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): November 4, 2004

DOVER CORPORATION

(Exact Name of Registrant as Specified in Charter)

STATE OF DELAWARE (State or Other Jurisdiction of Incorporation) 1-4018 (Commission File Number) 53-0257888 (I.R.S. Employer Identification No.)

280 Park Avenue, New York, NY (Address of Principal Executive Offices) 10017 (Zip Code)

(212) 922-1640 (Registrant's telephone number, including area code)

(Former Name or Former address, if Changed Since Last Report)

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(d) Election of Director

On November 4, 2004, the Board of Directors of Dover Corporation elected Robert W. Cremin as a Director of Dover effective January 1, 2005. Mr. Cremin, 64, currently serves as the Chairman, President and Chief Executive Officer of Esterline Technologies Corporation. He has been Chairman since January 2001, Chief Executive Officer since January 1999 and President since September 1997. Mr. Cremin has been a Director of Esterline since 1998.

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SIGNATURES

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.

Date: November 5, 2004 DOVER CORPORATION (Registrant)

By: /s/ Joseph W. Schmidt

Name: Joseph W. Schmidt

Title: Vice President, General Counsel & Secretary