

IN THE SEVENTH JUDICIAL DISTRICT COURT OF THE STATE OF UTAH
WITHIN AND FOR THE COUNTY OF EMERY.

THE STATE OF UTAH,
Plaintiff,

vs.

JAMES E. RANDALL, FRANK
M. RANDALL and W. S.
BLACKBURN,
Defendants.

STATEMENT TO THE BOARD OF PARDONS.

HON. STATE BOARD OF PARDONS,
Salt Lake City, Utah.

Gentlemen:

I am herewith submitting report of the proceedings
and facts in the above case with reference to the defendant
W. S. Blackburn.

The defendant W. S. Blackburn having demanded
separate trial and having on the 21st day of January, A. D. 1924,
pleaded not guilty to the charge of grand larceny, the trial of
said defendant was set for January 23rd, 1924, on which day
the defendant, together with his attorney, appeared in Court
and withdrew the plea theretofore entered and entered a plea
of guilty as charged in the information, and upon his own plea
of guilty was convicted of the crime of grand larceny. On the
31st day of January, A. D. 1924, this defendant was by the Court
sentenced to imprisonment in the State Prison of the State of
Utah for an indeterminate period of not less than one nor more
than ten years, the execution of which sentence was suspended
for a period of fifteen days to give the said defendant time
in which to make disposition of his affairs.

It appeared to the Court that the said defendant
was jointly implicated with the other two defendants named in
this case. It further appeared to the Court that this defendant
had theretofore borne a good reputation in his community for
honesty and integrity. A strong plea for leniency was made
for the said defendant by his attorney, Judge F. E. Woods, and
the District Attorney recommended the minimum term of imprison-
ment.

Therefore, in consideration of the facts and circum-
stances in this case, as they were made to appear to the
Court, it is the recommendation of this Court to the Honorable
State Board of Pardons that the said defendant, W. S. Blackburn,
be imprisoned in the State Prison of the State of Utah for a
period of one year, upon the condition, of course, that his
conduct while so incarcerated shall be proper and exemplary.

Respectfully submitted,

George Christensen
Judge.

Dated February 21, 1924.