

Attempted murder rap after Huguenot beef turns to bedlam

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Prosecutors see Monday night's armed bedlam between a homeowner and a younger neighbor in the Huguenot section of Staten Island as more than just a neighborhood beef.

They see it as attempted murder.

Leonardo Cavicchio, 40, who cops say **started shooting after getting into an argument** with a 27-year-old neighbor outside his Edgegrove Ave. house, faces a second-degree attempted murder charge -- and the prospect of up to 25 years in prison.

He was remanded without bail during his arraigment today. Cops allege they found two rifles, a handgun and a bandoleer of ammunition in Cavicchio's home.

The incident started after 8:30 p.m. when a younger neighbor and another man parked in front of Cavicchio's house and got into an argument with him. He slashed a tire on their car, police sources said, then retreated to his home.

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Police apprehend Leonardo Cavicchio after an incident outside his Huguenot home.

A group assembled and confronted Cavicchio when he came back out, according to cops. He allegedly came at them with a loaded gun. Witnesses said they heard several gunshots -- the group scattered and Cavicchio returned to his home.

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