

AMERICAN AIRMAN KILLED IN FIGHT WITH 7 GERMANS

Ensign Stephen Potter Meets Death After Terrific Struggle With Overwhelming Enemy Air Force.

Washington, May 22.—News of the death of Ensign Stephen Potter, naval reserves, who was killed while fighting seven enemy single-seated airplanes in the North sea on April 23, was received here today from London representatives of the committee on public information.

The story of Potter's encounter with the enemy says: "Potter left the North sea station in a British seaplane and steered due east until six miles west-southwest of North Hinder light. Another plane accompanied Potter and kept position to starboard throughout the action. Two enemy planes were sighted to port, heading towards them, flying low. Both British planes dived about 100 yards apart, closing upon the nearest German.

Both Open Fire. "Fire opened from both at close range. "Potter's companion had emptied one drum from the forward cockpit when the gun jammed. Two more hostile planes then appeared overhead, attacking vigorously. Both Britons turned to the west, pursuing the lower enemy, who soon was lost to view. Three others passed astern, following at a sharp angle. Potter was close above his companion and dove to within 100 feet of the water. "Both machines flattened out and Potter's companion, being faster, throttled down until Potter came abreast. Thus they ran westward at full speed close together for several minutes under continuous volleys from the rear.

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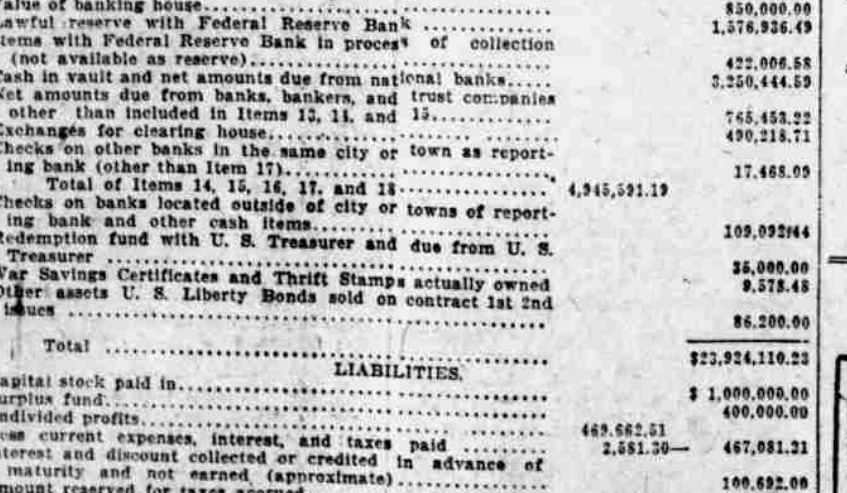
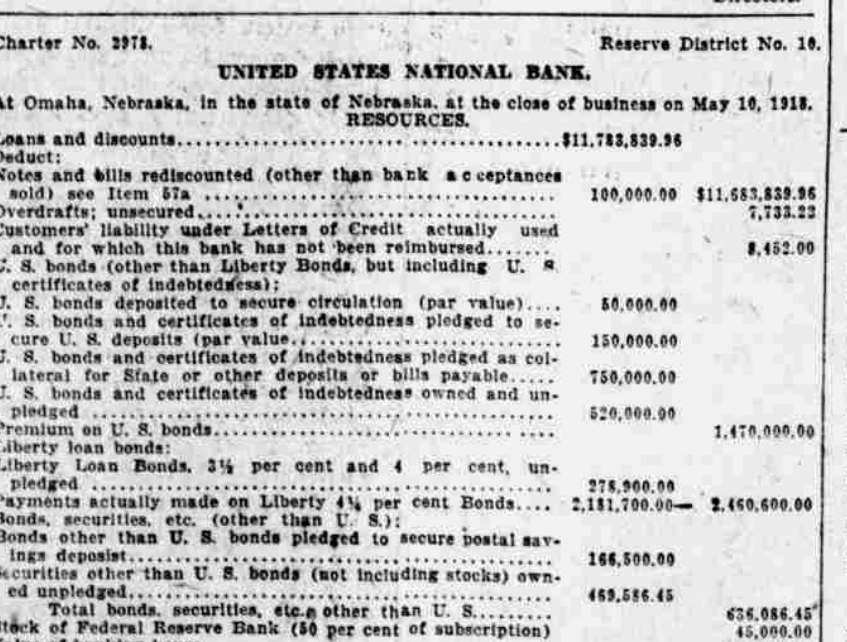
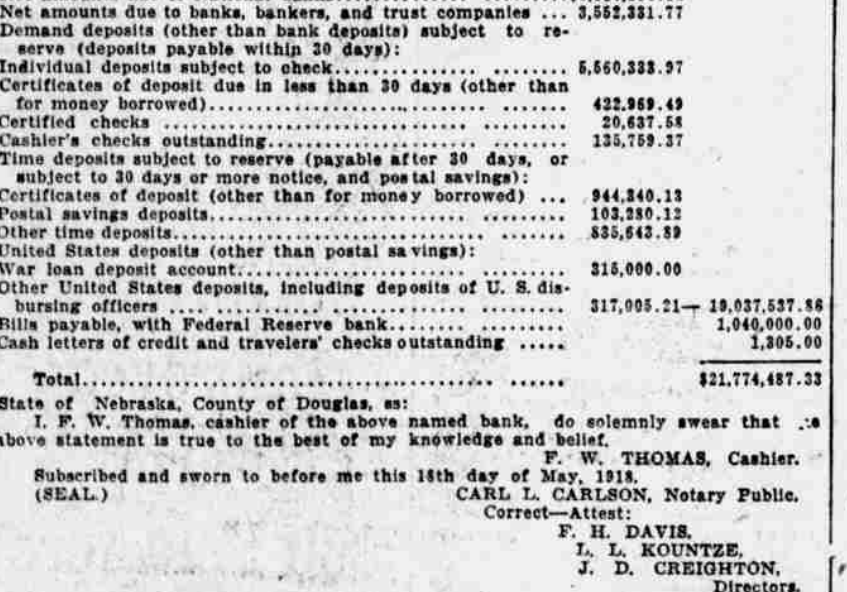
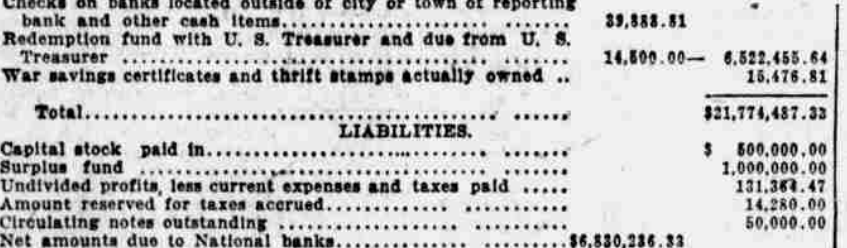
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