

FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION

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Date May 21, 1968

JOHN LARRY RAY was interviewed in a Bureau automobile on Illinois Avenue, south of Arsenal Street.

JOHN LARRY RAY stated that as pointed out previously he was released from Menard Penitentiary in Illinois in February, 1960, and visited his brother, JAMES EARL RAY, who was incarcerated at that time at the City Jail, St. Louis. This incarceration was in connection with a holdup of the Kroger Store in October or November, 1966, by his brother and a man named OWENS.

After JAMES EARL RAY's trial about April, 1960, he was at the Missouri State Penitentiary at Jefferson City, Missouri. Prior to his escape he visited his brother on several occasions, not recalled. He does not recall the type of solitary confinement he had while in the Missouri State Penitentiary, although he had seen his brother in the Missouri State Penitentiary and had seen his brother in the Missouri State Penitentiary. He does not recall the reasons for the escape.

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