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UNITED STATES

SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION

Washington, D.C. 20549

FORM 8-K

Current Report Pursuant to Section 13 or 15(d) of the

THE SECURITIES EXCHANGE ACT OF 1934

Date of Report: April 23, 2004

BUTLER MANUFACTURING COMPANY

Butler Manufacturing Company 1540 Genessee Street P.O. Box 419917 Kansas City, Missouri 64102 Phone (816) 968-3000

Incorporated in the State of Delaware

Commission File No. 001-12335

I.R.S. Employer Identification Number: 44-0188420

ITEM 5. OTHER EVENTS

On April 23, 2004, Butler Manufacturing Company issued a press release announcing that it delivered a letter to Mr. Michael E. Heisley, Sr., Chief Executive Officer of Robertson-Ceco Corporation. The press release which includes the text of the letter to Mr. Heisley is attached hereto as Exhibit 99.1.

ITEM 7. EXHIBITS

99.1 Press Release from Butler Manufacturing Company dated April 23, 2004.

SIGNATURES

Pursuant to the requirement 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.

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April 23, 2004 -----Date /s/ Larry C. Miller

Larry C. Miller Vice President - Finance, and Chief Financial Officer

April 23, 2004 -----Date /s/ John W. Huey

John W. Huey Vice President, General Counsel and Secretary

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