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July 7, 1954.

The following is the statement of Robert L. Reese, 3694 Walter Rd., North Olmsted, White, Male, Age 27, ~~XXXXXXXX~~ referring to the Homicide of Marilyn Sheppard.

ROBERT L. REESE: My boy, Robert F. Reese, had been run over by a truck, on Saturday, July 3, 1954. I took the boy in my own car down to Bay View Hospital. I ran into the hospital with the boy and 3 men in white uniforms met me and ushered me into a room and had me lay the boy down on a table. They told me to go and sit down, which I did. A short time later my wife came in. My wife, who is a registered nurse conversed with various personnel, and came back and told me the boy had died. I became very emotionally upset and they led me out to Mrs. Wolf's car, Mrs. Wolf being a neighbor in the vicinity of where the accident occurred. While sitting in the car a Father from St. Raphaels and one from St. Richards came and talked to me. Mrs. Wolf then took us home and she got one of the neighbors to come over and stay with us. Another neighbor came over. A church official from the church to which the driver of the truck belonged came to see us, expressing sympathy. Mr. Corrigan from the Corrigan Funeral home came to see us and talked over the matter of burial. After talking with Mr. Corrigan we remained at home watching the television. At about 10:30 or 11:00 P.M. we went to bed. I got up the next morning about 9:00 o'clock.

Q. At any time at the hospital were you introduced to any doctors or interns, or staff members of the hospital?

A. No.

Q. It is alleged that after receiving the ~~NEWS~~ information that your boy had died you made some statement or threat relative to the doctor and the truck driver. Do you recall making any statement or threat of this nature?

A. I was in a state of shock and do not remember saying anything of that nature. The only thing I remember is my wife telling me the boy had died, and my asking God not to take my boy away.

Q. Approximately how long were you at the hospital?

A. I don't know.

Q. Was your wife in your presence all the time you were at the hospital?

A. She arrived after I had brought the boy in, and was within sight of me at all times.

Q. After retiring Saturday night, July 3, did you at any time leave your home, have any callers, or visitors?

A. No.

Q. Did anyone stay with you at your home Saturday night, July 3?

A. No, just my wife and I.

Q. Did you know Saturday July 3, who treated your son?

A. No.

Q. Is there anything else you can tell us that may help?

A. No, we did not know anything about it, until we read the paper, on July 5th, which reported the homicide, and also reported that Dr. Sam Sheppard had worked on our boy trying to save his life.

Q. Have you read this statement and is it true?

A. Yes, it is true.
Ed. G. ...
Witness

Robert Reese

Statement taken by Esther Aldrich,
11:05, July 7, 1954, City Hall,
Bay Village, Ohio.

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