

# 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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## Statistical Release No. 1482

The SEC Index of Stock Prices, based on the closing prices of 265 common stocks for the week ended September 20, 1957, for the composite and by major industry groups compared with the preceding week and with the highs and lows for 1957, is as follows:

	<u>(1939 = 100)</u>		<u>Percent Change</u>	<u>1957</u>	
	<u>9/20/57</u>	<u>9/13/57</u>		<u>High</u>	<u>Low</u>
Composite	326.1	334.2	- 2.4	365.0	322.5
Manufacturing	416.4	428.5	- 2.8	472.5	405.7
Durable Goods	381.2*	394.1	- 3.3	438.7	381.2
Non-Durable Goods	448.7	460.2	- 2.5	503.5	427.1
Transportation	259.2*	269.3	- 3.8	317.5	259.2
Utility	152.6*	153.3	- 0.5	163.5	152.6
Trade, Finance & Service	278.7	278.5	+ 0.1	292.1	274.8
Mining	330.1*	343.5	- 3.9	402.3	330.1

\* New Low

### CONSOLIDATED EDISON OF NEW YORK FILES FOR BOND ISSUE

Consolidated Edison Company of New York, Inc., New York City, filed a registration statement (File 2-13610) with the SEC seeking registration of \$60,000,000 of First and Refunding Mortgage Bonds, Series N, due October 1, 1987, to be offered for public sale at competitive bidding. Net proceeds of the sale of the bonds will be applied (1) to the payment of \$43,000,000 of bank notes issued in connection with the interim financing of the company's construction program and (2) the balance, if any, toward payment of additions to utility plant on or after August 1, 1957. The company estimates that its construction expenditures for the remainder of 1957 will amount to \$60,000,000 and that they will continue through 1961 at the rate of approximately \$150,000,000 a year, exclusive of the proposed acquisition of the New York City power plants. According to the prospectus, the company has submitted a proposal to the City of New York for the acquisition of the City's three power plants which supply electricity to the "BMT" and "IRT" divisions of the City's transit system. The proposal contemplates that the company will pay \$9,000,000 upon taking possession of the plants but will not take title thereto until it has completed payment of a total of \$90,000,000 in equal installments over 10 years.

### NUCLEAR SCIENCE & ENGINEERING FILES FOR COMMON STOCK OFFERING

Nuclear Science & Engineering Corporation, Pittsburgh, Pa., filed a registration statement (File 2-13611) with the SEC on September 20, 1957, seeking registration of

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100,000 shares of 25¢ par Common Stock. These shares are to be offered for public sale through Hayden, Stone & Co. The public offering price and underwriting terms are to be supplied by amendment. The company has agreed to grant Hayden, Stone & Co., for a cash consideration of \$1,000, an option to purchase all or any part of 10,000 common shares (at a price to be supplied by amendment).

Nuclear Science was organized in July, 1954 by a group of seven scientists and engineers acting in conjunction with Norden-Ketay Corporation, which owns 100,000 shares (76%) of its outstanding common stock. Its business "consists of commercial exploitation of a basic phenomenon of atomic energy - radioactivity;" and it provides a wide variety of specialized radioactivity services. Net proceeds of this financing will be added to the general funds of the company; and it intends to use \$235,000 to prepay its indebtedness to Norden-Ketay and an estimated \$80,000 to purchase additional capital equipment. The balance will be added to working capital to finance the company's expanding business volume. (Mr. Gordon Dean is listed as Board Chairman.)

#### RAPID ELECTROTYPE REGISTERS DEBENTURES AND COMMON SHARES

The Rapid Electrotpe Company, Cincinnati, filed a registration statement (File 2-13612) with the SEC on September 20, 1957, seeking registration of \$656,250 of presently outstanding 5½% Two-Year Debentures, due May 1, 1958. The registration statement also covers 37,840 presently outstanding common shares issued in conversion of \$868,750 of similar debentures; 58,645 common shares issuable in conversion of the \$656,250 of debentures; and 40,000 outstanding common shares issued on exercise of an option. According to the prospectus, the debentures covered by the prospectus, the common shares into which such debentures are convertible, the common stock into which similar debentures were previously converted, and the 40,000 common shares acquired by an officer upon exercise of an option, may be sold by the holders thereof in the open market or otherwise. The company will receive no part of the proceeds of any such sales.

The \$1,600,000 of debentures were sold by the company on May 1, 1956, to various purchasers for a cash purchase price equal to the principal amount thereof. The officer who acquired the 40,000 common shares was Meshulam Riklis, Board Chairman. He acquired the shares on April 2, 1957, upon exercise of an option granted under an employment contract; and he paid the full option price of \$300,000 therefor.

#### FOSTER GRANT FILES FOR COMMON STOCK OFFERING

The Foster Grant Co., Inc., Leominster, Mass., filed a registration statement (File 2-13613) with the SEC on September 20, 1957, seeking registration of 300,000 shares of its \$1 par Common Stock, to be offered for public sale through an underwriting group headed by Wertheim & Co. The public offering price and underwriting terms are to be supplied by amendment.

The company was organized in June under Delaware law as a wholly-owned subsidiary of Foster-Grant Company, Inc., a Massachusetts corporation; and on September 30th the Massachusetts corporation is to be merged into the Delaware corporation. It is primarily engaged in the production of polystyrene and of styrene monomer (a petrochemical used principally in the production of polystyrene and synthetic rubber) and in the manufacture of a variety of molden plastic articles. Net proceeds of the sale of the common shares will be added to the company's general funds and will be available for any corporate purpose, including a capital construction program now

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estimated at \$5,400,000 during the next 15 months. The latter includes a major addition to the company's styrene monomer plant at Baton Rouge, La., additional facilities at its Manchester, N. H. plant, and additional styrene polymerization facilities at a location yet to be determined, as well as additions to the company's Manchester plant and a new office building at Leominster.

#### OWENS-CORNING FIBERGLAS FILES EMPLOYEE STOCK OPTION PLAN

Owens-Corning Fiberglas Corporation, Toledo, O., today filed a registration statement (File 2-13614) with the SEC seeking registration of 373,570 shares of its \$1 par Common Stock, to be issued pursuant to the company's Employee Stock Option Plan.

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Chairman Edward N. Gadsby of the Securities and Exchange Commission announced the promotion of Harold V. Lese to the position of Chief, Branch of Small Issues, in the Division of Corporation Finance. Mr. Lese succeeds Mr. James T. Glavin, who resigned to enter the private practice of law. As Chief of the Branch of Small Issues, Mr. Lese will be responsible for the supervision and coordination of the work of the Commission's regional offices in the examination of public offerings not exceeding \$300,000 in amount, exempted from registration under Regulation A of the Securities Act of 1933.

Mr. Lese was appointed to the Commission's staff as an Attorney on March 19, 1941 in the then Investment Company Division. He transferred to the Division of Corporation Finance in 1942, and has served in progressively more responsible positions in that Division. His most recent assignment has been in the Branch of Small Issues as a principal Attorney.

From 1933 to 1934 Mr. Lese was in the private practice of law in New York City. He joined the staff of the Department of State in 1934 as an Attorney, and served in that capacity until 1936, at which time he returned to the private practice of law. From 1937 to 1940 he served as an Attorney with the Department of Interior in Washington, D. C.

Mr. Lese received his AB Degree, cum laude, from Harvard University in 1929, and his JD Degree from New York University Law School in June, 1932. He was admitted to the New York Bar in 1933. He is married to the former Lillian Hertz and they have three children. (See Release No. U-250.)

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SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION  
Washington, D. C.

Securities Exchange Act of 1934  
Release No. 5578

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, September 22 to October 1, 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 and 5544).

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