

Double Slaying Echoes In Phone of Patrolman

Patrolman Herman Meyer, dispatcher, opened his switchboard key at Station X in Eden Park.

"Go ahead, lady," he heard a phone operator's voice say. "Here's the police."

But the next sound that came over the wire was a loud explosion—or shot. And then a woman moaned:

"Oh Jesus, oh Jesus. . . ."

Silence.

Dispatcher Meyer had just listened in on a double slaying resulting from a dispute over a light bulb at 717 W. Seventh street. Victims were Earl Palmore, 25, and his wife, Dorothy, 21, of the Seventh street address. They were killed by a single shotgun blast.

Uncle Is Sought

Sought for the Monday night shooting is Mose Ryouse, 42, an uncle of Palmore who lives in adjoining apartment.

Mrs. Ryouse also heard the shot. She was listening to her favorite radio program at the

time. Her husband and Mr. Palmore had quarreled over a bulb that was missing from a bathroom light fixture, she told police.

Four of the shot entered Mrs. Palmore's chest and eight entered Mrs. Palmore's shoulder and arm. Coroner Lyle said.

Starts to Trace Call

Dispatcher Meyer said Tuesday that he suspected the "explosion" he heard by phone was a shot.

"I started to trace the call through the phone company," he said. "But before I could do that, there was another call, telling of the shooting on Seventh street.

"That fitted with the earlier 'message.' I sent two cruisers and a patrol to the scene."