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# BI Tries To Tag Voices In Ray Case

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CHICAGO, Oct. 24. — The United States Justice Department is using tape recordings of James Earl Ray's conversations to determine whether they contacted him by phone or other means when he worked at a Winnetka, Ill., restaurant or elsewhere, it was learned Thursday.

The disclosure came from a source who has operated Indian Hill Restaurant in Winnetka, a Chicago suburb. Ray, accused of murdering the Rev. Martin Luther King Jr., worked at the restaurant in Chicago.

Klingeman's wife was asked about phone calls made to the restaurant for Ray during the period May 3-June 24, 1967, when he worked as a dishwasher and kitchen helper, Klingeman said.

Mrs. Klingeman also was asked about persons who went to the back door of the restaurant, while Ray was working, and waited to talk to him outside, the restaurateur said.

Klingeman said that because of the time that had elapsed his wife wasn't able to be of much help to the Federal Bureau of Investigation agents who interrogated her.

At the time Ray worked at the restaurant, he was a fugitive from justice because of his escape from the Missouri State Prison.

He was living in Chicago and commuting most of the way to Winnetka by the Chicago Transit Authority elevated system, Klingeman said.

Klingeman said FBI agents did not disclose the identity of the voices on the tapes. He speculated, however, that they were those of relatives or others who might have been involved with him at some time

prior to the murder of Dr. King in Memphis April 4.

Klingeman said visitors interrupted Ray at work on at least two occasions that he could recall. He did not see the callers, Klingeman reported, adding that none of the current employees did either.

The whereabouts of Ray during this time in his life came to light when William Bradford Huie, an author Ray hired to write his life story, went to the restaurant last August to interrogate the Klिंगеманs about the employees they knew as John L. Rayns.

After that visit, the Klिंगеманs went to the Winnetka police and told them of the writer's visit.

One of the reasons given by Huie in pursuing the restaurant period in Ray's life was his desire to knock down stories that linked him with prostitutes and cast a bad light on his habits.

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