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TROUSERS STAIN SEEN AS BLOOD

Husband Hopes to Attend
Funeral Today; Gerber
and Family Closeted

BULLETIN

Two pairs of gloves—one
with red stains—were found
under the platform of the
Sheppard beach house, it
was learned early today.

Police Chief John P. Ea­
ton said they would be
turned over to Coroner Sam­
uel R. Gerber.

The discovery was report­
ed soon after Dr. Stephen A.
Sheppard finished a three­
hour interview with Deputy
Sheriff Carl A. Rossbach.

(Photos on Picture Page)

BY JOHN G. BLAIR

Questioning of Dr. Samuel
H. Sheppard, husband of the
Bay Village hack-murder
victim, Mrs. Marilyn R.
Sheppard, late yesterday
was postponed until at least
after her funeral this after­
noon.

Dr. Samuel R. Gerber, Cuy­
hoga County coroner, was
closeted for two hours at the
Bay Village City Hall with the
father and a brother of the
injured husband but did not
receive permission to talk to Dr.
Sheppard.

Dr. Richard A. Sheppard,
father of Dr. Sheppard, said his
son was not in condition to
undergo questioning.

Condition Is Factor

Nevertheless, he added, it was
hoped Dr. Sheppard would be
able to attend private funeral
services for his wife this after­
noon.

Dr. Gerber said last night that
he probably would not question
Dr. Sheppard until tomorrow.
However, Deputy Sheriff Carl A.
Rossbach said he would make an
attempt later today, if possible.

Dr. Stephen A. Sheppard, a
brother, who has been in charge
of treatment for the injured
neurosurgeon, said he would
determine what his brother's con­
der was after the funeral
ordeal.

Both the father and brother
pledged complete co-operation,”
Dr. Gerber said. With them dur­
ning the conference were Bay Vil­
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Gerber to Quiz Bay Doctor
After Wife's Funeral Today

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Iage Mayor J. Spencer Houk, Bay Police Chief John F. Eaton, lawyers and Paul Gerber, the family lawyer.

Dr. Gerber said that the family had been hesitant to question the doctor, but that counsel for the family would be on hand.

Permission was also given by the family to question the 81-year-old son of the couple, the family to question the doctor.

Nature of Dr. Sheppard's injuries, which he said were inflicted by an intruder who beat him after chopping his wife to death.

Tests made a couple of months ago, said that Dr. Sheppard's baton was not taken from the bag.

Blood smeared on the crystal of Dr. Sheppard's wrist watch, according to Dr. Gerber, was found in the house.

Dr. Gerber said he had been told by the chief that Dr. Sheppard had told his family about it and that it had been autopsied.

Examines Complications

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Complications in the patient's condition have developed since the time the doctor was brought to the hospital. The Sheppards said they had received no report on the palm of his wallet. This was requested by the Sheppards.

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