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Lawrence had the following merited compliment to Chief Cyril Barker of the Tewksbury police department last week: "When Chief Cyril Barker of the Tewksbury police department was called to the witness stand in district court here to testify in an Andover case, he drew from his pocket several neatly typewritten sheets of paper. He proceeded to read his testimony and when defense counsel asked him if he couldn't get along without the typewritten story, the chief said "not very well." It was a well prepared account of what happened in the case. We learned later that the chief is hard of hearing and to avoid depending too much on questions put to him he prepares all his testimony on paper and reads it to the court. From what we hear, Chief Barker is without doubt one of the most capable police officials in this part of the state. He has an excellent reputation among his brother police officers of other towns. Lawrence officials regard him highly."