Cutting the traditional ribbon officially opening the two fishermen's net storage buildings, under construction by Tapline in the port area of the city of Sidon since December 15, 1960, is H.E. Abdallah Mashnuk, Minister of Municipal and Rural Affairs. The ceremonies, April 8, were attended by a large crowd from Sidon and a number of Tapline officials. Second, third and fourth from left, respectively, are Sidon Deputy Ma'arouf Saad, Tapline President John Noble, the Mohafez of South Lebanon, Mr. Ghaleb el—Turk, and His Excellency Abdallah Mashnuk. (Photo by Mustafa el—Turk. Story and additional photos on pages 6 and 7).

J. F. PFISTER PRESENTED 25—YEAR SERVICE AWARD

Turail Station Superintendent John F. Pfister was awarded, March 23, a five—star service insignia representing twenty—five years of service with Tapline, stockholder and affiliated companies. The pin presentation was made by Manager of Operations Robert A. Prusinski at a reception held in Britton House and attended by central facilities and station supervisors.

Born in Sonoma County, California, Mr. Pfister’s career in the oil industry proceeded from the ground up. Upon graduation from High School in St. Helena, California, he worked at the Santa Fe Foundry and Rheem Manufacturing Co. in the Richmond area. On March 25, 1936, he joined the Standard Oil Company of California at the Richmond Refinery. He remained there until July 1940, when he was transferred to Aramco (then known as CASOC, i.e. the California Arabian Standard Oil Company) and was sent to Ras Tanura for the final stages of building the refinery there. He was later appointed foreman at the power plant.

Mr. Pfister was among the few Americans who remained in Saudi Arabia during the war. After 46 months of service in the Field, he took a vacation in his home state and returned in May 1944 at which time he was appointed foreman of utilities in Ras Tanura. In 1946 he was made foreman of the Stabilizer in Dhahran, and two years later he was transferred to the Utilities Division as foreman.

Mr. Pfister joined Tapline in July, 1950, as Quaismah Station Superintendent. He saw the station through its construction stages and, in 1952, was assigned to Rafa. Mr. Pfister was reassigned to Quaismah early in 1956, and came to Turail as Station Superintendent three years later.

Upon presentation of his service emblem, Mr. Pfister, who will retire September 30, recalled the many interesting changes that have taken place in Saudi Arabia since his arrival there, twenty— one years ago. He said he was certain the years ahead would bring even more interesting challenges and changes.

One of the rare expert gardeners along the ‘Line, Mr. Pfister has a real “green thumb.” Other interests are hunting and golf.

Gossenses Get Navy Citation

One of the highest awards that can be bestowed upon an American civilian has been given to Gerhart H. Gossens, Tapline’s superintendent of purchasing and traffic, and Mrs. Gossens. The Secretary of the Navy’s meritorious public service citation “for outstanding contributions to the Department of the Navy in the fields of morale, welfare and community relations” was presented to Mr. and Mrs. Gossens at a luncheon meeting of the Propellor Club, Port of Beirut, at the Carlton Hotel on March 23.

The presentation was made by Vice Admiral George W. Anderson, Jr., Commander of the United States Sixth Fleet, in the presence of a large number of guests, including United States Ambassador Robert McClintock.

The high honor paid to Mr. and Mrs. Gossens is a source of great satisfaction to all Tapliners and to the couple’s countless friends outside the company. The devotion of the Gossens to public service and community progress has long been

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April 1 is a memorable day for Mohammad Sultan Hajaj. On that date in 1946, he was hired by Aramco as a driver for a group of engineers making the preliminary survey of the Trans-Arabian Pipe Line system. Today, he is transportation dispatcher for the line. His fifteen years of continuous service with Tapline is a unique and pace setting record for Saudi Arabian employees.

First headquartered at Dusail, Mohammad transferred to Ras el-Misha'ab in mid-September, 1949. Five months later, he moved to Qaisumah as clerk, March 17, 1951, found him in Rafha, where his eagerness for self-improvement earned him the job classification of all-automotive driver. Muhammad, who, incidentally, hails from el-Hasa, attended classes at Turaif's Development School. A man with a keen sense of humor, he is well liked by all those who come in contact with him. The Sultan family live in a new home built for them under Tapline’s Saudi Home Ownership Plan. Muhammad was, in fact, the first Saudi Arab employee at Turaif.

U.S. NAVY CITATION

(Continued from page 1)

The Spring Tournament will be held at the Zahrai Country Club course at Seoud, where golfing Tapliners from Lebanon qualified on the basis of two of a maximum of four rounds played between March 22 and April 30. Teams usually consist of ten men, four women.

Some of the finest golf seen in Arabia for some time was played out at Badanah's Rocky Acres course during the 36-hole tournament. At the end of the first 18 holes of play on April 13, Dr. Prince turned in the sparkling record low gross score of 157 strokes for 36 holes--good enough to rank him fifth among all senior 'Line contenders. The scores:

**PRINCE GROSSES RECORD 139 TO TAKE 'LINE TOURNAMENT**

Executing top golfing for 36 holes, Dr. Prince scored 69 strokes for a total of 139—thus crowning his closest rival, Mr. Ritter, who carded a 78 to take second place honors with 148.

For the woman, Mrs. Everett R. Robertson, of Rafha, was the champion. Her 96-92-179 bettered runner-up Mrs. John R. Terry's 106-92-192.

RAFHA GOLFERS TEE-OFF 1961 SEASON

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**SCHOOL HONOR ROLL**

Fourteen Tapline children attending Senior Staff School classes in Saudi Arabia have been placed on the Honor Roll, for attaining no grades lower than "B" during the second twelve-week term, ending March 15.

They are:

Badanah
Carolyn Crothwait
James Terry
Catherine White

Dane wood

Turfay
Craig Eckert

Stephan Booth

James Foody, Jr.

Alba Jensen

Katia Jensen

Chris Schnurr

Linda Schahman

Diane Wood

John Terry

Suzanne Wood

The tournament was won by Jim Foydy, 13-year-old son of Mr. and Mrs. James V. Foydy, of Turaf, whose low gross total of 157 strokes for 36 holes was good enough to rank him fifth among all senior 'Line contenders.

**THE CRADLE ROW**

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Ayd, son of Mr. and Mrs. Ayyad Ayed

86-92-177

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104-99-203

105-102-207

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MEN

Dr. Marcel Prince, Badanah

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Locher, Brickhouse to Discuss
Terminal Modernization in U.S.

Vice President of Operations Walter E. Locher and Terminal Superintendent Albert Brickhouse will meet April 10, to discuss Tapline's proposal for modernizing its Sidon loading facilities with marine specialists of the shareholder companies.

The main features of the proposal are:

a. Improve the safety in berthing large supertankers by extending Bertha No. 1 and No. 3 further to seaward in deeper water and by installing stronger moorings.

b. Increase the possible loading rates to large tankers by installing crossings over crossovers and inshore crossovers and increasing Berths No. 1 and No. 3 by 16" hose in Berths 1, 3 and 4 and dual strings of 12" hose in Berths 5, by installing a large-diameter submarine pipeline loop to Berth No. 1.

Work has started on the shore crossings and most of the 16" hose is in order. If approved, work on extending Bertha No. 1 and No. 3 should start this summer.

On their way to the Station, Mr. Locher and Captain Brickhouse planned to visit the Wilhelmshaven (Germany) and the Rotterdam (Holland) oil terminals as well as the pipeline pumping stations at these locations. They are scheduled to return to Beirut early in May.

Rihan Gets Language Training Job

Michel Khalil Rihan, of Tyre, Lebanon, arrived in Turf April 17 to take up a new Tapline job of Language Training Supervisor. Mr. Rihan will be attached to the Office of Training Coordinator Kenneth E. Parr. He will assist in the company's drive to expand language training in Saudi Arabia by coordinating efforts of the Development Department along the 'Line, and installing dual strings of

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| Pipeline throughput slipped in March to more than 5,000 barrels below the February figure, or 21,800 barrels a day below the all-time company high achieved two years ago.

Due to low tanker lifting forecasts for April and the accumulation of high stocks at Sidon Terminal, the auxiliary pumping units, which were on line throughout March for more than 600 hours each, were shut down on the 31st and remained off-stream throughout April. Turf station has also been in off-stream operation since April 6.

Deliveries from Sidon to ships and Medreco averaged 418,788 BPD in March, compared with the record 454,625 BPD, set in February this year. Provable average deliveries from Sidon for April were 267,000.

In March, 26 per cent of tankers calling at Sidon were 22,000 deadweight tonne; 29 per cent were of 20,000 DWT; 30 per cent were of 30,000 DWT; 26 per cent were of 50,000 DWT; and 3 per cent, of 60,000 DWT.

During the first week of April, the supertankers,怪物 ENTERPRISE and AGRICULTUM, were loaded with more than 350,000 barrels of crude each.

Two-star emblems for completing ten years of continuous company service were awarded by the following employees during April:

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- Muhammad Basilah, of Community Services
- Saleh El—Omar, of Accounting
- Tannun Muhammad El-Dossari, of Motor Transport
- Taher Hassan, of Operations, and Repairs
- Ibrahim Abdal—Rahman El—Saw, of Community Services
- Sa'd Abdal—Ahad, of Motor Transport
- Sallah Ghanam, of Motor Transport
- Ali Nassir, of Operations, and Repairs
- Miss Amaa Shurri, of Marine Services
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**Increased Operations**

Mobilized the 17th April, for aro, and the 18th April, to the second day of the 17th April. The system was encountered at a location attended by, from left, clockwise around the table: Ra'fat Farah, Foreman—General Services, and Repairs, Dr. Maurice Baroudi, John Nehme, Sa'ad Salim Harbi el—Radadi, Mike Bado, Saleh el—'Alawi, a welcome representative of the Lebanese Parliament; Labib Ghulmiyyeh, Principal of Marjayoun National College; Doctors Rodolphe E. Sabbagha and Maurice N. Atiyeh, Mrs. Ghandour; Training Coordinator Kenneth E. Parr, Station Supervisor Dr. F. P. Pheo, Station Relations Representatives Dale E. Garri-}

**Parents of the Students**

Parents of the students were conducting on a tour of the Arabian Headquarters for the 'Line, as part of the Tapline schools program designed to familiarize faculty members with company operations.Shown above at the company hospital are, from left, Mr. Sa'd Saleh, Charles Sand, Principal of Chefaa National College and member of the Lebanese Parliament; Labib Ghulmiyyeh, Principal of Marjayoun National College; Doctors Rodolphe E. Sabbagha and Maurice N. Atiyeh, Mrs. Ghandour; Training Coordinator Kenneth E. Parr, Station Supervisor Dr. F. P. Pheo, Station Relations Representatives Dale E. Garri-}

**Schools Along the 'Line**

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Sidon Fishermen Facilities Inaugurated

President John Noble presents the keys to the fishermen's net storage buildings to the Mohafez of South Lebanon, Mr. Ghaleb el-Turk, on behalf of the Municipality of Sidon and the Sidon Fishermen's Association. (Photo by Mustafa el-Turk)

Excerpts:

"Two fishermen's net storage buildings, constructed by Tapline in the port area of the city of Sidon, at a cost of about $10,000 as a gesture of goodwill toward the Sidon community, were inaugurated at a formal ceremony held April 8 - 113 days after ground was broken for their construction.

Tapline President John Noble presented the keys to the buildings to the Mohafez of South Lebanon, Ghaleb el-Turk, who accepted them on behalf of the Sidon Municipality and the Sidon Fishermen's Association, in the presence of His Excellency Abdallah Mashnuk, Minister of Municipal and Rural Affairs, Sidon Deputy Mr. Ma'arouf Saad, a number of company officials and almost all of the 180 fishermen who will benefit from the new facilities, which include twenty cubicles for storage, and racks for drying fishing nets.

President Noble dedicated the buildings with these words:

"Excellencies, Mr. Mashnuk and Mr. Turk, Honorable Deputy Mr. Ma'arouf Saad, members of the Sidon Fishermen's Association, and friends of Tapline and Sidon, this is a very happy occasion. In many countries, and perhaps here in Lebanon also, there is a custom with respect to honored guests who visit a city or town. The custom is to offer them the "keys" of the city. This ceremony actually includes in some instances the presenting of a large ornamental symbolic key to the guest to be honored.

"When Tapline first came here to Sidon it was given, symbolically, the key to this beautiful city in the sense that we have enjoyed the friendship and the hospitality of this community for more than 10 years.

"Tapline's formal relations with the Government are represented by agreements containing undertakings by the Company which we try conscientiously to carry out. But there are other undertakings which we take great pleasure in carrying out of a purely voluntary nature. These include the support of many charitable and philanthropic organizations.

"The buildings which we are here to dedicate today represent such a philanthropic undertaking by Tapline, and in offering the keys of these buildings to His Excellency on behalf of the Municipality and the Association, I ask that you consider them not only as a symbol of the mutual friendship and respect which exists between the Community of Sidon and Tapline, but that they be symbols of the mutual friendship and respect which exists between the Community of Sidon and Tapline, May that friendship and respect, like these buildings, last for many years.

"On behalf of Trans-Arabian Pipe Line Company, I am honored to present to His Excellency Mr. Ghaleb el-Turk, on behalf of the Municipality of Sidon, these keys and with them I give him, and to His Excellency Mr. Ma'arouf Saad, our thanks for their inspiration and cooperation which have made this project possible."

"Four months ago I was Mr. Noble's guest at a party given by Tapline to celebrate the completion of the first year of operation at Zahrani. We talked about some of the things that the Company could do in the social field, and I proposed something similar to this project which had already been mentioned to me by my friend Mr. Ma'arouf Saad, Deputy for Sidon.

"Mr. Noble's reaction to the idea was very gratifying indeed. He said to me: 'Even if the fishermen's cabins were the only result of this party, I would still regard it as a most successful and profitable one.'"

"On the next day, Mr. Noble came to my office in person, accompanied by an engineer, and informed me that the work had already begun.

"The fishermen will use these cabins to store their nets and equipment instead of carrying them after each catch, as they used to do in the past, to their homes or leaving them in coffee-houses or in the open air in danger of loss or damage.

"Through their reaction to the idea and their acceptance and prompt implementation thereof, the Company and Mr. Noble have performed an act the significance of which rises above the material level. This act involves a tender humanitarian touch worthy of appreciation and gratitude."

"Minister Mashnuk's personal attendance on this occasion is an indication of His Excellency's love for the fishermen—that loyal, toiling group of the Sidon population which is in need of every affection, care and encouragement. It is also an indication of His Excellency's appreciation for Tapline's worthy act."

"We hope that this project will prove to be a good omen for the fishermen's future, and that the Company's act will open a new era of fruitful, constructive cooperation between the Company and the inhabitants of this region."
THE OIL INDUSTRY IN THE NEWS

**Oil Find:** A major new Libyan oil field is shaping up in Oasis Oil's Block 59 in eastern Libya, according to a recent report. The field is expected to produce 150,000 barrels of oil per day. The discovery was made after extensive drilling and exploration, and is considered one of the most promising fields in the region.

**Sales and Operations:** Sales and operations figures for the year showed a significant increase, with revenues up by 20% compared to the previous year. Profits also increased, with a 15% rise in net income. The company attributed the growth to increased demand for its products and effective cost management.

**Pipeline Developments:** The new pipeline project, currently under construction, is expected to be completed by the end of the year. The pipeline will connect the company's oil fields with the international market, allowing for increased exports and revenue. The project is expected to cost $2 billion.

**New Developments:** The company has recently taken on a new petrochemical project, expected to increase its production capacity by 50%. The project is expected to be completed in the next two years and is expected to generate additional revenue.

**Future Prospects:** The company's management is optimistic about the future, with plans to expand its operations and increase its market share. The company is also looking into new markets, with plans to enter the Asian market in the next five years.

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**EASTER HOLIDAY HIGHLIGHTS AT TAPLINE SPORTING CLUB**

The festive season began one week before Easter, on March 25, with the Tennis and Rackets Ball. A buffet, music by a live orchestra, followed by a tennis tournament. The tapliners were treated to the best, and the evening was a huge success.

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**Children's Easter Party:** The children's Easter party, held on April 1 at the Tapline Sporting Club, was a huge success. A huge chocolate Easter egg and a small gift for each child were given to the children.
Turfar

A little bit of Ireland fell on Turaif last month. The Women's Group of her father, Rima is shown above blowing out the candles on her anniversary cake. (Photo by Chucri Georges).

At 'Ar'ar, Messrs. Foody and Foreman turned to Beirut, April 17, after a brief as—

a field assignment of about a six—day trip to Dhahran, on return from a trip to Kuwait and Bahrain, putnams, on return from a trip to Damascus and Baghdad on vacation. All-Hadi bin Omar, on return with his band, who is here on relief from Turaif to join her husband, is here on relief assignment; station electrician and instrumentation man.

Baniqash

Congratulations to Badih E. Haddad, who recently took over the duties of station accounting office supervisor, replaces Robert G. Van Peursem, who recently retired.

Another friend has left Qaisumah. A number of social functions were sponsored at the station to bid farewell to Chandler as an automotive engineer and oilfield service.

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Back from leaves are A. Marzook, D. Suleiman, A. Saleh, H. Musailim and A. Muhammad.

While vacationing in Ireland, Captain and Mrs. Martin Rutherford (third from right and second from left, respectively) attended the wedding of their daughter Mary (center) to Austin Edward Orr-Kinraid, on March 13, at the Presbyterian Church in Shore Street, Drogheda, Ireland. Captain and Mrs. Rutherford returned to Bahrain Terminal March 26. (Photo by Hamilton.)

The Ras El Lados Golf Club of I.P.C., Tripoli, in—

ved the Zahrani Country Club to a team match on their course, April 15 and 16.

In its first meeting this year, Z.C.C.'s Rules and Grievance Committee elected Paul E. Cole chairman.

Rafha

Rafha's welcoming wagon happily received in March Training Coordinator Kenneth E. Parr and Coordin—
atior of Employees Relations James V. Foody, of Turaif, who accompanied Jim Me—
as and Floyd Teel, res—
tively, of Aramco's Labor

Relations and Recruiting Departments in Dhahran, in their visit to the station. A dinner was hosted by Station Superintendent and Mrs. Dudley P. Harbin in honor of the guests.

Company Representative — Pipe Line Area Robert E. Stansh was also here, intro—
ducing Harry F. Hopper to company personnel and government officials.

Off to Beirut on short trips are Mrs. Eugenie W. Eckert and Mrs. Kamal H. Aoun.

Mr. and Mrs. Edward C. Olsen and daughter, Debra, are back in Rafha from their long sandstone vacation. The Olsens report having toured most of the United States by car — driving all the way from New York to Mexico and back to New Jersey. Rafha's golf course is getting crowded with avid swing—
gers, who are polishing their shots for the 1961 'Line championship tournament, set for April 13 and 14 at Badanah.

With the recent organization of our sporting Club, headed by Dr. Kamal H. Aoun, sports activities are advancing at Rafha. A tennis
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