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To the Honorable Harvey Cluff,  
Secretary Utah State Board of Pardons,  
Salt Lake City, Utah.

Dear sir:

It has come to my knowledge that E. C. Whipperman is asking for a pardon, and I wish to state in his behalf:

That I have known him since 1918. He was employed by the Utah Copper Company in the capacity of First Aid man and druggist, part of the time at the hospital of the Utah Copper Company at Arthur, Utah, and when not on duty at this place, he was either in the same capacity or in charge of the Emergency hospital at the Magna Plant of the same Company. Besides these official stations, during the "Flu" epidemic of 1918 and 1919, he directed in great part the detail work of the nursing, food and drug supplies, the transportation of sick patients, and the compilation of data connected with deaths in the sixty bed "Flu" emergency hospital established in the Garfield Club-house. This work was performed in addition to his duties aforementioned, Mr. Whipperman frequently obtaining but two to four hours' sleep per twenty-four hours, and having no opportunity to obtain any rest in bed for four or five days and nights at a stretch, and usually only obtaining irregular and frequently inadequate food. For loyalty to the work, and fidelity to the comfort and well-being of nearly five hundred patients, his were the outstanding services of any individual during the epidemic.

I wish to state further, that no reason ever existed to suspect that he was addicted to the use of drugs in the least, to any degree, or in any form; and that during the time that he had the supervision of the drugs at any of the three stations above referred to, there never existed any reason to believe or suspect that he was selling or giving drugs away. As a matter of fact, all alcoholics and narcotics were checked up carefully, and records returned of their use and disposition, in frequency and in amount.

My personal knowledge of Mr. Whipperman's character, trustworthiness, reliability and honesty for about eighteen months, with practically daily contact, was such that I felt, of those under my immediate super-