

**MISSOURI STATE BOARD OF HEALTH
BUREAU OF VITAL STATISTICS
CERTIFICATE OF DEATH**

1. PLACE OF DEATH

County..... Registration District No. File No.
 Township..... Primary Registration District No. Registered No.
 City..... St. Ward)

2. FULL NAME

(a) Residence. No. 8206 Prairie St. Mo. 90
 (Usual place of abode) (If nonresident give city or town and State)

Length of residence in city or town where death occurred yrs. mos. da. How long in U.S., if of foreign birth? yrs. mos. da.

PERSONAL AND STATISTICAL PARTICULARS

3. SEX M F
 4. COLOR OR RACE W O
 5. SINGLE, MARRIED, WIDOWED OR DIVORCED (write the word) C

5A. IF MARRIED, WIDOWED, OR DIVORCED HUSBAND OF (OR) WIFE OF

6. DATE OF BIRTH (MONTH, DAY AND YEAR) 11-21-83

7. AGE YEARS MONTHS DAYS If LESS than 1 day, hrs. or min.
 37 10 8

8. OCCUPATION OF DECEASED

(a) Trade, profession, or particular kind of work Car Repairer
 (b) General nature of industry, business, or establishment in which employed (or employer)
 (c) Name of employer

9. BIRTHPLACE (CITY OR TOWN) (STATE OR COUNTRY) St. Louis

10. NAME OF FATHER Wm. Harrison

11. BIRTHPLACE OF FATHER (CITY OR TOWN) (STATE OR COUNTRY) Mo.

12. MAIDEN NAME OF MOTHER

13. BIRTHPLACE OF MOTHER (CITY OR TOWN) (STATE OR COUNTRY) Mo.

14. INFORMANT Mrs. Harrison (Address) 23 Prairie

15. FILED 19..... REGISTRAR

MEDICAL CERTIFICATE OF DEATH

16. DATE OF DEATH (MONTH, DAY AND YEAR) Dec 31 19..

17. I HEREBY CERTIFY, That I attended deceased from, 19.., to, 19.., that I last saw him alive on, 19.., and that death occurred, on the date stated above, at, m.

THE CAUSE OF DEATH* WAS AS FOLLOWS:

Myocardial infarction of unknown duration yrs. mos. da.

CONTRIBUTORY (SECONDARY) Coronary atherosclerosis yrs. mos. da.

18. WHERE WAS DISEASE CONTRACTED IF NOT AT PLACE OF DEATH, 11/3

DID AN OPERATION PRECEDE DEATH? DATE OF

WAS THERE AN AUTOPSY? Yes

WHAT TEST CONFIRMED DIAGNOSIS? (Signed) J. M. Harrison, M.D. 19.. (Address) 23 Prairie

*State the DISEASE CAUSING DEATH, or in deaths from VIOLENT CAUSES, state (1) MEANS AND NATURE OF INJURY, and (2) whether ACCIDENTAL, SUICIDAL, or HOMICIDAL. (See reverse side for additional space)

19. PLACE OF BURIAL, CREMATION, OR REMOVAL DATE OF BURIAL
 Cemetery 1-3-192

20. UNDERTAKER ADDRESS
 Wash. Harrison - In Practice

DEPARTMENT OF POLICE

Major E. W. Hoagland

CITY OF ST. LOUIS

December 31, 1921.

CORONER

for his information

Martin O'Brien,
Chief of Police.

Sir:-

Sixth DISTRICT
CIRCUIT ATTORNEY
FOR HIS INFORMATION

About 12:20 o'clock P.M., on 27th Inst., ~~Edward Brown~~, age 36, born in Missouri, Married, Agent, residing at 359 Pope Avenue, entered the Soft Drink Parlor of Henry Muelken, at 5700 North Broadway, went into the toilet and then came out and walked over to where George Morrisson, age 38, born in Missouri, Single, Car Repairer, residing with his brother, William Morrisson, at 820 East Prairie Avenue, was sitting and said to him, "Morrisson, you gave me a good Christmas gift, now I am going to give you one" and drew a 38 caliber, Police Positive revolver, #24,837; from his overcoat pocket, and fired one shot at Morrisson, striking him in the stomach. Brown after the shooting, walked south on Broadway and met Patrolman Edward Hare, of this district, at Broadway and Adelaide Avenue, and told him of the shooting. The officer took the revolver from him and then took him to where the shooting occurred, and found Morrisson suffering from a gun shot wound.

The auto patrol was called, which conveyed Morrisson to the City Hospital, where he was examined by Dr. Elmer G. Harris, who pronounced him suffering from a gun shot wound in the abdomen, and left arm, between the elbow and wrist, condition serious.

Morrisson refused to make a statement to Captain John Hannegan, and also refused to identify ~~Brown~~ as the man who shot him, saying that he would tell him about it later.

~~Brown~~ stated that on the night of July 2nd, 1921; Morrisson cut him about 35 times with a knife, and that he was getting revenge.

~~Brown~~ was brought to this station and placed on the holdover.

Morrisson was also held a prisoner at the hospital.

The revolver with one empty shell and four loaded cartridges

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DEPARTMENT OF POLICE

CITY OF ST. LOUIS

DISTRICT

was held as evidence at this station.

Later at 12 o'clock this A.M., Morrisson died at the hospital.

Brown was rearrested at his home this A.M., by Patrolman Willard Green, this district, and brought to this station and placed on the holdover.

Morrisson's people were notified of his death.

The Coroner has been notified, and all witnesses to be in his office Monday morning at 9 o'clock.

Witnesses: John Eehan, 4561 Adelaide Avenue, Emil L. Mankel, 822a Salisbury Street, Herman Gastroft, 830 DeSoto Avenue, and Henry Muelken, 5700 N. Broadway.

Sergt. J.E. Kling.
Pat'n. Edw. Hare.

H.W.

Respectfully,

John P. Harrington
Captain Commanding District.



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INQUEST held at Coroner's Office,
St. Louis, Mo., Jan. 2nd, 1922,
on the body of

GEORGE MORRISON

POLICE REPORT READ

EXAMINATION BY WILLIAM DEVER, Deputy Coroner.

OFFICER EDWARD HARE being duly sworn, testified:

- Q What is your name? A Edward Hare.
- Q Your address? A 1927 E. College. (Sixth District)
- Q Did you make out the report in the case of George Morrison? A Yes sir.
- Q Was Frank Brown intoxicated at the time? A No, sir.
- Q Did he seem to be excited? A No, sir.
- Q What was the condition of George Morrison? A Well, they were putting Morrison in the wagon when I got there.
- Q Did you get a statement from any of the witnesses as to whether he was drunk or sober? A I did.
- Q What did they say? A I didn't ask whether Morrison was sober or not.
- Q Do you know of any trouble between Brown and Morrison? A They did have trouble.
- Q Do you know whether Morrison ever threatened Brown? A I don't know.
- Q Did you find any knife or gun on Morrison? A I didn't search him.
- Q Do you know who did? A The signal officer.
- Q Do you know what they found on him? A I do not.
- Q Do you know whether there was any blows struck before the shooting?
A Not that I know of.
- MR. OSSING: Q Do you know either one of these men? A Brown.
- Q How long have you known him? A About fifteen years.
- Q He was on the police force for how long? A About ten years.
- Q Do you walk that beat up there? A I live up there, and I walk up there now.

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HERMAN C. GASTORF being duly sworn, testified:

Q What is your name? A Herman C. Gastorf.

Q Your address? A 830 DeSoto avenue.

Q What is your occupation? A Repair Boss for McQuay Norris Mfg. Co.

Q Were you present when George Morrison was shot? A Yes, sir.

Q Tell us how that happened? A Well, Morrison and Mack, and myself were in conversation at the time, and I was practically doing all the talking and I was leaning over like this (indicating), and I heard the report of a gun, "Says Boom," and I looked up and says "Oh," and I grabbed Morrison.

Q Who shot him? A I couldn't tell, but I seen Brown there.

Q What did Brown say to you? A Nothing whatsoever.

Q Was Morrison under the influence of liquor? A I don't think so.

Q How long had you been with him? A Probably an hour and a half.

Q Did you at any time hear him threaten Brown? A No, sir.

Q Did you at any time hear any conversation between Brown and Morrison?

A No, sir.

Q Do you know of any trouble they have had? A From hearsay, I heard they had a fight about five or six months ago.

Q Did you ever hear Morrison at any time threaten Brown? A No, sir.

Q What did Brown do after the shooting? A I never paid no attention to him, I grabbed Morrison.

Q What did Morrison say? A He said "He got me."

Q Did he say who? A He says "He got me," and I presume he seen Brown there also.

Q Did you see a gun in Brown's hand? A No, sir.

MR. OSSING: Q Were you there when the officer asked him about this affair? A No, I went down to get his brother.

FRANK L. BROWN (PRIS) being called, stated:

Q What is your name? A Frank L. Brown.

Q Your address? A 359 Pope avenue.

Q What is your occupation? A I was writing Insurance up to First.

Q Mr. Brown, it is your privilege at this time, to make a statement or not to make one, just as you see fit.

A I am satisfied to make a statement.

Q Do you want to make it under oath? A Yes, sir.

WHEREUPON, the prisoner being duly sworn, testified:

Q Just tell those six men what happened? A I had been down at the sisters house on St. Louis avenue, and I come back up on the street as far as Adelaide avenue and went in to see some of the boys and they were raffeling a pair of portiers off for my benefit, and I went out of there and went up past Muelken's place and I talked to him and went straight through to the toilet, and I met a fellow in there and I was talking to him a few minutes and I started back out of the door and made about three steps and I saw Morrison and he saw me, and I went up in his chair to get up and I had a gun in my pocket, and I shot him out and shot him.

Q What has the trouble been between you and Morrison? A He was whipping my wife, he had a fight with her in the saloon, and I had an altercation with him on July the first, and he cut me in about thirty-five different places.

Q With a knife or razor? A A knife I believe.

Q Has he made any threats to you since? A Not that I know.

Q Do you know whether he was armed or not at this time? A

Q Have you been carrying a gun since that time? A No sir, I have been out only about three weeks; I have been disabled, and peared on my left side.

Q Ever since this cutting? A Yes, sir.

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two hundred and thirty pounds.

Q What do you weigh now? A About one hundred and seventy, or seventy-five pounds.

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H. C. Brashear, M. D., being duly sworn, testifies:

I am Chief Resident Physician of the St. Louis City Hospital.

Deceased was admitted to the institution Tuesday, December 27th, 1921, at 1:25 P. M., as per permit No. 10461, as follows:

Name,	George Morrison (White)
Age,	38 yrs.
Nativity,	Missouri
In City,	Life
Occupation,	Car Repairer
Social condition,	Single
Residence,	820 E. Prairie Ave.
Brought from,	5700 N. Broadway
Brought by,	Officer Greer, 6th Dist.

Patient a white adult male, well developed and nourished enters hospital conscious and rational. Breath alcoholic, giving history of having been shot. Temperature normal, pulse 76. Condition- only slight shock.

Physical Examination shows- head scalp is negative. Eyes- pupils equal and regular, react to light and accommodation. Ears, nose and mouth are negative. Neck- negative. Chest- expansion equal on both sides, no areas of dullness. Lungs- are clear, no rales present. Heart- no murmurs, normal cardiac dullness. Abdomen- gunshot wound at 9th interspace in nipple line left side; slight hemorrhage present. Slight rigidity of abdominal wall, and tenderness present on palpation over left side and epigastric region. Posteriorly marked area of tenderness present on left side two inches from vertebral column at level of gunshot wound. Fluoroscopic examination shows this point to be location of bullet. Extremities- gunshot fracture of radius, left arm. Wounds were treated aseptically, fracture immobilized with splint. 1500 units of antitetanic serum given.

Patient prepared for operation. Exploratory laparotomy performed. Returned from operating room in good condition. Temperature 99.4, pulse 112. Patient treated in usual post-operative manner, cardiac stimulants and sedatives when necessary. Pulse increasing in rate. Patient became weaker, and expired at 12:00 o'clock midnight December 30, 1921.

H. C. Brashear M.D.
Chief Resident Physician