

DEPARTMENT 56 INC
Form 8-K
March 12, 2002

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: **March 12, 2002**

Date of Earliest Event Reported: **March 11, 2002**

DEPARTMENT 56, INC.

(Exact name of registrant as specified in its charter)

Delaware
(State or other jurisdiction
of incorporation or organization)

1-11908
(Commission File Number)

13-3684956
(I.R.S. Employer
Identification No.)

One Village Place, 6436 City West Parkway, Eden Prairie, MN 55344

(Address of principal executive offices, including zip code)

Registrant's telephone number, including area code: **(952) 944-5600**

Item 5. Other Events.

A copy of the Company Press Release, dated March 11, 2002, is attached hereto as Exhibit 99.1 and is incorporated herein by reference.

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.

DEPARTMENT 56, INC.

/s/ David H. Weiser

David H. Weiser

Senior Vice President Legal and Human Resources

Dated: March 12, 2002

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