

Thereupon, further to maintain the issues on his part to be maintained, the Defendant called as a witness ARTHUR G. PAINE, who, being first duly sworn, was examined and testified as follows:

DIRECT EXAMINATION OF ARTHUR G. PAINE

By Mr. Petersilge:

Q Will you state your name, please?

A My name is Arthur G. Paine.

Q And you live at 28913 Lake Road?

A That's right. Directly across --

Q You are the husband of the lady who was just on the stand?

A That's right.

Q What business are you in, Mr. Paine?

A Printing business, lithographing, bank checks, specializing in that field.

Q What company do you represent?

A Deluxe Check Printers.

Q Now, your home is just across the street from that of Dr. Samuel H. Sheppard, isn't it?

A Directly across the street from the Sheppards.

Q And are you acquainted with Dr. Sheppard?

A Yes, I certainly am.

Q How long have you known him?

- A About three and a half years.
- Q During that time, have you ever consulted him professionally?
- A Frequently.
- Q For yourself or for members of your family, or for both?
- A Well, the children and myself, primarily.
- Q Have you also seen Dr. Sheppard in a social way?
- A Yes.
- Q And have you visited back and forth with him as neighbors?
- A That's right.
- Q Have you ever observed, Mr. Paine, Dr. Sheppard working around his place?
- A Frequently. In fact, looking -- just to give you the picture, we look directly from our picture window right across the street to Sam's home, and it seemed to me that he and Marilyn were out -- they did a lot of things together. They worked around the garden. We used to go over, they would come over to our place, polishing the car, things that flash back through your memory of Marilyn and Sam working together, Chip there.

Just a week before all this happened, I have a very vivid description in my mind of Sam and Marilyn, and Chip had just received his first baseball mitt -- Chip, as you know, is just 7 -- and his bat, the three of them out with little Gene Disbro next door, and playing baseball, it seemed like an hour. I can go on for hours,

the things they did together.

Q Were there many occasions on which the neighborhood children were over there at the Sheppards?

A Oh, that -- to me, that's the crux of the whole thing. The teenagers in the neighborhood worshipped those two.

MR. PARRINO: If the Court please, these remarks are not responsive to the question.

THE COURT: Please, listen to the question and just answer the question.

THE WITNESS: Yes, your Honor.

Q Did your own children spend any time over there at the Sheppards?

A Oh, yes.

Q Now, from the contacts which you had with Dr. Sheppard, were you able to form an opinion as to the sort of person that he was?

A Absolutely.

Q And what was that opinion?

A The grandest fellow that ever lived, and Marilyn, also.

Q And can you tell us what Dr. Sheppard's character and general reputation was in the community as a law-abiding citizen?

A Well, far above average. The way he participated and entered into civic -- the civic movement, with the job and

the work that he did at the high school and --

THE COURT: No. The question  
is: What is his reputation in the community?  
Is it good or bad?

THE WITNESS: Perfect.

MR. PETERSILGE: That is all.

CROSS-EXAMINATION OF ARTHUR G. PAINE

By Mr. Danaceau:

Q Mr. Paine, you are a very close friend of Dr. Sam Sheppard,  
aren't you?

A Close in a neighborly sort of way. There's a difference  
in our ages, in our respective fields. We didn't have  
that in common, but --

Q Well, you feel very friendly toward him, do you not?

A Oh, absolutely.

Q And you would like to help him as much as you can, isn't  
that a fact?

A I think he needs help.

MR. DANACEAU: All right. Thank  
you very much.

MR. GARMONE: That is all.

MR. PARRINO: That is all.

Thank you.

(Witness excused.)