

SAYS DARR SIGNED MATTERS' CHECKS

President Luebber of Sutton Bank Declares Matters Paid Fifty Dollars for Signatures.

EXPLAINS THE JUGGLED BOOKS

While President M. L. Luebber of the wrecked First National bank of Sutton alleged during his morning testimony in the trial of Attorney Thomas H. Matters in federal court that Matters had "kited" \$117,000 worth of checks within about one year, four women spectators sat inside the railing of the court room and crocheted busily.

The connection of George B. Darr with the Sutton bank matters was brought out clearly by testimony of Luebber. The banker's statements in that regard were the biggest surprise of the morning session, his other testimony being a continuation of his Monday story about deals with Matters, and about the discrepancies and falsifications of the bank books.

"Matters used to write checks for \$5,000 each on the First National bank of Sutton, and have Darr sign them," Luebber testified in substance. "Darr received \$9 from Matters for each signature, and he signed eight of them, getting \$72 for the use of his name. Matters had ordered the bank to charge to the Matters account all such checks signed by Darr."

Honor Darr's Signatures. This explanation by Luebber is emphasized by Prosecutor Howell as showing what plan Matters resorted to in order to raise cash on Sutton bank checks. The latter checks, according to assertions made by government attorneys, would not be honored by Omaha banks when signed by Matters, but when signed by Darr, a rich man, they were cashed in Omaha without question.

District Attorney Howell had Luebber explain discrepancies in the bank books. The banker admitted that some false entries had been made arbitrarily, but that a false credit had later been made to balance each false debit. The entries were made, he said, to tide the bank over troubled periods before it went broke.

In one instance, Luebber averred, Matters was used as a "buffer," without doing him any harm and in order to help the bank when a national bank examiner was coming to inspect the books. At that time a credit of \$5,000 was falsely placed to Matters' account, to make it appear that the bank had received that amount, and a few days later a charge of the same amount was placed to Matters' account to adjust the matter.

Luebber testified that Matters' correct overdraft on the Sutton bank was \$5,300 in July, 1913, the last time the Matters account was checked by before the bank failed. Later debits against the account, the bank officials assert, raised the amount Matters owes the bank to about \$14,000. Matters claims that the bank still owes him \$30,000 and at one time he claimed \$60,000 was due him.

President Luebber, one of the government's chief witnesses, is also under indictment on practically the same charges at Matters.

During the Tuesday afternoon session he remained on the stand under cross-examination until adjournment. He was questioned by counsel for the defense, who sought to show that Matters really should have more remittances to his credit in the Sutton bank than Luebber gives him credit for.

First Time Matters Swore. The first time ever heard Matters swear, Luebber said, "was the time he exclaimed over the phone, 'My God, have those certificates come in!' That was when the Richardson certificate, which Matters had said was in his possession, had really been located and came into the bank for redemption."

Luebber also told under cross-examination that the certificates known as the Rasmussen certificates were issued in the name of Miss Rasmussen, Matters' stenographer, to be negotiated by Matters.

Exercises Given For Foreign-Born Omahans at Y. M. C. A.

Representing some eighteen different nationalities, over 30 foreign-born Omahans attended the exercises held at the Young Men's Christian association by the educational department last night. Lithuanians predominated, fifty-five being present, and they were presented with the flag offered for the largest attendance. Greeks and Italians were tied for second with forty, and Swedish third with thirty.

The entertainment opened with a concert by the band, followed by introductions by J. W. Miller and E. P. Denison. A flag drill was given by the boys of Mason school. Then was staged a play illustrating the progress of the immigrant who comes to this country from foreign shores. The immigrant was first shown landing at New York, where he was greeted by a Young Men's Christian association secretary, then he was shown in a class in English and then as a naturalized citizen of the United States. An illustrated lecture was given by Edward P. Fitch.

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GREY CALLS STORY OUT OF BERLIN FALSEHOOD

WASHINGTON, Feb. 23.—Sir Edward Grey has sent to the State department, through the British embassy here, a statement characterizing as a falsehood a recent statement from Berlin attributing to the British the intention to destroy an American ship in the German war zone and charge it to a German submarine with the expectation of precipitating a crisis between the United States and Germany. The Berlin statement, received in the United States by wireless, was cabled to London by the British embassy.

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OMAHA POSTOFFICE EFFICIENCY REPORT IS CALLED "BUNK"

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first assistant postmaster general, and being intimately acquainted with the general workings of the Omaha office, it is believed his statement will have considerable weight with the "powers that be."

Mr. Lobeck has fortified himself with many letters from leading businessmen of Omaha, testifying to the complete efficiency of its postal service and urging that its present staff be retained.

Letters from All Parties. These letters have no reference to politics whatsoever. They come from business men of all political shades and all religious denominations and it is thought will be extremely helpful in showing the outrageous unfairness of the inspectors signing the recommendations for changes in personnel.

The Indian appropriation bill reported late yesterday from the senate committee on Indian affairs provides for three permanent warehouses in the Indian service. The senate adding the word "permanent" to the bill as it came from the house.

Senator Norris, when his attention was called to the provision which will shut out the Omaha Indian warehouse, said it was all wrong, but would leave the fight to be made on the provisions to Senator Hitchcock as he was part of the administration and the warehouse located in his city. The senate Indian bill raises the number of children to be educated at the Genoa school from 25 to 400 with like increase in the change for education of such children.

The bill also carried the following amendment: That the legal road authorities charged with the duty of laying out and opening roads and highways under the laws of the state of Nebraska having jurisdiction over any territory embraced within the Winnebago Indian reservation, the Omaha Indian reservation, the Ponca Indian reservation and the Santee Sioux Indian reservation in the state of Nebraska are authorized and empowered to lay out and open public roads within any of the said Indian reservations in conformity to and in accordance with the laws of the state of Nebraska, and that any public road when so laid out and opened shall be deemed a legal road; provided that such road authorities shall, in addition to notifying the land owners as provided in the state laws, likewise serve notice upon the superintendent in charge of the restricted lands in which it is proposed to lay out a public road, and shall also furnish him with a map showing the definite location and width of such proposed road, and no such road shall be laid out until after he has received the approval of such superintendent.

Lobeck Makes Speech. Representative Lobeck has gone to York, Pa., to attend a democrat banquet in that city. He will return to Washington tomorrow.

Charles McGill of the Omaha city post-office, one of the delegates from Omaha to the National Association of Civil Service Employees which met in this city March 1 and 2, arrived in Washington today to assist in making arrangements for the entertainment of delegates.

CELEBRATE LIBERATION OF PRUSSIA FROM RUSS

AMSTERDAM, (via London), Feb. 23.—A dispatch received by the Telegrams from Berlin says that Thanksgiving services for the liberation of East Prussia from the Russian invaders were held in all the Berlin churches yesterday.

Emperor William, Empress Augusta Victoria and the duke and duchess of Brunswick attended the service in the cathedral. On their way to the cathedral the emperor and empress were enthusiastically cheered.

TYPOGRAPHICAL UNION HOLDS DANCING PARTY.

Members of Omaha Typographical union No. 39 enjoyed themselves at an informal dancing party at Eagles' hall last night. Some eighty couples were present and fully participated in a program that was disarranged long enough to insert an old-fashioned quadrille and a Virginia reel for the edification of some of the older members, who are not versed in tango, fox-trot and the like.

"Tiz" For Sore, Tired Feet—Ah!

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PROTEST AGAINST WOODWARD DEMOTION

Business Men Draft and Circulate Petition to Send to Assistant Postmaster General.

SIGNED BY PROMINENT MEN

The resolution to be sent to the first assistant postmaster general in the interest of Assistant Postmaster James I. Woodward's retention in his present position will be circulated immediately all over Omaha's business districts. A dozen men held the first meeting in the Commercial club rooms to protest against his demotion. These were C. E. West, Joseph Hayden, John L. Kennedy, E. P. Peck, W. P. Gurley, Joseph Barker, Richard L. Matlack, Robert Cowell, C. H. Pickett, Luther Drake, F. H. Davis, L. F. Crofoot, Charles Sherman and Arthur Smith.

Following is the resolution as it was signed by these men and by every member of the executive committee of the Commercial club and as it is now being circulated for further signatures in the city:

Whereas, An efficiency board from the Postoffice department in Washington has recently made an examination of the Omaha postoffice, and recommended, among other things, the demotion of Mr. James I. Woodward from the position of assistant postmaster to cashier, and

Whereas, Mr. J. C. Wharton, postmaster at Omaha, is opposed to the demotion of Mr. Woodward, as an injustice to an honest and efficient official and as detrimental to the work and best interests of the Omaha postoffice, now therefore, The executive committee of the Commercial club of Omaha respectfully shows that Mr. Woodward has been an employee of the Omaha postoffice for about forty-two years, and during the last thirty-two years last past has been assistant postmaster, recommended for that position and retained in it by every postmaster during that period.

That he has acquitted himself as in a notable degree to win the confidence of postoffice patrons, and particularly those who represent the general business interests of Omaha, at all time performing duties of his office with singular devotion and a high sense of responsibility imposed upon him.

That it is the unanimous opinion of the business interests of Omaha that Mr. Woodward will be able for many years to render maximum service in the position he holds.

Be it Resolved, That the respectful protest against the demotion of Mr. Woodward be entered by the executive committee of the Commercial club of Omaha, and that the secretary of this organization prepare a copy of these resolutions to be transmitted to the honorable first assistant postmaster general.

Cotton Drops on War Developments

NEW YORK, Feb. 23.—Cotton was extremely nervous and unsettled early today owing to apprehension that cotton might be declared contraband of war, or that developments in the naval war zone might materially interfere with exports. The Liverpool market made a steady showing, but the opening here was 2 to 3 points lower, and active months sold 2 to 12 points under last week's closing figures during the early trading as a result of liquidation. Houses with Liverpool connections were sellers here, and there was also some selling attributed to exports.

Drink Hot Tea For a Bad Cold

Get a small package of Hamburg Brewed Tea, as the German folks call it, "Hamburger Brewed Tea," at any pharmacy. Take a tablespoonful of the tea, put a cup of boiling water upon it, pour through a sieve and drink a teacup full at any time. It is the most effective way to break a cold and cure grip, as it opens the pores, relieving congestion. Also loosens the bowels, thus breaking a cold at once.

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Zeppelin Airship Crosses Calais at Greatest Width

CALAIS, Feb. 23.—(Via Paris).—The Zeppelin which yesterday bombarded Calais apparently was driven by pilots thoroughly familiar with the vicinity, for it came from the sea directly to Fontenelle, crossing the city at its greatest width. It flew at a height of about 1,000 feet. The first bomb fell when the Zeppelin was above the point where the railroad tracks intersect. It went through the roof and struck the track leading to Dunkirk. The airship then rose somewhat higher in the air and dropped five bombs in rapid succession. All fell in the vicinity of the railroad. One burst in the

courtyard of a house close to the railroad crossing demolishing a shed and breaking windows. The occupants of the house, awakened by the explosion, escaped without injury.

Other bombs fell in the garden and on the roof of a little house in the Rue Dognien. An old man and a little girl, asleep in the garret, and the family which occupied the cottage on the ground floor, consisting of the father, mother and two children, were buried in the ruins. All were killed, except one child, a baby five months old, which was taken uninjured from the twisted mass of brick and plaster.

The front of the house was cut off as clearly as though it had been done by a gigantic knife. The explosion shook the neighboring houses and broke all the windows within a wide radius. After dropping the bombs the Zeppelin disappeared rapidly over the sea.

Renegade Piutes Once Saved Life of Mrs. H. P. Dalley

SALT LAKE CITY, Feb. 23.—Mrs. H. P. Dalley of Salt Lake City, an early day resident in the vicinity of Bluff, owes her life to "Polk" and "Posey," the two Piute Indian chiefs now leading the hostiles. Mrs. Dalley, then Mrs. A. M. Barton, says that in 1872 two Navajo Indians came to the trading post her husband conducted and engaged in a quarrel with him. One of the Indians was killed and Barton received a wound from which he died a week later.

The surviving Navajo was rushing to attack Mrs. Dalley when "Polk" and "Posey" came on the scene and drove him off. The Navajo left for reinforcements, but before he returned with other Navajos the Piutes had spread the alarm and had gathered a sufficient force of their own tribesmen and white men to defend the place. The Piutes, the outlaw whose escape caused the present trouble, was a little boy at the time and assisted "Polk," his father, to nurse Barton until his death. Barton's body was taken to Bluff for burial and the store was left in care of the Piute Indians for several days. Mrs. Dalley says she found everything intact on her return.

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