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11th February 1918 19

*PROCEEDINGS of INQUEST*

*held upon the body of*

Frank Ladd known as

Frank Green.

at Melbourne Morgue.

*Received at the Crown Law Offices.*

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R.H.Cole.

Coroner.



PROCEEDINGS BEFORE CORONERS.

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## INQUISITION.

VICTORIA, }  
TO WIT. }

AN INQUISITION for our Sovereign Lord King George V., taken at  
the Morgue, Melbourne, in the State of Victoria, the 11th  
day of February A.D. 1918 in the eighth  
year of the reign of our said Lord the King, by me, Robert Hodgson Cole,  
gentleman, a Coroner of our Lord the King for the Central Bailiwick of the  
said State, upon the view of the body of Frank Ladd known as Frank Green  
then and there lying dead.

Having inquired upon the part of our Lord the King, when, where, how,  
and by what means the said Frank Ladd known as Frank Green

(1) His or her.

came by<sup>1</sup> his death, I say that

on the 2nd day of February 1918

(2) Here state cause  
of death, if known;  
if unknown, doubt-  
ful, or no evidence,  
state the fact ac-  
cordingly.

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at<sup>2</sup> Brighton this boy was accidentally killed  
by the falling upon him of a shed  
during a storm.



In witness whereof I, the aforesaid Coroner, have to this Inquisition

put my hand, this 11th day of February

A.D. 1918

*Robert H. Cru*

Coroner.



VICTORIA POLICE—(47.)

Audringham.

Station.

Bourke.

Police District.

February 3<sup>rd</sup> 1918.

REPORT of

Daniel J. Lizar. S. Const. 14098.

Relative to.

accidental death of a youth at  
Brighton Beach on the 2<sup>nd</sup> inst.  
Named - Frank Laad known as Frank Green

I have to report that on the 2<sup>nd</sup> inst.  
I was informed a youth, name unknown,  
had been killed during the progress of the  
storm which had passed over the locality  
that afternoon.

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The body had been placed in the vestibule  
at Pungy Baths Brighton.

I took charge of it until the arrival  
of the Brighton Police who subsequently  
removed it to the Morgue.

From inquiries I made, and upon examining  
the spot where the body was picked up,  
it appears the boy had taken shelter on the  
le side of a small wooden building on the  
west side of the Baths. The wind had  
apparently struck the building and  
lifted it completely off the blocks upon  
which it had stood and carried it across  
the street a distance of about thirty or  
forty yards, and completely smashing  
it into pieces. The spot where the body  
was picked up was about five yards  
from where the building originally stood.

Dr Cole

City Coroner

I there picked up the skull of the boy  
in several pieces, also the brain matter  
and



and a white straw hat crushed flat.  
Subsequently I was informed the body  
had been identified as that of a boy  
named Green of N. Melbourne.

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Donald J. Lizaro  
St. Louis 4098.

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Frank Ladd ~~Chambers~~ Green

VICTORIA POLICE.—[47.]

Brighton Station

Bourke

Police District

4<sup>th</sup> February 1918

REPORT OF J. C. Kearsley Const 6124

Relative to

the death of a boy named Frank Mallard 15 yrs age, who was killed at Brighton Beach on the 2<sup>nd</sup> February 1918.

W.H. I have to report that on the 2<sup>nd</sup> inst at about 5 p.m. a boy named Frank Mallard, age 15 years (whose parents reside at Chelwynn St. N. Melbourne) was killed during the storm which took place at Brighton Beach.

I interviewed James Sear of 14 Chamber St. South Yarra who informed me that he is a conductor on the Brighton Electric Trams and was on duty at the Beach terminus at about 5 p.m. on the 2<sup>nd</sup> inst. After the storm passed he noticed the boy laying on the road, in front of the Baths, his head was badly smashed and portion of the trains were laying close by. Sear and another man removed the body to the Baths. I had the body removed to the Morgue by Drayton & Garson Undertakers of Prahran. Later the body was identified as that of Frank Mallard of Chelwynn St. N. Melbourne. I have made inquiries



but have been unable to find any person who witnessed the accident.

In my opinion the boy was killed by debris from a small stall which was situated on the West side of the Esplanade near the Baths close to the foreshore.

Sgt Elliott }  
Brighton }

F. C. Kearsley  
Const 6124.

Submitted.

J. Elliott

27<sup>3</sup>/<sub>18</sub>

Sgt 53243  
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Dr Cole }  
Coroner }

Deceased was the illegitimate son of "Kellie Ladd" who has since married a man named "Mallard".

He was adopted by people named "Lean" living at 5- Thebyrd St North Melbourne and has always been known by that name.

Dr Cole }  
Coroner }

W. Watson.  
Const 4175



# CORONER'S INQUEST.

No. 5.

VICTORIA. TO WIT.

This Deponent\* JOHN MORRIS

on ~~his~~ oath saith, I am a AMMUNITION WORKER

\*Christian and  
Surname in  
full.

residing at CHICAGO STREETMARIBYRNONG.

I ~~identified~~ the bod of the deceased ~~at~~ the morgue

He was name Frank Green. He ~~was~~ ag ed 13 years.

*John Morris*

Taken and sworn before me the *11<sup>th</sup>* day  
of *February* 19*18* at *Melbourne*  
*Robert J. Cro*  
Coroner.



# CORONER'S INQUEST.

No. 5.

VICTORIA. TO WIT.

This Deponent\*

JACK SEAR

on his oath saith, I am a

MOTORMAN

residing at

14 CHAMBER STREET SOUTH YARRA

\*Christian and  
Surname in  
full.

On the 2nd inst I had just arrived at the  
Brighton Terminus. A storm occurred and I noticed a great deal  
of wreckage on the left. I saw the deceased lad. He was right at the  
door of Kennys Baths. I could not tell what had smashed his head.  
There was a portion of the baths blown down. A small refreshment room  
near the baths had been blown down. I think that the wind had blown  
him where he was found.

*J. Sear*

Taken and sworn before me the 11<sup>th</sup> day  
of February 1918 at Melbourne  
*Robert H. Cro*  
Coroner.



# CORONER'S INQUEST.

No. 5.

VICTORIA. TO WIT.

This Deponent\* FREDERICK CHARLES KEARSLEY

on his oath saith, I am a CONSTABLE OF POLICE

residing at

BRIGHTON.

\*Christian and  
Surname in  
full.

I made thereport in this case and I think it was the  
result of the storm that caused his death. There was a small stall the  
there and I think that he had taken shelter there and that had blown down on  
on him.

F. C. Kearsley  
Const. 6124

Taken and sworn before me the 11<sup>th</sup> day  
of February 1918 at Melbourne  
R. M. A. C. }  
Coroner.