

Bell Captured In St. Louis On Dope Charges

FBI Will Return Him To Peoria

James (Jimmy) Bell, leader of a band appearing in a Peoria night club, was arrested in St. Louis late yesterday on a federal warrant charging him with the sale of narcotics in Peoria.

Bell was arrested by St. Louis agents of the FBI and will be returned here, officials said. He is said to have been one of the two leaders of the dope peddling ring, according to State's Attorney James P. Kellstedt.

The ring was broken Tuesday night after weeks of investigation by Robert Hunt, assistant state's attorney, and Walter Burnevolt, investigator for that office. Bell's arrest followed a tip Hunt received as to the orchestra leader's whereabouts.

Hunt said the dope ring was headed by Bell and Richard (Dickie) Carter, who was arrested and released on bonds.

Still held in the county jail in connection with the case are: John Diggs and Vernon Coleman, both of St. Louis; Charles Humble, Melvin Greer, Frances Young, and Irene Perkins. They were arrested in the raid of a residence at 620 Sixth ave.