

Jury Dismisses Suit By Brown

COLUMBIA, S. C. — (INS)—An all-white jury ruled for the defense Tuesday in a U. S. district court rehearing of a celebrated South Carolina segregation case.

The \$25,000 damage action of Sarah Mae Fleming Brown against the South Carolina Electric and Gas co., was denied yesterday before District Judge George Bell Timmerman. Timmerman twice before had either dismissed the suit or directed a verdict for the defendant company.

Mrs. Brown filed suit against the company July 20, 1954, charging her civil rights were violated when a driver on a company-owned bus line required her to move to the rear of the vehicle.

The jury, after considering the contention that Mrs. Brown suffered damages by being forced to move to the back of the bus, held she was not entitled to compensation.