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## Statistical Release No. 1588

The SEC Index of Stock Prices, based on the closing prices of 265 common stocks for the week ended March 6, 1959, for the composite and by major industry groups compared with the preceding week and with the highs and lows for 1958 and 1959, is as follows:

	<u>1939 = 100</u>		<u>Percent Change</u>	<u>1958 - 1969</u>	
	<u>3/6/59</u>	<u>2/27/59</u>		<u>High</u>	<u>Low</u>
Composite	413.6*	407.0	+1.6	413.6	299.0
Manufacturing	508.8	498.4	+2.1	511.5	373.3
Durable Goods	473.7	471.1	+0.6	476.6	332.2
Non-Durable Goods	531.3	513.9	+3.4	534.8	402.2
Transportation	352.5	351.8	+0.2	356.3	219.7
Utility	219.0*	218.6	+0.2	219.0	155.5
Trade, Finance & Service	409.0*	404.9	+1.0	409.0	263.2
Mining	347.8	340.5	+2.1	360.4	261.3

\* New High

### COOPERATIVE GRANGE LEAGUE FILES FINANCING PROPOSAL

Cooperative Grange League Federation Exchange, Inc., Terrace Hill, Ithaca, N. Y. filed a registration statement (File 2-14808) with the SEC on March 6, 1959, seeking registration of \$250,000 of 4% Subordinated Debentures, 15,000 shares of 4% Cumulative Preferred Stock, and 300,000 shares of Common Stock, to be offered for sale at \$100 per debenture, \$100 per preferred share, and \$5 per common share. No underwriting is involved.

Proceeds of the stock sale will be added to the company's working capital funds to be used for general corporate purposes. Proceeds of the sale of the preferred stock will be used principally to provide funds for the repurchase of its outstanding 4% Cumulative Preferred Stock and to provide funds to be advanced to its subsidiary, Cooperative G.L.F. Holding Corporation, for similar purposes. Proceeds of the sale of the common stock will be used, in part, to repurchase such outstanding common shares as the holders elect to tender for redemption, the balance to be added to working capital. Funds obtained from the sale of debentures will be used principally to reduce short-term bank loans.

### BROCKTON EDISON FILES FOR PREFERRED STOCK OFFERING

Brockton Edison Company, 36 Main St., Brockton, Mass. filed a registration statement (File 2-14809) with the SEC on March 6, 1959, seeking registration of 40,000 shares of its \$50 par Preferred Stock, to be offered for public sale at competitive bidding. Net Proceeds of the stock sale will be used by the company to prepay in part its short-term bank loans which amounted to \$2,300,000 at December 31, 1958.

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## GPU TO BUY STOCK OF PENNSYLVANIA ELECTRIC

The SEC has issued an order (Release 35-13942) authorizing General Public Utilities Corporation, New York holding company, to purchase an additional 300,000 shares of the common stock of Pennsylvania Electric Company, of Johnstown, Pa., for \$6,000,000 cash. The latter will use the funds for property additions and improvements subsequent to December 31, 1957, or to reimburse its treasury for expenditures made for like purposes, or to repay bank loans the proceeds of which have been or will be applied to such purposes.

## NEES BORROWINGS CLEARED

The SEC has issued an order (Release 35-13943) authorizing 21 subsidiaries of New England Electric System, Boston holding company, to make borrowings from banks and/or NEES from time to time during the remainder of 1959, in the aggregate maximum amount of \$68,885,000 of borrowings to be outstanding at any one time. The proceeds thereof are to be used to pay then outstanding notes due to banks and/or NEES (outstanding in the amount of \$45,825,000 at January 1, 1959) and to provide new money (estimated at \$23,060,000 for 1959) for construction expenditures or to reimburse treasuries therefor.

## CENTRAL POWER PROPOSES BOND OFFERING

Central Power and Light Company, Corpus Christi, Tex., has applied to the SEC for an order authorizing the issuance and sale, at competitive bidding, of \$11,000,000 of First Mortgage Bonds, Series 1, due April 1, 1989; and the Commission has issued an order giving interested persons until March 25, 1959, to request a hearing thereon.

Central Power proposes to use the proceeds of the bond sale to pay part of its construction expenditures for 1959, estimated at \$23,450,000, and to pay or repay its loans, amounting to \$4,800,000, incurred for like purposes.

## CITIES SERVICE FILES THRIFT PLAN

Cities Service Company, 60 Wall St., New York, filed a registration statement (File 2-14810) with the SEC seeking registration of \$10,620,000 of Participations in its Employees Thrift Plan, together with 180,000 shares of common stock which may be purchased pursuant thereto.

## YALE &amp; TOWNE MFG. FILES STOCK PLAN

The Yale and Towne Manufacturing Company, 405 Lexington Ave., New York, filed a registration statement (File 2-14811) with the SEC seeking registration of 100,000 shares of Capital Stock, to be offered to certain of its officers and key employees pursuant to its Officers and Employees 1957 Stock Option Plan.

## ARNOLD PINES PROMOTED

Chairman Edward N. Gadsby of the Securities and Exchange Commission today announced the promotion of J. Arnold Pines as Chief Financial Analyst of the Division of Corporate Regulation. In his new capacity, Mr. Pines will be responsible for the development and technical direction of the Division's work in the fields of financial analysis, accounting and economics.

Mr. Pines was born in New York City on October 21, 1917. He received his B. S. degree in Business Administration with high honors from the Rutgers University School of Business Administration in 1939. He is a Certified Public Accountant of the State of New Jersey and is a member of the American Institute of Certified Public Accountants.

He joined the Commission's staff as Utilities Analyst in the Division of Corporate Regulation (formerly the Public Utilities Division). During his career with the Commission he has been promoted to progressively more responsible analytical and accounting positions and served as the chief financial analyst of the Division's Branch of Public Utility Regulation since November, 1956. In 1956 he received an Arthur S. Flemming Award sponsored by the Junior Chamber of Commerce as one of the ten outstanding young men in the Federal Service.

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Mr. Pines will be assisted by Mr. Karl Smeltzer, who has been designated as assistant chief financial analyst for the Branch of Investment Company Regulation; Mr. Samuel Gishman, who has been designated as assistant chief financial analyst for the Branch of Public Utility Regulation; and by Mr. Sidney Rosenberg, who has been designated as chief of the newly created Branch of Reorganization in the Office of the Chief Counsel of the Division.

#### FIVE EXEMPT OFFERINGS SUSPENDED

The Securities and Exchange Commission has issued orders temporarily suspending Regulation D exemptions from registration under the Securities Act of 1933 with respect to public offerings of securities by the following:

Bishu Mines, Limited, Toronto, Canada  
East Lemhi Mining Company, Spokane, Wash.  
Caneonti Mines, Limited, Toronto, Canada  
Empire Explorations, Limited, North Vancouver, B.C., Canada  
Bullet Hill Mining Company, Ltd., Sudbury, Canada

Regulation D provided a conditional exemption from Securities Act registration with respect to public offerings of Canadian securities in the United States in amounts not exceeding \$300,000 (the exemption is now incorporated in Regulation A). In its suspension orders, the Commission asserts that the foregoing companies failed to comply with one of the conditions of the Regulation, namely, the requirement for the filing of semi-annual reports of stock sales, despite requests by the Commission's staff for such reports.

The suspension orders provide an opportunity for hearing, upon request, on the question whether the suspensions should be vacated or made permanent.

#### PACIFIC HAWAIIAN PRODUCTS FILES FOR SECONDARY

Pacific Hawaiian Products Company, 336 East Santa Fe Ave., Fullerton, Cal., today filed a registration statement (File 2-14813) with the SEC seeking registration of 213,000 outstanding common shares, to be offered for public sale by the holders thereof through an underwriting group headed by Dempsey-Tegeler & Co. & Morgan & Co. The public offering price and underwriting terms are to be supplied by amendment.

The company has outstanding 752,250 common shares. The prospectus lists four selling stockholders, including Reuben P. Hughes, president, who owns 301,104 shares and proposes to sell 150,000 shares. Ralph E. Harrison, vice president, proposes to sell 15,000 of his holdings of 35,766 shares; Claude F. Sympson, vice president, 30,000 of 62,798; and Waldo S. Woods, a director, 18,000 of 36,501.

#### HUDSON BAY MINING FILES FOR SECONDARY

Hudson Bay Mining and Smelting Co., Limited, 247 Park Ave., New York, filed a registration statement (File 2-14812) with the SEC on March 6, 1959, seeking registration of 75,000 outstanding shares of its capital stock, to be offered for public sale by the present holder thereof through an underwriting group headed by White, Weld & Co. The initial offering price of the shares will be related to the market price of the stock on the New York Stock Exchange at the time of offering. Underwriting terms are to be supplied by amendment.

The company has outstanding 2,757,973 shares of stock. C. V. Whitney, of New York, owner of 174,002 shares (6.3%), is listed as the selling stockholder. In addition to these holdings, Whitney is a majority holder of stock of Whitney Industries, Inc., which in turn owned 20,467 shares of Hudson Bay stock; and he is co-trustee of two trusts which own 125,058 and 250,116 shares, respectively.