

BEFORE THE HONORABLE BOARD OF PARDONS, OF THE STATE  
OF UTAH, IN THE MATTER OF THE APPLICATION  
OF LOUIS CHRIST.

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PETITION FOR PARDON.

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The petition of Louis Christ respectfully represents:-

That whereas said Louis Christ was on the 26th day of December, 1923, after conviction of the crime of Arson in the second degree, in the Fourth District Court of the State of Utah, in and for Wasatch County, sentenced to the State Prison of the State of Utah, for an indeterminate term of not less than one year or more than ten years.

And whereas, the evidence introduced in the trial of Louis Christ, which tended to make him with the commission of the offense, was chiefly circumstantial evidence.

And whereas, during the course of said trial there was evidence tending to show that some person or persons had stolen certain intoxicating liquors from the building, which said Louis Christ was convicted of burning, and the general consensus of opinion of parties who attended the trial, being that who ever stole such liquor was responsible for the burning of said building.

And whereas, said petitioner can produce witnesses, who on or about the 11th day of January, 1925, at Soldier Summit, Wasatch County, State of Utah, heard one, Louis Berbelis, confess and admit that he the said Louis Berbelis and one, Nick Eatsinos, had stolen said intoxicating liquors from said building, just prior to the burning thereof.

And whereas, said petitioner now does and at all times, since his arrest, on said charge, has maintained and declared that he was not guilty of the offense of which he was tried and convicted.

And whereas, said petitioner believes that upon the producing of the evidence which is outlined in the affidavits of three witnesses, copies of which are attached hereto, will convince the Honorable Board of Pardons, of the innocence of the petitioner and will have a tendency to secure favorable recommendation from the District Attorney and Judge from the Fourth Judicial District.

And whereas, the above mentioned evidence has been obtained by the petitioner