Hadar Bank Robber Gets Thirty Years

James Morrison Given Stiff Sentence at Pierce for Blowing a Safe.

PIERCE, Neb., Nov. 20.—(Special Telegram.)—James Morrison, convicted of robbing the bank at Hadar on the night of January 15, was sentenced to thirty years in the penitentiary in district court here today.

Harry Joyce, charged with being a member of the same gang, is now in jail and will be tried at the January term. A third alleged pal, named Illey, was captured, but escaped, and is now at large.

Morrison and two pals, according to the evidence, were seen at Norfolk two days before the robbery, and Morrison himself came to Hadar to look over the bank the Saturday before the crime was committed. All three were seen at Plainview the morning following the robbery and they took a train from there to Sioux City.

One of the strong points in the evidence of the state was a knife which Morrison bought at Norfolk two days before the robbery and which was found in the debris of the wrecked bank. He sought to establish an alibi by means of an ex-convict from Sioux City and several persons of bad repute there. Morrison himself is an ex-convict.

In pronouncing sentence Judge Welch declared that Morrison, having served a penitentiary team at 19 years of age in Iowa, had shown himself incapable of reforming. The statute provides from twenty years to life imprisonment, and the judge said twenty years was too small, as that would release Morrison at the age of 48, with still twenty years left in which to menace society. So he gave him thirty years, which, with good behavior, may be reduced to twenty.

Morrison did not flinch under sentence. A motion for a new trial was overruled.

Many Engines Go Dead.

KEARNEY, Neb., Nov. 20.—(Special.)—During the last few days a number of Union Pacific locomotives have gone "dead" and had to be shipped into Grand Island for repairs. Friday morning a monster big one died and was placed on the sidetrack. A few minutes later a special freight was moving slowly through the yards when a brake rod came loose and the end of it was thrust into the metallic sides of the big horse, causing a rupture in the boiler that let the water out. The leak was so large that all the king's horses and all the king's men could not pump enough water to fill it again. Engine No. 63 went out of business Thursday on account of leaky flues. Still another suffered trouble with its internal organs and died. Out near Watson's ranch, west of the city, but two days ago, a switch was left open and an eastbound train left the straight and narrow path of steel and rolled over on its side and died, and the wrecking ambulance later picked up the dead and took them to Grand Island to attend to their injuries and inject new life in them.

COZAD BUILDING BURNED

Lack of Wind is All that Prevented a Disastrous Conflagation.

COZAD, Neb., Nov. 20.—(Special Telegram.)—Two frame buildings, occupied by a restaurant and jewelry store, were burned about 1 o'clock this morning. The fire originated in the restaurant, and all the jewelry stock and fixtures were carried out. The restaurant was owned by Bartlett & Lee and the jewelry store by L. A. Line. The buildings were owned by G. D. Bevis. There was $2,000 insurance on the restaurant and $1,500 on the buildings.

The intense heat broke all the plate glass on the street and damaged the First National bank brick building to the extent of about $500. If there had been any wind the whole block would have burned.

Thirteen Horses Burned.

HILDRETH, Neb., Nov. 20.—(Special.)—The livery barn at this place was destroyed by fire between 4 and 5 o'clock yesterday morning. The fire was not discovered until under such headway that it was impossible to save it. The local fire department did some excellent work and succeeded in saving adjoining buildings. The building was owned by John Nordbrock and the loss was about $500; no insurance. The stock was owned by Grover Yoder, the loss amounting to about $3,500, with $2,000 insurance. Everything in the barn was burned, including thirteen head of horses, automobile, wagons, buggies, harness, robes, grain, etc. The origin of the fire is unknown.

Plenty of Water at Burwell.

BURWELL, Neb., Nov. 20.—(Special.)—The Burwell Canal and Power company has a ditch and water right near here, but the ditch has not been operated nor has any effort been made to operate it for years and even if it was in operation there is plenty of water in the Loup river at this point for an additional power proposition. Local people feel there is the greatest opportunity here to develop a water power of any place in the state. A forty-five-foot fall can be had in a little over four miles and the people of Burwell are ready to give support to any men who will take hold of the matter and push it.

Hunter Shoots Arm Off.

SARGENT, Neb., Nov. 20.—(Special.)—A serious accident occurred about two miles north of this city on Thursday morning. Several young men were out hunting with a team and sleigh, when the sleigh suddenly running into a rut on one side, threw Alva Hileman to the ground in such a manner that his gun discharged, tearing his arm so badly that amputation near the shoulder was necessary. He is an industrious young man with many friends. His parents live in Kansas.

Nebraska

LINES' EARNINGS ARE HIGHER

Comparison Between This Year and Year 1907.

ONLY ONE ROAD SHOWS LOSS

Governor Shallenberger Delays Action on Maxwell Board Appointment Waiting for Motion Re-Hearing.

(From a Staff Correspondent.)

LINCOLN, Nov. 20.—(Special.)—The business done by the railroads in Nebraska for the years ending June 30, 1907, and June 30, 1909, a year when the lower freight rates and passenger rates were not in force and a year when they were in force shows that the net earnings of all the railroads have increased except the Missouri Pacific. The Union Pacific has not yet reported. The Northwestern increased its earnings per mile from $2,199.74 to 2,384.73; the Burlington from $2,710.55 to $2,102.49; the Rock Island decreased from $1,087.47 to $1,138.62, but its increase in operating expenses was greater than this. The Missouri Pacific decreased its earning from $465.38 to $451.85.

Governor Shallenberger will make no move to appoint a member of the State Normal board to succeed Superintendent Hays of Alliance for the present. The governor said this morning he likely would wait until the time had passed for the filing of the motion for a rehearing in the case, and when that was filed and if the court decided not to change its mind then would be time enough to name the successor to Hays.

Mr. Hays was appointed as a democrat, but this is no indication that he will be reappointed. And neither is it a sign that Colonel Majors will be appointed in his place, though the governor would like for Colonel Majors to be on the board, inasmuch as the colonel has always taken such an interest in the normal schools and is thoroughly posted on the work and—for other reasons.

In the meantime some of the school men of the state are suggesting that the governor would further the interests of the normal schools if he would ask for the resignation of the members of the board who live in the towns where there are normal schools and thus have no local men on the board. This proposition was put up to Governor Sheldon and it was seriously considered by him, but he named a resident at Peru and at Kearney.

Complaint has been made to the state auditor regarding a certificate which the Lion Bonding company of Omaha is putting on the market. This certificate sets out that the Lion Bonding company has looked up the party to whom it is sent and finds that he is in every way worthy of being bonded, and guarantees to bond him at any time application is made for a period of one year. The certificate costs the person who accepts it $2.50.

The auditor, after complaint had been made to him, wrote to the company inquiring if the $2.50 was deduced from the premium should a bond be written or if that is in addition to the rates prescribed by the State Bonding board. He also desired to know if the company meant to keep the certificate good with a person who during the life of the certificate should commit crimes and be arrested. In fact, the auditor desired to know just how far the company thought the certificate was bonding on it.

Felix Newton and Superintendent Woodard mixed at the west entrance of the state house this afternoon, or rather, Newton tried to mix and the doctor refused and went on his way. Woodard had been to the office of the governor for a consultation, following a conference with the governor and State Accountant Tulleys. Newton, the deposed bookkeeper, who has brought charges against the superintendent, met the superintendent at the entrance of the state house.

"Don't take hold of me," replied Woodard as he pulled away and pushed through the door outside of the building, following an excited remark of Newton's.

Newton, as the doctor left, continued to shout after him.

Newton was attempting to get Woodard into the office of the secretary of state, where he said he would be able to disprove something he said Woodard had told.

The third annual session of the blacksmiths, horseshoers and wheelwrights of the state was concluded Saturday afternoon with the election of officers. The following officers were elected for the year: President, M. L. Fogarty of Greeley; vice president, W. A. Lloyd of Lincoln; secretary, G. A. Lader of Wahoo; treasurer, J. W. Edwards of Hastings; executive committee, J. J. Depew of Loup City, N. M. Goden of Yutan and William Fischer of Kenesaw. The next meeting will be held in November, 1910, in Grand Island.

At the afternoon session yesterday plans for the extension of membership were discussed. M. N. Barnes moved that the state be divided into districts in which a deputy organizer should be appointed to serve without pay. The motion was carried and the following men appointed: W. G. C. Wooster, Fairbury; M. V. Pasowalk, Norfolk; A. C. Boone, Columbus, and one as yet unselected for Alliance.

George A. Pierce, the engineer of engine 2046, which blew up on the main line of the Burlington shortly after 2 o'clock Thursday afternoon, died at a local hospital Saturday at 12:10 p. m.

He was badly burned about the face and lower limbs, and had received internal injuries. His right leg was also broken. He had never regained consciousness since the accident. He formerly lived at 1108 T street. Coroner Matthews states that no inquest will be held.

Brakeman Upton was reported slightly better today.

Warrants Requested.

State Treasurer Brian today registered warrants to the amount of $22,000 in order to take care of bills which were due. This is the first batch of warrants for some time and it is the only outstanding state debt at this time.

Dave Fires Matron.

Dave Rowden, who is still boss at the Milford Soldiers' home, has again demonstrated that fact by discharging his second matron, Mrs. May Cliffe. The excuse brought to the state house was that the matron desired to hold religious services and prayers in the assembly room of the old soldiers and Colonel Dave is quoted as saying he would not stand for it. Engineer Myers is still fired.

Officers Examination.

Adjutant General Hartigan has issued the following orders:

As soon as possible after election or appointment officers will be examined to ascertain their fitness for the position for which they have been chosen.

Such examination will be conducted by an officer or officers detailed for such purpose by the adjutant general.

The examining officer or officers will make report to the adjutant general of the result of such examination and shall include in such report any objection to the moral standing or mental or physical condition of such candidate.

Should the result of such examination be adverse to any candidate notice of such findings will be forwarded to such candidate, who, if not satisfied, may demand an examination by an examining board selected for such purpose, and such board shall be governed by the regulations governing courts of inquiry so far as they are applicable.

The result of all examinations shall be submitted to the military board, who will report their findings in each case to the governor.

No officer accountable for government or state property or stores will be promoted until such accountability or responsibility is settled, and a failure to settle accountability and responsibility within a reasonable time shall cause rejection of the candidate.

Kearney Company Out.

Adjutant General Hartigan issued an order last night mustering out Company A, Second infantry, stationed at Kearney. The company failed to come up to the requirements and after an investigation the adjutant general made short work of it. He appointed Captain H. N. Jonest o recruit another company and already the captain has thirty-five members signed up.

Ainsworth in Contest.

Representative Harrington of Brown county was at the state house bright and early today trying to locate that new normal school at Ainsworth. Mr. Harrington tried to locate the school there last winter by a legislative act, but had to be satisfied with securing it for the Sixth district. He spent considerable time with the governor, givng him to understand that Ainsworth should have the school.

Woman Fatally Burned.

CENTRAL CITY, Neb., Nov. 20.—(Special.)—Mrs. Martha McClay, living with her son, James McClay on his farm on Prairie creek, eleven miles west of Central City, was fatally burned yesterday afternoon and died within an hour after receiving her injuries. Mrs. McClay, who was a feeble old woman over 85 years of age, was alone in the kitchen when her clothes caught on fire. Her daughter, Eliza Jane, had gone out of doors and was absent for two or three minutes. When she returned to the house she found her mother lying on the floor in a dead faint with her clothes on fire. She hastily extinguished the fire which enshrouded her mother and put out the flames, which had already gained considerable headway in the room. The McClays are old settlers of Merrick county, coming here in 1873 and taking a homestead out on Prairie creek. Mrs. McClay was living with her son and her two daughters.

Kearney Interested in Interurban.

KEARNEY, Neb., Nov. 20.—(Special.)—A large number of the representative business men of this city met last night at the city hall for the purpose of discussing the Kearney & Beloit railway project. Carson Hildreth of Franklin, Neb., who is one of the chief promoters of the road, was present and sought to point out the advantages of having this road run into Kearney. Upon motion the president of the Commercial club was requested to appoint a committee to sell stock and raise money for the preliminary survey. Seventy-five per cent of the entire stock will be held by eastern people and the other 25 per cent will be sold along the route of the proposed line.

PAINTER FALLS TO HIS DEATH

Paul Rhem Fatally Hurt at Fremont, Brother Injured.

FREMONT, Neb., Nov. 20.—(Special Telegram.)—Paul Rhein, a painter, was almost instantly killed and his brother, Frank, seriously and probably fatally injured by the breaking of a scaffold near the roof of the Brown Milling company's mill this afternoon. No one saw the accident. They fell about sixty feet.

Someone in the mill heard the fall and went out to see what was the matter and found the two men on the ground. Paul was living, but died before a doctor could reach him. His brother, Frank, was taken to the hospital, where it was found that his left leg was fractured and that he was injured internally. As they were near together on the ground, it is thought they must have been standing beside each other about the middle of the scaffold. They were seen to go to their work about 1 o'clock and the accident happened about three-quarters of an hour afterward.

Paul Rhein was 29 years old. He leaves a widow and two small children. Frank is also married and has a family.

Prominent Farmer Asks Divorce.

NEBRASKA CITY, Neb., Nov. 20.—(Special.)—Richard A. Cleve, one of the leading farmers and cattle raisers of this section, has filed a suit in the district court praying for a divorce from his wife, Mrs. Carrie Cleve. The petition makes some sensational charges, but they have been removed from the files of the court. Both are very prominent people of this section and have always made this their home. This is Mr. Cleve's second wife, the other having been divorced some years ago and still resides here. The case will be heard at the next term of the district court.

Nebraska News Notes.

SARGENT—The corn stalk disease among the cattle is causing more loss than for many years, one man losing eighteen head in a single night.

HUMBOLDT — Ross W. Brockman and Miss Pink Lillian Thompson were married at the bride's home at noon Thursday. Rev. Bert Wilson of Bethany was the officiating clergyman.

NEBRASKA CITY—H. R. Thorp, who has been one of the mail carriers of this city for the last fifteen years, has been appointed deputy postmaster under Postmaster Frank McCartney.

HUMBOLDT—Mrs. Mary Pierce of this place was married Wednesday by the county judge at Falls City to William Fithan, who came here recently from the east. They will reside here.

NEBRASKA CITY—The street car system of this city, which has been closed for the last week by reason of the ice and snow, is again open for travel and the mules-motive power are once more moving th cars.

SARGENT—The company in charge of putting in the mains for the water system are now keeping a gang of men, two blocks in length, at work on the ditches. The foot of snow which fell during the four-day storm is quite a nuisance.

NEBRASKA CITY—The recent storms did great damage in the vicinity of Talmage. For the first time in years, the lowlands were flooded at this season of the year and much of the crops which were saved from the spring floods were swept away.

TECUMSEH—An art exhibit has been conducted by the Tecumseh schools at the high school building this week. The collection embraces something over 200 copies of paintings by famous artists, all the countries of the world where art is known contributing.

MILFORD—The Board of Trustees of the village of Milford have called a special election to be held on Tuesday, December 14, for the purpose of voting bonds to the amount of $12,500, to be used in the installing of a complete water system.

HUMBOLDT — Miss Frances Little, for years associate editor of the Standard, was united in marriage Wednesday night at the home of her parents to Leonard M. Mann, a stock man of this place. Rev. J. M. Asling of the German church conducted the ceremony.

MILFORD—Carlis Sharkey, an inmate of the Milford Soldiers' and Sailors' home, died very suddenly Monday. He arose from the table, clutched at his throat and fell heading, dead. He was 70 years of age and a native of county, although he served in the union army.

HASTINGS — Joseph C. Williams, who suffered a paralytic stroke Tuesday evening, died at 5:30 this morning. He was unconscious almost from the first hour of the attack. Mr. Williams was a pioneer in Hastings and for many years was head of the police and fire departments. He had been engaged in the tobacco business since 1894.

NEBRASKA CITY—The Burlington road has been experiencing considerable trouble at Peru for some days, by reason of their track sinking. Passengers and mail have been transferred at that point for several days. For the last two days there have been no trains in from the east over the system because of a big washout in the track at Riverton, Ia.

BROKEN BOW—Judge Reese, register in the land office here, has decided to go into the sheep business on a large scale and to that end has just shipped in 500 2-year-old ewes, which were unloaded at Merna and placed on the Reese ranch, southeast of here. Mr. Martin, a partner of Judge Reese, went to Montana and purchased the shipment.

NEBRASKA CITY—Jacob Payne, who resides on the east side of the river, and the oldest son of the late Moses U. Payne, who entered and at one time owned all of the lands between this city and Hamburg, is suffering from blood poisoning and it is feared he cannot survive. He has been taken to Columbia, Mo., for medical treatment. He is one of the wealthiest men in that part of Fremont county.

KEARNEY—A post mortem examination of Thomas Graffious, the man who died suddenly at Shelton, revealed the fact that he died of enlargement of the liver. Grafflous was shot last summer by Andrew Treat of the same town and the coroner's inquest exonerates Treat's act from all blame in the death of Graffious. Treat is now under bond awaiting trial charged with "shooting with intent to kill."

NEBRASKA CITY—A man came to this city a few days since and passed himself off as a billiard expert and before leaving passed a number of forged checks purporting to be signed by some of the farmers hereabouts and managed to have them all cashed. Mr. Williams, who operates a billiard hall, cashed one for $8 which had the name of Nelse Overton, a farmer, signed to it. The man left the city on the night train and made his escape. He is about 40 years of age and fairly well dressed.

BROKEN BOW—C. L. Day of Anselmo has just returned from Hershey, Neb., where he recovered a fine horse and saddle that was stolen from him the middle of last month. The alleged horse thief is said to have disposed of his booty at that place at a good price, after which he went to Kansas and worked on a farm near Topeka, where Sheriff Kennedy found him and brought him back to Broken Bow. At his preliminary hearing Frank Day was bound over to the district court, charged with stealing the horse.

HASTINGS—Carson Hildreth of Franklin yesterday afternoon addressed the Commercial club in reference to the proposed extension of the Garden City-Stockton railroad in Kansas on through Franklin to Hastings. He said the builders of the road were determined to complete the line to Stockton as rapidly as possible and later build to some point in Nebraska. He said the builders had considered Superior for the Nebraska terminus, but he thought that with proper effort here the road could be diverted to Franklin and Hastings. The club took no action, but it is understood the officers will correspond with the builders of the road. Mr. Hildreth was accompanied by Mayor Chitwood of Franklin. Both went from here to Kearney to address the Commercial club of that city.

Bee want-ads are business boosters.

W. J. ENDER'S BODY TAKEN FOR AUTOPSY

St. Louis Authorities May Compel Mrs. Doxey's Presence for Inquest.

ST. LOUIS, Nov. 20.—(Special Telegram.)—William J. Erder's body was exhumed today and was found to be fairly well preserved. It was identified and the autopsy will be tomorrow. The authorities may compell Mrs. L. B. Doxey of Columbus, Neb., to attend the inquest, as she was with Erder when he died and collected his life insurance. She denies she was his widow.

The Weather.

FOR NEBRASKA—Cloudy and colder.
FOR IOWA—Partly cloudy and colder Sunday.

Temperature at Omaha yesterday:

Hour.	Deg.
5 a. m.	41
6 a. m.	41
7 a. m.	42
8 a. m.	43
9 a. m.	46
10 a. m.	49
11 a. m.	53
12 m.	54
1 p. m.	58
2 p. m.	61
3 p. m.	61
4 p. m.	55
5 p. m.	53
6 p. m.	47
7 p. m.	44