The check-on-the-truck bounced

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Leslie hold the check up in front of the closed circuit TV camera in order to make a permanent record of the check.

John got the ten dollars. He says he is going to frame it. It only took an hour and a half.

Dean called us of having cashed a check written on a watermelon, and collected.

He said the best one he knew of was the case of a man who was behind in payments on a truck. The man wrote a check on the side of the truck. In this manner he stepped up the legal machinery for a month or two, since once they took payment they would have to give the truck back, which somehow kept them from being able to repossession the truck. Then someone noticed that he had insufficient funds to cover the draft, so the truck bounced.

I signed the release and prepared to carry the cancelled blackboard back to John's office. "Don't worry about the service charge," Dean said. "It was pretty funny. But don't have all your friends come in here with weird checks. It can be done — they don't have to prove it." He had one last thing to say: "We fulfilled our legal obligations. I had your friend here sign the back of the check..."