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VERDICT IN "BLACKLIST" CASE.

Richland County Jury Finds Adversely to Granby Mills.

(Columbia Record, 4th.) In the case of O. M. Rhodes against the Granby Cotton Mill, the jury last evening returned a verdict for \$10,000 damages in favor of the plaintiff, the damages being divided into \$2,000 actual and \$8,000 punitive damages.

This is the first case ever tried in this State for "blacklisting," and the points of fact and law involved are most important. Rhodes, who is a one-armed man, brought suit, alleging that his name had been included in a list sent by President Parker, of the Granby mill, to other mills in the State, saying that he was a striker and that by reason of this letter he had been unable to secure employment at certain mills to which he applied, among them the Columbia Duck Mill. He claimed that he was not a striker, but that after his sons struck the superintendent told him he must get off the grounds of the Granby mill, where he and his family lived, Rhodes himself being employed as a truck hand. President Parker's position was that he did not send out a "blacklist" but merely wrote to about fifty mills in the State, the management of which was friendly to him personally, correcting erroneous statements contained in a newspaper account of the strike. He testified that no agreement or understanding existed between the mills as to the employment or non-employment of labor and that nothing in the rules of the cotton mill associations relates to this subject.

The strike was the outcome of the superintendent refusing to let a loom-fixer off to play base ball. The manager claimed that there was an understanding when the Granby baseball club was organized in 1907 that it would confine its match games to Saturdays so as not to interfere too seriously with the mill work, and that this man was refused permission to get off in the middle of the week when the mill was short of loom-fixers. The man who caused the trouble about the base ball claimed, as did other members of the team, that the understanding was that a base ball player might get off any time if he put on a substitute at the mill. In this instance it is claimed he offered to put the substitute on.

The verdict in the Rhodes case is one of the most important in the history of mill cases in the State, and is of great interest throughout the South. Judge Memminger, in charging the jury, said it was the most important case that had ever come before him. It is the first trial of a blacklist case in the courts of this State, and the final outcome when the issues are passed upon in the Supreme Court will be watched with the keenest interest. There are thirty-six names on the list sent out.

A member of the jury said to-day that the jury agreed that the Rhodes case was the cleanest conducted prosecution any of them had ever sat in. Five minutes after retiring the foreman called for a hand primary as to how many members of the jury believed that every allegation in the complaint had been proved, and every hand went up.

Bigham Obeys Bishop.

Atlanta, Ga., Dec. 6.—After visiting Bishop Hendrix at Searcy, Ark., and being told "Newman is your charge" go there and do your duty. Rev. R. J. Bigham returned to Atlanta to-day and prepared to resume his church work at Newnan, where he was stationed last year previously to being changed at the recent conference held here.

The bishop's decision brings to a close the fight which promised to split Methodism throughout the State. Mr. Bigham was appointed to St. John's church, at Augusta, at the last conference, but a protest from that church caused the Bishop to change him to the presiding eldership of the Atlanta district. Here another protest resulted, and to settle difficulties, Bishop Hendrix sent him back to his former charge at Newnan.

THE COUNTY S. S. CONVENTION.

Program of Meeting to be Held with Seneca Baptist Church in January.

The following is the program for the third annual convention of the Oconee County Sabbath Schools, to be held at Seneca January 12th and 13th, 1910: (Some few changes may occur in the program later.)

First Day—Wednesday.

Morning Session.

10 o'clock—Prayer and praise service.

10.15—Report of organized townships; Center township, Mrs. J. G. Graham, secretary; Wagener township, W. C. Hughes, secretary. Report of County Superintendent of Home Department, A. P. Brown; report of County Superintendent of Organized Adult Classes, Joseph H. Burgess; report of County Treasurer, Rev. J. L. Singleton.

11 o'clock—Song service.

11.10—Enrollment of delegates and acquaintance meeting. Appointing of committees.

Afternoon Session—Devoted to Sunday School Teachers.

2.30—Song service.

2.45—In the Footsteps of the Great Teacher, Prof. D. W. Daniel.

3.15—Teacher's preparation for the class (5-minute talk), John T. Lawrence. Teacher's week-day duties to the class (5-minute talk), J. T. Bryant. Some of the common errors made by Sunday school teachers (5-minute talk), W. N. Bruce. The teacher's duty to the superintendent (5-minute talk), F. M. Cary.

3.40—Round Table, by J. M. Way.

4.00—Teachers' meetings and teacher training, Rev. M. E. Peabody.

Night Session.

7.15—Song service.

7.30—Twentieth Century Sunday School Awakening, by Rev. J. L. Vass.

7.55—Song.

8.00—How the Organized Sunday School Movement Helps the Denominational Interests, by Rev. W. H. Frazier.

8.30—Pledges for 1910.

8.45—On to Rock Hill, J. M. Way.

Second Day—Thursday, January 13.

Morning Session.

9.45—Devotional exercises.

10.00—The Sunday School Superintendent, by Rev. J. G. Graham.

10.30—The Home Department, by County Superintendent A. P. Brown.

Song.

Second Session—Devoted to Organized Classes.

11.00—How to Get Men to Take An Interest in Sunday School Work, by Rev. T. B. Epting.

11.20—The Organized Adult Class—Its Possibilities, by Rev. C. S. Blackburn.

11.40—Reports from organized classes in Oconee county.

12.00—Round Table, by K. W. Maret.

Afternoon Session.

2.15—Report of committees.

2.30—Election of officers.

Closing of main session.

3.00—The Primary Department, conducted by Miss Grace W. Vandiver, of Spartanburg, State Superintendent of Primary Department, assisted by Mrs. J. N. Herndon, of Seneca, County Superintendent of Primary Department.

To the Superintendents of Oconee County Sabbath Schools:

The Third Annual Convention of Oconee County Sabbath Schools will be held at Seneca on January 12th and 13th, 1910.

If your Sabbath school sent delegates to either Walhalla or Westminster it is not necessary to call your attention to the benefits to be derived from these meetings. If, however, you have not taken part in these conventions we wish to call your attention to a few facts.

At the convention at Seneca we will have some of the best Sunday school workers of upper South Carolina of every denomination to deliver addresses on Sunday school work, which you will note by examining program. You will also note specially the session set apart for Sunday school teachers. Your teacher will be greatly benefited by this session. Note the session set apart for adult classes. Your adult class is a proposition in your Sabbath school. Send a good worker to take this session in. You desire to make your Sunday school better; you desire to see it grow. Attend this convention yourself and bring along two more members of your Sabbath school and note results next spring in your school.

The superintendent and pastor of every Sabbath school is expected, and also two delegates from every school in Oconee county. Send in names at once to W. D. Holland, chairman reception committee, Seneca, S. C. We wish to call especial attention of your primary teachers to the session to be held on the second day of the convention of primary teachers in Oconee. Miss Vandiver is recognized as one of the best in the State in this particular work and your primary teachers cannot afford to miss this session.

Now act promptly. Take this matter up next Sabbath and elect two delegates from your Sabbath school, and remember the superintendent is also expected. Send in names promptly to the chairman of the reception committee at Seneca and entertainment will be provided. Study the program and you will see that you cannot afford to miss the convention.

T. Peden Anderson, Chairman Executive Committee, Jos. H. Burgess, County Secretary, Miss Leah Harpert, Asst. Secretary.

More Danville Proof.

Jacob Schraff, 423 South street, Danville, Ill., writes: "For over 18 months I was a sufferer from kidney and bladder trouble. During the whole time was treated by several physicians and tried several different kidney pills. Seven weeks ago I commenced taking Foley's Kidney Pills and am feeling better every day and will be glad to tell anyone interested just what Foley's Kidney Pills did for me." J. W. Bell, Walhalla.

FARM SCHOOLS MAY RESULT.

If Legislature Will Grant Request of Swearingen and Watson.

State Superintendent of Education Swearingen and Commissioner Watson have about decided to join in a request to the Legislature for State aid to the high schools of the State conducting practice schools, and if this aid is given the end may be a gradual development of a number of high class agricultural schools over the State, which will serve as centres of scientific information to the farmers of the communities contiguous to the schools thus established. The Federal government will, of course, lend the assistance of its experts working in this State.

The schools now conducting these practice farms with great success are the Sumter Memorial Institute, in Sumter county; the Downer Institute, at Beach Island, near Augusta; the Brunson High School, in Hampton county; the State Industrial School for Boys, at Florence, and the negro industrial school at Greenville.

Commissioner Watson gives the negro school at Greenville credit for accomplishing the best work of this kind among all the negro schools of the South, Tuskegee not excepted. Col. John J. Dargan, the head of the school in Sumter county, says not only all his boys, but many of his girl students, are manifesting great interest in the agricultural feature of the school, and all of the teachers are enthusiastic about it. In the few years the school has been in this work it has brought up the productivity of the lands being worked several hundred per cent. The part planted in corn has increased in average yield from 15 bushels to the acre to 85 bushels.

The school in Hampton and the Downer Institute have several years been doing work that has attracted the admiration of all of the experts.

If you are suffering from biliousness, constipation, indigestion, chronic headache, invest one cent in a postal card, send to Chamberlain Medicine Co., Des Moines, Iowa, with your name and address plainly on the back, and they will forward you a free sample of Chamberlain's Stomach and Liver Tablets. Sold by J. W. Bell, Walhalla; C. W. Wickliffe, West Union.

SAILORS BATTLE FIRE AND ICE.

Several Lives Lost in Recent Zero Weather on Great Lakes.

Cleveland, Ohio, Dec. 10.—Information received here to-day stated that the vessel that burned off Southeast Shoal in Lake Erie last night was the freighter Clarion, of the Anchor Line. The first mate and one of the crew perished, while the captain and seven of the crew are adrift somewhere on the lake in a steel life boat. They have not been heard from since leaving the ship. One of the victims froze to death and another was drowned. Six men were taken off the burning boat by a steamer bound for Buffalo. It is feared that some of the thirteen men adrift in the life boat will succumb to the cold.

The survivors of the Hanna were brought here. According to their story all attempted to leave the Clarion as soon as they realized she could not be saved.

Eight men remained on the Clarion after the unlucky boat load had put off.

The mate was frozen to death, having been overcome by smoke and exposed to the weather too long before being discovered. An effort was made by the survivors to enter another life-boat, but it eluded them. One sailor fell overboard and was drowned in his efforts to save the life boat.

Sailors Go Down with Ship.

Buffalo, N. Y., Dec. 10.—The W. C. Richardson, a big steel freighter, sank early yesterday at a point five miles up the lake from Buffalo harbor and five members of the crew went down with the ship. Capt. Griesser and the life-saving crew went to the rescue and saved the other members of the crew, most of whom had grabbed life belts and jumped into the water.

Foley's Orino Laxative

For Stomach Trouble, Sluggish Liver and Habitual Constipation. It cures by aiding all of the digestive organs—gently stimulates the liver and regulates the bowels—the only way that chronic constipation can be cured. Especially recommended for women and children. Clears blotched complexions. Pleasant to take. Refuse substitutes. J. W. BELL, WALHALLA. Stonecypher Pharmacy, Westminster.

COUNTY CLAIMS AUDITED.

At the regular monthly meeting of the Board of County Commissioners, held Friday, December 3, 1909, the following claims were audited:

Table with columns: No., Name, Amt. of Claim. Lists various individuals and their claim amounts, such as Owens, Henry—Dist 11—\$ 1 00, Collins, J M—Dist 42—25 10, etc.

Road Machine.

Table with columns: No., Name, Amt. of Claim. Lists claims for road machines, such as Cain, M W—\$ 31 50, Brewer, H A—4 00, etc.

Roads and Bridges.

Table with columns: No., Name, Amt. of Claim. Lists claims for roads and bridges, such as Vaughan, J H—\$ 1 50, Chapman, H C—13 95, etc.

Poor Farm and Poor.

Table with columns: No., Name, Amt. of Claim. Lists claims for poor farm and poor, such as Carter & Co—\$23 60, Moss & Ansel—60 75, etc.

Contingent.

Table with columns: No., Name, Amt. of Claim. Lists contingent claims, such as Happ Bros. Co, convict clothing—\$ 3 27, Moss & Ansel—75, etc.

Constable.

Table with columns: No., Name, Amt. of Claim. Lists constable claims, such as Harbin, H C—\$73 00, Mitchell, W W—6 40, etc.

Magistrate.

Table with columns: No., Name, Amt. of Claim. Lists magistrate claims, such as Hopkins, J E—\$ 5 35, McCorkley, J L—25 00, etc.

Lunacy—Cases.

Table with columns: No., Name, Amt. of Claim. Lists lunacy cases, such as Hines, Dr E A—\$10 00, Wickliffe, Dr J W—10 00, etc.

Salaries—November.

Table with columns: No., Name, Amt. of Claim. Lists salaries for November, such as Butler, E C—janitor—\$ 7 00, Schroder, W J—Treas—31 94, etc.

New Hope Locals.

New Hope, Dec. 6.—Special: Jas. White, of Old Pickens, was among friends and relatives here Saturday and Sunday. Miss Hassie Glazener and Miss Alloe White returned to their homes Sunday, after spending the week-end with friend, and relatives at Walhalla. We are having a most successful school with Miss Kate Lusk as our teacher. Ed. White, of Easley, made a brief visit home last week. Many of his friends were glad to see him once again. Mrs. S. Joyce, Claremont, N. H., writes: "About a year ago I bought two bottles of Foley's Kidney Remedy. It cured me of a severe case of kidney trouble of several years' standing. It certainly is a grand, good medicine, and I heartily recommend it." J. W. Bell, Walhalla.

Advertisement for THE Steadfast SHOE. Includes text: 'A Shoe for Gentlemen THE Steadfast SHOE HAND LASTED SILK FITTED. You have but to examine a pair of Steadfast shoes and you will detect the superior features of style and quality in them that you will not find in other shoes that sell for fully 25 to 50 per cent more money.' Also features an image of a shoe and the C. H. Humphries logo.

LABOR LEADERS SCORE POINT.

U. S. Supreme Court to Review the Contempt Cases.

The Supreme Court of the United States has granted the petition for a writ of certiorari in the contempt cases of Samuel Gompers, Frank Morrison and John Mitchell, officers of the American Federation of Labor. The effect of the decision will be to bring the entire record in the Buck's Stove and Range case against these men to the Supreme Court for review.

Gompers, Morrison and Mitchell, who were present in Court, at the time of the decision, did not at first seem to comprehend the announcement, but when J. H. Ralston, their counsel, imparted its purport to them their faces were wreathed in smiles. They immediately fled out of the Court room.

Attorneys for the American Federation of Labor will ask to have dismissed the original anti-boycott injunction issued by Judge Gould in the now famous Buck's Stove and Range Company case. Samuel Gompers, Frank Morrison and John Mitchell, the officers of the Federation, who are now under a contempt of court sentence for violation of the injunction, are also parties to the appeal.

This move, in short, puts it up to the Supreme Court of the United States to decide if the American Federation of Labor boycott of the Buck's Stove and Range Company in its official organ, The Federationist, was a lawful procedure. The Court of Appeals of the District of Columbia has held that it was not, and with some modifications has sustained Judge Gould's injunction.

Torturing eczema spreads its burning area every day. Doan's Ointment quickly stops its spreading, instantly relieves the itching, cures it permanently. At any drug store.

"Overwhelmed" by Liquor.

(Sumter Item.) Statutory prohibition exists in Sumter county, but total, or even anything approximating total abstinence is far from prevailing amongst the people. The express company is almost overwhelmed by the liquor business, and if it keeps up the local office will have to be enlarged. If any one wishes to see how prohibition does not prohibit let him call at the express office any morning. It is but fair to state, however, that despite the numerous quantity of liquor that is brought in by the express company every day, there has been less arrests for public drunkenness since the dispensary closed, and the city recorder has had little to do since November 15.

Advertisement for Electric Bitters. Text: 'Succeed when everything else fails. In nervous prostration and female weaknesses they are the supreme remedy, as thousands have testified. FOR KIDNEY, LIVER AND STOMACH TROUBLE. It is the best medicine ever sold over a druggist's counter.'

TAFT'S MESSAGE TO CONGRESS.

Brief Resume of the Main Points Upon Which He Touches.

President Taft's first annual message to Congress was read in both Houses of that body Tuesday of last week.

His views on different public matters are thus briefly stated: Favors a ship subsidy. Recommends that no more tariff revision be attempted for the present.

Urges the most rigid economy in all appropriations. Expresses satisfaction with the progress of the work on the Panama Canal.

Promises to send to Congress, at an early date, a special message dealing with the anti-trust laws. Recommends the establishment of a national bureau of health.

Promises, at an early date, a special message on the subject of conservation of national resources. Advocates reform in the post office department, with a view of cutting down the large deficit in that department every year. To do this he would restrict the second-class mail privilege.

Favors the establishment of a pension system for the civil employees of the government. Urges a reform in the rules and practices of the courts, so as to bring about a more speedy disposition of all cases.

Recommends legislation to prevent the granting of injunctions without notice. Calls attention to the need of laws to break up the white slave traffic. Recommends the establishment of postal banks.

Postpones discussion of the Nicaragua trouble until a later date, when he will treat it in a special message. Tells Congress that the time-honored Monroe doctrine is still in force and effect.

Reports friendly relations with all European and Asiatic governments. Recommends the admission of the territories of Arizona and New Mexico as separate States.

Promises vigorous prosecution of all who have been shown to be concerned in the frauds in the customs department. Declares that the increase in the cost of living cannot be charged to the protective tariff system.

Children Cry FOR FLETCHER'S CASTORIA

Senator Mooney Heads Minority.

Washington, Dec. 10.—In caucus yesterday afternoon the Democratic Senators elected Senator H. D. Mooney, of Mississippi, as minority leader of the Senate to succeed Senator Culberson, of Texas, whose resignation was presented. Senator Mooney, who is now serving the last year of his term, has been in the Senate twelve years and was vice chairman of the caucus when Senator Culberson resigned. Senator Shively, of Indiana, was elected vice chairman.

Chamberlain's Cough Remedy

Cures Colds, Croup and Whooping Cough.