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# 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

May 11, 2011
Date of Report (Date of Earliest Event Reported)

## AMES NATIONAL CORPORATION

(Exact Name of Registrant as Specified in its Charter)

IOWA 0-32637 42-1039071

(State or Other Jurisdiction of Incorporation or Organization)

(Commission File Number)

(I.R.S. Employer Identification No.)

405 FIFTH STREET AMES, IOWA 50010

(Address of Principal Executive Offices)

Registrant's Telephone Number, Including Area Code: (515) 232-6251

### NOT APPLICABLE

(Former Name, Former Address and Former Fiscal Year, if Changed Since Last Report)

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## Item 8.01 Other Events

On May 11, 2011, the Company announced a stock repurchase program commencing immediately. A copy of the press release dated May 11, 2011, is attached as Exhibit 99.1.

On May 11, 2011, the Company announced the declaration of a cash dividend. A copy of the press release dated May 11, 2011 is attached as Exhibit <u>99.1</u>.

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### **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.

## AMES NATIONAL CORPORATION

Date: May 12, 2011 By: /s/ Thomas H. Pohlman

Thomas H. Pohlman, President (Principal Executive Officer)