

SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION
Washington, D.C. 20579

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 16, 2001

FIRST BUSEY CORPORATION

(Exact name of registrant as specified in its charter)

Nevada	0-15950	37-1078406
----- (State of other jurisdiction of incorporation)	----- (Commission File Number)	----- (IRS Employer Identification No.)

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

Registrant's telephone number, including area code: (217) 365-4513

ITEM 5. OTHER EVENTS.

On Monday, April 16, 2001, the Registrant held its 2001 Annual Meeting of Stockholders. The slide presentation presented at the Annual Meeting is made part of this Form 8-K and is attached as Exhibit 99.1.

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

99.1 2001 Annual Meeting of Stockholders slide presentation, dated April 16, 2001.

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

Date: April 16, 2001

By: /s/ Douglas C. Mills

Name: Douglas C. Mills
Title: Chairman and Chief
Executive Officer

EXHIBIT INDEX

99.1 2001 Annual Meeting of Stockholders slide presentation, dated April 16, 2001.

SLIDE 1:

First Busey Corporation

21st Annual

Shareholders' Meeting

SLIDE 2:

FORWARD LOOKING STATEMENTS

This presentation includes forward looking statements that are intended to be covered by the safe-harbor provisions of the Private Securities Litigation Reform Act of 1995. These forward looking statements include but are not limited to comments with respect to the objectives and strategies, financial condition, results of operations and business of First Busey.

These forward looking statements involve numerous assumptions, inherent risks and uncertainties, both general and specific, and the risk that predictions and other forward looking statements will not be achieved. First Busey cautions you not to place undue reliance on these forward looking statements as a number of important factors could cause actual future results to differ materially from the plans, objectives, expectations, estimates and intentions expressed in such forward looking statements.

These risks, uncertainties and other factors include:

- the general state of the economy, both on a local and national level;
- the ability of First Busey to successfully complete acquisitions;
- the continued growth of the Champaign-Urbana, Illinois geographic area; and
- the retention of individuals who currently are very important in the management structure of First Busey.

SLIDE 3:

The Busey History

SLIDE 4:

THE 70'S

THE TURTLE ERA

"Slow and Steady Wins the Race"

March 29, 1971 - Doug and Linda Mills join Busey

Total Assets: \$43,000,000

Shareholders' Equity: \$2,400,000

SLIDE 5:

"Slow and Steady Wins the Race"

December 31, 1979

Busey First National Bank
has Total Assets of
\$140,000,000

An increase of 226%
from March 1971

SLIDE 6:

THE 80'S

THE ERA OF THE EAGLE

"Soaring to New Heights"

March 1980 First Busey Corporation Formed

April 1982 New Headquarters Building

SLIDE 7:

"Soaring to New Heights"

1982	Acquired	Roberts State Bank National Bank of Urbana
1984	Acquired	City Bank of Champaign Citizens Bank of Tolono

SLIDE 8:

"Soaring to New Heights"

1985	Acquired	State Bank of Heyworth FNB Thomasboro
1986	Acquired	Champaign County Bank & Trust
	Sold	Roberts State Bank

SLIDE 9:

"Soaring to New Heights"

1987	Formed First Busey Trust & Investment Company
June 30, 1988	FBC completes Initial Public Offering 175,000 shares at \$16.50

SLIDE 10:

"Soaring to New Heights"

October 1989

FBC establishes a leveraged
ESOP to benefit associates

1989 Acquired

Community Bank of Mahomet
State Bank of St. Joseph

SLIDE 11:

"Soaring to New Heights"

December 31, 1989

First Busey ends the era with Total Assets of \$513,279,000

Market capitalization of \$60.5 Million

660 Shareholders

313 Associates

SLIDE 12:

THE 90'S

THE ERA OF
THE ZOO

"The Goose, the Rhino, the Giraffe
and
the Monarch Butterfly"

April 1991	First Busey Securities is formed
1992	Acquired deposits from 6 Savings and Loan branches
February 1993	Acquired LeRoy State Bank

SLIDE 13:

"THE ZOO"

July 1993	Acquired Eagle Bank
January 1998	Chartered Busey Business Bank
October 1998	BUSE goes on Nasdaq
February 1999	Formed Busey Investment Group
October 1999	Acquired First Federal S&L

SLIDE 14:

"THE ZOO"

December 31, 1999

First Busey ends the era with Total Assets of \$1,247,123,000

Market capitalization of \$314.5 million

965 Shareholders

494 Associates

SLIDE 15:

Busey
History

SLIDE 16:

THE 2000'S
"THE ERA OF WOW"

Wisdom + Opportunities =
Winning

SLIDE 17:

"WOW"

June 2000 Acquired Secord Asset Management

October 2000 Opened Banking Center in Ft.
Myers Florida

SLIDE 18:

"WOW"

January 1, 2001

First Busey has total assets of
\$ 1,355,044,000

Market capitalization of \$268.1 million

936 Shareholders

484 Associates

SLIDE 19:

First Busey Corporation

The Building Blocks

January 1991

to

January 2001

SLIDE 20:

First Busey Corporation

Total Assets

12/31/91	\$	564,704,000
1/01/01	\$	1,355,044,000

Growth Rate 10.21%

SLIDE 21:

First Busey Corporation

Total Loans

12/31/91	\$	318,894,000
1/01/01	\$	984,369,000

Growth Rate 13.34%

SLIDE 22:

First Busey Corporation

Shareholders' Equity

12/31/91	\$	41,648,000
1/01/01	\$	92,325,000

Growth Rate 9.25%

SLIDE 23:

First Busey Corporation

Price per Share

12/31/91	\$	5.34
1/01/01	\$	19.94

Growth Rate 15.86%

SLIDE 24:

First Busey Corporation

Benefit Plans

12/31/91	\$	7,258,000
1/01/01	\$	30,300,000

Growth Rate 17.21%

SLIDE 25:

First Busey Corporation

Busey Investment Group

12/31/91	\$	338,000,000
1/01/01	\$	1,558,000,000

Growth Rate 18%

First Busey Corporation

Assets
\$1,355,044,000

Loans
\$984,369,000

Equity
\$92,325,000

\$/Share
\$19.94

BIG
\$1,558,000,000

Benefits
\$30,300,000

SLIDE 27:

First Busey Corporation

December 31, 2000

Thousands of Dollars	Total Assets -----	Total Loans -----	Net Income -----
Busey Bank	\$ 1,051,585	\$ 723,873	\$ 13,564
BankIllinois	\$ 579,791	\$ 358,105	\$ 8,312
Central Illinois Bank	\$ 806,679	\$ 590,519	\$ 8,583
First Federal	\$ 151,005	\$ 125,067	\$ 212
Bank of Rantoul	\$ 139,811	\$ 75,090	\$ 2,108

SLIDE 28:

First Busey Corporation

Champaign County Market Share
June 30, 2000

25 Banks & S&L's

Thousands of Dollars	Total Deposits -----	Percent of Total -----
Busey Bank	\$ 745,820	30.00%
BankIllinois	\$ 404,900	16.29%
Central Illinois Bank	\$ 362,165	14.57%
First Federal	\$ 123,117	4.95%
Bank of Rantoul	\$ 86,269	3.47%

SLIDE 29:

First Busey Corporation

Vision 2010

SLIDE 30:

First Busey Corporation

Vision 2010

A picture of the Busey Organization on January 1, 2010 and Management's commitment to ourselves and others to take the necessary action to ensure this vision becomes a reality

SLIDE 31:

First Busey Corporation

Assets

\$5,000,000,000

SLIDE 32:

First Busey Corporation

Loans

\$4,000,000,000

SLIDE 33:

First Busey Corporation

Equity

\$350,000,000

SLIDE 34:

First Busey Corporation

Net Income

\$67,200,000

SLIDE 35:

First Busey Corporation

Earnings/Share

\$4.20

SLIDE 36:

First Busey Corporation

BIG

\$9,000,000,000

First Busey Corporation

Vision 2010

Assets
\$5,000,000,000

Loans
\$4,000,000,000

Equity
\$350,000,000

Net Income
\$67,200,000

BIG
\$9,000,000,000

Earnings /Share
\$4.20
