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June 01, 2001

UNITED STATES
SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION
Washington, D.C. 20549

FORM 8-K

CURRENT REPORT

Pursuant to Section 13 or 15(d) of the Exchange Act of 1934

Date of Report (Date of earliest event reported) June 1, 2001

SIMMONS FIRST NATIONAL CORPORATION
(Exact name of registrant as specified in its charter)

Arkansas 0-6253 71-0407808
(State or other jurisdiction of (Commission (I.R.S. employer
incorporation or organization) file number) identification No.)

501 Main Street, Pine Bluff, Arkansas 71601
(Address of principal executive offices) (Zip Code)

(870) 541-1000
(Registrant's telephone number, including area code)

ITEM: 9 REGULATION FD DISCLOSURE

The following is the text of a press release issued by the registrant at 3:15 P.M. Central Standard Time on June 1, 2001.

FOR RELEASE: Friday, June 1, 2001

SIMMONS FIRST NATIONAL CORPORATION DECLARES \$0.22 PER SHARE DIVIDEND

Pine Bluff, AR -- Simmons First National Corporation's Board of Directors declared a regular \$0.22 per share quarterly cash dividend payable July 2, 2001, to shareholders of record June 15, 2001. This dividend represents a \$0.01 per share, or 4.76% increase over the previous quarter and a \$0.02 per share, or 10.00% increase over the dividend paid for the same period in 2000.

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Simmons First National Corporation is a \$1.9 billion financial holding company, with community banks in Pine Bluff, Jonesboro, Lake Village, Dumas, Rogers, Russellville, Searcy and El Dorado, Arkansas. The Company's eight banks conduct financial operations from 63 offices in 33 communities.

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FOR MORE INFORMATION CONTACT:

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SIGNATURE

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.

SIMMONS FIRST NATIONAL CORPORATION

Date: June 1, 2001

/s/ Barry L. Crow

Barry L. Crow, Executive Vice President
and Chief Financial Officer