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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

Date of Report (Date of earliest event reported) October 5, 2004

THE E.W. SCRIPPS COMPANY (Exact name of registrant as specified in its charter)

Ohio 0-16914 31-1223339
(State or other jurisdiction (Commission (IRS Employer of incorporation) File Number) Identification No.)

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312 Walnut Street Cincinnati, Ohio (Address of principal executive offices)

45202 (Zip Code)

Not Applicable (Former name or former address, if changed since last report)

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Item 8.01. Other Events

On August 31, 2004, we released information announcing that, effective December 31, 2004, Stephen W. Sullivan will retire as Vice President/Newspaper Operations. A copy of the press release is filed as Exhibit 99.01.

On October 5, 2004, we released information announcing that, effective December 31, 2004, Alan M. Horton will retire from his role as Senior Vice President /Newspapers and that Richard A. Boehne, Executive Vice President of Scripps, will be responsible for the day-to-day management of the newspaper division. A copy of the press release is filed as Exhibit 99.02.

Item 9.01. Financial Statements and Exhibits

(c) Exhibits

99.01 Press release dated August 31, 2004.

99.02 Press release dated October 5, 2004.

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SIGNATURES

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 hereunto duly authorized.

THE E.W. SCRIPPS COMPANY

BY: /s/ Joseph G. NeCastro

Joseph G. NeCastro Senior Vice President and Chief Financial Officer

Dated: October 8, 2004

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