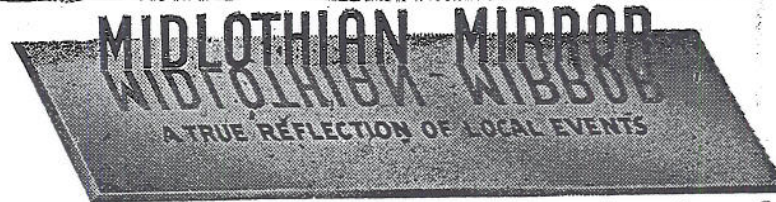


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When The Police Chief Lied

We sat in a City Council meeting recently and heard two police officers lie. At the time, we thought it was a small matter. Admittedly at that time we did not have all the facts.

Police Chief Perry Aday had stated in a Council meeting some weeks earlier that the City police car had never been used outside the city limits except on official business. At this special meeting held on April 14, a long discussion had taken place over the police. Councilman Roy Bohl wanted some detailed report forms printed for the police. Mayor Clark inquired as to who would check to see they were correct. Dr. Bohl commented: "Well, if we have some people we can't trust, we should fire them."

Mayor Clark said: "They have already lied to us once." Dr. Bohl demanded the police be brought in separately and be asked again if the car had ever been used outside the city limits except on official business.

Police Chief Aday entered the room alone first and said quite positively the car had never been so used. Patrolman Arthur Dellinger was then asked to enter the room and he too firmly denied the same question. Dr. Bohl then said to Dellinger: "Mayor Hubert Clark has said that you carried Perry Aday's brother-in-law to work in the city car while Perry Aday was on vacation."

Dellinger said: "Well, yes, he didn't have any other way to get to work."

Dr. Bohl commented only that was wrong, and asked the Mayor what the Mayor thought should be done.

Perry Aday sat silent, and Dellinger resigned from the force two days later.

We apologize for not reporting this matter earlier. First, we thought it was a rather small matter. Second, we felt embarrassment for Dellinger because he was not supported by his boss, Perry Aday.

We print the conversations at this time in view of the much more serious accusations we have in this paper about the activities of Police Chief Perry Aday.