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FORM 8-K/A

CURRENT REPORT  
PURSUANT TO SECTION 13 OR 15(d) OF  
THE SECURITIES EXCHANGE ACT OF 1934

Date of Report (Date of earliest event reported): October 15, 1996

THE TIMES MIRROR COMPANY  
(Exact Name of Registrant as Specified in Charter)

Delaware (State or Other Jurisdiction of Incorporation)	1-13492 (Commission File Number)	95-4481525 (I.R.S. Employer Identification No.)
Times Mirror Square, Los Angeles California (Address of Principal Executive Offices)	90053 (Zip Code)	

Registrant's telephone number, including area code: (213) 237-3700

Pursuant to Rule 12b-15 under the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, as amended, The Times Mirror Company (Company) hereby amends Items 7(a) and 7(b), "Financial Statements of Businesses Acquired" and "Pro Forma Financial Information," respectively, of its Form 8-K dated October 30, 1996, to read in their entirety as follows:

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

(a) Financial Statements of Businesses Acquired.

Financial statements under this Item 7(a) are not required to be provided.

(b) Pro Forma Financial Information.

The pro forma financial information required under this Item 7(b) is as follows:

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The unaudited pro forma condensed consolidated balance sheet of the Company has been derived from the historical unaudited condensed consolidated balance sheet of the Company adjusted for certain costs and expenses to be incurred as a result of the disposition of all of the stock of The Times Mirror Higher Education Group, Inc., and certain additional consideration (Disposition) as previously described in the Company's Report on Form 8-K filed on October 30, 1996. The pro forma condensed consolidated balance sheet of the Company has been prepared assuming the Disposition occurred on September 30, 1996.

The unaudited pro forma condensed consolidated balance sheet and the notes thereto should be read in conjunction with (1) the historical audited consolidated financial statements and the notes thereto contained in the Company's Annual Report on Form 10-K for the year ended December 31, 1995, (2) the historical unaudited condensed consolidated financial statements and notes thereto contained in the Company's Quarterly Report on Form 10-Q for the quarter ended September 30, 1996, and (3) the information contained in the Company's Report on Form 8-K filed on October 30, 1996. The unaudited pro forma condensed consolidated balance sheet is not necessarily indicative of the financial position of the Company that would have actually been obtained had the Disposition been consummated on September 30, 1996.

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	Times Mirror Historical	Pro Forma Adjustments		Times Mirror Pro Forma
		Debit	Credit	
<S>	<C>	<C>	<C>	<C>
<b>ASSETS</b>				
Accounts receivable, net	\$ 537,387		\$ 50,860 (a) 27,068 (b)	\$ 459,459
Other current assets	433,861	\$ 6,689 (c)	86,193 (a) 16,849 (b) 28,489 (c)	309,019
<b>Total Current Assets</b>	<b>971,248</b>			<b>768,478</b>
Property, plant and equipment, net	1,189,030		19,923 (a) 3,495 (b)	1,165,612
Goodwill	651,396		106,747 (a)	544,649
Other noncurrent assets	796,563	9,726 (c)	67,252 (a) 19,201 (b)	719,836
Fair value of net assets received in exchange for the Disposition		485,000 (a)		485,000
<b>TOTAL ASSETS</b>	<b>\$3,608,237</b>			<b>\$3,683,575</b>
<b>LIABILITIES AND SHAREHOLDERS' EQUITY</b>				
Current liabilities	\$1,024,742	\$ 51,680 (a)	\$ 15,825 (b) 66,927 (c)	\$1,055,814
Noncurrent liabilities	1,022,122	2,818 (a)	4,244 (b)	1,023,548
<b>TOTAL LIABILITIES</b>	<b>2,046,864</b>			<b>2,079,362</b>
Common stock subject to put options	31,041			31,041
<b>SHAREHOLDERS' EQUITY</b>				
Series A preferred stock	411,784			411,784
Series B preferred stock	164,595			164,595
Series A common stock	71,729			71,729
Series C common stock, convertible	27,258			27,258
Additional paid-in capital	208,338			208,338
Retained earnings	597,713	86,682 (b) 79,001 (c)	208,523 (a)	640,553 (d)
Net unrealized gain on securities	48,915			48,915
<b>TOTAL SHAREHOLDERS' EQUITY</b>	<b>1,530,332</b>			<b>1,573,172</b>
<b>TOTAL LIABILITIES AND SHAREHOLDERS'</b>				

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## NOTES TO UNAUDITED PRO FORMA CONDENSED CONSOLIDATED BALANCE SHEET

- (a) The pro forma entry to record the preliminary estimate of the pre-tax gain on the Disposition excludes estimated transaction-related expenses, which are reflected in a separate pro forma adjustment, and is comprised of (1) the cash paid by the Company to The McGraw-Hill Companies, Inc. (McGraw-Hill) in connection with the Disposition of \$27.2 million, (2) the removal of the college publishing business assets and liabilities transferred to McGraw-Hill, and (3) the fair value of the net assets of Shepard's. The net assets of Shepard's, which were received in exchange for the Company's college publishing businesses and other consideration, will be allocated to individual assets and liabilities as determined by an independent third party appraisal which is currently in process. The pro forma adjustment to retained earnings of \$208.5 million reflects the preliminary estimate of the Company's pre-tax gain, excluding transaction-related charges. Included in the \$208.5 million is a debit of \$7.6 million for the change in net assets of the college publishing businesses between October 1 and October 15, 1996.
- (b) To record expenses, asset write-downs and other costs incurred in connection with, or as a result of, the Disposition. These transaction-related items include legal, accounting and investment banking, as well as costs to realign the scope and scale of the remaining international sales, marketing and book distribution operations and other aspects of the Company's Professional Information operations that were impacted by the Disposition.
- (c) To record the tax provision on the pre-tax gain calculated in (a), after deducting the transaction-related expenses described in (b).
- (d) The net gain included in the pro forma retained earnings is not included in the unaudited pro forma condensed consolidated statement of operations for the year ended December 31, 1995 or the nine months ended September 30, 1996.

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## UNAUDITED PRO FORMA CONDENSED CONSOLIDATED STATEMENTS OF OPERATIONS (IN THOUSANDS OF DOLLARS, EXCEPT PER SHARE AMOUNTS)

The unaudited pro forma condensed consolidated statements of operations of the Company have been derived from the historical audited consolidated statement of operations of the Company for the year ended December 31, 1995 and the unaudited historical condensed consolidated statement of operations for the nine months ended September 30, 1996, adjusted for the Disposition. The unaudited pro forma condensed consolidated statements of operations have been prepared assuming that the Disposition occurred on January 1, 1995.

The unaudited pro forma condensed consolidated statements of operations and the notes thereto should be read in conjunction with (1) the historical audited consolidated financial statements and the notes thereto contained in the Company's Annual Report on Form 10-K for the year ended December 31, 1995, (2) the historical unaudited condensed consolidated financial statements and notes thereto contained in the Company's Quarterly Report on Form 10-Q for the quarter ended September 30, 1996, and (3) the information contained in the Company's Report on Form 8-K filed on October 30, 1996. The unaudited pro forma condensed consolidated statements of operations are not necessarily indicative of the financial results of the Company that would have actually been obtained had the Disposition been consummated on January 1, 1995.

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Year Ended December 31, 1995					
		Pro Forma Adjustments			
Times Mirror	Historical	Debit	Credit	Times Mirror	Pro Forma
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Revenues	\$3,448,287	\$244,614 (a)		\$3,203,673
Cost of sales	1,843,475		\$137,253 (a)	1,706,222
Selling, general & administrative expenses	1,426,114		108,365 (a)	1,317,749
Restructuring, impairment and one-time charges	634,077		60,532 (a)	573,545
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Operating loss	(455,379)			(393,843)
Interest expense	(29,467)		1,030 (a)	(28,437)
Interest income	27,237	13 (a)		27,224
Other, net	2,596		1,717 (a)	4,313
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Loss from continuing operations before income tax benefit	(455,013)			(390,743)
Income tax benefit	(116,030)		25,046 (a)	(90,984)
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Loss from continuing operations	\$ (338,983)			\$ (299,759)
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Primary loss per common share from continuing operations (b)	\$ (3.74) (c)			\$ (3.40) (c)
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Fully diluted loss per common share from continuing operations (b)	\$ *			\$ *
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Nine Months Ended September 30, 1996

	Times Mirror Historical	Pro Forma Adjustments		Times Mirror Pro Forma
		Debit	Credit	
<S>	<C>	<C>	<C>	<C>
Revenues	\$2,529,615	\$163,467 (a)		\$2,366,148
Cost of sales	1,337,259		\$78,588 (a)	1,258,671
Selling, general & administrative expenses	947,559		73,835 (a)	873,724
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Operating profit	244,797			233,753
Interest expense	(28,625)		80 (a)	(28,545)
Interest income	3,489	2 (a)		3,487
Other, net	6,431	339 (a)		6,092
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Income from continuing operations before income taxes	226,092			214,787
Income taxes	98,327		4,826 (a)	93,501
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Income from continuing operations	\$ 127,765			\$ 121,286
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Primary earnings per common share from continuing operations (b)	\$ .89			\$ .83
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Fully diluted earnings per common share from continuing operations (b)	\$ *			\$ *
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\* Antidilutive

businesses assuming these businesses were sold on January 1, 1995. The unaudited pro forma condensed consolidated statements of operations do not include operations related to the business acquired from McGraw-Hill.

- (b) Primary historical and pro forma earnings per common share for the year ended December 31, 1995 and the nine months ended September 30, 1996 were determined based on weighted average common and common equivalent shares of 113,797,192 and 106,453,840, respectively. Fully diluted historical and pro forma earnings per common share for the year ended December 31, 1995 and the nine months ended September 30, 1996 were antidilutive and were determined based on weighted average common and common equivalent shares of 123,001,445 and 114,755,444, respectively. The historical and pro forma earnings per share amounts reflect reductions for preferred dividend requirements and, in 1995, cash paid in excess of liquidation value for Series B stock repurchases.
- (c) The primary loss per common share from continuing operations for the year ended December 31, 1995 includes restructuring charges and other special items aggregating \$478.5 million (\$4.20 per share). Excluding restructuring charges and other special items, the primary earnings per share from continuing operations for the year ended December 31, 1995 are as follows:

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Historical	<C> \$.46
Pro forma	\$.48

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#### SIGNATURES

Pursuant to the requirements of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, the Company has duly caused this report to be signed on its behalf by the undersigned hereunto duly authorized.

Dated as of December 30, 1996

THE TIMES MIRROR COMPANY

By: /s/ THOMAS UNTERMAN  
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Name: Thomas Unterman

Title: Senior Vice President and  
Chief Financial Officer

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