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 earliest event reported: April 9, 2001 Date of Report: April 10, 2001

First Industrial Realty Trust, Inc. (Exact name of registrant as specified in its charter)

Maryland (State or other jurisdiction of organization) 1-13102 (Commission File Number) 36-3935116 (I.R.S. Employer Identification No.)

311 South Wacker Drive, Suite 4000 Chicago, Illinois (Address of principal executive offices)

60606 (Zip Code)

(312) 344-4300

(Registrant's telephone number, including area code)

Item 5. On April 9, 2001, First Industrial Realty Trust, Inc. redeemed all of its outstanding 9 1/2% Series A Cumulative Preferred Stock.

SIGNATURES

Pursuant to the requirements of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, as amended, the registrant has duly caused this report to be signed on its behalf by the undersigned hereunto duly authorized.

FIRST INDUSTRIAL REALTY TRUST, INC.

By: /s/ Michael J. Havala

Name: Michael J. Havala

Title: Chief Financial Officer (Principal Financial and Accounting Officer)

Date: April 10, 2001