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5 "OTHER WOMEN" LINKED TO DOCTOR

Patient Tells Detectives About Dates

The spotlight of the Marilyn Sheppard murder investigation today broadened 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

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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. Loss-
man.

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

She made the statement after several previous inter-
views, 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. Shep-
dard, 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.

"Dr. Sheppard was always a gentleman with me," she
insisted. "He never suggested intimacies. He al-
ways 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 Shep-
dards and she and her husband were out together, and
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 trip last March.

A GIRL SEEN WITH DR.
SAM by a former Bay Village
police officer in a parked car at
Hunting Park, near his
home at 23924 Lake Rd.

"MARGO," a 1950 "friend"
in Los Angeles.

"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 homic-
didal 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 conversa-
tion of the probers. "On ad-
vice of counsel," he said, "I
cannot discuss the case any
further."

But Mahon, veteran chief as-
sistant in the criminal division
of the county prosecutor's of-
fice, disclosed that he has been
assigned to "handle" Dr. Shep-
dard'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 prob-
ably will include Assistant
Prosecutors Saul S. Danaceau
and Thomas Parrino, with
Prosecutor Frank Cullitan
quarterbacking the courtroom
team.

Dr. Sheppard's five defense
attorneys, captained by Wil-
liam J. Corrigan, were prepar-
ing for a hearing at 10 a.m.
tomorrow at Lakeside Cour-
thouse before the Court of Ap-
peals.

They seek to make perma-
ent a temporary writ barring
Bay Village Council Presi-
dent Gershom M. M. Barber
from presiding at a prelimi-
nary hearing set for Saturday
afternoon on the first-degree
murder charge against Dr.
Sam.

Challenges Authority

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

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

The issue arose because Bay
Village Mayor J. Spencer
Houk, a close friend of Dr.
Sheppard and the first per-
son 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 wit-
ness.

Hearing the oral arguments
tomorrow will be Appellate
Judges Joy Seth Hurd and
Julius M. Kovachy, 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 Weigandt in-
sisted that a third out-of-town
judge join the panel.

Find More Blood

Story said "additional blood
spec'ms" 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 indicates
a person wandering in some-
thing 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
violation of his right to see his
client in the County Jail at
any time.

Harry Pattie, executive sec-
tary of the Cleveland Bar
Assn., said the protest would
be passed on to H. K. Bell,
chairman of the group's Com-
mon Pleas Court committee.