

Man Charged With Murder In Port Deposit Slaying

A Pennsylvania man is being held in connection with the death of his estranged wife following a shooting incident in a Manor Heights, Port Deposit, apartment.

The victim, 27-year old Mrs. Joyce Schougurow, was pronounced dead at the base hospital, Bainbridge Naval Training Center. Police indicate she had bullet wounds in the head and chest.

Being held, pending action by the Grand Jury, is Lidge Schougurow, 35, of

Philadelphia. Schougurow was wounded at the same time. The shooting, according to nearby residents, took place about 12:45 p.m. Sunday, January 5.

Schougurow was taken to Harford Memorial Hospital, Havre de Grace where he was kept under police guard until his release Monday morning. Reports indicate he was wounded in the upper chest. The bullet has not been removed.

Maryland State Police brought Schougurow to the North East barracks for questioning following his release from the hospital. He was later taken to the county jail.

Police say that Schougurow came to Perryville by bus from Philadelphia and arrived around 12:30 p.m. He then allegedly took a taxi to the Manor Heights apartment where his wife was visiting her sister.

Police say Mrs. Schougurow was alone at the time he arrived. It is alleged he fired four shots at his wife, two of which missed, and then fired one shot into his own chest.

Schougurow and his wife had been separated for several weeks, and Mrs. Schougurow had been visiting with her sister for over a week. It is reported the couple had five children.

Neighbors, hearing the shots, phoned police. Four State policemen arrived at the scene. Lt. Andrew, barrack commander at North East, and Troopers Kennedy, Fields, and Hash came to the scene.

A .38 caliber revolver, from which all five shots were apparently fired, was found by police in the apartment.

A preliminary hearing was conducted Monday evening before substitute magistrate Everett Connellee in Elkton. Schougurow is being held without bail for action by the Grand Jury. He has been charged on a warrant for first degree murder.

Cecil County States Attorney Walter Baker was present for the preliminary hearing.



MURDER SUSPECT LIDGE SCHOUGUROW, 35, is led into the North East barracks by two Maryland State policemen on Monday morning. Schougurow's estranged wife was shot to death on Sunday.