

16 A U.S. Steel Orders Usual Dividend

New York—U.S. Steel Corp. Tuesday ordered the usual quarterly dividend of 75 cents a share on common stock, the rate that has been paid since March, 1957.

The world's largest steel producer announced first quarter earnings of \$55.8 million or 95 cents a share compared with \$31.9 million or 47 cents in the first period last year when earnings were adversely affected by the recession.

Speculation arose recently that "big steel" would cut the dividend to save money for modernization—funds it had hoped to raise through an unsuccessful attempt to boost prices two weeks ago.

The company's first quarter net compared unfavorably with the \$1.97 a share earned in the first three months of 1960 and with the \$1.86 a share reported in the initial period of 1959.

Burning Permits Needed After May 1

Central Point—Fire permits will be required for all burning in the Central Point rural fire protection district beginning May 1.

Fire Chief L. C. Lisenbee, in a notice to patrons of the district, said that each permit site must be inspected one day prior to burning. Also, all burning barrels and incinerators must be inspected by the fire department prior to issuance of a permit.

Permits may be requested by telephone or by calling in person at the Central Point rural fire hall only. The telephone number is NOrmandy 4-2244.



Small Worlds Around Us

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Order Weather by Phone?
It Doesn't Seem Practical
"Man will soon have complete control over his environment," optimistically states the wishful thinker, the planner for the future.

Sounds like a big deal until you analyze it. This, of course, means we will control the amount of rainfall on a given area; how much snow will be allowed to fall; which way and how strong the wind will be permitted to blow, along with such minor details as to how hot the summer or how cold the winter.

All the plans haven't been worked out yet, but supposedly rainfall will be doled out according to counties: sandy soils, frequent rains; clay soils, not so much. Local governments planning picnics or outdoor activities will call up the weather-control center and give them the dope.

Of course, we will have to have blind and implicit trust in that button-pusher. He will have to be immune to criticism or gifted with a superior ability to be always right—a couple of virtues rather unusual in any human being.

Telephone Order

The day is right around the corner when we are supposed to be able to pick up the phone, call our friend at the "control" office, and say: "Bill, it's bone-dry down on my back forty. I need at least an inch of rain, but a half inch will be enough on the cornfield."

But Mr. Jones in a nearby town has a different idea. He calls. He is near anger. "Bill," he says, "move that shower away. We've scheduled the office picnic for today. We want plenty of sun and a very light breeze. Don't run our temperature up any higher than 80. And Bill, you might remember we have some pretty important people here. If we have to get a different button-pusher, we will. Remember, no rain."

Probably someone in the northern end of the county, little concerned with what happens to the other end, calls his "control man." He's a little put out, too.

Watch It
"Better re-adjust that gauge," he says. "The temperature here has reached a level we refuse to tolerate. Watch it from now on or we'll elect someone who has our interest and welfare at heart."

So it will go all day. The man at the controls, or the one who controls the man that mans the controls, will be lucky if he satisfies one tenth of his people. And, even in the year 1972 or 1992 some folks will be caught without their raincoat or with their car windows down. Weather control will be just as far away then as now. There are too many factors... too many people with too many different ideas.

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