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 the Report: December 14, 1995 Commission file number 1-5805

> CHEMICAL BANKING CORPORATION (Exact name of registrant as specified in its charter)

Delaware (State or other jurisdiction of incorporation) (I.R.S. Employer Identification No.)

13-2624428

270 Park Avenue, New York, New York 10017-2070 (Address of principal executive offices) (Zip Code)

Registrant's telephone number, including area code (212) 270-6000

Items 5. Other Events

The Chase Manhattan Corporation and Chemical Banking Corporation confirmed that, at separate meetings held on December 11, 1995, their respective stockholders had approved the merger of the two companies.

At Chemical, the merger was approved by holders representing approximately 77 percent of the outstanding common stock, or approximately 99 percent of the votes cast; and at Chase, by holders representing approximately 74 percent of the outstanding stock, or approximately 99 percent of the votes cast.

The Chemical common stockholders also approved the amendment and restatement of the Chemical Certificate of Incorporation to provide for an increase in the number of shares which the Corporation will have authority to issue, from 400,000,000 to 750,000,000 and to make certain of other technical changes.

Chase and Chemical also announced that they have learned that the U.S. Department of Justice notified the Board of Governors of the Federal Reserve System on December 13, 1995 that the Department of Justice has completed its competitive review of the proposed merger and has concluded that it does not object to the merger on antitrust grounds.

Item 7. Financial Statements, Pro Forma Financial Information and $\ensuremath{\mathsf{Exhibits}}$

The following exhibits are filed with this Report:

Exhibit Number Description

99 Form of Press Release

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 thereunto duly authorized.

CHEMICAL BANKING CORPORATION (Registrant)

Dated: December 14, 1995 By /s/John B. Wynne John B. Wynne Secretary

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NEWS RELEASE

Chase Press Contact: John Anderson 212-552-6224 Chemical Press Contact: John Stefans 212-270-7438

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It is anticipated that the merger, which is subject to regulatory approval, including that of the Federal Reserve Board, will be completed during the first quarter of 1996.

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