

Mystery Cloaks Motive In Reuther Shooting

DETROIT (CP)—Police kept secret today their investigation of the Walter Reuther 1948 assassination attempt.

A motive for the ambush shooting of the CIO leader also remained an official secret 24 hours after criminal charges of conspiracy and assault were brought after five years against a Canadian and three Americans.

Police were reported watching all Detroit's points of entry for the possible return to the city of

the sole missing defendant, Santo (Sam) Perrone.

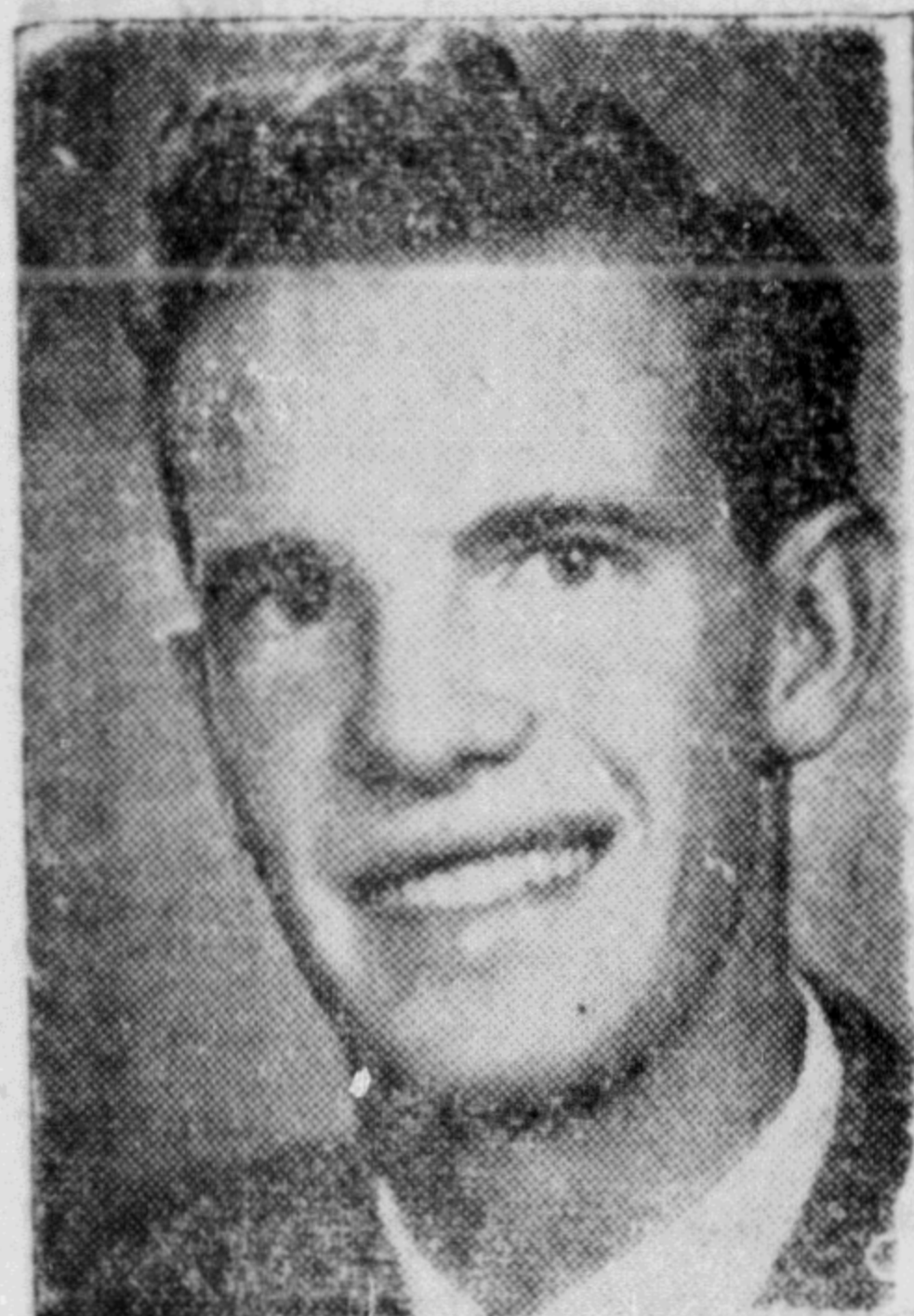
Perrone, 56, Sicilian-born big-money dealer in post-war scrap metal contracts who was once convicted of labor racketeering, was said to be on his way here from an undisclosed city.

Accused with him are his son-in-law, Carl Renda, 35, also a dealer in scrap metal; Peter Lombardo, 51, now in Leavenworth penitentiary as a carrier of counterfeit money; and Clarence Jacobs, 48, Tecumseh, Ont., television shop owner once involved in alleged alien smuggling.

The formal charge said the four men, and four others not yet named, tried to kill Reuther at his home the night of April 20, 1948. A shotgun charge was fired at Reuther through his kitchen window.

The next year a similar attempt was made on the life of his brother, Victor Reuther, a co-official in the CIO president's United Auto Workers union.

Gerald K. O'Brien, Wayne county Detroit prosecutor, said: "We definitely have a motive." But he refused to disclose it.



EDWARD S. ROGERS

Oil Painting Of Noted Artist Found in Attic

VANCOUVER (CP)—A painting by Homer Watson, renowned Canadian painter of landscapes, has been found in an attic here and will be placed on exhibition soon.

Painted 30 years ago, it is a striking scene of an old mill on the Doon River in Ontario. A similar picture, "The Pioneer Mill," hangs in Windsor Castle, having been acquired for the royal collection during the reign of Queen Victoria.

Watson, regarded as one of the "old masters" of Canadian art, was born in 1855 at Doon. During a long and brilliant career ended by death in 1936, he achieved a wide international reputation. His works figured in the collections of the late prime minister Mackenzie King in Ottawa, and of the Oscar Wilde estate in London.

He exhibited at the Royal Academy in London and at other leading art displays, won the gold medal award at the Pan-American Exhibition in Buffalo in 1902, and another award at the St. Louis World's Fair a few years later.



WILLIAM M. BOULBEE

TWO UNIVERSITY OF Toronto students were detained by U.S. immigration authorities at West Palm Beach, Fla., on their return over the Christmas holiday from a trip to Nassau, the Bahamas. Edward Rogers, vice-president of the Young Progressive Conservative Club at the university, and William Boulbee, a member of the club, refused to sign under oath a statement that they were not allowed to read. It is believed the U.S. officials became confused over the name of the students' political club.



THE CRUMP FAMILY of Leamington, Ont., finally manages to meet again after two efforts at a surprise visit failed. W. A. Crump flew to England to surprise his wife and family visiting there. At the same time Mrs. Crump and children were returning from England by boat to surprise her husband. They greet each other at Windsor, Ont. Left to right: Cedric, 4; Mr. Crump; Roderick, 6; Mrs. Crump, and Blythe, 14 months.



BRIG. M. P. BOGERT of Ottawa is congratulated by R. Douglas Stuart, United States ambassador to Canada, after being presented with the medal of the Legion of Merit. The investiture was in the U.S. embassy at Ottawa. The award by the U.S. government was for Brig. Bogert's distinguished and meritorious service as commander of Canada's 25th Infantry Brigade in Korea.

Wheat Marketing Conference Suggested by Exchange Head

TORONTO (CP)—Stanley Jones, president of the Winnipeg grain exchange, suggested today that farm leaders, government officials and representatives of the grain trade "sit down together" and seek solutions to the marketing problems of wheat.

In an address to the Empire Club, Mr. Jones said he was sure that out of such discussions "would come an acknowledgment of the efficiency of the marketplace in moving supplies into consumptive channels."

"There might come, too, some concept of financial guarantees to producers which would divorce from the marketing function this completely unrelated but equally important matter."

"To the extent that the present system (of marketing through government agencies) has failed to move abundant production into use, the most important requirement is a frank admission of that failure by advocates of

the monopolistic price-fixing sales method."

Mr. Jones said that when supplies, in relation to demand, are high, "price declines must be realistically accepted."

"I personally, and the Winnipeg grain exchange are strong advocates of agricultural price-support legislation which would provide adequate financial guarantees to agricultural producers."

"Such financial guarantees should be so conceived that they will not confound and aggravate the problem by creating unsold surpluses, which can only have a further depressing effect on prices, nor should they deprive the producer of freedom of choice in selecting a market for his production."

"In times of low incomes and depressed prices it must become the responsibility of consumers, both east and west, to protect farmers from the full impact of conditions which are so often beyond their control."

Aluminum Plant Nears Completion

MONTREAL (CP)—Aluminum Limited announced Wednesday that construction of a new fabricating plant for aluminum is well under way in Alicante, Spain.

The new plant is owned by Aluminio Iberico, S.A., a company controlled jointly by Aluminum Limited of Canada, Manufacturas Metalicas Madrilenas, S.A., of Madrid, and a group of Spanish banks and individuals.

The plant is being designed to fabricate 18,000 to 20,000 tons of these products a year from ingots to be supplied by smelting subsidiaries of Aluminum Limited.

Pool 'Threat' Would Hit B.C. Ports

REGINA (CP)—J. L. Phelps, president of the Saskatchewan Farmers' Union, said Wednesday that British Columbia ports will be paralyzed if the Alberta Wheat Pool ever follows through with proposals for dealing with future strikes at its west coast grain terminals.

In a statement, Mr. Phelps quoted Ben Plumer, president of the Alberta Wheat Pool, as saying the pool would enlist young farmers to operate west coast terminals if a second strike occurs. A west coast strike last February tied up about 16,000,000 bushels of western grain.

Mr. Phelps said bringing in farmers to west coast elevators would start trouble — "real trouble."

He said he had talked with officials of the Longshoremen's Union who said they would refuse to load grain handled by strike-breaking farmers. This would mean a complete shipping tie-up at the west coast.

Canada produces nine million tons of pulp and paper each year.

Russia, U.S. Reach Accord On Atom Talks

By WARREN ROGERS Jr.

WASHINGTON (CP)—The United States and Russia have agreed on starting preliminary "atoms for peace" talks here, but the question of when is still unsettled.

The Russians announced the agreement Wednesday night in Moscow and the U.S. state department confirmed it.

Russia said its ambassador in Washington, Georgi M. Zarubin, would represent it at the talks to set time, place and subject matter for full-scale negotiations. No date was mentioned.

Within an hour it was announced that State Secretary Dulles would "proceed at an early date to have the procedural conversations." This was considered another road to the Soviet Union to get the talks going.

Time is short for Dulles, who is expected to leave two weeks from today for Berlin for the Big Four foreign ministers' conference Jan. 25 among the U.S., Russia, Britain and France.

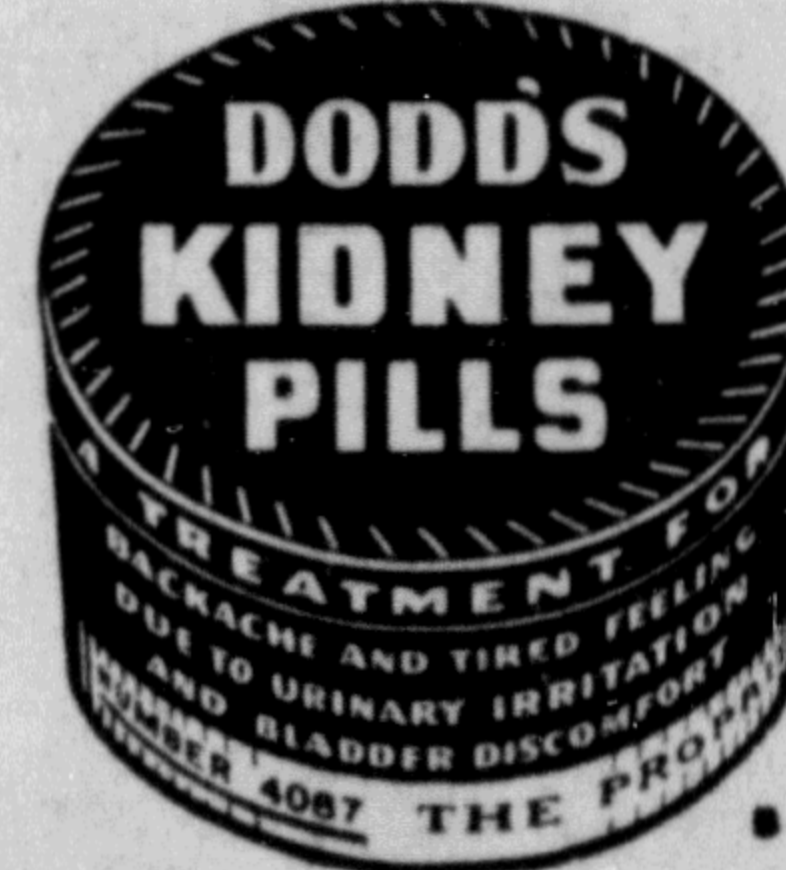
Dulles has been pressing for early negotiations since President Eisenhower proposed in his Dec. 8 address to the United Nations that the world unite to strip the atom of "its military casing and adopt it to the arts of peace."

ATOMS FOR PEACE

Under the Eisenhower plan, atomic materials and techniques would be pooled for peaceful purposes by the U.S., Russia and other countries. An international agency under UN auspices would control the pool. The hope is that such international effort might lead to control of atomic weapons.

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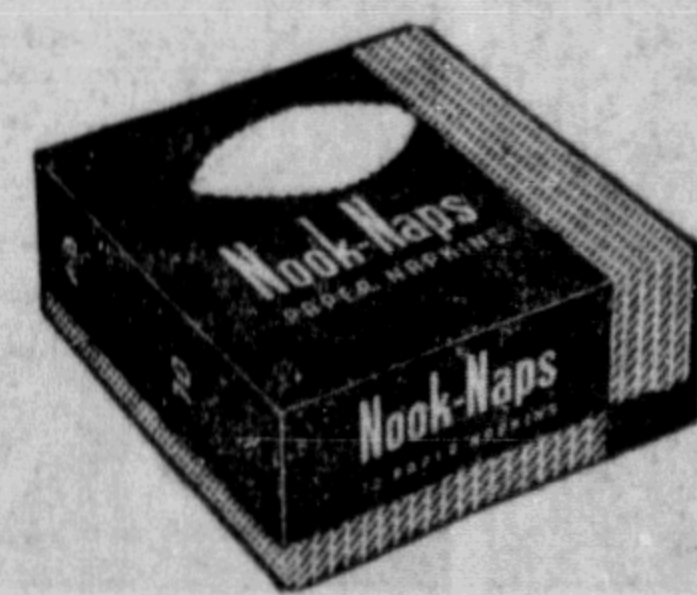
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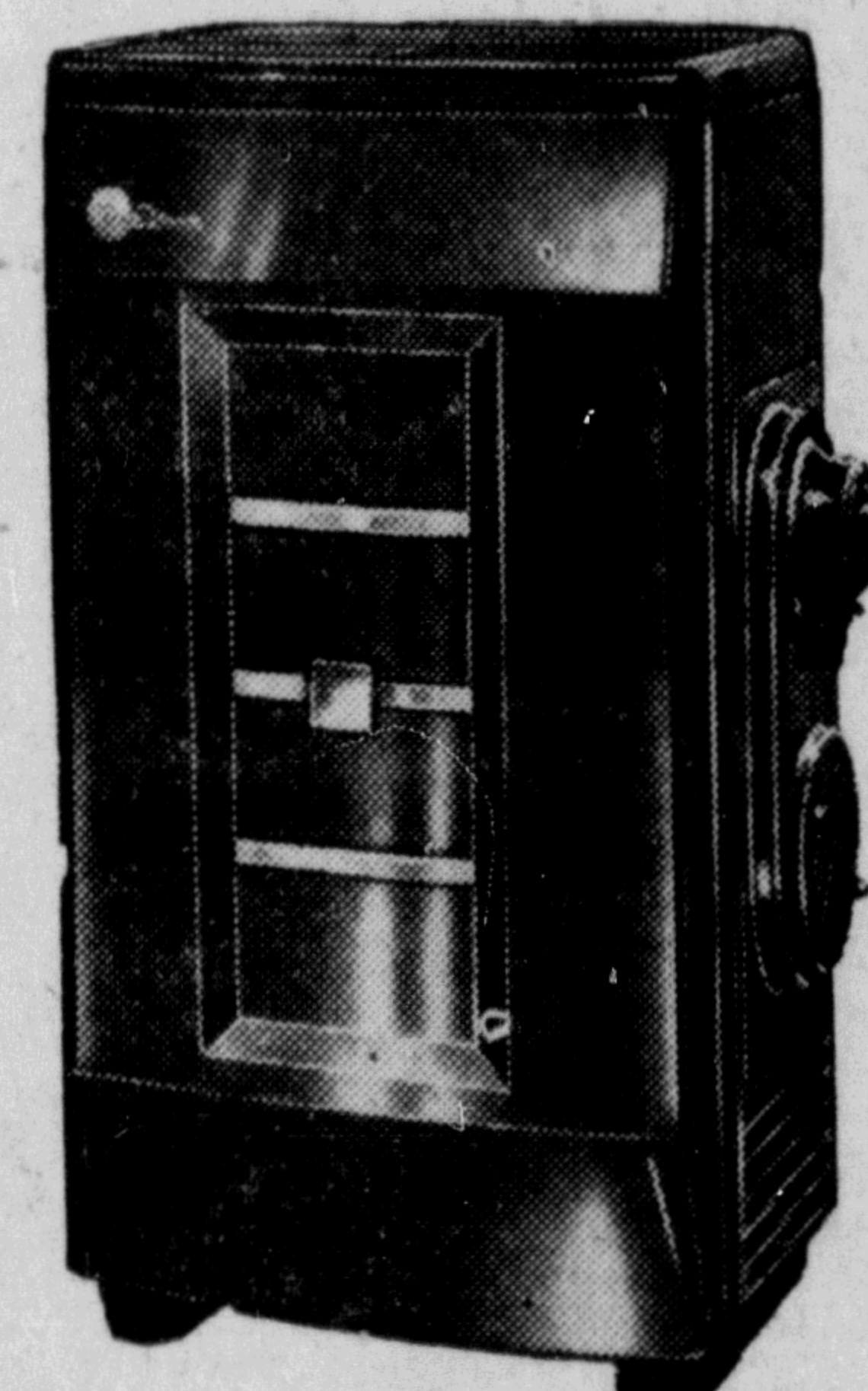
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