

New South Wales Police

STATEMENT in matter of:

Place: Parramatta Police Station

Walter John PECKER - Deceased

Date: 6 December 1980

Name: PECK John Roland (Surname in capitals)

Address: [Redacted] Tel. No [Redacted]

Occupation: Electrical Engineer Prospect County Council. STATES:-

1. I am a married man and I reside with my wife and family at the above address. I am an electrical engineer with the Prospect County Council and I have been employed for 26 years.
2. On Tuesday 2 December, 1980, I left work at 10 Smith Street, Parramatta about 1.30pm and walked up Smith Street and down Darcy Street, to the I.T.P Office in Darcy Street, I saw Mrs Edith Riely. I was with her for about 10 to 15 minutes. I left there and I was walking down Darcy Street to buy a cup of coffee.
3. As I was near the the second hand shop in Darcy Street, I heard a sound like breaking glass, it appeared that it was a continuous breaking sound like someone was breaking glass. I looked into the window but because of the reflection I could not see anything. I was at the doorway of the shop about in the middle of the footpath looking into the shop, I could not see anyone in the shop I could hear a sound like a murmur, but I could not work out what it was. I was only there for a matter of seconds when this man appeared at the door way of the shop he had blood on his face down his left side, he had his right arm across his chest holding either his side or his arm, a lot of him was covered in blood there was an intence section of blood near his left breast, he was singing out " Help me, get a doctor, get ambulance, I'm done for. " He repeated the words "Help me" a number of times. I looked away because of the shock, It was only a matter of a second and when I looked back the man was in the doorway of the greengrocer shop on the floor, people had gathered around him.
4. I looked back at the second hand shop and I saw a woman just come out of the shop, I have the impression that she was a person of the shop and ^{I think that she closed} the door ~~was closed~~ as she came out. I would describe this woman as,
About mid 20's, 5ft 6", not plump, but slightly overweight, natural olive complexion, straight dark brown hair shoulder length, an attractive ^{oval face} girl, she was wearing something mid blue on the

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top, with short sleeves. The colour brown comes to mind but I am not sure if she had a skirt, dress or something ^{over} ~~under~~ the mid blue top. She had a dress or skirt on because I could see her legs.

5. I said to this girl, " We should phone an ambulance " Because I thought the man had fallen into glass. She said, " There is a phone down here " or words to that effect and she indicated down Darcy Street in the direction of Church Street, she hurried off towards Church Street. I went over to the man to see if I could help. By this time someone had wiped his face and someone was organising a can of soft drink and I told them they should not give him anything to drink.

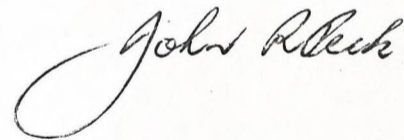
6. The man seemed to be in good hands and I walked back up Darcy Street to go to work.

7. When I heard the sound of breaking glass I was then near the doorway of the shop and I am able to say that no one came out of the shop before the man covered in blood. The only other person I saw come out of the shop was the woman I described, unless someone came out when I turned away for that split second. I did not see a man come out of the shop calling for an ambulance, other than the man covered in blood. I am sure it was a girl who came out of the shop after the injured man. I think I would be able to recognise this woman again if I saw her.

8. When the injured man came out of the shop it would have been between a quarter too and ten too two.

WITNESS.

I.W.HAMILTON

Detective Sergeant 3/c
Parramatta.


Witness: _____

Signature: _____