

IN THE FOURTH JUDICIAL DISTRICT COURT OF THE STATE OF UTAH,
IN AND FOR UINTAH COUNTY.

The State of Utah,)
Plaintiff,)
vs.)
Lee P. Jones,)
Defendant.)

TO THE HONORABLE STATE BOARD OF PARDONS OF THE STATE OF UTAH;
Lee P. Jones, the defendant above named, was convicted of the crime of being a persistent violator of the prohibition laws of the state of Utah, under date of December 8, 1923, at Vernal, Uintah county, Utah, and was sentenced on December 10th, 1923. The evidence was conclusive that he was guilty of this crime. He and his father, and other members of his family have been engaged in the manufacture and sale of a very poor grade of intoxicating liquor for some time. The particular crime for which he was convicted was that of having possession of intoxicating liquor, but the evidence showed conclusively that he went to a dance at the Davis Ward near Vernal, for the express purpose of selling liquor, and that he sold considerable to a number of boys, ranging in age from sixteen years and upwards. On the night in question, one of the boys who secured liquor from him was either killed in falling from a horse while intoxicated, or died as a result of drinking the liquor sold to him by Jones; probably the boy died as result of falling from his horse while intoxicated. In addition to being convicted of selling liquors before the date in question, the defendant has been convicted of the crime of petit larceny, he having stolen some shells from the Acorn store at Vernal.

In my opinion Mr. Jones, the defendant herein, is anything but a desirable citizen. It can be said of him, however, that he served in the late war, and received an honorable discharge, and as I understand it has a good war record. His father has deserted the family, and he has a sister and mother, who are more or less dependent upon him, the defendant for their support.

I recommend a period of nine months imprisonment.

Respectfully submitted,

Elias Hansen

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