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DECISIONS IN ADMINISTRATIVE PROCEEDINGS

SANCTIONS IMPOSED ON VICTOR HEYMANN AND CHARLES RAINFORD. The SEC has issued an order imposing certain sanctions on Victor Heymann and Charles Rainford, who were treasurer and secretary, respectively, of Buckingham Securities, Inc., a former New York City broker-dealer whose registration was revoked in 1970. Heymann and Rainford were suspended from association with any broker-dealer for 10 months and 6 months, respectively. Following such suspensions and for a period of 1 year, they may be so associated only in a non-supervisory capacity upon a showing of adequate supervision, and thereafter they may be so associated in a supervisory capacity only upon a showing of such training or other qualifications as the Commission may request.

According to the decision, the respondents violated antifraud provisions of the Securities Exchange Act by accepting orders for the purchase and sale of securities and effecting transactions for customers and with other broker-dealers when the Buckingham firm was incapable of consummating such transactions, had insufficient funds to meet its obligations and its records were unreliable; issuing checks to other firms which were not covered by sufficient funds; converting to the firm's use securities delivered to it by other firms and denying and cancelling transactions with other firms without cause. In addition, the respondents were found to have aided and abetted violations by Buckingham of net capital, recordkeeping and financial reporting requirements.

The order was issued pursuant to offers of settlement in which the respondents, without admitting or denying the charges against them, consented to the above findings and sanctions. (Rel. 34-9586)

J. B. JOHNSTON ASSOCIATES REVOKED, JAMES B. JOHNSTON, JR. BARRED. The SEC has revoked the broker-dealer registration of J. B. Johnston Associates, Marlton, New Jersey, and barred James B. Johnston, Jr., its general partner, from association with any broker, dealer, registered investment company, or registered investment adviser, with the proviso that Johnston may apply to the Commission for permission to be associated with a broker-dealer doing business exclusively with mutual funds in a non-supervisory, non-proprietary capacity one year after the issuance of the Commission's order, subject to a showing of proper supervision.

The Commission's order was based on findings that from November 1968 to August 1970 the firm, aided and abetted by Johnston, violated antifraud provisions of the securities acts by converting customers' securities to the firm's use, charging customers commissions in transactions which the firm confirmed as principal, and failing promptly to execute customers' orders and deliver securities and proceeds. Violations were also found of the hypothecation, net capital and credit extension provisions of the Exchange Act.

The Commission's action was based on an offer of settlement in which the firm and Johnston, without admitting or denying the charges against them, consented to the above findings and the specified sanctions. (Rel. 34-9590)

NEW RULES AND RULE PROPOSALS

ADOPTION OF AMENDMENTS TO RULE 15c3-1. The Commission has announced the adoption of an amendment to clause (B) of subsection (c)(2) of Rule 15c3-1 under the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 and the addition of new subsections (c)(9) and (c)(10) thereto. In effect, the amendments and additions provide that clearing fund deposits by clearing members of clearing agencies using a continuous net settlement system for the clearance and settlement of securities transactions need not be deducted from such members' net worth in the computation net capital under the rule. The term "clearing agency" is limited to a clearing corporation or similar department or association of a national securities exchange or registered national securities association. Since the effect of the amendments would be to ease the restrictions of Rule 15c3-1, the Commission has determined, for good cause, to adopt the amendments effective immediately. (Rel. 34-9587)

COMMISSION ANNOUNCEMENT

LYNCH NAMED SPECIAL COUNSEL. Chairman William J. Casey announced the appointment of James T. Lynch as Special Counsel. He had previously served as special counsel to the President's Commission on Financial Structure and Regulation (The Hunt Commission). A native of New York, Mr. Lynch received his law degree from Fordham University and was an attorney to the Board of Governors of the Federal Reserve System and Crocker Citizens National Bank. He is also the author of a number of legal textbooks.

Mr. Lynch is a member of the Bar of New York and California. He resides with his wife and two children in Buckeystown, Md.

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COURT ENFORCEMENT ACTION

H. L. QUEEN SENTENCED. The SEC Atlanta Regional Office announced April 28 that the Federal court in Jefferson County, Ala., had sentenced Homer Lee Queen of Birmingham, Ala., to three years imprisonment on each of two charges of forgery, suspended the sentences and placed him on probation for six years. Queen had pleaded guilty to the forgery charges. (LR-5389)

HOLDING COMPANY ACT RELEASES

UTAH POWER. The SEC has issued an order authorizing Utah Power & Light Company, Salt Lake City, to issue and sell \$25 million of first mortgage bonds, due 2002, and 715,000 shares of common stock (\$12.80 par) at competitive bidding. Net proceeds will be applied to payment of outstanding short-term notes (estimated at \$40 million) evidencing borrowings made for construction purposes and the balance will be used to finance the construction program of Utah Power and its subsidiary, The Western Colorado Power Company. Such construction expenditures are estimated at \$63 million for 1972 and \$191 million for the years 1972-74. (Rel. 35-17563)

GENERAL PUBLIC UTILITIES. The SEC has issued an order authorizing General Public Utilities Corporation, New York holding company, to offer up to 3,440,000 shares of common stock for subscription by common stockholders of record May 4, at the rate of one new share for each ten shares held. Net proceeds will be used for additional investments in subsidiaries or to pay a portion of its promissory notes then outstanding, the proceeds of which have been or will be used for such investments. (Rel. 35-17561)

INVESTMENT COMPANY ACT RELEASES

EQUITABLE LIFE ACCOUNT A. The SEC has issued an order upon an application of The Equitable Life Assurance Society of the United States, New York mutual life insurance company, and Separate Account A of The Equitable Life Assurance Society of the United States, exempting them from certain provisions of the Act so as to permit elimination of the deduction for sales expenses when variable annuity contracts purchased by a single payment are purchased under an insurance policy or annuity contract issued by Equitable Life in connection with a tax-deferred retirement program. (Rel. IC-7162)

EQUITABLE LIFE ACCOUNT C. The SEC has issued an order upon an application of The Equitable Life Assurance Society of the United States, New York mutual life insurance company, and Separate Account C of the Equitable Life Assurance Society of the United States, exempting them from certain provisions of the Act so as to permit (a) the elimination of the deduction for sales expense if the purchase of an Immediate Contract is made with the proceeds of an Equitable life insurance policy or annuity contract, and to increase administrative charges in the case of all purchases of Immediate Contracts funded through Account C and (b) the sale of both Immediate Contracts and Deferred Contracts under the proposed arrangement without providing for the deposit of the proceeds of all payments (other than sales load) with a trustee or custodian for holding an agreement or indenture containing, in substance, the provisions required under the Act for trust indentures of a unit investment trust. (Rel. IC-7163)

SECURITIES ACT REGISTRATIONS

CENTURY LABORATORIES, INC., 100 Egg Harbor Rd., Turnersville, N.J. 08012, filed a registration statement on May 3 seeking registration of 325,000 shares of common stock, of which 200,000 are to be offered for public sale by the company and 100,000 (being outstanding shares) by the holders thereof. The offering is to be made (* at \$24 per share maximum) through underwriters headed by Adams & Peck, 120 Broadway, New York, N.Y. The company is engaged primarily in the design, production and distribution of pre-filled, unit-dose, disposable syringes for pharmaceutical manufacturers and other disposable medical devices. Of the net proceeds of its stock sale, about \$1.1 million will be used to construct a new plant and purchase lyophilization and related production equipment for a subsidiary, \$900,000 will be used to purchase and install additional equipment for the company's present facilities and the balance for working capital and other corporate purposes. (File 2-44091)

FEDERAL PAPER BOARD COMPANY, INC., 75 Chestnut Ridge Rd., Montvale, N.J. 07645, filed a registration statement on May 3 seeking registration of \$40 million of sinking fund debentures, due 1997, to be offered for public sale through underwriters headed by Goldman, Sachs & Co., 55 Broad St., and Eastman Dillon, Union Securities & Co. Inc., One Chase Manhattan Plaza, both of New York. The company is principally engaged in the manufacture and sale of combination boxboard, solid bleached paperboard and pulp, folding cartons and machine-made glassware. Of the net proceeds of its debenture sale, \$35 million will be applied to the repayment of bank borrowings assumed by the company in connection with its merger with Riegel Paper Corporation in January and the balance for working capital and other corporate purposes. (File 2-44094)

STELBER INDUSTRIES, INC., 33 West Hawthorne Ave., Valley Stream, N.Y. 11580, filed a registration statement on May 3 seeking registration of 759,356 shares of common stock, of which 360,000 are to be offered for public sale by the company and 399,356 (being outstanding shares) by the holders thereof. The offering is to be made (* at \$15.50 per share maximum) through underwriters headed by Hornblower & Weeks-Hemphill, Noyes, 8 Hanover St., New York, N.Y. 10004. The company is engaged primarily in the manufacture, importation and sale of bicycles and bicycle accessories. Of the net proceeds of its stock sale, \$1 million will be used to acquire all the outstanding shares of Victoria Precision Works Company Limited, \$384,000 may be added to the capital of the company's Austrian subsidiary, and the balance will be used for working capital purposes. (File 2-44095)

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GENERAL RESOURCES CORPORATION, 155 South Hydraulic, Wichita, Kans. 67211, filed a registration statement on May 3 seeking registration of 455,000 shares of common stock, of which 300,000 are to be offered for public sale by the company and 155,000 (being outstanding shares) by the holders thereof. The offering is to be made (* at \$12 per share maximum) through underwriters headed by New York Securities Co. Inc., One New York Plaza, New York 10004. The company operates 85 restaurants featuring pizza pie in accordance with franchise agreements with Pizza Hut, Inc. Of the net proceeds of its stock sale, \$400,000 will be used to repay indebtedness principally incurred in constructing and equipping restaurants and for working capital and the balance for general corporate purposes. (File 2-44098)

ARP INSTRUMENTS, INC., 45 Kenneth St., Newton Highlands, Mass. 02161, filed a registration statement on May 3 seeking registration of 150,000 shares of common stock, to be offered for public sale (* at \$10 per share maximum) through underwriters headed by Devon Securities, 60 East Fifty-Sixth St., New York 10022. The company designs, manufactures and sells electronic music synthesizers. Of the net proceeds of its stock sale, up to \$350,000 will be used to pay short-term bank borrowings and the balance for working capital and other corporate purposes. (File 2-44100)

BECTON, DICKINSON AND COMPANY, Rutherford, N.J. 07070, filed a registration statement on May 3 seeking registration of 570,000 shares of common stock. It is proposed to offer these shares in exchange for the capital stock of Hynson, Westcott and Dunning, Incorporated, at the rate of 9.5 shares for each Hynson share. The exchange offer is contingent upon the deposit of all outstanding Hynson capital shares. Becton, Dickinson is engaged in the manufacture and sale of health care products. Hynson is engaged primarily in the manufacture and sale of kits and components for the diagnosis of diseases. (File 2-44101)

REDGRAVE INFORMATION RESOURCES CORP., 67 Wilton Rd., Westport, Conn. 06880, filed a registration statement on May 3 seeking registration of 100,000 shares of common stock, to be offered for public sale at \$6 per share by Raskin, Rogers & Co., Inc., 80 Wall St., New York 10005. The company is engaged in the micro-publishing and reference book publishing businesses. Of the net proceeds of its stock sale, \$165,000 will be used for editorial and bibliographic development and manufacture of the company's microform collections and the balance for working capital and other corporate purposes. (File 2-44102)

LEATH AND COMPANY, 7111 N. Lincoln Ave., Lincolnwood, Ill. 60646, filed a registration statement on May 4 seeking registration of 300,000 shares of common stock, of which 200,000 are to be offered for public sale by the company and 100,000 (being outstanding shares) by the holders thereof. The offering is to be made (* at \$39.625 per share maximum) through underwriters headed by The Chicago Corp., 208 S. LaSalle St., Chicago, Ill. 60604. The company is principally engaged in the retail sale of household furniture and furnishings to the public through 50 stores. Of the net proceeds of its stock sale, \$4,500,000 will be applied to payment of loans, and the balance for working capital and general corporate purposes. (File 2-44103)

PATENTS INTERNATIONAL CAPITAL CORP., 1370 Avenue of the Americas, New York 10019, filed a registration statement on May 4 seeking registration of 125,000 shares of common stock, to be offered for public sale at \$6 per share. No underwriting is involved. The company proposes to finance (1) patent searches and patent applications; (2) the building of prototypes and models for inventors; (3) research and development projects; and (4) initial facilities for the manufacture and production of inventions. Of the net proceeds of its stock sale, \$200,000 will be used for financing plant and equipment, and the balance for working capital and other corporate purposes. (File 2-44104)

MISCELLANEOUS

SECURITIES ACT REGISTRATIONS. Effective May 3: Airwick Industries, Inc., 2-43890; Barclay Industries, Inc., 2-43204 (June 5); Bayly Corp., 2-43537; Beneficial Corp., 2-43875; Milton Bradley Co., 2-43716; Decision Data Computer Corp., 2-43923; Empress International, Ltd., 2-42985 (Aug. 1); Fidelity Financial Corp., 2-34358 (90 days); General American Transportation Corp., 2-43708; Global Marine Inc., 2-43800; Howmet Corp., 2-44067; Imodco, Inc., 2-43227 (90 days); Kathol Petroleum, Inc., 2-41086; Knight Newspapers, Inc., 2-43982; W. A. Krueger Co., 2-43532 (40 days); Mooney Broadcasting Corp., 2-43236; Municipal Investment Trust Fund, 2-43730; Municipal Bond Fund Series 2, 2-43229; Quaker Chemical Corp., 2-43419 (90 days); Recreational and Educational Management Corp., 2-42672 (90 days); Ryan Homes, Inc., 2-43645; Security Mortgage Investors, 2-43528; Southern California Edison Co., 2-43770; Storage Technology Corp., 2-43351; Texas Utilities Co., 2-43845; United States Envelope Co., 2-42974.

NOTE TO DEALERS. The period of time dealers are required to use the prospectus in trading transactions is shown above in parentheses after the name of the issuer.

*As estimated for purposes of computing the registration fee.

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