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GENERAL SECURITIES REVOKED. The SEC has issued an order under the Securities Exchange Act (Release 34-6920) revoking the broker-dealer registration of General Securities Corporation, 1012 14th St., N. W., Washington, D. C. for violations of the Commission's net capital rule. The Commission also expelled the firm from membership in the National Association of Securities Dealers, Inc., and found Thomas J. O'Connor, its president, the cause of the revocation order. The firm and O'Connor, which were permanently enjoined by Federal court order in January 1962 from further violations of the Securities Act registration and anti-fraud provisions, admitted the net capital violations and consented to the order of revocation and expulsion.

NORTH GERMAN LLOYD SEEKS ORDER. Norddeutscher Lloyd (North German Lloyd) has applied to the SEC for an order under the Trust Indenture Act of 1939 providing an exemption from the provisions of Section 314(b) (2) of the Act with respect to a proposed Supplemental Indenture relating to its 4 $\frac{1}{2}$ % Debt Adjustment Debentures due 1970, insofar as that Section calls for an annual opinion of counsel with regard to the re-recording and re-filing of the indenture to maintain the lien of the indenture (in the opinion of counsel subsequent re-recording or re-filing will not be necessary); and the SEC has issued an order giving interested persons until November 15, 1962, to request a hearing thereon.

GEORGIA POWER FINANCING APPROVED. The SEC has issued an order under the Holding Company Act (Release 35-14726) authorizing the sale (at competitive bidding) by Georgia Power Company, Atlanta electric utility subsidiary of The Southern Company, a registered holding company, of \$23,000,000 of first mortgage bonds due 1992 and 70,000 shares of no par cumulative preferred stock. According to the order, the company intends to use the net proceeds from such financing for construction purposes and to pay \$10,500,000 of short-term bank loans incurred therefor. Its 1962 construction expenditures are estimated at \$72,877,000.

CLARK EQUIPMENT FILES FOR SECONDARY. Clark Equipment Company, 324 East Dewey Ave., Buchanan, Mich., filed a registration statement (File 2-20835) with the SEC on October 23rd seeking registration of 80,000 outstanding shares of common stock, to be offered for public sale by the holder thereof through underwriters headed by Blyth & Co., Inc., 14 Wall St., New York. The public offering price (maximum \$30 per share*) and underwriting terms are to be supplied by amendment.

The company produces industrial trucks, self-propelled construction machinery, commercial highway trailers and automotive parts and components and spare parts for all its products. In addition to certain indebtedness, it has outstanding 4,852,078 shares of common stock, of which management officials as a group own 5.84%. George Spatta is president. Nellye Newton Archambeault, executor under the will of Luella M. Clark, proposes to sell the 80,000 shares (of 184,536 shares held).

TWO CONSENT TO INJUNCTION. Two additional defendants, George W. Franklin and Philip J. Mason, have consented to an injunction (USDC DC) against the sale of American Orbitronics Corp. stock in violation of the Securities Act registration requirement. The SEC agreed to dismissal of fraud charges against them. (LR-2402)

MILTON R. ARONSON GUILTY. The SEC New York Regional Office announced October 22d (LR-2403) that Milton R. Aronson was found guilty (USDC, New York) of violating the Securities Act registration and anti-fraud provisions in the sale of stock of Great Western Enterprises, Inc. (later known as Mark, Inc., and Perry Oil Co.). Aronson received a three-year prison sentence.

INFOTRONICS FILES FOR STOCK OFFERING. Infotronics Corporation, 1401 South Post Oak Road, Houston, filed a registration statement (File 2-20836) with the SEC on October 23rd seeking registration of 100,000 shares of common stock, to be offered for public sale at \$5 per share. No underwriting is presently involved; and any brokers which the company may employ on a best efforts basis will receive a 75¢ per share selling commission.

The company is engaged in research, engineering, manufacturing and marketing in the field of electronic information handling and automation systems. A subsidiary is engaged in engineering sales representation. Of the \$425,000 estimated net proceeds from the stock sale, \$120,000 will be used for additional working capital for manufacture and sale of proprietary products, \$100,000 for research and product development, and the balance to purchase inventory, to purchase and construct tooling, to procure additional test equipment, to acquire a plant and site, for additional working capital for prosecution of contract research and development and engineering programs, and to acquire additional production machinery for mechanical construction. The company has outstanding 373,718 shares of common stock, of which Hal J. Jones, president and board chairman, and A. Paul Williams, vice president, own over 14% each, Charles H. Huffman, secretary-treasurer, and Ona S. Petty, over 13% each, and management officials as a group over 44%. Of such outstanding stock, 155,000 shares were issued in 1960 to management officials at 10¢ per share, and 142,820 shares to some 14 persons at 50¢ per share (all said to be Texas residents). The prospectus reflects a net loss of \$91,292 for the year ended March 31, 1962 and a deficit of \$141,590 at the end of said period.

SECURITIES ACT REGISTRATIONS. Effective October 23: Hanna Mining Co. (File 2-20728); Packaging Corporation of America (File 2-20753).