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**Seale Denies Killing**

STRAW FRANCISCO—  
Black Panther Chairman  
Bobby Seale says murder  
charges lodged against him  
in the Connecticut slaying  
of a panther member are a  
“frame-up.”

The 32-year-old Seale is  
being held without bail on  
murder, kidnap and conspir-  
acy charges in the slaying of  
Panther Alex Rackley in  
New Haven May 21.

“I never saw Rackley in  
my life,” Seale said Friday  
in an interview, in jail. “I  
don’t know if I ever even  
heard of him.”

Seale made his denial  
shortly after a document  
was filed in municipal court  
in which another Panther  
member accused Seale of  
visiting Panther headquar-  
ters in New Haven and or-  
dering Rackley’s death.

The 11-page document  
contained a written state-  
ment by George Sams Jr., a  
Panther who has confessed  
he was a participant in the  
Rackley slaying. The state-  
ment was taken in New  
Haven by Det. Sgt. Vincent  
J. DeRosa.