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VIRGINIA ELECTRIC PROPOSES BOND OFFERING. Virginia Electric Power Company, 700 East Franklin St., Richmond, filed a registration statement (File 2-16905) with the SEC on August 12, 1960, seeking registration of \$25,000,000 of First and Refunding Mortgage Bonds, Series P, due 1990, to be offered for public sale at competitive bidding. Net proceeds will be used to provide for construction expenditures or to reimburse the company's treasury therefor. Construction expenditures for 1960 are estimated at \$58,600,000, of which \$28,300,000 was expended through June 30.

ADMIRAL HOMES PROPOSES DEBENTURE OFFERING. Admiral Homes, Incorporated, 149 Water St., West Newton, Pa., filed a registration statement (File 2-16913) with the SEC on August 15, 1960, seeking registration of \$400,000 of Convertible Subordinated Debentures due 1970, to be offered for public sale through an underwriting group headed by Arthurs, Lestrage & Co. and three other firms. The debentures will be offered for sale at 100% of principal amount with a 7½% commission to the underwriters. The interest rate will be supplied by amendment.

The company manufactures and sells what are commonly known as "pre-fabricated houses." It now has outstanding 355,056 shares of common stock in addition to bank loans and other indebtedness. Of the net cash proceeds of the sale of the debentures (approximately \$348,000), about \$200,000 will be added to the working capital of Admiral Homes Acceptance Corporation, a subsidiary, to enable it to expand its financing of construction mortgages from purchasers of Admiral Homes. The balance of the proceeds will be added to the issuing company's working capital, thus alleviating the need for bank borrowings during periods of high inventory.

The prospectus lists Wallace M. Parker as board chairman and James J. Gallagher as president. Management officials own 26.9% of the outstanding common stock.

EASTERN SHOPPING CENTERS PROPOSES RIGHTS OFFERING. Eastern Shopping Centers, Inc., 6L Mall Walk, Cross County Center, Yonkers, N. Y., filed a registration statement (File 2-16914) with the SEC on August 15, 1960, seeking registration of 1,048,167 shares of common stock. The company proposes to offer this stock for subscription by holders of outstanding common on the basis of one new share for each three shares held. The record date and subscription price are to be supplied by amendment. No underwriting is involved.

The company is primarily engaged in the business of acquiring, constructing, developing, managing and operating shopping centers. It was formed at the instance of The Grand Union Company, operator of a chain of supermarkets and retail food and grocery stores (including Grand-Way Discount Centers in several areas), which owns 31.4% of its outstanding common stock and which intends to subscribe for the additional stock to which it is entitled under this offering. Net proceeds of the stock sale will be added to the general funds of the issuing company and will be available for working capital and for other general corporate purposes, including the acquisition, construction and development of proposed shopping centers. These expenditures are expected to be financed in part by mortgage financing and through the private sale of \$3,000,000 of unsecured debentures; and the company also anticipates a renewal of its bank credit agreement.

The prospectus lists C. Van Ness Wood as president. In addition to the 1,000,000 common shares owned by Grand Union, Louis A. Green, a director, owns 354,208 shares and his wife 315,496 shares.

ASSOCIATED SALES ANALYSTS FILES FOR SECONDARY. Associated Sales Analysts Inc., 220 W. 42nd St., New York, filed a registration statement (File 2-16915) with the SEC on August 15, 1960, seeking registration of 105,000 outstanding shares of Class A stock, to be offered for public sale by the present holders thereof through an underwriting group headed by Amos Treat & Co., Inc. The offering is to be made at \$3.50 per share with a \$.45 per share commission to the underwriters. In addition, Amos Treat has purchased 10,000 additional Class A shares from the selling stockholders at one mil per share and 5,000 shares have been transferred by the selling stockholders to Joseph R. McPhee and George Fried as a finders' fee.

The company was organized in September 1958 by Boris Ellison, Albert J. Kaplan and Marvin B. Kaplan for the purpose of succeeding to the business and assets of Associated Sales Analysts, a partnership composed of said persons which, since 1954, had been engaged in the electronic data processing and machine accounting service business. The business of the partnership continued until October 1959 when the company, which had remained

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inacting until then, initiated its operating activities by the acquisition, in exchange for 200 shares of capital stock (now represented by 120,000 Class A and 400,000 Class B shares) of the business and assets of the partnership. The assets then acquired by the company totalled \$72,571, subject to assumed liabilities of \$67,571 (including \$30,530 representing loans payable to partners), or net assets of \$5,000. The prospectus notes that the company is a service organization "which leases all of its major operating equipment and consequently net tangible assets are not a significant factor in evaluating the business of the company."

The prospectus lists Ellison as president, Albert Kaplan as vice president and treasurer, and Marvin Kaplan as secretary. Ellison and Albert Kaplan propose to sell all of their holdings of Class A stock, amounting to 44,625 shares each, and Marvin B. Kaplan all of his holdings of Class A stock, amounting to 15,750 shares. They will continue to own all the Class B shares in the respective amounts of 170,000, 170,000 and 60,000 shares.

TENAX PROPOSES DEBENTURE OFFERING. Tenax, Inc., 575 Lexington Ave., New York, today filed a registration statement (File 2-16916) with the SEC seeking registration of \$1,500,000 of Ten Year 6% Convertible Subordinated Debentures due 1970, to be offered for public sale at 100% of the principal amount thereof. The offering is to be made through an underwriting group headed by Myron A. Lomasney & Co., which will receive a commission of 5%.

The company and its subsidiaries operate a business that (i) sells freezers to the consumer, (ii) arranges to have the freezer-owner supplied, at his request, with foods by independent contractors, and (iii) finances time payments by the purchaser of the freezer. Of the net proceeds of the debenture sale, \$380,000 will be retained by the parent company (a) to discharge a total of \$120,000 of short-term indebtedness recently incurred for working capital and (b) for addition to its working capital. About \$1,000,000 will be made available to Tenax Discount Corporation, of which \$250,000 will be applied to the repayment of bank indebtedness. It is anticipated that the receipt of these additional funds by Tenax Discount will enable it to raise additional sums, thereby rendering it able to discount a portion of the several sales corporations installment sales contracts and resulting in savings in the over-all operations of the company and its subsidiaries.

According to the prospectus, the company now has outstanding 360,400 common shares in addition to certain indebtedness. Leon C. Hirsch is listed as president and owner of 44.7% of the outstanding stock.

RADIO SHACK CORP. FILES FOR OFFERING AND SECONDARY. Radio Shack Corporation, 730 Commonwealth Ave., Boston, today filed a registration statement (File 2-16917) seeking registration of 200,000 shares of common stock. Of this stock, 150,000 shares are to be offered for public sale by the issuing company and 50,000 shares representing outstanding stock, by the present holders thereof. Granbery, Marache & Co. is listed as the principal underwriter; and the public offering price and underwriting terms are to be supplied by amendment.

The company and certain of its subsidiaries distribute a wide line of electronic products, including industrial components, high fidelity and sound equipment, radios, records and prerecorded tapes, and amateur radio equipment and also distribute other consumer merchandise such as optical goods and small appliances. It has a sales finance subsidiary and owns a 50% interest in a company which imports from Japan goods of the type sold by the company. Net proceeds of the company's sale of additional stock will be used to repay some \$350,000 of bank borrowings by the parent company and \$100,000 of bank borrowings by the sales finance subsidiary (which latter aggregated \$400,000 on June 30th). These loans were incurred to obtain working capital. It is anticipated that about \$200,000 will be expended for leasehold improvements and equipment. The balance of the proceeds will be added to working capital and applied toward financing an increasing volume of business.

In addition to certain indebtedness, the company now has outstanding 584,651 shares of common stock, warrants for 44,400 shares, and an option for 8,500 shares. An additional 110,062 shares are issuable upon conversion of outstanding notes. Of the outstanding stock, 225,081 shares are owned by Milton Deutschmann, president, of which he proposes to sell 40,000 shares. The remaining 10,000 shares are to be sold by other directors.

NATIONAL STOCK EXCHANGE REGISTERED. The National Stock Exchange, Inc., New York City, today became registered with the Securities and Exchange Commission as a "national securities exchange", the 14th such exchange now registered.

Based upon its examination of the Exchange's registration application, containing agreements, information and documents required by Section 6 of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, the Commission concluded (1) that the Exchange is so organized as to be able to comply with the provisions of the said Act and rules and regulations thereunder and that its rules are just and adequate to insure fair dealing and to protect investors; (2) that the rules of the Exchange declare that the wilful violation of any provision of the Act, or of any rule or regulation thereunder, shall be considered conduct or proceeding inconsistent with just and equitable principles of trade; (3) that the Exchange's rules provide for the expulsion, suspension or disciplining of a member for conduct or proceeding inconsistent with just and equitable principles of trade, all as required by the statute.

Accordingly, the Commission ordered the Exchange's registration effective this date. The listing and trading of securities on the Exchange, of course, will be subject to prior registration thereof by the issuers pursuant to the requirements of Section 12 of the Act.