

Newspapers by Stirling McKay

Eliot Maranzano and Catarina Valachi

For the Maranzano and Valachi families the night of Friday January 7, 1935, was one of great celebration in the event of Miss Catarina Valachi and Mr. Eliot Maranzano's engagement.

Gioia

Pavone

Murder in Little Italy June 12, 1935.

An alley off of Arthur Avenue holds claim to another set of murders. A local butcher found the bodies of two men early this morning in the alley. It appears as far as we know to be another set of mob related deaths. So far the police have no lead to the actual murderer, but have released that they believe that it was again between the Moretti and Tieri families. Police have said that more details will be released upon further investigations.

Mario Mazza

Jr. Tieri's Death Ignites Mob war June 14, 1935

It seems that after the incident 2 days ago, with the death of Abner Tirei, son of Don Ciro Tirei, head of the Tieri Crime family, and his bodyguard, a Mob war has erupted. There, in this small amount of time several deaths have occurred, three suspected Capo regimes of the Moretti family have been found. Mr. Johnny Turano, Mr. Walter Zerilli and Mr. Angelo Weinburg were found earlier today in Zerilli's basement, each riddled with bullets. The police is happy to receive any information regarding these past murders.

Mario Mazza

Moretti's Car strafed in an attempt on his life June 15, 1935

Leo Moretti underworld head, barely escaped death today when his Sedan was hit by several gunmen on Arthur Avenue on his way to the orchestra. Witnesses state that the black car was moving at a moderate pace when, from each side of the street, several gunmen carrying "mafia guns" (a sawed off shotgun, with a hollowed out stock so that it may be hung on a hook sewed inside the coat) which tore apart much of the car. Moretti's driver, who will here remain nameless, sped up and returned in no time to the heavily guarded Moretti estate.

Mario Mazza

Mob War Escalates June 17, 1935

Seemingly in response to the car strafing 2 days ago there has been a huge response. The underworld fighting has come to our streets. The deaths have drawn the eyes of the citizenry; with an increasing amount of innocent deaths and injuries the city is sitting in fear waiting for the next spray of bullets.

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New enforcer seemingly on the rise June 21, 1935

NYPD has announced that they have a new suspect in recent murders. It is believed that the Moretti Crime family has brought in a new very ruthless and efficient enforcer. They suspect a young Mr. Eliot Maranzano from northern Brooklyn in the death of Abner Tieri, under orders of Capo regime Daniel "The Fist" Luciano. Luciano is best known from the accusations towards him in beating several men to death with a set of brass knuckles in 1927. He has been long associated with the Moretti Family and many parts of the "New York Outfit". More importantly Maranzano is suspected of being in a number of skirmishes between the syndicates and may be the cause of several innocent deaths. "Any information connecting Maranzano to any of the murders, would be gladly accepted," stated police chief Robert Naftalis.

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Young woman assaulted last night on 98th street
June 23, 1935

Young Miss Catarina Valachi was assaulted late last night, on 98th street in Little Italy, while heading home from a visit with her grandfather Mr. Burton Tresca, who is right now being taken care of at the Metropolitan Hospital Center. About halfway down the street Miss Valachi was approached by a man (suspected to be Mr. Al Squillante) who almost immediately began to beat her. She was found early this morning, by the road where she lay after being attacked and rushed to the same Metropolitan Hospital Center where her grandfather is being held. She now is in critical condition.

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Gruesome Murder of Suspected Assaulter June 24,
1935

Mr. Al Squillante the suspect in the assault of Miss Catarina Valachi two nights ago was found brutally murdered in his home today. His neighbors heard some noise earlier in the day but suspected nothing as Mr. Squillante reportedly has many "visitors". Around midday the apartment owner went up to demand the money that Squillante owed him, only to be horrified by the bloodied room. It appears Mr. Squillante was incapacitated; his legs severely broken in a number of places and then his fingers removed, it was after that it seems that he was then beaten into near unconsciousness before he was shot with a 38. Revolver. "The suspect for the murder is presumed mobster Eliot Maranzano, however there is no set evidence yet" says police chief Robert Naftalis upon questioning.

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Mob war seems unending to Little Italy Citizens
August 30, 1935

For over two months now the citizens of the Little Italy area of Manhattan have been terrorized by the day after day murders and gunfights due to the warring crime syndicates. Starting near the middle of June with the murder of Abner Tirei and his bodyguard, and continuing with a number of counterattacks going back and forth. We are now going on our third month of death and still there seems to be no end.

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Tirei family seemingly losing control September 3, 1935

Last night the Tirei Consigliere and all of the Tirei Capo Bastones were killed as they all sat down for a meal in the Italian restaurant "Lucchese's" when five gunmen suspected to be led by Eliot Maranzano, pulled out three Tommy guns and two Mafia Guns and blew apart all 7 of the men, surprisingly enough in these violent days there were no innocents killed. However the remains of the Mob family heads were hardly recognizable. The NYPD is doing a thorough investigation, and wishes that anybody that has any information would come forward.

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Tirei Family takes hard hit September 4, 1935

Last night the Capo Crimini Ciro Tirei was found murdered in his home the top suspect is the Moretti enforcer Eliot Maranzano. Tirei was found in the same condition as Mr. Al Squillante. It appears that the house was snuck into and that all guards were silently killed using a Garrote method, with a piano string to strangle them. The Police need help finding Eliot Maranzano or his Fiancé Catarina Valachi both of which seem to have gone into hiding. However with the murders in the past days the Tirei Family has fallen and the Moretti's have retaken control of the area successfully ending the war between the families.

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So ends all newspaper reports on Mob Enforcer Eliot Maranzano before he went into hiding and left New York with his wife Catarina Valachi.