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Statistical Release No. 1966. The SEC Index of Stock Prices, based on the closing prices of 300 common stocks for the week ended April 3, 1964, for the composite and by major industry groups compared with the preceding week and with the highs and lows for 1964 is as follows:

	1957-59 = 100		Percent Change	1964	
	4/3/64	3/26/64		High	Low
Composite	162.9*	161.4	0.9	162.9	153.6
Manufacturing	155.1*	153.7	0.9	155.1	144.6
Durable Goods	152.7*	152.0	0.5	152.7	141.5
Non-Durable Goods	157.5*	155.4	1.4	157.5	147.7
Transportation	154.1*	151.7	1.6	154.1	138.3
Utility	195.1	193.4	0.9	199.2	192.1
Trade, Finance & Service	186.9*	185.2	0.9	186.9	176.6
Mining	143.8	143.6	0.1	145.4	139.2

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SECURITIES ACT REGISTRATION STATEMENTS. During the week ended April 2, 1964, 49 registration statements were filed, 20 became effective, 2 were withdrawn, and 314 were pending at the week-end.

SALINGER INVESTMENT REGISTRATION SUSPENDED. The SEC today announced the issuance of an order under the Securities Exchange Act (Release 34-7286) suspending Nathan Salinger, dba Salinger Investment Co., Mahopac, N. Y., from membership in the National Association of Securities Dealers, Inc., for a period of ten days, commencing April 13th. According to the decision, Salinger willfully violated provisions of the Act by failing to file the required initial report of his financial condition in 1962. Salinger asserted certain extenuating circumstances for his failure to file the report; and after receipt of notice of these proceedings, he filed balance sheets as of July 31, 1962, and July 31, 1963, and an income and expense statement for the period from June 1, 1962, to July 31, 1963. The Commission rejected Salinger's defenses and concluded that he should be suspended from the NASD for 10 days.

FOX-CONSOLIDATED ENTERPRISES (NEBR.) ENJOINED. The SEC Denver Regional Office announced April 1 (LR-2886) the entry of a Federal court order (USDC, Omaha) permanently enjoining Herbert J. Fox, individually and dba Consolidated Enterprises of Nebraska, of Omaha, from further violating the Securities Act registration and anti-fraud provisions and the anti-fraud provisions of the Investment Advisers Act, in the sale of investment contracts. Fox consented to the injunction.

POTOMAC EDISON FILES FINANCING PROPOSAL. The Potomac Edison Company has joined with its subsidiaries, Potomac Light and Power Company and South Penn Power Company, all of Frederick, Md., in the filing of a financing proposal with the SEC under the Holding Company Act; and the Commission has issued an order (Release 35-15046) giving interested persons until May 1 to request a hearing thereon. Under the proposal, Potomac Light and South Penn will issue and sell additional stock to the parent in the respective amounts of \$1,200,000 and \$700,000 (12,000 and 140,000 shares, respectively). Net proceeds will be used by the subsidiaries to finance, in part, their programs for property additions and improvements. The 1964 construction program for Potomac Light is estimated at \$2,083,950 and for South Penn at \$1,324,750.

ALABAMA POWER FILES FINANCING PROPOSAL. Alabama Power Company, 600 North 18th St., Birmingham, Ala., has filed a proposal with the SEC under the Holding Company Act for the issuance and sale at competitive bidding of \$29,000,000 of first mortgage bonds due 1994 and 60,000 shares of \$100 par preferred stock; and the Commission has issued an order (Release 35-15047) giving interested persons until May 4 to request a hearing thereon. Net proceeds from the sale of the securities, together with other available funds, will be used for property additions and improvements, for the payment of short-term bank loans made for such purposes, and for other purposes. The company's 1964 construction program is estimated at \$73,505,000.

FIRST INCOME REALTY FILES EXCHANGE PLAN. First Income Realty Trust, 1613 Eye St., N. W., Washington, D. C., filed a registration statement (File 2-22255) with the SEC on April 2 seeking registration of 1,250,000 shares of beneficial interest in the Trust. It is proposed to offer the shares, at \$10 per share, for cash and in exchange for interests in real property and mortgages at their agreed exchange price. The offering will be made on a best efforts basis by Sidney Z. Mensh Securities Co., Inc., for which a selling commission of \$1 per share will be made on cash sales and from 2% to 8% of the equity value on property exchanges. The Trust was organized in March 1964 by Sidney Z. Mensh and Co., Inc., which will serve as its investment adviser and which is 100% owned by Sidney Z. Mensh and Betty R. Straw (they also own directly or indirectly all the stock of the underwriter). The purpose of the Trust is to provide investors with an opportunity to own, through transferable shares, an interest in diversified real estate investments. It will seek to qualify as a Real Estate Investment Trust under the Internal Revenue Code. Investments are expected to

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be concentrated in Washington, D. C., and the Middle Atlantic states. The net proceeds of the cash sale of shares will be used in part (\$200,000) toward the payment of property exchange acquisition costs, expenses of the offering and underwriting commissions; and any additional cash proceeds will be similarly used. Management and control are vested in the five trustees, George V. Allen, Frank L. Dennis, Henry M. Kannee, Elmer L. Klavans and Joseph L. Whyte.

BORDEN FILES STOCK PLAN. The Borden Company, 350 Madison Ave., New York, N. Y., filed a registration statement (File 2-22256) with the SEC on April 3 seeking registration of 600,000 shares of capital stock, to be offered under its Employees Stock Purchase Plan.

ALUMINUM FILES STOCK PLAN. Aluminum Limited, 1 Place Ville Marie, Montreal, Quebec, Canada, filed a registration statement (File 2-22257) with the SEC on April 3 seeking registration of 25,000 shares of common stock, to be offered under the company's Share Purchase Plan for employees of subsidiaries in the United States.

VIRGINIA ELECTRIC PROPOSES OFFERING. Virginia Electric and Power Company, 700 E. Franklin St., Richmond, Va., filed a registration statement (File 2-22258) with the SEC on April 3 seeking registration of 850,000 shares of common stock, to be offered for public sale at competitive bidding (\$55 per share maximum*). The company is an electric utility operating in most of Virginia and parts of North Carolina and West Virginia. It also distributes natural gas in the Norfolk and Newport News areas obtained under a contract with an independent transmission company. The net proceeds from the stock sale will be used to provide for construction expenditures (including the retirement of short-term indebtedness incurred for that purpose) or to reimburse the treasury therefor. Construction expenditures for 1964 are estimated at \$95,000,000. In addition to indebtedness and preferred stock, the company has outstanding 22,382,335 common shares, of which management officials as a group own 19,902 shares. The prospectus lists Edwin H. Will as board chairman and Alfred H. McDowell, Jr., as president.

LAFAYETTE RADIO FILES STOCK PLAN. Lafayette Radio Electronics Corporation, 111 Jericho Turnpike, Syosset, Long Island, N. Y., filed a registration statement (File 2-22250) with the SEC on April 1 seeking registration of 39,014 options to purchase common stock (of which 16,864 shares are subject to options heretofore granted and 22,150 shares are subject to future options), to be offered under its Employees' Stock Option Plan.

BERKEY PHOTO FILES STOCK PLAN. Berkey Photo, Inc., 77 E. 13th St., New York, N. Y., filed a registration statement (File 2-22259) with the SEC on April 3 seeking registration of 122,985 shares of common stock, to be offered under the company's 1963 Restricted Stock Option Plan.

GENERAL TELEPHONE FILES STOCK PLAN. General Telephone & Electronics Corporation, 730 Third Ave., New York, N. Y., filed a registration statement (File 2-22260) with the SEC on April 3 seeking registration of 3,373,218 shares of common stock, to be offered under its Employees' Stock Plan. The number of shares available for purchase under said Plan give effect to two previous offerings, all of which are being offered under the present offering.

ASHLAND OIL FILES STOCK PLAN. Ashland Oil & Refining Company, 1409 Winchester Ave., Ashland, Ky., filed a registration statement (File 2-22261) with the SEC on April 3 seeking registration of \$7,011,250 participations in its Employees' Thrift Plan, together with 150,000 shares of common stock and \$1,255,000 of 3-7/8% convertible debentures due 1993 which may be acquired pursuant thereto.

*As estimated for purposes of computing the registration fee.

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