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

FORM 10-Q

(Mark One)

QUARTERLY REPORT PURSUANT TO SECTION 13 OR [X] 15(d) OF THE SECURITIES EXCHANGE ACT OF 1934

For the quarterly period ended March 31, 1994

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TRANSITION REPORT PURSUANT TO SECTION 13 OR [] 15(d) OF THE SECURITIES EXCHANGE ACT OF 1934

For the transition period from ____ _____ to _

Commission file number 0-12255

YELLOW CORPORATION (Exact name of registrant as specified in its charter)

Delaware

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48-0948788 -----

(State or other jurisdiction of incorporation or organization) (I.R.S. Employer Identification No.)

10777 Barkley, P.O. Box 7563, Overland Park, Kansas 66207 - ----------(Address of principal executive offices) (Zip Code)

> (913) 967-4300 -----

(Registrant's telephone number, including area code)

No changes. _____ (Former name, former address and former fiscal year, if changed since last report)

Indicate by check mark whether the registrant (1) has filed all reports required to be filed by Sections 13 or 15(d) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 during the preceding 12 months (or for such shorter period that the registrant was required to file such reports), and (2) has been subject to such filing requirements for the past 90 days.

> Yes X No ____

Indicate the number of shares outstanding of each of the issuer's classes of common stock, as of the latest practicable date.

Class	Outstanding at April 30, 1994
Common Stock, \$1 Par Value	28,107,594 shares

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PART I - FINANCIAL INFORMATION ITEM 1. FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

CONSOLIDATED BALANCE SHEETS Yellow Corporation and Subsidiaries March 31, 1994 and December 31, 1993 (Amounts in thousands except share data) (Unaudited)

	March 31 1994	December 31 1993
ASSETS		
CURRENT ASSETS: Cash Short-term investments Accounts receivable	\$ 13,276 6,541 294,015	\$ 13,937 6,777 276,223
Other current assets Total current assets	89,863 403,695	82,456 379,393
OPERATING PROPERTY: Cost	1,822,976	1,765,992
Less - Accumulated depreciation	937,338	910,122
Net operating property OTHER ASSETS	885,638 28,101	855,870 30,391
	\$1,317,434	\$1,265,654
LIABILITIES AND SHAREHOLDERS' EQUITY		
CURRENT LIABILITIES: Accounts payable Wages and employees' benefits Other current liabilities Current maturities of long-term debt Total current liabilities	\$ 78,705 137,830 145,668 12,328 	\$ 71,580 117,723 140,854 12,327 342,484
OTHER LIABILITIES: Long-term debt Deferred income taxes Claims, insurance and other Total other liabilities	241,607 56,043 172,244 	214,176 58,911 163,630 436,717
SHAREHOLDERS' EQUITY: Common stock, \$1 par value Capital surplus Retained earnings Shares held by Stock Sharing Plan Treasury stock	28,858 6,613 470,003 (14,880) (17,585)	28,850 6,469 483,586 (14,880) (17,572)
Total shareholders' equity	473,009 \$1,317,434	486,453 \$1,265,654

The accompanying notes are an integral part of these statements.

STATEMENTS OF CONSOLIDATED INCOME Yellow Corporation and Subsidiaries For the Three Months Ended March 31, 1994 and 1993 (Amounts in thousands except per share data) (Unaudited)

	First Quarter	
	1994	1993
OPERATING REVENUE	\$ 748,159	\$ 602,220
OPERATING EXPENSES: Salaries, wages and employees' benefits Operating expenses and supplies Operating taxes and licenses Claims and insurance Communications and utilities Depreciation Purchased transportation	506,710 114,903 29,769 22,627 10,939 33,523 34,106	417,185 88,917 22,619 14,077 8,913 31,258 17,494
Total operating expenses	752,577	600,463
INCOME (LOSS) FROM OPERATIONS		1,757
NONOPERATING (INCOME) EXPENSES: Interest expense Other, net	4,524 (32)	3,646 526
Nonoperating expenses, net	4,492	4,172
LOSS BEFORE INCOME TAXES		(2,415)
BENEFIT FROM INCOME TAXES	(2,526)	(666)
NET LOSS	\$ (6,384)	\$ (1,749)
AVERAGE COMMON SHARES OUTSTANDING	28,105	28,105
LOSS PER SHARE	\$ (.23)	\$ (.06)

The accompanying notes are an integral part of these statements.

STATEMENTS OF CONSOLIDATED CASH FLOWS Yellow Corporation and Subsidiaries For the Three Months Ended March 31, 1994 and 1993 (Amounts in thousands) (Unaudited)

	1994	1993
OPERATING ACTIVITIES:		
Net cash from operating activities	\$ 39,708	\$ 43,029
INVESTING ACTIVITIES:		
Acquisition of operating property	(64,257)	(14,368)
Proceeds from disposal of operating property	2,770	546
Purchases of short-term investments Proceeds from maturities of short-term	(2,168)	(733)
investments	2,404	7,966
Purchase of Preston Corporation,	2, 404	1,000
net of cash acquired		(23,683)
Net cash used in investing activities	(61,251)	(30,272)
FINANCING ACTIVITIES:		
Proceeds from issuance of long-term debt	14,000	395
Repayment of long-term debt		(78,264)
Commercial paper borrowings, net	14,936	84,665
Cash dividends paid to shareholders	(6,604)	(6,601)
Other, net	111	64
Net cash from financing activities	20,882	259
NET INCREASE (DECREASE) IN CASH	(661)	13,016
CASH, BEGINNING OF PERIOD	13,937	19,016
CASH, END OF PERIOD	\$ 13,276	\$ 32,032
SUPPLEMENTAL CASH FLOW INFORMATION:		
Income taxes paid	\$ 1,587	\$ 2,400
Interest paid	\$ 1,683	\$ 1,828

The accompanying notes are an integral part of these statements.

- 1. In the opinion of management, all adjustments necessary for a fair statement of the results of operations for the interim periods included herein have been made.
- 2. The company's reserves for workers' compensation are discounted to present value using a rate of 5.5% at December 31, 1993. Effective January 1, 1994, the company changed its discount rate to a risk-free rate. The risk-free rate is the U.S. Treasury rate for maturities that match the expected pay-out of workers' compensation liabilities. The change in rates was prompted by a Securities and Exchange Commission directive requiring a discount rate that does not exceed a risk-free rate. This change did not have a material impact on the financial condition or results of operations of the company.
- 3. In February 1993, Yellow Corporation (the company) acquired the stock of Preston Corporation (Preston). Preston is the holding company for three regional less-than-truckload carriers serving the Northeast, Upper Midwest and Southeast United States. The acquisition was accounted for by the purchase method and, accordingly the financial statements include the operating results of Preston effective March 1, 1993. Assuming the acquisition of Preston had occurred on January 1, 1993, the company's unaudited results of operations (in thousands, except per share data) for the three months ended March 31, 1993 would have been as follows:

		1993
Operating revenue	\$	689,328
Loss before cumulative effect of accounting change Net loss Earnings per share:		(7,811) (8,916)
Loss before cumulative effect of accounting change Net loss	\$ \$	(.28) (.32)

The unaudited pro forma results are not necessarily indicative of what would have occurred if the acquisition had been consummated at the beginning of 1993, nor are they necessarily indicative of future consolidated results.

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Item 2. Management's Discussion and Analysis of Financial Condition and Results of Operations

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March 31, 1994 Compared to December 31, 1993

Working capital decreased by \$8 million during the first three months of 1994, resulting in a \$29 million positive working capital position at March 31, 1994.

The company's total debt level at March 31, 1994 increased \$27 million compared to that of December 31, 1993, primarily due to the relatively higher level of capital expenditures in the first three months of 1994. Additional borrowings were split evenly between commercial paper and medium-term notes. Primarily all of the capital expenditures were at the company's primary operating subsidiary, Yellow Freight System, Inc., mainly for revenue equipment. It is anticipated that the remaining capital expenditures for 1994 will be financed primarily through internally-generated funds.

The Board of Directors of the company declared a quarterly dividend of \$.235 per share of common stock on April 21, 1994, payable on May 16 to shareholders of record on May 2.

RESULTS OF OPERATIONS

Comparison of Three Months Ended March 31, 1994 and 1993

Operating revenue for the company was \$748.2 million in this year's first quarter compared to \$602.2 million in the first quarter last year, an increase of 24.2%. Results for the Preston group of companies are included effective March 1, 1993. Without the inclusion of the Preston companies, operating revenue would have increased 8.7% from last year. Increases in the number of shipments handled, tonnage growth and retention of price increases were the primary reasons for the revenue increase.

Tonnage levels at Yellow Freight System, Inc. (Yellow Freight System), the company's primary motor carrier subsidiary, continued to show favorable year-over-year comparisons. On a per day basis, less-than-truckload tonnage was up 6.8% in this year's first quarter compared to the first quarter of 1993. Total tonnage per day for Yellow Freight System was up 7.5%. These increases continued the trend of the third and fourth quarter of 1993 which recorded comparable tonnage gains. Helped by a strengthening economy and its success in meeting customer needs, Yellow Freight System achieved this growth while resisting additional price discounting.

All of the company's operating subsidiaries instituted rate increases early in this year's first quarter. There was broad customer acceptance of the need for these increases and the pricing environment remains stable. While every subsidiary works hard at controlling costs, pricing must continue to improve if we are to provide the service levels our customers require while earning a fair return for our shareholders.

The company recorded a net loss of \$6.4 million, or \$.23 per share, in the quarter versus a net loss of \$1.7 million, or \$.06 per share in the first quarter of 1993. The net loss for the first quarter of this year was primarily due to the impact of the severe winter weather which caused significant business disruptions and higher operating expenses for Yellow Freight System, as well as Preston Trucking Company. Yellow Freight System's results were also affected by the earthquake in Southern California. While last year's results were hurt by the weather as well, the frequency and intensity of the storms, especially on the Northeast and Upper Midwest, were unprecedented. Preston Trucking was especially hard hit as their operations are concentrated in the areas most affected by the weather.

Revenue and net income were lower in both the first quarter of 1994 and 1993 due to a required change in the method of recognizing revenue, implemented in 1992. The change significantly reduces revenue and net income in the first quarter of each year while increasing both in the fourth quarter. This accounts for a substantial portion of the decline in earnings between the fourth quarter of 1993 and the first quarter of 1994, but will have negligible impact on full year earnings.

During the first quarter, the employees of Preston Trucking continued their efforts toward the goal of achieving consistent profitability. While the quarter was difficult, we remain optimistic that Preston's employees working together will be successful in accomplishing this goal. Saia Motor Freight Line continued its expansion in Texas and Tennessee during the quarter while recording an operating ratio of 92.5. We are especially pleased with the excellent job being done by the people of Smalley Transportation who recorded a much improved operating ratio of 97.9 in the first quarter.

The industry labor agreements between Yellow Freight System and Preston Trucking and the International Brotherhood of Teamsters (Teamsters) expired March 31. When a replacement agreement had not been negotiated by April 6, the Teamster employees of both companies went on strike. On April 11, Preston Trucking exercised its legal option and withdrew from Trucking Management, Inc. (TMI), the multi-employer bargaining group which had been negotiating for both Preston Trucking and Yellow Freight System. Preston Trucking then signed an interim agreement with the Teamsters which allowed their Teamster employees to return to work while negotiations toward a permanent national agreement continued.

On April 28, 1994, the Teamsters and TMI reached a tentative agreement on a new four-year contract, and the Teamsters suspended their strike. The agreement allows Yellow Freight System and Preston Trucking greater operational flexibility and the ability to lower operating costs, by gaining the right to use more rail transportation and dock casual workers whose rate of pay is fixed during the contract. In return, the carriers agreed to a 14% increase in wages and benefits over the life of the contract. Because Preston Trucking returned to work on April 11, their revenue was above normal levels during the three week Teamsters strike. However, Yellow Freight System generated no revenue during the strike which will result in a significant consolidated loss in the second quarter of 1994. The impact of the strike on business levels and profitability during the remainder of this year is not known as the amount of business that may have been lost to other carriers is not determinable at the present time.

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- Item 4. Submission of Matters to a Vote of Security Holders
- (a) Annual Meeting on April 21, 1994.
- (b) A stockholder proposal to declassify the Board of Directors for the purpose of director elections was voted on and defeated at the meeting. Affirmative votes: 4,579,103, Negative votes: 12,237,185, Abstention votes: 121,190.
- Item 6. Exhibits and Reports on Form 8-K
- (a) Reports on Form 8-K

On March 21, 1994, a Form 8-K was filed under Item 5, Other Events, which reported that due primarily to the impact of severe winter weather in January and February, the company expects to report a net loss in the first quarter of 1994 greater than the net loss of \$.06 per share recorded in the first quarter of 1993. Severe winter weather caused significant business disruptions and higher operating expenses for both the company's largest motor carrier subsidiary, Yellow Freight System, Inc. and for Preston Trucking Company, Inc. Preston Trucking, whose operations are concentrated in the Northeast and Upper Midwest, was especially hard hit by the weather.

SIGNATURE

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

YELLOW CORPORATION

Registrant

Date: May 4, 1994

/s/ Phillip A. Spangler Phillip A. Spangler Vice President and Treasurer