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242 E. Warren Avenue
Detroit, Michigan 48201

DETROIT BRANCH

831-5525

Feb 1, 1966

COMPLAINT FROM

Date of Complaint

Age 16 (Son)

Type of Case Police Brutality

Name Mamie Loujary (-Mawin)

Phone WA 36046

Address 8840 Baerhe

City, State Detroit, Mich

Occupation Stock Boy

Place of

Employment: Sams Grocery

Date of Incident Jan 29, 1966

Approximate

Hour 4-5 p.m.

Arrest Record of Complainant:

yes - Curfew

SUMMARY OF COMPLAINT:

DISPOSITION:

(Summary-Con't-Over)

WITNESSES

ADDRESS

PHONE

Claude Loujary (father)

8840 Baerhe

WA 36046

" I have read the foregoing summary of complaint as typed by the interviewer. She (or he) has typed the information correctly according to the facts and information that I have given her (or him) pertaining to this incident".

Mamie Loujary
~~Mary Clow~~

Signature of person making complaint

Interviewed by Mary Clow

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Police Brutality

Mamie Lovejoy for Marvin Lovejoy

WA 3-6046

8840 Goethe

Detroit, Mich

Stock Boy

Sams Grocery

January 29, 1966

4 and 5 p.m.

Twice for curfew

Mr. Lovejoy and son stopped at Sams Grocery Store on Bogarth between Mack and Orleans on their way home. As they were leaving, three men were approaching them. The three men blocked their passage so that they could not get through the door. Words were spoken between Mr. Lovejoy and the three men and Mr. Lovejoy hit two of the men and knocked them to the floor. The third man grabbed Mr. Lovejoy. Mr. Lovejoy then told his son Marvin to go and call the police.

Mary Clover

/s/ Mamie Lovejoy

Marvin ran to a nearby meat store to phone police. After doing so, on the way out he picked up a meat hook to defend his father. Before he could get back to the market where his father was, the Police were arriving. The Police stopped the boy running down the street. Marvin told the Police he was going to help his father. The Police jumped out and grabbed Marvin and hit him in the mouth and said "get in the car". Marvin refused and said again "I called the police for my father", then the tall officer said "get in the car before I put six bullets in your black-ass.

Mr. Lovejoy told the officers Marvin was his son, the officers said a store in the Eastern Market area had been robbed and they were taking Marvin to see if the owner of the store could recognize him. The officers then told Mr. Lovejoy to follow them to the store in question. Mr. Lovejoy followed, but lost them in heavy traffic. Mr. Lovejoy returned to where his son had been arrested and called his wife and waited two and a half hours for his son to return. Mrs. Lovejoy went to the Eastern Market to look for her son with Mr. Harry May. She looked for three hours and then went to the Youth Bureau to try and find her son. The officer there called several stations but the boy wasn't at any station he called. Mrs. Lovejoy returned home and fifteen minutes later Marvin arrived with a badly cut lip, swollen jaw, red face, and had been kicked on the right leg, eyes red and bleeding gums.

Marvin said a friend, Mrs. Mattie Moore, of 2969 Hulbult had driven him home. She picked him up on Mack and Gratiot and he explained to her what had happened, he said the police had taken him to the city dump. Mrs. Lovejoy called the police and a Lieutenant Geriodan from precinct one came out to investigate. The Police returned that Sunday with statements from the officers who had beaten Marvin which Mrs. Lovejoy said were false. The Police refused to give the names of the officers who hit Marvin. Marvin said the Police called him a punk, bastard, and a cocksucker.

Mr. Lovejoy states that in front of him, the Police threatened to put six bullets into Marvin. When Marvin and the Police arrived at the dump, one officer said "not here go behind the trucks". The other officer grabbed Marvin by the collar as they approached the trucks and began slapping him. When they were behind trucks, he socked Marvin and told the other officer to hold him, but the officer refused. Then he kicked Marvin on the right leg and left in a hurry. Marvin states that he started to run when he was being beaten but was afraid the officer might have shot him. The Police were unable to locate the other men who were involved with Marvin's father in the fight because they ran. Since then the Police have visited Marvin's school for reasons unknown to Mrs. Lovejoy.