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# PUSHES FOR SHEPPARD LIE TEST

## Doctor Is Well Enough Now, Gerber Says

BY HOWARD BEAUFAIT

Still on the trail of the elusive motive for the murder of Mrs. Marilyn Sheppard 10 days ago, investigators today concentrated on a possible "other woman" angle.

At the same time, Coroner Samuel R. Gerber again urged the slain woman's husband, Dr. Samuel H. Sheppard, Bay Village osteopath, to submit to a lie detector test.

"If Dr. Sheppard has recovered sufficiently to go back to work at the Bay View Hospital he is well enough to take a lie detector test," Dr. Gerber said.

The 30-year-old husband twice declined to submit to the lie test on the grounds that his "emotional state" made an accurate test impossible.

### Test Not Mandatory

Under Ohio law no one can legally be forced to take the test.

County Detective Carl Rossbach and Assistant County Prosecutor John J. Mahon said they planned to contact Miss Susan Hayes, 24, who now lives in Downey, Cal., and works as a medical technician in a Los Angeles hospital.

Mahon said that when Dr. Sheppard was questioned at County Jail he admitted visiting with Miss Hayes, former technician at Bay View Hospital, at a wedding in California last March.

He said he bought her a wrist watch to replace one she had lost at the wedding.

### Accompanied by Wife

Mrs. Sheppard drove to Los Angeles with her husband for a medical convention, but had no knowledge of the wedding party or the watch, the prosecutor said.

"When Mrs. Sheppard found out about the watch her husband said they had some words about it, but she was not too upset," Rossbach said.

Still one of the most puzzling  
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aspects of the crime committed in the West Lake Rd. home of the Sheppards July 4 was the "time schedule," Dr. Gerber said.

The coroner said Mrs. Sheppard apparently was wearing her wrist watch when she was beaten to death in an upstairs bedroom. The watch stopped at 3:10.

## Mystery Deepens

Dr. Sheppard's wrist watch, found with other jewelry in a clump of bushes near the house was stopped at 4:15 a. m.

Mayor J. Spencer Houk of Bay Village said he received a call from Dr. Sheppard informing him that "someone killed Marilyn" at 5:47 a. m. Sunday.

Police said they received a call from Mayor Houk, their first word of the murder, at 5:57 a. m. Sunday.

## Lights On or Off?

Whether lights were on in the murder house the night and morning of the crime has become a

source of conflicting mystery. Dr. Sheppard said the house was in darkness when he ran upstairs to aid his moaning wife and was struck from behind.

Mr. and Mrs. Jay L. Bender, 294 Ruth Rd., Bay Village, reported they saw lights both up and downstairs when they drove past at 2:30 Sunday morning

Anthony Bruscano, a pre-medical student at Dartmouth College, said he saw no lights at all as he drove toward his home, 28950 West Lake Rd., between 2:15am and 2:30 a. m. Sunday.

A truck driver, Wilbur Davis, 39, of 4194 Valley Rd., said the house was lighted when he drove by at 3 a. m.

Coroner Gerber said he believes the time of the murder was set by Mrs. Sheppard's watch—3:10 a. m.

The murder investigation, off to a slow start, is now proceeding on several fronts.

## Told of "Arguments"

Assistant County Prosecutor Thomas Parrino said he and Homicide Detectives Arthur Blythin and Adelbert O'Hara, are checking a report of an argument between Dr. and Mrs. Sheppard at the Cleveland Yacht Club.

Parrino also said he is checking into a story of marital discord told by a former babysitter for the Sheppards.

Sgt. Jay Hubach of Bay Village said he was checking a file which, bearing a suspicious crust on one end, was found on Canterbury Rd., two miles east of the murder scene.

The file is heavy, 12 inches long and could have been used as a weapon, the sergeant said. The weapon used to beat Mrs. Sheppard disappeared after the crime.

Cleveland newspapers today carried an advertisement signed by the Sheppard family announcing their \$10,000 reward for the arrest and conviction of the killer would expire in five years if no one claimed it at the end of that time.