

TROUBLE IS THEIR TRADE

The Private Investigator

Law and justice are entirely different things. When law fails the individual through corruption, indifference or inability, the Galahad for hire confronts a violent, cruel and unjust reality with an uncompromising code of honour. He cannot be bullied or bought off. For other detectives crime is a problem to be solved, after which justice will automatically be done. For the private eye, justice, in an imperfect world, has to be made to happen by an act of will, not by reasoning.

"Down these mean streets a man must go who is not himself mean—who is neither tarnished nor afraid. He must be a complete man and a common man and yet an unusual man. He must be a man of honour, by instinct, by inevitability, without thought of it and certainly without saying it. He will take no man's money dishonestly and no man's insolence without a due and dispassionate revenge!"

Leonard Martin c 2000