

FRANK, WRIT A RELIEF.

Time for Truth to Gain Force, Is
Chicago View.

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The fact that Leo M. Frank will have his case taken to the United States Supreme Court, although it will not be a review touching its merits, produces a sense of relief wherever Americans, outside of Atlanta, are interested—and the interest is general.

There is a general assumption that Frank is innocent. It is an assumption based on sentiment and not on information, so far as the majority of the people are concerned, but it takes into account certain extraordinary if not outrageous features of the trial, and it has produced a decidedly uneasy feeling.

Greater tragedies, greater in that they involve many people, sometimes are sustained with less distress—not being imposed by the deliberate purpose of other humans. The possibility that an innocent man is to be hanged for murder will make the entire country uneasy, and therefore the fact that the last door is not closed on Frank brings a sense of relief.

The review of the case cannot get to its merits and will be upon what popularly are known as technicalities, but it will give time for the bringing forth of a better sentiment in the State in which Frank was convicted, and, even if it leaves his conviction unchanged, will have enabled Georgia to collect itself and the truth to gain force.

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