

## EDITORIALLY SPEAKING

### What Are Policemen Made Of

Recently we published an article praising our volunteer firemen for their work. This article extolling the work of our law enforcement officers was published by "R.M.M." in a recent "Think" column of the Lavaca County Tribune-Herald at Hallettsville. We think it's worth repeating and deserves some careful thought.

WHAT ARE POLICEMEN MADE OF? Don't credit me with this mongrel prose; it has many parents, at least 420,000 of them policemen.

A policeman is a composite of what all men are—a mingling of saint and sinner, dust and deity. Cited statistics were the fan over the stinker, underscore instances of dishonesty and brutality, because they are news. What that really means is that they are exceptional, unusual, not commonplace.

Buried under the forth is the fact. Less than one half of one percent of policemen misfit that uniform; that a better average than you'd find among clergymen.

What is a policeman made of; he of all men is at once the most needed and the most unwanted.

He is a strangely nameless creature who is Sir to his face and fuzz behind his back.

He must be a diplomat that he can settle differences between individuals so that each will think he won.

If the policeman is not he is conceded; if he is careless he is a bum; if he's pleasant he's a flirter; if he's not he's a wretch.

He must make in an instant a decision which would require but a few minutes, he's a hero; if he's a delinquent, he's a lout.

He must be first to an accident and infallible with a diagnosis.

He must be able to start breathing, stop bleeding; tie up limbs, and above all, be sure the victim goes home without a limp, or expect to be sued.

The police officer must know every gun, draw on the run and hit where it doesn't hurt.

He must be able to whip two men twice his size and half his age without damaging his uniform and without being brutal.

The policeman must be a minister, a social worker, a diplomat, a tough guy and a gentleman.

And, of course, he'll have to be a genius, for he'll have to feed a family on a policeman's salary.

#### A Policeman's Prayer

Teach me that sixty minutes make an hour; sixteen ounces make a pound, and one hundred cents a dollar.

Help me to live that I can lie down at night with a clear conscience without a gun under my pillow and unharmed by the faces of those to whom I have brought pain.

Grant that I may earn my meat ticket on the square and in earning it, I may do unto others and I wouldn't have others do unto me.

Defend me to the jungle tained money, and to the rustle of 'unholy skirts.

Blind me to the faults of the other fellow, but reveal to me my own.

Guide me so that each night when I look across the dinner table at my wife who has been a blessing to me, I shall have nothing to conceal.

Keep me young enough to laugh with little children and sympathetic enough to be considerate of old age, and when comes the day of darkening shades and the crumpling wheels in the yard, make the emergency short, and the going simple.

"Here Lies A Man". — Author Unknown.

#### THIS DAY

November 20, 1948 - On this day, twenty-seven years ago, a new altitude record for an unmanned instrument balloon was claimed by the United States Army Signal Corps.

The ascent, which began on September 28th at Belmar,

New Jersey, reached a height of more than twenty-six and a half miles. It was all part of peace-time experimentation by the Army, research into the atmosphere and testing the capacity of lighter than air vehicles.

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### Garwood School Cheerleaders



Leading the Garwood School spirit this year are these cheerleaders: (left to right) seated, Nora Mann and Judy Boush, kneeling, Pam Kallina, standing, left to right, Kelly Mackey, Marie Carter; and on top of the formation, Kelly Kallina. These girls did an excellent job in keeping Garwood spirit high during the football games.

### 24 YEARS AGO Let's Look Back

(July 12, 1951)

Mr. and Mrs. Maurice Wil-

lis are welcoming the arrival

of their second son, Walter

Maurice, Jr., a new arrival

in the Laughlin Hospital are

Jeffrey Lee, son born to Mr.

and Mrs. Leon Steinback of

this city, and Dallas Fay,

son born to Mr. and Mrs. J.

D. Ratliff of Lissie. Among

those being honored recently

at birthday parties have been:

Beth Stuchlik, daughter of Mr.

and Mrs. S. S. Sinclair; Dick

Richter and Karen Richter,

son and daughter of Mr. and

Mrs. C. L. Richter; Don Spal-

inger, son of Mr. and Mrs.

Lloyd Spalinger; and Linda

Thomas, daughter of Mr. and

Mrs. J. P. Thomas. Miss

Jo Ann Meitzen was honored

with a miscellaneous bridal

shower last Thursday.

Hostess for the social was

Mrs. Betty Ruth Mooney.

Local cowboys and cowgirls

entered in the "Wharton County

Annual Youth Rodeo are Mr.

Malabite, Jim Bush, Jerry

Gibson, Jimmy Svatik, Frank

Tate and Sandy Thomas.

The engagement of Bobbie Fay

Dodd, daughter of Mr. and

### RECORDINGS FILED IN COLORADO COUNTY

Gift Deed, Emily B. Neuen-

dorff to Viola Neuenдорff

Hoppe and others, undivided

interest in 340.9 acres, B. R.

Thomas Survey and others, 9-

18-75

Deed, Lucius A. Whitley and

others to James Augustus

Rosborough, Trustee of "The

Daniel Nelson & Rosborough

Children's Trust," undivided

interest in land in P. Reels

Survey, 9-10-75

Deed, Laddie Lee Krenke to

Adeline I. Krenke, land in

town of Garwood, Texas,

Gilbert League, 9-30-75

Deed, Laddie Lee Krenke to

Adeline I. Krenke, tract of

68.59 acres, James Cummins

League, 9-30-75

Deed, Adeline I. Krenke to

Laddie L. Krenke, land in

Colorado Co., 2325 S. Sq. Pl.,

9-30-75

Deed, Adeline I. Krenke to

Laddie L. Krenke, 4464 Sq. Ft.

of land, Colorado Co., 9-30-75

Deed, Adeline I. Krenke to

Laddie Lee Krenke, tract of

land in P. Gilbert Survey (part

of Out Lot 7 and 1 acre) Gar-

wood, Texas, 9-30-75

Deed, Adeline I. Krenke to

Mrs. Joe Semora, Jr., and

Jay Anderson, son of Mr. and

### John I. Marik, East Bernard, Passes Away

John I. Marik, 75, prominent

in business and civic affairs

in East Bernard for many

years, died in the Diagnostic

Hospital in Houston at 2:15

a.m. Monday, Nov. 17th. He

entered the hospital after be-

coming seriously ill three

weeks before his death.

Mr. Marik was born Dec. 27,

1899, in East Bernard, and

spent his entire life in East

Bernard, serving the com-

munity as Justice of the

Peace for a number of years  
and in other capacities. He  
would have been 76 next month.  
Funeral services were held  
Wednesday, Nov. 19 at the  
Tricks Funeral Home at 10  
a.m., followed by a Funeral  
Mass at Holy Cross Church.  
Burial was in Holy Cross  
Cemetery.

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### Miss Shirley Ann Fajkus, Dennis Korenek Plan Dec. 13th Nuptials



Mr. and Mrs. Jerry Fajkus are happy to announce the engagement and approaching marriage of their daughter, Shirley Ann, to Dennis Ray Korenek, son of Mr. and Mrs. Richard Korenek of Nada.

The couple plans a two-day wedding ceremony on

Saturday, the thirteenth of December in Our Lady of Perpetual Help Church in Eagle Lake.

Miss Fajkus and Mr. Korenek are both 1975 graduates of Rice High School and both are currently students at Texas Tech University.

They will be joined in marriage by Rev. Fr. Joseph

and daughter, Veronica of Marcy's Beauty Salon; Mrs. Charles Konechek and Mrs. Mary Yusef from the Beauty Shop; and Mr. and Mrs. John Przek from Eagle Barber Shop.

Five renowned hair stylists were present to demonstrate new hair fashions. The group described the beauty show as "fantastic."

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HOSPITAL  
NEWS NOTES

Patients this week (Nov. 17):

Clement Watson, city

Willie Jackson, Jr., city

Mrs. Mary Miles, city

Mrs. Judy Estabrook and baby girl, city

Robert Thompson, city

Emil Gudmundson, city

Willie Ashon, Columbus

Mrs. Louise Fuller, Columbus

Mrs. Callie O'Hall, Lissie

Mrs. Lucy Kallina, Garwood

Mrs. Anita Hopelinas, San

Mrs. Myrtle White, East

Bernard

Mrs. Lillian Sevier, Shag-

Mrs. Irene Gots, Sheridan

Dismissals:

Mrs. Cora Spallinger, city

Mrs. Irene Christal, city

Salvador Castellanos, city

Mrs. Verna Richardson, city

Mrs. Barbara Chapman, city

Mrs. Teresa Hernandez, city

Willie Lee Johnson, city

Mrs. Frances Koudella, city

Miss Barbara Chappell, city

Mrs. Patricia Wagner, city

Mrs. Mollie Valdez, city

Mrs. Orilla Torres, city

Enid Magarovich, Colum-

bus

Mrs. Sally Matthe, Lissie

Glen Hilvinka, Lissie

Miss Marilyn Heffer, Gar-

wood

Mrs. Rae Lokpries, Gar-

wood

Mrs. Cheryl Reese, Rock

Island

Mrs. Gladys Webb, Hal-

ettsville

Mrs. Lucille Blanchard,

Sheridan

and Bible Band.

She was born Aug. 5, 1889

in Eagle Lake the daughter of

Arthur and Frances Jenkins

King. She was a longtime

member of the Greater Union

Baptist Church where she served

as an officer in the Mission

and Bible Band.

Interment was in the Union

Hill Cemetery at Matthews.

Her Davis Funeral Home was

in charge.

The Rev. L. W. Sidney,

pastor of Greater Union, of-

ficiated at the services.

Surviving are one sister,

Mrs. Agnes Hodge and a brother,

Clemmon King, both of Colum-

bus; two step-sons, Wil-

liam Irsell of Galveston and

Lester Irsell of Eagle Lake

and a host of nieces, nephews

and other relatives and

friends.