

checking his temperature. I also said to Mr Fannin that he had told us Robert wasn't going to die.

17. I first heard my mummy say this was a sectarian attack. She had been told this by my sister, [REDACTED] who had been speaking to **E** and **F**. They had been to St Patrick's Hall at the top of Thomas Street in Portadown.
18. I was told that they had been walking down Thomas Street with Robert and had hesitated because they had seen some youths at the corner of the street. They decided to proceed as they had seen a police Land Rover on the other side of the street. Obviously they thought no one would bother them with the police there. The two boys were in front with the girls behind. As soon as the boys stepped on to the street the crowd attacked them. They seemed to concentrate on Robert. I think he got most of the assault.
19. From what I can remember that the girls said, he went down pretty quickly. I heard later that he was hit by a bottle, went down and they assaulted him. They kicked him on the ground. **E** and **F** said he didn't put his hands up to protect himself when he was on the ground so he was obviously unconscious already. I think **D** was assaulted as well but I don't know how badly. The girls said at the time that they had lain over the top of the boys to help them. One of the girls, I think **F**, said that she had gone over to the police Landrover and was banging on the door for help.
20. There was an Irish News story the next day giving accounts from people coming out of pubs in Woodhouse Street. This was the street heading down to the Catholic areas so the pubs there would have been Catholic. They heard the screams of the girls and came up. One of the fellows, Colin Hull told me that he opened the door of the Landrover and pulled Constable **P103** out saying, "you sat there and watched it happening." Constable **P103** acknowledges that happened.