GENERAL AMERICAN INVESTORS CO INC

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UNITED STATES
SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION
WASHINGTON, DC 20549

FORM N-Q

QUARTERLY SCHEDULE OF PORTFOLIO HOLDINGS OF REGISTERED MANAGEMENT INVESTMENT COMPANY

Investment Company Act file number: 811-00041

GENERAL AMERICAN INVESTORS COMPANY, INC.

(Exact name of registrant as specified in charter)

450 Lexington Avenue, Suite 3300, New York, NY 10017-3911

(Address of principal executive offices) (Zip code)

Eugene S. Stark

General American Investors Company, Inc. 450 Lexington Avenue, Suite 3300 New York, NY 10017-3911 (Name and address of agent for service)

Registrant's telephone number, including area code: 212-916-8400

Date of fiscal year end: December 31

Date of reporting period: September 30, 2005

Item 1. SCHEDULE OF INVESTMENTS.

STATEMENT OF INVESTMENTS September 30, 2005 (Unaudited)

General American Investors

Shares COMMON STOCKS

BUILDING AND REAL ESTATE (5.3%)

1,143,041 CEMEX, S.A. de C.V. ADR

(COST \$30,440,830)

COMMUNICATIONS AND INFORMATION SERVICES (6.1%)

675 , 000	American Tower Corporation (a)
550,000	CIENA Corporation (a)
900,000	Cisco Systems, Inc. (a)
350,000	Lamar Advertising Company Class A (a)

4,600,000 Telecom Corporation of New Zealand Limited

(COST \$62,390,544)

	ARE AND SYSTEMS (4.1%)	
300,000 1,525,000	EMC Corporation (a) Microsoft Corporation VeriSign, Inc. (a)	
		(COST \$45,174,564)
	CTS AND SERVICES (3.4%)	
350,000	Diageo plc Ethan Allen Interiors Inc.	
	PepsiCo, Inc.	
		(COST \$29,609,424)
LECTRONICS (1		
550,000	Molex Incorporated Class A	(COST \$12,287,441)
	CONTROL (INCLUDING SERVICES) (3.6%)	
	Republic Services, Inc.	(COST \$26,227,380)
	SURANCE (25.8%)	
BANKING (8.		
315,000	Bank of America Corporation	
	Golden West Financial Corporation M&T Bank Corporation	
	SunTrust Banks, Inc.	
		(COST \$19,447,242)
INSURANCE (16.0%)	
	American International Group, Inc.	
350,000 350,000	Annuity and Life Re (Holdings), Ltd. (a) Arch Capital Group Ltd. (a)	
300	Berkshire Hathaway Inc. Class A (a)	
550,000	Everest Re Group, Ltd.	
285,000	MetLife, Inc.	
400,000 200,000	PartnerRe Ltd. Reinsurance Group of America, Incorporated	
250,000	Transatlantic Holdings, Inc.	
		(COST \$72,953,060)
OTHER (1.5%)	
675,000	Annaly Mortgage Management, Inc.	
95,194 925,000	Central Securities Corporation MFA Mortgage Investments, Inc.	
		(COST \$18,670,863)
		(COST \$111,071,165)
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STATEMENT OF INVESTMENTS September 30, 2005 (Unaudited) - continued General American Investors

Shares	COMMON STOCKS (continued)	
HEALTH CARE (10.4%)	
PHARMACEU	TICALS (8.3%)	
550,000 365,000 400,000 120,000	Alkermes, Inc. (a) Biogen Idec Inc. (a) Cytokinetics, Incorporated (a) Genentech, Inc. (a) MedImmune, Inc. (a) Millennium Pharmaceuticals, Inc. (a) Pfizer Inc	
_,,		(COST \$55,362,059)
MEDICAL I	INSTRUMENTS AND DEVICES (2.1%)	
450,000	Medtronic, Inc.	(COST \$10,483,716)
		(COST \$65,845,775)
MISCELLANEOUS	(2.9%)	
	Other (b)	(COST \$31,404,835)
	GAS (INCLUDING SERVICES) (31.4%)	
665,000 1,340,000 600,000 440,000 750,000 791,300	Apache Corporation Devon Energy Corporation EOG Resources, Inc. Halliburton Company Patterson-UTI Energy, Inc. Talisman Energy Inc. Total S.A. ADR Weatherford International Ltd.	
		(COST \$192,474,120)
RETAIL TRADE (17.1%)	
700,000 750,000 1,920,000 2,500,000 575,000	Costco Wholesale Corporation Dollar General Corporation The Home Depot, Inc. (c) The TJX Companies, Inc. Wal-Mart Stores, Inc.	
		(COST \$82,946,439)
SEMICONDUCTORS	5 (0.7%)	

491,500			
197,000	Brooks Automation, Inc. (a) EMCORE Corporation (a)		
		(COST \$9,890,144)	
SPECIAL HOLDIN	GS (a) (d) (NOTE 2) (0.0%)		
144,000 546,000	Silicon Genesis Corporation Standard MEMS, Inc. Series A Convertible Preferre		
		(COST \$6,009,720)	
TECHNOLOGY (2.	3%)		
1,900,000	Xerox Corporation (a)	(COST \$25,689,854)	
TOTAL COMMO	N STOCKS (114.3%)	(COST \$731,462,235)	1 -
Principal Amo	unt CORPORATE NOTE		
CONSUMER PRODU	CTS AND SERVICES (2.9%)		
\$35,000,000	General Motors Nova Scotia Finance Company 6.85% Guaranteed due 10/15/08	(COST \$32,960,009)	
STATEMENT O	F INVESTMENTS September 30, 2005 (Unaudited) - cont		
Shares	SHORT-TERM SECURITY AND OTHER ASSETS		
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4,405,559 TOTAL INVESTME	SSgA Prime Money Market Fund (0.4%) NTS (f) (117.6%) vables and other assets less liabilities (0.0%)	(COST \$4,405,559) (COST \$768,827,803)	1
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Devon Energy Corporation/January '06/\$55.00 Devon Energy Corporation/January '06/\$60.00

TOTAL OPTIONS

(PREMIUMS RECEIVED \$196,208)

(see notes to financial statements)

NOTES TO FINANCIAL STATEMENTS (Unaudited)

General American Investors

General American Investors Company, Inc. (the "Company"), established in 1927, is registered under the Investment Company Act of 1940 as a closed-end, diversified management investment company. It is internally managed by its officers under the direction of the Board of Directors.

1. SECURITY VALUATION

Securities traded on a national securities exchange are valued at the last reported sales price on the last business day of the period. Securities reported on the NASDAQ national market are valued at the official closing price on that day. Listed and NASDAQ securities for which no sales are reported on that day and other securities traded in the over-the-counter market are valued at the last bid price (asked price for written options) on the valuation date. Securities traded primarily in foreign markets are generally valued at the preceding closing price of such securities on their respective exchanges or markets. If, after the close of the foreign market, conditions change significantly, the price of certain foreign securities may be adjusted to reflect fair value as of the time of the valuation of the portfolio. Investments in money market funds are valued at their net asset value. Special holdings (restricted securities) and other securities for which quotations are not readily available are valued at fair value determined in good faith pursuant to procedures established by and under the general supervision of the Board of Directors.

2. RESTRICTED SECURITIES

	DATE		VALUE
	ACQUIRED	COST	(NOTE 1)
Silicon Genesis Corporation	2/16/01	\$3,006,720	\$1,440
Standard MEMS, Inc. Series A Convertible Preferred	12/17/99	3,003,000	_
Total		\$6,009,720	\$1,440
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ITEM 2. CONTROLS AND PROCEDURES.

Conclusions of principal officers concerning controls and procedures

(a) As of October 12, 2005, an evaluation was performed under the supervision and with the participation of the officers of General American Investors Company, Inc. (the "Registrant"), including the principal executive officer ("PEO") and principal financial officer ("PFO"), of the effectiveness of the Registrant's disclosure controls and procedures. Based on that evaluation, the Registrant's officers, including the PEO and PFO, concluded that, as of

October 12, 2005, the Registrant's disclosure controls and procedures were reasonably designed so as to ensure: (1) that information required to be disclosed by the Registrant on Form N-Q is recorded, processed, summarized and reported within the time periods specified by the rules and forms of the Securities and Exchange Commission; and (2) that material information relating to the Registrant is made known to the PEO and PFO as appropriate to allow timely decisions regarding required disclosure.

(b) There have been no significant changes in the Registrant's internal control over financial reporting (as defined in Rule 30a-3(d) under the Investment Company Act of 1940 (17 CFR 270.30a-3(d)) that occurred during the Registrant's last fiscal quarter that has materially affected, or is reasonably likely to materially affect, the Registrant's internal control over financial reporting.

ITEM 3. EXHIBITS.

The certifications of the principal executive officer and principal financial officer pursuant to Rule 30a-2(a) under the Investment Company Act of 1940 are attached hereto as Exhibit 99 CERT.

SIGNATURES

Pursuant to the requirements of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 and the Investment Company Act of 1940, the registrant has duly caused this report to be signed on its behalf by the undersigned, thereunto duly authorized.

General American Investors Company, Inc.

Date: October 31, 2005

Pursuant to the requirements of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 and the Investment Company Act of 1940, this report has been signed below by the following persons on behalf of the registrant and in the capacities and on the dates indicated.

Date: October 31, 2005

By: /s/ Eugene S. Stark
Eugene S. Stark

Vice-President, Administration (Principal Financial Officer)

Date: October 31, 2005