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## Special Course Successful

The special work given in sewing problems, cooking and meal planning has proved highly successful.

There are thirty-eight enrolled in the sewing class, which is held on Thursday afternoon. It had been planned to give sewing and millinery at this time, but as most of those enrolled wish aid in the sewing, the millinery work has been postponed until the spring semester. In the cooking and meal planning departments there are sixteen enrolled, which is the full capacity that can be handled.

There are waiting lists in both classes, and considering that some of the work comes first thing in the morning, it speaks well for the advantages of the work given.

For the mothers who have children that are too young to leave home, Gertrude Truesdale is conducting an afternoon nursery on the campus.

## Farm Bureau Man Here

Mr. A. C. Hardison, president of the California Farm Bureau Federation, paid the school a visit on his return from the County Farm Bureau picnic. Mr. Hardison is one of the committee of experts that assisted the citizens' Committee of Fifteen in drafting the policy of the school a year ago.

While here Mr. Hardison visited the farm and talked over the general situation. He is well pleased with the present condition of the school, being particularly interested in the agriculture work. He expressed his approval of the increase in crops, both in variety and quantity, and was also very glad to see that the swine and poultry departments have been rehabilitated.

The project work particularly impressed Mr. Hardison, and he was greatly surprised at the wide range of operations that the boys are carrying on while they get the technical instruction and also help pay their expenses at the school.

## Other Official Visitors

Mr. George B. McDougal, the state architect, Mr. Robert H. Braden, chief of the Division of Budget and Accounts of the Board of Control, and Mrs. Braden of the State Board of Charities were visitors at Dr. Crandall's cottage on their way to other institutions in the south.

They were shown over the farm and showed particular interest in the water supply. Arrangements were made for the purchase and delivery of a great deal of material and equipment to be installed for the betterment of the water supply of the state's property.

Conditions in general were viewed and the visitors were expressly gratified at the enlarged enrollment and rapid progress that the school is making. Mr. Braden expressed himself as being pleased to have a pleasure to the request of the Department of Education to provide funds for two additional teachers, and hoped that our enrollment would continue to increase and would create the need for yet another instructor.

Mrs. Braden was greatly interested in the school and was particularly concerned in the type of training given and the influence that are brought to bear on the boys that tend to develop them farthest along the line that will make them citizens of the higher class.

## Faculty Ladies Meeting

The regular semi-monthly meeting of the Ladies of the Faculty held its meeting at Mrs. Crandall's cottage on September 22.

New members were: Mrs. Dunning, Miss Huskin, Mrs. Stout, Mrs. Brown, Mrs. Knott, and Mrs. McFarland.

A short business session was held after which entertainment was furnished by Mrs. McCarthy and Ruth Smith. Mrs. McCarthy, sister of Mrs. Rathbone, sang two well selected numbers, which were well received. Ruth Smith read the Angelus.

Refreshments were served, and the meeting closed in a very informal manner.

## Assembly Sept. 30

On September 30, Mr. Carpenter, the Exalted Ruler of the local brotherhood of Elks, presented Mr. John Perozzi with a beautifully engraved card expressing the appreciation of the Elks to Mr. Perozzi for having won so great an honor for San Luis Obispo in the last National Rifle Meet.

Mr. Carpenter also added that the Elks have been watching Poly's growth for some time past, and, as a token of gratitude from them for our large student body, we are to be presented with a flag for our assembly hall. This will be on a staff, so it will always be at the head of our parades. Polytechnic expressed, through the Polygram, its appreciation.

Mr. Heron, assistant deputy director of education, who is here this week from the state capital, told us that two years hence our auditorium would stand facing the football field and that there would be a place to welcome our visiting teams.

Mrs. Fuller announced a Girls' Glee Club, the date or time for which has not yet been announced.

## Moving Homemaking Dept.

The sewing Department is being moved from Room 2 to Room 13 of the Household Arts Building. The change is being made in order to concentrate the Homemaking work on the upper floor, thus leaving the lower floor to the classroom work. All the sewing equipment will be transferred as soon as possible.

Miss Knox is teaching History and English in the old sewing room.

## Block P Meeting Sept. 21

A meeting of the Block "P" Club was held in the Physics laboratory September 21. The purpose of the meeting was to decide upon a regular meeting day.

It was decided that the Club would meet every Thursday at 12:40 in the Physics laboratory.

No further business was brought up and the meeting adjourned at one o'clock.

## Block "P" Meeting Oct. 1

A regular meeting of the Block "P" Club was held in the Physics Lab. October 1.

Three members were elected for the Greater Polytechnic Committee. They were Alfred Young, Prescott Reed and Maurice White.

After a short speech by Mr. Agosti on the attitude of letter men towards the team, the meeting adjourned.

## Piano For Orchestra

The newly organized orchestra has called upon all of Poly's students possessing musical ability to set forth on that high and beautiful road of rhythm. But ability was not the only thing necessary, for there had to be an instrument upon which to lavish that ability. So a piano was canvassed for.

Mr. Merrifield of the Merrifield Piano Company offered us a very good piano at a very low figure. So now any person desiring to receive piano instruction need not hesitate because he has no piano at home. Go ahead. Practise here.

The orchestra is getting along wonderfully, and the teachers announced that we will have an orchestra of our own to play at our dances.

## Hold Joint Dance

A dance was given in the Dining Hall September 26th in honor of the High School football team. All Poly students and High School football men were invited.

Fascinating decorations filled the hall and good sportsmanship was shown while the High School Black and Gold mingled with our Green and Gold.

The Imperial Orchestra furnished the music for the function.

Refreshments were served by a committee.

Youth must have dance, laughter, and song, and old Polytech's going to do her best to suffice that hunger with good, clean dances.

Plans are being laid to entertain all visiting teams with a dance. This will leave with our visitors, even if we are the victors, a pleasant memory of us and they may send their brothers and sisters, or return themselves, to become one of us.

The Boys' Athletics put their dance "over big" and it was greatly appreciated by all attending.

## Stock Show at Poly

A San Luis Obispo County Live Stock Show lasting three days, Nov. 5, 6, 7, will be held at the Poly fair grounds under the auspices of the San Luis Obispo County Farm Bureau and the C. P. S. Junior Farm Center.

Live stock will be sent from all over the county by the different ranchers for competition in the different classes. Approximately 150 head of stock will be entered and fitted by the Poly agricultural students alone.

The first day of the fair will be in charge of the Kiwanis and Rotary Clubs of San Luis Obispo. These two organizations are planning on a big show for the first day.

The second day will be given over to farm machinery displays and live stock judging under the supervision of Mr. Dunning and Mr. McFarland.

The morning of the third day will be taken up by a pure bred stock sale. The feature of the last afternoon will be two big football games in which both San Luis High and Poly teams will meet opposing teams.

## Large Grain Shipment

The agriculture department of the school has just received a shipment of fifteen tons of barley.

This grain will be used by the students who are carrying on projects of fattening baby beef and hogs.

## Special Rally Held

A special rally was held on the lawn behind the Administration building September 25 to try to awaken the "school spirit" which was still slumbering.

The yell leader and his two assistants did their best, but received only luke-warm support from a very good sized student body.

The yells used this year are very good, original and unique. Therefore if they receive good boosting they will go over big.

An evening rally with a bonfire, serpentine, everything is to be held on the campus at an early date.

The yell leader, Jimmie Simpson, is doing his utmost to help Poly win the games but he needs and will have support from the side lines. You and your buddy must do your bit as your big brother or father did for Uncle Sammy in the World War.

Remember the men are fighting to make Poly's fame ring through the country and they must have cheers to help them do it.

## Mechanics News Notes

Frosh at Machine Shop are busy at chipping the blocks. Some are very careful in their chipping for fear of hurting that bruised finger.

A few have learned to file square without spoiling three or four blocks.

There are no more unused hammers or tongs in forge. The older students are up to the trick of putting links and filings in the Frosh's fires which causes them to believe that their work is burning.

The Auto Mechanics are on the job and have just finished the school Buick which had failed to move.

There will be a lot more work for the auto mechs, on the Buick, judging from the way Lynn drives it around.

Frosh in electric shop think they are the real stuff when they splice number 18 wire. Dr. Wilder is up to his old tricks of making a difficult job for the Frosh out of a simple experiment.

## Ladies' Aid Meets in Grove

About eighty members of the Presbyterian Ladies' Aid met for a very enjoyable afternoon in Poly Grove Thursday October 1.

It being the regular monthly meeting of the society, Mrs. A. J. Rathbone, acting as hostess, entertained here on the campus. A business meeting, during which some new members were admitted, was held and was followed by a very enjoyable social afternoon. Refreshments consisting of ice cream and cake were served. The decorations were in the school colors.

## Mr. Heron Here

Mr. A. R. Heron, Deputy Director of Education, spent several days at the school last week. While here Mr. Heron looked into matters in general, both as to financial and educational conditions.

Mr. Heron also took legal steps to secure full possession of the Johnston place for the state.

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## ELECTRICITY

Those of you who are taking electricity either as a side course or a specialty will never regret the training you receive at Poly. The training given here is from both the practical and the theoretical standpoints.

Mathematics is the backbone of electrical engineering. If you cannot get mathematics you might just as well forget about being a second Edison. So if you do intend to take up electricity get your mathematics.

When you first enter the field, the first lectures and problems do not appear to have anything to do with electricity. You will find, though, that they help to balance your mind for the work that is to come. After you have learned the fundamental principles you will be able to branch out into the particular variety you desire. There are a great number of branches, among which are power house operating, sub-station operating, X-ray work, power line installation, power plant installation, telephone, telegraph, armature winding, battery and ignition, house wiring, and the greatest field of all, radio.

Radio is the most fascinating and interesting field of those previously mentioned. It branches off into ship operation, broadcast station operation, factory work, government radio inspectorship, retail business, and research work.

Ship operating is a very fascinating profession. It is necessary to pass a government examination before you may be a ship radio operator. You are required to put in about six months of intensive training to pass this examination and procure a government license. The field is open though, and many young fellows are seeing the world and getting paid for it.

Broadcast station operating has the same requirements as ship operating but many men prefer to stay on land.

Factory work branches off into design, construction of parts, assembling and testing for defects.

The government inspector has his hands full. He has a corps of assistants, however, to share his burdens. His duties consist of giving examinations to prospective ship operators, adjusting the wave lengths of the different stations and policing the air to see that everyone stays on his allotted wave.

Research work is the field in which trained men are needed. Radio is just in its infancy and with the rapid strides it is making it will not be long before it is a very common thing. There are a great many improvements to be made, however, and the man who knows how to make these is the man who will win.

I have mentioned a very few of the fields of electricity and not all in radio. There are a great many to pick from, some field to fit nearly any individual. If you are handy with tools, go into installation of electrical apparatus. If you are good at designing, go into the designing end. If you can juggle long equations and hard mathematical problems, go into the research end and you will be amply repaid for your efforts.

It only takes a little hard work to get into any of the aforementioned fields, but if you put forth the effort you will surely succeed. When you have succeeded you will look back and see how the training at Poly helped you reach the top. So if you have any thought of entering the electrical field, go see Dr. Wilder or Mr. Knott and he will gladly give you any advice you need. Dr. Wilder is our capable man in theory while Mr. Knott handles the practical work.

## POLY CHATTER

Why doesn't Jack Babcock smoke in front of the Ad Building instead of going around back?

Eric Varian had a bit of hard luck the other afternoon. Ask him why he now goes to school periods eight and nine instead of riding around town.

There is on the campus a very good example of what a Freshman should not be. He is a man of excellent physical ability, yet he quits football because he is not immediately given a place on the first team. He grumbles at drill and leads an antagonistic element that is not contributing to good discipline. The other day at the Dining Hall he was told to eat at the end of the line for disobeying orders, and instead of taking his medicine like a man he sulked and left the hall without his dinner. Fortunately we have a very few like him, but one is too many.

Walter Lumley had to go to San Francisco to get a suit of clothes the other day—so he said. We wonder if he wanted Langenbeck and Reed to go with him to help select the suit?

The Freshmen did a remarkably poor job of lining the football field for the Atascadero game the other day. It would be better if some of them would devote a little more time and effort toward displaying their school spirit.

There seems to be considerable rivalry among several Poly sheiks as to just who among them is to be most favored by the smile of a certain new co-ed. The situation becomes quite amusing first period every morning in Study Hall.

It is most remarkable what a large number of the football men turn out to the fifth period meetings or to the games. There is often hardly two teams out to regular practice.

We all had a good time at the football dance the other night, but some of the students, both Frosh and upperclassmen, were not overly good examples of proper conduct. Poly's dances have a reputation of being clean and wholesome, so let us all try and maintain that reputation in the future.

Ynez Bickford would like to know how "Heavy" finds out all of her affairs.

Be it known that there is a school regulation to the effect that vehicles must keep to the right around the Administration Building. This means that cars coming from town pass the south end by the Science Hall, and cars leaving the school pass around the north end by the Household Arts building. Disregarding this ruling may result in a serious accident, so keep to the right.

We enjoy hearing one student try to do all the reciting for a class. Some try to answer every question, no matter who is called upon. Pfeiffer surely knows his stuff in Spanish.

It is interesting to note the value of education as it is manifested in expressed ideas. Harriet Wright, Freshman, thinks a silo is a new breed of cattle, while Dorothy Hoare, post-grad, says that it is a new plow.

Day by day Langenbeck gets more and more childish. He almost refused to go to Lompoc because he couldn't get back before dark.

## Dorm Doings

Leon Erwin is with us again. He states that his tardiness is due to the fact that he had to walk back.

Tieman, the noble young Frosh, was seen hoeing weeds the other afternoon. Why all the ambition Tieman?

Some of us have noticed Heavy walking around with a very downcast look. We surely hope his girl hasn't turned him down.

We wonder what all the excitement was in front of the Dining Hall last Friday, and why Tieman came in with a bloody nose.

Dart and his friend have been having loud conversations about their girls lately. Maybe they want to advertise it, because they haven't had one before.

Thanks to Mr. Knott's Electric Shop class, the lights in the basement of the Dorm are in working condition. So the football players are able to see which sock to put on the right foot.

By the way the Frosh have been boxing at the Dorm of evenings, it looks as if we ought to have a few good fighters some day.

White and Hank are surely getting to be some pool slickers. They took the Coach and Lumley down a notch the other day.

Mr. Mitchell must be teaching a boys' class in cooking. At least you would think so if you were in the kitchen about suppertime.

There must be a lot of privileged characters around our school. By the number of boys that are at the Dormitory at all hours of the day you would think someone was teaching a class in loafing.

By the number of old wrecks you can see at the Dorm you would think some one was running a junk yard. We have more than the usual number of cast off "Detroit Specials" this year.

## Thanks to Staff

I wish to thank each and every one of the Polygram Staff for their hearty cooperation in the publishing of the first issue.

In particular I wish to mention the business manager, through whose good work we obtained enough advertisements to run this year. She was ably assisted in her work by Belle Tomasini. Both of the girls worked hard and secured more ads than were necessary for the paper.

The rest of the staff have been prompt in their work, and their cooperation has been very good. I see a very promising year for the Polygram and know that the staff will help with all that is in their power.

The student body can be of assistance to the staff by turning in any news, jokes or humorous scandal about anyone. There is room for it all, and it will always be welcome.

Wilbur Miller.

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Fred: I didn't know about the bolts before.

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Colored Private: Aw, sah, I got arithmetic bugs in ma haid sah.

Captain: What are arithmetic bugs?

C. P.: Dat's cooties.

Captain: Why do you call them arithmetic bugs?

C. P.: 'Cause dey add to my misery, dey subtract from my pleasure, dey divide my attention, and dey multiply like de dickens.

First Co-ed: There goes Grace to another game. She goes to all of them now. She must have some end in view.

Second Co-ed: It isn't an end—it's a quarter-back.

A hundred years ago today a wilderness was here.

A man with powder in his gun went to hunt a deer.

But now the times have changed somewhat—are on a different plan.

A dear with powder on her nose, goes forth to hunt a man.

Frank Q.: Can I get a room for three?

Clerk: Have you a reservation?

Frank Q.: What do you think I am—an Indian?

Colored Rector: And now, brethren, let us pray for dem heathen dat live in the uninhabited parts of the earth.

Walter (to waitress): How's the chicken today?

Waitress: Oh, I'm just fine, thank you.

**MUSH**

Dorr't A.: Are mine the only lips you ever kissed?

Vincente J.: Yes, and yours are the sweetest of all.

Mr. Strobel: Can you tell me which part of the car it is that causes the most accidents?

Frosh: I don't know.

Mr. Strobel: Well, it is the nut that holds the steering wheel.

Chappell: There was only once that I was glad to be down and out.

Varlan: Oh, when was that?

Chappell: After my first trip in an aeroplane.

A Freshman cut school to go fishing. When he arrived at home his father asked him where he had been all day. The scrub answered, "Oh, I went fishing." His father replied very viciously, "Well, my son, come out to the woodshed and well have a whaling expedition."

Girls, ask "Heavy" Langenbeck to sing that cute little song he knows the next time you go out with him.

Conductor: Lady, this transfer expired two hours ago.

Lady: I wouldn't be surprised for there is not a single ventilator open in the whole car.

She: Is that man in the black robe a chimney sweep?

He: Naw, he's a Ku Klux Klansman from Pittsburgh.

Women are like fish. Neither would get into trouble if they would keep their mouths shut.

Late to bed and late to rise, Makes a poor student get fours and fives.

The processes of Freshman logic are most amazing. The other day Mr. McFarland asked a Freshman how many days there were in two weeks, and he replied in this manner:

"In one month there are thirty days, and since there are four weeks in one month there must be fifteen days in two weeks."

Harry Bowles (peevish): Those three you sold me aren't worth the powder to blow them up.

Second-hand Dealer: Who told you to use powder.

Luella Sterling: Who was that bum I saw you with last night?

Ruth Smith: That was my husband.

Doctor: I will examine you for fifteen dollars.

Couch Agent: All right, Doc; and if you find it, we'll split fifty-fifty.

Senior: Run upstairs and get my watch.

Frosh: Oh, wait awhile and it will run down.

Senior: No, it won't. Ours is a winding staircase.

Jack Babcock: Dad, you remember you promised me five dollars if I passed in this school year.

Mr. Babcock: Yes.

Jack B.: Well, you aren't going to have that expense.

Grace: Here it tells about a couple that got married after fifty years courtship.

Proscott: I suppose that the poor old chap was too feeble to hold out any longer.

Women's faults are many; Men have only two—

Everything they say, and Everything they do!

Al Young: I hear Heavy's been sick.

White: What's wrong?

Al Young: Last night his girl called him honey and this morning he broke out with hives.

Miller: There goes a man who never lost a case.

Davis: What is he—doctor, lawyer, or bootlegger?

Just because an accordion has wrinkles is no sign it is old.

Capt. Deuel: Some of your wash was jumping around on the line last night.

Coach Agent: Oh! that was probably my athletic underwear.

Unidentified girl at San Luis High football game: Hold them, Walter; I know you can.

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**Poly vs. Lompoc**

Poly defeated Lompoc High School at Lompoc last Saturday with a final score of 41-0. Poly's team outclassed the Lompoc boys both in playing and size. Lompoc has a good team, however, and should put up a good fight against any high school.

Poly started off with a bang and scored a touchdown within two and one-half minutes after the first whistle.

Poly had no trouble at all in going through the Lompoc line and always made yardage. White, Lumley, Reed and Gingg hit the line hard and gained yardage on almost every play.

In the first quarter Poly scored twice and converted one. Score 13-0. Lompoc did a great deal of punting, but Poly was able to run back the punts. Harper went in for Langenbeck at tackle and Hughston for Del Rio at tackle.

Lompoc sent in three new men at the beginning of the second quarter. Gingg was laid out at the beginning of this quarter and Miller went in for him. Poly then tried to pass, but was unable to do so. White went through center for five yards and fumbled. On a series of line bucks Poly scored another touchdown. Score 20-0.

Lompoc now started passing again and completed several passes which gave them some good yardage. The half ended with the ball on Poly's 15 yard line.

Coach Agosti sent in the "Mules" or "Black Horses" in the beginning of the second half. In the backfield were Varian, Traver, Zanoli and Lee. The Mules played a dandy game and made yardage on every play. Zanoli was easily the star for the Mules. Miller had to take Traver's place after a few plays because of his being hurt. The Mules carried the ball to within a couple of yards of a touchdown when they fumbled and Lompoc recovered, making 15 yards.

At the beginning of the third quarter the starting lineup started except for the tackles, Carroll on left end and Zanoli at half. They scored a touchdown within a half dozen plays and converted. Score 27-0. White carried the ball over for another touchdown, but fumbled with Lompoc receiving, thereby scoring a touchback.

Again with a series of bucks and end runs Poly scored another touchdown. Lumley converted on a line buck. Score 34-0. Near the end of the game Poly pulled a criss-cross with Reed carrying the ball 20 yards for a touchdown. White converted. Score 41-0. After 8 more plays the game ended with the ball near the middle of the field.

Poly took down 87 players to Lompoc and a good sized crowd of rooters accompanied the team.

**Jr. Farm Center Meeting**

A regular business meeting of the Junior Farm Center was held Wednesday afternoon, September 30.

The first thing to be brought up was the election of a treasurer to serve during the absence of Verdi Mills. After two ballots were taken, Prescott Reed was elected.

It was decided that the Freshman ag. students should accompany the Mechanics on their trip to Betteravia, for the purpose of visiting the sugar refinery.

The county farm advisor, Parker Talbot, was present and gave a short talk about the live stock show which is to be given here at Poly in about a month.

After some discussion on problems relative to ranch work the meeting adjourned.

**Poly Defeats High School**

Poly won her first game of the season against the San Luis High School on Saturday, September 26. Poly came out on the big end of an 18 to 0 score.

Poly's team did not show up to such good advantage in this game, but they played a good brand of football. The High School has a very light but fast team, and should have a good season this year.

Although the game was the first for each team, both did very well. The High School did well on wide end runs and passes but were not so good on line bucks. Poly made good yardage through the line and on wide end runs.

Poly and the High School have wanted a regular game together, and in this game there was a great deal of rivalry between the two teams. Both teams have previously been benefited by practicing with each other. A great deal of talk was made last year about which school was better, so a game was held this year and decided the dispute.

**To Lompoc and Back**

We thought Williams had bought a steamer, but he says he was just trying to see how much water he could get free on the way.

Miller tried to see how many gallons of oil his car would use between here and Lompoc. He is going to buy a truck to carry his oil the next time he goes on a trip.

Irwin had the good luck to lose his cap on the way down and have every one run over it.

The Dorm fellows had their lunch fixed up here at the cafeteria. It was a good sized lunch, but because of some making "sort of a pig" of themselves some were unable to do the same.

Gingg tried to wreck a restaurant in Santa Maria because they wouldn't give him his nickel back from the slot machine.

The funny part about Hughston's Ford is that it went to Lompoc and back under its own power.

Varian thought he was a baby in the Sweete Shoppe at Lompoc. After drinking a couple of quarts of milk he wanted to know if they had any more.

Lumley also went back to his younger days by seeing how much bread and sugar he could eat.

Some of the fellows are still wondering what became of Varian after eating. It was necessary to call out the police force to find the poor boy.

We hear Carroll is going in for road racing. If his driving down the old Lompoc grade is an example, he should do very well.

People like Lumley, Coach Agosti, and Ridsout don't believe in signs nor roads being closed. They pulled a "dusty" trick on the rest of us by letting us go down the old grade while they went down the new one.

**Poly Defeats Atascadero**

Poly defeated the Atascadero High School on Wednesday, Sept. 30, with a score of 52-0. Though the game was one sided, both teams showed up to very good advantage. Atascadero has a very light team and had to rely more on passes and end runs than line bucks.

From the first whistle until the last, our team was on the go. Coach Agosti tried several new men in the game, and all showed up to good advantage.

Reed made a long run of 90 yards, in the third quarter, to a touchdown. Atascadero kicked off with Reed receiving. He ran the ball back the length of the field for a touchdown.

Poly gained some good yardage on her end runs and criss-crosses, but failed to complete most of her passes.

**Baby Beef Arrive**

Last Sunday 86 of the 125 calves purchased by a group of students were brought up from Orcutt in trucks and arrived safely on the campus.

The boys are now busy staking out and fencing feed lots in which to fatten the cattle.

As the calves are in fine condition, it looks as if the boys will make good profits from them. The remaining 39 head will be shipped from Ventura as soon as the fattening pens are finished.

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