

Appendix J  
Nichol John  
Statement  
May 24, 1969



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Name Nichol John 16 yrs Occurrence No. 641/69  
 Address 817 Victoria Ave. Place Saskatoon  
Regina Date Friday 24/69  
 Time 10<sup>00</sup> AM

On January 31 1969 I left Regina for Saskatoon with Ron Wilson and Dave Milgaard. We left Regina about 1<sup>00</sup> AM in Ron Wilson's car.

On the way to Saskatoon we stopped at Aylsbury Saskatchewan where Dave Milgaard broke into an elevator. I do not recall the name on the elevator. When Dave returned from the elevator he had a flashlight. Shortly after Dave got back into the car I saw a knife he had. I do not know if the knife came from the elevator or not. I am sure I never saw the knife prior to the breakin at the elevator.

This knife was a kitchen knife used to peel potatoes and things like that. It had a <sup>mason</sup> handle. This knife was the same as one of a group of knives that

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Signed: Nichol John

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Name Nichol John Occurrence No. 64168<sup>7</sup>  
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I was shown by Mr. Roberts.  
 On the way to Saskatoon Dave spoke of wanting to snatch a purse. I didn't like the idea of the G&C or the snatching the purse bit.

After we left Aylsbury we got stuck in another town on the way to Saskatoon. I'm pretty sure that it was Givvin.

After we get to Saskatoon we drove around for about 10 or 15 minutes. Then we talked to this girl. This was in the area where Sgt. Mackie drove me around.

Ben was driving the car at this time. He drove to the curb when Dave spoke to this girl.

Dave was on the outside passenger side of the front seat. Dave opened the door to talk to this girl as she approached along the sidewalk

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Signed: Nichol John  
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Dave asked this girl for directions to either downtown or Pleasant Hill. He offered to give her a ride to wherever she was going. She refused the ride.

Dave closed the door and said "The stupid bitch".

We started to drive away and only went about half a block when we got stuck. We ended up stuck at the entrance to the alley behind the funeral home.

Ron and Dave got out and they tried to push the car. They couldn't get it out.

I recall Dave going back in the direction we had spoke to the girl. Ron went the other way past the funeral home.

The next thing I recall is seeing Dave in the alley on the right side of the car. He had a hold of the same girl we spoke

*R. J. Nichol*

Signed: Nichol John

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to a minute before. I saw him grab her purse. I saw her grab for her purse again. Dave reached into one of his pockets and pulled out the knife. I don't know which pocket he got the knife from. The knife was in his right hand. I don't know if Dave had a hold of this girl or not at this time. All I recall seeing is him stabbing her with the knife.

The next I recall is him taking her around the corner of the alley. I think I ran after that. I think I ran in the direction Ron had gone. I recall running down the street. I don't recall seeing anyone. The next thing I knew I was sitting in the car again. I don't know how I got back to the car.

I seem to recall seeing Dave putting a purse into a garbage

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Signed: Nichol John

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car. I don't remember which time it was or where I was when I saw this.

I recall there were two garbage cans. The one on the left had the lid tipped. I don't recall which one he put it in.

The next I remember is sitting in the car. I don't remember Ken being in the car or coming back.

I remember Dave coming back and getting into the front seat of the car. I remember moving over toward the drivers side because I didn't want to be near him.

I don't remember talking to Ken before Dave got back. I do not recall Dave saying anything.

The next thing I recall is when we were driving down an alley behind some apartment blocks where we turned left into another alley and got stuck behind a

*Mackie*  
Witness:

Signed: *Nichol John*

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convertable. We were not stuck in the snow but the engine had stalled as a result of trying to push the convertable out.

Shortly after this we got to Albert Badrain's house.

I do not recall seeing blood on ~~at~~ Dave's cloths or seeing the knife again.

Right after we got to Albert Badrain's house Dave changed cloths. He changed his pants and shirt. Dave's trousers were ripped up the rear. I don't recall the shirt being torn. I did not see blood on his cloths or hands.

Shortly after Dave took the car for a drive. I don't know if he got the keys from Ron or if he had them. Dave was gone 10 to 15 minutes when he came back. He said he had driven around the block. I don't know

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Signed: Nichol John

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if he took anything out to the car or not. The car had apparently broke down at the corner. He told Ron about it and Alave phoned a tow truck. Albert, Ron, Dave & I went with the tow truck to the service station where the car was fixed. This was a Texaco service station. We then went to an all night cafe across the street where we had something to eat. After we ate we went back where our car was. Dave kept going to the car and the people at the service station kept putting him out of the shop. Dave never said why he did this. I never saw him take anything from the car. After the car was fixed while the car was being fixed I had gone to the cafe for a coffee. I was sitting alone when

*R. Mackie*  
 Witness:

Signed: Nichol John

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Albert came over. After the coffee I went with Albert to the bank where he got some money. We then went to a store variety store where he got some things & went back to the service station.

After the car was paid we all went to one of Albert's friends.

After this we left for Calgary.

On the our way about half way between Saskatoon & Kesteven I looked in the glove compartment for a map. I saw a cosmetic case which I opened up. There was a compact, 2 lipstick and an eye shadow in it. I asked where it was. Nobody knew where it was. Then Dave grabbed it and threw it out the window. Dave was driving at this time. He was supposed to stop because he was driving too fast. Ken didn't like it and we were all getting scared.

*R. W. Mackie*  
 Witness:

Signed: Nichol John

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Name Nichol John Occurrence No. 641<sup>617</sup>  
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when we got to Rosetown we went to a store and bought some groceries and a knife. Ron drove from Rosetown.

From Rosetown we went to Calgary, Edmonton, Calgary, Banff & back to Regina.

The ~~first~~ second time in Calgary we got some marijuana which we all smoked. We all got high. Later in the night of the same day Ron, Albert & Dave smoke grass again and get real high. Ron was driving crazy with the car and I told him to pull over. He did and I took the keys and ran about a block & then walked a block.

As I stopped I saw Ron following me. We sat on the steps inside an apartment block. Here Ron told me Dave had killed a girl in Saskatoon. I told him "I know". I do not recall anything

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further being said about this murder.

I have not told anyone about witnessing this murder. I didn't recall actually witnessing a murder until yesterday when I talked with Mr. Roberts. I was aware that however that I was somehow involved.

On May 23 Mr Roberts showed me a coat. This coat as I recall is identical to one worn by the girl we spoke too and Dave attacked.

The cosmetic base Dave threw away was about 4 inches high and 6 inches long. It had a zipper on top. I do not recall the color. It was dirty inside with face makeup.

At the time of this attack Dave was wearing Green with yellow striped pants, Brown suede jacket with knit cuffs & knit insert across chest. <sup>no buttons</sup> Black snow boots, long green

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Signed: Nichol John

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took with other colors possible Red and Blue. I think I would know this took if I saw it again. Ron's Brother has <sup>mitts</sup> another like it. The mitts matched the took.

I do not recall seeing ~~seeing~~ these cloths again. I thought he left the pants at Alberta's place but I am not sure. I never saw them again anyway.

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Nichol John

Sworn before me this 24th day of May, A.D. 1969, at Saskatoon, Saskatchewan.

*R. R. Taylor*  
R. R. TAYLOR JUSTICE OF THE PEACE  
IN AND FOR SASKATCHEWAN.

Witness:

Signed:

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