

DEPARTMENT 56 INC  
Form 8-K  
March 04, 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 4, 2002**

Date of Earliest Event Reported: **March 1, 2002**

**DEPARTMENT 56, INC.**

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(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**

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**Item 5. Other Events.**

On March 1, 2002, the Company received net proceeds (before taxes) of \$11.0 million in settlement of its previously reported litigation against Arthur Andersen LLP and Andersen Worldwide Société Coopérative.

**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

Dated: March 4, 2002