

# 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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## UNITED STATES COCONUT FIBER FILES FOR COMMON STOCK OFFERING

United States Coconut Fiber Corporation, Washington, D. C., filed a registration statement (File 2-13639) with the SEC on September 30, 1957, proposing the public offering of 735,000 shares of its \$1 par common stock. The stock is to be offered for public sale at \$4 per share on a "best efforts" basis by Southeastern Securities Corporation, of New York, for which it will receive a selling commission of 15%. In addition, the underwriter will receive \$100,000 for its expenses; and it has received an option to purchase 45,000 shares at \$4 per share, for a period of 3 years.

The company was organized under Delaware law on July 25, 1957, for the primary purpose of manufacturing and selling bags, carpet yarns, and various other course textile products to be produced from coconut husk fibers pursuant to United States patents issued to B. G. H. Vanderjagt, which have been assigned to the company. It contemplates commencing operations in the Philippine Islands, employing the processes described in the Vanderjagt patents. The right to make, use and sell the processes was assigned by Vanderjagt to Michael J. Banuvar, president of the company, and by Banuvar in turn assigned to the company for 745,000 shares of stock and \$10,000. Banuvar has assigned 445,000 of these shares to 12 other persons.

The company has a commitment to purchase a jute mill located at Davao, Mindanao; and it proposes to acquire this plant and convert it to the production and spinning of textiles from coconut fibers. It also proposes to erect a new plant on the Island of Luzon, near Manila, to increase its productive capacity. The proceeds from the sale of the common stock will be used in large part for the acquisition and conversion of the existing plant and the construction and equipment of the proposed plant. However, a total of \$225,000 is to be paid to Vanderjagt, in three installments, for grant of the exclusive license under the patents and for his services in placing the two plants in operation (Vanderjagt is also to receive out-of-pocket expenses in travelling to the Philippines and/or to Europe in connection with the erection of the plants and securing of the necessary machinery). The other promoters, in addition to Banuvar and Vanderjagt, are Alexander Leggin, John B. Hull, and Donald J. Pryor, all of Washington, D. C. The company's outstanding 765,000 shares were issued to the promoters and eight other individuals for \$20,000 in cash, patents and services.

## ANITA COBRE FILES COMMON STOCK FINANCING PROPOSAL

Anita Cobre U.S.A., Inc., of Phoenix, Arizona, filed a registration statement (File 2-13640) with the SEC on September 30, 1957, seeking registration of 85,000 shares of Common Stock, \$3.75 par. The securities are to be offered for public sale at par by Selected Securities, Inc., of Phoenix, on a "best efforts" basis, for which it will receive a selling commission of \$0.735 per share. No sales will be made for less than 100 shares.

For further details, call ST. 3-7600, ext. 5526

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According to the prospectus, Anita Cobre ("Registrant") was organized to develop and work a Mexican copper, gold and silver mine near Fundicion in the State of Sonora, Mexico. A Mexican corporation, Anita Cobre, S. A., was created to do the actual exploration, development and owning of this mine. Registrant has acquired a 51% interest in its stock, representing its only property.

Net proceeds to the registrant, assuming sale of the 85,000 shares, are estimated at \$256,275. Of this, \$115,218.75 is reserved as a contingent liability fund in respect of 30,725 common shares sold in Arizona under the erroneous impression that such sales, to Arizona residents, was exempt from the registration requirements of the Securities Act. An offer of rescission will be made to the holders of these shares. Of the balance, \$101,250 will be paid as the maximum balance due on the purchase of the subsidiary's stock; and \$39,806.25 will be added to working capital. Registrant has paid \$44,500 for the 51% interest in the subsidiary, and has agreed to pay up to \$101,250 more therefor. The subsidiary will use the funds for purchase of equipment, development and other related work.

Registrant has outstanding 10,896 shares (in addition to the 30,725 sold to Arizona residents), all held by promoters, among whom are Conrad J. Kleinman, of Phoenix, President, and F. G. Quiroga, a director, of Obregon, Sonora, Mexico. The subsidiary's properties were conveyed to it by Quiroga. In addition to their holdings of registrant's stock, Quiroga and Kleinman, together with John L. Alexander, of Corborca, Sonora, Mexico, and Robert C. Smith of Phoenix, each owns a 12½% interest in the subsidiary's stock.

#### SEC GIVES NOTICE OF BROCKTON EDISON FINANCING PROPOSAL

The SEC has issued an order giving interested persons until October 14, 1957, to request a hearing upon the bond and preferred stock financing proposal of Brockton Edison Company, Brockton, Mass. As previously reported (9/18/57), Brockton Edison proposes to issue and sell at competitive bidding 30,000 shares of cumulative preferred stock, \$100 par, and \$3,000,000 of First Mortgage and Collateral Trust Bonds, due 1987. Of the proceeds, \$5,000,000 will be used to acquire 8,000 shares of the \$10 par common stock and \$4,200,000 principal amount of debenture bonds of Montaup Electric Company. The balance of the proceeds of approximately \$1,000,000 are to be used to repay in part or in whole Brockton Edison's short-term bank loans.

#### PUBLIC SERVICE OF NEW HAMPSHIRE FILES FOR COMMON STOCK OFFERING

Public Service Company of New Hampshire, Manchester, N. H., today filed a registration statement (File 2-13642) with the SEC seeking registration of 262,890 shares of its \$5 par Common Stock, to be offered for public sale through an underwriting group headed by Kidder, Peabody & Co., Inc., and Blyth & Co., Inc. The public offering price and underwriting terms are to be supplied by amendment.

Prior to the public offering of the common stock, the company expects to enter into an agreement for the sale of \$8,000,000 of First Mortgage Bonds, Series J, due 1987. Net proceeds of the sale of the bonds and stock will be applied first to the payment of short-term bank borrowings incurred for interim financing of construction and the balance will be used for construction of additional facilities and for other corporate purposes. Borrowings are estimated at \$7,500,000. Construction expenditures are estimated at \$9,300,000 for 1957; and construction plans presently call for expenditures of \$10,600,000 in 1958, \$16,200,000 in 1959, and \$17,200,000 in 1960.

## BEACON ASSOCIATES TO ISSUE PARTNERSHIP INTERESTS

Beacon Associates, Wichita, Kansas, together with F. James Antkies and Jerome Asher, individual partners thereof, filed a registration statement (File 2-13641) with the SEC on September 30, 1957, seeking registration of 186 limited partnership interests in Beacon Associates, a New York limited partnership. It is proposed to offer the partnership interests for sale at \$4,000 for each such interest. No underwriting is involved.

Beacon Associates intends to admit a sufficient number of additional limited partners so that the total contributed capital shall be \$800,000. It further proposes to purchase the land and building located at 114 South Main Street in Wichita, known as The Beacon Building, at a cost of \$513,750 (plus closing and other charges, which will increase the total cost to \$530,535). This is to be paid in cash and the property will be owned by Beacon Associates free and clear of any mortgage. Immediately upon acquisition of the property, Beacon Associates will take steps to modernize the building, at an approximate cost of \$250,000. Simultaneously with the purchase, it will execute a 25-year net lease of the entire premises, renewable for two like terms, to Wichita Associates, a partnership comprised of Leon Slade, Gilbert Gertner, Alan S. Feldman, Joseph A. Weinberger, Bernard S. Meyer and Arthur C. Fink. The lessee will pay an annual net rent of \$80,000 to Beacon Associates, adjustable on the occurrence of certain events. The lessee will also pay all operating and maintenance expenses.

## TAYLOR INSTRUMENT FILES FOR COMMON STOCK OFFERING

Taylor Instrument Companies, Rochester, N. Y., today filed a registration statement (File 2-13643) with the SEC seeking registration of 99,915 shares of its \$10 par Common Stock. The company proposes to offer the shares for subscription by common stockholders of record October 22, 1957, at the rate of one new share for each four shares then held. The subscription price and underwriting terms are to be supplied by amendment. The First Boston Corporation is listed as the principal underwriter.

The company is a manufacturer of scientific instruments for indicating recording and controlling temperature, pressure, humidity, flow, liquid level and load, and of other instruments. Of the net proceeds of this financing, some \$2,500,000 will be applied to the retirement of short-term bank loans; and the balance will be added to the company's general corporate funds. The bank loans were incurred in connection with larger inventories and receivables arising out of increasing sales in recent years, according to the prospectus, principally in the field of automatic industrial process equipment.

## PUTNAM GROWTH FUND SEEKS REGISTRATION OF SHARES

The Putnam Growth Fund, Boston investment company, today filed a registration statement (File 2-13644) with the SEC seeking registration of 500,000 shares of beneficial interest in the Fund. The Fund is a diversified open-end mutual investment fund, organized October 1, 1957, by Declaration of Trust as a voluntary association under the laws of Massachusetts. The Putnam Management Company will serve as manager.

On October 1, 1957, the Trustees, partners of the Management company, owned 16,150 shares of the Fund. Putnam Fund Distributors, Inc., is the underwriter.

#### DEUTSCHE RENTENBANK-KREDITANSTALT SEEKS QUALIFICATION OF INDENTURE

Deutsche Rentenbank-Kreditanstalt, Frankfurt, Germany, filed an application (File 2-2059) with the SEC on September 30, 1957, seeking qualification of an indenture pursuant to which it proposes to issue \$500,000 of 5½% Debt Adjustment Debentures, Series A due January 1, 1973, and \$1,100,000 of 4½% Debt Adjustment Debentures, Series B, due January 1, 1973. These securities are to be issued only in exchange for outstanding First Lien 7% Gold Farm Loan Sinking Fund Bonds of 1925, due September 15, 1950; Farm Loan Secured 65 Gold Sinking Fund Bonds due July 15, 1960; and Farm Loan Secured 6% Gold Sinking Fund Bonds, Second Series of 1927, due October 15, 1960, pursuant to the provisions of Annex II to the London Agreement on German External Debts of February 27, 1953.

#### 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, October 2, 1957, to October 11, 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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SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION  
Washington, D. C.

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Release No. 5583

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