

## Kerner Decision On Crump Is Precedent

CHICAGO (UPI) — Slaver Paul Crump, who said he "began to die" nine years ago when sentenced to be executed, "began to live" today.

Crump, a slender, deep-voiced 32-year-old Negro, Wednesday won his 13th bid to avoid the electric chair, where he had been scheduled to die Friday morning.

Gov. Otto Kerner, a crusader against capital punishment, granted Crump's plea for a chance to "justify my life" and commuted the robbery-slayer's death sentence to 199 years in prison "without parole."

Crump and his attorney, Donald P. Moore, burst into tears when the governor's decision was announced.

"The real test for Paul Crump lies ahead," Kerner warned. "The years he must face in prison will be a true test of his willingness and ability to be of service to his fellow man."

"I thank God and Governor Kerner," Crump said, "and all the many, many people who worked so hard to bring my case to the attention of the governor. I thank all the hundreds and hundreds of people throughout the country," said the convict-author, whose first novel is to be published this fall.

Warden Jack Johnson of the Cook County jail, whom Crump has described variously as "my best friend" and "my white father," said Kerner's decision proved "there is such a thing as rehabilitation, spiritually and materially, behind prison walls."

Johnson, who had been scheduled to throw the switch at Crump's execution, had appealed for clemency.

The Kerner decision set a precedent, since Crump's appeal for clemency was based solely upon his claim of rehabilitation while behind bars.

"The most significant goal of a system of penology in a civilized society is the rehabilitation of one of its members . . . If that premise were to be denied solely because this is a capital case a great disservice would be done," the governor said.

Kerner's specification "without parole" in commuting the sentence raised still another precedent — one which the governor, himself, could not answer.

Illinois law provides that no person may remain in prison for

more than 20 years without becoming eligible for parole. Kerner said he did not know whether his condition would stand "because there is no case like it anywhere in the country."

## Michael Isch Tops In 4-H Gardening

Michael Isch, son of Mr. and Mrs. Chester Isch of French township, Happy Hoosier 4-H club, was declared grandchampion in the 4-H gardening judging at the fairgrounds Wednesday afternoon. Michael is in his second year of gardening and his exhibit includes eggplant, potatoes, onions, lima beans, cucumbers, cabbage, crook-neck squash and a display of flowers.

Janine Sue Jeffrey, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Don Jeffrey, route Preble Jolly Juniors, is the reserve grand champion. She is a first year garden project member.

First division winners are: 1st, Janine Sue Jeffrey, Preble Jolly Juniors; 2nd, David Clark, Hartford Hoosier Workers; 3rd, Kathy Christman, Blue Creek, Up and At It; 4th, Suemann Von Guntent, Wabash Cloverleaf; 5th, Ted Habegger, Hartford Hoosier Workers.

Division II winners are: 1st, Michael Isch, 2nd, Karen Klopfleisch, Jefferson Work and Win; 3rd, Jim Biberstein, Wabash Workers; 4th, Duane Shiffler, St. Mary's Sod Busters and 5th, Steve Strouse, Root Roving Rangers.

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### Trash Can Lid

To hold the lid of your trash or garbage can, after you have removed it for the purpose of depositing some rubbish, bolt a spool to the inside of the lid about four inches from the center and use this to hang the lip on the edge of the can.

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## County 4-H Fair Winners Listed

### Roger Schnepp Has Grand Champ Lamb

Roger Schnepp, of the Washington Variety Farmers 4-H club exhibited the grand champion lamb at the 4-H fair in Monroe Tuesday. Roger is the son of Mr. and Mrs. Dwight Schnepp. Roger has been a member of this project for six years.

Dianne Moser, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Don Moser, received the reserve champion ribbon this year. Dianne is a member of the French township Berne Jolly Workers.

Premium winners in each of the classes are as follows: Wool class-1st, Jim Butler, St. Mary's Sodbusters; 2nd, Jim LeFever, Blue Creek Sodbusters; 3rd, Larry King of Root Roving Rangers; 4th, Jim Butler, St. Mary's Sodbusters; 5th, Jim Butler, St. Mary's Sodbusters; 6th, Bob Fields, Hartford Hoosier Workers; 7th, Dave Riedels, Hartford Hoosier Workers; 8th, Sherry Bauer, Berne Jolly Workers.

Pen of 3 class: Dianne Moser of French, Berne Jolly Workers; 2nd, Rex Journey, Root Roving Rangers; 3rd, Jim Butler, St. Mary's Sodbusters; 4th, Larry King, Root Roving Rangers.

Mutton class winners are: 1st, Roger Schnepp, Washington Variety Farmers; 2nd, Dianne Moser of French, Berne Jolly Workers; 3rd, Ronald Journey, Root Roving Rangers; 4th, Jim Butler, St. Mary's Sodbusters; 5th, Jim Butler, St. Mary's Sodbusters; 6th, Clyde Wulliman, French Happy Hoosiers.

Yearling class winners are: 1st, Larry King, Root Roving Rangers; 2nd, Dave Fields, Hartford Hoosier Workers; 3rd, Bob Fields, Kirkland Future Farmers; 4th, James Koehr, French Happy Hoosiers; 5th, Wayne Miller, Blue Creek Sod Busters.

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