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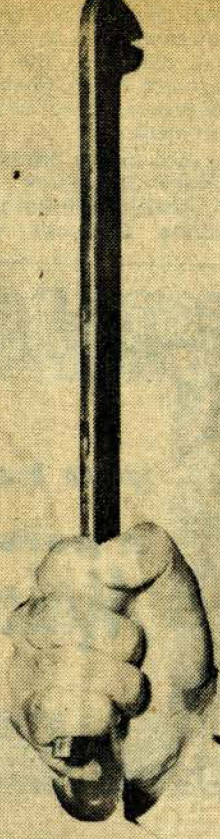
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ORTHOPEDIC WRENCH

found in trunk of Dr. Samuel H. Sheppard's car at his Bay Village home after July 4 murder of his wife, Marilyn. Detective Chief James McArthur says this instrument is "most likely" type of weapon which bludgeoned Mrs. Sheppard to death. Chrome-plated instrument weighs two pounds.

Bay Delays Sheppard Probe Bill

Bay Village won't be able to pay Cleveland for the Marilyn Sheppard murder investigation until after Jan. 1.

That was the word today from Auditor Glen Ganyard.

He said the suburb would pay \$4000 which its Council appropriated for services of the Cleveland Police Department as soon as the bill is received, but the rest of the \$12,200 debt won't be met until next year.

"That's all right with us," was Mayor Celebrezze's response. "We can appreciate a municipality being short of cash."

Bay Village has already paid \$1000 for the Cleveland police services, and there'll be another bill later for work done since Aug. 18.

Homicide detectives questioned 566 persons in the investigation which resulted in the indictment of Dr. Samuel H. Sheppard, husband of the slain woman, for first degree murder.

The bill said 83 items had been removed from the Sheppard home at 28924 Lake Rd. for laboratory examination. These included the two-pound orthopedic wrenches which Detective Chief James McArthur said could have inflicted the fatal wounds.