

# RAILROAD EMPLOYEES.

## DAMAGES FOR BLACKLISTING.

### Case Successfully Pushed Against Northwestern Railroad.

Chicago, November 18.—Fred R. Ketcham was awarded a verdict of \$21,053 by the jury in Judge Clifford's court to-day in his suit against the Northwestern Railroad for \$25,000 damages for blacklisting.

The case of Ketcham against the Northwestern company has been on trial for nearly three weeks and has been of great interest to men employed in the railroad business.

During the great strike of the American Railway Union, Ketcham was employed as a conductor for the Northwestern Railroad. He joined the strikers and the evidence showed he attended some of the meetings in the interest of the A. R. U. Since the strike Ketcham claims he has been unable to secure steady employment owing to the fact that he was blacklisted. He obtained several positions with other roads, but after working a short time, was discharged, he alleged, without cause.

Not long ago Ketcham secured employment with the Michigan Central Elevator Company, at Kensington, and moved his family to that suburb. He worked a short time there and was discharged. The trial throughout was a hotly contested one on both sides and some interesting incidents occurred. Once during the trial Judge Clifford was asked to issue bench warrants for the arrest of T. B. Lawrence, Superintendent of the Wisconsin division of the Northwestern road and E. E. Osborn, attorney for the company. It was represented to the court by the plaintiff's attorney that Lawrence and Osborn and possibly other officials of the road had attempted to induce Andrew Stader, who had been subpoenaed for the plaintiff to leave the city for the purpose of avoiding the summons of the court. Judge Clifford at the time refused the request, and the matter is still pending, as his honor said he would institute an investigation after the case was sent to the jury. Many witnesses for both sides were heard during the trial, and at each session of the court the room was crowded with men who claimed to have been deprived of work in the same manner as the plaintiff. The case will probably be appealed.

## Equipment of Safety Appliances.

Washington, November 19.—The Interstate Commerce Commission desires to correct the recently published statement that only the New York Central and the Chicago, Burlington & Quincy railroads are fully equipped with safety appliances.

Out of 436 roads that have reported to the Commissioner in the matter of safety appliances, seventy-five roads, or 17.20 per cent. will be equipped with automatic couplers by January 1, 1898.

Out of 435 roads, sixty, or 14 per cent., will be equipped with train brakes by the same period, and out of 517 roads, 96 per cent., or almost all, will be provided with power driving wheel brakes on locomotives.

A number of protests have been filed against allowing the roads any extension of time for completing the equipment of their rolling stock with safety appliances, but what action will be taken by the organizations of employes and other representatives of labor through their executive officers is as yet unknown.

## Railway Notes.

Topeka switchmen's ball at Hamilton Hall to-morrow night.

An elaborate X-ray apparatus has been purchased for the Santa Fe hospital at Topeka.

Mrs. Irene Frisbie will erect an additional dwelling and make other improvements on her Topeka property on Jefferson street.

The Rock Island's winter time card went into effect Sunday. The plug from Horton to Kansas City was not put on, but may go on in the spring.

Harry Snyder, of Newton, was brought to the Santa Fe hospital last week with a badly crushed hand. He is a Santa Fe brakeman, and while switching in the yards at Newton his hand was caught between the couplers.

Tony Werries, a freight brakeman on the Santa Fe running out of Hutchinson, was caught by the wheels while making a coupling at Fruit Valley last week. His leg was so badly crushed that amputation was necessary.

Emporia lodge No. 53, of the Brotherhood of Railway Trainmen, are prepar-

ing to give the biggest dance of the year at the wigwam Thursday, December 16. The invitation committee consists of L. O. Williams, J. F. Lightner, W. S. Cummings, W. E. Miller and J. E. Martindale.

## Santa Fe Shop Notes.

J. D. Shearer of the coach shops has been sick.

President Ripley's special car is in the repair shops.

Frank White is confined to his home with typhoid fever.

James Kelley was not at work Friday because of sickness.

August Ehrhardt is laid up with a felon on one of his fingers.

The planing mill has received an order for material for 200 box cars.

Christ Cunningham has been on the sick list for the past ten days.

Joseph Hagen of the coach department was visiting in Kansas City last week.

Carl Osborn of the car shops is again at work after being sick for some time.

Master Mechanic G. W. Smith made a business trip to Argentine last week.

Rev. Chas. M. Sheldon conducted a meeting at noon Friday in the tin shops.

William Williams and wife have returned home from an extended wedding tour.

Matthew Scott has returned to work in the car shops after two weeks' illness.

Two engines from the Atlantic & Pacific are being repaired at the machine shops.

David Elder, who was formerly with the Cremerie, has gone to work in the boiler shops.

Alexander Erickson of the coach department was not at work last week because of illness.

Andy Seifer, assistant foreman in the boiler shops, was in the hospital several days last week.

Joseph Houston, employed in the car shops, is unable to be at work on account of sickness.

The home of J. W. Miller was burned down last week together with most of the household effects.

Frank Gibler of the blacksmith department had one of his fingers crushed last Thursday morning.

Nicholas Clausen, employed in the planing mill, is one of the Santa Fe's oldest employes in the shops.

T. A. Hodges of the store department has been transferred to Wellington, and will have charge of the store house there.

Mrs. G. L. Stone, wife of Switchman Stone, who has been seriously ill at the Stormont hospital, is slowly recovering.

Benjamin Lane of the bridge crew, who was injured while at work on a bridge near Atchison, is able to be up, but has not left the hospital.

Mrs. Mergan, wife of Foreman Mergan of the coach department, who was injured about three weeks ago by a fall, is able to be about on crutches.

The oil furnace for heating bolts has been thoroughly tested and Foreman French of the blacksmith department says it is practical and two more with slight improvements will be made.

## Mrs. Sauer Gets a Compromise.

The damage suit of Mrs. Mary E. Sauer, widow of Julius F. Sauer, the express messenger who was killed in the Santa Fe wreck near Emporia on September 8, was speedily settled in the District court of Wyandotte county, last week.

The suit which was for \$10,000 was filed with the clerk of the court shortly before 3 o'clock Wednesday, and fifteen minutes later the attorneys for the defendant corporations filed a stipulation of compromise and the defendants confessed judgment in the sum of \$4,500. The money was paid over and the case was settled.

## Name of Southern Division Changed.

The southern division of the Santa Fe will be known as the Oklahoma division after the first of the month. The change is made from the fact that there is a "southern division" on the Gulf, Colorado & Santa Fe road, another of the system lines, and at different times mistakes have been made in regard to the two divisions.

The southern division embraces the main line from Newton to Purcell, the Panhandle branch from Wellington to Panhandle, the Florence branch from Florence to Englewood, and the Augusta branch from Augusta to Mulvane, and comprises over 900 miles of track. F. T. Dolan is the present Superintendent.

## OUT-OF-WORK COLUMN.

Short notices for persons desiring employment will be inserted in this column without charge. Answers may be sent direct to advertisers or in care of the Advocate and News.

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## Publication Notice.

In the District court of Shawnee county, Kansas, No. 19075.

N. W. Vandyke, plaintiff, vs. L. Vandyke, def'd't. L. Vandyke, the above named defendant, will take notice that he has been sued for a divorce in the above named court by said defendant, and that she must answer in said action on or before the 27th day of December, 1897, or the petition filed in said action will be taken as true and judgment rendered accordingly.  
 A. A. GRAYHAM, Attorney for Plaintiff.  
 Attest: E. M. Cockrell, Clerk District Court.

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## PROPOSALS FOR BIDS.

Sealed proposals will be received by the Board of Trustees of the State Charitable Institutions of Kansas, until 12 o'clock noon, Tuesday, December 15, 1897, for a ward building adjacent to the Asylum for Idiots and Imbecile Youth, located at Winfield, Kansas.

This work is authorized under sections 2 and 3 of chapter 23 of the session laws for 1897.

Bids will be considered for the building as revised complete, except heating, and also as revised, but with the elimination of the west wing. Plans and specification may be seen on and after November 20 at the asylum at Winfield, Kansas; at the office of T. H. Lescher, State House architect, Topeka, Kansas; and at the office of William W. Ross, architect, Kansas City.

A certified check equal to 5 per cent. of the amount of the bid must accompany each estimate, the same to be made payable to P. H. Dolan, Treasurer of the board.

Blank proposals will be furnished to those requesting them.

The board reserves the right to reject any or all bids.

The provisions of the eight-hour law (chapter 114 of the session laws of 1891) must be complied with.

Proposals should be sealed and addressed to W. L. Brown, President of the Board of Charities, Topeka, Kansas, and marked plainly on the outside, "Proposal for Public Work at Winfield," S. C. WHEELER, Secretary.

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## PROPOSALS.

Proposals for supplying the State Soldiers' Home at Fort Dodge, Kansas, with dry goods, groceries, clothing, hardware, medicines, shoes and other articles, are respectfully solicited. Bids will be opened at the National hotel, Topeka, Kansas, December 7, 1897, at 9 o'clock a. m. Awards will be made at 6 o'clock p. m. of December 10, 1897. Bidders must be present at 9 o'clock a. m., December 8, prepared to place their goods before the Board of Managers.

## SPECIFICATIONS.

Supplies must be delivered on the cars at Dodge City, Kas., at such times as the Commandant may order them. Freight and all other charges must be prepaid. Bids must be on qualities grading from medium to best, and samples submitted. Supplies must be new and fresh. The quantity given is approximate only, and all goods ordered by the Commandant in excess of the schedule amount must be furnished at contract price. The Board of Managers reserve the right to reject any and all bids, or to accept or reject any part of any bid, if deemed for the best interest of the State. Bids must be made out upon the within proposal and net prices only given. Payments will be made on or before the 15th of each month for all supplies furnished, provided that vouchers in duplicate are made out and received in due form and forwarded to the Commandant at Fort Dodge by the 1st of each month. When supplies are furnished monthly or as ordered by the Commandant, payment will be made before the 15th of the next month, provided the vouchers are received by the Commandant before or on the 1st of the month. Contracts will be let to run from December 31, 1897, until June 30, 1898, and only for so much as the Commandant may order, be it more or less.

Schedules will be furnished by A. M. Brees, the Commandant, at Fort Dodge, Kansas, upon application being made to him. A bill in detail must be sent when goods are shipped to insure acceptance of the same. No supplies will be re-

ceived at the home unless all freight and other charges such as boxing and drayage are prepaid. A deposit of \$50 or a certified check for that amount, payable to Thos. H. Grisham, President of the Board of Managers, must accompany each proposal as a guaranty that the contract, if awarded, will be faithfully complied with. Bids not accompanied by check of draft will not be considered. When samples are required the bidder must prepay all express charges on same. Each sample must be plainly marked with its price and the name of the owner. Envelopes containing bids must be indorsed "Proposals for Supplies."

Samples and proposals must be addressed to Thos. H. Grisham, President Board of Managers, care of National hotel, Topeka, Kansas. The board will not be responsible for samples submitted.

For further particulars write to A. M. Brees, Commandant, at Fort Dodge, Kansas, who will send you schedules.

By order of the Board of Managers,  
 THOS. H. GRISHAM,  
 President Board of Managers.  
 R. N. KERR, Treasurer.

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Proposals for supplying the articles named herein are respectfully solicited. Bids will be opened at the National hotel, Topeka, Kansas, December 7, 1897, at 9 o'clock a. m. Awards will be made at 6 o'clock p. m. of December 10, 1897. Bidders must be present at 9 o'clock a. m., December 8, prepared to place their goods before the various committees of the board.

## SPECIFICATIONS.

Supplies should be, as far as practicable, delivered on the cars at the towns where the respective institutions are located, except as herein otherwise specified, not later than December 30, 1897. Freight and all other charges must be prepaid. No allowance will be made for bottles, boxes, boxing, cooperage or drayage.

When one particular brand of goods is called for, no sample is to be submitted and no bids will be considered for any other brand. When alternative brands are given, submit samples. When no particular brand is designated, bids should be on qualities grading from medium to best, and samples submitted.

Bidders must not submit more than four samples of any article.

Goods will be subject to inspection, and all articles that may in any respect fail to conform to the specific kind or brand called for, or to the samples, will be rejected.

Supplies mentioned "As Ordered" are to be shipped as ordered from the institution, and must be new and fresh. The quantities given are approximate only, and all goods ordered by the different institutions in excess of the schedule amount shall be furnished at contract price.

The board reserves the right to reject any and all bids, or to accept or reject any part of any bid, if deemed for the best interests of the State.

Bids must be made out upon the within proposal and net prices only given.

Payments will be made on or before January 15, 1898, for all supplies furnished before December 30, 1897; provided, that vouchers in duplicate are made out and received in due form and forwarded to the respective institutions on or before January 1, 1898.

When supplies are furnished monthly, or as ordered, payments will be made on the 15th day of the succeeding month in which supplies are delivered, when vouchers are received before the 1st day of the month.

A deposit of fifty dollars (\$50), or a certified check for that amount, payable to P. H. Dolan, Treasurer State Board Charitable Institutions, must accompany each proposal as a guaranty that the contract, if awarded, will be faithfully complied with. Bids not accompanied by check or draft will not be considered.

When samples are required, expressage must be prepaid in full by the bidder to insure their removal from the express office. Each sample must be plainly marked with its price and the name of the owner. Each institution to be furnished with samples.

A bill in detail must be sent when goods are shipped, to secure acceptance of the same.

Envelopes containing proposals must be indorsed "Proposals for Supplies." Samples and proposals must be addressed to W. L. Brown, care National hotel, Topeka, Kansas.

The board will not be responsible for samples submitted.

Duplicate schedules will be furnished upon application to Dr. C. H. Wetmore, Superintendent Topeka asylum.

By order of the Board of Trustees,  
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 By H. G. JUMPER,  
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