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Form 4
April 07, 2003

U.S. SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION
Washington, DC 20549

FORM 4

STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP

Filed pursuant to Section 16(a) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934,
Section 17(a) of the Public Utility Holding Company Act of 1935 or
Section 30(f) of the Investment Company Act of 1940

Check box if no longer subject to Section 16. Form 4 or Form 5 obligations
may continue. See Instruction 1(b).

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person*

Bracken	Frank	A
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(Last)	(First)	(Middle)
5150 Plantation Drive		

(Street)		
Indianapolis	IN	46205
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(City)	(State)	(Zip)

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol

First Merchants Corporation - FRME

3. IRS Identification Number of Reporting Person, if an Entity (Voluntary)

304-44-5290

4. Statement for Month/Day/Year

04/04/03

5. If Amendment, Date of Original (Month/Year)

6. Relationship of Reporting Person to Issuer
(Check all applicable)

<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Director	<input type="checkbox"/> 10% Owner
<input type="checkbox"/> Officer (give title below)	<input type="checkbox"/> Other (specify below)

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7. Individual or Joint/Group Filing (Check applicable line)

- Form filed by one Reporting Person
 Form filed by more than one Reporting Person

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 Table I -- Non-Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of,
 or Beneficially Owned
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1. Title of Security (Instr. 3)	2. Transaction Date (mm/dd/yy)	3. Transaction (Instr. 8) ----- Code V		4. Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4 and 5) ----- Amount or Price	
		Code	V	(A) or (D)	
Common Stock			V		(1)
Common Stock					

* If the Form is filed by more than one Reporting Person, see Instruction 4(b)(v).

Reminder: Report on a separate line for each class of securities beneficially owned directly or indirectly.

(Print or Type Response) (Over)

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 Table II -- Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned
 (e.g., puts, calls, warrants, options, convertible securities)
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2. Conver- sion or Exer- cise	3.	4. Trans-	5. Number of Derivative Securities Acquired (A)	6. Date Exercisable and	7. Title and Amount of Underlying Securities (Instr. 3 and 4)
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1. Title of Derivative Security (Instr. 3)	Price of Derivative Security	Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year)	Action Code (Instr. 8)	or Code V	Disposed of (Instr. 3, 4 and 5)	Expiration Date (Month/Day/Year)	Exercisable Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares
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Non-Employee
 Director Stock
 Option (Right to Buy)

Explanation of Responses: (1) Includes 8.01 shares acquired in December 2002, and 7.695 shares acquired in March 2003, under the First Merchants Corporation dividend reinvestment plan.

/s/ Larry R. Helms

April 7, 2003

**Signature of Reporting Person
 Frank A. Bracken
 (Confirming Statement on File)

Date

** Intentional misstatements or omissions of facts constitute Federal Criminal Violations.

See 18 U.S.C. 1001 and 15 U.S.C. 78ff(a).

Note: File three copies of this Form, one of which must be manually signed. If space provided is insufficient, see Instruction 6 for procedure.