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Testimony Offered By The Defense; Godwin's Explanation of Thirty-Two Charges

Conds and items in box for months own derense. Course On cross examination he stated that nuce a full of Ind.ct the Ed Walston check due The Far-Lotter feer which w. mers and Merchants bank was held D. i of particulars, the oy him and in his own name to get Landi, reports well the use of the money out later claimmot and tertin ed for the use of the bank, even th upe Ivano mara it was in his own name. The items ... Co., J. G Sta J R. Fyre \$1600; Samuel Rogerson and rowden : \$1000; R L Little \$800; Jim Red Rebe geren ant clain sicon \$1000; Mrs. Mary E Peel \$100; responsible fer. : riank Britton \$600; J. C. Gurkin \$1,

000; S. C. Griffin \$1000, were all the moundaries brought out and denial made as to Sau der ucal use of same by him. a one war the Bart he stated that he went to Balti . L. barrent \$15,00 ore when he left here, then went 00; W. A Willoughto a port on the Gulf of Mexice for ten days, then to New Orleans and C Manning \$1,275. 1.

Us a were paid off e.

in in L walks Soulu: Atlanta. He said emphatically that Harrison V. holesa.e was not worrying over his own Wara soord; Cla attairs but over the bank's business C H Gouwin \$5000. He admitted that he owed \$135,000 ere taken from a reand stated that he had certain perc scioled the fact that onal property listed that were worth e d or discounted papers \$5,117 and stocks valued at \$41,690

annas witout keeping a to pay same. He admitted that Critcher, and Critcher forced him in Li a the was forty-one bankruptcy. He admitted being reon in Williamston. That ponsible to Plenny Peel for \$1,250. ne gave all done to the bank in 1920 offected from The Peoples Bank and in the adulth owing to strain in taking Plum Williams' mortgage for sn. h necaed lands. h ame. He admitted owing Abe Adler t e portinore January 5th, 192 1,900 on a gambling debt. He ada of physicians to g atted taking \$3,000 guardian mone elonging to his son Paul and \$9, Guit of Mexic 57.22 belonging tohis son Charle-. ed that he had a c attiout any security. He stated that

I hanning and State the January Bid, 182 and tote : which it it they must have on to kee hore fund at it bank agoit was di them to put it of 1. . (1, In. int. Ithe bookacepers could get thing checked up.

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tact chat Dunning ask. GOUND f = b, na s if we gamt mg and ac vasioning, he ton him he thoug Fo wear was a partner. Hassell ha toin Godwin that Dunning and State had asked him about his gambling In then enumerated a list of prop erty owned by him and claimed th he was worth \$20,000 and claime in it was worth sid,000 m. June o is his famer and brothe .10 post i of attorney to act for him in an, way. He scheduled his propert, it . 5,000 when he left. He left of 21 and returned Feb in i do al Lus 1 di 1921

as he recarn he had a confer tation at h. home and anny ary Morte's office and h a he reported him to , companip. Let bill expanticulars was then tak

ram at separater items and testimed thusly:

"I langed the first \$2,000 draft from Ju and the other \$2,000 item from to see their mistake. Peel told them plainly that the Nitrate Agency ac count was put to the Liberty Bond account to cover shortage of bonds, etc. He said that he was amazed at the transaction but did as he was

isked about the \$5,000 cashier's check made to John L. Rodgerson he stated that it was drawn for no purpose except to balance an error which had been, made in the adjustment of the Seaboard National Bank of Norfolk. He testified that Godwin wrote him ily. aiter he left and asked him to get the \$5000 check from Rodgerson and

put it to the account of the Nitrate Agency account to help him out that much. He said "I told Godwin about it and I knew it did not belong to Godwin. Rodgerson would not let me have it. Godwin also wrote me to get Federal Reserve checks of \$9.-400.00 for payment. He also wrote Mr. Rodgerson to get the \$5000 cash

ier's check. Mr. Rodgerson and frequently talked about items in cash. We did not tell Staton about thing because we thought Godwin would de so and we depended upon him to de so. I helped the auditors find th shortages. I took Mr. Godwin's ac-count of the records because he told me to, he also told me to take ou and hide the account of Grover C Godwin. I put them wheer he told me but could not find them afterwards My personal account was los in transferring from the active led ger to the permanent files. In orde to find the condition of Godwin's ac count it was necessary to find hi ledger sheets. 1 saw-signs of kiting in 1919 when the bank had plenty o money. I could see no need for it for the bank and positively could see m benefit it was being to the bank, a Mr. Godwi nwas putting it all to hi e and W. L. Stalls were partners in own credit." Luther Peel said "The records did not speak the truth. They

had taken \$2,100 of Stails' money. iid not show the standing of God He said "I made no attempt to e win's account. All those entries were lain to Pardee, the representative of made under Godwins direction. The he Bonding company except four corresponding banks charged us fo tems. I made no effort to explain ollection and I guess the cost of kit to the bank examiners. Staton wa: taking a fight against me."

re-ratomobile business and that h

began kiting.

ng was of course included, which The In answer to the question of wh Peoples Bank paid. We had to pay other banks among them are the Mer are Poel & Co., Godwin & Peei an chants National Bank in Raleigh \$20 otler ficticious names he could nam at one time, The Wacnovia Bank and to such firms. He claimed that Stails The expense of the bank was \$28,00 wed the \$6500 note. He also stated Trust Company about \$75 per month that he kited in his own name so he for the year 1920 up to and including ould draw on it and that he had no January 7th, 1921. The contingence other personal account. That he paid account of \$4.000 was taken off th for his speculations and his house nold expenses out of this same ac books and I knew no reason for R I could find no tickets for same. The count. He could not recall when he notes Tetterton and Daniel and the That the agreement was to handle. Talley note were the propety rof the

the Nitrate Agency Account for a back when taken out and delivered to Grover Godwin. I was not familia \$50,000 balance but he found it un profitable and kept as high as \$75 with the Kirkland note. When the auditors came the Tetterton note an 000 at times and that when Lathan Godwin check had both been taker the state examiner came he took the out: I do not know who did it. God old drafts out of the cash box and win asked me if I wanted to make charged them to the Liberty Bond some money on Coca Cola stock. account and that he got \$110 to his told him I had no money to buy stoc own credit out of the transaction. He with. He offered to finance it. I didid not know what Grover Godwin not know who he bought from or in was worth. He admitted taking whose name it was bought. When he cashier's check in his own name fo \$800 which should have been credited left he asked me to sign a note in

Local News and **INEWS FROM IN AND AROUND JAMESVILLE** Personal Mention

nere Monday.

Mr. Fred Shute of Durham spent told to do by Godwin. Upon being yesterday in town.

Miss Estelle Crawford has return ed from Hassells where she has been Saturday. teaching in the public schools. Owing to a mild epidemic of influenza the Hassell schools are closed temporar-

Mr. W. G. Peele who is stationed in Rocky Mount now for The Standard Insurance C. apany spent Wednesday night and Thursday in town.

Mrs. Roger Critcher, Jr., went t Rocky Mount Tuesday for medical treatment. At the suggestion of her physician at Park View Hospital she returned home Wednesday night to Brown and Martha Lilley were in town grow stronger physically before hay ing an operation.

Mrs. oJhn A. Manning and Mis Carrie Dell White went to Richland vesterday to visit Miss Arline Murril until the time of her marriage to Mr George H. Harrison on April 6th.

Mrs. W. J. Bullock on Suffolk at tended the funeral of Mr. J. D Ward Wednesday. While here she is the guest of her daughter, Mrs. J. Law rence Peel.

Miss Rosa Melson was operated on for appendicitis Monday at Park View Hospital in Rocky Mount:

The Boy Scouts enjoyed a fine out ng Wednesday evening when they had a camp fire supper in the woods about yesterday. wo miles from town. They were ac companied by Scoutmaster Simor Lilley.

. . . . Mr. Simon S. Lawrence left this norning for Fairmont where he wil esume his work in auditing the Bank of Fairmont which suffered a robber recentyl.

Mr. T. Jack Bagby returned to Rich nond this morning after attending ourt here for nine days.

Miss Mattie Lou Anderson arrive today from Greensboro College for Women to spend the week-end with ner papents Mr. and Mrs. Arthur An lerson;

Mr. Malvern Rodgerson of Wilson f Wilsonwas a business visitor i of Winser.... Iown yesterday

Miss Estehr Harrison will entertai onight with a birthday party.

JOHN DONIEL WARD

John Daniel Ward died at his home on West Main street Tuesday night He had been sick for more than year although in that period heare covered enough at one time to atten to some of the details of his business

Mr. J. J. Roberso nwas a visitor Mr. and Mrs C T Roberson were the guests of r and Mrs H. G. Friddin Mr Henry Jackson and Mrs. Annie Reddick were the guests of Mr. and

Mrs. Plenny Peel Friday. Mr. W. W Walters made a business

isit to Edento nthis week. Mr. and Mrs. W. H. Lilley were the uests of Mrs. J B Lilley Monday Mr. and Mrs G W Hodges and Miss Sadie Perry spent Sunday afternoon with Mr and Mrs. Jas. W. Grithn. Mr. and Mrs John Fagan of Goldsoro spent some time here this week with friends and relatives.

Misses Carrie Dell manning, Essie

Saturday afternoon. Messrs. Ben Barnhill, C. 3. Holder and Perlie Brown of Williamston were business visitors here Saturday.

Mrs. Charlie James of Robersonvill va sthe guest of Mr. and Mrs. J. L. Davenport a few days this week Mr. Peyton Sykes spent Saturda Goldsboro on a business trip.

Mr. A. E. Manning was in tow londay afternoon on a business trip. Misses Sadie and Myrtle Griffin ment the weekend in the country with their parents.

Messrs. J. W. Peasley and E. H Drum of Richmond were here this week attending to business matters.

Mrs. C. C. Walton was the guest of Mrs. Herbert Lilley Saturday. Messrs F S Daw, U S Hassell and Edward Evans motored to Williamston

Mr. and Mrs. Frank Hardison spent this week in town with the former' father, Mr J. F. Hardison.

Mr. W. W Roberson was in tow Wednesday for a few hours Mr. and Mrs. John aFgan, Mrs. E Smithwick, Mrs. Blanche Blount and Miss Stella Davenport spent Wed-

nesday afternoon in Washington. Among the business visitors in fow this week were Messrs. Clyde Owens H. B. Holloman of Williamton, George Coitrain W. K. Parker and P E. Man

ning Mr. and Mrs J W Martin and fam ly wish to express their thanks to their friends and neghbors who were so kind to them during their illness with influenza.

VERDICT OF NOT GUILTY IN THE GOD AIN CASE

In the face of the evidence given and laid down by the State the jury neturned a verdict of Not Guilty this merning in the C. H. Godwin trial.

FARMERS MEETING ON SATUR DAY, APRIL 8

Mr. J. B. Lawley, organizer for the Tobacco Growers Cooperative Marville. keting Association was i ntown Wednesday making preparations to reorganize a sign up campaign for the spring. A meeting will be held at months.



listinguished orator of Kentucky, will give his famous lecture "The Challenge of the Times." at the Christian Church, here on Thursday April 6 at 8:00 P. M. "All red-blooded American citizens-both men and womenarp invited."

As a citizen cannot choose what laws he will obey, so likewise those charged with law enforcement cannot choose what laws they will enforce. Those charged with law enforcemen must enforce all the laws and all good citizens must obey all the laws. Neither can exercise any right of choice in this matter without placing themselves above the law .- Atty.-Gen

eral Daugherty OAK CITY NEWS

> AND PERSONALS Misses Eva Peel and Millie Rosbuck and Mr. Herman Rawls of Roberson ville were in Oak City Friday. Messrs. Baxter and Russell Carson

Sunday evening. Mrs. Sallie Harreil was hosteas to the members of the Latles Aid So-

ciety last Tuesday evening. The meeting was unusually 's go and after the business session was over refreshment consisting of fruit and candy were corved,

On account of the illues of five of the Oak-City teachers school has been suspended and will be until the foilowing Monday as the influenza collemic has spread throughout the community.

"hursday afternoon on the court of the Oak City school. The first game was played by the Jak City boys a

gainst those of Hassell, the score was 11-4 in favor of Hassell The next game was played by the girls of the two towns and the final score was 2-4 in favor of Oak City.

Mr. Wilbur Barrett of Suifolk spent the weekend with his sister. Mrs. Wilbur Worsley while enroute to Farm-

The stores of Oak City will all close at seven o'clock P. M., beginning now ear half moon over. and continuing through the summer

No. 2. One pale red and white heifer. One year old with half moon

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AD IN THE ENTERPRISE

LAW ENFORCEMENT ADDRESS FARM LOAN BANKS FALL DOWN ON JOB

The Williamston National Farm Loan Association out of a large number of applications recently sent to the Farm Loan Bank n Columbia, S. C., has been notified that more than three fourths of the applications wors turned down. The excuse offered was that the banks found it hard to get money.

It is not surprising to those who know or to those who think. The true solution is this: a law great banking and money interests in New York who have full power under the present administration to do their own way are unwilling that any should have a show except themselves. They

say if we are to handle the people we must help them in a c.amp, we must hold them in a jam and so long as we are abhe to do that we can use them as we please. We can make the lash and we can wield it. They also say that if farmers can borrow their reasonable needs from the Farm Loan Banks that it will relieve the country that they will lose their power and the folks will be free again.

Now where does the fault lie? It lies in the halls of Congress. New York says to the eladers don't help the farmers, if you do we will not be able to dictate to them, hence the powers that be in Congress take the cue and nothing is odne. If the members of Congress would stand, fight an dpush these matters to the front we would get much relief but the pity is they do not, they leave the job; they run around to make money and get votes. We see such too often, even in our own state. Congress can force the Land Banks to issue bonds in any amount and they readily seil, better than any other class of bonds. and Mr. Brown of Bethel were in town If Congress would pass such a law, the south and west could easily eonvert their burdensome debts to long term, easy payment debts and busis ness would ease up immediately. If the present gang stays in, there will

be but one place to get money-Wall Street, PRESBYTERIAN SERVICES Rev. J. T. Wildman will preach at

Hobgood on next Sunday morning and at Roanoke Church in the afternoon. Bible class at Mrs. Pittman's in Oak City every Monday night. and Two basket hall games were played at Mrs. Julia Ward's in Parmele on luesday nights.

HAVE A FE WSETTINGS OF PARK

strain Plymouth Rocks. \$1.50 pes setting of 15. J. W. Ward, City 21

STRAY CATTLE ADVERTISED

The following cattle have been in my field six weeks owner can get them by paying fo rdamages.

No. 1. One pale red and white heifer, looks to be about two years old. Half moon under right ear, left

No mber until I left. I expected	to the account of R. L. Little on a	the name of Godwin and Feel. I had it to pay and lost \$1700.00 and found	about four months ago he suffered a	the court house on Saturday April		in right ear.
hit to give his note for it. Luther	mortgage held by Wynne and Wil	the stock was bought in his own name	pain from the complication of diseases	8th at 2 P. M. All members of the	METHODIST CHURCH SERVICES	No. 8. One brown spotted cod, looks
. Le I told me he had charged then.	liams. He then went over a long list	and I got nothing. Godwin did the	until his death. He lacked just one	Association will be asked to attend	L. C. Larkin, Pastor	to be about four or five years old.
w muny to my account. I did not	of stocks which he had hypothicat	whole transaction. The bank paid for	month of being forty-five years old	in order that proper township organi-	Sunday school, 9:45 A. M.	Crop and slit in right sar, laft eac
allow balebail overdraft until ordered	in different parts of North Carolina.	the Hassell and Godwin transactions	and was the son of the late J. R.	zations may be perfected. The Ware-	Morning service, 11:00 A. M.	crop off.
to by Mr. Staton. All automobile aca	He also claimed to have delivered	by Godwin's orde rand he also paid	Ward and wife, aMry. He married	house Committee will meet at Raleigh	Afternoon service at Vernon church	B. B. SHERROD, Hamilton.
counts were authorized by J. G. State	bonits to those who had bought them.	for the Coca Cola transaction with the	Miss Sabrina Gurganus, who with	April 7th for the purpose of making	8:00 o'clock.	
ton T D. ork owed \$5000 and	Redirect Examination	bank's money. Godwin told me, in-		neady the warehouses and handle the	Evening service, 7:45 P. M.	NOTICE
awigid \$6900. Also	He made explanation of the \$6500	drawing papers for his kiting deals,	leayes three sisters, Mrs. W. J. Bul-	1922 crop. All markets where a rea-	You are cordially invited to attend	North Carolina, Martia County
conclusion of W. H. Crawford's	read coupons; \$500 Holliday bond;	to sign Luther Peel and M. L. Peel	lock of Suffolk; Mrs. James Bennett	sonable number of members are lo-	all of these services.	To W J Griffin and others:
1 52, at a b b Weavers', W. B.	\$500 J. D. Bowen bond and the \$500	and then he would frequently sign	and Mrs. Emma Thompson.	cated will have a cooperative ware-		You will take notice that we pur-
Lide see ft Roberson's; J. T.	John T. Price bond, all with school-	Peel and Co., himself. He used all		house if they so desire.	SUNDAY SCHOOL AT BIGGS'	chased fifty five acres of Briley land,
Trie's; M P Taylors; W. H. Harrell's	boy drill and pomp. Also the Tyre	kinds of ficticious names in his kiting.	the army and served in the Spanish			listed to W Griffin, Hamilton town-
J. L. Barnfull's; W. A Perrys; Biggs	and Rogerson losses which he had	all the proceeds of which went to	War as sergeant. After the war he	SERVICES AT BAPTIST CHURCH	The regular Sunday school exercises	ship, at a sheriffs sale for taxes at
Robersons; W B. Britton; C. D Car-	charged to the expense account.	Godwin's personal accoun'. Godwin	was employed by N. S. Peel and Co.	A. V. Joyner, Pamor		the court house door in Martin coun-
starthen and A B. Ayers."	No explanation was made about the	frequently had me sign papers in	as salesman and soon thereafter was	Sunday School, 9:45 A. MJ. C.	House Sunday afternoon at three o'-	ty on Monday June 6th, 1921. You
He swoer that the Council loan was	Rev. J. H. Garner's \$500 bonds that	blank and he later filled them in. All	chief of police of Williamston. After	Anderson, Supt.		will further take notice that unless
authorized and that the Graxes loan		the ficticious names were in Godwin's	serving one term as such he took up	Classes well organized and taught	to attend.	redemption is made I will demand a
was authorized. That he first borrow-	V. G Taylor was the next witness	handwriting. Godwin was boss in the	the mechani's trade and has engage	by good teachers. You come and bring	JAMES E. HARRELL, Supt.	deed for said land at the expiration
ed \$18,000 and ten \$12,000 at Green-	He testified that he and Godwin had	bank, whatever he said, went. God-	in the contracting and building bus-	the children.		of one year from June 6th, 1921.
ville; \$50,000 from the Imperial To-	had some conversation about the base-	win took more than 31-69 coupons	iness since.	Sermon by the pastor 11:00 A. M	NOTICE	This 3rd day of March, 1928.
bacco Co., at Richmond.	ball account in New York. That God	out of cash.	He was a member of the Masonic	Subject: "The Mind of Christ."	North Carolina, Martin County	F. L. HAISLIP, and
	win had done some kiting through his	al	order, a Woodman and an Elk. A	At 3:00 in the alternoon the pas-	To L. J. Davenport and others:	D. G. MATTHEWS.
here.)	bank, the Planters and Merchants		member of the Christian church, his	tor will preach at Riddick's G ove.	You will take notice that we pur-	and a second
As to the contingency account: \$4,-	Bank in Everetts, that it was worse		funeral was conducted by Asa J. Man-	B. Y. P. U. 7:15 P M.	chased one hundred and seventy four	
- ra haged to Expense item. In	n 1920 and that he would always	am an accountant by profession, with	ning and A. V. Joyner, followed by	Sermon by the pastor 8:00 P M	acres Coburn land listed to L J Daven-	a m n A M n
	d a ge items just as they came in and	the firm Pullen, Henderron and Co. of	the Masonic burial ceremony.	Subject: "A Faithful Saying"	port, Hamilton township, at a sheriffs	- STRAND-
• \$100.0° i. mers and Merchant	that Godwin closed his account in	Richmond, Lynchburg and Raleigh. 1		On the Fourth Sunday in April, Dr.	sale for taxes at the court house door	-THEATRE-
- n's L' en l'on l'ost 4500, bank		was suggested to andit the Peoples		E. D. Poe, pastor of Temple Baptist		
. Paleigh, \$1270 cash out of balanc.	John D. Biggs stated that he was			church of Durham, will be with the	1921 You will further take notice	r i i i i i i i i i i i i i i i i i i i
i il of whith makes up the \$4,000 miss-		the National, State and City Bank of	which had no connection whâtever		that unless redemption is made I will	Comments on "The Old Nest"
ing.	chants Bank, had attended many	Richmond and approved by Mr. Clar- ence Latham, Chief State Bank Ex-	with bonds. I have no hostility a- gainst Godwin. I had never heard of		demand a deed for said land at the	by exhibitors who have shown is
He said he did not know that the ledger sheets had been taken; he die	banker's meetings with Godwin, had never seen him drunk at one nor had	aminer of North Carolina. Mr., Rennie		ate with us in these meetings, that	expiration of one year from June 6	Excellent.
1 ot tell anyoen to take them out. He	ever seen him drunk at one nor had				This 8rd day of March, 1922.	Please 100 per cent.
so said that al lithe notes were read		work. It took more than two months	the Samuel Rodgerson and James R.	all may receive a blessing.	F. L. HAISLIP and	-a picture that pleases both
out and approved by the Finance com-		an dit should not have taken ten days		NOTICE	D. G. MATTHEWS.	yound and old.
		had the books been right. No record			D. G. MATTHEWS.	-one of the best picture ever
inittee.	ston item he understood Walston was		many things. He could not explain		NOTICE	shown in this theatra.
	know he had paid it. Godwin told		them, except that he attempted to		North Carolina, Martin County,	-one of the finest pictures ever
	him he would pay the interest and					made.
not for my penere. The \$2,850 item	the \$200 note due and he drew on	Godwin's desk The account of the	pense item, which he claimed he had		Notice is hereby given that I pur-	-Broke all house records.
	him for \$299. That if he had known		paid years before; he also stated he		chased the town lot in Williamston	-truly a slice of life.
Liting toma I carried the Ni-	that Walston had paid the entire note	kent in a lump sum and there was no			listed to Lizzie Slight, it being- the	it will please any audience
trate Age of items in cash to create	he would have demanded it all.	way to trace and identify same. We	vious time and charged ame to bank	NOTICE: I HAVE TAKEN UP	Willie Slight place at a sheriff's sale	100 per cent from any angle.
reserve. I charged expenses of \$367	The next witness was Luther Peel,		We could find no evidence of same.		for taxes at the court house door in	
which I had short in 1917 out of my	the young man Godwin had victim-			old, black with white spots; one two-	Martin county on Monday, June 6th,	"THE OLD NEST"
own pocket this item."	ized and led into dark places to help	counted and notes sent out and no		year-old red with white face and a		
He also stated about a loss of \$1	him in his "crafts." He was a wit-	record made of same. We found no		one-year-old red. All unmarked. The		HALLS MUMPAL
a file and made some type of	ness for the state but the defense	Ed Walston account and I looked dil-		owner will please call for them and		
explanation about the lost \$1000 J. R.	thought it best to call him themselves,	igently for same. We found the Hol-	notes put in bank on January 4th.	pay for this advertisement. W. B.	This March 6th, 1922.	8:00 P. M.
Type bond and stated that he put	t it did not take long however for them	liday, Price and Bowen bonds for \$500	1921 amounting to \$83,475,70.	Knox, Route 5, Williamston N C.	J. B. H. KNIGHT,	
Agre would date white the part		A - Constant - Constant				
and the second	and the second		in the second			
the second se				and the second	and the first of the second	