Through Periodic Conferences

BEIRUT—By special flight and the scheduled milkrun, superintendents and members of management from Tapline rose from the Line within ten years of service to arrive in Beirut on November 24 to two days of meetings with management. Periodically, Line superintendents and members of management meet together to co-ordinate methods and procedures that will best achieve Tapline's main goal—pumping of oil. These conferences, usually held at one of the pump stations in Saudi Arabia, have proved highly beneficial particularly as the company's operations are widely familiar to each other. But, it wasn't all work. Of course, Mom and the kids kept the cash registers of Beirut shops clicking. And, there was never a dull evening. The night before the conference, Executive Vice President and Mrs. W. E. Locher entertained the group at a buffet dinner; Operations Manager and Mrs. W. E. Locher hosted a reception the following evening; and, the D. T. Pinckneys gave a dinner party for the Operations group at the Hotel Capitole, November 25.

Meeting in Beirut on this occasion enabled a larger number of management to familiarize themselves with operating problems and assist in the co-ordinating of plans and programs. It is hoped that more of these meetings will be held in Beirut in the future. Attending the final session of the November 25-26 superintendents' meeting were (back row, left to right) Messrs. J. J. Kelberer, H. C. Davis, J. H. Grimes, J. V. Foody, J. R. Terry, R. K. Barnett, P. P. Nibley, A. C. Helms and G. H. Musse; (middle row, left to right) R. K. Curran, J. F. Pfister, J. D. Hoffman, W. R. Lecher, W. H. Chandler, D. T. Pinckney, D. P. Harbin, J. Noble, E. M. Head, R. A. Prusinski, A. A. Brickhouse and G. F. Heide.

The second charm bracelet with a ten year emblem was presented in November to Miss A. O. Keshishian of Industrial Relations, who completed ten years of service November 20. She received her award from Supervisor H. C. Wells. (Photo Nasr). The charm bracelet and a tie-pin were awarded Mrs. D. S. Manoukian and Dr. Amjad Ghanma who completed ten years of company service on November 14 and October 21 respectively. Presentations were made by Dr. Frank J. Zelinski, Medical Director. (Photo Nasr). October 1st marked the tenth year of service with Tapline for Jamil. Attending the conference from Saudi Arabia were R. A. Prusinski, J. D. Hoffman, W. R. Lecher, J. H. Grimes, J. J. Kelberer, J. R. Terry and K. E. Parr from Taif; D. P. Harbin from Baha; H. C. Davis from Rafha and J. F. Pfister of Qaisumah.

Another ten-year service employee from the T&AT group is Mr. G. H. Musse. A charm bracelet and a ten-year service pin was presented to Nicolas Berberi as Aldo J. Belli, another ten-year employee, looks on approvingly. Messrs. Belli and Berberi reached the ten-year mark in April while Mr. Anderson's tenth anniversary date was September 22. (Photo Nasr). During the superintendents' meeting in Beirut, Mr. and Mrs. W. E. Locher hosted a reception at the Tapline Sporting Club, November 25. Among the guests were right to left) Messrs. J. H. Grimes, J. J. Kelberer, J. R. Terry, R. A. Prusinski, D. T. Pinckney, J. F. Pfister, D. P. Harbin, H. C. Davis, P. P. Nibley, R. K. Curran, the host, and G. F. Heide.

Other ten-year service employees from the T&AT group are Mr. and Mrs. W. E. Locher. Congratulating him is Rashid Breidi, GOS supervisor, who made the two-star presentation. (Photo Nasr). The group returned to their respective stations on November 21.

While being congratulated by Comptroller O. T. Swanson, Mr. O. K. Bigelow, Chief Accountant, proudly displays the two-star presentation received upon completion of ten years of service with Tapline, October 1st. (Photo Nasr). Attending the final session of the November 25-26 superintendents' meeting were (front row, left to right) Messrs. J. J. Kelberer, H. C. Davis, J. H. Grimes, J. V. Foody, J. R. Terry, R. K. Barnett, P. P. Nibley, A. C. Helms and G. H. Musse. (Photo Nasr). (Photos by Nasr)
This pictorial review of the eighth and ninth floors winds up the Periscopio semi-tour of Tapline Beirut. Occupying a portion of the eighth floor are offices of the Medical division and Purchase & Traffic. Communications and Oil Dispatching are quartered on the top floor. (Photos by Nasir).

Prescriptions are filled in Room 837 by Abdell Kader Babary, clinic pharmacist.

Technicians Emad Sanad (foreground) and Sarkis Sarkissian are seen in the Medical laboratory, Room 854.

Secretary M. N. Der-Sarkissian (left) confers with Mr. Emil Ayash, assistant chief oil dispatcher, in Room 904.

In Room 802 are (left to right) Ebrah E. Falah, F. N. Khoury and H. M. Zeitounian, supervisor of Foreign Order Processing and Files, P&T.

In Room 904, Rasmieh Khuri, clinic janitress, carefully noted by N. Hamoush, shift dispatcher.

Supervisor of Local Purchasing is M. Bassoul, Room 804.
Converting at ACS (for the annual meeting of Tapline elementary school students at Ras Tanura) are Mrs. J. K. Tomlinson, Mrs. W. M. Wilson of Bahrain, Mr. E. W. Hart, Miss Samia Tibishrani of the Tapline president and Mrs. H. Cross. In the background, the crane has been lowered to convert the tapline equipment to marine conversion.

**Faces and Places... In the News**

**TEACHERS HOLD MEETING AT ACS**

**DUBLEIDGE POPULAR AT TURAF**

Duplicate bridge tournaments are becoming increasingly popular at Tapline. For almost a year, at 7 p.m. each Saturday, a large number of the more enthusiastic players have gathered at the ACS headquarters for match points and to develop their playing ability in competition.

Their enthusiasm has proven contagious. On November 30, a record attendance of 16 pairs appeared and an eight table Mixed competition was instituted.

**THE CRADLE ROW**

**TAPLINE NOW PUMPS SAND**

**SAMAHA ADMITTED TO FLORIDA STATE BAR**

**HALLOWEEN PARTY**

**FLORIDA STATE BAR**

Mr. John N. Sa'd, of the American Club in Beirut, has been admitted to the Florida State Bar. He was sworn in on November 30 at the American Bar Association meeting in New York City. He is the first Arab to be admitted to the Florida State Bar.

Mr. Sa'd is the son of Mr. and Mrs. A. F. Kennedy, designers of the Terminal's harbor dredge. Mr. Kennedy is also the designer of the Tapline elementary school school, which is being constructed in Ras Tanura.

**BADANAH**

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by Dora Saber

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Dr. A. Ghannah and family
the W. R. McConnell and
children. Mrs. N. Y. Turk and
daughter, George Khoury and
Mr. Abdou Hilmi have re—
turned from vacations.

A surprise bridge party was
given by Lucy Davis to her
friend, Dr. J. Thaddeus of Bei—
rut who was vacation relief for
her general nursing degree in
mezzin, Lebanon. She obtained

A big welcome was given the
Ghanmas upon their return
from Badanah station from
long vacation. Taken at the reception held
on their behalf, the picture above shows left to right: Miss Dora Saber, Zeina Ghanma, Mrs. and Dr. A. Ghanma, Marada Ghanma, and Mr. and Mrs. H. B. Disoevar (Photo by S.M. Siddique

Pipeline—Periscope

T H E O L e M o r e n

Sidon
by Dr. G. M. Stephen

The Halloween party sponsor—
ed by the ZCC on November
2nd at the territorial auditorium
was a howling success. Every—
body had a wonderful time. At
2:30 p.m. Door prizes and cash
prizes were given out. Mrs. T. Martino and Dr. G. M. Stephen received first prize for the
best costume, while Miss Vera Hagi and Dr.
F. A. Hye won the top award for the"funniest"
Square dance practice sessions have been resumed by ZCC
members. It's getting cold after
all...

The third duplicate bridge
sour of the ZCC was orga—
nized on November 29. Mrs. L.
Ulbrick of Medford and Capt.
Martin Rutherford of Taybe
took north/south honors with
69.8 match points. Mr. and Mrs.
Borun Brown of Medford won the east/west winners with
62.1 match points.

The welcome mat is out
for Hilda Cypser of American
University Hospital in Bei—
rut her affiliation with the company.

Our hats are tipped for three
Nurses Vera S. Kassees and
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ALONG THE LINE (Continued from page 11)

Turfah

Shubait last month for a private hunting vacation. Ain Al-Shubait, it is said, is one of the best hunting areas in the Turfah area. Mr. Mabrouk and party are expected to return to Tapline's 1958 Construction Budget.

IN THE SPOTLIGHT (Continued from page 3)

Folli's and Party Visit Beirut

BEIRUT — Prior to his transfer to Amoco-Dhahran, Mr. Louis E. Folli, Tapline counselor, was awarded the Gold Medal of First Class of the Lebanese Order of Merit. The presentation was made by the Lebanese Foreign Minister, Dr. Charles Mink, President John Noble and other company officials attended the ceremony.

Mr. Folli and Mrs. Folli were entertained by Mr. E. H. Follis and party by Mr. and Mrs. R. G. Follis, Mr. Follis, Chairman of the Board, Mrs. E. H. Follis, Mrs. Louis E. Follis and Mr. Leonce, President of SOCAL (Photo by EPISO)

Bob's Pumps Sand Tapline Pumps Sand (Continued from page 9)

Terminals are capable of handling 1200 feet of pipe for field pipe, being used to a window tank from the junk yard, "borrowed" a few six-inch hoses, built a fence and a few six-inch hoses, built a fence and a six-inch hose for a field pipe. Take-up work is being done for the field pipe, and the Tuna Oil Sporting Club for a "remarkable" party. Mr. Folli reported that the Tapline Pumps Sand Tapline Pumps Sand

MINER'S EXPERIENCE

Bob's Pumps Sand Tapline Pumps Sand

IN THE SPOTLIGHT (Continued from page 3)

Krikor M. Megashian

Qosiumah by M. Jasouli

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Welcome aboard to Mr. and Mrs. E. H. Gossard who arrived in Qosiumah November 23rd for the first time. Mr. Gossard has been transferred from Tapline to Aramco-Dhahran, Mr. Gossard is a member of the Bar Association of San Francisco. Mr. Gossard and his family are expected to continue his work here. Mr. Gossard and his family are expected to continue his work here. Mr. Gossard and his family are expected to continue his work here.

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