

## PROVINCE MAY HAVE NEW SCHOOL BOOKS NEXT YEAR

### Robicheau Has Had A Life Of Crime According To Records

Has Been Before Police Many Times On Breaking and Entering Charges

#### DID TWO YEAR TERM

Frances Ward Received Word of Verdict Over Radio In Hospital

A life of crime, which saw him serve a two-year sentence in Dorchester Penitentiary, as well as many jail terms, was behind William Robicheau today as he sat in his cell in deep thought and well guarded, and waited for the fateful day of April 20 when he will be taken from his cell and "hanged by the neck until he is dead."

Robicheau's record in crime is a long one. The youth, who is just 24, has appeared before Police Magistrates on ten different occasions and most of these were on breaking and entering charges. As a juvenile he was charged five times, and since reaching the age limit he has also been tried on five counts.

On his most serious crime, until the night he shot Cohen, the youthful murderer was given a two-year sentence to Dorchester by former Acting Magistrate Ervin Williams, on September 15, 1936. At that time he was convicted of breaking and entering Walsh Bros. store on Haymarket Square. A few months before that he had received a jail sentence on another breaking and entering count.

Robicheau, who, according to police records, was born in Yarmouth, N. S., was last in jail from April of 1937 until last August. During his career of crime, the dark bushy haired youth was a lone wolf. Very, very seldom was he ever accompanied while committing an offense, as he seemed to prefer working alone.

Today the doomed man was in a cell under heavy guard, far removed from other prisoners. Until the day of his execution, guards will be in attendance on him, to see that he tries to make no escape, and also to prevent him from doing away with himself.

According to the law, the only ones that will be allowed to see the prisoner are his jailer and his servants, the medical officer or surgeon of the jail, a chaplain or minister of religion. Any others wishing to see him, including his relatives, must have written permission either from the sheriff or from Mr. Justice J. H. A. L. Fairweather, who presided at his trial. Anyone visiting the prisoner, of course, will be searched.

According to the law, High Sheriff H. Colby Smith will have to perform the execution, but if he turns it over

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### FREDERICTON LADY SEEKING PUBLIC OFFICE IN N. S. TOWN

Wolfville Red Cross Society Wants Woman On Town Council Board

(Special to The Daily Mail)  
WOLFVILLE, N. S., Jan. 20 — The second woman candidate ever to seek public office in this college town is Mrs. Conrad P. Wright, a former, N. B. girl and a daughter of W. G. Clark, M.P. for York-Sunbury, New Brunswick. Mrs. Wright will be a candidate in the town elections next month.

Mrs. Wright is a sister of Alden R. Clark, of Saint John, manager of J. Clark and Sons and a former star hockey player.

Wolfville's Red Cross Society is heading up the campaign to elect a woman representative to the town's

### MORMON 'PROPHET' BELIEVED IN SANE

Test Ordered After Tabernacle Nearly Set Ablaze

SALT LAKE CITY, Jan. 20—A 70-year-old Mormon "prophet" who raced through the famous Salt Lake City Tabernacle with a blazing gasoline torch last Sunday morning shouting to the astonished congregation that he had seen a vision of Jesus Christ, last night was held for an insanity hearing.

The self-styled "prophet," George Odis, described himself as "the prophet of the living God" to Mormon worshippers who overpowered him in the temple.

Police believed that Odis and his cohorts were seeking to burn the tabernacle, obsessed by a fanatical belief that "sin" had invaded the Mormon House of worship.

Witnesses said Odis had announced he was going to the tabernacle to "preach a sermon," and entered with his followers, equipped with fruit sprayers filled with gasoline, which were ablaze as they ran down the aisle.

### Tear Gas Used In Winnipeg Jail

WINNIPEG, Jan. 19 — Tear gas bombs were used to drive unruly prisoners from Headingley Jail dining room last night, it was learned late this morning.

Headingley is the Provincial Jail situated 13 miles west of Winnipeg.

Official investigation into the disturbance, worst in the institution's history, started when ringleaders of the rioters were confined to punishment cells. They were placed on rations of bread and water.

Damage caused by the disturbances was slight, said Governor J. C. Bowlin.

### Board of Trade Recommendation

THE FREDERICTON BOARD OF TRADE at its meeting last evening dealt with recommendations contained in the report of President E. C. Atkinson. The principal features of this report referred to the matter of a new departmental building and a modern hotel to be erected at the capital. The Board of Trade appointed a committee to interview the Government in regard to these two features.

President Atkinson strongly favored the construction of a modern hotel, but was in favor of having the present Queen Hotel renovated and enlarged rather than having a new hotel erected. The construction of a new departmental building would provide a long felt want. The construction of both buildings would give employment to a large number of people.

People who are familiar with the hotel business throughout the province believe that the Provincial Government who own the Queen Hotel would not be out any money by renovating this building. They point out that the lessee of the hotel would pay a rent which would more than pay the interest on the cost of making the hotel a modern one and that the hotel would provide accommodation for people from all over the province who come here from month to month especially during the session of the Legislature for the purpose of doing business with the Provincial Government.

George W. Hodge the veteran member of the Board of Trade suggests an entirely new hotel to be erected west of the Club House in front of the Parliament Building at a cost of approximately one hundred thousand dollars. Mr. Hodge feels that this would bring tourists to Fredericton and would provide accommodation which is now lacking. It is contended on the other hand that there is no hotel in the Maritime Provinces today that is paying expenses and that any large hotel such as is suggested for this city could be purchased today anywhere in the province for fifty per cent. of its present value. It is claimed that stockholders could not be found to invest money in such a proposition considering the returns from other hotels. But that on the other hand less money spent in the renovation of the Queen Hotel would produce results.

The construction of a new Departmental Building is absolutely necessary. At the present time the departmental offices are scattered at various places about the city in buildings which have been rented by the Provincial Government. It is understood that the Government has for several months had under consideration the erection of a modern departmental building on the vacant lot on Saint John Street adjoining the present Agricultural Department and directly opposite the Departmental Building. Plans and specifications have been prepared and the Government will probably go ahead with this building as soon as its present hard surfaced highway program is completed.

The construction of an airport at Nashwaaksis was also under consideration. Such an airport located at Nashwaaksis would cost in the vicinity of fifty thousand dollars to construct, and would cost also about five thousand dollars a year to maintain. It is probable that before any progress is made in regard to this matter that those appointed to carry on negotiations will consider whether such a proposition would be a paying one. Doubts in this regard have been expressed. The establishment of an airport is a progressive move provided it is not a losing proposition.

### RUMANIA ORDERS CHARLOTTE CO. CITIZENSHIP PROBE HAS THE FUNNY FROST FISH

All Immigrants Must Have Papers Examined, Says Decree

BUCHAREST, Rumania, Jan. 20—Premier Octavian Goga's Government yesterday decreed nation-wide examination of citizenship papers of all immigrants.

Those found suspicious will be examined in regular Rumanian courts.

"It is everybody's right and duty to report such cases to police immediately," said a Cabinet communique, which also promised that international minority agreements would be respected.

(Goga's anti-Semitic program has aroused foreign apprehension, particularly in Hungary, over the fate of minorities included in Rumania's territory acquired in the post-war settlements).

One official of the Interior Ministry said the decree would prescribe severe punishment for Rumanian immigration officials who pass out illegal citizenship papers.

Solution of the Jewish problem "demands complete elimination of Jews," declared Alexander Cuza, co-leader of the National Christian Party with Premier Goga.

Only Known to Residents of L'Etang Harbour

SAINT JOHN, Jan. 20—New Brunswick has a funny kind of fish that Isaac Walton never even heard of.

"It is a frost fish and only residents of the area around L'Etang Harbor on the Bay of Fundy coastline can tell you about them. That is the only place that the frost fish have been known to frequent.

Between Christmas Day and New Year's you can go to the mouth of any one of the numerous streams that flow into L'Etang harbor and jig or net as many frost fish as you want.

Throw them on the ice and they will freeze as hard as a rock, but when carried home and placed in a bathtub or a pail of water they thaw out and start swimming around as friskily as ever.

The frost fish look something like a small cod and are good to eat—something like a flounder—but they never grow large. It is only around the end of each year that they appear, coming into the streams at L'Etang harbor to spawn.

### New Brunswick School Book Changes Are Under Consideration

Curriculum Committee Will Report Early Next Month

#### TEACHERS REVIEW BOOKS

Hon. Dr. Paterson and Dr. Peacock, Educational Director, Working On Needed Changes

### CONFEDERATION VISION, HELD LOST

Duplication of Services and Friction Has Piled up Huge Debt

LONDON, Ont., Jan. 20—Duplication of services and the quarrels between province and province, and between provincial and central governments have piled up a huge burden of debt on the shoulders of the Canadian taxpayer and at the same time carried government in Canada far from the ideals of the Fathers of Confederation, members of the Canadian Fruit and Vegetable Growers' Association were told here at their annual convention by W. McL. Clarke, secretary of the Canadian Chamber of Commerce.

"If I were to name the one problem which causes the most uneasiness in Canada," Mr. Clarke said, "I would unquestionably say it is the failure to balance public revenue and expenditure in the municipal, provincial and federal fields. We have added to our total debt structure some \$1,800,000,000 these last six years, or 300 million dollars a year or \$135 a family, even including those on relief.

In other words there has been reared a great and ignoble pile, which today has reached an \$8,000,000,000 height.

"We have so many departments of Government and so many duplicatory public services that our different exchequers may be likened to a strong

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### Woman Store Keeper Scares Two Bandits

WINNIPEG, Jan. 20—Mrs. Inga Ingaldson is about the mildest little woman who ever kept store for her husband in Winnipeg—that is to look at her. Two bandits entered the family store here and told her to stick up her hands. Instead of complying she hurled a stepladder at them, upsetting their plans. They ducked and a few moments later her husband Fred entered with a heavy chair. He heaved this in their direction and followed up with a barrage of pickle bottles, each heaved with energy.

#### RELIEF HELD UNCHANGED

REGINA, Jan. 20—Federal funds to carry on the Northern Settlers' Re-establishment work in Saskatchewan will likely be made available this year on terms similar to last year, Hon. C. M. Dunn, Minister of Highways and Transportation said on his return from Ottawa yesterday.

The frost fish were discovered by a man who set out for a spot of winter fishing. He caught several which he put in a paper bag and tied to the running board of his car so they would stay frozen. When he returned to his home in Saint John he dropped them in a tub of water—bag and all preparatory to cleaning them for supper. The bag had not been in the water very long before the bag fluttered and out swam the supper.

### BAD NEWS FOR DOM. INCOME TAX EVADERS

Legislation Will Be Carried to Plug up Loopholes Tax Dodgers

OTTAWA, Jan. 20—Bad news for Canadian income tax evaders is brewing on Parliament Hill. The Federal authorities are giving some real thought to the idea of overhauling what is possibly the most unpopular of Federal statutes, with a view to plugging up existing loopholes which, in the eyes of the average taxpayer doubtless seem all too few already. A departmental committee has already been appointed to engage in the task, and it is said that legislation of a more or less formidable character may be ready for the approaching session of Parliament.

The project, on the assumption that it is proceeded with after the departmental lawyers have made their report to the Minister of National Revenue, Hon. J. L. Isley, promises to be of major importance. Not only will it bolster national revenues, but it will also—a matter which conceivably is of greater importance—remove a discrimination which exists at present in favor of the wealthy taxpayer.

For a long time the criticism of the income tax has been that only the wealthy could hope to evade it, while the small taxpayer must resign himself to meeting its exactions in full. The machinery of escape for the millionaire has been comparatively simple. Provided neither his conscience nor his lack of patriotism intervened as an obstacle, all he has had to do has been to acquire a legal residence in Bermuda, the Bahamas, the Channel Islands, or some other idyllic corner of the world which the income tax gatherer does not visit.

As a consequence of this situation, it is well known that some of the largest Canadian incomes have been escaping taxation for several years past. The government is understood to be getting ready now to move in the matter. The question of the definition of a legal residence is to be closely overhauled; and if the problem cannot be met in that way, the alternative will presumably be studied of taxing Canadian income at its source, instead of when it comes into the hands of its recipients.

### N. B. Runner Has Chance At Empire Games

AMHERST, N. S., Jan. 20—Fred S. Cameron, now of Vancouver, winner of the Boston Marathon in 1910 has made the prediction that Sigfried Nielsen, Maritime sprinter from Perth, N. B., should establish himself at the British Empire Games in Australia next month.

### Twice Widow From Mine Accidents

EDMONTON, Alta., Jan. 20—Alberta mine accidents have twice widowed Mrs. Vince Ruzek, of Bellevue. In 1914, her first husband was killed in an explosion at the Hillcrest mine. Later she married Vince Ruzek a veteran in the Bellevue mine. Recently after Ruzek had finished his day's work and was going off shift, a slide in the mine caught and killed him.

tional Affairs, to bring this province in line with other provinces throughout the Dominion.

### LONG TREK BY TRAILER NOW IN HOMESTRETCH

Saskatchewan Family Heads for Montreal on Arrival Windsor; 102 Days, Horse-Drawn Vehicle

WINDSOR, Ont., Jan. 20 — From Saskatchewan to Montreal, Quebec, 3,000 miles, two horsepower, but plenty of faith.

So reads a sign on the rear of a home-made trailer in which Mr. and Mrs. James W. Stewart and their six young children today rolled slowly along the homestretch of a journey from famine to plenty.

For 102 days the Stewarts have lived in their homely contraption, drawn by a pair of mangy horses. They have travelled more than two thousand miles—most of them in the United States—and when they arrive in Montreal a job on a truck farm awaits Stewart—a job he hopes will make him forget the farm he lost in Saskatchewan.

As the strange entourage stopped at the Canadian Customs office after crossing Ambassador Bridge from Detroit, Government agents stepped to the door of their trailer. Six healthy looking children ranging from 2 to 9 years of age rushed to the small opening. Officers dug into their pockets and gave each of them a coin.

Why did the Stewarts choose the winter for such a trip?

"It wasn't very easy," volunteered Mrs. Stewart, a 26-year-old French-Canadian.

"But we've had a heap of trouble. Russian thistle destroyed our wheat crop last fall. Then a fire burned our home. We had all we could do to rescue the children. And we saved our sewing machine, too—we have it here in the trailer. Then Jim (her husband) developed heart trouble. Some relatives of mine near Montreal offered him a job on their truck-farm so we sarked out."

Stewart, a rugged man of 38, built the trailer in three days, mounting it on an automobile frame. With \$300 received from the sale of livestock, and another \$300 from a life insurance policy, the family started last October 7 from Watrous, Sask. They entered the United States at Noyes, Minn., and travelled about 20 miles a day, following the Mississippi River to Illinois. They moved over to Chicago and thence to Detroit.

The family savings have dwindled to a bare \$140, which the Stewarts believed would be sufficient to take them to Montreal. They expect to arrive there in about a month.