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By BILL TANNER

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The words were quoted today by his older brother, Dr. Richard N. Sheppard.

One of Dr. Sam's greatest regrets at being in jail, his brother said, is the "embarrassment" to other members of his family.

"We told him not to worry about that," Dr. Richard said. "We told him we'll take care of ourselves."

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