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MAYOR'S OFFICE

Jerome Cavanaugh.  
Deputy Mich.

Dear Mr. Mayor.

Please do not allow your self to become intimidated by the unreasonable demands of the negro leaders for a Civilian Board to be inflicted on the Police Department. and their demands for investigations into police shootings in the line of duty.

The pay high taxes for, among other things a good Police Department which is capably run and staffed. Why a Civilian Group should be inflicted is beyond me - Any man that we should have an outside group of civilians sit in on staff meetings at a Loan Officers Meetings at a Bank to decide to approve mortgages, or to stick their noses in any other well run business not under their jurisdiction.

Also, if a Police  
a burglar, or an individual  
ing a car theft or robbery -  
in the dark of night, after a request  
to halt, that is ignored - it is sad  
if they turn out to be under age -  
but even at the age of 15 or 16, a  
person knows what is right, and  
that is a choice they take when  
breaking the law. The Policeman  
is not aware of their age, and  
is risking his own life in the  
line of duty.

Instead of their preachers + parents  
screaming 'Injustice' + 'Inequity' at  
the Law Enforcement Officers, why  
arent the same parents prosecuted  
for child neglect when they let  
their adolescent children run  
loose at two and three in the  
morning?

I am amazed that there isn't  
a wholesale walk-out by you  
Policemen who are threatened and

abused and  
doing their sworn  
uphold the law.

Color has no place in  
this argument.

A Criminal (potential or  
otherwise) has to be treated as  
a menace, whether he is black or  
white. I'm sick and tired of  
hearing demands that they be  
coddled.

A stronger enforcement of  
curfew and loitering laws  
would help this problem.

Thank you -  
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