

WHAT HAPPENED WHEN THE COPS WENT ON STRIKE IN BOSTON IN 1919?

WHEN THE POLICE WENT ON STRIKE, "THROUGHOUT THE GREATER PART OF THE CITY THE USUAL PEACE AND QUIET PREVAILED"! –*New York Times*, SEPT. 9, 1919

The cops want us to be afraid of what will happen when they're not around to "serve and protect" us. NYC cops "threatened" to go on strike July 4, 2020 [1], to make people stop demanding the defunding or (better) abolition of the police. The cops want the public to let the police keep killing innocent people.

Let's look at what happened the last time police went on strike--in Boston in 1919. The newspapers tried to make it seem as if the absence of police led to mass violence and mayhem, with sensationalist accounts. But read this *NYT* account [2] carefully and think about what it actually reports happened.

The *NYT* says, "But throughout the greater part of the city the usual peace and quiet prevailed."

The worst the *NYT* could report is that "hundreds of young gangsters and hoodlums in a few districts proceeded at once to break windows, loot stores and cause disorder."

No deaths! No rapes! No violence against persons! Just some "egg throwing" and "broken windows" is all the *NYT* could come up with to make its readers fear the absence of police.

People in NYC will be MUCH safer without the murderous [3, for merely one example] NYC cops on the loose.

Read why we should abolish the police. [4, 5]

1. <https://neonnettle.com/.../11711-ny-police-call-for-july-4-st...>

2. <https://timesmachine.nytimes.com/timesmachi.../.../118157539.pdf>
3. https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Shooting_of_Amadou_Diallo
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