

Frank Will Not Hang

Governor Predicts He Will be Retired to Private Life for Action—Frank Spirited Away From Jail to Avoid Violence.

Atlanta, Ga., June 21.—Leo M. Frank's death sentence has been commuted to life imprisonment by Governor Slaton. Announcement of the governor's decision came several hours after Frank had been secretly taken from the jail here, and hurried to the state prison farm at Milledgeville.

Frank was sentenced to be hanged here tomorrow for the murder of Mary Phagan in April, 1913.

Governor Slaton was still at his country home when he announced his decision. In making the announcement the governor dictated the following brief statement:

"All that I ask is that the people of Georgia read my statement of the reasons why I commuted Leo M. Frank's sentence to life imprisonment, before they pass judgment. Feeling as I do about this case, I would be a murderer if I allowed this man to hang. It means that I must live in obscurity the rest of my days. But I would rather be plowing in a field than to feel for the rest of my life that I had that man's blood on my hands."

Governor Slaton is completing a long statement giving his reasons for his action, which he said would be made public later.

Frank was secretly removed from the county jail here shortly after midnight and taken under a heavy guard to Milledgeville, as a precaution against a possible serious demonstration.

Frank's removal was carefully planned, the officers being able to elude newspaper men and others watching. Leaving the jail by a rear door, they went in an automobile to a terminal station, where a deputy had purchased tickets and made all arrangements for the transportation of the party to Macon. Frank was not handcuffed, and was without the heavy spectacles he usually wears. A black slouched that was pulled down over his face.

The few persons in the railway station at the time failed to recognize him and it was more than an hour after midnight before the report was circulated that he had been removed from the jail. At Griffin, Georgia, trainmen recognized Frank, but efforts to get in-

formation from the officers guarding the prisoner were futile.

Arrived at Macon, an automobile was waiting and Frank was driven to Milledgeville, thirty-one miles distant, arriving at the state farm at 4:30 a. m. So secret were the officials at Atlanta as to the plans that not even the superintendent of the prison farm had been notified that Frank was to be taken there.

When reports that Frank's sentence had been commuted began to circulate, crowds gathered on the principal downtown streets and corners. The arrest of one man who attempted to dismount a policeman by grabbing his horse's bridle, stirred one crowd to excitement, which followed the policeman to the city hall, a block away. Speakers started to harangue the crowd from the city hall steps, but were stopped by an extra force of police.

It is stated that a delegation is coming here from Marietta, the former home of Mary Phagan. The police ordered all "near beer" saloons closed shortly before 11 o'clock and an extra hundred policeman were placed on duty down town. Orders were issued to immediately arrest any one attempting to incite violence.

The governor's statement points out alleged important contradictions and inconsistencies in the negro, Conley's, story, which might go far to putting an entirely new construction on the evidence submitted at the trial. Among them, the governor says, was the evidence that the elevator was not used Saturday afternoon, and that Frank could not have carried the girl down the hatchway, while Conley, a powerful negro, could have done so; that the time of the murder in evidence was obviously changed from the actual occurrence, and other discrepancies.

Stanley, N. D., June 21.—Sheriff Slaughter made a trip into the country north of Ross and brought in one Christ Westberg, a homesteader in that locality, on a charge of shooting ducks out of season. Westberg was brought to this city and taken before Justice O. M. Kilen, where he pleaded guilty to the charge and was fined \$34.75. He got only two ducks and we venture the assertion that the next time this man feels the unholy longing for that species of water fowl he will buy one from a neighbor or wait until the season opens.

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To Face Jury Insanity Inquiry

New York, June 23.—Harry K. Thaw won a big victory Friday in his fight for freedom when the Court of Appeals at Albany upheld Justice Peter A. Hendricks in his ruling that a jury should pass upon the question of Thaw's mental condition.

The decision holds that Thaw has no mandatory right to a jury trial, but that it was in the discretion of the trial judge to decide whether such a request should be granted.

Counsel for Thaw and for the state said that they were ready for a jury trial of Thaw's sanity without further delay, and that no adjournment would be requested or steps of any kind taken to delay the trial when Thaw is arraigned before Supreme Court Justice Hendricks on Tuesday next.

Thaw Shows Elation.
The decision of the Court of Appeals was received by Thaw and his counsel as an absolute assurance that Thaw will be a free man within the next three or four weeks. Thaw, at the Ludlow street jail, where he was sent on May 18 from the Tombs, so that he might have better quarters, made no effort to hide his elation when he heard that he had gained the point for which he has been fighting since his incarceration in Matteawan on Feb. 1, 1908, on the order of Justice Dowling.

While he made no formal statement he told friends that he was sure no jury would find him insane and that in view of the evidence at the trial to come Justice Hendricks would have to set him free.

Anxious to Face Jury.
No lock and bars had kept him in Matteawan, he is reported to have said. His continued incarceration had been due simply to the fact that he had not been, up to this time, given the opportunity to demonstrate to a jury that he was a sane man. Now that the opportunity had come after a fight extending over so many years, he was anxious for the test and had no fear as to the result. The Court of Appeals was unanimous in its opinion holding that Justice Hendricks did not attempt to evade any responsibility in directing a jury to hear and pass on facts.

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To Preserved Old Landmarks

Williston, N. D., June 22.—Preservation of the early trail names and historical associations as well as aid for the traveler are the causes which will be served by the work of the Garden Valley Friendly Circle in placing sign boards along many of the roads north and northwest from Williston. The first installment of the work has just been completed under the direction of the women who are members of the club and plans are being made to carry it on from time to time until adequate sign boards mark all the roads in and around the Garden Valley community.

Among the roads which have been marked are the "bone trail" or Bonetrail road, Chinaman's Pass trail and other roads. Each of the names of the old trails has some historical foundation. For instance the Boetrail road was so named because of its use by the bone pickers who a quarter of a century ago gathered on the prairies northwest of the city hundreds of loads of the bones of the buffalo which were shipped east for manufacturing purposes. Desiring to keep the old names the members of the Friendly Circle have also undertaken to mark the roads where tourists or travelers are most apt to make a mistake and lose their way. There have been instances where physicians called from the city to a distant home lost their road and were delayed in reaching the bedside of the sufferer, thus prolonging sufferings and endangering life. The sign boards will help all travelers to find their way. The money used for the purpose of securing the sign boards was obtained by the sale of badges at the Good Roads picnic of 1914.

FARGO MAY GET NEW PARCEL POST TERMINAL

Fargo, N. D., June 23.—Two Fargo men, E. C. Olwin and G. C. Ladd, were given appointments Friday through the visit of Rush Simmons, chief mail inspector of the Tenth division, and S. A. Sissler, superintendent of the railway mails, also of the Tenth division.

E. C. Olwin, who has been acting clerk, was appointed to the position of chief clerk of this division with headquarters at Fargo, and G. C. Ladd former mail clerk getting the appointment of assistant chief clerk.

During the stay of the inspectors in this city, they informed Postmaster Wilkinson that they are either going to give a terminal for Fargo or additional room for use in the increase of incoming parcel post.

From Fargo, Inspector Simmons and Superintendent Sissler left for Minneapolis. Their report will be forwarded to Postmaster Wilkinson within a few days.

Tetanus Warning For "4th" Issued

The United States public health service, in a bulletin just issued, urges that measures be taken which will completely wipe out tetanus fatalities in the coming independence day celebration.

Special warning is given against blank cartridge wounds, which are the most frequent cause of lockjaw. The bulletin says:

"In 1903 there were 417 Fourth of July victims of tetanus. In 1909 the number had been reduced to 130, while from last season's celebration there were but three. This is life conservation in the true sense of the term. Why not eliminate entirely the disease this year?"

"The blank cartridge wound is the great cause of Fourth of July tetanus. When driven into the tissues the wadding carries with it innumerable bacilli, and the absorption of the poisonous products given off during the growth of these organisms produce the disease.

"Parents should realize that Fourth of July tetanus is easy to prevent, but extremely difficult to cure. A blank cartridge wound is so trivial to receive careful medical attention. However slight the injury may appear, summon a physician and at once adopt energetic measures. Reliance upon home treatment may prove disastrous and result in the sacrifice of life. In 1903, the widespread recognition of the possibilities of preventive treatment, one case of tetanus developed to every four blank cartridge wounds reported; in 1914 there was but one case to every 40 such injuries. This is the measure of the success of preventive treatment."

N. D. PRODUCTS TAKE PAN-PACIFIC MEDAL

From General Immigration Agent Leedy of the Great Northern the following telegram has been received at the headquarters of North Dakota Development Peague Press Bureau at Grand Forks: "Great Northern railway exhibit at Panama-Pacific exposition was awarded Gold Medal for best and most attractive exhibits covering scenic, agricultural and industrial displays."

The agriculture displays mentioned were gathered largely from North Dakota and it is our state products which have scored so heavily for the exhibit. North Dakota has made a most vivid impression upon the crowds at the Big Sair, and she is being recognized in the exposition as one of the best agricultural states in the Union. One which offers probably greater opportunity for the farmed today than any other section of the country.

Both North Dakota and the Great Northern railway are to be congratulated for the displays which have taken this gold medal.



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