UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION

Washington, DC 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) February 20, 2003

Duane Reade Inc.

(Exact name of registrant as specified in its chapter)

Delaware (State or other jurisdiction of incorporation) 001-13843

(Commission File Number) 04-3164702 (IRS Employer Identification No.)

440 Ninth Avenue New York, New York 10001

(Address of principal executive offices) (Zip Code) Registrant's telephone number, including area code (212) 273-5700

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

Item 7. Financial Statements, Pro Forma Financial Information and Exhibits

a)	Financial Statements. Not Applicable
b)	Pro Forma Financial Information. Not Applicable
c)	Exhibits

The following materials are filed as exhibits to this Current Report on Form 8-K.

Exhibit Number Description

99.1 Press Release dated February 20, 2003. Item 9. Regulation FD Disclosure

On February 20, 2003, we issued a press release with respect to our financial results for our fourth quarter and fiscal year ended December 28, 2002 and our outlook for the 2003 fiscal year. We have attached a copy of this press release as Exhibit 99.1 to this report on Form 8-K.

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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.

DUANE READE INC.

By: /s/ JOHN K. HENRY

John K. Henry Senior Vice President and Chief Financial Officer

Date February 20, 2003

*Print name and title of the signing officer under his signature.

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