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R. B. RICE

PINEVILLE, KY.

November 21st, 1924.

To The Governor or
Board of Pardons,
Salt Lake City,
Utah.

Dear Sir:-

I have been told by Mr. I. L. Hopkins of this place that Fred Hopkins was in September convicted of a felony at Ogden, Utah and sentenced to five years in prison. He has asked me to write you as to what I know of this boy, with the hope that it may have some influence on your consideration of his application for a pardon.

I have been quite well acquainted with this boy from time he was four years of age till he reached twenty one. He resided here in town with his foster parent Mr. I. L. Hopkins, and he was never known to be of a vicious or unkind disposition, but rather the contrary. He was never known to engage in any fighting or difficulties not even to the extent that ordinary boys do.

If he was convicted for a difficulty with another then I am very sure there must have been great provocation, knowing the boy as I do I can not believe he would have done anything of the kind of his own volition or without provocation.

If you can on investigation of facts see your way clear to grant him a pardon or a parole, I shall appreciate it.

As to his father, Mr. I. L. Hopkins, he is one of our most reputable citizens, he has no children of his own and took this boy to rear, and since he left he took charge of another boy only a few months old. I am quite sure he is attached to this boy as much as a father would be.

Yours very truly,

R B Rice