At its annual meeting in San Francisco May 8, 9 and 10, Tapline's Board of Directors announced that President John Noble will be leaving the company as of July 1, to become Vice President of Texaco Inc., one of Tapline's four parent companies, in charge of Foreign Operations in the Eastern Hemisphere effective September 1; that William R. Chandler would succeed Mr. Noble as Tapline President and Chief Executive Officer; and that Walter E. Locher would succeed Mr. Chandler as Executive Vice President. Mr. Locher was elected a Director of the Company.

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**ARAMCO VP’s**

Election of three new vice presidents and reassignment of several management functions was announced May 13 by T. C. Barger, President and Executive Officer of Aramco.

J. P. L. Fowlis, D. N. Exsell and D. J. Sullivan were elected, respectively, Vice President Engineering Services, Vice President Manufacuring and Local Sales and Vice President Operations, effective July 1 1956.

Mr. Lunde also was elected a member of the Board of Directors.

Some of the other appointments were as follows:

- F. E. Abbott, General Manager, Operations.
- R. H. Devenny, General Manager, Governmental Relations.
- William R. Chandler, has been Vice President of Operations’ audit and other special studies as assigned.

**Line Golfers Play Lebanon**

**To a 30-All Draw at Sidon**

For the first time in several years of cup play, Tapline golfers from Saudi Arabia held their Beirut-Sidon counterparts to a draw in the President’s Cup Tournament played at Zahrani, May 23 and 24.

Both teams tied with an identical score of 39亚洲 match points each.

Individual tournament winner was Lebanon’s Walter E. Locher who topped the ball in the 36th cup on his 19th stroke to take low gross and low net (135) honors.

Low gross runner-up with 159 was Dr. Marcel Prince of Badanah. Second place low net winner was Lebanon’s Oscar T. Swanson with 143.

Lebanon’s women representatives overwhelmed their Saudi Arabian rivals by the narrow point total of 73 to 63. Star of distaff golfer was Mrs. M. Rutherford, low gross and low net winner with scores of 184 and 136, respectively.

(Editors note: Full feature on tourney will be published in forthcoming issue.)

**Chandler Heads Tapline**

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He is member of the American Judiciary Society, the American Society of International Law, the Academy of Political Science and the Foreign Policy Association.

The Nobles have four children: John, 25; Charles, 23; George W., 21; and David Jackson 18.

Tapline’s new President, William R. Chandler, has been Executive Vice President since March 1956 and has served Tapline in various executive capacities for the past 16 years.

Born in Butte, Montana, Mr. Chandler spent his youth in Montana and Alaska, and graduated from the University of Washington in 1938 with a B.S. in Civil Engineering. Before graduating, Mr. Chandler worked for a total of five years with the Alaska Road Commission, Anchorage, Alaska, in various positions ranging from warehouseman to engineering and office supervisory work.

His service in the oil industry commenced in June 1935, when he joined the Standard Oil Company of California as a member of the Board of Directors.

In March 1956, Mr. Chandler returned to SOCAL’s Standard Oil Development Department in San Francisco in July 1949. Two years later, he was sent to Skagway, Alaska, as one of a group of consultants furnished by SOCAL to the U.S. Army to help develop oil and gas deposits in the Arctic.

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Games, Recitals Mark Year-End School Program

Qaisumah town's school-age youngsters entertained their parents and Tapline friends April 25 with a year-end program and field day featuring the closing of the Amirate School for the summer holiday.

Led by the Amir of Qaisumah Mohammad Khuwaiter, a record crowd estimated at 600 watched the program which included Koran reading, a speech by headmaster AbdulAziz Shaghdaity, a number of plays as well as song and poem recitals.

OPERATIONS REPORT

April
Average BPD received at Sidon 417,198 459,908
Ships loaded 54 230
Average BPD loaded on ships 393,361 396,662
Average size of ships loaded 242,437 239,703
Average BPD delivered to ships Medreco and IPC 423,114 422,066
Pipeline throughput slipped for the second month in a row during April to fall at 437,198 barrels daily, or 36,461 barrels below March's daily average.

Deliveries from Sidon to ships, Medreco and IPC, however, rose substantially, averaging 423,114 barrels daily during April against 393,198 BPD in March.

Deliveries from Sidon were estimated to average 273,000 BPD during Mar.

Board Approvals Appropriations

Two new appropriations were approved during May by the Board meetings in San Francisco. The appropriations provide for:

1. Installation of a cooling tower and other items at Rafha to provide chilled water to the aftercoolers, thereby increasing output of the Worthington pumping engines.
2. Installation of a surge relief system at Shubah which will be similar to the system already installed at Qaryatain. The Shubah relief system will allow pipeline pressure at Qaisumah to be raised, thereby boosting capacity of the line from Qaisumah to Rafha.

HARDWICK OUTSWINGS PRINCE TO LEAD LINE QUALIFIERS

Chuck Hardwick blanked his old-time opponent Dr. Marcel Prince in a sudden-death play-off to lead qualifying golfers from Qaisumah, Rafha, Badanah and Turai'ah who met over Rafha's Tidat el-Beduou course, May 2 and 3, to determine membership on the 'Line team participating in the President's Cup Tournament, symbolic of the Tapline men's team golf championship.

The President's Cup Tournament was held on the Zahran Country Club course at Sidon, May 23 and 24, where Beirut and Sidon golfers qualified on the basis of the lowest two of a maximum of four rounds played earlier in May.

Executing top golfing form all the way, Hardwick and Dr. Prince, both of Badanah, remained deadlocked with low gross scores of 155 strokes at the end of the 36-hole event. Hardwick proved his mettle later in grabbing the play-off. It was his second win in a row over Prince. In last year's qualifying tournament at Turai'ah, Hardwick had scored a 36-hole victory over Prince in three strokes under Prince's.

Tied in third place with 154's were Charles S. Babb and Howard T. Jensen, both of Rafha.

Other qualifiers placing on the Arabian team were: George F. Heide of Turai'ah, 157; E. J. Wright of Turai'ah, 160; John H. Arnold of Badanah, 161; Richard S. Sheehan of Qaisumah, 161; Michel Moussa of Badanah, 162; and John Samaha of Badanah, 169.

Participants in the Rafha tourney who failed to place on the Arabian team were: A. M. Siddique of Qaisumah, 169; Robert W. Bowe of Badanah, 173; Ahmad Said and H. Hargrove of Badanah, 181; James V. Torres of Turai'ah, 184; George Linabary of Rafha, 184; Moussa Moussa of Badanah, 193; and Dr. Kamil Aoun of Turai'ah, 240.

All 'Line' tournament officials, participants and other guests attended the gala reception and trophy banquet held Friday evening, May 5, at Rafha's Community Center. Arrangements for the gala banquet had been made by Mesdames James F. Chal- plin, George Linabary and Kenneth E. Parr as well as John Brandenburg.

Women representatives of the Arabian team to the President's Cup Tournament were Mesdames E. R. Robertson, H. Hargrove, J. H. Rosquist and E. S. Tris- icy.

ZCC Qualifiers

Results of the qualifying rounds in Lebanon for the Beirut-Sidon golf team to enter the President's Cup Tournament, played May 23 and 24 at Sidon, have been announced.

Winning places on the Beirut-Sidon team on the basis of the best two of a maximum of four turn-up 18-hole rounds were: Walter E. Locher, Oscar T. Swam- n, Howard Janotta, Karl I. Tronstad, William R. Chandler, John P. O'Hages, Richard R. Burnett and A. A. Brickhouse.

Leading the Tapline Lebanon women qualifiers were: Mulesdames M. Rutherford, K. I Tronstad, W. G. Esp- ing and John Noble.
Hundreds Watch Rafha Field Day

Amir Ibrahim Ibn Hazza'a and leading town officials were among the 500 jubilant spectators who picked the Rafha station compounds April 18 and 19 to cheer Topline employees from Rafha and Qaisumah participating in field day events.

The field day featured an inter-station soccer match between Rafha and Qaisumah. The match developed into a gala affair with the players in colorful uniforms parading on the field before the starting whistle.

From the kick-off to minutes before the end of the game, the defensive systems of the two teams managed to block off a dozen of score-destined shots.

As second half time closed in, however, Rafha's Saadallah Yacoub nudged the ball past the Qaisumah goalie, giving his team a 1-0 victory and the silver cup.

Qaisumah's athletes took their revenge however by making a clean sweep of five track and field events out of a total nine that were contested.

Qaisumah's outstanding Muhammad Odaily, typist clerk, Saudi Arab Governorate, took top honors in the 100-yard dash race as well as in the high and broad jump events.

Following are the overall results:


Official judges and scorekeepers in the two-day event were Howard Jensen, Fred Kruyt, Dr. Masri Baradi, Jean Obeid, Jim Druley, George Linabury, Charlie Rohl and Saad Dabaghy. Ibrahim Munief acted as master of ceremonies.

(Photos by R. Abdul-Samad)


Marshall Teams With Mrs. Robinson to Win Duplicate Bridge Honors

The first championship duplicate bridge tournament sponsored by the Tapline Club Bridge Group under the sanction of the American Bridge League took place on May 30, when a ten table Howell movement Invitation Mixed Pairs Tournament was played at the Bristol Hotel.

First place honors were won by the Robert Marshall—Mrs. William Robinson team. Tied for second place were Mr. and Mrs. Robert Karl Battilson. Trophies were presented to the winners by tournament director Howard Jansen.

Due to construction and finishing work at the Tapline Sporting Club premises, no duplicate bridge tournaments will be held prior to August 3.

Six boy students and eight girl students from high schools in Lebanon made overnight visits to Turaif separately during the last week of March on the invitation of Tapline Public Relations and town installations in preparation for a descriptive essay contest on company facilities there and at Sidon Terminal, which they had visited earlier.

The students were accompanied in both trips by Community Affairs Representative Mahmoud K. Saab. In Turaif, they were escorted by Language Training Supervisor Michel Ri- has. Each of the 14 competitors in Tapline's prize program was slated to submit by the end of May an essay on his visits to Sidon and Turaif. A committee will select the best four of these essays for special prizes.

14 Students Vie for Essay Prizes

A column of Lebanon military cadets marches upon Tapline's Sidon Terminal recently on a visit to installations under the company's Schools Program. Mahmoud K. Saab, of Beirut Public Relations, escorted the cadets.

Radio and Instrument Technician Asaad Khatib adjusts the VHF equipment at Qaryatain station. (Photo by Nasr)

Tapline has installed a "talking" positive displacement meter at Km. 1035 to measure its crude oil deliveries to the Jordan refinery. The system consists of:

1. A DC (direct current) pulse transmitter mounted on the positive displacement meter.
2. A data unit which accumulates the pulses, and
3. A very high frequency radio link which connects the system to the oil dispatch circuit via the radio relay station at Km. 1035.

As oil flows through the meter, DC pulses are sent to the data unit at the rate of 10 pulses per barrel of oil. The data unit counts the pulses until called upon to report the meter reading.

Qaryatain station on the Beirut dispatcher can obtain the meter reading by pressing a button which turns on the VHF radio equipment.

The heart of the system is the data unit which accumulates digital information and translates it to audio information. "The nice thing about it," says John J. Kel- berer, "is that it only talks when asked to do so.

Smith Elected

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United States of more than one year.

In January this year, Mr. Smith had been placed on special assignment, reporting to Executive Management, to coordinate long range planning.

Concurrently, Mr. O'Hagan had been designated acting manager, Industrial Relations. He had been named assistant manager, Indus- trial Relations, in January 1961.

Born in Brooklyn, N.Y., and a graduate of Colorado University, with a B.A. in education and sociology, Mr. O'Hagan transferred from Aramco's New York Office (which he joined in October, 1949) to Tapline's Beirut headquarters in July, 1959, as Supervisor—Policy and Benefits.
President John Noble and Executive Vice President William R. Chandler returned May 18 from the United States where they attended Board of Directors meetings in San Francisco May 6 to 9.

Mr. and Mrs. Noble gave a dinner party at the Fairmont Hotel, in San Francisco during their stay in May for Tapline friends. Among those attending were: Mr. and Mrs. Howard Wells, Mr. and Mrs. John Plumber, Mr. and Mrs. David T. Pinckney, Mr. and Mrs. William L. Owen, R. P. Coke, W. R. Chandler, Mrs. Mrs. H. H. Hall, Mr. and Mrs. Harold Davis, Mr. and Mrs. C. A. Swigart, Mr. and Mrs. Harold Beekley and Mr. and Mrs. John J. Jones.

Dr. J. F. Zolecki, medical consultant, returned May 18 from a two-week business trip to New York. Dr. Daniel Khosary, of Badanah, welcomed back Dr. Zolecki, spent a pleasant holiday in the United States before returning later in May.

Safety Engineer Fauzi M. Muheisin, returned May 18 from a one-month business trip in the United States where he will attend annual meetings of the National Safety Council in Chicago, Ill., the National Fire Protection Association in Portland, Oregon, and the American Institute of Electrical Engineers in Dallas, Texas. He will also visit owner and affiliate companies in the U.S.

W. A. Weber and J. R. Brown, of the General Relations headquarters spent their last days in Beirut before their return to the U.S. Mr. Brown, the former Chief of Aramco Industrial Relations, some fifteen years ago was the first 'Tapline's personnel officer in the United States.

Vern Tieten, formerly of Beirut Public Relations, also spent a few days in Beirut on returning to Aramco-Dhabar from medical treatment and convalescence in the U.S.

Robert G. Thompson was assigned May 1 as project engineer in charge of the Roadside Ticket Service project.

An invitation mixed pairs duplicate bridge tournament was held at the Tapline Sporting Club May 30. Trush and full master point awards were given.

Tapline employees conveys their sincere condolences to George Kassar on the death April 21 of his father, Khalil Mansoor Kassar.

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Qaryatain Entertains Hearn

Some 50 Tapliners and guests attended the luncheon party given at Qaryatain, May 8, to bid farewell to George Hearn, supervisor of that station for the past five years, on his transfer to Sidon as Assistant Superintendent—Shore Operations.

Attending the function from Beirut were Vice President—Operations Walter E. Locher, Manager of Operations Robert A. Prusinski, Comptroller Oscar T. Swan, Acting Manager of Industrial Relations John P. O'Hagan and Chief Engineer—Pipeline Richard R. Burnett. From Turaif came General Superintendent George F. Heide, William R. Pickett, James E. Hughes, R. H. Putnam, John H. Rosquist and, of course, James F. Chaplin, who has transferred to Qaryatain as acting superintendent.

Col. Mutlaq Eid, a group of the Qaryatain police force and other guests also attended the luncheon, which was climaxed by several speeches including one by Mr. Hearn and another by Mr. Heide.

A C R O S S:
1) Dignified.
2) Before; Supplement (arch.)
3) Timorous.
4) Slumbers.
5) Helped build much of Tapline and Aramco.
6) Greek letter; Behold!
7) Winch; Impede.
8) Musical tone.
9) Consumes; Lump.

D O W N:
1) Necessity; Transports crude.
2) Either; Rainbow.
3) Petroleum by-product.
4) Tapliners get one every five years.
5) Winter pastime.
6) Rim.