#### GRAHAM-NEWMAN CORPORATION

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Feb. 28th; 1946.

To the Stockholders of Graham-Newman Corporation:

On January 31st, 1946, the Company concluded its tenth year of operations. This event makes it appropriate to depart from former custom and to include with our Annual Report some extended comment on our policies, results and prospects.

#### General Policy and Over-all Results.

The current Prospectus of the Corporation states that its general investment policy is:

- (1) To purchase securities at prices less than their intrinsic value as determined by careful analysis, with particular emphasis on purchase of securities at less than their liquidating value.
- (2) To engage in arbitrage and hedging operations in the securities field.

This policy means that, in our operations, relatively little stress is laid upon forecasting the future course of the securities market or the future prospects of individual companies on a basis differing materially from their past performance. With regard to "general portfolio operations" -- as distinguished from arbitrage, liquidation and hedging operations -- it means that we tend to purchase securities when general sentiment is pessimistic and prices are generally low, and to sell them out in periods of optimism and high prices.

The over-all results realized by the Corporation in the past decade are summarized in Tables I, II and III appended.

We may point out here that, for the ten-year period, total earnings before contingent compensation to officers aggregated \$245 per share, as against the original issue price, adjusted, of \$99 per share. Of these earnings, \$41 per share was paid as contingent compensation and \$204 accrued to the stockholders. Of the latter sum, \$161 was paid in cash dividends (including \$3.87 as the later cash value of a distribution in kind); \$16 represents the value of subscription rights offered; and \$27 represents the increase in the remaining net asset value of the shares.

The annual percentage gain to stockholders, based on net asset value at the beginning of each year, averaged 17.6%. This compares with 10.1% in the same period shown by the Standard Statistics - Poor's Index of 90 stocks, and 10% shown by the Dow-Jones Industrial Average -- in both cases with allowance for dividends received.

In the first six years of operation (calendar 1936-1941) -- a period of generally declining prices -- our over-all gain averaged 11.8% per annum, against a loss of .6% for the 90-stock average. In the past four years (calendar 1942-1945 inclusive) -- a period of steadily rising prices -- we averaged 26.3% against 26.0% for the 90 stocks. In our last fiscal year, we showed, for the first time, a lower percentage gain than that of the general market. These comparative results follow directly from our investment policy, which grows more conservative as the market level rises.

# Future Policy and Prospects.

Because of the large advance in the general market in the past three years, we have substantially changed the character of our se curity holdings during this period. The percentage held in "general portfolio common stocks" has been greatly reduced, and the percentage in arbitrages, hedging operations and convertible senior issues correspondingly increased. These changes are summarized in the accompanying percentage-analysis of our portfolio as at January 31st, 1943 and January 31st, 1946.

# Percentage Distribution of Portfolio by Type of Operations

(Based on Market Value of Long Securities)

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	Jan. 31, 1943	Jan. 31, 1946
	% of Total	% of Total
Courities	3.4%	10.7%
Cash and Government Securities Arbitrages, Reorganizations, Guaranteed Issues	17.2 11.7	36.1 12.2 20.0
Liquidations Hedges and Convertible Issues Financial Companies	8.5 59.2	13.0 8.0
General Portfolio	100.0%	100.0%

The sharp reduction in our general portfolio has not been based on an opinion that the rise in the market has now run its course, but on the fact that very few common stocks remain attractive holdings judged by our technical standards. Under our established policy, we neither participate in clearly speculative profit opportunities nor assume clearly speculative risks. As long as the present rising market continues it is not likely that we shall be able to match the percentage gain shown by common stocks generally. There is reason to believe, however, that we may continue to make satisfactory, though not spectacular, profits in arbitrage and similar operations, which entail less risk than ordinary stock purchases at this time. The field of such operations than ordinary stock purchases at this time. has tended to expand with the increase in general market and corporate activity. For this reason we believe that we shall be able to find sound employment for our capital, including the limited expansion recently

#### provided for.

If the market should decline substantially, we can not expect our holdings to be unaffected; but we believe that any shrinkage in the net asset value of our shares should be moderate in itself, and relatively less severe than that shown by the market generally.

The chief objective of the management has been to conduct our operations so as to show an attractive rate of return on our shares during periods when stock prices generally have not moved substantially (net) in either direction. In spite of problems presented by rising and falling markets, we are hopeful that we shall be able to carry out this objective in the future as in the past decade.

# Results for the Year Ended January 31, 1946.

Submitted herewith is a copy of the report of our auditors, Messrs. Stern, Porter, Kingston & Coleman, covering the fiscal year ended January 31, 1946.

The appended balance sheet indicates a net asset value of \$125.88 per share on January 31, 1946, compared with \$131.95 per share on January 31, 1945. These figures give effect to the sale of additional stock in January, 1946.

Dividends of \$33.20 per share were paid during the year, all of which have been designated as Capital Gains Dividends, pursuant to Section 362 of the Internal Revenue Code. Subscription rights issued in January, 1946 had a computed value of \$5.20 for each share owned.

The over-all gain for the fiscal year, including the increase in unrealized appreciation, amounted to \$32.31 per share on the average number of shares outstanding. This was equal to 24.5% of the value at the beginning of the year.

The indicated net asset value as of February 21, 1946, was approximately \$126 per share.

The annual meeting of stockholders is scheduled to be held on Monday, April 8, 1946. In connection therewith, it is expected that formal notice will be mailed to stockholders before March 30, 1946, together with a proxy statement and request for proxies.

Very truly yours,

Benj. Graham, President

Jerome A. Newman, Vice-President & Treasurer

### INVESTMENTS IN SECURITIES

### JANUARY 31, 1946

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NO. OF SHARES	DESCRIPTION OF SECURITIES	JANUAR	T VALUE Y 31, 1946
	D STOCKS- INDUSTRIALS	Price	Amount
1,000	Aviation Corp. (The) \$2.25 Cumulative	80	\$ 80,000.00
,	Cities Service Company \$6.00 Cumulative Preferred	151	75,500.00
	Di Giorgio Fruit Corporation \$3.00 Cumulative Participating Preferred	110	33,000.00
	Gar Wood Industries, Inc. 45% Cumulative Convertible Preferred	62	31,000.00
6,800	Graham-Paige Motors Corp. Convertible 5% Cumulative Preferred	47-1/4	321,300.00
1,000	Jones & Laughlin Steel Corporation 5% Series B Convertible Preferred	155-1/4	155,250.00
-	Mansfield Tire & Rubber Co. Convertible \$1.20 Cumulative Preferred	32	9,280.00
300	The Murray Company \$4.50 Cumulative Preferred	52-3/4	15,825.00
	Total - Industrial Preferred Stocks		\$721,155.00
	D STOCKS - INVESTMENT COMPANIES	•	
900	Allegheny Corporation Cumulative Convertible \$2.50 Prior Preferred	76-1/4	\$ 68,625.00
PREFERRE	D STOCKS - UTILITIES	The same	
3,000	Market Street Railway Company Cumulative Prior Preference 6%	18-1/2	55,500.00
300	Twin City Rapid Transit Co. 5% Convertible Prior Preferred	59-3/8	17,812.50
	Total - Utilities Preferred Stocks		\$ 73,312.50
	TOTAL - PREFERRED STOCKS	- -	\$863,092,50
COMMON S	TOCKS - INDUSTRIALS	r	<b>=</b> 000 00
1,300	A. D. F. Co. American Shipbuilding Company Bell Aircraft Corporation Brewster Aeronautical Corporation Buda Company	6 44-5/8 32-1/2 5 31	7,800.00 4,462.50 126,425.00 50,000.00 77,500.00
3,000 1,000 2,200 2,200 200 625 300	W. F. Hall Printing Company	5-1/4 24-1/8 3-1/2 22 31-1/4 25-1/4	5,250.00 53,075.00 7,700.00 4,400.00 19,531.25 7,575.00
	Forward		\$363,718.75

#### INVESTMENTS IN SECURITIES

### JANUARY 31, 1946

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NO. OF	DESCRIPTION		T VALUE
SHARES	OF SECURITIES	Price	Y 31, 1946 Amount
CONMON STO	CKS - INDUSTRIALS (Continued)		
		·	363,718.75
	Forward	31-1/2	31,500.00
1,000	Jones & Lamson Machine Company McGraw-Hill Publishing Company, Inc.	33-1/4	19,950.00
1.600	Nipissing Mines Company, Limited	4-1/4 76-1/2	6,800.00 15,300.00
200	Pacific Mills	190	19.000.00
100 89	Pittsburgh Incline Plane Company Pittsburgh Terminal Realization Corporation	14-1/2	1,290.50
, 00	Total - Industrial Common Stocks		457,559.25
	Total - Industrial Common December		
COLUMN STO	CKS - INVESTMENT COMPANIES	•	
1 500	American International Corporation	15-5/8	23,437,50 74,925.00
m 400	A	10-1/8 6	7,200.00
3 200	General Shareholdings Corporation	5-1/4	36.750.00
30 300	Pacific American Investors, Inc. The Pennroad Corporation	8-7/8	94,075.00 71,687.50
3,100	Rallway and Light Securities Company	23-1/8 12	12,000.00
1,000	Tri-Continental Corporation		
•	Total - Investment Companies		\$320,075.00
	Common Stocks	_	
COMMON ST	OCKS - RAILROADS	54-3/4	28,032.00
510	Conede Southern Reilway Company	54-5/ <del>4</del> 42	50,400.00
	Illinois Central Railroad Company Mine Hill and Schuylkill Haven Railroad Company	53	19,610.00
370 <b>7</b> 00	Northern Pacific Railway Company	34-1/2	24,150.00
	Total - Railroad Common Stocks		3122,192.00
	Total - Relifodd Common Decide	, ,	
COMMON ST	OCKS - UTILITIES	115	34,500.00
300	International Ocean Telegraph Company Pacific and Atlantic Telegraph Company of U.S.	21	3,402.00
162 223	Southern and Atlantic Telegraph Company	21-1/2	4,794.50
220	Total - Utilities Common Stocks		42,696.50
COMMON ST	OCKS - INSURANCE COMPANIES	79-1/2	19,875.00
250	American Surety Company Employers' Group Associates	45-1/4	41,177.50 20,300.00
100	National Union Fire insurance Company	203 38	38.000.00
1.000		43-1/2	43.500.00
1,000	Universal Insurance Company	25	25,000.00
1,000	Total - Common Stocks - Insurance Compani	es	\$187,852.50

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JANUARY 31, 1946

#### SUMMARY

	MARKET VALUE
Railroads Industrials Utilities Real Estate Holding Companies U. S. Government  Total Bonds	\$1,366,746.39 291,500.00 56,330.00 75,250.00 80,137.50 307,593.75 \$2,177,557.64
PREFERRED STOCKS Industrials Investment Companies	721,155.00 68,625.00 73,312.50
Utilities <u>Total Preferred Stocks</u>	\$ 863,092.50
Industrials Investment Companies Railroads Utilities Insurance Companies Real Estate  Total Common Stocks	457,559.25 320,075.00 122,192.00 42,696.50 187,852.50 1,015.00
TOTAL	\$4,172,040.39