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‘ROADBLOCKS’ BY SHEPPARD LAWYERS HIT

Cullitan Warns Case May Go Right to Grand Jury Next Week

The murder case of Dr. Samuel H. Sheppard will go straight to the grand jury early next week if his lawyers “force the authorities’ hand” with new legal roadblocks, County Prosecutor Frank T. Cullitan said yesterday.

Cullitan said he did not want any “break in continuity” which might seem the young osteopath was a County Jail even temporarily, if at all.

His assistant, with Bay Village Solicitor Richard S. Wegandt, today were to try to fight down one such “break” in the Court of Appeals. Dr. Sheppard’s attorneys have challenged there the right of Crenshaw, M. Barber, acting mayor of Bay, to hold the husband to the grand jury for the club, among all his wife, Marilyn.

Wife Would Be Gain

There would be a gap until a new warrant was issued by a justice of the peace.

Tomorrow at Bay City Hall the preliminary hearing is scheduled at 1 p.m. before Barber. Wegandt wants a continuance there until Monday or later.

If defense lawyers object to that, Cullitan said, he will begin to mass his evidence and will promptly start feeding it into the grand jury hopper.

A second auburn-haired woman in 30-year-old Dr. Sam’s life told her story of “hugs and kisses—nothing more” on dates with the doctor.

She was Mrs. Julie Lossman, 26, second wife of Robert W. Lossman, 41, sports car dealer, from whom Dr. Sheppard bought first an MG and then the Jaguar he now owns.

Mrs. Lossman told her story to Detective Chief James E. McArthur on Wednesday. She had related the same story weeks ago to Assistant County Prosecutor John J. Mahon.

Both times she denied any serious intimacies and denied she and Dr. Sam had talked about divorcing their mates. She has a four-year-old, tow-headed daughter.

An automobile crash left Mrs. Lossman’s face a mass of cuts. Dr. Sheppard was her surgeon at Ray View Hospital. Left almost unscarred, she said, she went for a drive into Metropolitan Park with him and said he “embraced” and kissed her.

Then the Lossmans and Shep­pards went to Put In Bay in the Lossman boat. Dr. Sam took Mrs. Lossman on an hour’s walk, leaving their spouses behind.

Under Mistletoe

Lossman told Mahon last week that he slapped his wife when the pair came back.

Mrs. Lossman said Dr. Sam kissed her at her own home once. That was when there was mistletoe hung up in the living room for Christmas time, she explained.

After telling and retelling these incidents Mrs. Lossman said: “I’ve been nauseated all day.”

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Ironically, it was on an invoice from Lossman's car agency, the invoice for the MG, that Dr. Sheppard noted the California addresses of Miss Susan Hayes, whom he looked up and dated on a trip there in March.

Like Miss Hayes, the 24-year-old medical technician who flew back here as a voluntary witness, Mrs. Lossman may be questioned again, police indicated.

Except so far as they could bear on a motive, the romantic episodes are not crucial in the case, lawyers said.

Los Angeles detectives continued to hunt for others of Dr. Sheppard's cabinet of girl friends. Police here estimated the list might be longer than the five they had found or heard of.

For one, known only as "Margot," there is a Cleveland police pickup order in Los Angeles authorities' hands.

She is a girl whom Dr. Sam took on a swimming party and other dates about 1950, when his wife was, according to her letters to her family here, thinking about a divorce.

**LISTENS TO RADIO**

In his small County Jail cell Dr. Sheppard sat on his bunk reading and listening to his portable radio yesterday.

One item of what he read was a batch of what Sheriff Joseph M. Sweeney called his "fan mail."

Detectives quit questioning him Wednesday when he ignored their queries and read the Bible. After the quiz stopped he switched to two "hot rod" magazines and Pic.

That was reported in the newspapers. Yesterday Dr. Sheppard took up the Bible again, Sheriff Sweeney said.

William J. Corrigan, whom Dr. Sam's elder brother, Dr. Richard N. Sheppard, has called "the general" of the defense, filed a protest that his client was being denied his right to see his lawyer in jail at any time.

**DETECTIVES AT HOME**

Scientific detective teams were working again at the house where the pregnant mother was beaten to death in her bed July 4.

Their flashlights and ultraviolet lamps were working again at the death home at 28924 West Lake Road late last night. They were using all possible chemical tests on blood specks found around the home.

That was typical of the thoroughness with which police were trying to buckle down every fact in preparation for an all-out court battle, said Detective Chief McArthur.