

SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION  
Washington, D.C. 20549

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**Form 8-K**

Current Report Pursuant  
to Section 13 or 15(d) of the  
Securities Exchange Act of 1934

**January 3, 2002**

Date of Report  
(Date of earliest event reported)

**AUTOZONE, INC.**

(Exact Name of Registrant as Specified in Its Charter)

**Nevada**

(State or Other Jurisdiction  
of Incorporation)

**1-10714**

(Commission File Number)

**62-1482048**

(I.R.S. Employer  
Identification No.)

**123 South Front Street  
Memphis, Tennessee 38103**

(Address of Principal Executive Offices)(Zip Code)

**(901) 495-6500**

(Registrant's Telephone Number, Including Area Code)

(Not applicable)

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

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**Item 5. Other Events.**

On January 3, 2002, the registrant issued the press release attached hereto as Exhibit 99.1

**Item 7. Financial Statements and Exhibits**

(c) Exhibits

99.1 Press Release

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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.

AUTOZONE, INC.

Date: January 7, 2002

By: /s/ Harry L. Goldsmith  
Harry L. Goldsmith  
Senior Vice President  
& Secretary

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**EXHIBIT INDEX**

99.1 Press Release



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# News:

For immediate release

## **AutoZone Names New CFO**

Memphis, Tenn. (January 3, 2002) -- AutoZone, Inc. (NYSE: AZO), the nation's largest auto parts retailer, today announced Michael G. Archbold, 41, will join the company as senior vice president and chief financial officer effective February 4, 2002. Archbold comes to AutoZone after 6 years with Barnes & Noble, Inc. where he was most recently vice president and chief financial officer of that company's largest entity, the Booksellers Division.

Archbold will report to Steve Odland, AutoZone's chairman, president & CEO. Archbold fills the position being vacated by Robert J. Hunt who last spring announced his intention to retire.

"We're excited to welcome Mike to AutoZone," said Steve Odland. "Mike has an extensive background in retail, specialty hardlines in particular. His previous experience is highly relevant to AutoZone. Mike will make a great addition to our senior team."

Before joining Barnes & Noble, Archbold was with Woolworth Corporation (now Foot Locker, Inc.) where he held various financial positions, including assistant controller. He began his career as a senior accountant at Price Waterhouse (now PricewaterhouseCoopers).

Archbold holds a B.S. degree in accounting from Fairfield University and is a C.P.A.

### **About AutoZone**

AutoZone sells auto and light truck parts, chemicals and accessories through more than 3,000 AutoZone stores in 44 states plus the District of Columbia in the U.S. and 22 AutoZone stores in Mexico, and automotive diagnostic and repair software through ALLDATA, diagnostic and repair information through alldatadiy.com, and auto and light truck parts through AutoZone.com. AutoZone stock is traded on the New York Stock Exchange and is included in the Standard & Poor's 500 Index.

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