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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 (Date of earliest event reported): December 12, 2007

J. C. PENNEY COMPANY, INC.

(Exact name of registrant as specified in its charter)

1-15274

26-0037077

| (State or other jurisdiction of incorporation) | (Commission File No.) | (IRS Employer Identification No.) |
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| 6501 Legacy Drive | | |
| Plano, Texas | | 75024-3698 |
| (Address of principal executive offices) | | (Zip code) |
| Registrant's telephone number, incl | luding area code: (972) 431-1 | 000 |
| Check the appropriate box be obligation of the registrant under | | is intended to simultaneously satisfy the filing ions: |
| [] Written communications purs | uant to Rule 425 under the | Securities Act (17 CFR 230.425) |
| [] Soliciting material pursuant to | Rule 14a-12 under the Exc | hange Act (17 CFR 240.14a-12) |
| [] Pre-commencement comm | unications pursuant to R | ule 14d-2(b) under the Exchange Act (17 CFR |

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[] Pre-commencement communications pursuant to Rule 13e-4(c) under the Exchange Act (17 CFR 240.13e-4(c))

Item 5.02 Departure of Directors or Certain Officers; Election of Directors; Appointment of Certain Officers; Compensatory Arrangements of Certain Officers.

(b) On December 12, 2007, Ann Marie Tallman resigned from the Board of Directors of J. C. Penney Company, Inc. ("Company") due to health-related considerations. The resignation was not the result of any disagreement with the Company on any matter relating to the Company's operations, policies or practices. A copy of the Company's press release relating to Ms. Tallman's resignation is furnished herewith as Exhibit 99.1.

Item 9.01 Financial Statements and Exhibits.

(d) Exhibit 99.1 J. C. Penney Company, Inc. News Release issued December 12, 2007

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SIGNATURE

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.

J. C. PENNEY COMPANY, INC.

By: <u>/s/ Joanne L. Bober</u>

Joanne L. Bober

Executive Vice President, General Counsel and Secretary

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EXHIBIT INDEX

Exhibit Number Description

99.1 J. C. Penney Company, Inc. News Release issued December 12, 2007