

UNITED STATES
SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION
WASHINGTON, DC 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) January 20, 2006

THE WASHINGTON POST COMPANY

Exact name of registrant as specified in its charter)

Delaware (State or other jurisdiction of incorporation)	1-6714 (Commission File Number)	53-0182885 (IRS Employer Identification No.)
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1150 15th Street, N.W. Washington, D.C. (Address of principal executive offices)	20071 (Zip Code)
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(202) 334-6000
(Registrant's telephone number, including area code)

Not Applicable
(Former name or former address, if changed since last report.)

Check the appropriate box below if the Form 8-K filing is intended
to simultaneously satisfy the filing obligation of the registrant
under any of the following provisions:

- Written communications pursuant to Rule 425 under the
Securities Act (17 CFR 230.425)
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under the Exchange Act (17 CFR 240.14d-2(b))
- Pre-commencement communications pursuant to Rule 13e-4(c)
under the Exchange Act (17 CFR 240.13e-4(c))

Section 5 - Corporate Governance and Management

Item 5.02 Departure of Directors or Principal Officers; Election
of Directors; Appointment of Principal Officers

Item 5.02(d) Election of Directors

(1) On January 20, 2006, Christopher C. Davis was elected
to the Board of Directors of The Washington Post Company.

(2) None

(3) On January 20, 2006, Mr. Davis was named to the Audit
Committee of The Washington Post Company.

(4) None

Section 9 - Financial Statements and Exhibits

Item 9.01 Financial Statements and Exhibits

Item 9.01(c) Exhibits

Exhibit No.	Description
99.1	Press Release dated January 20, 2006

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 hereunto duly authorized.

The Washington Post Company
(Registrant)

Date January 20, 2006

/s/ John B. Morse, Jr.
(Signature)
John B. Morse, Jr.
Vice President, Finance

EXHIBIT INDEX

Exhibit No.	Description
Exhibit 99.1	Press Release dated January 20, 2006

Contact: Rima Calderon For Immediate Release
(202) 334-6617 January 20, 2006

CHRISTOPHER C. DAVIS ELECTED A DIRECTOR OF
THE WASHINGTON POST COMPANY

WASHINGTON The Washington Post Company (NYSE: WPO) announced today that Christopher C. Davis has been elected to the Board of Directors. His election increases the Companys Board to 11 members.

Davis is chairman of Davis Selected Advisers, LP, an investment counseling firm that oversees approximately \$70 billion of client assets, including mutual funds and institutional separate accounts. The firm employs a research-driven, long-term approach to investing, and its employees and their families are the largest individual investors in the funds they manage.

He joined the firm in 1989 as a financial analyst and became a portfolio manager of its flagship funds, Davis New York Venture Fund and Selected American Shares, in 1995, succeeding his father, Shelby M.C. Davis.

Davis also served as an assistant to his grandfather, Shelby Cullom Davis. Prior to joining Davis Selected Advisers, he worked as a research analyst at Tanaka Capital Management. He began his career as an accountant at State Street Bank and Trust Company.

Davis received a masters degree from the University of St. Andrews in Scotland. # # #