

SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION

Washington, D.C. 20549

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) April 26, 1995

BALL CORPORATION
(Exact name of registrant as specified in its charter)

Indiana
(State or other jurisdiction of incorporation)

1-7349 35-0160610
(Commission File Number) (IRS Employer Identification No.)

345 South High Street, Muncie, Indiana 47305-2326
(Address of principal executive office) (Zip Code)

Registrant's telephone number, including area code: (317) 747-6100

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Item 5. Other Events.

On April 26, 1995, the Board of Directors announced the election of George A. Sissel as president and chief executive officer of Ball Corporation. A copy of a press release announcing Mr. Sissel's election is attached as Exhibit EX-99 and incorporated herein by reference.

Item 7. Financial Statements and Exhibits

(c) Exhibits

EX-99 - Other Documents or Statements to Security Holders.

Text of a press release disseminated by the registrant on April 26, 1995.

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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.

BALL CORPORATION
(Registrant)

Date: May 4, 1995

By: /s/ Elizabeth A. Overmyer

Elizabeth A. Overmyer
Corporate Secretary

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Exhibit Description

EX-99 Text of a press release disseminated by the registrant on
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Following is the text of a press release disseminated by the registrant on April 26, 1995:

BALL CORPORATION NAMES GEORGE A. SISSEL
PRESIDENT AND CHIEF EXECUTIVE OFFICER

MUNCIE, Ind., April 26, 1995-- The Board of Directors of Ball Corporation [NYSE:BLL] today elected George A. Sissel, 58, as the company's president and chief executive officer. Sissel has been acting president and CEO since May 1994.

"Mr. Sissel has done an outstanding job as acting president and CEO over the last 11 months and throughout his distinguished career with Ball Corporation," said Alvin Owsley, chairman of the board. "The board conducted a very thorough search over a long period. We are confident we have found the right person for the job in George."

Sissel was senior vice president, corporate affairs, as well as corporate secretary and general counsel in addition to being acting president and CEO. He joined Ball as group counsel in Boulder, Colo., in 1970 and became associate general counsel in Muncie in 1972. He was elected vice president and general counsel in 1981 and senior vice president in 1987. He has been corporate secretary since 1979.

"George took over as acting president and CEO after the company's disappointing performance in 1993 and proceeded to turn things around in 1994," Owsley said. "It is clear he has the support and respect of people throughout the corporation and elsewhere."

Sissel was elected by the board at its meeting which followed Ball's annual meeting of shareholders, at which the company reviewed record 1994 performance in terms of sales, earnings, earnings per common share and sales per employee. The company also reported that first quarter 1995 earnings of \$18.8 million were up 93 percent over the previous year's first quarter.

Sissel holds a B.S. degree in electrical engineering from the University of Colorado and a Juris Doctor (cum laude) degree from the University of Minnesota. He completed the Program for Senior Executives at the MIT Sloan School of Management, where he was class chairman.

Ball Corporation manufacturers containers for the beverage and food industries and provides aerospace systems and professional services to government and commercial customers. The company reported 1994 sales of \$2.6 billion.

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