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5 "OTHER WOMEN" LINKED TO DOCTOR

Patient Tells Detectives About Dates

The spotlight of the Marilyn Sheppard murder investigation today bared the once personal secret of a young Rocky River housewife.

She was one of five "other women" definitely placed by investigators in the recent life of Dr. Samuel H. Sheppard, charged with the July 4 slaying of his wife.

The 26-year-old mother of a four-year-old daughter tearfully admitted to police at Central Station that she once had a "crush" on the 30-year-old osteopath, and participated in several "kissing parties" with him.

She credited Dr. Sheppard with "saving my life" as a doctor.

Sam and Marilyn Sheppard and the woman and her husband were friends—members of a clique of sports car owners and boating enthusiasts.

Mrs. Julee Lossman of 19718 Westover Ave., Rocky River, after police questioning, told a Press reporter she had "probably been infatuated" with Dr. Sheppard. "I felt I owed him my life and any looks that I have left. He did such wonderful work on me as a doctor...."
Mrs. Lossman was critically injured Feb. 16, 1953, when a truck rammed a car driven by her husband, Robert Lossman, 42, on Center Ridge Rd. in Westlake.

Put 200 Stitches in Face

She was taken to Bay View Hospital with a broken leg and serious face injuries. Dr. Sam Sheppard was called in on the emergency case, and put more than 200 stitches in her face.

Today, only a slight scar is apparent on the nose of the attractive, brown-haired housewife.

“I don’t feel that what I’ve told the police is important,” Mrs. Lossman said. “My husband and I went for an outing at Put-in-Bay with Sam and Marilyn Sheppard more than a year ago.”

During the “outing,” she and Dr. Sheppard went for a “long walk” alone.

When they returned, a family argument developed, during which Lossman slapped his wife.

Mrs. Lossman said she had told her husband “the truth” about her former infatuation for Dr. Sam immediately after Marilyn’s murder. “Actually,” she said, “it was nothing.”

“I Must Have Lost My Head”

“I must have lost my head,” she said. “I can’t explain my actions. My husband and I didn’t consider it important, but decided to tell all to the authorities.”

Mrs. Lossman sighed: “I thought this thing had died by itself. It would have been completely dead—except for this horrible murder. I’m so sick of the whole thing I could vomit.

“I don’t know how it happened ... it was one of those things. I’ve never been interested in anyone but my husband—except for this one incident that I thought was completely dead.”

But now, she said, she will “do whatever the authorities ask”—including testifying before the Grand Jury or at a trial.

Dr. Sheppard had previously told Deputy Sheriff...
Murder Probers Link 5 Women to Dr. Sheppard

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Carl Rossbach that he and his wife were “family friends” of the Lossmans. He said he had bought his Jaguar auto from Lossman, a former plumber who now operates a foreign car agency, MG Motor Sales, Co., at 17710 Detroit Ave.

He Called Relations Normal

Other than that, Dr. Sheppard said, he had only a “normal patient-doctor” relationship with Mrs. Lossman.

Detective Chief James McArthur, to whom Mrs. Lossman made her statement, attached “considerable importance” to it.

She made the statement after several previous interviews, including one with Assistant Prosecutor John J. Mahon, in which she described one “light kiss” from Dr. Sam.

While her leg was still in a cast, she told McArthur, she had a secret date with the osteopath, during which he “hugged and kissed” her.

He also kissed her at her suburban home, she related, when her husband left them alone for about 35 minutes. The couple had invited Sam and Marilyn for dinner, she said, but Marilyn “wasn’t feeling well,” and the osteopath came alone.

She described a two-hour auto drive with Dr. Sheppard, during which he “kissed me two or three times.”

Mrs. Lossman admitted that her husband had once slapped her after she had taken a long walk with Dr. Sheppard. Her husband, she said, was “upset and mad at me at the time,” but probably wasn’t aware then of her “feelings” toward the doctor.

“He probably knows now,” she sighed.

The Rocky River housewife was torn between loyalty to her husband and the doctor she credits with saving her life.

“He was always a gentleman with me,” she insisted. “He never suggested intimacies. He always encouraged me. He bolstered my spirits when I needed help most . . .”

His attentiveness, she said, was obvious at Bay View Hospital, during secret auto rides, when the Sheppards and she and her husband were out together, at their home.

Says She Was Aggressor

Mrs. Lossman insisted, however, that she—not Dr. Sheppard—was “the aggressor” when their emotions flared into embraces and kisses.

Dr. Sheppard had told Rossbach that, after the Put-in-Bay incident, he and his wife had “decided to see less of the Lossmans.”

Both couples were boating enthusiasts, as well as sports car owners.

Police catalogued the four “other women” in Dr. Sheppard’s recent life as:

SUSAN HAYES, 24, former Bay View Hospital laboratory technician flown back from Los Angeles to contradict Dr. Sam’s sworn testimony that they had no intimacies during his West Coast visit last March.

A GIRL SEEN WITH DR. SAM by a former Bay Village policeman in a parked car at Huntington Park near his home at 28924 Lake Rd.


“DOTTIE,” another frequent companion while he was on the staff of the osteopathic division of Los Angeles County General Hospital.

Los Angeles detectives are seeking to locate the latter two for questioning.

Dr. Sheppard spent his sixth day in a County Jail cell block today, spared the annoyance of constant questioning by homicide detectives.

Police Chief Frank W. Story ordered the quizzing terminated when Dr. Sam, keeping his eyes on a Bible in his hands, steadfastly ignored all conversation of the probes. “On advice of counsel,” he said, “I cannot discuss the case any further.”

But Mahon, veteran chief assistant in the criminal division of the county prosecutor’s office, disclosed that he has been assigned to “handle” Dr. Sheppard’s murder trial.

Mahon said he expected the trial would be held this fall.

“We will obviously seek the death penalty if Dr. Sheppard is indicted for first-degree murder,” he said.

The prosecution staff probably will include Assistant Prosecutors Saul S. Danaceau and Thomas Partino, with Prosecutor Frank Cullitan quarterbacking the courtroom team.

Dr. Sheppard’s five defense attorneys, appointed by William J. Corrigan, were preparing for a hearing at 10 a.m. tomorrow at Lakeside Courthouse before the Court of Appeals.

They seek to make permanent a temporary writ barring Bay Village Council President Gershom M. M. Barber from presiding at a preliminary hearing set for Saturday afternoon on the first-degree murder charge against Dr. Sam.

Challenges Authority

Corrigan contends that Barber is without legal authority to sign a murder warrant or preside at the hearing which will determine whether Dr. Sheppard is held for Grand Jury action.

Law Director Richard S. Weygandt of Bay Village filed a brief with the Appeals Court asking that the defense petition be dismissed.

The issue arose because Bay Village Mayor J. Spencer Houk, a close friend of Dr. Sheppard and the first person summoned by him to the murder home on the morning of July 4, disqualified himself from ordering the osteopath’s arrest. Corrigan indicated that Houk would be called as a witness.

Hearing the oral arguments tomorrow will be Appellate Judges Joy Seth Hurd and Julius M. Kovach, joined by Judge Oscar Hunsicker of Akron.

Dr. Sheppard will remain in jail while the case is argued.

The defense had agreed to permit a two-judge panel to decide the issue, since Judge Lee Skeel is vacationing at Cape Cod, but Weygandt insisted that a third out-of-town judge join the panel.

Find More Blood

Story said “additional blood specks” had been found in the murder home by detectives using a new “black light” technique.

The additional findings, he said, “nearly complete” the killer’s trail, dripping blood through the house, either from his clothing or the missing murder weapon.

Story said the trail indicated a person wandering in something of a daze, rather than a positive effort to flee the scene as quickly as possible.

Corrigan filed a protest with the Cleveland Bar Assn. and the Cuyahoga County Bar Assn. against what he termed his violation of his right to see his client in the County Jail at any time.

Harry Pittie, executive secretary of the Cleveland Bar Assn., said the protest would be passed on to H. K. Bell, chairman of the group’s Comm. Pleas Court committee.