

McKNIGHT'S MIND WEAK

Father of Alleged Check Flasher Goes on the Stand.

DEFENDANT IS BOUND TO THE HIGHER COURT

Recorder Smith Requires Bond of \$200 of Roy McKnight, the Young White Man. Charged With Using Two Forged Checks in the City—Father of the Defendant Testifies That His Son Has Been in Same Trouble Several Times Before—Bond is Signed by Mr. Paul Chatham.

In the preliminary hearing before Recorder Smith this morning, Roy A. McKnight was arraigned upon two charges of forgery. When asked by the recorder as to his guilt, McKnight stated that he was guilty. His attorney, Mr. W. S. O'B. Robinson, Jr., entered a plea of not guilty.

Mr. L. W. Porter was introduced as the first witness. He testified that he was a traveling salesman, selling Miller shoes and was assisting the force in the Bitrite shoe store as a salesman temporarily. He sold the defendant a pair of shoes for \$5 and defendant offered check payable to J. H. Wood, signed by H. G. Link, for \$22.75. Witness went to Mr. Mobley, manager of the store, who gave him the change, \$17.75, which he in turn gave the defendant. Witness did not remember having heard any remarks made by the check.

Mr. H. G. Link was introduced and testified that the signature on the check was not in his handwriting and did not bear any resemblance to his signature. He had never seen the defendant before and knew no person by the name of J. H. Wood. He knew no person who defendant should use his signature to work for with. An introduced and identified papers found in the possession of McKnight after the arrest and stated that he had had no conversation with McKnight in regard to the checks or upon any matter in connection with the case.

Patrolman McKnight who arrested the defendant testified that he was sent to the Stoneyard Hotel Sunday afternoon after the police had been notified that the check given at the Stoneyard had been presented and stolen in the lobby of the hotel for the defendant to cash. He stated that Mr. W. T. McCoy had come to police headquarters and said that a bogus check on his firm had been presented at the Stoneyard and that he desired that a look out be kept on the perpetrator arrested. Witness went to the hotel about 2 o'clock in the afternoon and waited in the lobby until 4:15 p. m. when the defendant appeared and asked for the money and then the arrest was made. Witness did not ask defendant any questions about the act.

Mr. W. T. McCoy was introduced and stated that the check presented was the regular form of business check used by his firm. His firm's checks, however, were serially numbered by a machine and this check was numbered with a pen. He knew no one by the name of Wood, as the check was made out, and had not signed or authorized any one to sign a check to this party. The check was signed with a rubber stamp in the firm's name and countersigned by W. T. McCoy, with a pen. Mr. McCoy upon examining the check stated that the signature was not in his hand writing and bore no resemblance to his signature.

Mr. C. D. McKnight, father of the young man, was next introduced and stated that for the past five years mentally. He had given checks in this way but on no occasion had he ever attempted to leave the city in which he had given the checks. He had been notified on several occasions given by his son. On one occasion the boy had made a check and received payment for \$500 and upon the amount was only about \$5 of the amount and was going to cash the check with the remaining amount in his pocket. This occurred in Chicago.

On another occasion he had been fined on the same offense in Washington and was released from the custody of the court with the recommendation that the boy be placed in an asylum. He was accordingly placed in the Virginia State Asylum at Staunton, Va., from which place he later escaped and went to New York. The witness stated that he supposed the defendant had given as many as 50 checks in this way. When being asked by Attorney Robinson whether the defendant had ever been examined as to his sanity by a physician, witness stated that he had been several times mentally unbalanced by objects to this evidence being introduced and the court sustained the objection, taking the ground that if the court assumed the responsibility of passing upon the mental condition of the defendant he would be assuming responsibility belonging to a jury. Attorney Robinson stated that if the court would allow further evidence upon the case. Upon consultation of counsel on both sides a bond of \$200 was agreed upon for the prisoner's appearance at the next term of the criminal court which will convene on the third Monday in April.

The bond was signed by Mr. Paul Chatham and the defendant released in the custody of his father.

John R. Smith Shows Coming. A contract has been signed with Mr. Ed. Rice, representing the John R. Smith Shows, for the appearance of that organization in Charlotte during the week of May 26. The large opera house on the corner of Fourth and Popular streets will be used for the performances.

Rheumatism.

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BAZAAR HAS

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among them being Bill Skinner, the Carolina coon; the three Williams Brothers, dancing; Billy Kincaid, flute soloist; Miss Margaret Irwin, reader; and Farmer Green, presenting a long repertoire of farm juggling, jigs, etc., also the Linette Quartette; Whipper-will Ed, tenor; Otis O'Daniel, song; Miss Blair, Mao Hunter, artistic terpsichorean exhibition; Erice Howell, Yodel songs; Miss Alice Fielding, recitations; the Arabian Quartette; Miss Thekla Rodder, violin.

A complete list of those appointed in the various departments above named are given below:

Kitchen—Mrs. Furber Jones, assisted by Mrs. Wilson and Mrs. George Adams; dining room: Mrs. Winchester, assisted by Mrs. J. F. Robertson, Mrs. James Watt, Mrs. Newell, Mrs. G. G. Ray, Mrs. P. R. McNinch, Mrs. Keester Hall, Mrs. B. Nixon, Mrs. Agee and Mrs. Stewart, Misses Vashti Jones, Willie Smith, Nellie Ray, Martha Moore, Kate Stratton and Annie Belle Finger, George East and Mary Sims, Kathleen Stearn, Helen Whelan, Hattie Kirby, Ruth Lillard, Jean Dowd, Rosalie Wilkinson, Margaret Hall; country stores, Mrs. J. E. Wedington, assisted by Mrs. John W. Smith, Mrs. E. W. Thompson, Mrs. George Wearn, Mrs. Luke Seawell, Mrs. Ted Moffatt, Mrs. William Clark, Mrs. Marion Moore, Mrs. Morris McDonald, Mrs. George East and Mrs. Will Petty, Mrs. Hart, Mrs. James Northey, Mrs. Charles Hooper, Mrs. L. J. Townsend, Misses Susie Hutchins and Mary Johnson, Martha Howell, Annie G. East, Camille Durham, Lilly May Loving, Susie Cowles, Ethel Durham and Adelaide Orr; on votes: Mrs. L. A. Dodsworth, assisted by Mrs. W. E. Liddell, Mrs. Syd Alexander, Mrs. Gillespie Sadler, Mrs. J. M. Scott, Mrs. Max Hunter, and Misses Louie Jones, Sarah Jones, Matt Dowd, Sarah Brockenbrough, Helen Liddell, Stuart Jones, Lucy Robertson, Martha Howell, fancy work: Mrs. Est Williams and Mrs. Pat M. Cave, Mrs. J. J. Rogers, Mrs. Jesse Oldham, Mrs. Pearl McCausland, Mrs. Arthur Walker, Mrs. A. Bunn, Mrs. Laura Hawley, Mrs. G. G. Ray, Mrs. W. H. Kibble, and Misses Lucy Oakes, Kettle Walker, Fan Sims, Reilly; ice cream and soft drinks: Mrs. Hugh Murrill, assisted by Mrs. R. K. Blair, Miss Minnie Smith, Mrs. H. O. Miller, Mrs. W. J. Chambers; Misses Helen Liddell, Marguerite Springs, Bleeker Reid, Ruth Reilly, Blandina Springs, Nancy Brown; candy kitchen: Mrs. T. S. Franklin, assisted by Mrs. H. O. Miller, Mrs. W. J. Chambers; Mrs. F. Watson, Mrs. W. L. Butt, Mrs. Hiram Lambeth, Mrs. Don Richardson, Miss Laurie Spong, Margaret King, Margaret Irwin, Bessie Stearn, Lilly May Loving.

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AMUSEMENTS

"Buster Brown."

"Hall to the King of Mischief-Makers" is said to be the greeting accorded to the "Buster Brown," everywhere it has been presented (this season. This little rascal will be seen at the Academy of Music, Thursday, matinee and night.

It is needless to say that he will be accompanied by "Tige" and "Mary Jane," each of whom is a willing accessory to his mischief-making. But that is not all, for Buster is a lively youngster, who has an eye for beauty. He, therefore, insisted that he be surrounded with a chorus of pretty girls in the most beautiful costumes that could be designated as such, and this was done. Then there is music and singing and dancing, besides a lot of specialty features that keep things moving every minute during the entertainment. Critics have described the play as being "an unbroken chain of joyous mirth."

"Buster Brown" is not a new play, one that the theatre-going public must experiment with. It has been tried out and has pleased the public. It has made thousands of people laugh and so was retained by the management to make them take an easier view of life for having seen the piece. The costumes and stage effects are said to be up to any ever seen in this section of the country, as they were made especially for this tour. The cast is composed of well known fun makers who never lose an opportunity to create a laugh. No play on tour has been more enthusiastically received, nor received more unstinted praise from the principals, have good voices and know how to use them, while the girls are put through marches and dances like clockwork. The marceas are not the least of the attractive features. Then there are specialties that give a touch of the vaudeville,

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Several American tours and appearances at prominent musical festivals have made his name well known, and resulted in numerous engagements for this popular singer.

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Meeting Continues With Much Interest. The meeting with the North Charlotte Baptist church continues with unabated interest. The possibilities of the soul-winner was the subject of Evangelist Phillips last night. There was a large manifestation of interest by both Christians and un-saved.

Possibly at no time since the meeting began was there such an expression of desire by Christians for their unsaved loved ones and friends. A great many asked for prayer and there were a great many open professions of faith and four accessions to the church.

The indications are for a widespread interest during the week. Services will continue every night at 7:30.

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