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## Report of '67 Job Called Missing Link in Ray Case

CHICAGO (AP) — James Earl Ray, charged with murdering Dr. Martin Luther King Jr., worked for two months in a north suburban restaurant shortly after his 1967 escape from a Missouri prison, the Chicago Tribune said today in a copyright article.

The paper said the disclosure by the owners of a Winnetka restaurant to FBI

agents supplied the missing link in Ray's whereabouts following his escape from prison April 3, 1967.

**KING WAS SHOT** in Memphis, Tenn., on April 14 this year.

Mr. and Mrs. Harvey Klingeman, owners of the Indian Trail Restaurant, hired Ray, who was using the alias of John L. Rayns, when he

applied for a job on May 3, 1967, the Tribune said. He remained there until June 24, 1967, when he left unexpectedly.

The Klingemans did not learn that their former employe was Ray until mid-August 1968 when they were approached by a writer commissioned by Ray to write his

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life story, the paper said.

**THE COUPLE** then notified the FBI and were interviewed by agents on Aug. 24.

The Klingemans told the FBI that Ray received two or three phone calls at the restaurant during the week before he quit his job as a food server. Mrs. Klingeman also reported, the paper said, that on the day Ray left an unidentified man appeared at the back door of the restaurant and spoke to him for several minutes.

The Klingemans found their employe efficient and raised his salary from \$103 to \$117.50 a week, the Tribune said.