

The other was his principal secretary Peter Fosco. With tons of money pouring in from prostitution and the selling of sugar to the Capone gang, Peter Fosco was undoubtedly helping himself to Esposito's bankroll. It was reported that Fosco would sign checks as high as \$20,000.00 and send Libonati out to get the money after which he would tell Libonati not to mention anything about it to anyone. Libonati finally left Esposito's employment stating that someday Esposito would find out that some of his money was disappearing and would come in and shoot them between the eyes. It was stated that for the various checks payable to cash that Fosco was having Libonati cash, he would hand Libonati a few dollars for performing the service.

Diamond Joe's headquarters was located at Esposito's Bella Napoli restaurant at 850 South Halsted in the patch. It was at this restaurant that he would become good friends with one of the waiters and Esposito's bodyguard named Paul DeLucia, aka Paul "The Waiter" Ricca. Other close friends included Al Capone, Johnny Torrio, William Parillo, the Genna brother, and Tony Lombardo. Because Esposito was so close to Lombardo, Lombardo took one of Diamond Joe's brothers-in-law Phil Leonetti as one of his underlings. Leonetti would later use Diamond Joe's name to shake down Chicago businessmen and keep the money for himself. Leonetti was shot to death on South Loomis Street.

Diamond Joe was 41-years-old when he married 16-year-old Carmela Marchese. They had two sons Joseph Jr. and Charles, and one daughter Jeanette. Joseph Jr. used an alias of Joe Estey, held various political jobs in Chicago, and in 1955, he was employed as a lock-box examiner for the State Treasurer's office. In 1956, Joseph Jr. was found guilty of pocketing 5,500 dollars from a deposit box. In 1965, Charles Esposito was reported as living in Ohio, and Joseph Jr. was living in San Diego. Joseph Jr. resurfaced in FBI reports when he was listed as Sam "Momo" Giancana's contact man in Mexico. He reportedly made connections for Giancana in Mexico and corrupted Mexican officials. On a few occasions, he was spotted in the company of Chicago mob boss Frank LaPorte. Esposito's time came to an end in March 21, 1928, when he was shot to death as he walked in-