Allister Gibson

By now it had been definitely established that Boyd had acted as the leader in the bank hold-ups following his escape and it was strongly suspected that Leonard Jackson was also implicated. Thus an intense hunt was conducted in an effort to apprehend the pair. Conducting the investigations into the bank robberies, Sergeant of Detectives Edmund Tong and Detective Sgt. Roy Perry of the Toronto City Police, were suspicious of a 1951 Monarch sedan bearing Ontario licence plates 418-A-2, registered to a woman living at 190 Wright Ave., Toronto. They had seen this car on a number of occasions but it was not until about 1.05 p.m. Mar. 6, 1952, that they observed any persons in the car. On this occasion, however, they noticed the car leaving the vicinity of 190 Wright Avenue and after following it for a considerable distance observed that it contained two men, both in the front seat.

At the first opportunity Detective Sergeant Perry drove alongside the suspected automobile, and Sergeant Tong called to the occupants, "Pull over, boys". As requested the driver of the car pulled toward the curb and stopped and Sergeant Tong left the police car and walked toward the driver's door of the other automobile. As he arrived opposite the door, he appeared to hesitate, and made a slight turn as if to move away; the door opened and there was a sound of a shot, Sergeant Tong falling to the roadway between the two cars.

Perry immediately made a move to leave the police vehicle by the left hand door, only to observe and hear several more shots fired in his direction by the driver of the other car, one or two of which struck him in the right arm which he had thrown up to protect his head. He also saw that the passenger in the car had alighted and was firing at him over the hood.

The shooting took only a few seconds and the men made their escape in the automobile. Perry although dazed, was able to raise the alarm over the police Howard Gault

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