

FRANK MAY NOT KNOW HIS FATE TILL TUESDAY

Gov. Slaton Says He Will Prob- ably Write His Decision Tomorrow.

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ATLANTA, June 19.—Governor Slaton's decision on Leo Frank's petition for a commutation of his sentence to life imprisonment will not be made until some time Monday afternoon or Tuesday morning, and in the event that the Governor declines Frank's petition he will not grant the condemned man a respite.

These facts were stated by Governor Slaton himself this morning. The Governor said that he had not yet reached a decision; that he had spent the greater part of the last three nights studying the record and considering the case, and that he expected to be engaged on this work practically all day Sunday, after which he would prepare the opinion which he would submit with his decision.

According to the sentence of the court, Frank's execution is set for next Tuesday, and it is possible that the Governor's decision will not be rendered until a short time before the hour fixed for Frank's death.

Asked if he would grant Frank a respite if he decided adversely on his petition for a commutation, Governor Slaton replied that he would not; that the judgment of the court should cause Frank to be prepared for death, and that he had had ample time for preparation.

With the view of more fully satisfying himself as to the physical conditions in the National Pencil Factory in relation to the murder of Mary Phagan, Governor Slaton, accompanied by his secretary, Colonel Jesse Perry, again visited the factory and made a close study of the situation.

More rumors were afloat Friday night concerning the Frank case and were still heard in some quarters again today, despite the fact that they had been declared false. These were to the effect that Governor Slaton had decided to grant commutation and that Frank had been secretly removed from the Atlanta Jail to the State Prison Farm at Milledgeville.

Frank was visited in his cell in the Tower today by a score or more of his friends. There was a steady stream of callers almost all the forenoon. His wife and his father and mother were with him part of the day. Frank expressed the wish to have a book, "The Little Shepherd of Kingdom Come," to read over Sunday, and Mrs. Frank went out and got him a copy. Frank appeared in his usual good spirits and chatted pleasantly with his callers.

MERCHANT SHOT BY THUGS.

A. Samuels Held Up Early This Morning in 125th Street.

Abraham Samuels, a member of the firm of L. & A. Samuels, dress manufacturers, of 12 East Thirty-third Street, was returning to his home at 622 West 137th Street, early this morning, when two men attempted to hold him up. In the attempt, he was shot in the left chest and was taken to the Knickerbocker Hospital. His wound is likely to prove mortal.

Policeman Trueman of the West 125th Street Station heard shots at the end of the block and saw Samuels fall, and the two men started to run. He chased them from Amsterdam to Convent Avenues and caught Bernard F. McMahan, a bartender, of 439 West Thirty-fourth Street. McMahan said that he knew nothing about the attempted hold-up and was locked up in the West 125th Street Police Station charged with assault and attempted robbery.