

U.S. 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): July 30, 1996

BRIDGE BANCORP, INC.

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(Exact name of registrant as specified in its charter)

New York                      000-18546                      11-2934195

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(State or other      (Commission      (I.R.S. Employer  
jurisdiction of      File Number)      Identification No.)  
incorporation  
or organization)

2488 Montauk Highway, Bridgehampton, NY 11932

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Address of principal executive offices) (Zip Code)

Registrant's telephone number, including area code (516) 537-1000

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NA

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

## Item 5. Other Events

On July 30, 1996 the Registrant purchased 3,280 shares or .68 percent of its outstanding common stock at a total cost \$191,880. or \$58.50 per share. Such shares will be held as treasury stock. As of July 30, 1996 the Registrant holds 10,800 shares of treasury stock or 2.3 percent.

The purchase was effected due to the Board of Directors' belief that the long term value of the stock makes it an attractive investment. Currently the Registrant has no plans for the use of the treasury stock, although the Board of Directors may consider registering these shares for use in connection with the Registrant's recently adopted Equity Incentive Plan.

The Registrant has no plans to purchase any additional stock, but may consider any opportunities on a case by case basis.

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.

Bridge Bancorp, Inc.

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(Registrant)

Date: July 30, 1996

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Thomas J. Tobin

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Thomas J. Tobin  
President and CEO