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Sheppard Lawyers Move For Dismissal Of Murder Case

CLEVELAND (AP) — A courtroom still echoing with pretty Susan Hayes' story of her illicit love affair with Dr. Samuel Sheppard awaited another vital step today in his murder trial — the legal decision that could free him immediately.

His lawyers have moved for dismissal of the charge that Sheppard killed his pregnant wife Marilyn, 31.

Judge Edward Blythin said he would weigh the arguments over the defense motion, and deliver his decision today. If he concludes that the state has failed to establish its case, he could instruct the jury to return a verdict of "not guilty."

Otherwise, the prosecution having finished presenting evidence, Sheppard's defense will begin to take shape.

SUGGESTION
A startling suggestion already has appeared in this connection: that whoever attacked Mrs. Sheppard intended not to kill her but to disfigure her. And the defense keeps implying that a woman may be involved in the savage beating. This thesis emerged in points emphasized by defense lawyers as they called for a directed verdict of innocence. They insisted—

1. That the state must explain a fleck of fingernail polish. It was found in microscopic examination of scrapings from under Marilyn Sheppard's fingernails. She was not wearing any polish on her fingers the night of the murder.

2. That she died from blood in her lungs, not from the blows on her head.

Atty. William J. Corrigan, his voice rising with emphasis, said the vital areas of her skull were not fractured. He contended, "This seems to indicate a disfigurement was intended."

WOUNDS

3. That she may have been struck only a few times, even though 35 wounds were counted on her head and face.
An attorney said "there wouldn't have been time" for someone to bludgeon Mrs. Sheppard 35 times before her husband, coming from the living room below, would have reached her. Moreover, he said, the wounds were "equidistant," evenly spaced about an inch apart. The uniformity of this pattern by accident he said, "strains the bounds of possibility." He concluded that a "multipronged instrument" would account for the even spacing, and that Mrs. Sheppard actually may have been struck "only two, three or four times." The defense has indicated it be-

lieves a garden rake may have been the instrument.

STATE'S CASE

Atty. Arthur E. Petersilge argued that the state's case against Sheppard is based "entirely on circumstantial evidence." He ridiculed the contention that the handsome, dark-haired osteopath wanted to divorce his wife because of Susan Hayes.

"He certainly didn't have to kill

her (Mrs. Sheppard) to get Susan Hayes," the lawyer said. "He had her whenever he wanted her."

Petersilge concluded: "The facts, as brought out by the state, show the crime could just as well have been committed by someone else."

Assistant county prosecutor John J. Mahon countered that Sheppard would have drowned if he had been stretched unconscious on the shore

of Lake Erie that night, as he claimed to have been after a fight with the killer. Mahon said the waves were running too high for that.

GREEN BAG

And he recalled the green bag, in which Sheppard's watch, ring and keychain were found in the shrubbery outside the house. It contained no bloodstains, he noted, although blood was found on Shep-

pard's watch. "Did the killer wait until it was dry before putting it in the bag?" Mahon asked. "And why did he need a bag at all for a few articles you could hold in the palm of your hand? Then, hav-

ing put them in the bag, why did he throw it in the weeds, 20 feet from the house?" Mahon said all this was to simulate a robbery that never took place.

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Response To Diabetes Test Praised By Klamath Doctor

The excellent response by the people of Klamath Falls to the recent tests offered during diabetic week was praised today by Dr. G. D. Massey, president of the Klamath County Medical Society.

Dr. G. R. Nicholson, chairman of the society's committee on diabetic detection and education, stated that 232 persons responded and submitted a urine specimen for free examination during the week. Four of these were found to have sugar and are now currently being further tested for the presence of diabetes.

"Of course sugar in one urine sample is not absolutely indicative of diabetes," Dr. Massey said, "but if even only one of the four proves to be a diabetic, then any effort will have been more than worthwhile and one life will have been saved by the use of insulin."

Diabetes Week is an annual national observance which, according to the county medical societies, will be observed more intensely each year.

The doctors expressed the society's appreciation of non-medical groups who cooperated in the week, the Herald and News, KFLW and KFIJ, the Pelican, Esquire, Tower and Shasta theaters; and the local medical technicians, Ralph Moon, Keith Selegert and John Stewart, who tested mostly on their own time.

Physicians in Klamath Falls feel strongly about the possibility of any undetected diabetic person living a shortened, uncomfortable life when the means of sustaining a normal productive life are so readily available. Prior to the discovery of insulin diabetes was a universally fatal disease but is now easily controlled and normal life maintained by the use of this drug.

The Klamath County Medical Society hopes that next year's cam-

paign will bring 10 or 100 times the response given this campaign, and they remind everyone of the major symptoms of the disease: excessive thirst, excessive urination, loss of weight, intensive itching, slow healing of cuts and bruises, excessive hunger, changes in vision, easy tiring, pain in the extremities.

Persons noticing symptoms are urged to seek early medical care. Diabetes is found most frequently in (1) people in whose family there are already known diabetics; (2) those over 40; (3) overweight persons; (4) women in more cases than men.

To be on the safe side people in these categories should be especially careful to have themselves tested periodically for sugar in their urine. It should be stressed, however, that diabetes is no respecter of age, race or sex, Dr. Nicholson concluded.

Educators Hold Meeting

SALT LAKE CITY (AP) — The Northwest Assn. of Secondary and Higher Schools has ended a four-day convention in Salt Lake City by accrediting 24 schools in Utah, Idaho, Washington, Oregon, Montana, California and Hawaii.

The group also reelected Dr. George H. Fields of Boise as first vice president and Dr. Fred L. Stetson of Eugene, Ore. as executive secretary. Terms of other officers do not expire until next year or in 1956.

Fields is Idaho's director of secondary education. Stetson is a fac-

ulty member at University of Oregon.

Eight of the schools offered accreditation were colleges or universities. They are Centralia, Grays Harbor and Skagit Valley Junior Colleges in Washington; University of Idaho and Idaho State College; Mt. Angel College in Oregon; Rocky Mountain College in Billings, Mont., and Golden Gate College in San Francisco, Calif.

The remaining schools, all high schools, are: Monticello and Dugway High in Utah; Adrian, Elgin, South Salem, Sheridan and Tigard in Oregon; Bethel at Spanaway, Franklin Pierce at Tacoma, Kalamazoo and Raymond in Washington; Declo, Fairfield, Northwest Nazarene and South at Nampa in Idaho; and Ponahou in Hawaii.

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