

FEDERATED DEPARTMENT STORES INC /DE/  
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**FORM 4**

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**STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF SECURITIES**

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(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person \*  
**FELDBERG MEYER**

(Last) (First) (Middle)

C/O COLUMBIA  
 UNIVERSITY, URIS HALL RM.  
 101 BROADWAY & 118TH ST.

(Street)

NEW YORK, NY 10027

(City) (State) (Zip)

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol  
**FEDERATED DEPARTMENT STORES INC /DE/ [FD]**

3. Date of Earliest Transaction  
 (Month/Day/Year)  
**03/31/2005**

4. If Amendment, Date Original Filed(Month/Day/Year)

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer

(Check all applicable)

Director  10% Owner  
 Officer (give title below)  Other (specify below)

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line)  
 Form filed by One Reporting Person  
 Form filed by More than One Reporting Person

**Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned**

1. Title of Security (Instr. 3)	2. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year)	2A. Deemed Execution Date, if any (Month/Day/Year)	3. Transaction Code		4. Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4 and 5)		5. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned Following Reported Transaction(s) (Instr. 3 and 4)	6. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)	7. Nature of Ownership (Instr. 4)
			Code	V	Amount	Price			
Common Stock	03/31/2005		M		244	A \$ 0	4,734 <sup>(1)</sup>	D	

Reminder: Report on a separate line for each class of securities beneficially owned directly or indirectly.

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**Table II - Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned (e.g., puts, calls, warrants, options, convertible securities)**

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1. Title of Derivative Security (Instr. 3)	2. Conversion or Exercise Price of Derivative Security	3. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year)	3A. Deemed Execution Date, if any (Month/Day/Year)	4. Transaction Code (Instr. 8)	5. Number of Derivative Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4, and 5)	6. Date Exercisable and Expiration Date (Month/Day/Year)	7. Title and Amount of Underlying Securities (Instr. 3 and 4)	8. Amount or Number of Shares
Phantom Stock Units	(2)	03/31/2005		M	244	03/31/2005 03/31/2005	Common Stock	244
Phantom Stock Units	(2)	03/31/2005		A	234	03/31/2008 03/31/2008	Common Stock	234

## Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships			
	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other
FELDBERG MEYER C/O COLUMBIA UNIVERSITY URIS HALL RM. 101 BROADWAY & 118TH ST. NEW YORK, NY 10027	X			

## Signatures

/s/Padma Tatta Cariappa, as attorney-in-fact for Meyer Feldberg pursuant to a Power of Attorney 04/04/2005

\*\*Signature of Reporting Person Date

## Explanation of Responses:

- \* If the form is filed by more than one reporting person, see Instruction 4(b)(v).
- \*\* Intentional misstatements or omissions of facts constitute Federal Criminal Violations. See 18 U.S.C. 1001 and 15 U.S.C. 78ff(a).
- (1) Includes 4 shares received March 31, 2004, that were not previously reported, and 5 shares received March 31, 2005 pursuant to a dividend reinvestment feature of the Issuer's directors compensation program.
- (2) 1-for-1 conversion.
- (3) The price noted is the average of the value of the stock units granted each month during the quarter for which this report is filed.

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