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ACADEMIC ENDEAVORS

Minister Reveals Advice to Dr. Sam

The Rev. Alfred C. Kreke, pastor of the Bay Methodist Church, today disclosed some of the advice he gave Dr. Samuel H. Sheppard when he visited the osteopath in County Jail yesterday.

Dr. Sheppard was a member of the Bay Methodist Church, where his murdered wife, Marilyn, taught Sunday school.

"He has been reading the Bible daily and has marked certain passages which he thought were particularly helpful to him," the Rev. Kreke said. "He has found quite a bit of spiritual strength and help in it."

"He didn't use the word persecution, but he still feels he is innocent, and that he has told the police everything he can. He expressed no complaints to me and told me he was glad I called on him. I visited him without being called by him."

The minister said he had recommended Dr. Sheppard read the 91st and 121st Psalms.

"There shall be no evil befall

**What happens at next Monday's Sheppard hearing?
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thee," reads the 91st Psalm, "neither shall any plague come nigh thy dwelling. . . .

"For He (the Lord) shall give his angels charge over thee, to keep thee in all thy ways. . . .

"They shall bear thee up in their hands, lest thou dash thy foot against a stone. . . ."

And the 121st Psalm says: "The Lord shall preserve thee from all evil; He shall preserve thy soul. . . ."

Comments on Change

The Rev. Kreke, who once criticized the inquest conducted by Coroner Samuel R. Gerber as a "medieval inquisition," said that, in his estimation, "there has been a considerable change in the investigation."

"My only objection," he said,

Dr. Samuel H. Sheppard today received an offer of \$1000 a month for a three-month lease on his murder home at 28924 Lake Rd., Bay Village.

The offer came in a letter from Harry Albacker of Lorain who said he'd like to commercialize on it as "a mecca for tourists and curiosity seekers."

"was to various parts of the inquest."

Other prisoners in the same cell block with Dr. Sheppard reported that he holds himself aloof, rarely saying more than "hello" to his jailmates.

He spends considerable time listening to the portable radio brought in by his family. During his 15 days in jail, he has worn out several batteries.

Hears Ball Games

Dr. Sheppard listens to the baseball broadcasts and musical programs mostly.

He also reads the daily newspapers and magazines brought to him by relatives and friends.

"He's no different than any other prisoner," said Sheriff Joseph Sweeney. "He gets the same treatment as the rest."

This means that he may receive candy and fruit, no other food from his family.
