

POLICE SUE POLICE

NEW YORK--(NPI)--Legal action has been taken against the Patrolmen's Benevolent Association, whose scare campaign contributed to the defeat of the civilian-controlled Police Review Board.

The Guardians Association, an organization of 1,360 Negro policemen who are also BPA members, filed suit against the Association, charging that PBA illegally spent Guardians Association members' dues to help kill the Review Board.

PBA was responsible for television and commercials showing a woman screaming as she ran out of the subway, pursued by an unidentified mugger. The commercials hinted that this was what New Yorkers could expect if the Police Review Board was allowed to continue.

(Supporters of the Civilian Review Board quipped that the woman in the commercial was being chased by members of the Board.)

The Review Board was killed in a referendum vote said to have been influenced by white backlash fears. The Board which New Yorkers rejected out of sympathy with the police and fear of racial disorder, ironically, had found most charges of police abuse to be trumped-up and had defended policemen against brutality accusations.

The Board, made up of a majority of civilians and a minority of police officials, could only advise police on action when charges were lodged against the police department.

Denouncing the Patrolmen's Benevolent Association for its role in having the board killed, William Johnson, Guardians President, declared that PBA has "taken the money of Negro and Puerto Rican policemen and engaged itself in a racist and divisive campaign."

In legal action handled by NAACP lawyers, the Guardians sought a court order directing the PBA to make public an inventory of its assets and liabilities.

JO MACKEY PROGRAM



PARTICIPANTS in Jo Mackey School's recent American Education Week Program with PTA President, Floyd Plymouth are (from left) Bianca Turner, Suzilne McDonald, Linda Fuller, and Jacqueline Parson.

FUN TIME AT FANTASY PARK



WIDE-EYED WITH DELIGHT are these forty happy youngsters who comprise Groups One and Two of the Doolittle Recreation Center on the occasion of their recent visit to Fantasy Park... Accompanied by two volunteer parents, Mrs. Rose McKinney and Mrs. Ophelia Graves and Doolittle staff members, Joy Ann Williams and Senior Recreation Leader, Shirley McDaniel, the little guys and dolls enjoyed with equal enthusiasm the "way out" playground attractions so different from the standard gear of their "own park" and the ever popular "absolutely tops" menu of hot dogs, popcorn, punch, and "Party Pink" animal cookies.

Most cooperative for the cameraman are (1st row) Carolyn Dexter, Reginald Wright, Vincent Savage, Glenn Simon, Jaylean Spellman, Shawn Sykes, Regina Wright, Pamela Carroll, Dennis Doddie, Jody Doddie, Michael Richard, Michael Garrett, Tammy Armon, and Sonya Jordan... (2nd row) Francesca Monroe, Alberta Foster, Yvette and Yvonne Washington, Ricardo Lamb, Jerry Lee, Allen Lee, Darren Smith, Beverly Bradus, La Rhonda Lowery, Tracy Council, Alvin Lee, Jerry Dale Meeks. Mrs. Ophelia Graves is the adult.

Louisiana Vexed At Election Investigation

BATON ROUGE, (NPI)--Louisiana's attorney general Jack Gremillion says the Justice Department has gone too far in ordering an investigation into the election procedures of Madison parish where a Negro was narrowly defeated when 500 absentee ballots were included in the count.

Harrison Brown was one of the candidates, who was defeated by a vote of 1,891 to 1,620 with white candidate J. T. Fulton the winner. The casting of some invalid absentee ballots was claimed as well as other irregularities.

Negroes outnumber whites in the parish and for a number of years have been unable to register and vote. Now with federal aid they are registered and whites fear lest the Negroes outvote them and elect some Negro officials.

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