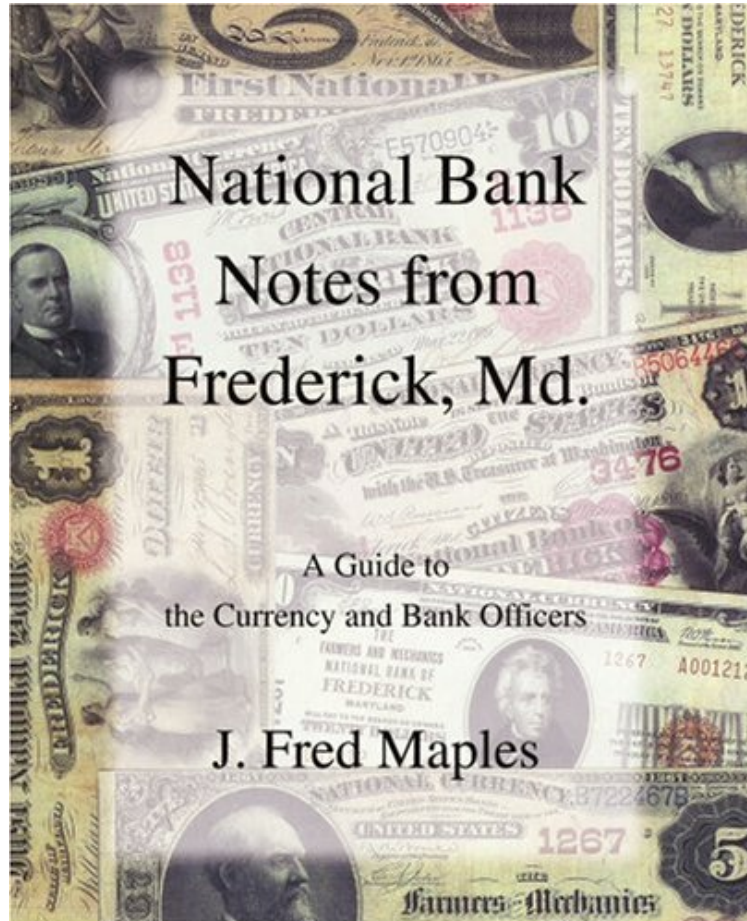


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About the Author For over 5 years Fred Maples has researched and collected national currency from his adopted state of Maryland, specializing in the city of Frederick, Maryland. Fred has conducted dozens of interviews and logged hundreds of hours to catalog surviving national bank notes and research the history of the banks and their officers. Fred loves the hobby of paper money collecting and shares that enthusiasm with his readers.