

exists." There has been speculation in Tehran that the now-powerless God. May God keep him."

from the Associated Press Beirut. "We have entrusted him to "sensitive stage." His son, Haj Ahmed, delivered the comments to Republican Party foes who control the Majlis, Iran's parliament, have presidency and possibly make him to stand trial.

Suspect held

Jealousy seen as cause of East Side murders

By DAVE PETTINARI

Pueblo police say a Pueblo Board of Water Works employee suspected of murdering a man and a woman in her East Side Pueblo residence Wednesday apparently did so in a fit of jealous rage.

Capt. Richard Bravo, chief of detectives at the Pueblo Police Department, said Donald Lavern Pruitt, 36, of 21 Amherst, Apt. 10, had a date with Patricia Herburger Duran, 34, at 9:30 p.m. Wednesday. Bravo said Pruitt told investigators he knocked at the door to her home at 1940 E. 12th and let himself in with his key when no one answered.

Bravo said Pruitt, who formerly lived with Ms. Duran, found her and another man, Kerry Eldon Ireland, 29, of 1631 Cypress, asleep in a bedroom. He allegedly shot Ireland and then beat Ms. Duran to death with the gun butt, Bravo said.

Autopsies revealed Ireland was shot three

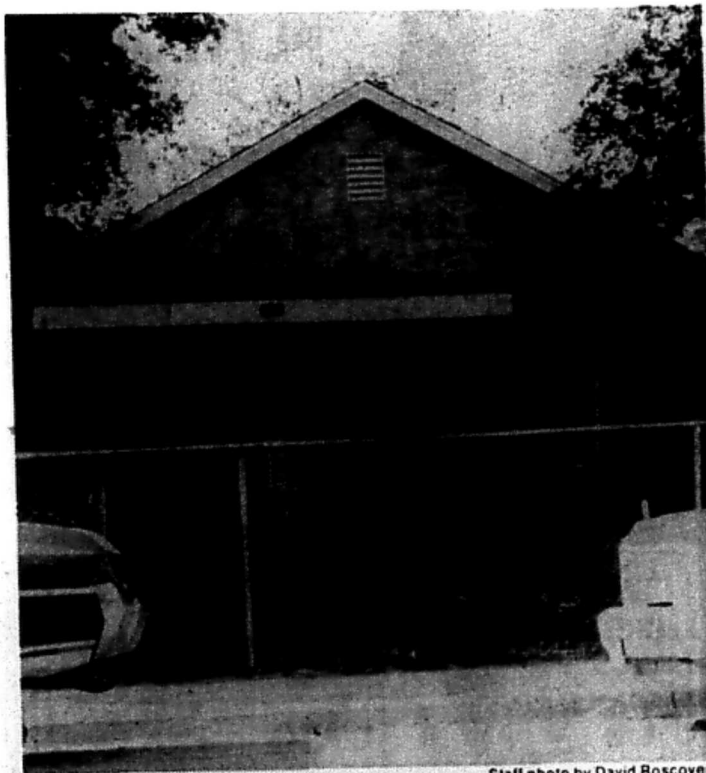
times in the chest, once near the heart, with a .357 Magnum pistol, and she died of severe head injuries resulting from the beating.

Pruitt was held in County Jail late Thursday in lieu of \$125,000 bail on suspicion of two counts of first-degree murder.

Authorities got first word of the homicides when Pruitt told a friend, Jan Jones, 34, the manager of the Southside 4 Theatre, 3890 W. Northern, he'd "found his girlfriend with another man and did something very bad." She called police after Pruitt left the theater, and Pruitt was arrested about midnight Wednesday in his car in the adjacent parking lot.

Police Officers Ronald McMullen and Gary Hoff said Pruitt was seated in his car, holding a blood-spattered pistol at his side. They ordered him to drop the gun, then pulled him from the car. The pistol is believed to be the one used in the homicide.

Police found the bodies shortly thereafter early Thursday morning.



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Murder house at 1940 E. 12th

North Carolina teen