

June 7, 1926.

On oath I depose and say that my name is Arthur D. Timmins. I am a special officer attached to Station No. 1, Boston, and have been so attached for six and one-half years. Station No. 1 takes in the so-called North End of Boston. I make this affidavit at the request of the Commonwealth.

I state to the best of my knowledge and belief that there was no shooting of a woman in my district in October, 1924, except one, and that was the shooting of one Margaret Mandez, a Portuguese woman, who lived at 414 Commercial Street, up one flight. This shooting took place at nine o'clock in the morning of October 27, 1924. This woman was shot and received two or three wounds from a man who she alleged boarded with her, and whom she named as one Joseph Moriera. He was later indicted in Suffolk County for assault with intent to murder this woman, and for carrying a revolver, but he has never been apprehended by the police, he, to the best of ^{my} knowledge and belief, being now in Portugal.

On November 7, 1924, I heard that one Celestino Madeiros had been arrested and brought by some officers to the State House in Boston. After finding out that this Madeiros had arrived at the State House, I brought Margaret Mandez up to the State House to see if she would identify Madeiros as the man who assaulted her, the name Madeiros being very similar to the name Moriera, and this woman and Moriera being both Portuguese, and Madeiros being, as I understood it, Portuguese also. I found Madeiros in the same room with two other men who had been arrested whose names I do not know. Margaret Mandez was given opportunity to see these three men, and she said that neither of the three was Joseph Moriera.

When giving this statement I was shown a picture of Celestino Madeiros by Assistant District-Attorney Dudley P. Ranney, and state that he was one of the men which Mrs. Mandez and I saw at the State House on November 7, 1924.

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I further state that I was personally in the room with Margaret Mandez when she saw these three men, and that I heard her say that none of the three was Joseph Moriera.

After her failure to identify said Madeiros as being connected in any way with the aforesaid shooting in Boston, I did nothing further toward prosecuting Madeiros.

Arthur D. Timmins

Commonwealth of Massachusetts,

Suffolk, ss.

Boston, June 7, 1926.

Then personally appeared the above named Arthur D. Timmins and made oath that the above statement by him subscribed is true.

Before me,

Dredley P. Rannin

Notary Public.

My commission expires

March 14 1930.

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