SCRIPPS E W CO /DE

Form 4

October 03, 2005

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

STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF

SECURITIES

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading

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See Instruction 1(b).

(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person *

| BURLINGAME JOHN H | | | Symbol SCRIPPS E W CO /DE [SSP] | | | | Issuer | | | |
|--|--------------------------------------|-------|---|---|---|--|--|--|---|--|
| (Last) (First) (Middle) 312 WALNUT STREET, 28TH | | | 3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year) 09/30/2005 | | | (Check all applicable) _X_ Director 10% Owner Officer (give title Other (specify below) | | | | |
| | | | | | 4. If Amendment, Date Original Filed(Month/Day/Year) | | | 6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line) _X_ Form filed by One Reporting Person Form filed by More than One Reporting Person | | |
| (City) | (State) | (Zip) | Table | : I - Non-De | erivative S | Securities Ac | quired, Disposed (| of, or Beneficia | lly Owned | |
| 1.Title of Security (Instr. 3) Class A Common Shares, \$.01 | 2. Transaction Da (Month/Day/Year | | Date, if | 3. Transaction Code (Instr. 8) | Disposed (Instr. 3, | l (A) or l of (D) | 5. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned Following Reported Transaction(s) (Instr. 3 and 4) | 6. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4) | 7. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4) | |
| par value per share | | | | | | | 1,420 | D | | |
| Class A Common Shares, \$.01 par value per share | | | | | | | 39,192,222 | D (1) | | |
| Common Voting | | | | | | | 32,080,000 | D (1) | | |

Shares, \$.01 par value per share

Reminder: Report on a separate line for each class of securities beneficially owned directly or indirectly.

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Table II - Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned (e.g., puts, calls, warrants, options, convertible securities)

| 1. Title of Derivative Security (Instr. 3) | 2. Conversion or Exercise Price of Derivative Security | 3. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year) | 3A. Deemed Execution Date, if any (Month/Day/Year) | 4. Transactic Code (Instr. 8) | 5. onNumber of Derivative Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4, and 5) | 6. Date Exercisable and Expiration Date (Month/Day/Year) | | 7. Title and Amount of Underlying Securities (Instr. 3 and 4) | | 8. Pr. Deriv Secu (Insti |
|---|---|---|---|--|---|--|--------------------|---|-------------------------------------|-----------------------------------|
| | | | | Code V | (A) (D) | Date Exercisable | Expiration Date | Title | Amount or Number of Shares | |
| Option | \$ 24.47 | | | | | 05/18/2001 | 05/17/2010 | Class A Common | 10,000 | |
| Option | \$ 32.16 | | | | | 05/10/2002 | 05/09/2011 | Class A Common | 10,000 | |
| Option | \$ 39.005 | | | | | 05/09/2003 | 05/08/2012 | Class A Common | 10,000 | |
| Option | \$ 39.82 | | | | | 04/29/2004 | 04/28/2013 | Class A Common | 10,000 | |
| Phantom Stock | \$ 49.72 | 09/30/2005 | | J | 1 | (2) | (2) | Class A Common | 217.95 (2) | 2 |
| Option | \$ 52.91 | | | | | 04/15/2005 | 04/14/2014 | Class A Common | 10,000 | |
| Option | \$ 51.26 | | | | | 04/14/2006 | 04/13/2015 | Class A Common | 10,000 | |

Reporting Owners

| Reporting Owner Name / Address | | Relationships | | | | | |
|--------------------------------|----------|---------------|---------|-------|--|--|--|
| | Director | 10% Owner | Officer | Other | | | |

Reporting Owners 2 BURLINGAME JOHN H
312 WALNUT STREET, 28TH FLOOR X
CINCINNATI, OH 45202

Signatures

/s/ M. Denise Kuprionis, Attorney-in-fact for John H. Burlingame

10/03/2005

**Signature of Reporting Person

Date

Explanation of Responses:

- * If the form is filed by more than one reporting person, see Instruction 4(b)(v).
- ** Intentional misstatements or omissions of facts constitute Federal Criminal Violations. See 18 U.S.C. 1001 and 15 U.S.C. 78ff(a).
- The reporting person is a Trustee of the Edward W. Scripps Trust (the "Trust") and has the power, together with the other Trustees of the Trust, to vote and dispose of the shares of the company held by the Trust. Mr. Burlingame disclaims any beneficial interest in the shares held by the Trust.
- Pursuant to the company's 1997 Deferred Compensation and Stock Plan for Directors, directors may defer fees into a phantom stock fund. Under this plan, fees are converted quarterly into phantom shares at the fair market value of the company's Class A Common shares on the last trading day of each quarter. Upon retirement as a director or at another specified date, the balance may be paid in either shares or cash. The balance at 9/30/05 was 2,140.53 phantom shares.

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