

# SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION

# NEWS DIGEST

A brief summary of financial proposals filed with and actions by the S.E.C.



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## TRADING IN BELLANCA STOCK SUSPENDED

The Securities and Exchange Commission today announced the issuance of an order pursuant to Section 19(a)(4) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, suspending trading on the American Stock Exchange in the \$1 par Capital Stock of Bellanca Corporation, New Castle, Delaware, for a further ten-day period, November 21, 1957 to November 30, 1957, inclusive.

The action was based upon Bellanca's failure to comply with the reporting requirements of Section 13 of the Act and the disclosure requirements of the Commission's proxy rules under Section 14.

Upon the basis of a finding by the Commission that such suspension is necessary to prevent fraudulent, deceptive, or manipulative acts or practices in connection with trading in Bellanca stock, trading by brokers and dealers in such stock in the over-the-counter markets also is prohibited during the period of the suspension.

The Commission previously ordered a hearing pursuant to Section 19(a)(2) of the Act on the question whether the Bellanca stock should be suspended for a period not exceeding 12 months, or withdrawn, from listing and registration on the Exchange. These proceedings are in progress. (See Securities Exchange Act Release Nos. 5500, 5544 and 5604.)

## NATURAL GAS PIPELINE PROPOSES BOND OFFERING

Natural Gas Pipeline Company of America, Chicago, filed a registration statement (File 2-13751) with the SEC on November 19, 1957, seeking registration of \$40,000,000 of First Mortgage Pipeline Bonds Series due 1977, to be offered for public sale through an underwriting group headed by Dillon, Read & Co. Inc. and Halsey, Stuart & Co. Inc. The interest rate, public offering price and underwriting terms are to be supplied by amendment.

It is contemplated that an amount approximately equal to the net proceeds of the sale of the bonds will be applied to the reduction of the company's bank loans, now outstanding in the amount of \$44,500,000 and representing indebtedness incurred principally for the purpose of temporarily financing the cost of property additions. The company anticipates that substantial additional expenditures for construction will be incurred, the aggregate cost of which, subsequent to September 30, 1957, being estimated at \$145,500,000.

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SOUTHWESTERN STATES TELEPHONE FILES PREFERRED STOCK ISSUE

The Southwestern States Telephone Company, San Francisco, today filed a registration statement (File 2-13752) with the SEC seeking registration of 160,000 shares of \$25 par Cumulative Preferred Stock, \$1.44 Dividend Convertible Series, to be offered for public sale through an underwriting group headed by Dean Witter & Co. The public offering price and underwriting terms are to be supplied by amendment.

Net proceeds of the sale of the preferred will be used in part to finance the completion of the company's 1957 construction program and to repay bank loans of approximately \$1,000,000 incurred in pursuance of such program. Construction expenditures during 1957 are expected to approximate \$5,910,000.

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