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DECISIONS IN ADMINISTRATIVE PROCEEDINGS

DEAN CORN BARRED. The SEC has barred Dean Corn, of Walla Walla, Wash., from association with any broker or dealer. The action was based on findings that respondent, who was a securities salesman with registered broker-dealers, during the period May 1970 - October 1971 offered and sold unregistered securities of Walla Walla Business College, Inc. and in connection therewith made untrue and misleading statements concerning, among other things, prospects and financing of the issuer, the suitability of an investment in its securities, a prospective rise in the market price of its stock and the listing of such stock on a national stock exchange.

Respondent had failed to file an answer to the charges against him and was deemed to be in default. The stated findings were based on the allegations set forth in the order for proceedings. (Rel. 34-9990)

BASIC SCIENCES STOP ORDER LIFTED. The SEC announced the issuance of an order making effective an amendment to a registration statement filed under the Securities Act by Basic Sciences, Inc. of Bethel, Conn., and declaring that the stop order previously issued with respect to that statement is no longer in effect, since the amendment corrected the deficiencies which had resulted in the issuance of the order. The stop order had been issued on the basis of the Commission's findings, pursuant to an offer of settlement, that the registration statement was materially misleading in failing to identify a certain broker-dealer as the underwriter of the offering, and in failing to disclose the broker-dealer's lack of experience and business history. (Rel. 33-5364)

COMMISSION ANNOUNCEMENTS

SEC ORDER CITES VANDE VEGTE, INC., ET AL. The SEC has instituted proceedings against Vanda Vegte, Inc., of Minneapolis, Minn., Richard F. Vande Vegte, Henry R. Vande Vegte, Richard L. Hartzell, Willard G. Berge, Clifford G. Knier, Alvin F. Peterka, Orville Ver Hoef, Patricia Gabe, and Harvey Boeck. The Commission's order is based upon alleged violations of the registration, broker-dealer registration and anti-fraud provisions of the Federal securities laws. In addition, Vande Vegte, Inc. and Richard F. Vande Vegte are charged with violations of the bookkeeping rule and certain reporting rules promulgated under the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 and a failure to supervise.

A hearing will be scheduled by further order to take evidence on the staff's allegations for the purpose of determining whether the allegations are true and to afford the respondents an opportunity to offer any defenses, and whether any action of a remedial nature should be ordered by the Commission.

COURT ENFORCEMENT ACTIONS

ROBERT A. BLACKWOOD AND ROBERT B. BRUCE SENTENCED. The SEC Atlanta Regional Office announced that on February 2 the Federal court in Atlanta sentenced Robert A. Blackwood of Atlanta to five years on each of three counts, to run concurrently, on charges of violating the registration provisions of the Securities Act of 1933, the mail fraud statute and for conspiracy in connection with the sale of securities of American Capital Corporation. The sentence was suspended and Blackwood placed on probation for three years. Robert B. Bruce of South Miami, Fla., was sentenced to two years on each of two counts, also to run concurrently, on charges of violating the mail fraud statute and for conspiracy in connection with the sale of the same securities. The sentence provided that Bruce would serve six months in prison and be placed on probation for the remainder of his term. Robert S. Walker, who had been found guilty of violating the fraud provisions of the Securities Act, the mail fraud statute and of conspiracy, will be sentenced at a later date. John R. Creighton of Atlanta had previously entered a nolo contendere plea to two counts of the 15 count indictment and will also be sentenced at a subsequent date. (LR-5733)

COMPUTER CONSULTANTS, OTHERS ENJOINED. The SEC Atlanta Regional Office announced that on February 2 the Federal court in Butte, Montana permanently enjoined Computer Consultants, Inc. (a New Mexico corporation), Martin J. Wall and Elizabeth L. Wall, both of Albuquerque, New Mexico, and John E. Schumacher of Las Vegas, Nev. from violations of the antifraud and registration provisions of the Federal securities laws in connection with the sale of common stock of Computer Consultants. All defendants except Schumacher were also enjoined from violations of the reporting provisions. All defendants consented to the Court order. (LR-5736)

INVESTMENT COMPANY ACT RELEASES

STATE MUTUAL SECURITIES. The SEC has issued an order permitting an arrangement whereby State Mutual Life Assurance Company of America, of Worcester, Mass., will invest concurrently with State Mutual Securities, Inc., a registered closed-end investment company, in each issue of securities purchased by the Fund in direct placement. (Rel. IC-7665)

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PLIGROWTH FUND; HEDBERG & GORDON FUND. The SEC has issued an order on an application filed by Pligrowth Fund, Inc. and Hedberg & Gordon Fund, Inc., Philadelphia mutual funds, and One Eleven Distribution Company, the Funds' principal underwriter, exempting them from Section 22(d) of the Act to permit shares of the Funds to be sold without sales charges upon the exercise of reinvestment privileges to be offered to redeeming shareholders. (Rel. IC-7666)

AMERICAN LEADERS FUND. The Commission has issued an order permitting American Leaders Fund, Inc. and Fund for U. S. Government Securities, Inc., diversified, open-end management investment companies registered under the Act, and Federated Securities Corp., the principal underwriter for the Funds, to sell shares of the Funds, without sales charges, upon the exercise of reinvestment privileges which the Funds propose to offer to redeeming shareholders of the Funds and of Empire Fund, Inc., Third Empire Fund, Inc., Fourth Empire Fund, Inc., Fifth Empire Fund, Inc., Sixth Empire Fund, Inc., Presidential Exchange Fund, Inc., Second Presidential Exchange Fund, Inc., and Fifth Presidential Fund, Inc., exchange funds that are not engaged in a continuous offering and have the same investment adviser as the Funds. (Rel. IC-7667)

SECURITIES ACT REGISTRATIONS FILED

HALE-HALSELL COMPANY, 9111 E. Pine St., Tulsa, Okla. 74115 - 200,000 shares of common stock, of which 56,000 are to be offered for sale by the company and 144,000 by certain shareholders. The offering is to be made (*at \$13 per share maximum) through underwriters headed by Schneider, Bernet & Hickman, Inc., 3200 First National Bank Bldg., Dallas, Tex. The company distributes food products in Oklahoma and surrounding states. Net proceeds will be used to repay short-term bank notes. (File 2-47007 - Feb 9)

KEMPER MUNICIPAL BOND FUND, 120 S. LaSalle St., Chicago, Ill. 60603 - 2,500,000 shares, to be offered for sale at \$20 per share through underwriters headed by The First Boston Corp., 20 Exchange Pl., New York, and Prescott, Merrill, Turben & Co., 900 National City Bank Bldg., Cleveland, Ohio 44114. The Fund is a closed-end, diversified management investment company, whose objective is as high a level of current interest income exempt from Federal income taxes as is consistent with prudent investment management and preservation of capital. Supervised Investors Services, Inc., a subsidiary of Kemperco, Inc., is investment adviser. (File 2-47008 - Feb 9)

HERCULES INCORPORATED, Hercules Tower, 910 Market St., Wilmington, Del. 19899 - 240,000 shares of common stock. It is proposed to offer these shares in exchange for substantially all of the assets of Pennsylvania Industrial Chemical Corporation (Picco), at the rate of 1,177,955 Hercules share for each Picco share. Hercules manufactures and sells chemicals, allied products and modular structures. Picco manufactures chemical compounds. (File 2-47009 - Feb 9)

MIDDLE SOUTH UTILITIES, INC., Two Eighty Park Ave., New York 10017 - 4,000,000 shares of common stock, to be offered for sale at competitive bidding. The company will use the net proceeds for repayment of \$90 million of outstanding bank loans and other corporate purposes. (File 2-47010 - Feb 9)

FIRST AT ORLANDO CORPORATION, First National Bank Bldg., Orlando, Fla. 32801 - 912,313 shares of common stock. It is proposed to issue these shares in exchange for all the outstanding capital shares of the following banks at the specified rates: 3.7 shares for each First National Bank of Delray Beach shares; 2.2 shares for Second National Bank of Delray Beach share; and 17.5 shares for each Community National Bank & Trust Company (Bal Harbour) share. First at Orlando owns substantially all of the outstanding capital stock of each of 27 banks. (File 2-47011 - Feb 9)

STATE OF ISRAEL (U. S. Agent: Moshe Elran, 850 Third Ave., New York 10022) - \$350 million of fourth development investment issue, to be offered for sale only to banks, insurance companies, labor unions, employee benefit funds, governmental funds, community funds, endowment funds, building funds and credit unions and at 100% of principal amount. Net proceeds will be used in the development program of the State of Israel. (File 2-47012 - Feb 9)

GENERAL FINANCIAL SYSTEMS, INC., First Marine Bank Office Bldg., Riviera Beach, Fla. 33404 - 500,000 shares of common stock, to be offered for sale (*at \$9.625 per share maximum) through underwriters headed by duPont Glore Forgan Inc., One Wall St., New York 10005, and Allen C. Ewing & Co., 135 W. Bay St., Jacksonville, Fla. 32202. The company is a bank holding company with nine subsidiary and associated banks. Of the net proceeds, \$4,130,000 will be used to repay outstanding notes and the balance for other corporate purposes. (File 2-47013 - Feb 9)

MENNEN-GREATBATCH ELECTRONICS, INC., 10123 Main St., Clarence, N. Y. 14031 - 240,000 shares of common stock, to be offered for sale (*at \$20 per share maximum) through underwriters headed by Ladenburg, Thalmann & Co. Inc., 25 Broad St., New York 10004. The company manufactures and sells specialized medical electronic equipment and components. Of the net proceeds, \$2,844,000 will be used to retire debt and the balance for working capital and other corporate purposes. (File 2-47014 - Feb 9)

STOCK PLANS FILED. The following have filed Form S-8 registration statements with the SEC seeking registration of securities to be offered pursuant to employee stock and related plans:
Orbanco, Inc., Portland, Oregon (File 2-47002) - 10,000 shares
MCI Communications Corporation, Washington, D. C. (File 2-47018) - 100,000 shares

MISCELLANEOUS

RECENT FORM 8-K FILINGS. The companies listed below have filed Form 8-K reports for the month indicated, responding to the item on the 8K form numbered in the parentheses. Photocopies may be purchased from the Commission's Public Reference Section (in ordering, please give month and year of report). An index of the captions of the several items of the form was included in the February 1 News Digest.

<u>NAME OF ISSUER</u>	<u>FILE NO.</u>		
A.J. Industries, Inc. Jan 73 (11,13)	1-5672-2	Beaver Creek Inds., Inc. (2,3,14)	0-3923-2
Aerosol Techniques, Inc. Jan 73 (4,7,14)	1-4529-2	Books Mobile, Inc. Jan 73 (13,14)	2-39890-2
Aileen, Inc. Jan 73(13)	1-4734-2	Borg-Warner Acceptance Corp Jan 73(7,14)	1-6438-2
Aircraft Acceptance Corp Nov 72 (10,11,14)	0-2991-2	Brennan Paige Ind., Inc. Jul 72(7)	0-3443-2
Airlift International, Inc. Jan 73(13)	0-1846-2	Bryn Mawr Group, Inc. Jan 73(8)	0-2655-2
Alco Standard Corp Jan 73(7,8)	1-5964-2	California Medical Centers Dec 72(10)	0-3661-2
Altamil Corp Jan 73(11)	1-4834-2	Capital Corporate Resources, Inc. Nov 72(11,14)	0-5973-2
Amerada Hess Corp Dec 72(10)	1-1204-2	Capital Equipment Leasing Corp Nov 72(11)	2-36141-2
American Nucleonics Corp Jan 73 (11)	0-6013-2	Dec 72(2,7,14)	2-36141-2
Aminex Corp Nov 72(2,14)	0-6064-2	Hattie Carnegie Jewelry Enterprises, Ltd. Dec 72(12,14)	2-32408-2
Dec 72(2,7,14)	0-6064-2	Carolina Telephone & Telegraph Co. Dec 72(7,14)	1-6469-2
Argus, Inc. Jan 73(2,4,8)	1-4544-2	Central National Corporation Dec 72(13)	0-3609-2
Associated Transport Inc. Dec 72(13)	1-5182-2	Cessna Aircraft Co. Jan 73 (11,13)	1-3145-2
Atlas Hotels, Inc. Jan 73(13,14)	0-4327-2	Cinecom Corp Jan 73(13,14)	1-5656-2
Azcon Corporation Jan 73 (13,14)	0-5826-2	Clear Creek Corp Jan 73(6)	0-1379-2
BBI, Inc. Dec 72(3,13)	1-4608-2	Coliseum Properties Inc. Dec 72(2,7,8,13,14)	0-4789-2
D.H. Baldwin Co. Dec 72(13)	1-1655-2	Computer Machining Technology Corp Nov 71(1)	1-4397-2
Bankers Trust Dec 72(3,14)	0-1610-2		
Bankshares of Indiana, Inc. Jan 73(7)	1-6633-2		
Bartell Media Corp Dec 72(6,13)	1-4614-2		

CORRECTION RE CURRENCY DETECTION SYSTEMS. Currency Detection Systems, Inc., of Ridgewood, N. Y., proposes to offer 70,000 shares of common stock at \$3 per share, not 21¢ per share, as reported in the February 5 News Digest.

TRADING SUSPENSIONS CONTINUED. The SEC has ordered the suspension of (a) over-the-counter trading in the securities of Power Conversion, Inc. for the further four-day period February 13 through 16, inclusive, (b) exchange and over-the-counter trading in the securities of Topper Corporation and U. S. Financial Incorporated for the further ten-day period February 13-22, inclusive, and (c) over-the-counter trading in the common stock of Triex International Corporation for the further ten-day period February 13-22, inclusive.

SECURITIES ACT REGISTRATIONS. Effective February 12: Consolidated Capital Corp., 2-45620 (90 days); The Huffman Manufacturing Co., 2-46912; The Marion Laboratories, Inc., 2-46678; Stock-It Corp., 2-45062 (May 13); ADRs of The Suruga Bank, Ltd., 2-46793.

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.

*As estimated for purposes of computing the registration fee.

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