

Tony Gizzo, K.C. Mo. Mafia leader, testifying before Kefauver Committee, Summer, 1950.
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I started doing layoff business with the Chicago boys back in '35 or '36, somewhere in there.

I never pushed nobody around in my whole life, Senator, to sell my beer or anything at all.

I just don't know why they call Nick Impastato an enforcer. . . Yes, I know Frank Costello.

Oh, no, sir, I never done anything like that. That is just what those newspapers say about me.

Senator, I wish to hell you would tell me what the Mafia is. I never even heard of it.

That is a real fine beer. I drink that beer myself. . . There wasn't no muscle in that at all.

You Senators will get me held up if you aren't careful. This is a real tough town.

I always carry two, three, four thousand in hunnerts on me . . . I might wan't to make a little bet or something.