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STAGE STORES INC Form 8-K March 30, 2017

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

March 30, 2017

(Date of Report, Date of Earliest Event Reported)

Stage Stores, Inc.

(Exact Name of Registrant as Specified in Charter)

1-14035

(Commission File Number)

NEVADA 91-1826900

(State or Other Jurisdiction of Incorporation) (I.R.S. Employer Identification No.)

2425 West Loop South, Houston, Texas 77027 (Address of Principal Executive Offices) (Zip Code)

(800) 579-2302

(Registrant's Telephone Number, Including Area Code)

Not Applicable

(Former Name or Former Address, if Changed Since Last Report)

Check the appropriate box below if the Form 8-K filing is intended to simultaneously satisfy the filing obligation of the registrant under any of the following provisions:

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Item 8.01 Other Events

On March 30, 2017, Stage Stores, Inc. issued a news release announcing that its subsidiary, Specialty Retailers, Inc., prevailed in its bid to acquire select assets of Gordmans Stores, Inc. through a bankruptcy auction. The transaction is subject to the approval of the court administering the Gordmans bankruptcy and customary closing conditions. Attached as Exhibit 99 to this Form 8-K is a copy of the news release.

Item 9.01 Financial Statements and Exhibits

(d) Exhibits

99 Stage Stores, Inc. news release dated March 30, 2017.

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.

Date: March 30, 2017 /s/ Oded Shein

Oded Shein

Executive Vice President,

Chief Financial Officer and Treasurer