UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION WASHINGTON, D.C. 20549

FORM 8-K

CURRENT REPORT

Pursuant to Section 13 or 15(d) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934

JUNE 8, 2000

(Date of earliest event reported)

LABORATORY CORPORATION OF AMERICA HOLDINGS

(Exact name of registrant as specified in its charter)

DELAWARE 1-11353 13-3757370

(State or other (Commission (IRS Employer jurisdiction of File Number) Identification incorporation)

Number)

358 SOUTH MAIN STREET, BURLINGTON, NORTH CAROLINA 27215

(Address of principal executive offices)

336-229-1127

(Registrant's telephone number, including area code)

ITEM 5. OTHER EVENTS

On June 8, 2000, Laboratory Corporation of America-Registered Trademark- Holdings (LabCorp-Registered Trademark-) announced that its Board of Directors has declared a dividend of \$0.08264 per share on the Company's Series A Preferred Stock, payable in cash. The Board has also declared a dividend of \$0.08264 per share on the Company's Series B Preferred Stock, payable in shares of Series B Preferred Stock at the rate of 0.001653 shares per share of Series B Preferred Stock held. The dividends will be paid on June 30, 2000 for each issued and outstanding share of Series A and Series B Preferred Stock to stockholders of record on June 14, 2000 (whether or not such stockholders convert their shares after such date), and will cover the seven days to July 7, 2000, the date set for redemption of the Series A and Series B Preferred Stock, at an equivalent annualized rate of \$4.25 per share. The dividends will be paid in addition to the dividends payable on the Series A and Series B Preferred Stock for the quarterly dividend period ended June 30, 2000 announced by the Company on May 2, 2000.

ITEM 7. FINANCIAL STATEMENTS, PRO FORMA FINANCIAL INFORMATION AND EXHIBITS

(c) Exhibit

20 Press release of the Company dated June 8, 2000.

SIGNATURES

Pursuant to the requirements of the Securities and Exchange Act of 1934, the registrant has duly caused this report to be signed on its behalf by the undersigned hereunto duly authorized.

LABORATORY CORPORATION OF AMERICA HOLDINGS
(Registrant)

By:/s/ BRADFORD T. SMITH

Bradford T. Smith Executive Vice President, General Counsel, Secretary and Compliance Officer

Date: June 12, 2000

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LABORATORY CORPORATION OF AMERICA-REGISTERED TRADEMARK- DECLARES FINAL PREFERRED STOCK DIVIDENDS

Burlington, NC, June 8, 2000 - Laboratory Corporation of America-Registered Trademark- Holdings (LabCorp-Registered Trademark-) (NYSE: LH) today announced that its Board of Directors has declared a dividend of \$0.08264 per share on the Company's Series A Preferred Stock, payable in cash. The Board has also declared a dividend of \$0.08264 per share on the Company's Series B Preferred Stock, payable in shares of Series B Preferred Stock at the rate of 0.001653 shares per share of Series B Preferred Stock held. No fractional shares of Series B Preferred Stock will be issued, so that the number of shares to be paid as a dividend on the Series B Preferred Stock will be rounded to the nearest whole number of shares. The dividends will be paid on June 30, 2000, for each issued and outstanding share of Series A and Series B Preferred Stock to stockholders of record on June 14, 2000 (whether or not such stockholders convert their shares after such date), and will cover the seven days to July 7, 2000, the date set for redemption of the Series A and Series B Preferred Stock, at an equivalent annualized rate of \$4.25 per share. The dividends will be paid in addition to the dividends payable on the Series A and Series B Preferred Stock for the quarterly dividend period ended June 30, 2000 announced by the Company on May 2, 2000.

Laboratory Corporation of America-Registered Trademark- Holdings (LabCorp-Registered Trademark-) is a national clinical laboratory with annual revenues of \$1.7 billion in 1999. With 18,000 employees and over 100,000 clients nationwide, the Company offers more than 2,000 clinical tests ranging from simple blood analyses to sophisticated molecular diagnostics. LabCorp leverages its expertise in innovative clinical testing technology with three Centers of Excellence. The Center for Molecular Biology and Pathology, in Research Triangle Park (RTP), North Carolina, develops applications for polymerase chain reaction (PCR) technology. Its Center for Occupational Testing in RTP is the world's largest substance abuse testing facility, and the Center for Esoteric Testing in Burlington, North Carolina, performs the largest volume of specialty testing in the network. LabCorp's clients include physicians, state and federal government, managed care organizations, hospitals, clinics, pharmaceutical and Fortune 1000 companies, and other clinical laboratories.