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Doctor Tells Brothers He Heard Scream, Was Beaten

Dr. Richard N. Sheppard and Stephan A. Sheppard, brothers of Dr. Sam Sheppard, today told The News what their brother had said of the brutal slaying of his wife.

"My brother told me he was asleep on the couch downstairs when he was awakened by what he believed were screams by his wife, Marilyn," Dr. Richard Sheppard said.

"He then rushed upstairs and encountered one or two men who beat him with their fists. He struggled with them, following them out of the house and down the beach stairs to the beach."

"He fought with them again and was knocked unconscious. He regained consciousness later in the lake a few feet from shore and went back to the house and called for aid."

Dr. Stephan Sheppard said his brother Sam told him he was awakened by a call from his wife, in bed on the second floor, and went to her aid in the dark.

His brother said he had fallen asleep on a first floor couch ear-

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Dotted line shows the path, which Dr. Samuel H. Sheppard said he followed in his continued struggle with his wife's murderer. The numerals are placed at the spots where the surgeon said he was knocked unconscious by the prowler's blows. The sofa is one from which Sheppard was aroused by his wife's screams.

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lier the evening before.

“He said when he reached the second floor he was slugged by one or more men and knocked unconscious. Recovering consciousness he heard prowling on the first floor of his home. He went downstairs and went out the door of the house facing the lake and down a wooden stairway to the lake,” Dr. Stephan Sheppard said.

“My brother again fought the intruders on the beach behind his home and was again knocked unconscious, possibly with bare hands in a judo type of attack. He recovered after a time and found himself in shallow water at the edge of the lake. He went back to his home and summoned aid,” Dr. Stephan Sheppard added.