

The Unsolved Murder of a U.S. Customs Officer

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Figure 1: Inspector Orville Peruster worked for U.S. Customs in Buffalo, New York in March of 1925 when he was killed by a car bomb explosion at his home on a Sunday afternoon. At the time of his death, Officer Preuster was slated to testify against a notorious gangster who had attempted to bribe him and his partner.

Source: *The Buffalo Times* (Buffalo, New York), March 2, 1925, p. 1.

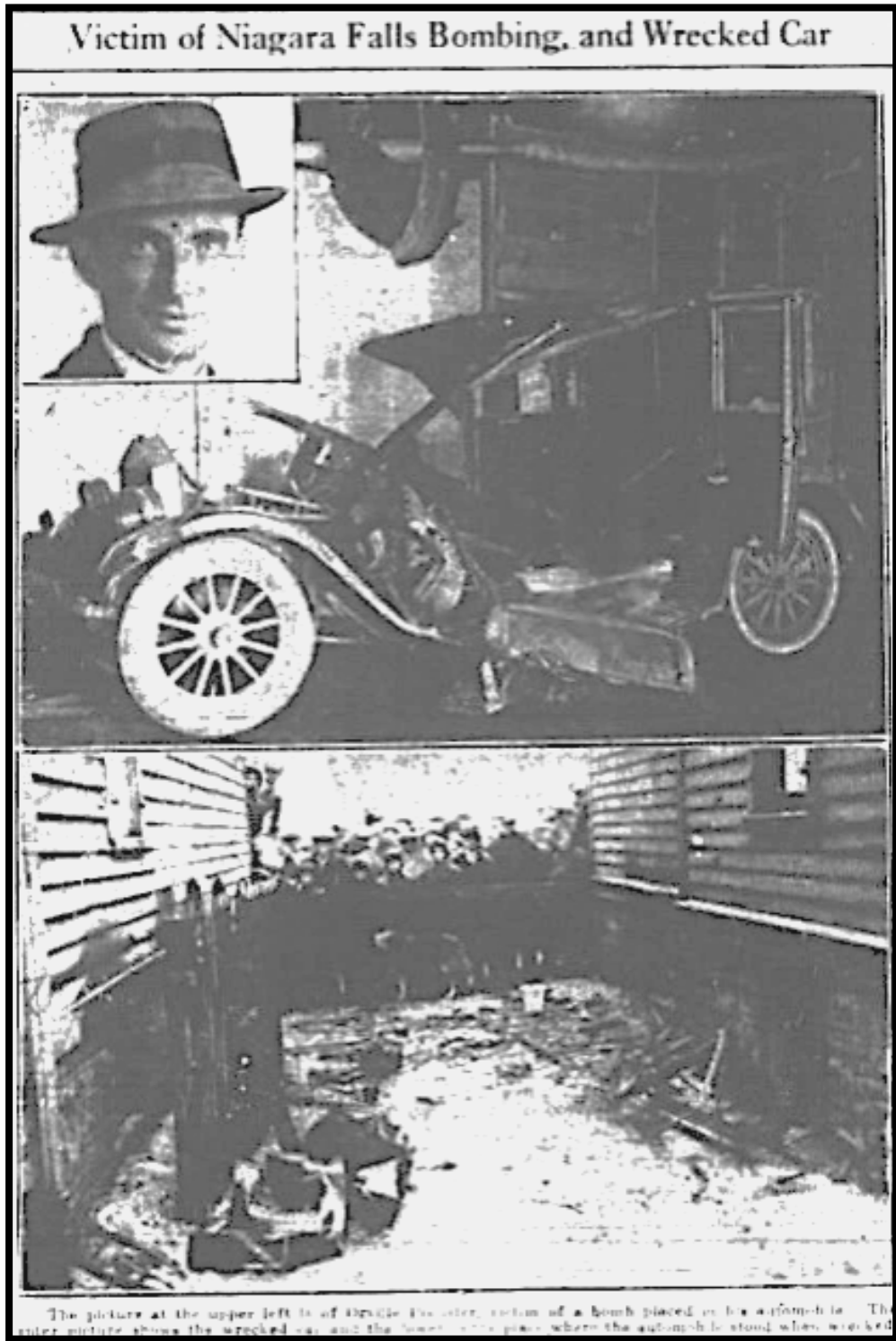


Figure 2: Image of the vehicle Inspector Preuster was starting when he was killed by a bomb on March 1, 1925. The powerful bomb was said to be filled with dynamite or TNT and was exploded by a percussion cap, spring and plunger.

Source: *The Burlington Free Press* (Burlington, Vermont), March 2, 1925, p. 1.