Is Pension Crisis a Scaregoat?

By TROY FRANK

S MALL STOCKS remain the theme of the day as a wave of corporate earnings reports indicates that the worst may be over for the money managers of the nation's 401(k) plans. But no one is likely to cheer too loudly for the firm's outside lawyer.

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A Putnam spokesman said he doesn't believe the firm's public statements were directly responsible for the decline in sales. "The portfolio managers and analysts are working at a higher level of risk than they have in the past," he said. "We're not seeing any impact on the retail business."