

Student Held In Slaying on Lawn

TACOMA, April 7. — (AP) — James W. Conley, 21-year-old College of Puget Sound student, yesterday was booked for investigation as a result of the shooting of William Pallage, 64-year-old bachelor, here last night.

Prosecuting Attorney Patrick Steele said he ordered the in-

vestigation after Conley told this story of the shooting.

Conley was sitting in the front room of the Waller Road home of Mr. and Mrs. Jack Robertson when Mrs. Robertson cried out that she had seen someone peering in the window.

The youth grabbed a rifle and ran into the front yard. Seeing Pallage, whom he recognized as a part time caretaker at the Robertson home, Conley ordered him to throw up his hands. Pallage failed to comply and the youth

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Pope-Talbot Mill Begins Operation

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The first log was sent against the saws of the mill yesterday at a ceremony attended by officials of the company that plans to spend an estimated \$4,500,000 here.

A year ago the town had 400 residents. It is now home for some 1,500 and the population is expected to climb to near 5,000.

Private timber holdings of 32,000 acres are interlocked with vast federal tracts expected to provide continued operation on a sustained yield program of cutting.

The mill, first of several milling units, has an annual capacity of 50,000,000 board feet. The logging operation involves some 30 miles of roads.

U. S. Operation of Ship Line Voids Damage Claim

SALEM, Ore., April 7.—(AP)—The State Supreme Court ruled yesterday that an injured seaman cannot collect damages from a steamship line which is operated by the United States government.

The opinion, by Justice Hall S. Lusk, reversed Circuit Judge La-

mar Tooze, who heard the case in Marion county.

Fred W. Pink, a seaman on the Liberty ship George Davidson, was injured Aug. 2, 1943. The ship, owned by the Shepard Steamship Company, was being operated by the government.

Fisk won \$9,000 damages in the lower court against the company, but the high court ruled he could not collect any damages.

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McGrath Predicts Truman's Election

SEATTLE, April 7.—(AP)—National Democratic Chairman J. Howard McGrath predicted yesterday the southern Democratic revolt against President Truman will blow over before election time.

"I don't believe that in the final analysis the South will desert the Democratic party," the Rhode Island Senator asserted at a press conference.

He predicted President Truman will observe a "hands off" policy on the 1948 vice presidential contest, leaving the selection of the party nominee entirely to the national convention.

McGrath said James Roosevelt, eldest son of the late president, and Supreme Court Justice William O. Douglas are being discussed prominently as possible vice presidential nominees. He said Gov. Mon C. Wallgren of Washington is mentioned infrequently as a possibility.

"I'm confident that Mr. Truman will be nominated and elected," McGrath declared. "The columnists writing out of Washington, D. C., give the impression that he may withdraw. I am prepared to state clearly that the president will not withdraw."

Readying of Wage-Price Control, Rationing Urged

WASHINGTON, April 7.—(AP)—President Truman's council of economic advisers today said the need for stand-by rationing and wage-price controls is even greater than it was three months ago. Charles Edwin G. Nourse told reporters the council reaffirmed Mr. Truman's contention that it is necessary to have legislation ready to combat inflation.

In advance of the council's report, chairman Wolcott of the House Banking Committee served notice that it will be futile for the White House to ask now for revived curbs on the domestic economy.

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