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BOLTZ BECOMES FORT WORTH ADMINISTRATOR. SEC Chairman Manuel F. Cohen announced today that Gerald E. Boltz has been promoted to the position of Administrator of the Commission's Fort Worth Regional Office, and that Charles E. Booth has been named Chief Investigator of that Office. Mr. Boltz succeeds Oran H. Allred, who will serve as Special Adviser to the Administrator.

Mr. Boltz joined the Commission's staff in January 1959; since February 1961 he has been assigned to the Denver Regional Office where he has served as Special Counsel since January 1964. He received his B.A. degree in June 1953 and his LL.B. in June 1955 from Ohio Northern University. Mr. Booth has served on the staff of the Fort Worth Regional Office since July 1937. He received an A.B. and a B.B.A. degree from the University of Texas in 1927.

In announcing the promotions of Messrs. Boltz and Booth, Chairman Cohen indicated that they were selected for advancement in recognition of their significant contributions to the Commission's administration and enforcement of the Federal securities laws during their distinguished careers with the SEC.

RIKER VIDEO PROPOSES OFFERING. Riker Video Industries, Inc., 100 Parkway Drive South, Hauppauge, N.Y. 11787, filed a registration statement (File 2-26074) with the SEC on March 6 seeking registration of \$2,000,000 of convertible subordinated debentures, due 1982, to be offered for public sale at 100% of the principal amount. The offering is to be made through underwriters headed by Michael G. Kletz & Co., Inc., Time and Life Bldg., Rockefeller Center, New York, which will receive an 8% commission. The interest rate is to be supplied by amendment.

The company designs and manufactures all-transistor video broadcasting equipment for use by television broadcasters in the production of television programs. The net proceeds of its debenture sale will be used as follows: approximately \$581,000 to repay certain indebtedness, \$250,000 as advances to Semi-Elements, Inc. (a subsidiary), for working capital, \$550,000 in connection with the exercise of an option which the company has to acquire the capital stock of Continuous Progress Education, Inc., \$100,000 as advances to Continuous Progress Education, for working capital, and the balance for general corporate purposes. In addition to indebtedness and preferred stock, the company has outstanding 487,760 common shares, of which Edwin Lane (board chairman) owns 38.1%. H. Charles Riker is president.

FIRST CHURCH FINANCING OF AMERICA PROPOSES OFFERING. First Church Financing Corporation of America, 215 N. Main St., West Bend, Wisc., filed a registration statement (File 2-25817) with the SEC on March 6 seeking registration of \$2,700,000 of collateral trust serial bonds, dated 1967. The bonds are to be offered for public sale at 100% of the principal amount through B. C. Ziegler and Co., West Bend, Wisc., which will receive a 1 1/2% commission.

Organized under Delaware law in 1964, the company finances loans to churches, hospitals and other charitable, religious, eleemosynary and non-profit institutions. It is a wholly-owned subsidiary of The Security Company; both were organized by the Ziegler firm. The net proceeds of its bond sale will be used to purchase from Ziegler & Co. the first mortgage bonds and direct obligation notes forming the collateral for this bond issue and the balance will be used to establish the 2% Reserve Fund for Interest Payments in the amount of \$54,000, which is additional security for the bonds. In addition to indebtedness, the company has outstanding 50,000 common shares. Thomas J. Kenny is president.

NATIONAL AVIATION SEEKS ORDER. National Aviation Corporation, New York closed-end, non-diversified management investment company, has applied to the SEC for an order under the Investment Company Act authorizing it to purchase up to \$2,000,000 of convertible subordinated debentures (due 1992) of Trans World Airlines, Inc., during the existence of an underwriting agreement with respect to a proposed public offering of \$100,000,000 of such debentures. The Commission has issued an order (Release IC-4868) giving interested persons until March 22 to request a hearing thereon. The application states that Howard E. Buhse, a director of National Aviation, is a partner of Hornblower & Weeks-Hemphill, Noyes, one of the principal underwriters of the public offering. In view thereof, any purchase of said debentures by the said investment company is prohibited by the Act absent the issuance of an exemption order by the Commission.

PITTSBURGH COKE HEARING POSTPONED. The SEC has issued an order under the Investment Company Act (Release IC-4867) postponing to April 24 the date for a hearing on an application filed by Pittsburgh Coke & Chemical Company, Pittsburgh, Pa., for an order declaring that it is primarily engaged in a business other than that of investing, reinvesting, owning, holding or trading in securities.

Following Item for Release in Morning Newspapers of March 9, 1967:

CAPITAL EXPENDITURES REPORTED. The SEC and the Department of Commerce report (for March 9 Newspapers) that business investment in new plant and equipment is programed at \$63.0 billion in 1967, 4 percent above last year. Actual spending for 1966 was \$60.6 billion, at 16 1/2 percent increase over 1965 and the sharpest year-to-year advance in the sustained investment boom that began in 1961. Capital expenditures in the first half of 1967 are expected to dip slightly from the \$62.8 billion seasonally adjusted annual rate reported for the fourth quarter of 1966 and to rise moderately in the second half of 1967 to a rate of \$63 2/3 billion.

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Actual investment in the fourth quarter of 1966 was slightly higher than anticipated by businessmen in the survey conducted last November, but planned outlays in the first and second quarters of 1967 have been revised, downward about 1 1/2 and 3 percent, respectively, from earlier anticipations.

The sales expectations that accompanied the investment anticipations indicate that businessmen generally are looking forward to a good sales year in 1967. Manufacturers are anticipating an 8 percent advance from 1966 to 1967. Trade firms and public utilities each expect a 6 percent sales gain.

Investment programs for 1967 show considerable variation among the various industries. Mining, public utility and nonrail transportation companies anticipate the largest relative increases from 1966 to 1967, 8, 9 and 15 percent, respectively. Manufacturers are scheduling a rise of 4 percent over 1966, with durable goods producers accounting for a larger part of the increase. Railroads are projecting a reduction of one-fourth in 1967 outlays. (For further details, see Stat. Release No. 2188).

NEW JERSEY P&L PROPOSES BOND OFFERING. New Jersey Power & Light Company, Madison Ave. at Punch Bowl Rd., Morristown, N. J., filed a registration statement (File 2-26078) with the SEC on March 7 seeking registration of \$10,000,000 of first mortgage bonds, due 1997, to be offered for public sale at competitive bidding. The company will use the net proceeds of the bond sale to finance its business as a public utility, including expenditures for its construction program and the payment of some \$5,500,000 of short-term bank loans. Its 1967 construction program is estimated at \$12,300,000.

ALLEGHENY AIRLINES PROPOSES OFFERING. Allegheny Airlines, Inc., Washington National Airport, Washington, D. C. 20001, today filed a registration statement (File 2-26081) with the SEC seeking registration of \$22,000,000 of subordinated debentures, due 1987, and warrants to purchase 440,000 shares of common stock. The securities are to be offered in units consisting of \$1,000 principal amount of debentures and warrants to purchase 20 shares. Kidder, Peabody & Co. Inc., 20 Exchange Pl., New York 10005, and Laird & Co., Corp., 61 Broadway, New York 10006, are the principal underwriters. The interest rate, public offering price and underwriting terms are to be supplied by amendment.

The company is engaged in the business of transporting passengers, property and mail. Net proceeds of this financing will be used to provide for a portion of the cost of the acquisition of flight equipment, for training and other pre-operating expenses incident to the introduction of new aircraft types, for ground support equipment and for additional working capital. Its flight equipment acquisition and modernization program is estimated at \$112,944,652. In addition to indebtedness, the company has outstanding 1,836,831 common shares, of which management officials own 8.85%. Henry A. Satterwhite is board chairman and Leslie O. Barnes is president.

RECENT FORM 8-K FILINGS. The companies listed below have filed Form 8-K reports for the month indicated and responding to the item of the Form specified in parentheses. Photocopies thereof may be purchased from the Commission's Public Reference Section (please give News Digest's "Issue No." in ordering). Invoice will be included with the requested material when mailed. An index of the captions of the several items of the form was included in the March 1 News Digest.

Amendments to 8-k

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| Cowles Chemical Co. Amend #1 for Nov 66 (2,4,13) | 0-476-2 |
| General Brewing Corp. Amend #1 for Apr 66 (13) | 0-1395-2 |
| National Securities Inc. (Col) Amend #1 for Mar 65 (12) | 0-1105-2 |

8-K Reports

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| Gas Hills Uranium Co Jan 67 (7,13) | 0-1764-2 |
| General Telephone Co Of Ky Jan 67 (7) | 2-4052-2 |
| Great American Industries, Inc Jan 67 (12,13) | 1-3782-2 |
| Inter-County Tel & Tel Co Feb 67 (12,13) | 0-341-2 |
| Kingsport Press Inc Feb 67 (13) | 0-789-2 |
| McDonald's Corp Feb 67 (12,13) | 1-5231-2 |

SECURITIES ACT REGISTRATIONS. Effective March 7: Central Illinois Light Co., 2-25988; Pacific Gas and Electric Co., 2-25991; Panhandle Eastern Pipe Line Co., 2-25939; Shell Oil Co., 2-26028; Southwestern Public Service Co., 2-25983; Teledyne, Inc., 2-25951 (40 days); Western Massachusetts Electric Co., 2-25962. Withdrawn March 7: Investors Security Corp., 2-24067.

NOTE TO DEALERS. The period of time dealers are required to use the prospectus in trading transactions is shown above in parentheses after the name of the issuer.