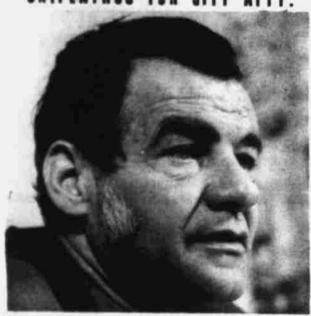
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A resolution drafted by North Las Vegas City Attorney Carl Lovell, Jr., to place questions concerning pornography on the North Las Vegas City election ballot "conspicuously omits live sex shows." Las Vegas City Attorney Earl Gripentrog said.

Gripentrog said Lovell "surely did not just forget to include in the resolution the North Las Vegas-based live sex shows such as the Gay 90's Club and the Palomino Club." Lovell's "repeated failures to take any meaningful action against the only bottomless live sex shows operating in the entire State of Nevada indicates that he is protecting those obviously lewd shows," Gripentrog charged.

The United States Supreme Court case of California vs. La Rue leaves no doubt that such live sex shows can be closed. The U. S. Supreme Court held:

"The States have broad latitude under the 21st Amendment to control the manner and circumstances under which liquor may be dispensed and lewd and naked entertainment at such places can be prohibited."

Such live sex shows as the Gay 90's and Palomino Club are exactly the type of cases the U. S. Supreme Court held could be closed,

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Oran Gragson said he anyone insulted by the desper- family for his own gain. ate smear attempts made upon my family" candiate Ron Lurie.

Gragson referred to candidate charged the Las Vegas mayor and with "conflict".

Gragson emphasized he has made it a practice not to involve himcity commission races during his many years in office, but he loose with charges of declared, "I am now conflict of interest," forced to make this Gragson s a i d statement in defense of that Lurie should be inmyself and my family."

emotional strain on my unfounded charges has forced me to respond."

Gragson said, "Typical of Mr. Lurie's unfounded and politically motivated charges is the fact that he has deliberately misled the public in his reference to the fact that I passed my vote on the Focus zoning matter.

'I publicly stated at the time that I would not vote on the matter because my son, Kenneth, was handling the real estate sale. What was also publicly stated at that time -- but which Mr. Lurie conveniently declined to mention -was that my son donated commission to Focus because of the worthwhile community services this organization performs.

"We all acted in the m os t ethical and straight - forward manner possible in this mat-Gragson said, "and I challenge Mr. Lurie to say otherwise."

Gragson said, "Political charges of this nature insult the intelligence of free thinking members of our community, and I am parti-

Las Vegas Mayor cularly appalled that Gragson said he anyone would try to "appalled and abuse the name of my

I have, during my 14 years of service to the City Commission people of Las Vegas, always prided myself on honesty and integrity. a press release issued And the voters have by Lurie in which the shown they were happy with my performance as mayor by their overmembers of his family whelming support at the polls.

Mr. Lurie's state-ment," Gragson said, "smacks of desperation self or take sides in by a very politically ambitious young man -- one who has been fast and

formed that a conflict The mayor said Lur- of interest "involves the ie's "unprincipled at- abuse of public trust by tack has viciously and an individual for peruntruthfully affected my sonal gain. Such a family at a time my wife charge is one of the is recovering from a most vile that can be serious illness. The made against a person emotional strain on my holding public office, wife as a result of these and I am offended and outraged by Mr. Lurie's reckless and untrue statements.

If Mr. Lurie or anyone else has any basis whatsoever for saying I have used public trust for personal gain, I invite him to make public a disclosure of his information," Gragson said.

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Thornley charges that Christensen 'stalling'

Thornley criticized Paul Christensen's "stalling tactics."

"I can't believe his answer to my debate challenge," said Thornley. Christensen said, "I haven't decided if I'll debate Thornley or not. After all, it's his media.'

"First of all," said Thornley, "I never mentioned television in my challenge. I asked Christensen to meet me in public forum. I told

City Commissioner Hank him to pick the place. However, if he is unwilling to do that, we can have a joint press conference in his own jewelry store. That should give him the safe ground he has been looking for."

> Thornley continued, "I'm willing to go to any lengths to insure that the people have all the information regarding credibility, credentials and platform before they cast their ballot on June 5.







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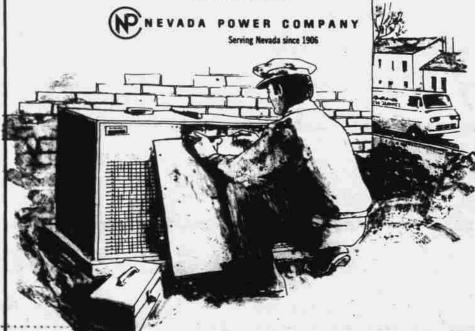
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