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

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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) January 9, 2009

THE E.W. SCRIPPS COMPANY

(Exact name of registrant as specified in its charter)

Ohio

(State or other jurisdiction of incorporation or organization)

0-16914 (Commission File Number) 31-1223339 (I.R.S. Employer Identification Number)

312 Walnut Street Cincinnati, Ohio

(Address of principal executive offices)

45202 (Zip Code)

Registrant's telephone number, including area code: (513) 977-3000

Not Applicable

(Former name or former address, if changed since last report)

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Item 5.02 Departure of Directors or Principal Officers; Election of Directors; Appointment of Certain Officers; Compensatory Arrangements of Certain Officers

Effective January 9, 2009, The E.W. Scripps Company ("Scripps") announced the election of J. Marvin Quin to the Board of Directors. Quin's election expands the board from 9 to 10 members. A copy of the press release announcing the election is filed as Exhibit 99.01.

Item 9.01 Financial Statements and Exhibits

Exhibit Number	Description of Item	Exhibit No. Incorporated
99.01	Election of J. Marvin Quin to the Board of Directors	99.01
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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/ Douglas F. Lyons

Douglas F. Lyons Vice President and Controller

Dated: January 9, 2009

(NYSE: SSP)

Quin elected to the Scripps board

For immediate release January 9, 2009

CINCINNATI — J. Marvin Quin, retired chief financial officer of Ashland Inc, has been elected by the board of directors of The E.W. Scripps Company to join the board until he can stand for election by shareholders at the annual meeting in May 2009.

The board has had just nine members since November. David Moffett, who initially was elected to the board in 2007, resigned when he became chief executive officer of the Federal Home Loan Mortgage Corporation (Freddie Mac).

Quin worked for Ashland for 36 years until May 2008. He became treasurer in 1983 and was promoted to CFO in 1992. During Quin's tenure as CFO, Ashland transformed itself from a diversified regional petroleum refiner into a recognized leader in the chemical industry.

"Marvin is an outstanding addition to the Scripps board. He has demonstrated an ability to navigate in highly competitive markets though a period of rapid change," said Rich Boehne, president and chief executive officer of Scripps. "Local media companies are wrestling with similar challenges to the ones Marvin successfully overcame for the past 16 years at Ashland. Our shareholders will benefit from the perspective and expertise he'll bring to the board."

About Scripps

The E.W. Scripps Company is a diverse, 130-year-old media enterprise with interests in television stations, newspapers, local news and information Web sites, and licensing and syndication. For a full listing of Scripps media companies and their associated Web sites, visit <u>http://www.scripps.com/</u>.

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