

Mr. RAY. That's correct, yes, sir.

Chairman STOKES. When you got to Memphis, you became Eric Galt again.

Mr. RAY. Yes.

Chairman STOKES. What was the reason for that?

Mr. RAY. A lot of times when you check into a motel, the police will check your license plates to see if they correspond with the names that you give them at the registration desk.

Chairman STOKES. And then, of course, when you left there the following day, you checked into Bessie Brewer's roominghouse, didn't you?

Mr. RAY. Yes.

Chairman STOKES. And then you became somebody else, didn't you?

Mr. RAY. John Willard, yes.

Chairman STOKES. You became John Willard.

Mr. RAY. That's correct.

Chairman STOKES. What was the reason there?

Mr. RAY. Usually roominghouses and hotels your car is not parked in the vicinity so you can use any name you want to, but my specific reason for using the John Willard name that day was that the night before that in the New Rebel Motel, me and the individual that called himself Roual had decided on the John Willard name.

In fact, I had picked up this John Willard name because I had used it indirectly once before.

Chairman STOKES. Why did you furnish him the name, John Willard?

Mr. RAY. Well, I think he suggested using the Eric Galt name and I wanted, I didn't want to use that name if there's going to be some type of, something not exactly legal going on.

Chairman STOKES. And by something not exactly legal going on, you had reference to the gun smuggling activity; is that it?

Mr. RAY. Yes, that's correct.

Chairman STOKES. Are you aware of the fact that the rifle that was found outside Canipes Amusement place in that bundle had your fingerprints on it?

Mr. RAY. The rifle, yes.

Chairman STOKES. The rifle. You are aware of the fact that it did not have anyone else's fingerprints on it, aren't you?

Mr. RAY. No, I am not aware of that fact. The FBI, I think, they said mine was on it. I don't know if they said anyone else's was on there or not. I don't think it would be—well, the salesman, it looks like the salesman would have been on there since he handled the rifle as much as I did, maybe a little bit more.

Chairman STOKES. Now, you gave Raoul the gun at the New Rebel.

Mr. RAY. Yes, that's correct.

Chairman STOKES. And how did you give it to him?

Mr. RAY. He came to the motel that night. It was raining and I recall he had a raincoat on, and we had a short discussion. He mentioned something to the effect we may be there 3 or 4 days. He wanted us to rent a room on a certain address in Memphis, and we agreed the alias John Willard name, and I gave him the rifle and then he left and that was it.

Chairman STOKES. You never saw the rifle again.

Mr. RAY. No, sir.

Chairman STOKES. When the two of you were

Mr. RAY. Well, he gave me a piece of paper. I think I wrote on it for him in the

Chairman STOKES. You

Mr. RAY. The John Willard

Chairman STOKES. When

you go over and meet him

Mr. RAY. Well, I was

understanding, maybe a

the motel, I checked out

around 11 o'clock, and I

was going to stall around

went to a couple of beer

And I also developed a

sequently, when it did get

vate, well, it was a pay per

the edge of town.

Chairman STOKES. Then

Mr. RAY. Well, I asked

address, 422½ Main; I asked

gave me general directions

appeared to be the main

policeman about the address

Once I found Main Street

house. I believe I stopped

inquiring about it. During

two individuals that I met

to be noticing me more than

422½ South Main Street

or not?

Chairman STOKES. What

Mr. RAY. I entered the

himself Roual. He wasn't in

were in there, the ones I met

Leaving the bar, I went

I gave her a \$20 bill. She

me the room. She showed

light housekeeping room and

the sleeping room off of her

I left the roominghouse

which is about 1 mile from

tang and drove it back and

underneath of the rooming

Chairman STOKES. Then

Mr. RAY. I went into Jim

individual who called himse

drinking beer or coffee or

there. One was a food count

have been one other person

only person in there.

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