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## 54/08/02 Letters to Editor: "Commends Sheppard Editorial" and "Backs Coroner"

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## **Commends Sheppard Editorial**

Congratulations! Yes, your editorial, "Why Isn't Sam Sheppard in Jail?" was marvelous!

It's about time someone spoke up. Too bad there aren't more men like you. Keep up the fine work.

MRS. M. J. BENKO, 4267 W. 140th St.

## **Backs Coroner**

This is written to answer a letter published in Tuesday's Press (July 27) entitled "Crimes Without Motives" by Lillian B. Wargo.

I also have been reading the Sheppard murder case every day. I can deeply sympathize with the unfortunate happening in Mrs. (or Miss) Wargo's life. But what is she trying to prove?

I would take it from her statements that the admitted chief suspect in this case should not be questioned along any lines which might point to a motive on his part and also that Dr. Gerber dislikes osteopathic physicians.

Would she then further suggest that the investigation be terminated and this murder be chalked up in the books as unsolved?

I believe that Dr. Gerber has every right to ask any and all questions of the chief suspect which leave the least shadow of a doubt in the investigators' minds.

I am also sure that Dr. Gerber harbors no ill feelings toward osteopathic physicians and that he is an official who is carrying out his duties to the best of his ability.

What bearing does the trustworthiness of our city's law enforcement agency have upon the truthfulness of Dr. Sheppard's statement?

It is Dr. Sheppard's statements that are important now. If he is innocent I am sure this will be established and I am equally sure that if he is guilty this will be established.

In connection with this case I would like to very heartily commend The Cleveland Press for their front page editorial of Wednesday. I have spoken to many people about this case and this editorial of Wednesday, I am sure, reveals the opinion of a great number of people.

RICHARD F. ROTH, 9915 Granger Rd., Garfield Heights, O.

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