

Aged Inmate Soon Will Complete 15 Years in Prison

Milledgeville, Ga., February 23.—
(Special.)—Bill Green, aged prisoner
at the state prison farm, who won na-
tion-wide publicity when he cut the
throat of Leo Frank, convicted mur-
derer of little Mary Fagan, will next
October have completed 15 years of
service at the farm.

Sentenced in Muscogee county on a
murder charge June 6, 1913, he was
brought to the state prison farm here
on October 10, 1911. After he had
attempted to murder Leo Frank, who
was afterward taken out and lynched
by a mob who raided the prison, Green
was put in a cell for seven years and
thought to be insane.

When Judge B. H. Dunaway came
to the farm in 1922, he was convinced
that Green was not insane, after sub-
mitting the prisoner to various tests,
and he took him out of the cell. The
old man has made a model prisoner,
and has not since that time had to
be punished for the slightest offense.
He is in charge of the front gate of
the prison and guards it with zealous
care.

In recent months his age and feeble-
ness have necessitated the placing of
an assistant gatekeeper at the front.
The old man extends most cordial
courtesy to visitors and answers ques-
tions with readiness. Judge Dunaway
is the object of his ardent devotion,
and the old prisoner has shown in
every possible way his loyalty to the
superintendent and his eager willing-
ness to cooperate with prison officials.

Bill Green has a life term, but his
trembling hand and his continually
slowing gait indicate that not many
more years remain of the sentence.