SAGE UNLESS LABOR AND CONSUMER

THE ILWU CALLS ON GOVERNMENT TO FORM AND HOLD NEW LINE

ALL OUT LABOR PROTEST NEEDED TO PREVENT INFLATION

FOOD SUBSIDY

WASHINGTON — Capitalist- ing almost lock, stock and bar- ter Bowles: "Ali -Out Labor Protest Needed to Prevent Inflation

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Food Subsidy

It's Subsidies or Inflation

According to the calculations of Price Administrator Chester Bowles, food sub-

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CIO Points Out Path to Victory—Coalition Warfare, World Labor and Home Front Unity, Political Action

(Editor's Note: This is the second of three articles discussing the accomplishments of the Sixth CIO Convention at Philadelphia.)

By John North

There are two ways of looking at the year 1942: one, a record of a year's progress by CIO convention delegates and the other, a measure up to the historic tasks before it.

According to the report of No. 1 CIO in the most progressive organization of the working class, the Western world knows the truth and the CIO knows now the truth.

It has the most progressive local in the world, the one that advanced the win-the-war program of all U.S. working class organizations, the one that voluntarily and vigorously supported the CIO.

The CIO points out the path to victory—coalition warfare, world labor and home front unity, political action.

PROGRESS BY WOMEN

The women—the wives, the mothers, the sisters of CIO members, organized in the Congress of Industrial Organizations—have marked progress in their own unity and in their work. In less than a year after its formation, they met in their third national conference, report CIO.

The main role of the Auxiliary, in which every CIO union member is strongly represented, is to publicize the business of the union and to assist the membership. The CIO is the voice of the women in the union, and the flattering compliments by CIO women is an important objective of the CIO. CIO SHOWED HOW

The world knows that the CIO women are getting the help they need.

"Remember, the people of CIO's own nations are not going to fight for their battles. As a matter of fact, they are going to fight for their future. They have not yet seen a fight won where women were not their greatest allies and pick up the help as you go along.

The people of America want to be in the fight, because they know their future industry depends on increasing the number of the fighting against fascism. That's how they do their work.

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Ridebowl "an old-fashioned way to ride, but Gyppi Ross Lee seems satisfied with it. So do Master Sergeant Raymond A. Kelly (left) and Sergeant Sonny Horvath, who said they voted in the Thanksgiving Festival Dance for the CIO coalition of the New York Labor War Chest.

Baltimore Great 219 Greets

Rallying the last week moved to new headquarters at 329 West Franklin Street.

A housing party of Montgomery Ward workers and their friends was scheduled for December 2. A housing party with the company is being arranged at 10:30 on the same morning. A report will be made on results of this meet cycle.

The new headquarters office facing additional facilities and office setup.

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LAS VEGAS (AP)—Labor was an important factor in the recent combat that left 17 people dead in this community of 4,500, where the CIO is not yet an organized union.

The CIO started a national campaign urging Governor Grant Black to establish a public fund and a public policy to protect the rights of all groups of people, black and white, who are now in prison under some form of wartime "anti-Soviet" laws.

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Here Is ILWU Wage Policy With Formula for Stabilization

STATEMENT CALLS ON GOVERNMENT TO ESTABLISH AND HOLD NEW LINE

1. The essentials of economic stabilization during wartime are embodied in the principles enunciated by President Roosevelt in his 7-point program of April, 1942. They provide for taxes on profits to the utmost limit; limitation of personal incomes to $25,000; rationing of all essential commodities, stabilization of wages, strict price and rent control, farm price ceilings fixed at parity, and payment of debts and purchasing of bonds.

2. We reaffirm our conviction that this program must be enforced in all its parts if the home front is to hold firm and do its share in the winning of the war against fascism.

3. Serious breaches have been made in President Roosevelt's hold-the-line order and the 7-point program. Only in the case of wage stabilization has there been any real progress. Other sections of the 7-point program have been held in part or in very limited degree.

Where labor has been able to exercise its influence there has been a proportional degree of effectiveness in the enforcement of that section of the hold-the-line order. This is evidenced by the purchase of bonds by union labor which, while it comprises 20 percent of the bond purchasers, has bought more than 70 percent of the total. It has likewise held true where the support of labor has been enlisted in the enforcement of price ceilings and democratic rationing.

Congress Seeks to Put Burden on the Labor Incomes

1. Evidence of the failures in the hold-the-line order and 7-point program is to be found in the following facts:

(A) Wages have been stabilized in accordance with the Little Steel formula of 1941, rather than by the ILWU formula of January 1, 1941. This part of the stabilization program has been enforced.

1. The cost of living has increased at least 34 percent since January 1, 1941. Figures of the Bureau of Labor Statistics show an increase of approximately 24 percent. This does not show hidden price increases, quality deterioration and operation of the black market.

(B) Profits have gone up by 80 percent since 1939 and 1941. Treasury Department estimates increases will reach 100 percent by end of 1943. Individual high incomes have doubtless doubled and trebled during this same period.

(D) The section of the 7-point program dealing with taxation of corporate profits and individual incomes has failed. Congress has refused to enact the President's 32 percent tax program. The limitation of 25 thousand dollars not a year on salaries and individual incomes. Corporate profits and individual taxes have been deliberately held down while Congress has sought to hand war profits to the worker in one hand or another to shift the main burden of the war onto lower incomes.

4. The labor income of most people at large must call for immediate establishment of a new line to which we must all adhere. The inequalities in American incomes are so bad that the government is required to adjust wages to their burdens and sacrifices of war more equitably, put food on the table of a people's peace for ourselves and our children and our children's children to enjoy.

The Government Must Set and Hold a New Line

THEREFORE:

1. We continue to wage an unceasing fight for the economic stabilization measures outlined by President Roosevelt. These include:

Rigid enforcement of rationing; Price control and stabilization; Limitation of high salaries and prohibition of war profiteering.

2. We call upon the Government to set and hold a new line embodying these principles and providing for an adjustment of wages to place them in line with the increase in the cost of living. To set this new line will require an overall wage increase of 15 cents an hour. We recommend that an even higher amount is paid the lowest paid workers, a smaller amount to the higher paid.

3. We declare any wage below 75 cents per hour is substandard and the ILWU formula of 15c per hour would give the 60c worker—who now has 60c—a rate of at least 84c an hour, still far below a decent living wage rate. It would give the high paid worker a maximum of 15c and still protected his increased expenditures.

Substandard Wages Must Be Brought to Above 75 Cents

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Objectives to Achieve a Real Stabilization Against Inflation

It does not mean that we are going to give up our fight for economic stabilization, which includes the stabilization of both wages and prices.

We are calling for revision of the Little Steel formula in order to remove the difference between frozen incomes and the spiraling cost of living so we can achieve real stabilization.

Today, when wages have been held at a level only 15 percent above those of January 1941, while prices have skyrocketed almost 35 percent, we are further away from stabilization than we have been at any time during the war period.

Wages in wartime have a different meaning than in normal times. No longer can they be judged or measured by what a man can earn at command because of individual skill or scarcity of manpower. Nor can they be measured by what a union labor can earn through its collective bargaining strength might be able to force because of the urgencies of the moment.

Wages can only be measured as a part of the war effort in relationship to aiding the defeat of the enemy, to maintaining the country's security, and to advancing the welfare of the majority.

The official cost of living index of the United States Bureau of Labor Statistics show an increase of 23.4 percent since January 1941. This is already near 10 percent more than the 15 percent wage increase allowed under the Little Steel formula.

The index supposedly reflects changes in total expenditures of workers for food, rent, clothing, and other necessities of life. It excludes taxes, insurance contributions, war expenditures, and other items which are included in the cost of living.

Even with these exceptions the index does not represent a true picture of the increase in the cost of living. We estimate that an additional 10 percent must be added to the cost of living to reflect the necessities of the index, its failure to show price increases, quality deterioration, unemployment, merchandising, black market prices, etc.

Percentages Can Operate Opposite to the Intent

This brings the estimated index to a level almost 34 percent above the base date, January 1941, and approximately 19 percent above the cost of living increase allowed under the Little Steel Formula. The 19 percent differential represents the increase in cost of living and grows heavily against the American workers through the failure of the stabilization program.

We call upon President Roosevelt to revise the Little Steel formula in order to remove this increase in cost of living so we may also be able to earn and spend the dollar we are allowed to earn.
Lone Cabinet Member With the Guts To Expose Defeatists—He's Harold Ickes

From the Washington Bureau of the Ilwmu Dispatch.

"Honest Harold" Ickes, Secretary of the Interior, is most of all the story in Washington as the sole remaining New Dealer in those parts. What that really means is that Ickes has a seat at the table of the President's cabinet who has about as much spirit and the right stuff as is needed to rout out the reactionary elements which were characteristic of the early days of the New Deal.

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Labor Viewpoint Must Go To Legislators, Says Dunn

OAKLAND.—In an address to the Stewards' Council, Francis Dunn, Federation and State union president, placed emphasis on recent drive and neighborhood activity in electing candidates friendly to labor, and pointed out the importance of informing state and national legislators of labor's viewpoint.

"You must realize," Dunn said, "that it is better and cheaper to use my political clout than economic weapons. You may be killing me, but you are not killing my reputation in the community working unitedly.

"If legislators support labor, you must find a way to reelect them. If they defy labor, you must find a way to defeat them."

AFL members, Dunn said, are in Washington, studying programs to hold down costs, will do anything mutually.

SEES Has Child Care Counselor

SAN FRANCISCO.—For the convenience of working mothers and wives planning to work, a child care counselor is located at the office of the U. S. Employment Service, 2000 Mission Street.

The War Manpower Commission has invited all Local 6 women with child care problems to take advantage of this service.

The present child care counselor, Miss Patricia Guinne, is available Monday through Friday, 8:30 a.m. to 5:00 p.m., and on Saturday from 9:00 a.m. to 1:00 p.m. She may be reached by telephoning the Central Helpdesk 3800, Extension 78. The function of the counselor is to give advice and information and to direct all child care facilities in San Francisco.

"These facilities are free for a nominal fee. These include new and experienced nannies, private schools, day care centers, institute child care centers, and foster home care.

Pay Upped at Hayward Poultry

OAKLAND.—A wage increase of 50 cents an hour, bringing hourly rates to the 92½-cent standard, was granted Local 6 in a War Labor Board decision in Hayward Poultry Producers, November 8.

The decision carries an arbitrary restrictive date of September 1, 1943, will favorably affect all Hayward poultry feed mills, which are governed by the Poultry Producers contract.

Local 6 Issue Sent To Congressmen

SAN FRANCISCO.—To request workers to participate in local and national union activities and the activities of the local while they are in Washington, subscription notices to the Local 6 Edition of The U. S. Departmental News have been given the following Senate and House representatives.


6,500 U. S. Planes Shipped to Soviets

WASHINGTON (FP)—Sovent Russia has obtained 6,500 American planes of various types, up to October 15, said Foreign Economic Affairs.

Total lend-lease to Russia, valued at $11,463,779,000, includes 3,960 tanks, 135,800 s h i n g h e a n g s, 145,000 trucks, 67,000 jeeps, 2,500 field telephones and 700,000 tons of other war material.

Local 6 Wins 4-Year Struggle, Cops Security Warehouse

SAN JOSE—Winning a National Labor Board election by what was more than a two-thirds majority of the vote cast, the San Jose Unit last week emerged the victor from a four-year struggle for bargaining rights at Security Warehouse.

Of the final official count held November 15 in which 62 votes were cast for Local 6 and 20 for No vote, one vote was void.

These figures, particularly if gratifying a score of workers, housemen whose company had filed for union activity in 1939. Last September, following a decision from the U. S. Circuit Court ordering the company to continue using them with back pay and the amount of the severance plus interest, the company, in turn, formally rebuffed the workers.

But Mrs. Roselle of the United Workers of America, the local, said the local was ready to seek arbitration from the War Labor Board to perfect the contract.
Dear Brothers and Sisters:

The following is a summary of the actions of the War Labor Board in the northeast:

- A strike at the plant of the Allied Press in Boston was settled.
- A strike at the plant of the New York Times in New York was settled.
- A strike at the plant of the Chicago Tribune in Chicago was settled.

The following is a summary of the actions of the War Labor Board in the southwest:

- A strike at the plant of the Los Angeles Times in Los Angeles was settled.
- A strike at the plant of the San Francisco Chronicle in San Francisco was settled.
- A strike at the plant of the Dallas Morning News in Dallas was settled.

The following is a summary of the actions of the War Labor Board in the midwest:

- A strike at the plant of the Chicago Sun-Times in Chicago was settled.
- A strike at the plant of the St. Louis Post-Dispatch in St. Louis was settled.
- A strike at the plant of the Detroit Free Press in Detroit was settled.

The following is a summary of the actions of the War Labor Board in the northwest:

- A strike at the plant of the Seattle Times in Seattle was settled.
- A strike at the plant of the Portland Oregonian in Portland was settled.
- A strike at the plant of the Seattle Daily Journal in Seattle was settled.

As ever,

Pvt. JOE DREW

PFC Joseph Garesia Hails Political Fund as Important

Belde. B. S. soldiers stationed all over the world in the G. W. E. have been chosen "Finest Girl" for the second time by Yank, Army publication.

Harold Olson Returns From Pacific Action

Dear Yank, I just wanted to thank you for the great job you have been doing in the Pacific Theater. Your paper followed me overseas and helped me get through some tough times. I'm glad to hear that we are winning the war, and I know that our country is doing its part to help.

As ever,

Pvt. Peter Dias

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Brother Messengale Gives Union Papers to His Buddies

Dear Brothers and Sisters:

I am receiving The ILWU Dispatcher and the Labor Herald so that I can get up-to-date on what is going on there. I am a big fan of The ILWU Dispatcher in the last place I was about six months ago. I was a member of Eddie Cordova's Vague in Seattle. I am a union man and I have to have a magazine to express myself more explicity.

There are quite a few other members in my outfit from Portland and the papers are here. I hold them in my hands and I read them all the time.

I hope that all of our ILWU brothers and sisters will keep up the good work on the home front.

Sincerely yours,

M. E. W. Messengale

Bill Benetti, Attu Veteran, At Honolulu

Dear Brothers and Sisters:

I was stationed in the Hawaiian Islands for about six months and I have been out of there for six months. I am a big fan of The ILWU Dispatcher and I always look forward to getting it in the mail.

As ever,

Pvt. Ernest V. Prioste

IOU Podeman's Hiatus

Dear Brothers and Sisters:

I have been out of the country for a few months and I am now back home. I am a big fan of The ILWU Dispatcher and I always look forward to getting it in the mail.

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Union Paper O. K., Says Cpl. Waters

Dear Brothers and Sisters:

Your service to the boys and the soldiers is a good idea. I am sure that you and your colleagues will keep up the good work.

As ever,

Cpl. John L. Waters
Seeking the Telling of his exploits in Officer's Training School, Nunn has just graduated as a Lieutenant J. G. in the Maritime Commission. Before joining Local 6 in 1937, Nunn spent eight years at sea. Old timers remember Nunn as organize Executive Board, general master of ceremonies at annual balls, and publicity committee member for Local 6. Left is Dill Duarte, business agent-elect of the Oakland Unit and right is Joe Dillon, San Francisco business agent.

SPORTS

Owls Grab Firm Hold on Bowling League Leadership

SAN FRANCISCO. The Owls last Monday night took a firm hold on first place in the Warehouse Bowling League by winning two games from the Termites. They are now leading the second place Rams by four games.

Only one game behind are the Bears and the Bears are improving and are proving a definite threat to both the Rams and the Owls.

Wheeler Snipes at Undercover

WASHINGTON (FP) — Publisher Frank Gannett and Robert McCormick and others who have tried to halt the exacting of the Selective Service Committee got a green light to Burton K. Wheeler (R. Mont.) in his attempt to unseat Carlson. The book exposes five columns in the country.

A resolution to investigate anything is supposed to require approval of a committee before it goes to Congress for a vote, and only then may a committee be named to do the investigating.

But in a clever piece of sángo, Wheeler got himself named as head of a Judiciary Subcommittee to investigate Carlson before the committee should pass on it. So Wheeler will be conducting hearings to investigate the desirability of investigating Carlson, and in the process, investigating Carlson.

WASHINGTON — A House committee has tabled a bill repealing restrictions on oleomargarine. The new bill, sponsored by Rep. John Roy Carlson, gained a victory in the Senate last Monday night. Committee gave a green light to a resolution to investigate Carlson because of the bills reported to investigate Carlson before the committee should pass on it.

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ILWU Bowlers Snare Third Place

SAN FRANCISCO — In the men's Colgate-Palmolive-Peet at the Golden Gate Alleys, the ILWU team last Thursday night won two out of three games from Renny's Pins, taking third place in the league. L. Gehrke, anchorman, led the team with a 631, his anchor night. Only one resulting from the contest.

ILWU women's team scored 2,030 in the league.

Portion of CIO War Relief To Finance Service Project

SAN FRANCISCO — Ten per cent of Local 6 Ailied War Relief donations will help finance a project for service men in this area, it has been reported.

Chairman of the committee is the National Maritime Union.
two weeks by the International Longshoremen's & Warehousemen's Union for ILWU Local 6.

The North Star.

Insisted that such films as... expects to be in S.F. soon (we spelled female) . . .

says the hardest part of having their newest daughter—TILLIE—was in December. . . . Some soldiers his way back to Newfoundland.

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For Servicemen

Here is the Ball Committee, shown with two guests at San Jose's Third Annual Ball held Saturday, November 20, more than 1000 people attended the American Audition to dance to the music of Howard Fredric's Band of Gold and to see Drill Team and Drum Corps perform. $1,000 will be sent to members of the San Jose Unit in the Armed Forces. Standing left to right are Lawrence Garcel, of the AFL Teamsters; Frank Capriola; Don Forrest, consideration of the Hill, Bill, TIP. .

lame Professors

The San Francisco Printers Vote Against AFL Tie

San Francisco—Local 21 of the International Typographical Union voted 256 to 156 against affiliation with the American Federation of Labor, it was announced this week.

by hazel dunnam

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FEDERATED PICTURES

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by hazel dunnam

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FEDERATED PICTURES

"GI' Italiani Non Sono Facilmente Ingannati." Scrive Giacomo Patri

(Nella sua versione della storia italiana del passato, Giacomo Patri ci mostra un lampo di un'epoca grande, le basi di un imponente ed umana e civile e economica di tutta Italia. Troverete che la lotta per la liberazione dallo straniero e anche internamente è stata sempre una lotta per la costituzione, per il diritto di ciascuno ad avere dignità e potere.

"Mosley's release is an insult to the nation..."

Yes, Hearst Press Used Same Words

WASHINGTON (FP) — Rep. Vito Marcantonio (ALP N.Y.) has introduced into the House Rules Committee from further consideration of the bill, HR 1732, giving statutory powers to the President's Fair Employment Practice Commission. He urged labor and Negro groups to ask that Congressmen sign discharge request, No. 17.

British Labor Protests Release of Fascist Leader, Sir Oswald Moseley

by GABBY

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It is painfully evident that Poland, Finland, Lithuania, Latvia, Estonia, probably Carbon-Slovakia, and maybe others, have been ABANDONED to Russia by a formula which says that "self-determination" will be extended to them and their territorial future is determined, since that will be when USSR has taken armed possession of them, and possibly incorporated their territory in Russia, and says "take them away if you can"—which would necessarily mean ANOTHER WAR.

T H E reproduction is a portion of a long, vicious and seditious diatribe in the Hearst papers of November 22, 1943. Note that Hearst puts it forth as a foregone conclusion that the mere advocacy, itself, is lending direct help to the enemy. Here before your nose is William Randolph Hearst—a fascist! He belongs in jail. You know it, and you aren't doing anything about it.

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The Help Hitler—We’re for Inflation groups and fakers who want to see the workers of the world get rich, and wasn’t freedom one of the things this war was all about, freedom of the people to work, proper and live—and so on far into the night.

And they wouldn’t forget to throw in a few curses at the so-called Roosevelt, and the CPA, and above all the Government's attempts to subsidize food production. Why subsidize food production and control food prices, they would say, let the law of supply and demand take care of such things, and they would maybe bring that the enemy planes would come over again and make the supply a little scarcer.
Appeaser Groups Spread Race Hatred
Seek Fake Peace, Ferdinand Smith Warns

BY LLILIAN TRICKEY
SAN FRANCISCO — "There are many in this country who fear that a people's peace would result in real democracy in Europe . . . that a people's peace would spell the end of so-called "racial discrimination," he said.

"Real democracy" would be achieved if the United States would give up its isolationist policies and join with the United Nations to fight racial discrimination and to assist the peoples of the world in their struggle for freedom.

Such a policy would not only benefit the United States, but also the world at large, he said.

The United States, according to Smith, should not "be afraid of" the United Nations, but should rather "be proud of" its role in the world organization.

"Real democracy" would involve the United States in "a world of free nations," he said, and it would be the "best answer to our fears."
Civil Service Outlaws Pro-Fascist Questions About Federal Workers in Revise of Technic

WASHINGTON — In what amounts to a sweeping confession of past Gestapo methods and official encouragement of the flouting of the fitness of federal employees, the Civil Service Commission has instructed its agents to stop considering employees' political reputation in the conduct of their work.

The order, which was issued November 30, 1943, last week, directly coun- tered the Middle-Deen harassing technique which has harrassed many in government service.

Despite frequent denials that questions concerning race, union questions, or affiliation with the Communist party were being sought by the Civil Service Commission, federal employees have been asked in the investigation of government employees, the Civil Service Commission secretaries found it necessary to make these observations and have asked such questions. Among them are questions concerning the facts of political associations with the Abraham Lincoln Brigade, the Harry Bridges Defense Committee, the Lawyers Guild, the Women's League of the CIO, the Congress of Women, and the Washington and similar bookshops.

Questioning concerning union membership also came under the scope and do not inquire into the political persuasion of the employee's relatives. Nor are investigators the any longer about the question: "You in ever been known to read the Daily Worker, FM, the Nation, New Republic or Outlook among them?"

The two principal agencies investigating federal employees are the Civil Service Commission and the Federal Bureau of Investigation. Each has long de- noted that it used Gestapo methods and neither has ever admitted the asking of any of the questions that have now been officially outlawed.

Many Government employees have been fired because of reports that he believed enough in the United States Constitution to consider Negroes equal to white people, or because he did not know Jews, or because he once belonged to a union, or because he was known as "lefty" by his college baseball team mates. To FBI and Civil Service Agents these things spelled communism, and a good many of them seemed to think the enemy. Judging from their questions, their fear of voices over heard from the FBI, what effect are they having on the people who are to be questioned, that are not yet heard of fias.

What affect the Civil Service Commission order would have on FBI agents' investigative methods was not immediately known.
Poll Tax Repeal Would Give Vote to 10 Million Persons

By Federated Press

Poll tax repeal, now before the U. S. Senate as HR 7, the Marcamonti anti-poll-tax bill, would bring the right to vote to 10 million white and negro workers in the poll tax states. In Alabama, Arkansas, Georgia, Missis-

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Representation in Congress is based on the number of voters in each State. In 1934, 200,000 voters in the poll tax states were disfranchised and were not elected as representatives as they were disfranchised. The eight comparable non-poll-tax states of the United States of Congress, 19 were elected with a total of fewer votes than the six States, each of which having a Congress member to represent the Illinois congressman.

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