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The State of Wisconsin
Supreme Court Chambers
Madison

March 4, 1924.

Hon. J. J. Blaine,
Governor of the State of Wisconsin,
Madison, Wisconsin.

Dear Governor:

In the Matter of Harry Hett, otherwise
known as George Allen, under sentence to
be shot at Salt Lake City, Utah, March
21, 1924.

In the above matter, I am transmitting to you herewith letter from Attorney F. P. Regner, of Wausau, Wisconsin; affidavit of Aurilla McMahon, who knew Harry Hett alias George Allen; affidavit of W. A. Green, the physician who attended him during his illness; affidavit of Mattie Hayes, a nurse who lived with the family during his illness; and affidavit of Ben J. Hett, a brother of the father of Harry Hett.

I was personally acquainted with the father, William Hett, and knew the mother very slightly. I know the family to be a good, reputable family, who have resided in the city of Wausau, Marathon County, Wisconsin, for many years. William Hett, father of Harry Hett, was for many years in the mail service at Wausau and was a man of excellent habits and character. The uncle, Ben J. Hett, has conducted a large plumbing business there for many years and the family were in every way reputable and worthy. I have no personal recollection of Harry Hett, except that I knew that William Hett had a family of three or four children.

An inspection of the affidavits accompanying this communication indicates that this boy, Harry Hett alias George Allen, is the victim of cerebral spinal meningitis and consequent arrested development and impaired mentality. In view of the facts, I am asking you to communicate with the Governor of the State of Utah and request him to investigate the present mental condition of Harry Hett on the theory that no state would wish to have executed a man who was not mentally responsible. A careful examination will no doubt disclose his true condition, and on behalf of his relatives, I respectfully request that such action be taken as the facts in the case seem to warrant.

I have the honor to remain,

Very sincerely yours,

MBR-W
Enclosures.

Mr. Rosenberg