

Sheppard's Brother Denies Demanding if Dr. Sam Was Killer

Cleveland — (U.P.) — Dr. Richard N. Sheppard denied flatly today that he ever had demanded of his young brother, Dr. Samuel H. Sheppard, whether he had bludgeoned his wife to death.

"Such a thought as that never crossed my mind," Dr. Richard testified on cross examination in Dr. Sam's wife-slaying trial.

Mayor J. Spencer Houk of Bay Village, a close friend of Dr. Sam, had testified as a state witness that he heard Dr. Richard ask the question shortly after the murder and Dr. Sam reply "Hell, no."

The mayor said the questioning occurred in the den on the first floor of the Sheppard home just after Dr. Richard had viewed the cruelly beaten body of Marilyn Sheppard, 31, on her blood-soaked bed about 6:10 a.m. last July 4.

Meaning and Crying
Dr. Richard, 38, the oldest of the three Sheppard brothers, said he only told Dr. Sam that "Marilyn's gone. There's nothing I can do." He said Dr. Sam slid off his chair onto his face on the floor, moaning and crying and holding the back of his neck.

Dr. Richard said pictures of the body made by policemen and entered in evidence as state exhibits showed the body "definitely" in a different position from the way he first saw it.

The defense contends police meddling changed the body's position. A defense contention is that a burglar, or someone intent on a sexual attack, killed her.

Asked by Chief Prosecutor John J. Mahon to estimate how long she had been dead, he said at a "wild guess" she must have been dead "18 minutes to one-half hour, and it could have been two hours."

Dr. Richard, on direct examination, had testified it would have been impossible for a man wearing Dr. Sam's khaki trousers to stand alongside the bed and beat Marilyn to death without getting spots on the pants.

The soiled, faded trousers held in front of the witness by defense attorney William J. Corrigan, had no spots on them. The doors and walls of the murder room were splattered with blood. Dr. Richard said that his own knee was above the top of the mattress as he stood at the bedside trying to take the dead woman's pulse, and that it would be "absolutely impossible" for blood not to be splattered on the murderer's trousers.

Steelworkers Called in Probe For Communists

Washington — (U.P.) — Senate investigators summoned Bethlehem, Pa., steelworkers today for a public hearing in Sen. Joseph R. McCarthy's renewed hunt for Communists in defense plants.

It was uncertain whether McCarthy would attend the session or stay home to nurse his ailing elbow. He failed to appear to hear the same witnesses in closed session Monday.

Sen. Charles E. Potter (R-Mich.) and Karl E. Mundt (R-S.D.), only subcommittee members who attended Monday's hearing, listed Herman E. Thomas of Allentown, Pa., as today's first witness. Other witnesses, they said, were all employees of the Bethlehem Steel Co. plant at Bethlehem.

Thomas testified in October, before the Senate Internal Security subcommittee, that he had been an undercover FBI informant in the Communist Party. At that time he named some 230 persons as Communists.

Democrats Not Expected
The three Democratic members of the subcommittee, who have often clashed with McCarthy in the past, were not expected to attend today's hearing. They were also absent Monday and their offices reported they are out of town.

Potter told newsmen that "more than one" of eight witnesses heard in closed session Monday took refuge in the Fifth Amendment when asked about Communist activities. He would not say how many pleaded self-incrimination, however.

Potter said "some" of Monday's witnesses were dismissed and would not be recalled. He said the Bethlehem plant handles defense orders.

Pontiff Hopes To Deliver Annual Christmas Message

Vatican City — (U.P.) — Pope Pius XII expressed today hope of delivering his annual Christmas message from the central balcony of St. Peter's Basilica.

A high Vatican source said the ailing pontiff wants to make his Christmas Eve address from his third floor studio or the balcony, both of which overlook St. Peter's Square.

Depends on Progress
Whether the Pope can fulfill his wish depends on the degree of progress he shows in the coming three weeks and on the advice of his doctors.

But the Pope continued to show improvement. He took communion this morning and received church officials at his sickbed.

The Pope's Christmas speech, whether delivered in full or in part by the Pope or merely distributed by the Vatican, is expected to contain the call for a consistory to name new cardinals of the Roman Catholic Church.

Six Vacancies
Names of the new cardinals would be given in such a message. There are at present six vacancies in the 70-member Sacred College of Cardinals.

While the day today improved in the condition of the pontiff is admittedly "very slight," it has been steady. His doctors now are confident of his recovery, Vatican sources said.

Family Takes Vacation in Bus

Wooster, O. — (U.P.) — Now that the vacation season is over, here's a tried and tested tip for families for next year.

After the usual uncomfortable and frustrating attempts at a family vacation in an automobile, Charles Collier bought a bus for \$2,000 from a transit company. After re-vamping it, he packed his wife, their five children and one dog aboard for the annual outing. They traveled comfortably to the west coast.

Collier re-modeled the interior himself, ripping out the seats and installing a toilet, shower, a kitchen, a water system, electrical generator, cupboards for everyone's possessions, eating space and sleeping accommodations.

Laundry was the only chore that had to be farmed out.

Mrs. Collier cooked everything in either a skillet or pressure cooker.

There was one disconcerting matter, Collier said:

When we happened to be driving along a highway about the same time a regular bus was due, people come tearing out of their driveways desperately trying to flag us down. We got some pretty dirty looks when we went right past them."

The Collier's only casualty was the dog, Shep. He strayed from the bus in Missouri and could not be found. When the Colliers returned home, a postcard was waiting, saying that Shep had been found and would be shipped back. The bill was \$64.

February Draft Call Made for 20,000 Men

Washington — (U.P.) — The Department of Defense today issued a February draft call for 20,000 men for the Army, a cut of 3000 in recent monthly rates.

A Defense Department spokesman said the 20,000 level is expected to prevail through next June. The Army has drafted 23,000 a month since last July.

Defense Department sources pointed out that Army reenlistment rates have begun to show a slight uptrend which may partially explain the reduced draft calls. Reenlistments in the Army totaled 9472 in October compared with 8789 in September.

The Army is in the process of reducing from a current strength of 1,370,285 to 1,173,000 by next June 30.

Museum Has Answers To Question of Skink

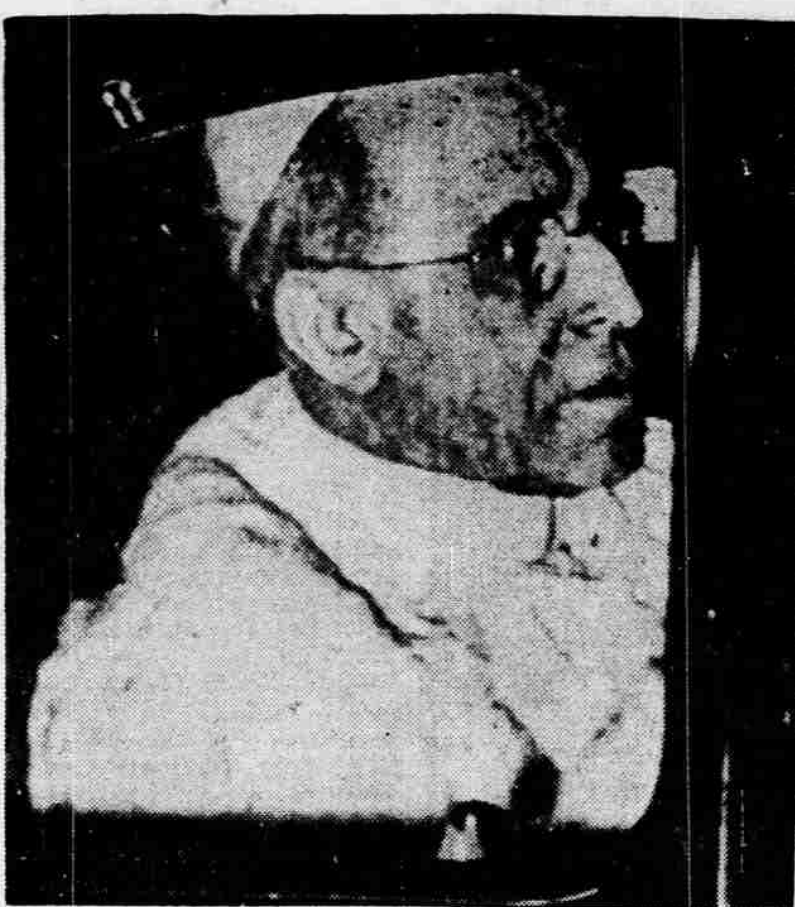
Lawrence, Kan. — (U.P.) — Know much about the blue-tailed skink?

Should you care to check into the history and habits of the little striped lizard, the University of Kansas Museum of Natural History has just about all the answers.

Just published is a 156-page treatise on the woodland lizard, which is widely found in the eastern half of the nation. The result of six years of research, the treatise is termed by its author the first thorough-going study of the creature ever made. "Life History and Ecology of the Five-Lined Skink, Eumeces fasciatus" is by Dr. Henry S. Fitch, director of the KU natural history reservation.

Mica minerals are common and widely distributed in sedimentary igneous and metamorphic rocks.

Portsmouth Plaza was once the center of Yerba Buena—since renamed San Francisco.



POPE PIUS XII—Above is the most recent photo taken of Pope Pius XII in an automobile outside his summer residence at Castelgandolfo Nov. 27 before being driven back to the Vatican for a period of special treatment and enforced rest.

Tuesday, December 7, 1954

MEDFORD (OREGON) MAIL TRIBUNE—ELEVEN

Woman, Car Towed To Sheriff's Office

Boise — (U.P.) — Mrs. Leona Bingham, 34, was free on bond today and she insisted she was not guilty of speeding charges which resulted in her car being towed — while she was inside — to the Ada county sheriff's office.

Garden City police said Mrs. Bingham was traveling 57 miles per hour in a 35-mile-an-hour zone. What's more, officers said, she rolled up all the car windows and locked all the doors and defied them to give her a ticket.

She came out of the car only after officers knocked out a rear window with a hammer, Garden City Police Chief Ted Discus said.

Mrs. Bingham is scheduled to appear for a preliminary hearing Dec. 16.

Sea water is essentially 3.5 per cent solution of several salts of which little more than 77 per cent is sodium chloride.

Kezar Stadium in San Francisco's Golden Gate Park has a seating capacity of 60,000.

Detours Available Over Snake River

Salem — (U.P.) — The route between Nyssa and Idaho points is closed because of a bridge out over the Snake river, the State Highway department said today in its report of road conditions. Detours are available by way of Ontario or Adrian.

Construction might mean short delays for motorists traveling the Columbia river highway, between Big Eddy four miles east of The Dalles and Rufus. Short delays might also be expected on the Willamette highway seven miles west of Oakridge and on The Dalles-California highway 12 miles north of Klamath Falls.

Other delays may be expected on the Pacific highway from Myrtle Creek north four miles, and on the Oregon coast highway two to 14 miles south of Port Orford. Because of construction, there is a mile of soft and difficult travel on the Enterprise-Lewiston highway.

In the clearest waters of tropical seas there is no visible light at a depth of a half-mile.

Largest commercial catch in California waters in the 1952-3 season was the yellowfin tuna, which accounted for more than 185,000,000 pounds.

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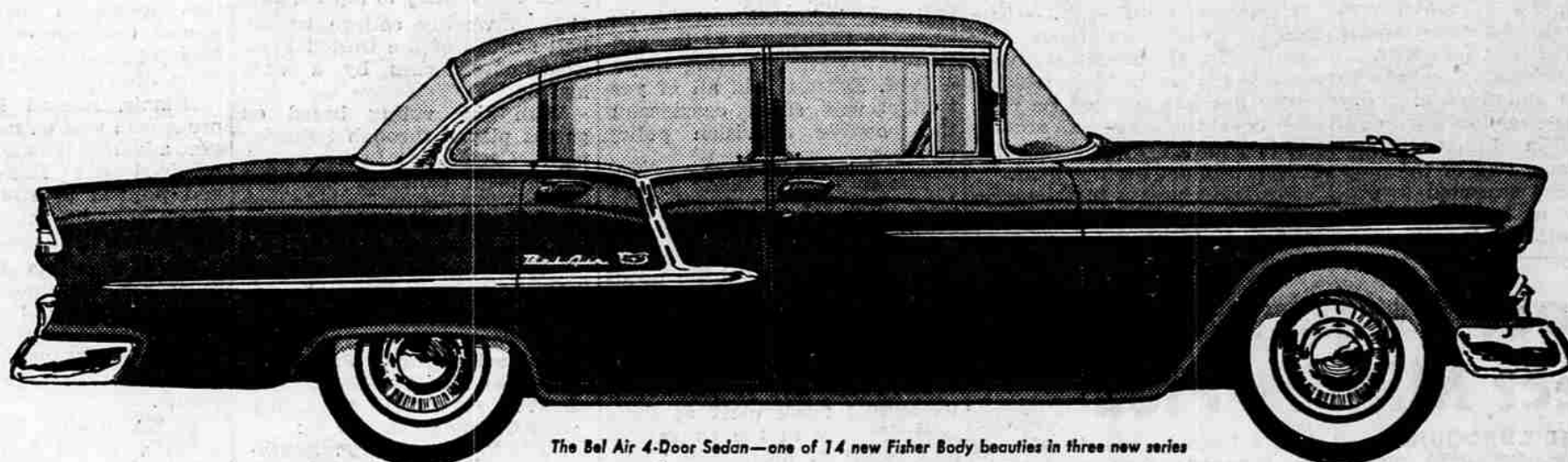
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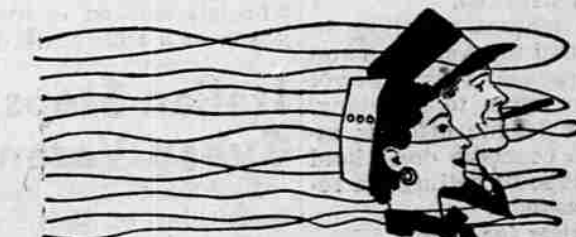
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