



Used Car Dealer Is Freed Under Bond

Seeks Two Million To Pay Off Debts

Jerseyville, Ill., Oct. 7—(UPI)—Arthur F. Kramer set out today to dig up \$2,387,065 in cash and "new used cars" to pay off more than 1,300 people who gave him down payments on automobiles.

Kramer was freed on \$5,000 bond after he turned himself in last night to justice of the peace Arthur Thatcher.

Kramer's associate, used car dealer Robert L. Knetzer of Edwardsville, Ill., was missing, however.

Kramer claimed that Knetzer owed him \$2,533,000 as a result of intricate deals in which the two men mushroomed their business to phenomenal proportions by promising to deliver "new used cars" at the standard price of \$1,740.

Involuntary bankruptcy petitions were filed yesterday against the two men by purchasers who said they failed to deliver the promised cars and did not return their down payments.

Kramer was charged with fraud in a warrant obtained by Freeman Rogers, Alton, Ill., who said the used car dealer promised to deliver a two-door Chevrolet within 60 days. Rogers said he did not get the car nor a refund.

When he appeared before Thatcher last night, Kramer promised to repay all his creditors with in three weeks or give them the cars he had sold them. On that pledge, Thatcher set Kramer's preliminary hearing for Oct. 29.

Kramer also entered a plea of voluntary bankruptcy at Springfield, Ill., in which he listed his assets at \$2,533,000. But, he said, all but \$33,000 of it was owed to him by Knetzer.

His debts totaled the \$2,387,065 he had accepted as down payments on cars at the Alfalfa field he used as a "showroom" here.

It was at the Alfalfa field where Kramer became famous throughout southern Illinois for the low-price—\$1,740, no more or less—at which he offered cars.

He refused to tell how he could buy cars at \$2,500 and sell them for the standard price although he had been visited by reporters from as far away as Chicago. He received orders on cars from all over the country and even delivered one for a Brazilian army officer.

Many customers of Kramer and Knetzer continued to besiege the state's attorney's office here and at Edwardsville to seek advice on how they could get their money back.

The involuntary bankruptcy suit against Knetzer was filed at Springfield by three men who charged that 90 days had passed since he accepted money from them but failed to deliver their cars. They claimed that he accepted \$1,000 deposits on more than 100 automobiles. Federal Judge Le Roy Adair named William C. Dunham of Collinsville as receiver.

A petition filed by Hugh Cross, Jerseyville attorney and lieutenant governor of Illinois, named Kramer as involuntarily bankrupt. There were more than 1,300 names on the petition.

Despite his troubles today, Kramer was still keeping silent about the source of the many cars he delivered before his bubble burst.

"That's a \$5,000 secret," he said.

Berne Fall Festival Opens This Morning

Berne, Oct. 7—Berne's fall festival and livestock show opened here this morning. Several rides and tents were installed and erected on the streets here yesterday. The festival will run until Saturday.

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HIGH WATERS that flooded Miami in the wake of another Florida hurricane provide a group of youths with an opportunity to play in the submerged driveway of a filling station. Aside from the floods which drove 200 persons from their homes, damage was comparatively light in Miami, although it totaled \$12,000,000 in Cuba and other sections of Florida.

(International Soundphoto)

day night. Today the Brown Swiss and Holstein cattle will be judged and Friday the Guernseys, Jerseys and Ayrshires. The hog show is being held today and a hog sale will be at 6 p. m. Friday. Tonight

water battles will be held and Friday night the home economics chorus will sing at the auditorium.

A parade and horse pulling contests will feature Saturday's program.

Trade in a Good Town — Decatur

Three Pennsylvania cities have been the capital of the United States — Philadelphia, York and Lancaster.

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Six Hoosiers Given Merit Certificates

South Bend, Ind., Oct. 7—(UPI)

— Six Hoosier teachers and research men will be awarded certificates of merit by the U. S. office of scientific research and development for their "services to the armed forces in World War II" here Oct. 9. Notre Dame university officials announced today.

The men to be honored were Dr. Charles C. Price, head of the chemistry department at Notre Dame; Dr. Sid Robinson, physiology professor at Indiana university; Dr. Foster S. Rieke, assistant physics professor at Purdue university; Harold E. Churchill and Charles O. Slemmons, research engineers for Studebaker Corp., South Bend, and Frank S. Badger, Jr., research director at the Haynes, Stellite Corp., Kokomo.

College President Is Taken By Death

Terre Haute, Ind., Oct. 7—(UPI)

— Rev. Mother Mary Bernard, 78, president of St. Mary-of-the-Woods college and superior general of the Sisters of Providence in the United States and China, died yesterday. She is survived by two brothers and two sisters. She is the former Mary Laughlin of Fort Wayne.

The first hospital in America was found in Philadelphia, the Pennsylvania Hospital.

Pymatuning wild fowl sanctuary on the Pennsylvania-Ohio boundary.

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and others accompanied Gov. Earl Warren on his railroad trip across Indiana to Chicago yesterday.

Warren urged Hoosier voters at five cities to return national leadership to Republican control.

Gates left the train in northern Indiana to go to South Bend, where he made a blistering attack on Democratic governor nominee Henry Schricker last night.

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