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# of ITT Acquiring 16 Firms

Scripps-Howard reporter Robert Dietsch said six of the acquisitions were in this country, and the others involved companies in West Germany, the Netherlands, England, Spain, Mexico and Jamaica.

Dietsch listed these United States acquisitions:

Higbie Manufacturing Co., which produces steel tubing;

Holub Industries, which makes packaging tools and supplies; McDonnell and Miller of Chicago, a producer of boiler controls; Almco industries, which was unidentified; a Tapa bakery, and full control of Minnesota National Life Insurance Co., which previously had been 60 per cent owned by Hartford Fire Insurance Co., one of the firms involved in the

Justice Department cases.

Abroad, Dietsch said, ITT has acquired two manufacturing firms in Munich; a Dutch exporter of hams; a Mexican pump production operation, and two British companies — a brassware firm and a producer of toiletries and drugs, as well as firms in Jamaica and Spain.

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