

SIMMONS FIRST NATIONAL CORP
Form 8-K
May 17, 2010

**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) **May 14, 2010**

Simmons First National Corporation

(Exact name of registrant as specified in its charter)

Arkansas
(State or other jurisdiction
of incorporation)

000-06253
(Commission File Number)

71-0407808
(IRS Employer Identification No.)

501 Main Street, Pine Bluff, Arkansas
(Address of principal executive offices) **71601**
(Zip Code)
Registrant's telephone number, including area code: **(870) 541-1000**

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

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- Pre-commencement communications pursuant to Rule 13e-4(c) under the Exchange Act (17 CFR 240.13e-4(c))

Item 7.01. Regulation FD Disclosure.

On May 14, 2010, Simmons First National Corporation issued a press release announcing that its wholly-owned bank subsidiary, Simmons First National Bank, has entered into a purchase and assumption agreement with loss share arrangements with the Federal Deposit Insurance

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Corporation to purchase substantially all of the assets and to assume substantially all of the deposits and other liabilities of Southwest Community Bank in Springfield, Missouri. A copy of the press release is attached hereto as Exhibit 99.1 and is incorporated herein by reference.

Item 9.01. Financial Statements and Exhibits.

Exhibit 99.1 Press release dated May 14, 2010, issued by Simmons First National Corporation announcing acquisition and expansion into southwest Missouri.

SIGNATURE

Pursuant to the requirements of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, as amended, the Registrant has duly caused this report to be signed on its behalf by the undersigned hereunto duly authorized.

Simmons First National Corporation

(Registrant)

/s/ ROBERT A. FEHLMAN

May 14, 2010

(Date)

Robert A. Fehlman

Executive Vice President and Chief Financial Officer