# UNITED STATES 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): September 30, 2004

Union Pacific Railroad Company
(Exact Name of Registrant as Specified in its Charter)

Delaware 1-6146 94-6001323

(State or Other (Commission (I.R.S. Employer Jurisdiction of File Number) Identification No.)
Incorporation)

1400 Douglas Street, Omaha, Nebraska 68179
(Address of Principal Executive Offices) (Zip Code)

Registrant's telephone number, including area code: (402) 544-5700

1416 Dodge Street, Omaha, Nebraska 68179

Former Address

## Item 5.03 Amendments to Articles of Incorporation or Bylaws; Change in Fiscal Year

On September 30, 2004, the Board of Directors of the registrant, Union Pacific Railroad Company (the "Company"), an indirect, wholly-owned subsidiary of Union Pacific Corporation, authorized and directed the Company to amend the provision of its By-laws regarding the day on which the Annual Meeting of the stockholders of the Company will be held. Prior to this amendment the applicable provision of the By-laws stated that the meeting was to be held on the third Friday of April each year. The following excerpt is the amended and restated Article I, Section 2, of the Company's By-laws, which will be effective on October 15, 2004:

"SECTION 2. Annual meetings of the stockholders, for the purpose of electing directors and transacting any other business, shall be held at such time as shall be ordered by the Board of Directors or the Executive Committee, but, unless otherwise ordered, shall be held at 11:00 a.m. on the first Thursday of May in each year."

#### 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.

Dated: October 6, 2004

UNION PACIFIC RAILROAD COMPANY

By: /s/ J. Michael Hemmer

J. Michael Hemmer

Senior Vice President - Law
and General Counsel