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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

Date of Report (Date of earliest event reported): June 21, 2001

THE COOPER COMPANIES, INC.

(Exact name of registrant as specified in its charter)

Delaware1-859794-2657368(State or other jurisdiction<br/>of incorporation)(Commission File Number)(IRS Employer Identification No.)

6140 Stoneridge Mall Road, Suite 590, Pleasanton, California 94588 (Address of principal executive offices)

> (925) 460-3600 (Registrant's telephone number, including area code)

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ITEM 5. Other Events.

On June 21, 2001, The Cooper Companies, Inc. issued a press release announcing that a United States District Court had denied a petition for preliminary injunction in a patent infringement lawsuit against CooperVision, a Cooper Companies' unit. This release is filed as an exhibit hereto and is incorporated by reference herein.

Any Internet addresses provided in this release are for information purposes only and are not intended to be hyperlinks. Accordingly, no information in any of these Internet addresses is included herein.

ITEM 7. Financial Statements and Exhibits.

(c) Exhibits.

Exhibit

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99.1 Press Release dated June 21, 2001 of The Cooper Companies, Inc.

## SIGNATURE

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.

THE COOPER COMPANIES, INC.

By /s/ Stephen C. Whiteford Stephen C. Whiteford Vice President and Corporate Controller (Principal Accounting Officer)

Dated: June 25, 2001

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## STATEMENT OF DIFFERENCES

The registered trademark symbol shall be expressed as......'r'

NEWS RELEASE

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FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE

COURT DENIES PRELIMINARY INJUNCTION IN PATENT INFRINGEMENT SUIT AGAINST COOPER COMPANIES' UNIT

LAKE FOREST, Calif., June 21, 2001 -- The Cooper Companies, Inc. (NYSE:COO) said today that the United States District Court for the Central District of California denied a petition by Wesley Jessen Corporation for a preliminary injunction to prevent the Company's CooperVision unit from selling Frequency'r' Colors opaque contact lenses in the United States. Wesley Jessen has filed a lawsuit alleging that the CooperVision product infringes a Wesley Jessen patent.

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