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STAGE STORES INC Form 8-K July 10, 2003

#### **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

July 10, 2003

(Date of Report, date of earliest event reported)

## Stage Stores, Inc.

(Exact name of registrant as specified in its charter)

#### 000-21011

(Commission File Number)

NEVADA 91-1826900

(State or other jurisdiction (I.R.S. Employer Identification No.)

of incorporation)

10201 Main Street, Houston, Texas 77025

(Address of principal executive offices) (Zip Code)

(713) 667-5601

(Registrant's telephone number, including area code)

Not Applicable

(Former name or former address, if changed since last report)

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ITEM 7. Financial Statements and Exhibits.

• Financial statements of business acquired.

Not applicable.

• Pro forma financial information.

Not applicable.

• Exhibits.

99.1 News Release issued by Stage Stores, Inc. on July 10, 2003 reporting June 2003 sales.

ITEM 9. Regulation FD Disclosure (and Item 12. Results of Operations and Financial Condition).

The information contained in this Current Report, including the Exhibit attached hereto, is being furnished pursuant to Item 9. Regulation FD Disclosure and Item 12. Results of Operations and Financial Condition of Form 8-K.

On July 10, 2003, Stage Stores Inc. issued a news release announcing its sales for June 2003. A copy of the news release is attached to this Form 8-K as Exhibit 99.1.

This information shall not be deemed "filed" for purposes of Section 18 of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, as amended (the "Exchange Act"), or incorporated by reference in any filing under the Securities Act of 1933, as amended, or the Exchange Act, except as shall be expressly set forth by specific reference in such a filing.

#### **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.

STAGE STORES, INC.

July 10, 2003

/s/ Michael E. McCreery

(Date) Michael E. McCreery

Executive Vice President and Chief

Financial Officer

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