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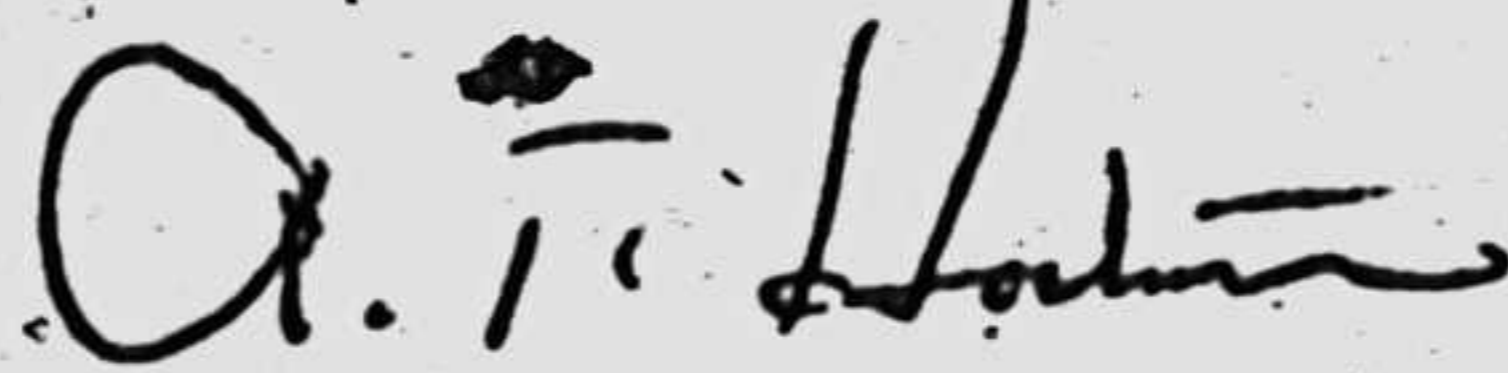
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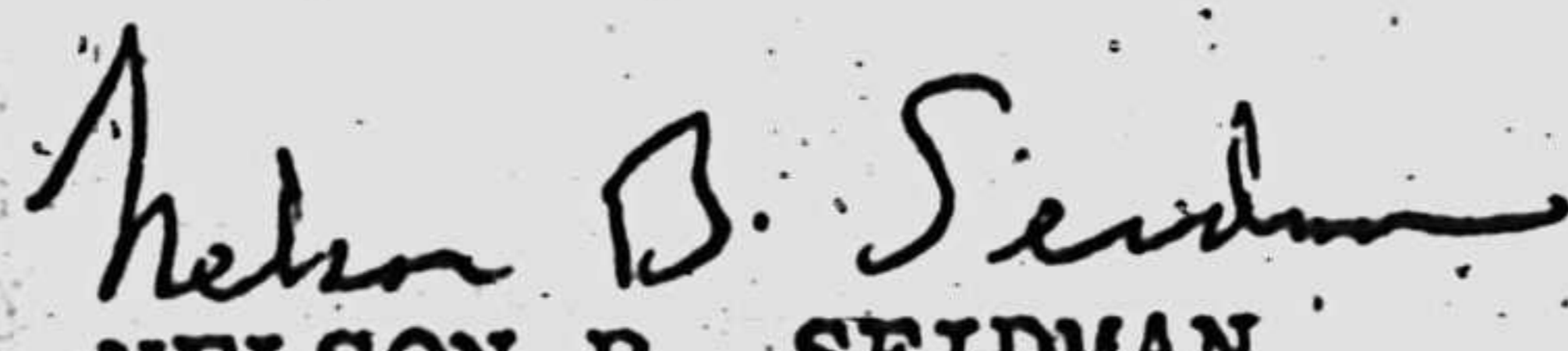
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If the effect of such a reduction would be to force a department to reduce its work force, or the general level of salaries, the City Council might thus achieve indirectly what it cannot achieve directly.

Very truly yours,



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