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AMERICAN RUBBER & PLASTICS FILES FOR SECONDARY. American Rubber and Plastics Corporation, 315 Brighton St., LaPorte, Ind., filed a registration statement (File 2-16276) with the SEC on May 11, 1960, seeking registration of 200,000 outstanding shares of common stock, to be offered for public sale by the holders thereof through an underwriting group headed by Hornblower & Weeks. The public offering price and underwriting terms are to be supplied by amendment.

The company is engaged in the business of processing synthetic and natural crude rubber into open-cell sponge rubber and in making closed-cell sponge rubber. It entered the plastics field in 1957 by commencing the manufacture of urethane foam. According to the prospectus, there are 500,000 common shares outstanding, not including 30,000 reserved under a restricted stock option plan. All of the 500,000 shares are owned by eight selling stockholders. John Chalik, board chairman, proposes to sell 30,000 of his holdings of 105,000 shares; Peter G. Torosian, president, 50,000 of 200,000; and John Chalik, Jr., and Eugene Chalik, officers, 25,000 of 62,500 shares each.

RIDGEWAY CENTER PROPOSES OFFERING. Ridgeway Center Associates, 50 East 42nd St., New York, filed a registration statement (File 2-16577) with the SEC on May 11, 1960, seeking registration of 457 units of limited partnership interests aggregating \$2,285,000, to be offered for sale at \$5,000 per unit.

Associates is a partnership formed on April 26, 1960. It has an option to acquire by assignment a contract to purchase the Ridgeway Shopping Center in Stamford, Conn., for \$4,565,337.81. All rights under the purchase contract and to the \$200,000 deposit made to the sellers have been assigned to Falcon Estates, Inc., none of whose stock is owned by any of the general partners of Associates. Under an agreement with Harry Seeve, one of the general partners, Falcon granted Seeve an option to purchase all its rights under the contract; and Seeve has assigned the purchase option to the general partners who have assigned it to Associates. Seeve paid Falcon \$200,000 for the option; and if the option is exercised an additional \$350,000 payment must be paid to Falcon and Falcon will assign to Associates its rights in the \$200,000 deposit paid to the sellers upon the signing of the purchase contract. Under the purchase contract, in addition to the \$200,000 deposit, \$1,550,000 is payable in cash and the balance of \$2,815,337.81 by taking title subject to a mortgage on the Center. If Associates purchases the Center, the aggregate amount paid by Associates to the sellers and Falcon will be \$2,100,000.

Associates was formed by Seeve, Albert L. Kanter and Louis I. Nesrel. The Center will be managed under an agreement with United Investors Corporation, whose stock is owned by Seeve, Nestel and Kanter in the respective amounts of 8%, 10% and 11%.

NEBRASKA CONSOLIDATED MILLS PROPOSES RIGHTS OFFERING. Nebraska Consolidated Mills Company, 1521 North 16th St., Omaha, filed a registration statement (File 2-16578) with the SEC on May 11, 1960, seeking registration of 111,951 shares of common stock. The company proposes to offer this stock for subscription at \$10 per share by holders of outstanding common, at the rate of one new share for each four shares held. The record date is to be supplied by amendment. No underwriting is involved.

The company's major products include flour for bakers, feed and other agricultural products, as well as consumer products. It has outstanding 447,894 common shares and certain indebtedness. Net proceeds of the sale of additional stock will be added to general funds of the company and will be used to finance larger inventories and accounts receivable.

The prospectus lists K. S. Dickson as board chairman and J. A. Mactier as president. Management officials own 19.27% of the outstanding stock.

HAMILTON COSCO FILES FOR SECONDARY. Hamilton Cosco, Inc., 2525 State St., Columbus, Ind., filed a registration statement (File 2-16579) with the SEC on May 11, 1960, seeking registration of 300,000 outstanding shares of common stock, to be offered for public sale by the holders thereof through an underwriting group headed by Smith, Barney & Co., Inc., and City Securities Corporation. The public offering price and underwriting terms are to be supplied by amendment.

The company is engaged in the manufacture and sale of a broad line of products in the housewares field; and it also manufactures office chairs and metal frame upholstered furniture and occasional tables. It has
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outstanding 1,738,551 common shares. The holdings of the four selling stockholders, each of whom proposes to sell 75,000, are as follows: Clarence O. Hamilton, executive vice president, 175,128 shares; Earl F. Hamilton, president, 171,967; William S. Hamilton, board chairman, 173,539; and Trust B created Under Will of B. F. Hamilton, 169,041. An additional 222,444 shares are held by Trust A created Under Will of B. F. Hamilton.

LIFE INSURANCE STOCK FUND FILES FOR OFFERING. Life Insurance Stock Fund, Inc., Dallas, filed a registration statement (File 2-16580) with the SEC on May 11, 1960, seeking registration of \$2,000,000 of investment plans for the accumulation of shares in the Fund.

ADRs FOR SCHNEIDER ET CIE FILED. Chemical Bank New York Trust Company filed a registration statement (File 2-16581) with the SEC on May 11, 1960, seeking registration of American Depositary Receipts for 50,000 shares of Schneider Et Cie.

ILLINOIS BELL TELEPHONE PROPOSES RIGHTS OFFERING. Illinois Bell Telephone Company, 212 W. Washington St., Chicago, today filed a registration statement (File 2-16582) with the SEC seeking registration of 3,047,758 shares of common capital stock. The company proposes to offer this stock for subscription at \$20 per share by shareholders of record May 27, 1960, in the ratio of one new share for each ten shares then held. The American Telephone and Telegraph Company, which owns 30,270,050 shares (99.32%) of the outstanding stock, intends to subscribe for the 3,027,005 shares which represent its pro rata portion of the offering. The company intends to sell only those shares subscribed for through the exercise of subscription rights.

Net proceeds of the stock sale will be applied toward repayment of advances from the parent company, obtained in conformity with an established practice of borrowing from the parent, as need arises, for general corporate purposes, including property additions and improvements. The prospectus indicates that the company proposes to issue and sell \$50,000,000 of bonds in July 1960 at competitive bidding, the proceeds of which will be similarly applied to repayment of parent company advances.

GENERAL PUBLIC UTILITIES ORDER ISSUED. The SEC has issued an order under the Holding Company Act (Release 35-14225) permitting General Public Utilities Corporation, New York holding company, to enter into a subordination agreement with the Export-Import Bank of Washington to assist GPU's Philippine subsidiary, Manila Electric Company, in obtaining a line of credit from the Bank. The Bank proposes to establish a \$9,780,000 line of credit for Manila Electric. Under the agreement, GPU undertakes, among other things, not to sell any of its holdings of Manila Electric stock or indebtedness until all advances by the Bank have been paid, or to prepay or accelerate the maturity of any part of Manila Electric's Series notes held by GPU in the amount of \$3,355,431.

SOUTHERN ELECTRIC GENERATING PROPOSES BOND OFFERING. Southern Electric Generating Company, Birmingham, Alabama, subsidiary of Alabama Power Company and Georgia Power Company, has filed a proposal with the SEC under the Holding Company Act for the issuance and sale of \$40,000,000 of first mortgage bonds due 1992 at competitive bidding; and the Commission has issued an order (Release 35-14226) giving interested persons until May 24, 1960, to request a hearing thereon. Of the proceeds of the bond sale, the Generating Company proposes to apply \$27,000,000 to the payment of notes incurred in connection with its construction program and to use the balance for further construction expenditures. The company will similarly apply \$16,000,000 to be received in May 1960 from the sale of additional stock to the two parent companies; and it is indicated that the funds so provided will be sufficient to finance construction expenditures during 1960, except for short-term bank borrowings of \$20,000,000 during the last five months of the year.

FINANCING OF SAXTON NUCLEAR CORP. CLEARED. The SEC has issued an order under the Holding Company Act (Release 35-14227) with respect to the financing of Saxton Nuclear Experimental Corporation, of Saxton, Pa., a non-profit corporation organized to construct, operate and maintain a small experimental nuclear reactor. It proposes to issue and sell 20,000 shares of its \$1 par common stock to Pennsylvania Electric Company, Metropolitan Edison Company, New Jersey Power & Light Company, and Jersey Central Power & Light Company, in the respective amounts of 24%, 32%, 11% and 33%. The four companies propose to make cash payments, from time to time, to Saxton aggregating not in excess of \$8,500,000, to be used in obtaining, operating and maintaining the experimental reactor.

MUTUAL INVESTMENT FUND ORDER ISSUED. The SEC has issued an exemption order under the Investment Company Act (Release 40-3031) permitting First Investors Corporation, sponsor-depositor of a unit trust for accumulation of, and dealer in, shares of Mutual Investment Fund, Inc., to offer and sell shares of the Fund at one-half the regular sales load to shareholders of Diversified Trustee Shares, Series E.