



SEVENTEEN-YEAR-OLD Barry Sinclair Rhodenizer, right, is escorted by an RCMP officer to the chambers of the Nova Scotia Supreme Court, where he was charged with the non-capital murder of Robert Arthur Ward, Lower Sackville. (Waterfield-Warnholdt)

# Remand Youth Charged With Ward's Murder

Barry Rhodenizer, 17, of Halifax, was remanded to Halifax County jail for one week when he was arraigned in police court Thursday on a non-capital murder charge arising from the November slaying of a suburban storekeeper.

Rhodenizer was one of two youths who were charged Wednesday in the stabbing death of Robert Arthur Ward, 51, of nearby Lower Sackville.

John William Michael Whalen, also 17, formerly of Dartmouth, was arrested in Windsor, Ont.

An RCMP spokesman said last night Whalen was expected to be brought to Halifax sometime today by an escort.

Rhodenizer, handcuffed to one plain-clothes police officer and flanked by three others, was brought from the county jail and arraigned before Judge Nathan Green.

No pleas was taken and he was remanded to the county jail until Feb. 1.

## CASUALLY DRESSED

Rhodenizer was casually dressed in a blue sports shirt, white trousers and black jacket.

Judge Green approved a request from the crown prosecutor that Rhodenizer be given a mental examination during the remand.

The judge said if the results of the examination were available before Feb. 1, he would make arrangements for an earlier court appearance.

Rhodenizer was not represented by counsel in court.

RCMP said yesterday investigation into the Ward death was continuing. They said they were also continuing investigation into the deaths of two other Nova Scotians — Mrs. Cora Barteaux, 51, of Nictaux Falls and Newton Boutilier, 51, of French Village.

## Transport

# Request Study Today

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The House of Commons will be asked today to officially empower its transport and communications committee to conduct a special on-the-spot study of "all aspects of transportation" in the Atlantic provinces with particular attention to freight rates.

The proposed terms of reference, placed on the Com-