

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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