

Attorney Supports Garrison ^{3/27/67}

BISMARCK, N.D., March 27 (UPI) — An attorney who says he knows who killed President Kennedy was found today in a car with a loaded shotgun across his knees, partially paralyzed by an apparent epileptic seizure.

The attorney is David R. Kroman, 43, a onetime lawyer for the Minnesota Insurance Department who is on trial with four other men charged with milking an insurance company of more than \$3 million.

Kroman had promised disclosures about the assassination of President Kennedy at a news conference tonight. At a hospital news conference today, he said "the assassination is solved" and said he would reveal the name of Kennedy's killer within the next few days.

Kroman said he has been in touch with New Orleans Parish Dist. Atty. James Garrison, who also claims to have "solved" the 1963 assassination.

"Jim Garrison has most of it correct but not the whole story," Kroman said.

Kroman's lawyer, Richard E. Olson, said Kroman had armed himself because of "at least three attempts on his life because of what he knows about the Kennedy assassination."

At his news conference Kroman said he was driving back from Minneapolis with documents "regarding the assassination" when two cars "picked me up about 80 miles west of Minneapolis." He did not elaborate on how his car

Dear Sylvia -

A man phoned Bert Hall one evening last week, and said he knew Kroman to be a very reputable man - that the charges against him cannot be valid from his own knowledge of Kroman - that he has tried to locate Kroman in several mental hospitals with no success & that he appears to have "disappeared" !!

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came to be found on a road shoulder outside Bismarck, its left parking light broken and a streak of dirt along its left side.

Kroman said his investigation of the assassination began in December, 1963, in a Miami bar "with a drunken Cuban blabbing." He said it had taken him to Dallas, Miami, Key West, Las Vegas, New Orleans and Dallas.

He said a Government motion made today to revoke his \$5000 bail was "an attempt to shut me up." The Government made the motion "because of this and other incidents," a prosecutor said.

Kroman, an unsuccessful independent Democratic candidate for Minnesota attorney general in the last election, and his co-defendants are on trial in Federal district court charged with conspiracy in the collapse of the American Allied Insurance Co. of St. Paul, Minn.

One of the defendants is Cyrus Magnusson, Minnesota insurance commissioner on leave pending outcome of the case.