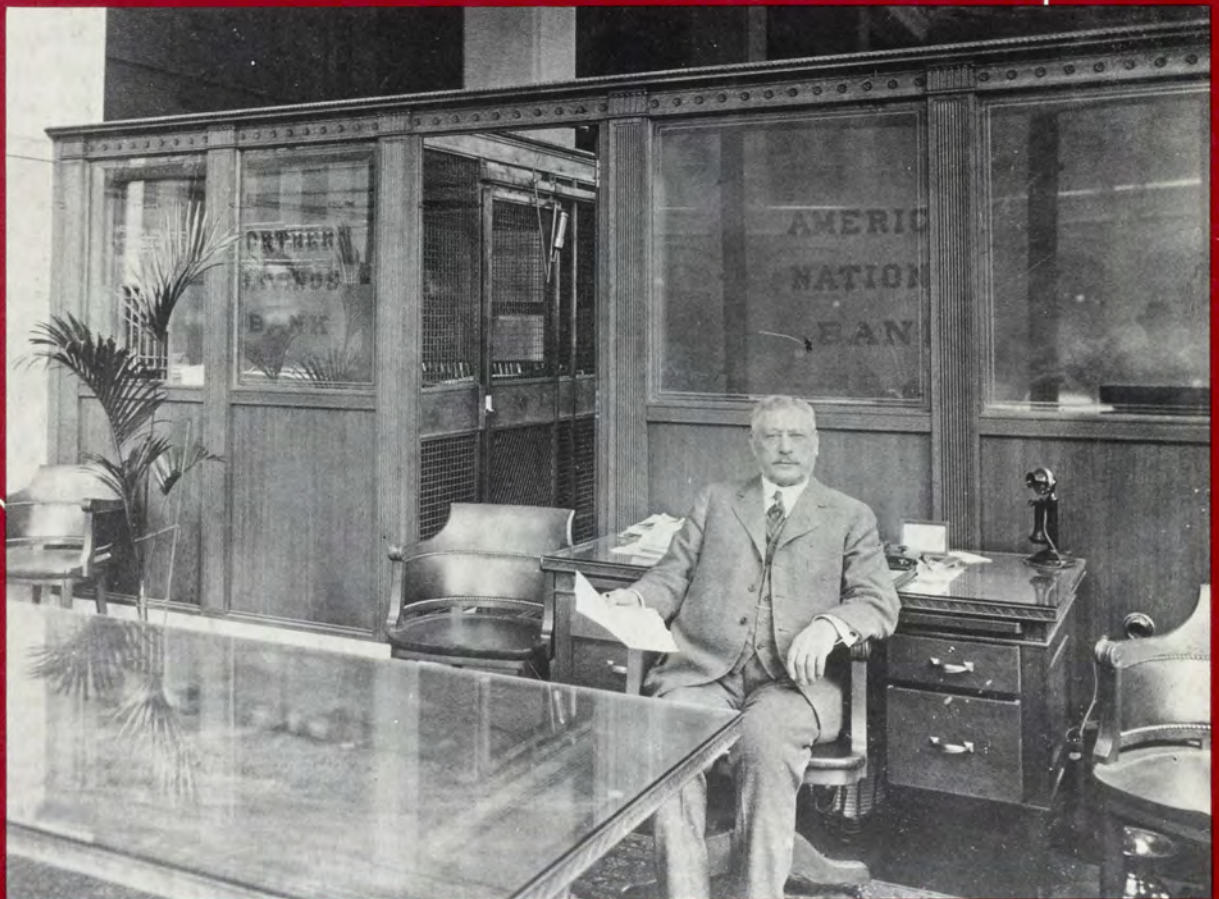


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ON THE COVER: Benjamin Baer's office in the American National Bank was typical of banking in that period just after the turn-of-the-century. The Jacob Schmidt Brewing Company (small photograph) was linked with the bank through much of the bank's history.

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