

PLAN HARD FIGHT FOR FRANK'S LIFE

Attorney Alexander Here to Confer With Associates Over Next Step in This Noted Case.

"We are far from losing hope in our fight to save the life of Leo Frank. We're going to fight to the last ditch. It is our duty, and it can be depended upon that our client won't go to death without one of the hardest fights the south has ever witnessed.

"Georgia is about to butcher an innocent man. I don't believe the people will stand by and permit it to be done. People who once advocated Frank's execution are beginning to put deeper study to the case and, to take on a more sober attitude, now that they actually realize the inconceivable wrong that is about to be done.

Great Interest in Case.

"If Georgia only half comprehended the intense interest that is being taken in the Frank case by every state in the union—the majority of opinion being in behalf of Frank—I do not believe our present fight would be so hard and difficult. Everywhere I have been there is an interest in the case that is surprising."

These were the words of Attorney Harry A. Alexander as he stepped from the New York, Atlanta to New Orleans Limited at the Terminal station last night. Mr. Alexander has made a hurried trip from Washington to confer with his associate counsel in regard to the next step in the battle to save their client.

He has been in Washington endeavoring to have the supreme court of the United States give a hearing to the petition to set aside the Frank verdict on constitutional grounds. In this effort he lost. Another attempt will be made to reopen the case in the Washington court, it is predicted. Mr. Alexander would not state last night, however, whether or not he would advise such a move.

Next Step in Doubt.

"Do you intend advising that counsel concentrate on the prison board and governor, instead of trying to bring the case again to the attention of the federal court?" he was asked.

"I would rather not state," was his reply. "Not until I have conferred with my associates."

This conference will be held this morning. At that time it will be decided just what action will be taken. Following this decision, immediate steps will be taken.

Mr. Alexander stated that seldom in the history of the states has a criminal case caused such widespread interest and comment in the nation's capital. Some of the best legal minds in Washington, he declared, are making an exhaustive study of the case.

"Collier's Weekly will run in early issues a history of the Frank case as observed by one of their staff experts, C. P. Connolly, formerly an attorney of note," said Mr. Alexander. "His articles defend the convicted man, and take to task the court procedure in which he was found guilty."