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DOCTOR QUIZZED ON MURDER



"I Have Told All," Doctor Declares

Here is the text of Dr. Samuel H. Sheppard's statement in which he and his family offered a \$10,000 reward for the arrest and conviction of the slayer of his wife, Marilyn:

"Since Sunday morning I have been confined to bed except for the time when I was taken to my wife's funeral.

"I was severely injured when I was attacked by the person who murdered my wife, and I am still suffering from shock and pain.

"I learned after I returned from my wife's funeral yesterday that the report has been widely circulated that I have refused to talk about my wife's murder.

"I have never refused to talk to any authorities and give them all the information I could.

"I have related the incidents as nearly as I could remember them to the mayor of the city of Bay Village, to the police of that city, to detectives from the Cleveland Police Department, and have answered the questions of the county coroner and the detective from the county sheriff's office.

"I have told them all I can now recollect.

"Any restrictions that have been made on questioning by the authorities have not been made by me. They were made by the doctors who have been attending me.

"I have lived an honorable life. I have, with my family, authorized my attorneys to post a reward of \$10,000 for the arrest and conviction of the murderer of my wife."

AFTER QUESTIONING at the county prosecutor's office, Mrs. Jane Reese, stepmother of the slain Mrs. Marilyn Sheppard, left the office with Sheriff Joseph Sweeney. She would not talk to reporters.