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UNITED STATES
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): April 2, 2001

Fifth Third Bancorp

(Exact name of registrant as specified in its charter)

Ohio	000-08076	31-0854434
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(State or other jurisdiction of incorporation)	(Commission File Number)	(IRS Employer Identification No.)

Fifth Third Center
38 Fountain Square Plaza, Cincinnati, Ohio 45263

(Address of principal executive offices) (Zip Code)

Registrant's telephone number, including area code: (513) 579-5300

N/A

(Former name or former address, if changed since last report)

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Item 2. Acquisition or Disposition of Assets.

As previously reported in Item 5 of Fifth Third Bancorp's Current Reports on Form 8-K filed on November 20, 2000, as amended on January 30, 2001, and March 6, March 9, and March 14, 2001, Fifth Third and Old Kent Financial

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Corporation entered into an Agreement and Plan of Merger on November 20, 2000, and an Amended and Restated Agreement and Plan of Merger on January 16, 2001, pursuant to which Old Kent would be merged with and into Fifth Third Financial Corporation, a wholly-owned subsidiary of Fifth Third. These reports contained copies of the Agreement and Plan of Merger, Stock Option Agreement, Amended and Restated Agreement and Plan of Merger, Press Release dated November 20, 2000, Press Release dated March 8, 2001, Press Release dated March 13, 2001, Unaudited Pro Forma Condensed Combined Financial Information and Unaudited Condensed Pro Forma Financial Statement Information and Supplemental Financial Data. This transaction closed on April 2, 2001. A copy of the Press Release issued by Fifth Third on April 2, 2001 is attached hereto as Exhibit 99.1.

This report is being filed to report the consummation of this transaction in this Item 2 and to include Old Kent's year end audited financial information for the years ended December 31, 2000. Unaudited pro forma financial information for this transaction was filed previously in Fifth Third's Current Reports filed on January 30, and March 6, 2001.

Item 7. Financial Statements and Exhibits

(a) Financial statements of business acquired

The Old Kent Financial Corporation Consolidated Financial Statements for the Three Years in the Period Ended December 31, 2000 are included in Exhibit 99.2 attached hereto and incorporated herein, as follows:

- Report of Independent Public Accountants
- Consolidated Balance Sheets as of December 31, 2000 and 1999
- Consolidated Statements of Income for the Years Ended December 31, 2000, 1999 and 1998
- Consolidated Statements of Cash Flows for the Years Ended December 31, 2000, 1999 and 1998
- Consolidated Statements of Shareholders' Equity for the Years Ended December 31, 2000, 1999 and 1998
- Notes to Consolidated Financial Statements

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(b) Pro forma financial information

Previously filed in Fifth Third's Current Reports on Form 8-K/A and 8-K filed with the SEC on January 30, and March 6, 2001, respectively.

(c) Exhibits

Exhibit No.

2.1 Agreement and Plan of Merger dated as of November 20, 2000 by and between Fifth Third Bancorp and Old Kent Financial Corporation (omitting schedules and exhibits). Incorporated by reference to Fifth Third's

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- 2.2 Amended and Restated Agreement and Plan of Merger dated as of January 16, 2001 by and among Old Kent Financial Corporation, Fifth Third Bancorp and Fifth Third Financial Corporation (omitting schedules and exhibits). Incorporated by reference to the Amendment filed with the SEC on January 30, 2001 to Fifth Third's Current Report on Form 8-K originally filed with the SEC on November 20, 2000.*
- 4.1 Stock Option Agreement dated as of November 20, 2000 by and between Old Kent Financial Corporation, as Issuer, and Fifth Third Bancorp, as Grantee. Incorporated by reference to Fifth Third's Current Report on Form 8-K filed with the SEC on November 20, 2000.*
- 23.1 Consent of Arthur Andersen LLP.
- 99.1 Press Release dated April 2, 2001.
- 99.2 Old Kent Financial Corporation Consolidated Financial Statements for the Three Years in the Period Ended December 31, 2000.

* Incorporated by Reference.

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SIGNATURES

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.

FIFTH THIRD BANCORP
(Registrant)

April 4, 2001

/s/ Neal E. Arnold

Neal E. Arnold
Executive Vice President
and Chief Financial Officer