FORM 4

UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION

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STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP

Filed pursuant to Section 16(a) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 or Section 30(h) of the Investment Company Act of 1940

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person* TYSOE RONALD W							2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol SCRIPPS E W CO /DE [SSP]								ionship d all applic Directo	able)	g Pers	Person(s) to Issuer 10% Owner	
(Last) (First) (Middle) 312 WALNUT STREET, 28TH FLOOR						3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year) 05/07/2004									Officer below)	Officer (give title pelow)		Other (s below)	specify
(Street) CINCINNATI OH 45202						4. If Amendment, Date of 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												n	
(City)	(S	State)	(Zip)		_										Person				
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1. Title of Security (Instr. 3) 2. Transac Date (Month/Date)					Exer) if a	2A. Deemed Execution Date, if any (Month/Day/Year)		3. Transaction Code (Instr. 8)				1 (A) or r. 3, 4 and 5)		5. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned Following Reported		6. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)		7. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)	
									Code	v	Amount	(A) or (D)	Price		Transact (Instr. 3	ion(s)			,
Class A Common Shares, \$.01 par value per share 05/0				05/07	2004				M		1,900	A	\$38.3	38	0		D		
Class A Common Shares, \$.01 par value per share 05/07/2				/2004)04			S		1,900	D	\$103.1064		0		D			
Class A Common Shares, \$.01 par value per share 05/07/2					/2004)04			M		2,000	A \$4		5	0		D		
Class A Common Shares, \$.01 par value per share 05/07/20					/2004	004		S		2,000	D	\$103.1)64		0		D		
Common Voting Shares, \$.01 par value per share															0		D		
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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. Transactio Code (Inst 8)		on of i		6. Date Exercis Expiration Date (Month/Day/Yea		е	7. Title an of Securit Underlyin Security (4)		8. Price of Derivative Security (Instr. 5)		9. Number derivative Securities Beneficial Owned Following Reported Transactio (Instr. 4)	ly	10. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)	11. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)
					Code	v	(A)		Date Exercisa		Expiration Date	Title	Amount of Number of Shares						
Option	\$38.38	05/12/1997			A			1	05/12/19	98	05/11/2007	Class A Common	1,900	\$1	03.1064	7		D	
Option	\$48.5	05/13/1999			A			1	05/13/20	00	05/12/2009	Class A Common	2,000	\$1	03.1064	7		D	
Option	\$48.94								05/18/20	01	05/17/2010	Class A Common	5,000			7		D	
Option	\$64.32								05/10/20	02	05/09/2011	Class A Common	5,000			7		D	
Option	\$78.01								05/09/20	03	05/08/2012	Class A Common	5,000			7		D	
Option	\$77.61								11/21/20	03	11/20/2012	Class A Common	10,000			7		D	
Phantom Stock	\$100.43								(1)		(1)	Class A Common	204.93	1)		7		D	
Option	\$79.64								04/29/20	04	04/28/2013	Class A Common	5,000			7		D	
Option	\$105.82								04/15/20	05	04/14/2014	Class A Common	5,000	\perp		7		D	

Explanation of Responses:

Remarks:

^{1.} 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, the balance may be paid in either shares or cash. The balance at 3/31/04 is 9,238.14 phantom shares.

Attorney-in-fact for Ronald W.

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** Signature of Reporting Person Date

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

- * 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).

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