Here's the Man Aurelio Knew to Be of 'Good Repute'  

Some of Costello's Racketeering Activities, as Told in a Book

By WILLIAM WINTER

When New York's judiciary would not try the last

thought, Magistrate Thomas A. Aurelio, who by decision of the Supreme Court Justice Dineen has retained the Repub-

lican and Democratic nominations for the Supreme

Court, defended his association with the big-shot ract-

keteer, Frank Costello, with this statement:

"During my brief acquaintance with Mr. Costello of about six months' standing I knew him to be a business-

man of good repute and I definitely disavow any knowl-

dge of his alleged criminal background."

A partial, but enlightening, record of the activities of

Costello, charged by District Attorney William J. T. Kenny

with misconduct in the underworld and politics during the years 1932, 1933 and 1934, was published


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