

Q (by Commr. Reilly) What is your name? A. John Joseph Rizzo.

Q. Where do you live? A. 1099 North Shore Road.

Q. Where is North Shore Road? A. In Revere.

Q. By whom are you employed? A. Mr. Barney Welansky, Coconut Grove.

Q. In what capacity? A. Waiter.

Q. How long have you been employed there? A. Two weeks.

Q. Do you work there regularly? A. Yes.

in the kitchen, and I broke that open and I took a little busboy out. I waited till the people got out who were there and I helped a few people get out till the lights went out, and no one came up to the window after the lights went out. So the last man I took out I carried and put him in an ambulance.

Q. Who was the busboy? Do you know any of the busboys by name? A. This boy was Tony. I think his name is Mara.

Q. Tony Mara? A. It is Tony, I know. The boys out there know.

Q. They know who he is? A. Yes.

Q. He was a busboy? A. Yes.

Q. You don't know where he lives? A. No, I don't.

Q. The first you saw of the fire was there a commotion in the lobby near the Piedmont Street main front door, and you went that way thinking it was a fight? A. Yes.

Q. And you saw it was a fire? A. Yes.

Q. And you ran back towards the stage? A. I ran across the hall over to the left-hand side of the stage.

Q. Intending to go out that door? A. Yes.

Q. And you went through a window over the service bar which brought you into an alleyway? A. That is right. I ran over to the Statler and got blankets after that.

Q. Do you know how the fire started? A. No, I don't.

Q. Did the fire spread rapidly? By the time you got to the stairs was the fire in the room by that time? A.

Absolutely; the fire was over half way. When the lights went

out I felt the smoke coming and I happened to drop. It happened that I dropped down those stairs. As I was going through that entrance the lights went out. The fire was half way in the dining room at that time, at the time I ran across from the place where I saw the fire to that entrance.

Q. Would you say the fire was traveling along the ceiling or along the walls? A. It was right in the middle of the room just like a forest fire, coming right down along the aisle. It was where that bar is, the big side bar. That is where the fire I saw coming down there. I didn't see it in the middle. It was traveling through the middle.

Q. By the time you got in the middle of the floor the bar was ablaze? A. It was a big blaze.

Q. When you went out the window over the service bar did you see any firemen? A. No. The last man I took out on the street. I helped a husband and wife and I took them to an ambulance, and that is all I remember----it was some police wagon.

Q. You didn't see any signs of firemen at the time you got out? A. No.

Q. They were not there then? A. I know somebody took this man off my shoulder, and the lady. Commr. Reilly. All right. Thank you very much.