SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION Washington, D.C. 20549

FORM 8-K/A (7) CURRENT REPORT

Pursuant to Section 13 or 15(d) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934.

Date of report (Date of earliest event reported) December 28, 1995

Commission File Number 1-16914

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

Delaware (State or other jurisdiction of incorporation or organization) 51-0304972 (I.R.S. Employer Identification Number)

1105 N. Market Street Wilmington, Delaware (Address of principal executive offices)

19801 (Zip Code)

Registrant's telephone number, including area code: (302) 478-4141

Not Applicable

(Former name, former address and former fiscal year, if changed since last report.)

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AMENDMENT TO CURRENT REPORT ON FORM 8-K DATED DECEMBER 28, 1995

This amendment to The E.W. Scripps Company Current Report on Form 8-K filed on December 29, 1995 provides financial information for Scripps Cable for the quarterly and year-to-date periods ended September 30, 1996 under Item 7. Financial Statements and Exhibits.

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SIGNATURES

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

THE E.W. SCRIPPS COMPANY

Dated: November 1, 1996 By: /s/ D. J. Castellini

D. J. Castellini Senior Vice President, Finance & Administration

SCRIPPS CABLE

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SCRIPPS CABLE COMBINED BALANCE SHEETS

(in thousands)	September 30, 1996 (Unaudited)			As of December 31, 1995	September 30, 1995 (Unaudited)	
ASSETS CURRENT ASSETS: Cash and cash equivalents Accounts receivable (less allowances - \$1,270, \$1,288, and \$1,355) Inventories Deferred income taxes Miscellaneous Total current assets	\$	1,596 11,496 10,670 5,421 6,954 36,137	\$	3,085 12,107 12,822 5,421 446 33,881	\$	970 11,532 15,314 5,421 1,855 35,092
PROPERTY, PLANT, AND EQUIPMENT: Land and improvements Buildings and improvements Equipment Total property, plant, and equipment Less accumulated depreciation Net property, plant, and equipment		3,804 9,731 631,964 645,499 326,801 318,698		3,691 9,529 587,052 600,272 305,715 294,557		3,700 9,577 570,544 583,821 295,410 288,411
GOODWILL AND OTHER INTANGIBLE ASSETS: Goodwill Non-competition agreements Franchise costs Customer lists Other intangible assets Total goodwill and other intangible assets Less accumulated amortization Net goodwill and other intangible assets		41,201 5,495 209,119 1,719 7,071 264,605 128,141 136,464		40,965 5,800 158,541 1,719 7,100 214,125 120,629 93,496		40,885 5,800 159,273 1,719 7,100 214,777 119,502 95,275
OTHER ASSETS		590		639		623
TOTAL	\$	491,889	\$	422,573	\$	419,401

See notes to combined financial statements.

SCRIPPS CABLE COMBINED BALANCE SHEETS

(in thousands)	S (U	As of December 31, 1995	September 30, 1995 (Unaudited)		
LIABILITIES AND STOCKHOLDER'S EQUITY (DEFICIENCY) CURRENT LIABILITIES : Accounts payable Customer deposits and unearned revenue	\$	10,179 2,979	\$ 12,244 2,475	\$	13,607 2,401
Accrued liabilities: Employee compensation and benefits Copyright and programming costs Lawsuits and related settlements Property taxes Interest on advances from parent company Income taxes Miscellaneous Total current liabilities		1,778 7,783 2,157 2,720 1,599 514 5,018 34,727	1,174 7,164 3,784 1,038 1,599 (22) 5,818 35,274		1,398 7,302 6,100 3,159 1,618 (187) 6,088 41,486
DEFERRED INCOME TAXES		103,576	80,193		79,737
ADVANCES FROM PARENT COMPANY		340,982	312,737		308,877
OTHER LONG-TERM OBLIGATIONS		8,775	9,325		9,490
COMMITMENTS AND CONTINGENCIES (Note 3)					
STOCKHOLDER'S EQUITY (DEFICIENCY): Capital stock Additional paid-in capital Retained earnings (deficit) Total stockholder's equity (deficiency)		1,801 35,144 (33,116) 3,829	1,801 35,144 (51,901) (14,956)		1,801 35,144 (57,134) (20,189)
TOTAL	\$	491,889	\$ 422,573	\$	419,401

See notes to combined financial statements.

SCRIPPS CABLE COMBINED STATEMENTS OF INCOME AND RETAINED EARNINGS (DEFICIT)

(in thousands)		(Unaudi Three mont Septemb	hs ended	Nine m	udited) onths ended ember 30,
		1996	1995	1996	1995
OPERATING REVENUES	\$	77,976	\$ 71,110	\$ 231,408	\$ 207,855
OPERATING EXPENSES: Employee compensation and benefits Programming and copyright costs Other operating expenses Depreciation and amortization Total operating expenses		11,246 20,230 13,245 12,887 57,608	10,349 18,394 13,888 13,243 55,874	33,536 62,329 37,189 40,810 173,864	32,359 54,385 36,427 41,105 164,276
OPERATING INCOME		20,368	15,236	57,544	43,579
OTHER CREDITS (CHARGES): Interest on advances from parent company Other interest expense Gain on sale of cable television system Miscellaneous, net Net other credits (charges)		(8,666) (28) (8,694)	(8,334) (34) 1,502 (14) (6,880)	(26,045) (27) (79) (26,151)	(25,571) (252) 1,502 812 (23,509)
INCOME BEFORE INCOME TAXES		11,674	8,356	31,393	20,070
PROVISION FOR INCOME TAXES		4,683	3,360	12,608	7,613
NET INCOME		6,991	4,996	18,785	12,457
RETAINED EARNINGS (DEFICIT) : Beginning of period		(40,107)	(62,130)	(51,901)	(69,591)
End of period	\$	(33,116)	\$ (57,134)	\$ (33,116)	\$ (57,134)

See notes to combined financial statements.

(in thousands) (Unaudited) Nine months ended September 30, 1996 Cash Flows From Operating Activities: \$ 18,785 12,457 Net income Adjustments to reconcile net income to net cash flows from operating activities: Depreciation and amortization 40,810 41,105 Gain on sale of cable television system (1,502)Deferred income taxes (905) (216)Prepaid franchise fees 1,932 Refundable property taxes Changes in certain working capital accounts 10,400 (4,195) (7,547)Miscellaneous, net 154 181 55,365 56,094 Net operating activities Cash Flows From Investing Activities: Additions to property, plant, and equipment Acquisition of cable television systems (46,901)(30, 119)(259) (62,099)Miscellaneous, net 2,752 Net investing activities (108,073) (27,626)Cash Flows From Financing Activities: Increase (decrease) in advances from parent company 53,738 (25,384)Payments on advances from parent company (1,894)(1,717)(625) (2,500) Miscellaneous, net Net financing activities 51,219 (29,601)Increase (Decrease) in Cash and Cash Equivalents (1,489)(1, 133)Cash and Cash Equivalents: Beginning of year 3,085 2,103 End of period \$ 1,596 970 Supplemental Cash Flow Disclosures: Interest paid \$ 26,072 25,722 \$

12,213

9,222

See notes to combined financial statements.

Income taxes paid

1. SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES

The combined financial statements of Scripps Cable include EWS Cable Company ("EWSCC") - 100 shares of no-par capital stock authorized, 50 shares issued and outstanding; L-R Cable Company ("LRCC") - 100 shares of no-par capital stock authorized, 50 shares issued and outstanding; Scripps Howard Cable Company ("SHCC") - 100 shares of no-par capital stock authorized, 80 shares issued and outstanding; Scripps Howard Cable Company of Sacramento ("SHCCS") - 2,000 shares of no-par capital stock authorized, 100 shares issued and outstanding, and cable television operations owned and operated by Scripps Howard Broadcasting Company ("SHB").

The historical basis in assets and liabilities of the cable television systems has been carried over. The historical combined financial statements do not necessarily reflect the results of operations or financial position that would have existed if Scripps Cable were an independent company. Scripps Howard, Inc. ("SHI" a wholly-owned subsidiary of Scripps) provides certain legal, treasury, accounting, tax, risk management and other corporate services to Scripps Cable.

On October 28, 1995, Scripps and Comcast Corporation ("Comcast") reached an agreement pursuant to which Scripps will contribute all of its non-cable television assets to SHI and Scripps Cable will be transferred to and held directly by Scripps. Scripps Cable will be acquired by Comcast through a tax-free merger (the "Merger") of Scripps into Comcast. The remaining SHI business will continue as "New Scripps", which will be distributed in a tax-free "spin-off" to Scripps shareholders (the "Spin-Off") prior to the Merger and thereafter renamed The E.W. Scripps Company. The Merger and Spin-off are collectively referred to as the "Transactions."

The closing date of the Transactions is expected to occur prior to the end of 1996, subject to certain conditions and rights, including termination and "top-up" rights described fully in the Joint Proxy Statement - Prospectus included in Comcast's registration statement on Form S-4 filed with the Securities and Exchange Commission and declared effective on September 30, 1996. The accompanying financial statements and the notes thereto have been prepared assuming consummation of the Transactions.

The financial statements have been prepared in accordance with generally accepted accounting principles for interim financial information and with the instructions to Form 10-Q and Rule 10-01 of Regulation S-X. The information disclosed in the notes to combined financial statements for the year ended December 31, 1995 included in the fifth amendment to The E.W. Scripps Company's Current Report on Form 8-K dated December 28, 1995 has not changed materially unless otherwise disclosed herein. Financial information as of December 31, 1995 included in these financial statements has been derived from the audited combined financial statements included in that report. In management's opinion all adjustments (consisting of normal recurring accruals) necessary for a fair presentation of the interim periods have been made.

Results of operations are not necessarily indicative of the results that may be expected for future interim periods or for the full year.

Certain liabilities included in these combined financial statements (primarily income taxes payable, accruals for lawsuits and related settlements, and amounts due Scripps) will not be assumed by Comcast. At September 30, 1996 those liabilities totaled approximately \$351.900.000.

2. ACQUISITIONS AND DIVESTITURES

Acquisitions

1996 - In 1995 SHB reached an agreement to acquire cable television systems adjacent to the Knoxville and Chattanooga systems for \$62,500,000 (the "Mid-Tenn Purchase"). The acquisitions were completed in January 1996.

1995 - SHCC acquired a cable television system.

The following table presents additional information about the acquisitions:

(in thousands)	N. 199	ine month Septembe S	
Goodwill and other intangible assets acquired Other assets acquired		,606 \$,681	167 92
Total Liabilities assumed		, 287 188)	259
Cash paid	\$ 62	,099 \$	259

The acquisitions have been accounted for as purchases. The acquired operations have been included in the Combined Statements of Income from the acquisition date. Pro forma results are not presented because the combined results of operations would not be significantly different from the reported amounts.

Divestitures

Scripps Cable sold its cable television system in Barbourville, Kentucky. The sale resulted in a pre-tax gain of \$1,502,000.

3. COMMITMENTS AND CONTINGENCIES

In 1994 Scripps Cable accrued an estimate of the ultimate costs, including attorneys' fees and settlements, of certain lawsuits against the Sacramento cable television system related primarily to employment issues and to the timing and amount of late-payment fees assessed to subscribers. In the third quarter of 1995 Scripps Cable accrued an additional \$1,400,000 based upon a reassessment of the probable cost of these and additional employment related lawsuits. In May 1996 Scripps Cable agreed to settle the late-payment fee lawsuits. The settlement did not result in an additional charge. Management believes the possibility of incurring a loss greater than the amount accrued for the employment issues lawsuits is remote. Pursuant to the terms of the Merger, New Scripps will indemnify Comcast against losses related to these lawsuits.

Amounts accrued, less payments for settlements and attorneys fees, are included in accrued lawsuits and related settlements in the Combined Balance Sheets.

MANAGEMENT'S DISCUSSION AND ANALYSIS OF FINANCIAL CONDITION AND RESULTS OF OPERATIONS OF SCRIPPS CABLE

Scripps Cable's revenues are primarily earned from subscriber fees for basic, cable programming and premium television services (including pay-per-view programming), and the rental of converters and remote control devices. Historically Scripps Cable's revenue growth has been primarily achieved through internal subscriber growth, additional services offered subscribers, acquisitions, and increases in rates for services provided to cable television subscribers. Regulations adopted by the Federal Communications Commission ("FCC") pursuant to the 1992 Cable Act have affected Scripps Cable's ability to increase rates for certain subscriber services or to restructure its rates for certain services. The Telecommunications Act of 1996 provides some significant relief from the burdens of rate regulation by, among other things, expanding the flexibility of operators to set differing rates for providing services to multiple dwelling units and by modifying the threshold for the filing of a complaint that would trigger review of new non-basic cable programming rates. Most importantly, the new law sets a maximum threshold of three years for the elimination of all rate regulation of non-basic cable programming services.

RESULTS OF OPERATIONS

Earnings before interest, income taxes, corporate management fees, depreciation, and amortization ("EBITDA") is included in the discussion of results of operations because:

Changes in depreciation and amortization are often unrelated to current performance. Management believes the year-over-year change in EBITDA is a more useful measure of year-over-year performance than the change in operating income because, combined with information on capital spending plans, it is a more reliable indicator of results that may be expected in future periods. However, management's belief that EBITDA is a more useful measure of year-over-year performance is not shared by the accounting profession.

Financial analysts use EBITDA to value cable television businesses.

Acquisitions of cable television businesses are based on multiples of ${\tt EBITDA}.$

EBITDA should not, however, be construed as an alternative measure of the amount of Scripps Cable's income or cash flow from operating activities as EBITDA excludes significant costs of doing business.

(in thousands, except per subscriber information)		rterly Pe	rio			Year-to-I	Date	
	1996	Change		1995	1996	Change		1995
Operating revenues:		44 5 00			150.040	10.00		100 100
Basic and cable programming services Premium and pay-per-view services	\$ 52,557 14,154	11.5 % 5.0 %	\$	47,144 13,485	\$ 156,048 42,438	13.0 % 9.3 %	\$	138,139 38,814
Other monthly services	4,260	11.5 %		3,821	12,515	3.1 %		12,141
Advertising	3,539	3.9 %		3,405	10,218	8.4 %		9,428
Installation and miscellaneous	3,466	6.5 %		3,255	10,189	9.2 %		9,333
Total operating revenues	77,976	9.7 %		71,110	231,408	11.3 %		207,855
Operating expenses:								
Employee compensation and benefits	11,246	8.7 %		10,349	33,536	3.6 %		32,359
Programming and copyright costs Other	20,230 13,245	10.0 % 6.1 %		18,394 12,486	62,329 37,189	14.6 % 6.2 %		54,385 35,025
Depreciation and amortization	12,887	(2.7)%		13,243	40,810	(0.7)%		41,105
bepreciation and amoreization	12,007	(2.17)/0		10,240	40,010	(0.1)/0		41,100
Total operating expenses	57,608	5.8 %		54,472	173,864	6.7 %		162,874
Operating income excluding unusual items Unusual items	20,368	22.4 %		16,638 (1,402)	57,544	27.9 %		44,981 (1,402)
Operating income	20,368			15,236	57,544			43,579
Interest expense	(8,666)			(8,368)	(26,072)			(25,823)
Gain on sale of cable television system				1,502				1,502
Miscellaneous, net	(28)			(14)	(79)			812
Income taxes	(4,683)			(3,360)	(12,608)			(7,613)
Net income	\$ 6,991		\$	4,996	\$ 18,785		\$	12,457
Other Financial and Statistical Data								
EBITDA (excluding unusual items)	\$ 33,255	11.3 %	\$	29,881	\$ 98,354	14.3 %	\$	86,086
Percent of operating revenues:	00 1 0/			00 4 %	24.2.%			04 0 0/
Operating income EBITDA	26.1 % 42.6 %			23.4 % 42.0 %	24.9 % 42.5 %			21.6 % 41.4 %
EDITUM	42.0 %			42.0 %	42.5 %			41.4 %
Capital expenditures	\$ 15,523	37.2 %	\$	11,311	\$ 46,901	55.7 %	\$	30,119
Average number of basic subscribers	796.8	5.8 %		753.0	801.7	6.9 %		750.0
Average monthly revenue per monthly subscriber	\$32.62	3.6 %		\$31.48	\$32.07	4.2 %		\$30.79
Program costs as a percent of basic and premium revenue					31.40%			30.73%
Homes passed at end of period					1,261.1	6.5 %		1,184.4
Basic subscribers at end of period					809.1	6.7 %		758.5
Penetration at end of period					64.16%			64.04%

In January Scripps Cable acquired cable television systems adjacent to the Knoxville and Chattanooga systems for \$62,500,000 (the "Mid-Tenn Purchase"). The acquired cable systems increased quarterly and year-to-date operating revenues approximately 4%. The remaining increase in operating revenues is due to subscriber growth and higher average monthly revenue per subscriber.

Program costs have increased due to the growth in the number of subscribers, additional programming offered subscribers, and increased costs to produce or purchase programming. Other operating expenses and depreciation and amortization increased primarily due to the Mid-Tenn Purchase. The acquired cable systems increased EBITDA approximately 5%.

In 1994 Scripps Cable accrued an estimate of the ultimate costs, including attorneys' fees and settlements, of certain lawsuits against the Sacramento cable television system related primarily to employment issues and to the timing and amount of late-payment fees assessed to subscribers. In the third quarter of 1995 Scripps Cable accrued an additional \$1,400,000 based upon a reassessment of the probable cost of these and additional employment related lawsuits. The additional accrual reduced 1995 third quarter and year-to-date net income \$900,000.

Scripps Cable sold its cable television system in Barbourville, Kentucky in the third quarter of 1995. The sale resulted in a pre-tax gain of \$1,502,000.

LIQUIDITY AND CAPITAL RESOURCES

Cash flow from operating activities was \$55.4 million in 1996 and \$56.1 million in 1995. Cash flow from operating activities in 1995 included an \$11.3 million refund of disputed Sacramento property taxes, including interest.

Scripps Cable invests heavily in its cable plant, continually replacing and modernizing its technology by rebuilding and upgrading its systems with fiber optic cable. Capital expenditures in 1996 increased primarily due to the rebuild of the Sacramento system. Acquisitions of cable television systems and capital expenditures are financed through cash flow from operating activities and, if necessary, additional advances from Scripps. Advances from Scripps increased in 1996 due to the Mid-Tenn Purchase.

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THE E.W. SCRIPPS COMPANY PRO FORMA BALANCE SHEET AS OF SEPTEMBER 30, 1996

(in thousands)		REPORTED AMOUNTS	SCRIPPS CABLE	PRO FORMA DJUSTMENTS		PRO FORMA AMOUNTS
ASSETS CURRENT ASSETS: Cash and cash equivalents Accounts and notes receivable Program rights and production costs Refundable income taxes Inventories Deferred income taxes Miscellaneous Total current assets	\$	16,334 150,578 70,805 17,019 9,932 21,545 20,856 307,069		\$ (8,000) (8,000)	(A)	\$ 8,334 150,578 70,805 17,019 9,932 21,545 20,856 299,069
NET ASSETS OF DISCONTINUED CABLE OPERATIONS		354,951	\$ 354,951			
INVESTMENTS		54,494				54,494
PROPERTY, PLANT, AND EQUIPMENT		433,076				433,076
GOODWILL AND OTHER INTANGIBLE ASSETS		591,746				591,746
OTHER ASSETS: Program rights and production costs (less current p Miscellaneous Total other assets	ortion)	27,622 21,386 49,008				27,622 21,386 49,008
TOTAL ASSETS	\$	1,790,344	\$ 354,951	\$ (8,000)		\$ 1,427,393
LIABILITIES AND STOCKHOLDERS' EQUITY CURRENT LIABILITIES: Current portion of long-term debt Accounts payable Customer deposits and unearned revenue Accrued liabilities: Employee compensation and benefits Artist and author royalties Interest Income taxes Lawsuits and related settlements Miscellaneous Total current liabilities	\$	112,540 76,132 33,298 32,855 10,209 3,510 1,220 4,387 24,748 298,899				\$ 112,540 76,132 33,298 32,855 10,209 3,510 1,220 4,387 24,748 298,899
DEFERRED INCOME TAXES		71,868				71,868
LONG-TERM DEBT (LESS CURRENT PORTION)		31,804				31,804
OTHER LONG-TERM OBLIGATIONS AND MINORITY INTERESTS		106,153				106,153
STOCKHOLDERS' EQUITY		1,281,620	\$ 354,951	\$ (8,000)	(A)	918,669
TOTAL LIABILITIES AND STOCKHOLDERS' EQUITY	\$	1,790,344	\$ 354,951	\$ (8,000)		\$ 1,427,393

THE E.W. SCRIPPS COMPANY PRO FORMA STATEMENT OF INCOME FOR THE NINE MONTHS ENDED SEPTEMBER 30, 1996

(in thousands, except per share data)

REPORTED SCRIPPS PRO FORMA PRO FORMA AMOUNTS AMOUNTS CABLE ADJUSTMENTS OPERATING REVENUES: 353,865 Advertising \$ 353,865 \$ 97,459 38,204 489 528 97,459 38,204 489 528 Circulation Other newspaper revenue

Net income	\$1.33	\$.43		\$.90
PER SHARE OF COMMON STOCK: Income from continuing operations Income from discontinued operations	\$.90 .43	\$.43		\$.90
AVERAGE WEIGHTED SHARES	80,328	80,328		80,328
NET INCOME	\$ 107,124	\$ 34,645	\$	72,479
INCOME FROM CONTINUING OPERATIONS INCOME FROM DISCONTINUED OPERATIONS	72,479 34,645	\$ 34,645		72,479
MINORITY INTERESTS	2,326			2,326
INCOME BEFORE MINORITY INTERESTS	74,805			74,805
PROVISION FOR INCOME TAXES	56,603			56,603
INCOME BEFORE TAXES AND MINORITY INTERESTS	131,408			131,408
OTHER CREDITS (CHARGES): Interest expense Miscellaneous, net Net other credits (charges)	(6,350) 614 (5,736)			(6,350) 614 (5,736)
OPERATING INCOME	137,144			137,144
Amortization of intangible assets Total operating expenses	15,029 659,908			15,029 659,908
Other operating expenses Depreciation	194,332 36,697			194,332 36,697
Newsprint and ink Program, production and copyright costs	96,732 50,824			96,732 50,824
OPERATING EXPENSES: Employee compensation and benefits	266, 294			266,294
Total operating revenues	797,052			797,052
Broadcast television Entertainment	230,250 77,274			230,250 77,274
Total newspapers	489,528			489,528

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NOTES TO PRO FORMA FINANCIAL INFORMATION

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The closing date of the Transactions is expected to occur prior to the end of 1996, subject to certain conditions and rights, including termination and "top-up" rights described fully in the Joint Proxy Statement - Prospectus included in Comcast's registration statement on Form S-4 filed with the Securities and Exchange Commission and declared effective on September 30, 1996. The accompanying financial statements and the notes thereto have been prepared assuming consummation of the Transactions.

The pro forma balance sheet as of September 30, 1996 assumes the Transactions occurred as of that date. The pro forma statement of income assumes the Transactions were completed at the beginning of the period. Pro forma adjustments represent fees on the Transactions. Earnings per share is based on the weighted average shares outstanding for the period.

The pro forma financial information is not necessarily indicative of the results which actually would have occurred had the Transactions been completed as of the dates indicated or which may occur in the future

Explanation of specific pro forma adjustments are as follows:

(A) Effect of estimated expenses of \$8.0 million on Stockholders' Equity.