

Buffalo N.Y.

171 Riverside ave.

Aug 19/1915

Hon. Governor Spry  
Member Board of Pardons  
Salt Lake City  
State of Utah

Dear Sir,

We the undersigned do hereby hopefully beg Your Honor to intercede for clemency of one Joe Hillstrom a prisoner of the State of Utah and sentenced to die for a crime for which he stands innocent and for which the State has failed to prove any direct evidence or even a motive for said crime, and as the writer of this letter I have known Joe Hillstrom for three years and worked with him at different times and even lived in the same house with him in San Pedro Cal. and I always found him to be a good worker when employed in the Dock and Lumber yards of said City, and when not occupied there he always found a great demand for his musical talents as an violinist or pianist. Was always of sober habits and a good character, and even in one case he participated with me in giving chase to a holdup in San Pedro Cal. at a time when police methods were very lax in said City, and in regards to his present difficulty I do remember that he had some trouble of ver a woman now was from Salt Lake City and how shortly afterwards left for Salt Lake City, and in a short time Joe Hillstrom left San Pedro Cal.

and the next I heard of Him was of His present trouble in Salt Lake City, and it is at all possible that his present difficulty is over this self same Woman, and rather than to expose Her secrets to the World He Would rather die a victim to her friendliness,

So We the undersigned do Most sincerely hope that You may give Clemency to Joe Hillstrom,

We do hereby offer our greatest thanks in advance of Clemency

Signed

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