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SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION WASHINGTON, D.C. 20549

FORM 8-K/A

CURRENT REPORT

PURSUANT TO SECTION 13 OR 15(d) OF THE THE SECURITIES EXCHANGE ACT OF 1934

Date of Report (Date of earliest event reported): May 18, 2004

J. C. PENNEY COMPANY, INC. (Exact name of registrant as specified in its charter)

Delaware 1-15274 26-0037077 (State or other jurisdiction of incorporation) (Commission File No.) (I.R.S. Employer Identification No.)

6501 Legacy Drive Plano, Texas

75024-3698

(Address of principal executive offices)

(Zip code)

Registrant's telephone number, including area code: (972) 431-1000

- Item 12. Results of Operations and Financial Condition.
 - J. C. Penney Company, Inc. issued a news release on May 18, 2004, announcing its first quarter consolidated earnings, which was filed as an Exhibit to its Form 8-K on May 20, 2004. The schedule "Summary of Operating Results" was inadvertently omitted from that filing. The news release, including all schedules, is attached hereto as Exhibit 99.1.

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SIGNATURES

Pursuant to the requirements of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, the

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registrant has duly caused this report to be signed on its behalf by the undersigned hereunto duly authorized.

J. C. PENNEY COMPANY, Inc.

By: /s/ Jeffrey J. Vawrinek

Jeffrey J. Vawrinek Assistant Secretary

Date: May 25, 2004

EXHIBIT INDEX

Exhibit Number Description

99.1 J. C. Penney Company, Inc. News Release

issued May 18, 2004

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