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Familiar Faces Grace Courtroom at Hearing



SINGER ELLA LOGAN AND DAUGHTER, Binnie, were spectators at today's Sheppard trial hearing.

It was like "old home week" as Dr. Sam Sheppard and his coterie of lawyers went to court once again today to plead for a new murder trial in a hearing that lasted less than 30 minutes.

There was Dr. Sam in his double-breasted blue suit, boy-faced, smiling genially, shaking hands with attorneys and nodding to his brothers, their wives and other relatives in the rear of the crowded courtroom.

There was angular Judge Edward Blythin on the bench, speaking in Welsh-tinted tones.

There were Defense Lawyers William J. Corrigan and his freckle-faced son, William H.; bespectacled Fred Garmone and dapper Arthur Petersilge.

There were Prosecutors Saul Danaceau and Thomas Parrino. There were diminutive Coroner S. R. Gerber and renowned Dr. Alan Moritz of the Western Reserve University Medical School.

And in the halls outside the courtroom the photographers' were flashing and movie cameras were whirring just as they did last fall during the 10-week trial of Dr. Sam for the slaying of his wife, Marilyn.

Yes, it was like "old home week," like seeing a re-issue of a sensational, well remembered movie.

Among early arrivals were Mrs. Henrietta Munn, Marilyn Sheppard's aunt, just recovering from an agonizing case of poison ivy; Marilyn's father, Thomas Reese; her cousin, Dr. Keith Weigle, and Weigle's mother, Helen.

The postponement to next week will allow Dr. Weigle to attend the hearing. Tomorrow he is assigned to give polio shots to school children in Lake County.

Dr. Sam's osteopath brothers, Richard and Steve, were sharply dressed as usual. Steve's wife, Betty, wore her fur cape.

Dr. Richard's wife, Dorothy, wore her favorite hug-the-head hat.

After the hearing the Dr. Steves left immediately, the Dr. Richards soon afterward.

The Guilford Browns, relatives of the slain Marilyn, and David Phillips, a Bay Village friend of Dr. Sam, also attended the hearing.

Just before the hearing ad-

Attorney Corrigan introduced Paul Kirk, California criminologist, to Judge Blythin and his honor greeted him with: "We have fine California weather here."

Attorney Corrigan is an admirer of singer Ella Logan now appearing at Hotel Walden's Vogue Room.

Last evening the lawyer and his aide, Fred Garmone, relaxed with criminologists at the hotel by having the Miss Logan and her daughter Binnie, 21, and hearing Ella Logan sing "How Are You in Glocha Mora?"

Kirk, whose room is on the same floor as Miss Logan at the hotel, said he'd arrived today in time to take part in the Sheppard hearing. He explained he didn't need an alarm clock to awaken him; he just set the time in his watch and that was sufficient.