

# Thornhill and District News

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"The Liberal" is always pleased to publish items of interest contributed by its readers in the Thornhill area. Our representative in Thornhill is Mrs. Margaret McLean, who may be reached by phoning AV. 5-2331.

**STOUFFVILLE:** Only one vacancy remains on the 17 member teaching staff of the Stouffville District High School for the new term in September. The latest addition to staff is Miss Lloy Edgheoffer who will teach P.T. She comes to town from Port Credit where she taught for the past two years. The position of assistant commercial instructor is still open.

## Honor Rev. H.R. Howden Quarter Century Service

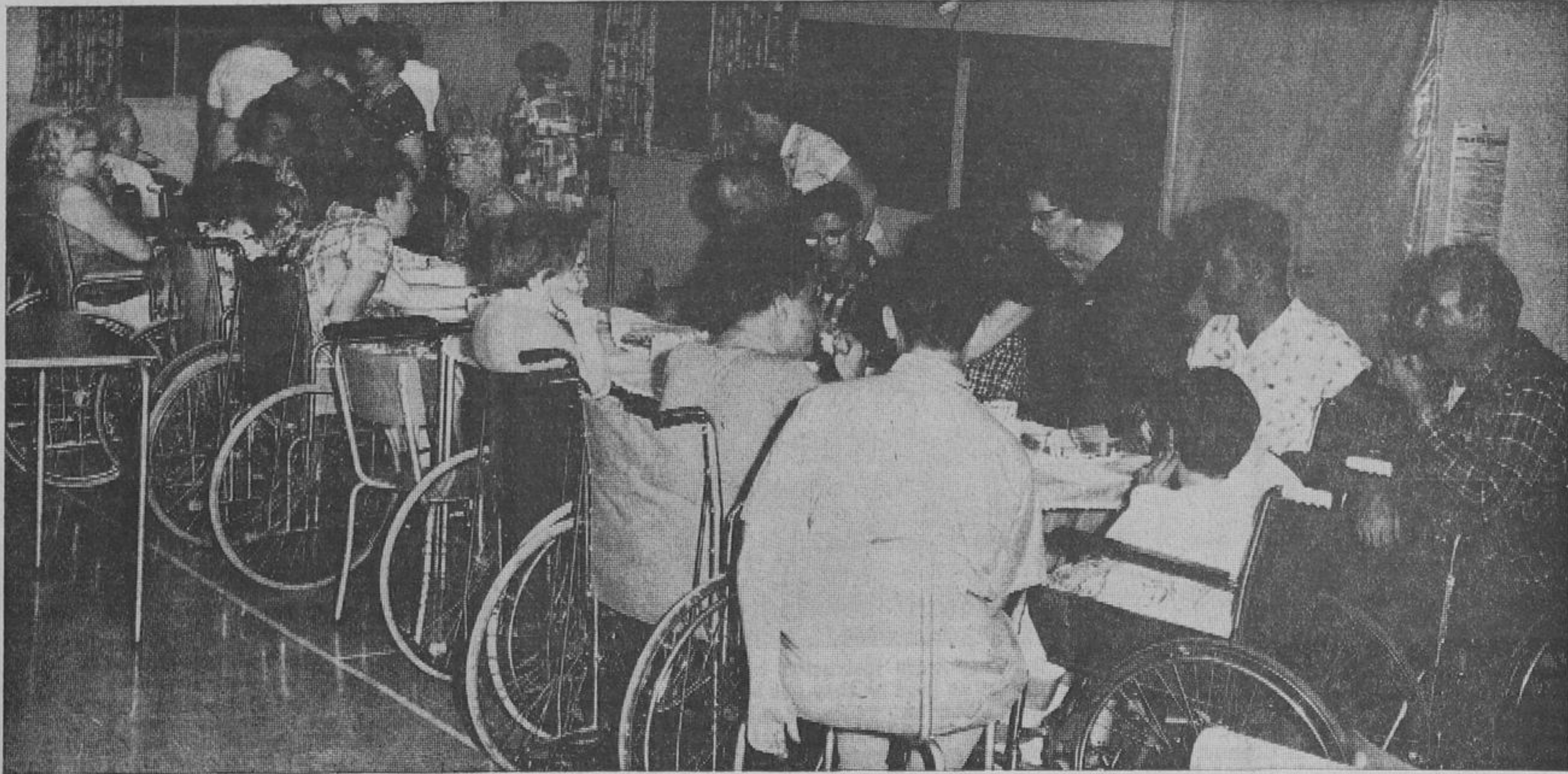
On Sunday evening, May 27th, the Churchwardens of Holy Trinity Church held a reception following the evening service to

honour the 25th anniversary of the ordination to the Priesthood of the Reverend Herbert Reginald Howden, B.A., L.Th., rector of the parish. Rev. Howden received his Arts degree from Trinity College, University of Toronto in 1934 and his degree in divinity in 1936. Following his ordination he was assistant curate at St. Clements Church Toronto then went to St. John's Church, Lakefield, near Peterborough, his home town. From Lakefield he went to Trinity Church, Barrie for seven years and then spent six years at St. Michael and All Angels at Toronto. Eight years were spent in Detroit, at St. Joseph's and the Church of the Redeemer, from where Rev. Howden came to Thornhill last year. Rev. Howden has therefore had experience in village, town and city in both the United States and Canada.

Rev. Howden feels that in the years since his ordination there has been an increase in the number of people attending churches and that a good start has been made on the spiritual revival that is needed, although there is still a long way to go. He feels that in the last 25 years there have been tremendous advances in spiritual things and that in both the United States and Canada there is a much more serious attitude than formerly about spiritual matters; people are seriously enquiring into the Bible and the church, as to what it has to offer them.

**AURORA:** Liberal candidate John Addison was refused permission by the town council to drop election leaflets over the town from an aircraft. It was felt that children might be endangered running after the leaflets.

## Community Ladies Club Serves Doncaster Area



Patients at the Villa Hospital, Bathurst Street, enjoy the delicious lunch and refreshments provided by the Doncaster Community Ladies' Club following a pleasant evening playing cards. This was the second card

party at the hospital sponsored by the Doncaster ladies. In addition a young lady and a young man have been "adopted" by the club. (Photo by David Barbour)

By Margaret I. McLean

A group of approximately 10 ladies, members of the indefatigable Doncaster Ladies Club held a euchre party at the Villa Hospital, Bathurst Street on May 14th, in place of their regular monthly meeting. With some 16 patients of the hospital an evening of euchre (and one table of Scrabble) was much enjoyed, many prizes were won and the ladies' usual delicious refreshments disappeared in short order.

Organized 15 years ago, this hard-working group, with approximately 20 members, has engaged in a great variety of good works in the Doncaster area. This latest project is the "adoption" of two young patients at the Villa, a 15 year old girl and a young man of 19 years. They plan to provide them with items of clothing, pocket money, Christmas and birthday remembrances and generally see that their lives are enriched by trips, and just human interest.

The largest project the ladies have undertaken, and which is continuous one, is the provision of scholarships and bursaries for high school students, residents of the Doncaster area. With the interest on money the ladies have invested, they offer \$25.00 scholarship to the best Doncaster student in the Grade and 10 general, commercial

and special classes; \$25.00 to the best student in the general and commercial course in Grade 11; \$75.00 for the best student in Grade 12, general and commercial; and \$75.00 for the best Doncaster student in Grade 13. Aid Any Student

As well as these scholarships, the ladies have money available for a bursary to help any Doncaster student who requires help with books or clothing to enable him or her to stay in school. The executive of the club this year consists of President Mrs. A. Morrison, Vice-President Mrs. John Barbour, Secretary Mrs. Cecil Russell, Corresponding secretary Mrs. M. Malinski, and Treasurer Mrs. John Edgar.

Anyone wishing further information about the scholarships or bursary is invited to contact any of these ladies.

### Many Projects

Through their three euchre marathons held each year, the Doncaster Ladies Club has made other substantial contributions to the community — they purchased the projector and auditorium drapes at Henderson Avenue Public School, contributed to the skating rink at the school, the local hockey club and Guides and Brownies. For several years, they held an annual picnic for children of the Doncaster Ladies Club. This year, however, they are planning a tea and bake sale at the home of Mrs. H. Mizen, Sprucewood Drive, on June 20th. At the tea, there will be races and a fish-pond for preschool children.

The ladies also keep a layette on hand at all times and are ready to help out any needy family in this way.

So here's to the Doncaster Ladies! Long may they flourish and continue with their good works.

## Between Steeles & Arnold

# Province Is Considering Widening Of Yonge St.

At last week's meeting of the Vaughan Township Council, Councillor G. W. Keffer, chairman of the roads committee reported that at a recent meeting of the committee, representatives of the Department of Highways had appeared and reviewed with the committee and the township engineer, G. K. Hopper, a proposed widening of Yonge Street from Steeles to Arnold Avenue.

The committee suggested that consideration be given to a satisfactory location for a water-

main and that the culvert pipe installed under Yonge St. at Arnold Avenue be replaced with a larger pipe to alleviate an existing drainage problem. It also recommended that provision be made for sidewalks on the west side of the highway. The plans were referred to the highways engineers and the township engineer for study and revision, having regard to the committee's observations.

Mr. Hopper also discussed with the roads committee the estimated costs of improving the roads in the township which had been given high priority in the road needs study. The engineers have been authorized to commence with the necessary field work and surveys in connection with the following roads: Elgin Mills Sideroad widening and improvement of C.P.R. level crossing, at an estimated cost of \$119,800.00; improvement of intersection and approaches at Diceman corner (6th concession and Teston Sideroad), at an estimated cost of \$87,100.00; land acquisition, grubbing and re-location of fences on Dufferin Street, north of No. 7 Highway, estimated cost to be \$53,900.00.

**New Method Seeding**  
Council also accepted the roads committee recommendation that a contract be awarded to Beamish Construction Ltd. for the hydro-seeding of the roadside banks on the 7th concession at a price of \$.085 per square yard. This is an alternative to the sodding of steep roadside slopes and involves the spraying of a mixture of grass seed, fertilizer, straw and tar on the slopes. The township tried this method for the first time last year and found that it worked out very well.

**Flying Club**  
A letter received from the Toronto Flying Club concerning the removal of trees on the south side of the King-Vaughan town line at 400 Highway was referred to the roads committee and road superintendent for study.

**Traffic Lights**  
The council agreed, as recommended by the committee, to make representations to the Department of Highways for installation of a manually operated traffic signal light at Concession 7 and No. 7 Highway, just east of Woodbridge. This had been requested for the protection of school children crossing the highway at that point.

## Thornhill Notes

### Mental Health Campaign

Mr. R. H. Nell, chairman of the Canadian Mental Health Association's local campaign for funds, held a meeting on May 29th for canvassers who are helping him on June 1st and 2nd.

Posters and canvassers' envelopes with the association's emblem of a white cross on a bright blue background were distributed. Mrs. Donald Strickland briefed the canvassers. Please be ready with a generous contribution when the canvasser calls on you. The Canadian Mental Health Association is doing a wonderful job not only in helping those who are already suffering from mental illness, but to educate and inform the general public about mental illness generally and the help that is available for combating it.

### Women's Institute

The May meeting of the Thornhill W.I. was held on May 17th at the home of Mrs. C. Thompson. Because of the warm weather, the meeting was held in the garden. Mrs. Thompson welcomed the members by reading a poem. The roll call was "Sing, Say, Recite or Pay" and the response proved most interesting. There were pieces on trust, faith, "smile", "It's a good world" and "Things to believe".

The minutes were then read by the recording secretary, Mrs. M. Carroll. Many letters of thanks and comment on the 60th anniversary were read by Mrs. P. Bone the public relations convener.

It was decided to hold the group's annual picnic at the home of Mr. and Mrs. H. Swaley in the Hockley Valley, Caledon. Members will make arrangements for the noon meal and the Hockley Valley W.I. will cater for the evening meal. Arrangement committees were set up for the picnic.

Other items of interest announced were the county rally to be held at Vellore on July 24th and also the district picnic to be held at Sharon Park on June 16th.

A report on the card party held on May 14th was given by Mrs. T. Findlay who reported that it was quite successful. "Happy Birthday" was sung to several members who had birthdays during May. It was decided to send a W.I. spoon to Mrs. B. Lewis, the district president for her trouble regarding the books of the Thornhill W.I. Mrs. W. Thompson asked to have her membership transferred to the Mark-Vaughan W.I. An executive meeting was to be held at the home of Mrs. T. Empringham on May 28th, and a program meeting was held at the home of Mrs. L. Jamieson on May 24th. Each convener brought a motto and roll call for the 1962-3 meetings. The guest speaker at the May meeting was Mrs. H. MacKay of Richmond Hill. She was introduced to the ladies by Mrs. C. Thompson and then gave a most interesting talk and demonstration of spices and their use. Mrs. B. Lewis, the district president for her trouble regarding the books of the Thornhill W.I. Mrs. W. Thompson asked to have her membership transferred to the Mark-Vaughan W.I. An executive meeting was to be held at the home of Mrs. T. Empringham on May 28th, and a program meeting was held at the home of Mrs. L. Jamieson on May 24th. Each convener brought a motto and roll call for the 1962-3 meetings. The guest speaker at the May meeting was Mrs. H. MacKay of Richmond Hill. She was introduced to the ladies by Mrs. C. Thompson and then gave a most interesting talk and demonstration of spices and their use.

The Catholic Women's League of St. Luke's, held their annual spring card party in the auditorium of St. Luke's school on May 9th. The spring theme was emphasized with large bouquets of forsythia and the capacity crowd enjoyed an evening of cards, followed by refreshments. Mrs. V. V. DeMarco, the newly-elected president awarded the prizes for the marathon held during the winter. Mrs. Paul Johnston received the first prize and Mrs. Con. Enright,

second, for the bridge group. Mrs. Rose Wood won first prize for the euchre. Mrs. Charles Wiberley of Willowdale won the first prize on the draw, a matching purse and scarf.

### United Church News

On May 15th, Toronto Centre Presbytery, meeting in Willowdale United Church, received two of the young men of Thornhill United Church as candidates for the Christian ministry: Mr. Allan Aho, son of Dr. and Mrs. Charles Aho of Elmbank Rd., Thornhill and Mr. Jim Bushell, son of Mr. and Mrs. John Bushell, of Carrville. Both Allan and Jim have been active in the Young People's program. Jim is also organist and choir director at the sister church at Carrville. Both boys are in their final year at Thornhill High School and intend to enter university in the fall. They will take a three or four year arts course leading to a B.A., followed by another three years in a theological seminary to receive their B.D. degree. As part of their training, they will be expected to serve the church as summer student missionaries in some of the more remote areas of Canada. The congregation of Thornhill United Church takes great pride in recommending Allan and Jim as candidates for the ministry and promises them continued interest and support in the years ahead.

Final plans and preparations have been made for the rug hooking and braiding exhibition and demonstration to be held at Thornhill United Church on June 8th and 9th. Mrs. Lois Mark will demonstrate her art and 100 pieces of her work will be on display. The rug fair will be opened by Miss Wanda Nell, craft editor of Chateaufort Magazine.

On Sunday, May 13th, the young people's program for the year officially ended with an evening of fun and fellowship at Tin Tern Farm, where the young people were guests of Mr. and Mrs. G. D. Cram. They enjoyed sitting before the fireplace, feasting on hot dogs, singing old favourites and joining in a quiet vesper service. Activities begin in the autumn and anyone 16 years or older is invited to attend.

Evening services have been discontinued for the summer. The morning services will be simple and brief and younger children will be cared for in the main Sunday school auditorium downstairs. The church office will be open all summer and Mr. MacDonald and Mr. Veals will be ready to serve anyone who telephones them there or at their homes. The evening Bible fellowship group will continue every Wednesday night throughout the summer. The group is now studying "The Word and the Way", a new textbook for adults on basic protestant teachings. They meet in the church parlour at 8 p.m. The annual congregational picnic will be held on Saturday, June 2nd at the Greenwood Conservation area. Full particulars may be obtained from Mr. Alan Beckwith, TU. 4-5767.

A Thornhill school of the Canadian Bible Society was set up at Thornhill United Church on May 24th with all denominations represented. A supper meeting was held and Rev. Stawway of the Bible society addressed the gathering. Thornhill Secondary School Senior students of Thornhill Secondary School were given an unusual opportunity to meet and listen to a distinguished man of letters on May 25th when Mr. George Lamming spoke to an interested group of students and teachers who filled the school library to overflowing. Mr. Lamming, a native of Trinidad, has lived in England for the past fourteen years and is the author of five books. He is in Canada on a Canada Council scholarship and intends writing a book about Canada.

Mr. Lamming pointed out that literature is made up of history, biography, memoirs and even love letters, as well as fiction, and that each of these things helps us to understand the writer and the kinds of questions his age was asking. "The novel" he stated, "is just a piece of fiction of a certain length". It tries, however, to chart not only the individual characters and conflicts of a situation, but gives the vision the author has of his particular time.

Mr. Lamming gave a penetrating analysis of Paton's "Cry the Beloved Country", and described Paton as a liberal white S. African who was really extremely nervous of the possibilities of African nationalism. Mr. Lamming spoke with considerable fervour on the complacency of the one third of the world's population who persisted in ignoring the plight of the two thirds of the world's people who go to bed hungry every night of their lives. He expressed regret that some part of the money and skills being currently poured in the "mad space race" could not be diverted even temporarily to the alleviation of their distress.

Mr. Lamming's address was warmly received and precipitated several questions from the students and staff members. At the request of Mr. Youle-White, he gave a most eloquent and moving reading of a poem "The Parrots" by a fellow West Indian. My thanks are extended to the school librarian, Mrs. Audrey Taylor for having arranged such an interesting lecture, and for having invited your reporter to it.

### Holy Trinity Church

On Sunday, May 20th, Mrs. Herbert Girard of Roosevelt Dr. was presented with certificates from the leadership training course given by the General Board of Religious Education of the Anglican Church. Mrs. Girard received certificates in doctrine and in church history. She also received a diploma certifying that she has obtained a first class standing in six of these courses during the last few years. The week June 10 to 17 has been designated as "Church School Week" at Holy Trinity. On June 15 the annual Sunday school teachers' supper will be held, with the program arranged by Mr. Roy Ross, superintendent of the junior department. On June 16th, the congregational picnic will be held at the farm home of Mrs. George McLaren on the German Mills Road. On June 17th, certificates and awards will be presented to the church school students at the morning service.

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