If there is any possibility of embarrassment to the FBI, the law is no impediment to these agents to whom the FBI is the law. Thus it tried to deny so the second page of a teletype (Serial 1958) although it could not under the law. In fact the Congress was specific in stating that the people could not be denied information because disclosing it might be embarrassing to some bureaucrat.

This teletyped report to "cover concluded [LEADS] 184 AND 18 ATTEMPT TO LOCATE JAMES EARLY RAY'S BROTHER IN YOUR DIVISION OR INFORMATION AS TO HIS PRESENT WHEREABOUTS.

BUREAU REQUESTED TO CONSIDER IN TAKING BALTIMORE TO CHECK [ ] AS TO JOHN RAY." (Grammar and spelling of the teletype.)

Locating and questioning the brothers of the accused and charged is normal police work. However, it can also be taken as an indication of the actual official suspicion, that they were partners in a conspiracy and despite the suspicions the official line was no conspiracy.
LEADS: MM AND LS ATTEMPT TO LOCATE JAMES EARLY RAY'S BROTHER IN YOUR DIVISION OR INFORMATION AS TO HIS PRESENT WHEREABOUTS.

BUREAU REQUESTED TO CONSIDER INSTRUCTING BALTIMORE TO CHECK AS TO JOHN RAY.

JAMES EARL RAY ARMED AND DANGEROUS.

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