

of Leo M. Frank, I feel justified in making a last appeal for his freedom. His execution makes it impossible to correct the awful mistake that your clemency will prevent. Georgia's fair name requires it. The country demands it. Humanity pleads for it. Your action in his favor will be the erection of a golden milestone on the highway of civilization. May God give you wisdom, strength, and courage to do your duty, and bless you always.

HARLOW N. HIGINBOTHAM.

That the Governor of Georgia may take sufficient note of the telegram by Mr. Higinbotham, and to insure him of the position occupied by the Chicagoan in this community, Senator Lewis followed up the Higinbotham telegram with the following:

Hon. John M. Slaton, Atlanta, Ga.

May I beg your earnest consideration of the telegram sent you this day by Hon. Harlow N. Higinbotham of this city? His standing in this community as a citizen is such in every respect as to command from any other citizen of any position, official or otherwise, the greatest consideration. I will appreciate your giving this attention to any petition or request from him.

JAMES HAMILTON LEWIS.

The Senator also sent a personal telegram asking for mercy. It follows in part:

"I have become acquainted with the cause and the record of the trial. Based upon these, I take the liberty to suggest that your own investigation will realize that if you were sitting as a Judge, from such records, nothing could induce you to allow the execution of the man."

## GRAND PRIX FOR THE CITY.

**Gets More Than Twenty Awards for Exhibit at Exposition.**

City Chamberlain Bruère wrote to Mayor Mitchel yesterday saying that the city had received prizes for having the best municipal exhibit at the San Francisco exhibition. When the Mayor returned from San Francisco he said New York City's exhibit was one of the best there. Mr. Bruère wrote:

"This morning Morton L. Fouquet, who has been in charge of the exhibit in San Francisco, and in whose hands were all the details of its preparation, received word that your judgment had been confirmed by the Committee on Awards. We received the Grand Prix on the municipal exhibit, on the health exhibit, and on the general method of illustrative photography used in presenting the activities of the city. We received medals of honor on the exhibits for parks, charities, correction, police, Bellevue and allied hospitals, statistics, and education; gold medals on the exhibit of banking, the Public Service Commission, on the models of the city, on the paintings of the water front, on the tenement house department; three silver and bronze medals, six diplomas of honorable mention, one medal of honor, and a gold medal richly deserved for Mr. Fouquet, whose splendid work, both here and in San Francisco, made the exhibit the success that it is."

Commenting on the letter, the Mayor said:

"I am naturally much pleased to learn the news. We have been doing all in our power during this administration to secure efficient government, and there has been steady progress toward this end. This is one concrete evidence that New York City leads the cities of the country in efficient government. Great credit is due Mr. Fouquet for his work."

## TEST IN STEINWAY TUNNEL.

**New Steel Cars Will Be Tried Out for a Week.**

Arrangements for the celebration in honor of the opening of the Steinway Tunnel connecting Manhattan and Queens on June 22 were completed yesterday. At 11 o'clock in the morning an official train carrying officers and Directors of the company, members of the Public Service Commission, city officials, and members of the Chambers of Commerce will leave the Jackson Avenue Station, Long Island City, and run through the tunnel to the termination in Manhattan, which is under East Forty-second Street, between Lexington and Third Avenues.

The company has purchased twelve all-steel cars for operation in the tunnel. The motorman will control the coupling and uncoupling apparatus, the air hose connections, &c. The new cars will be taken to Long Island City on Sunday and placed in the tunnel. They will then be given a tryout for a week. The first schedule will call for the operation of three trains composed of four cars each on a headway of four to five minutes.

The Public Service Commission opened bids yesterday for the supply of certain track material to be used in equipping the New Utrecht Avenue elevated railroad and possibly on other lines of the dual system of the rapid transit.

Travis H. Whitney, Secretary of the Public Service Commission, notified the Broadway Association yesterday that the commission will hold a hearing on June 16 at 11 o'clock in the morning at 154 Nassau Street, with regard to plans and suggestions for ventilating the subways.

## MAIL TRUCK CRUSHES CHILD

**Auto and Driver Held by Police Until Brakes Are Tested.**

In compliance with the recent order of Police Commissioner Woods concerning automobiles in accidents, the result of which the policeman on post believes to be due to faulty brakes, Lieutenant Clarkin of the West Forty-seventh Street Station yesterday afternoon detained a driver of a United States Mail truck until a police expert declared the brakes were in perfect working order.

Margaret Baker, 7 years old, of 908 Eighth Avenue, while crossing Eighth Avenue near Fifty-fourth Street, was struck by the truck and thrown several feet, sustaining internal injuries and a possible fracture of the skull. The truck was driven by James Poma of 206 Pleasant Avenue. Patrolman Dunphy summoned Dr. Glenn of Polyclinic Hospital, who removed the child to that institution.

An automobile mechanic employed at a nearby garage examined the truck and told the policeman the brakes were not in good working order. Dunphy ordered Poma to drive to the police station, and Patrolman William Dillon, an automobile expert from headquarters, said the brakes were in good order. Poma was then allowed to proceed with his mail.

## CHARITY PATIENT WAS RICH.

**Karl Schmidt, Thought Penniless at Bellevue, Left \$15,000.**

A petition for letters of administration on the estate of Karl Schmidt, who died at Bellevue Hospital on May 22 and was thought to be penniless, was filed in the Surrogates' Court yesterday and shows that he left at least \$15,000. He had been removed to the hospital from 262 Bowery on the day he died.

The application was filed by Frank W. Arnold of 119 Nassau Street, attorney for William J. Dargeon of 954 Amsterdam Avenue, who represents that he is a creditor of Schmidt.

The decedent's next of kin, as recited in the application, are: Johanne Malsy of Wiesbaden, Germany, a sister; Carl Wally, a nephew, of Niederweissen, Germany; Katherine Braun, a niece, and Augusta Knapp and Johanne Ruppert, great-nieces, of Wiesbaden.

## CHICAGO URGES CLEMENCY.

**Gov. Dunne, Senator Lewis, and H. N. Higinbotham Plead for Frank.**

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CHICAGO, June 11.—Chicago friends of Leo M. Frank made a final appeal today to Governor Slaton of Georgia for a commutation of Frank's death sentence. Governor Dunne, Senator James Hamilton Lewis, Harlow N. Higinbotham and other prominent men of Illinois sent final pleas by wire today, and letters confirming the telegrams followed.

Perhaps the most urgent plea for mercy was the one sent by Mr. Higinbotham, which read:

Honorable John M. Slaton, Atlanta, Ga.:  
Feeling absolutely certain of innocence