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Bank Robbing Romance Ends In Swell Apartment

William Nevin, Montreal Broker and Bandit, Found After Two-Year Search.

MONTREAL, April 18-There may be more daring or dangerous bank robbers in the world but it is safe to say that Walker Gerald Nevin was the "smoothest" of them al.

Known and respected as a Montreal insurance broker with offices in the Commercial Union Building, 388 St. James West, he learned the "lay of the land" while actually attempting to sell bank managers hold-up insurance!

After a search of two years Nevin was finally bagged by the police in Baltimore, Maryland, while his partner in crime, Alfred Desrochers was captured in Washington, D. C.

The career of the daring Nevin reads like fiction and includes no less than seven bank hold-up charges, one attempted murder charge, besides having served terms for forgery, robbery and grand larceny.

Over 10,000 police circulars have gone out to all parts of the world during the past two years in the international search made for them. Nevin was born in Montreal 40 years ago and went overseas in 1917 with the Canadian Field Artillery with whom he served until the close of the war when he returned to take up residence here.

Well-built, good-looking and debonair, Nevin combined considerable romance with "business". Following are a few highlights of his lengthy career in the field of crime.

Engaged to Toronto Society Girl

On May 25th, 1921, police records show, Nevin's name first swung into

He was at that time said to be engaged to marry a Toronto society

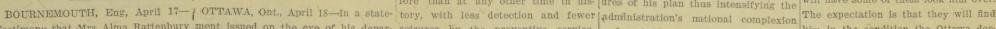
He admitted this to the Winnipeg police at the time of his arrest there. while attempting to pay a pair of detectives, acting in the role of stockbrokers, for \$1,500 worth of stocks and \$100 in cash with a forged cheque for the amount of \$1,600.

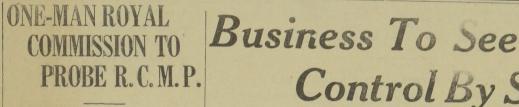
Apples And Honey

The Daily Mail has been smartly making suggestions regarding New Brunswick products and how prosperity could be increased by the inhabitants of this province patronizing home products and home manufactured articles. Our attention has been called to the possibilities of turning in many dollars by the manufacture of dried apples. Down in Nova Scotia, which is a great apple country, factories are running every day turning out evaporated apples. In some cases the factories are compelled to run day and night to keep up with the demand. These apples are shipped all over the country and bring in a larger revenue. The factories do not need first-grade apples in the production of evaporated apples. The seconds and smaller apples which are hard to sell for table use or even for cooking purposes, may be worked into service in the "dried apple factory." This is done every place. When the apples are cored and manufactured into the evaporated article ready for sale the smaller varieties are just as good as the larger and higher paid ones.

There should be a splendid chance to turn out evaporated apples along the Saint John Valley We have different varieties of apples. Our valley is both a railway and a highway centre and one could start such an industry here at comparatively low cost. All it would require is the initiative and energy. If Nova Scotia people can make a success of this business why cannot it be done in New Brunswick? Another business which nature has placed at our doors is the maple candy and maple sugar industry. It has large possibilities. What is being done to develop this industry? Practically nothing. The industry has existed here during the Indian period, during the Acadian period, and down through the years of our own period and we are not much further ahead in the way of development than we were one hundred years ago. The farmers along the Saint John Valley in York County have the best maple sugar in the world, but push the sales only in a comparatively small way. It is up to the right kind of a man or men to take up this industry, put money into it and make fame and fortune. It could be done. If some smart Yankee comes along one of these days he will see the possibilities and clean-up on the proposition. These are just a few suggestions on local posibilities in this part of New Brunswick.

BOUGHT CLOTHING BENNETT PLANS FOR CHAUFFEUR TO CONTINUE WORK Witnesses Relate Inci- Will Likely Secure Medical Advice on Visit to dents in Rattenbury Murder Hearing London





Chief Justice Baxter To Investigate Charges Against Police Made NO SEAT FOR I by Hon. Dr. P. J. Veniot GEORGE IN CABINET -Enquiry Here on 25th of April.

In the Supreme Court chamber on the morning of Thursday, April 25, Crown Witness Says He Chief Justice J. B. M. Baxter will commence an enquiry into charges levelled by Hon. Dr. P. J. Veniot against the R.C.MP. The chief Justice has announced that he has re-

ceived his official commission papers liament will adjourn for the Easter usual-but for much longer. The adfrom Ottawa and ne will actually be holidays on Thursday, reassembling on journment till May 20 is of inordinate a one-man Commission to investigate April 29, the closing day to be devot- length, due to exceptional circumthe charges made by the former ed to a debate on the three-power con-stances. It will not be without its Postmaster General, and the mem-ference at Stresa. ber for Gloucester.

"I have wired Hon. Mr. Veniot ask- Minister Ramsay McDonald will quiet- be delayed. Also the election. ing if that date will suit his conveni- ly retire after the jubilee celebrations In the meantime public opinion may ence," the chief justice said, reveal- are over, to be succeeded by Rt. Hon. find expression as to the extent of the by Dr. Veniot, the former postmaster most of the ground it lost during the cumstances. in a recent speech in the House of

Chief Justice Baxter also announc-John, has been appointed counsel for ment's popularity, though a notable labor assured. There will be other the commission, and W. Harold Dav- omission was the failure to include measures of public protection. idson, of Newcastle, the secretary.

tion will last several days, with Dr. forecast. Canadian Mounted Police calling re cabinet Rt. Hon. Neville Chamberlain, rectly or indirectly. buttal witnesses.

Speaking in the House of Com- come the real driving force, while Sir mons, Dr. Veniot said he wished to John Simon will remain at his post of call attention to the patrol system foreign secretary. under which the Mounted Police oplay idle for three or four days at a Bathurst Harbor "while smuggling is going on in what is

committee on Thursday. "If these vessels are there to pretied up at the wharf miles away from is no question of Mr. Lloyd George be- prevent the Prime Minister "coming where the smuggling is going on," ing given a seat in the cabinet which back" in the fullest acceptance of the declared Dr. Veniot, charging that he does not really desire but say the term. Certainly he has the will to do

crat-No Costly Regimentation-Plan is To Ban Sweatshops and Unfair Working Conditions.

Not Slightest Indication

of Army of Bureau-

Control By State

OTTAWA, Ont., April 18-The House of Commons and the Senate rose last evening after being here three months LONDON, England, April 18-Par- to a day. They go home for Easter as consequences. The business legis. Politicians, confident that Prime lation which is thought necessary will

ing that the terms of his commission Stanley Baldwin, Conservative leader, restrictive enactments, where they follow exactly the statements made declare the Government has regained should be applied and under what cir-

flasco over the changes in unemploy- A degree of state intervention is ment relief some months ago. The conceded to be inevitable Sweatshops budget--- "a poor man's budget"-- is will be done away with, and decent ed that C. F. Inches, K.C., of Saint also expected to enlarge the govern- hours and wages and conditions of

rural workers in the unemployment Nevertheless it does not follow that It is expected that the investiga- insurance scheme, as had been freely the Government will set up an army of bureaucrats to "regiment" all com-Veniot calling witnesses to substan- Prime Minister MacDonald's eyes merce and industry at every turn, addtiate the charges he made in the are still giving him trouble. It is ing cost of every consumer and to the House of Commons, and the Royal predicted that in the re-shuffle of the taxes of every one who pays taxes di-

Today the Prime Minister leaves for New York to embark at midnight on the Berengaria. Press correspon-Much interest in speculation on the dents intimate with his normal aparated in Baie de Chaleur. He con-national government's future ataches pearance and spirits, seeing him last tended that patrol vessels sometimes to its negotiations with former pre- night, found little change, except what mier David Lloyd George, whose a long period indoors and in bed might "new deal" plans have been under be expected to produce. His glow called rum row, off Miscou Island, in study by a special cabinet committee is not so ruddy. His legs, he says, for some weeks. He will meet the are a bit stiff. Intellectually, he is alert as ever. From the viewpoint of smuggling, they should not be Well-informed politicians state there the layman, there seems nothing to there was more smuggling in Baie de government will seek to attach him to so. Presumably, when in London, Chaleur last year and the year be- its banner by adopting practical feat- where there are great specialists, he fore than at any other time in his- ures of his plan thus intensifying the will have some of them look him over. his depar- seazures by the preventive service, and probably securing the support of him in the condition the Ottawa a accept leadership of either Sir John turn to his duties and to the election campaign. If, as is conceivable but Mr. Lloyd George has promised to not probable, they should find that The session now taking a long breathing spell has been peculiar. It has wholly belied all tradition on the A special community service "The eve of a general election. Strategies there have been some peculiar factors tending to retard progress. One of these was Mr. Bennett's illness. An-The condition of Mrs. W. James other was the delay in preparation of Ahern who has been seriously ill for the Price Spreads report. A third is long adjournment will permit Mr. Bennett to be back and personally direct the rest of the program. The legislation will be prepared. The

IS THE PREDICTION Saw Accused Punch Evangelist

He was carrying a loaded revolver year in jail.

to serve from three to 12 months.

On March 3, 1923, he escaped from husband, Francis Mawson Rattenbury, der service to his country. the Reformatory to be again arrested who lived in Victoria, B. C., for some bery and grand larceny.

Prison to serve from one year to life. lived in Kamloops as a child.

During the two years he spent in Employes of a London firm told of San Quentin, Nevin inflicted 20-page Mrs. Rattenbury and Stoner visiting love letters on a girl, who sent him their store together and purchasing N.B. ORANGEMEN tobacco money.

He was released on parole, March jamas, for Stoner, on Mrs. Ratten-20, 1926, was deported to Vancouver, bury's account. A Bournemouth bank and later came east to marry his girl clerk told of Stoner cashing a check chentioned above in 1928.

Married life and its responsibilities in his favor, and of cashing several seemed to affect Nevin at that point smaller sums. for he got a job with various big paint companies as a salesman and W. G. Nevin Company, Limited, Insettled in Toronto with his wife, when surance Brokers. he remained until late in 1929 when The following year he moved down WOODSTOCK, N. B., April 18- tion of the police. These stores con- been abandoned for her recovery. the couple moved to Ottawa.

They remained in the Capital City St. James Street, Montreal.

insurance broker with offices at 201 were negligible. Sherbrook street West, forming the

Testimony that wirs paid several sums of money, including ture for England, Prime Minister R. B. "because the patrol and protection many Liberals who at present do not tor finds — able, after a rest, to reat the time and was sentenced to a one to the amount of \$250, to George Bennett said last night that he ex- has been less effective." Stoner, was introduced as the prelim- pects to return in good health to Dr. Veniot asked: "Will the minis- Simon or Sir Henbert Samuel. On May 1, 1922, he was released on inary hearing on charges of murder join "in 'completing the legislation ter inform the committee whether of-

a ticket-of-leave and on October 17 against the couple continued The which was undertaken at the com- ficers of the Mounted Police force make public details of his plan afetr was arrested by the Hamilton police for forgery and uttering and subse-quently went to Guelph Reformatory and her 19-year-old chauffeur are ac- health and vigor it would be his commonly known as the third

on November 26 of the same year at time and was an architect of promi-Long Beach, Los Angeles, for rob- nence. He it was who drew the plans orities in London and upon their other crime of which he (Mounted for the parliament buildings at Vic- orities in London, , and upon their other crime of which he (Mounted

men's clothing, including suits of pa-

for \$250 made out by Mrs. Rattenbury

gree his future course of action.

It is understood Mr. Bennett will ory of very strict questions and dustry"

He was sentenced to San Quentin, toria, B. C. Mrs. Rattenbury herself report will depend to a certain de. Police officer) suspected the prison-

cused of the murder of her 67-year-old "proud privilege" to continue to ren-degree?" He cited an instance in tests: "Will it benefit the country? which, he claimed, an incarcerated Can we afford it? And would it in- imperil his life. No one would exprisoner was subjected to "a categ. terfere with ordinary trade and in. pect him to do that.

chancellor of the exchequer, will be-

THE VOICE OF CALVARY

Voice of Calvary" is to be held to. and counter strategies have been er might have some knowledge." In the case of a young man ac- morrow, Good Friday, from 2 o'clock brought into play. Curiously they cusd of manslaughter, Dr. Veniot until five o'clock at the Brunswick have been passive rather than active. said the accused had been put Street Baptist Church. An offering Premier To Direct Rest of Program "through the third degree in the will be taken at the doors for benev- Although the program is of such worst manner possible," thereby ob- olent work in the city. The ministers magnitude that it could not have been taining a purported confession.which of the various churches will particip- concluded by Easter in any event ate in the three hour service.

was not allowed at the trial.

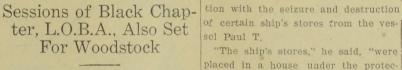
of certain ship's stores from the vessel Paul T.

"The ship's stores," he said, "were the past several weeks shows no im- the necessity of the Prime Minister placed in a house under the protec- provement today. All hopes have going to the King's Jubilee. The

the Orange order, the Black Chapter Afterwards they were taken out of they in turn destroyed these stores until 1930 when they came to Mont- It was around that time that Des- and the Ladies' Orange Benevolent We beach and while people prayed that they could Government would have preferred that real, Nevin then being in the em. rochers first came into the picture Association will meet at Woodstock destroyed by fire in the presence of be used to feed little children who, things go ahead without interruption ploy of the paint division of the C. and became linked up with Nevin. next week. The Black Chapter will I. L. and residing at 6876 Sherbrooke The latter's income from his insur- convene at the Orange Hall Tuesday is to this point I draw the attention their destruction, then I must proance business, it was later discover. and the grand lodge will hold its meet- of the minister. If specific instructest."

In 1931 the couple broke up, but ed, was not sufficient to pay one-tenth ings in Odd Fellows' Hall on April 24, tions were issued for the destruction He also charged that while the Liberals in this period plan to perfect Nevin continued to live at the same of his expenses and in addition he 25 and 26, with the ladies' lodge meet- of the stores, what right had the liquor from the Paul T.'s cargo was and start in on their campaign just as was very active in the stock market in ing on the same dates in the Knights Mounted Police to do that? I say they stored in the home of a Mounted the Conservatives did in 1911 when Sir In 1932 he started business as an 1932 and 1933, from which his profits of Pythias Hall. A large attendance of had no right to do it. If it were left Police official at Shippegan, 28 cases Wilfrid Laurier went to the Corona-

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MEET NEXT WEEK

to the Commercial Union Building on The New Brunswick grand lodge of sisted of beef, barrelled beef, canned

is expected. (Continued on Page Four)

delegates from all over the province to the judgment of the Mounted Pol- disappeared, and it was not ascer. tion.

ice to do what they liked with the tained who stole them.

He also made charges in connec-CRITICALLY ILL