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> 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 5, 2004

FIRST BUSEY CORPORATION _____

(Exact name of registrant as specified in its charter)

Nevada _____ (State of other jurisdiction of incorporation)

0-15950

37-1078406 _____ (Commission (IRS Employer File Number) Identification No.)

201 W. Main Street, Urbana, Illinois	61801
(Address of principal executive offices)	(Zip Code)

Registrant's telephone number, including area code: (217) 365-4556

ITEM 5. OTHER EVENTS

Pursuant to Instruction F to Form 8-K, the information contained in the press release filed as Exhibit 99.1 hereto is hereby incorporated by reference in answer to Item 5 of this Form 8-K.

ITEM 7. FINANCIAL STATEMENTS, PRO FORMA FINANCIAL INFORMATION AND EXHIBITS

99.1 Press Release, dated January 6, 2004.

SIGNATURE

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 thereunto duly authorized.

FIRST BUSEY CORPORATION

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Date: January 7, 2004

By: /s/ Barbara J. Kuhl

Name: Barbara J. Kuhl Title: President and Chief

Operating Officer

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