

COMMONWEALTH OF KENTUCKY
STATE SENATE
WHITE L. MOSS
MEMBER 17TH DISTRICT
COUNTIES OF LAUREL, KNOX AND BELL
PINEVILLE, KY.

November 21st, 1924.

To The Governor, or
Board of Parole or Pardons.

Dear Governor:

My attention has been brought to the fact that one Fred Hopkins formerly of this place was convicted and sentenced to imprisonment in your State and was sent up from Ogden, Utah, some time in the month of September.

I have been further told that he is making an application for a pardon or a parole.

I am writing this letter to in a way to intercede in this boys behalf.

I have known him for a number of years, he has grown to maturity in this my home town and I believe that I know all about the boy. He was an orphan boy and at the age of about four years was taken by one I. L. Hopkins of this place to rear. Mr. Hopkins being one of our best citizens and the boy remained with him till he was of age when he left Pineville and branched out on his own behalf.

During all those years this boy was always looked upon by every one as a peaceable and quiet boy, he was never know while here to engage in any difficulties with any one and as to peace and quietude there was not a better boy in the town.

At an early age he was kicked in the forehead by a mule and several pieces of bone has been removed from his forehead and bridge of his nose, this disfigured the boy and gives him an appearance that by no means indicates the boys true disposition.

I have but little doubt but that this disfigurement had considerable weight with the jury when he was being tried.

This letter is to ask you to extend to this boy executive clemency if possible, if that should not be proper then a parole.

This is written so that you may know the standing of this young man back home.

Anything that you can do for him will be appreciated.

Yours very truly,

W. L. Moss