BARNES & NOBLE INC Form SC 13G/A February 14, 2002

> UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION Washington, D.C. 20549

> > SCHEDULE 13G

Under the Securities Exchange Act of 1934

(Amendment No. 8)*

Barnes & Noble, Inc. (Name of Issuer)

COMMON STOCK, \$0.001 PAR VALUE (Title of Class of Securities)

067774109 (CUSIP Number)

December 31, 2001 (Date of Event Which Requires Filing of This Statement)

Check the appropriate box to designate the rule pursuant to which this Schedule is filed:

[x] Rule 13d-1(b)
[] Rule 13d-1(c)
[] Rule 13d-1(d)

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The information required in the remainder of this cover page shall not be deemed to be "filed" for the purpose of Section 18 of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 ("Act") or otherwise subject to the liabilities of that section of the Act but shall be subject to all other provisions of the Act (however, see the Notes).

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1 NAME OF REPORTING PERSON S.S. or I.R.S. IDENTIFICATION NO. OF ABOVE PERSON

Forstmann-Leff Associates, LLC 52-2169043

2 CHECK THE APPROPRIATE BOX IF A MEMBER OF A GROUP

(a) []

(b) []

- 3 SEC USE ONLY
- 4 CITIZENSHIP OR PLACE OF ORGANIZATION

Delaware

	Derdware						
	NUMBER OF SHARES BENEFICIALLY OWNED BY EACH REPORTING PERSON WITH	5	SOLE VOTING POWER				
			None				
1		6	SHARED VOTING POWER				
			None				
		7	SOLE DISPOSITIVE POWER				
			None				
		8	SHARED DISPOSITIVE POWER				
			None				
9 AGGREGATE AMOUNT BENEFICIALLY OWNED BY EACH REPORTING PERSON							
	None						
10 CHECK BOX IF THE AGGREGATE AMOUNT IN ROW (9) EXCLUDES CERTAIN SHARES							
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11	11 PERCENT OF CLASS REPRESENTED BY AMOUNT IN ROW 9						
0.0%							
12	12 TYPE OF REPORTING PERSON						
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1 NAME OF REPORTING PERSON S.S. or I.R.S. IDENTIFICATION NO. OF ABOVE PERSON							
	FLA Asset Management, LLC 52-2169045						
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5 SOLE VOTING POWER

NUMBER OF SHARES	None							
BENEFICIALLY OWNED BY	6 SHARED VOTING POWER							
EACH REPORTING	None							
PERSON WITH	7 SOLE DISPOSITIVE POWER							
	None							
	8 SHARED DISPOSITIVE POWER							
	None							
9 AGGREGATE AMOUNT BENEFICIALLY OWNED BY EACH REPORTING PERSON								
None								
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Forstmann-Leff International, LLC 52-2169041								
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	(b) []							
3 SEC USE ONLY								
4 CITIZENSHIP OR PLACE OF ORGANIZATION								
Delaware								
	5 SOLE VOTING POWER							
NUMBER OF SHARES	None							
BENEFICIALLY OWNED BY EACH	6 SHARED VOTING POWER							
REPORTING PERSON	None							

WITH

7 SOLE DISPOSITIVE POWER

None

8 SHARED DISPOSITIVE POWER

None

9 AGGREGATE AMOUNT BENEFICIALLY OWNED BY EACH REPORTING PERSON

None

- 10 CHECK BOX IF THE AGGREGATE AMOUNT IN ROW (9) EXCLUDES CERTAIN SHARES
- 11 PERCENT OF CLASS REPRESENTED BY AMOUNT IN ROW 9

0.0%

- 12 TYPE OF REPORTING PERSON
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1 NAME OF REPORTING PERSON S.S. or I.R.S. IDENTIFICATION NO. OF ABOVE PERSON

FLA Advisers L.L.C. 13-3942422

2 CHECK THE APPROPRIATE BOX IF A MEMBER OF A GROUP (a) []

(b) []

- 3 SEC USE ONLY
- 4 CITIZENSHIP OR PLACE OF ORGANIZATION

New York

	5	SOLE VOTING POWER
NUMBER OF		
SHARES		None
BENEFICIALLY		
OWNED BY	6	SHARED VOTING POWER
EACH		
REPORTING		None
PERSON		
WITH		
	7	SOLE DISPOSITIVE POWER
		None

8 SHARED DISPOSITIVE POWER

None

9 AGGREGATE AMOUNT BENEFICIALLY OWNED BY EACH REPORTING PERSON

None 10 CHECK BOX IF THE AGGREGATE AMOUNT IN ROW (9) EXCLUDES CERTAIN SHARES [] 11 PERCENT OF CLASS REPRESENTED BY AMOUNT IN ROW 9 0.0% 12 TYPE OF REPORTING PERSON IA, 00 CUSIP NO. 067774109 13G Page 6 of 9 pages Item 1(a) NAME OF ISSUER: Barnes & Noble, Inc. Item 1(b) ADDRESS OF ISSUER'S PRINCIPAL EXECUTIVE OFFICES: 122 Fifth Avenue New York, NY 10011 Item 2(a) NAME OF PERSON FILING: See Item 1 of the cover pages attached hereto Item 2(b) Address of Principal Business Office, or if none, residence: 590 Madison Avenue New York, New York 10022 Item 2(c) CITIZENSHIP: See Item 4 of the cover pages attached hereto Item 2(d) TITLE OF CLASS OF SECURITIES: Common Stock, par value \$0.001 Item 2(e) CUSIP NUMBER: 067774109 Item 3 Forstmann-Leff Associates, LLC, a Delaware limited liability company, is a registered investment adviser under Section 203 of the Investment Advisers Act of 1940 (the "Act"). FLA Asset Management, LLC, a Delaware limited liability company, is a registered investment adviser under the Act and a subsidiary of Forstmann-Leff Associates, LLC. FLA Advisers L.L.C., a New York limited liability company, is a registered investment adviser under the Act. Forstmann-Leff International, LLC, a Delaware limited liability company, is a registered investment adviser under the

> Act. The members of Forstmann-Leff Associates, LLC's Investment Committee are also the members of Forstmann-Leff International, LLC's Investment Committee and the managers of FLA Advisers L.L.C.

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Item 4 OWNERSHIP:

- (a) Amount beneficially owned: See Item 9 of the cover pages attached hereto
- (b) Percent of Class: See Item 11 of the cover pages attached hereto

(c) See Items 5 through 8 of the cover pages attached hereto

Item 5 OWNERSHIP OF FIVE PERCENT OR LESS OF A CLASS:

This statement is being filed to report that as of December 31, 2001, the reporting persons ceased to be a beneficial owner of more than 5% of the Common Stock of Barnes & Noble, Inc.

Item 6 OWNERSHIP OF MORE THAN FIVE PERCENT ON BEHALF OF ANOTHER PERSON:

Not Applicable

Item 7 IDENTIFICATION AND CLASSIFICATION OF THE SUBSIDIARY WHICH ACQUIRED THE SECURITY BEING REPORTED ON BY THE PARENT HOLDING COMPANY:

Not Applicable

Item 8 IDENTIFICATION AND CLASSIFICATION OF MEMBERS OF THE GROUP:

Not Applicable

Item 9 NOTICE OF DISSOLUTION OF GROUP:

Not Applicable

Item 10 CERTIFICATION:

By signing below I certify that, to the best of my knowledge and belief, the securities referred to above were acquired and are held in the ordinary course of business and were not acquired and are not held for the purpose of or with the effect of changing or influencing the control of the issuer of the securities and were not acquired and are not held in connection with or as a participant in any transaction having that purpose or effect.

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SIGNATURES

After reasonable inquiry and to the best of my knowledge and belief, I certify that the information set forth in this statement is true, complete and correct.

February 14, 2002

FORSTMANN-LEFF ASSOCIATES, LLC

By: /s/ Joseph Sullivan Chief Operating Officer FLA ASSET MANAGEMENT, LLC By: Forstmann-Leff Associates, LLC, its Sole Member By: /s/ Joseph Sullivan Chief Operating Officer FLA ADVISERS L.L.C. By: /s/ Joseph Sullivan Chief Operating Officer FORSTMANN-LEFF INTERNATIONAL, LLC By: /s/ Joseph Sullivan Chief Operating Officer

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Exhibit A

AGREEMENT

The undersigned, Forstmann-Leff Associates, LLC, FLA Asset Management, LLC, FLA Advisers L.L.C. and Forstmann-Leff International, LLC, agree that the statement to which this exhibit is appended is filed on behalf of each of them.

February 14, 2002

FORSTMANN-LEFF ASSOCIATES, LLC

By: /s/ Joseph Sullivan Chief Operating Officer

FLA ASSET MANAGEMENT, LLC

By: Forstmann-Leff Associates, LLC, its Sole Member

By: /s/ Joseph Sullivan Chief Operating Officer

FLA ADVISERS L.L.C.

By: /s/ Joseph Sullivan

Chief Operating Officer

FORSTMANN-LEFF INTERNATIONAL, LLC

By: /s/ Joseph Sullivan Chief Operating Officer