

# EDITORIAL

## WHY DO YE WRONG TO ANOTHER?

The Lt. Bolden hearings came to a close in the N.L.V. Council Chambers.

Now the Civil Service Board for some unknown reason will take some 10 days before rendering a decision. Three members of the Board have heard Gripenrog's side of the charges before.

One of the strangest angles of the case and yet a very strong point is: Why did the City hire two questioned documents experts from out of town?

Mr. Bradford, the expert used by Bolden attorneys is the regular expert used by the L.V.P.D. Evidently he is a man highly respected, he has been used by the Dept. to teach classes.

According to his own testimony, Mr. Bradford was shown the test papers while in town on L.V.P.D. business.

He stated that he knows of no way to tell when a mark or X was made. He further stated that in making an X on a test paper, each X is made at time intervals under different stresses. In these cases each X is completely different.

Were outsiders used because he refused to give testimony the City wanted?

It was not made clear who ordered Armenta to take the papers to Harris and Black.

It appears however, that the city was not satisfied with the first report. The papers were then taken back to be re-examined.

How professional can one get? The first report was based on all papers. When asked to make a closer examination of Lt. Bolden's paper, they were told evidently whose paper it was and why they needed a report to sustain the City's position.

The City, and the Civil Service Board are really on trial.

The burning questions are: Will the commission reverse it's first ruling?

Not many men are willing to say that they made a mistake.

Is Justice blind or prejudice? Or both? Will this publicity cause the L.V.P.D. to fire Lt. Bolden because he choose to fight for his integrity in a legal manner?

Will the old adage, "You can't fight City Hall and win" be the legacy we hand down to our children? Or will we proudly hold our head high that Law-Order and Justice prevails in this fine community known as Las Vegas?

Will we be able to encourage our children to seek the heights knowing that, education and hard work are the only barriers they must climb on their way to the top?

The color of a man's skin no longer is the major barrier keeping the Black man down, or is it?

Why is the Civil Service Board handing down a written decision in the Bolden hearing? Since the hearings were held open to the public. The Board should announce its decision in a public meeting.

We the people are entitled to know first hand of their voting. Let us keep everything above board. We feel that the community is due some respect also.

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