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CHRISTOPHER & CO. REVOKED. The SEC today announced a decision under the Securities Exchange Act (Release 34-7659) revoking the broker-dealer registration of Christopher & Co., Inc., of New York City, for violations of the anti-fraud provisions of the Federal securities laws in the 1963 sale of stock of Alaska International Corporation. Joseph Cannistraci, a salesman, was barred from further association with a broker-dealer firm for similar violations. Both the Christopher firm and Cannistraci defaulted in the filing of an answer to the violations charged to them, which included "untrue and deceptive representations" with respect to Alaska International's future prospects, its plans for acquisitions and mergers, anticipated sales and earnings, and anticipated increase in the market price of the stock. The proceedings are still pending with respect to certain other respondents.

TWO BARRED. The SEC also has issued an order (Release 34-7658) barring Melvin Winslow and Bruce Shapiro from further association with a broker-dealer firm by reason of violations of the anti-fraud provisions of the Federal securities laws in the 1962-63 sale of Alaska International stock. Both Winslow and Shapiro defaulted in the filing of an answer to the violations charged to them, which were generally similar to those related above with respect to Christopher & Co. and Cannistraci. Winslow was an officer, director and a principal stockholder of Harris Clare & Co., Inc., and a general partner of Harris Clare & Co.; and Shapiro was a salesman for the former firm. The proceedings are still pending with respect to the said two firms, one other company, and certain individuals.

EXPULSION ORDER REVERSED. In view of prior Commission action involving the broker-dealer registration of Patrick H. Clements, doing business as Patrick Clements & Associates, of Los Angeles, the SEC has set aside an order of the NASD expelling Clements from membership (Release 34-7660). The NASD expulsion order was based upon its findings that Clements had violated the SEC net capital rule on certain month-end dates in 1963. Clements appealed to the Commission. In an earlier decision of October 1964, the SEC found that Clements had violated provisions of the Securities Exchange Act, including a violation of the net capital rule but for a different period; however, in view of certain extenuating circumstances, the Commission permitted Clements to withdraw his broker-dealer registration (see Release 34-7443). The SEC findings of violations constitute a statutory bar to his re-entry into the securities business. Accordingly, the Commission concluded that "no substantial purpose would be served" in resolving the questions presented in Clements' appeal from the NASD action.

CONTINUANCE IN NASD MEMBERSHIP APPROVED. The SEC today announced a decision under the Securities Exchange Act (Release 34-7663) approving the continuance of a firm in NASD membership while Henry Leonard Ruppert, of St. Louis, Mo., is associated with it as a registered representative, officer, director and minority stockholder. Ruppert was subject to a disqualification by reason of prior actions against him in 1942 and 1948.

SAN FRANCISCO CAPITAL SEEKS ORDER. San Francisco Capital Corporation, 232 N. Canon Dr., Beverly Hills, Calif. 90210, has applied to the SEC for an order under the Investment Company Act declaring that it has ceased to be an investment company as defined in the Act; and the Commission has issued an order (Release IC-4310) giving interested persons until August 19 to request a hearing thereon. According to the application, the company's securities are beneficially owned by less than 100 persons and it has not made, and does not intend to make, a public offering of its securities.

MICHIGAN CONSOLIDATED GAS RECEIVES ORDER. The SEC has issued an order under the Holding Company Act (Release 35-15285) authorizing Michigan Consolidated Gas Company, Detroit gas-utility subsidiary of American Natural Gas Company, to sell to banks from time to time, commencing in August 1965, unsecured promissory notes in amounts not to exceed \$35,000,000 outstanding at any one time. According to the application, Michigan Consolidated will use the proceeds from the note sale to finance partially its construction costs, estimated at \$57,600,000 for 1965.

GENERAL LIFE OF IOWA INVESTMENT FILES STOCK PLANS. General Life of Iowa Investment Company, 2237 State St., Bettendorf, Iowa, filed a registration statement (File 2-23859) with the SEC on July 28 seeking registration of 162,500 shares of common stock. Of this stock, 150,000 shares are to be offered pursuant to the company's Incentive Stock Option Plan for Agents and 12,500 shares under its Employee Stock Purchase Plan.

J. P. STEVENS & CO. FILES STOCK PLAN. J. P. Stevens & Co., Inc., 1460 Broadway at 41st St., New York 10036, filed a registration statement (File 2-23860) with the SEC on July 28 seeking registration of 242,000 shares of common stock, to be offered under the company's Employee Stock Option Plan, As Amended.

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MOUNTAIN NATIONAL PROPOSES DEBENTURE OFFERING. Mountain National Corporation, 708 Bigley Ave., Charleston, W. Va., filed a registration statement (File 2-23861) with the SEC on July 28 seeking registration of \$1,000,000 of 8-year 6% subordinated convertible debentures, due 1973. The debentures are to be offered for public sale in \$100 units through Shaskan & Co., Inc., 67 Broad St., New York. The underwriting terms are to be supplied by amendment. The company has also agreed to sell 30,000 common stock purchase warrants to Shaskan & Co. for \$1,500 and 10,000 warrants to Maltz, Greenwald & Co. (managing underwriter for a 1962 public offering of the company's common stock) for \$500. Each warrant entitles the holder to purchase one common share at \$2 per share until December 23, 1968.

The company, formerly Mountain Electronics Co., Inc., is engaged in the distribution of radio and television receivers, and other electric and electronic products and equipment. Of the net proceeds from the debenture sale, \$493,031 will be used to repay short-term bank indebtedness. The balance will be used for corporate purposes, including the possible acquisitions of other businesses. The company used \$265,451 of the proceeds of the bank loans in connection with its acquisition in May 1965 of the assets of East Coast Electronics, Inc., and Eff-Tee Associates, Inc., and the balance was used for working capital purposes. In addition to indebtedness, the company has outstanding 314,026 common and 168,120 Class "A" common shares, of which management officials own 31.3% and 79.5%, respectively. J. Alex Gettman (board chairman) owns 49.1% of the outstanding Class "A" stock, and Charles A. Meyer (president) owns 30.4% of such stock.

O/C REGISTRATIONS REPORTED. The following issuers of securities traded over-the-counter have filed registration statements with the Commission pursuant to requirements of Section 12(g) of the Securities Exchange Act (companies which currently file annual and other periodic reports with the SEC are identified by "**"):

File No.	Registrant	Location
1552	Albertson's Inc. **	Boise, Idaho
1548	Dynatronics Inc. **	Orlandia, Fla.
1553	Santa's Village **	San Bernardino, Cal.
1545	Trans-Continental Tel. & Electronics, Inc. **	Dallas, Tex.
1546	Union Trust Life Ins. Co. **	Milwaukee, Wisc.
1551	Diamond Crystal Salt Co. **	St. Clair, Mich.

RECENT FORM 8-K FILINGS. The companies listed below have filed Form 8-K reports for the month indicated and responding to the item of the Form specified in parentheses. Photocopies thereof may be purchased from the Commission's Public Reference Section (please give News Digest's "Issue No." in ordering). Invoice will be included with the requested material when mailed. An index of the caption of the several items of the form was included in the July 7 News Digest.

B I Corp	June 65 (11,13)	2-15344-2
E I Du Pont De Nemours & Co	June 65 (13)	1-815-2
Tenneco Corp	June 65 (2,13)	2-23313-2
Cousins Properties Inc	Amend #1 to 8K for Mar 65 (11)	2-20111-2
Ethyl Corp	Amend #1 to 8K for Apr 65	0-1047-2

SECURITIES ACTS REGISTRATIONS. Effective July 28: APL Corp., 2-23135.
 Effective July 29: The Cornelius Co., 2-23627 (Oct 28); Paul Harris Stores, Inc., 2-23687 (Oct 27); Leeds Shoes, Inc., 2-23528 (Sept 7).
 Withdrawn July 29: Civic Finance Corp., 2-23354.

NOTE TO DEALERS. The last date or 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.