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MACON, Ga., June 21.—Leo M. Frank arrived in Macon at 2:45 o'clock this morning en route to the State Farm at Milledgeville. There was only a small crowd at the station here when Sheriff "Dad" Mangum and three big Deputy Sheriffs alighted from the Pullman Valdosta, Frank following the Sheriff down the steps. These persons were passengers coming and going on different trains that happen to meet here at that hour.

Some one shouted, "There's Frank!" Then the Sheriff was recognized, for he is well known here, and in a minute every person in the station was trailing behind the group. Sheriff Mangum seemed bewildered at first. He tried to dodge into an alley at the side of the station, hoping to take the prisoner safely away in that manner; but the crowd was upon him. Then he retraced his steps and went to the main entrance of the station and gained the street with Frank in that manner.

A row of taxicabs and touring cars was in front of the station. The Sheriff looked up and down, still bewildered.

"Are you going to take Frank to Milledgeville in an auto?" he was asked.

"I am," said the Sheriff.

They crossed the street, and Frank pointed to a big touring car, a seven-passenger car that had yellow wheels.

"Let's take that," said Frank. The Sheriff assented.

Frank leaped into the car first. He was followed by the Sheriff and his deputies, and the whole party sped away, stopping at a garage to get gasoline. A few automobile parties followed Sheriff Mangum's car from here to Milledgeville, but the trip of thirty-one miles was made without a mishap, the gate of the prison closing upon Frank at 4:30 o'clock, just as the sun was opening the longest day of the year.

## REJOICING IN FRANK'S HOME.

### Brooklyn People, as Well as Prisoner's Family, Praise Slaton.

There was great relief and much joy at the home of Leo M. Frank's parents, Mr. and Mrs. Rudolph Frank, at 152 Underhill Avenue, Brooklyn, yesterday morning when word came that Governor Slaton had commuted the death sentence. The father and mother of the prisoner are in Atlanta, but their son-in-law and daughter, Mr. and Mrs. Otto Stern, were at home when County Judge Harry E. Lewis, a friend of the family, telephoned what the Governor had done.

Mrs. Stern and her husband had been cheered on Sunday when two aunts of Leo returned from Atlanta and expressed confidence that Governor Slaton would take action favorable to Frank.

"Of course," said Mrs. Stern, "we have all had the deepest faith from the first in the innocence of Leo. We have also felt confident that when Governor Slaton had given careful study to the case, he would see the truth and the light.

"Some day, I believe, the people of Georgia will come to know that a great injustice has been done to my brother, and we have confidence that when the truth is finally made clear Leo will be set free. It is only a matter of time. It may not be this year, but it will come in the near future, and he will be restored to us."

Mr. Stern said that he naturally felt as his wife did about the outcome. He had been confident that Governor Slaton would be guided solely by his own judgment in the matter and would not be moved by mob influence.

County Judge Harry E. Lewis of Brooklyn said of the act of Slaton:

"The Governor of Georgia did his full duty in view of the great difference of opinion among the Judges who passed on the question of whether Frank had a fair trial. His death would have closed the case for all time. The commutation of the sentence to life imprisonment will now give Frank and his friends opportunity and time to establish the certainty of his innocence. I have studied the records of Frank's trial, and am a firm believer in his innocence. I will go further and say that of thirty lawyers I know who have examined the records, not one was satisfied of Frank's guilt from the evidence."

The Rev. Dr. S. Edward Young of the Bedford Presbyterian Church, Brooklyn, commented:

"A noble service to humanity has been rendered by Governor Slaton in commuting the sentence of Leo M. Frank. It is certain that he reflects the more sober judgment of the people of Georgia. Those Georgians are true at heart, and although a wave of popular feeling may sweep away some, give them time, and their public conscience will swing back to the right point."

Supreme Court Justice Townsend Scudder said:

"I think the action of Governor Slaton was a very proper one."

Joseph Goldstein of 16 Court Street, Brooklyn, who circulated a petition in Frank's behalf, commented:

"The act of Governor Slaton is that of a brave man who, believing he is right, refuses to heed the cry of the mob. I sincerely hope that time will serve to prove to the world that the Governor has not erred."

General Horatio C. King of Brooklyn said:

"Considering the doubt as to the guilt of Frank, Governor Slaton did the only just thing under the circumstances."

The Rev. Dr. James M. Farrar of the First Reformed Church of Brooklyn said:

"I never believed Frank guilty, and I am certainly glad that Governor Slaton has reclaimed the name and reputation of the State of Georgia."