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TOWER TALKS

by U.S. Senator for Texas
JOHN TOWER

Water Rights Threat

WASHINGTON—Federal regulations are being drafted that could strangle the liberty and prosperity of millions of American farmers and ranchers with miles of bureaucratic red tape. I'm doing what I can to remedy this situation.

Under proposed rules being prepared now by the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers, the rancher who wants to enlarge his stock pond, the farmer who wants to deepen his irrigation ditch or plow a field, or the mountaineer who wants to protect his land against stream erosion could be required to get a federal permit first.

The proposed regulations constitute "a harassment to farmers and ranchers trying to grow this nation's food supply," according to Secretary of Agriculture Earl Butz.

"Millions of people, as they now operate . . . could be fined up to $25,000 a day and imprisoned for one year for violations" of the new rules, Butz warned.

The proposed regulations were drafted in response to a federal district court decision last March in a suit brought by environmental groups against the Corps of Engineers and the Environmental Protection Agency (EPA).

The decision of the U.S. District Court for the District of Columbia expanded federal authority over "navigable waters" to include virtually every river, stream, brook, lake, wetland and irrigation project in the United States.

The district court decision is judicial usurpation of the worst sort. It would expand the jurisdiction of the Corps of Engineers far beyond anything possibly imagined by Congress. It would effectively strip the states of their authority to administer those resources which traditionally have belonged to farmers.

What is more frightening, the court decision would require the Corps of Engineers to regulate the activities of a great portion of our nation's farmers, a further deterioration of the private property rights of individuals. At a time when private farmers are already reeling under economic pressures, the possible expansion of federal control would be an intolerable additional burden.

I have introduced one bill, and cosponsored another, that would negate the effect of the court decision. My bill would amend the federal Water Pollution Control Act to make it clear that federal authority over "the navigable waters of the United States" would be limited to those involving interstate commerce.

The bill I have cosponsored with Sen. Robert Dole of Kansas would go even further to protect the rights of individual property owners and the several states from federal encroachment.

I am hopeful that one or both of these measures will be passed before any Texas farmers suffer from that nefarious court ruling.

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24 YEARS AGO
Let's Look Back

(April 19, 1951)

Among the Brownies of Troop 8 visiting the Headlight office yesterday were Elizabeth Owen Sinclair, Catherine Coral Donnelly, Margaret Donnelly, Lynda Powers, Ja Neille Anderson, Haddie Helen Lockwood, Patsy Ann Brasher, Ann Graham, Dolly Stiles and Billie Faye Baumert. Showing the young Girl Scouts the process of producing, printing and folding a newspaper were Fred R. Franks, Sports Editor and Interype Operator, and Shop Superintendent, Fred G. Franks. . .Attending the Area Conference of Senior Girl Scouts in Bay City from here were Martha Pidgeon, Jo Ann Meitzen, Jeanette Causey, Betty Kay Meitzen, Lula Jean Spelling, Joel Ann Middlebrook, Jane Adkins, Jenny Sue McLellan, Arline Gertson and Jeanette Causey. Troop leaders accompanying them were Mrs. Charles Causey and Mrs. Edgar Adkins. . .If the Rev. and Mrs. Robert O. Tupper of Lisle ever had any superstitions about Friday, the 13th, they're gone now. They are rejoicing over the arrival of a baby daughter, Joselyn Blanche. She was born Friday, April 13th in the Laughlin Hospital . . .The PTA Annual Show was bigger and better than ever last Thursday night with Carole Crim being crowned Queen of the annual PTA Spring Festival by King Gayle Thomas. Last year's queen Sandra Thomas, and John Matthews took part in the ceremony under the "Big Top". . .The formal opening of the Rice Theatre will be Monday, April 23rd, to coincide with National Rice Week, and there will be free shows and free gifts of rice. H. C. Johnson, manager of the theatre, said they plan to light up Monday for the first time their new neon sign with the word "RICE" on it. . .Only 47 votes were cast in the City Council election last Saturday with three candidates running for three vacancies. Reelected were M. M. Jones and A. H. Seaholm and Finley Durbin was elected to replace C. P. Boggess who did not run for re-election. . .This spring's mumps and measles epidemic has been the most widespread of many years. Beth Sinclair is the latest of the mumps cases to return to school this week.

Rep. Wilson On Constitution Committee

Rep. John Wilson, La Grange, was one of seven House members appointed by Speaker Bill Clayton Monday, June 30 to study implementation of the proposed new state constitution.

The special joint interim committee, established by House Concurrent Resolution 313, has 20 members appointed by the Speaker, Lt. Governor, Governor and Chief Justice of the Supreme Court.

The committee will make reports and recommendations concerning implementation of the approved articles to a session of the Legislature in January of 1976.

Voters will decide November 4 whether to approve or reject articles of the proposed new constitution.

Wings Of (Splat) Love Still Bugging Florida

A bumper sticker like this would do no good in Florida (and the same could apply in this area of Texas) because: (1) everybody already does, and (2) you couldn't read it. On the front bumper it would be buried under layers of splattered-on bugs.

Blizzards of love bugs descend on Florida throughout every May and September, but are rarely seen—and not missed at all—the rest of the year, the National Geographic Society says.

They're called love bugs, or honeymoon flies, because they spend their entire week of on-the-wing life mated together end to end, producing multitudes of offspring.

Love bugs, however, do perform at least one useful function, besides being good for the business of building screened cages over the state's outdoor swimming pools.

When they are flying, during the day's hottest hours between 10 in the morning and 4 in the afternoon, they enrich Florida. The females lay eggs—350 or so at a time—in cattle manure, rotting vegetation, and the larvae convert it into soil nutrients.

LAND OF LOVE

State agricultural experts say that within the last ten years love bugs have turned countless acres of Florida land into improved pastures.

The love bug has hardly any natural enemies—except Floridians. They have given up trying to get rid of the bugs because they are too widespread to be fought with chemical spraying, and, anyway, they are harmless pests and bothersome only two months a year.

Central Americans and Mexicans always have known about love bugs, but they were not spotted in Florida until 1940. Apparently the climate farther north is not hot and humid enough for the bugs' liking.

Too few hurricanes in recent years and too many manure-producing cattle ranches in Florida are blamed for the love bug population explosion.

Entomologists think they know why billions of love bugs swarm to their doom on highways.

Say the scientists: Something in the smog produced by automobile exhaust and Florida sunshine smells good to the love bugs, just the kind of whatever it is that attracts them to barnyard manure piles.

48 YEARS AGO
Let's Look Back

(April 23, 1927)

Poisoning of potatoes in the Bonus section from an airplane on last Saturday morning attracted many farmers from the community around. Curtis Quick and Eddie Barnes of the Quick Airplane Cotton Dusters of Houston took turns in flying over the potato field of Waldo Terrell. . .The new White House Hotel and Cafe, just completed by A. C. McClanahan, was opened for business last Saturday. . .Mr. and Mrs. Armit Thomas of Scranton, Pa., arrived in the city last Saturday for a few days' visit with the family of his brother, Alderman G. E. Thomas. . .Judge Max Conner was wearing one of his hands in bandages this week as the result of an accident at the pens at the lumber yard Saturday. Judge Conner had been working with a bull yearling, and Mr. Yearling evidently did not like treatment he had been receiving. Taking advantage of a moment in which Judge Conner was not looking, the yearling drove into him billy-goat fashion and knocked him for a goal. . .The annual Rotary Club banquet held in the Drummers' Home Hotel last night was a brilliant and a most successful affair. After President Emil Harigel opened the meeting, it was turned over to Toastmaster O. J. Wintermann and from that moment on for two hours, fun and entertainment came fast and furious. Congressman J. J. Mansfield made a brief talk during the evening. Oscar Wintermann, Charles McLellan and Gilbert Choppin, in their character skit "Dodge", furnished the crowning mirth-provoking stunt of the evening . . .Scout Troop turned over to Thomas T. Waddell by Scoutmaster F. M. Johnson on eve of his departure to his new home in Houston. . .

One Little Voice-
Money Has Little Value Unless---

It was always a good day in the little kingdom of Lotlivia, for the people were industrious: Farmers, workmen, and administrators tended to their specific tasks and produce and products flowed to the market place for purchase.

One day, however, was an even better day—or so the citizens first believed. So much money rained down that each Lotlivian discovered he had only to spread his coat, wait for it to fill up, and he was a multimillionaire. Those fortunate enough to have spread out two coats found they were billionaires by the time the rain had stopped.

"Lucky, lucky day," they thought. "We are all very rich." With everyone rich, then, nobody went to work. The land was not tilled, machines were not operated, typewriters remained silent, and there was nothing to administer. Anyhow, all the administrators went fishing.

Well, after several days, the grocers had nothing to sell, the department stores closed for lack of inventory, and all deliveries were postponed, for there was little left to deliver. Anyhow, the drivers went fishing, too.

So everyone had money, but no one could buy anything at any price.

"What good is my wealth?" asked one mother. "I cannot get shoes for my children."

"And I can't fix Joe's favorite breakfast cereal," complained another mother.

They were right. Wealth could buy them nothing unless that wealth was tied to production. Adding dollars to paychecks or living in Lotlivia where it rained money is of no value unless people increase the supply of goods and services to be bought for that money.

"We are rich," observed the king of Lotlivia, "when it rains production, not money."

His subjects agreed and they returned to work.

—Nat'l Rural Letter Carriers Publication

ASCS Office Needs Rice Producer SS Nos.

The County ASCS office urges rice producers and landowners who have an interest in a 1975 rice crop to report their identification number or Social Security number to the county office by Monday, July 14th.

Dan Streckfus, executive director for ASCS in this county, says that this applies to farmers, landlords, those who cash rent or in any other manner are interested in a rice crop. If identification numbers are not reported to the ASCS office by that deadline then the rice from that farm will not be eligible for government support and loan programs.

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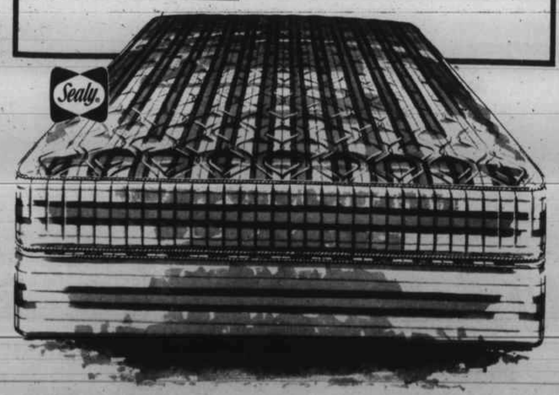

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Resources Gets New Gas Pay In Englehart Field

Resources Investment Corp. has completed a new pay gas well, the No. 1 J. H. Hudson, in the Englehart Field about 4 miles northwest of Garwood.

The well established an absolute open flow of 17,100 cubic feet of dry gas through perforations ranging from 3,275 to 3,283 feet in the Frio. Total depth is 9,415 feet.

Site is on a 200-acre lease in the Samuel Kennelly Survey, A-30.

Davis Oil Co. has also completed the No. 1 Willie H. Bartlett, a gas well 1.5 miles northeast of Eagle Lake. The well produced 3,000 cubic feet of dry gas through perforations at 2,097 to 2,109 feet in the Miocene formation.

Location is on a 151-acre lease in the T&NO RR Survey, A-572.

Four new locations were announced week before last.

Hill Production Co. of Wisconsin staked the No. 1 David Lundquist in the South Easton Field 6 miles southwest of Garwood.

A 3,000-foot test is planned on a 320-acre lease in the SA&MG RR Survey 15, A-542.

Hill also staked the No. 1 Witter, a wildcat 3 miles south of Eagle Lake. Site is on a 189-acre lease in the James Earl Survey, A-191.

Prairie-Convest-Neumin is drilling the No. 1 Edward Moeller about one mile west-southwest of Nada.

The 3,500-foot wildcat test is on a 150-acre lease in the Conrad Gurgens Survey, A-225.

Goldking Production Co. of Houston will rework the No. 3 McLane Texas Trust East in the Garwood Field, 9.5 miles southwest of Nada.

The well is on a 160-acre lease in Section 45, I&GN RR Survey, A-288. —Colorado County Citizen.

Russell Thomas Graduate Of Univ. of Texas

More than 500 University of Texas students were candidates for bachelor's degrees in the College of Natural Sciences at the close of the spring semester.

The list of degree candidates, announced by Dean Paul Olum, included the following Eagle Lake student: Raymond Russell Thomas, Jr., son of Dr. and Mrs. Raymond R. Thomas, who received the Bachelor of Arts Degree.

Permits to sell $13.4 million in securities in Texas were filed with the State Securities Board last week.

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GARWOOD AND NADA COMMUNITY NEWS

MRS. J. F. STRUSKA – 758-3352

Mr. and Mrs. Clarence Frels of Garwood, Mr. and Mrs. Ross Phillips of Pasadena and Mr. and Mrs. Isador Miller of Sargeant spent last weekend at Indianola.

Mrs. A. M. Krenek is spending a few days in El Campo with Mr. and Mrs. Lee Krenek and family.

Mr. and Mrs. Harry Westerholm and sons of Somerville, New Jersey, were guests of Mrs. R. B. Shaw Wednesday afternoon, July 2.

Mr. and Mrs. Albert Arnold and Mrs. Annie Rek spent the past weekend in Houston visiting Mr. and Mrs. A. J. Arnold and sons and Mr. and Mrs. William Rek and son.

Mrs. Clarence Martin of Garwood and Mrs. DFuper Stephens of Eagle Lake visited Mr. and Mrs. Otto Braden and Mr. and Mrs. Charles Walker in Sweeny Wednesday, July 2.

Mr. and Mrs. Harry Brisco from Texas A&M University visited Mr. and Mrs. Troy Krenek Wednesday and Thursday, July 2-3 and attended a bridal shower Wednesday afternoon at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Lawrence Stallman honoring her sister, Joyce Krenek.

JULY 4TH DINNER

Mr. and Mrs. Heyne Dromgoole, Mack Wade and Dena Shea entertained July 4th with a barbecue dinner, salads and desserts at noon. Melon ice cream and drinks were served in the afternoon.

The guests for this lovely dinner were Mr. and Mrs. F. M. Dromgoole, Sr., Mr. and Mrs. Fulton Dromgoole, Jr., both of Eagle Lake; Rev. and Mrs. Bill Grissom and children of Houston; Mr. and Mrs. Melvin Sunderman and daughters and Jerald Obenhaus of Eagle Lake; Mrs. G. M. Longmire and Mrs. C. E. Carter of Bonus; Mrs. Ky Tolliver of Egypt; Mrs. G. M. Cason of Matthews; Claude Brewer and Mrs. R. B. Shaw of Garwood; and Roy Rettway of Houston.

A speedy recovery is wished for Mrs. H. A. Dromgoole, and C. A. Brewer who are both in the Gulf Coast Hospital in Wharton.

Mrs. Henrietta Krenek returned Sunday from a two weeks vacation in Miami, Phoenix, Tucson and Yuma with her son and wife, Mr. and Mrs. Richard Krenek. She reported a very enjoyable time while there. Her son and wife, Mr. and Mrs. David Krenek and son Russell, met her at the airport in Houston Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. John Struska and children of Houston were Sunday guests of his mother, Mrs. Ella Struska. Jack Struska stayed to spend a week with his grandmother.

Mr. and Mrs. Weldon Drapela and children of Lake Jackson were weekend guests of Mr. and Mrs. Adolph Kornese and Mr. and Mrs. B. J. Drapela.

ATTEND BOAT RACES

Some who spent the Fourth of July at Palacios at the boat races were: Mr. and Mrs. Paul Baumgarten, Mrs. Wilson Baumgarten, Mr. and Mrs. Monroe Krenek, Mr. and Mrs. Ben Richter, Mr. and Mrs. A. J. Richter, Mrs. Elsie Krenek, Clarence Hoelscher, Mr. and Mrs. Frank Wesselski, Jr. and possibly others.

Mr. and Mrs. Henry Beken and children, Jessica and Stewart, from Costa Rica were afternoon guests of Mr. and Mrs. L. V. Cranek, Sr. Tuesday of last week. Henry Beken is the Cranek's grandson.

Mr. and Mrs. Charles Weznesky of Houston, Mr. and Mrs. Ed Crenek of Fairchild and Mrs. A. M. Krenek of Garwood were Saturday guests of Mr. and Mrs. L. V. Cranek, Sr.

Mrs. Ida Vogelsang of Cameron, Mrs. Ida Young and daughter Patsy of San Diego, California, were Sunday afternoon guests of Mr. and Mrs. L. V. Cranek, Sr.

Mr. and Mrs. L. V. Cranek, Sr. were late evening dinner guests of Mr. and Mrs. Heine Beken in Weimar last Thursday.

Mr. and Mrs. Leo Bruggman of Rosebud were guests of Mr. and Mrs. L. V. Cranek, Sr. last Sunday.

Mrs. Henry Parkman of Bryan was a weekend visitor with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. K. C. Frederickson. She was accompanied home by her daughters, Staci, Kaye and Belle, who spent the week here with their grandparents.

Mr. and Mrs. Bill Carpenter and Kristine spent the weekend in Austin.

Mr. and Mrs. Victor Weber and Mr. and Mrs. Albert Billio of Victoria were guests of their cousins, Mrs. K. G. Frederickson, Mrs. R. A. Shoop and Mrs. Louis Miller last Monday.

Mr. and Mrs. Rex Allen Shoop and family spent the weekend at Lake Somerville.

Mr. and Mrs. Jack Lanier of Fort Worth spent the July 4th holiday with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Les Langston.

Miss Donna Lynn Dunklers and Miss Crystal Jones have returned from a vacation in South America.

Mr. and Mrs. Chester Rasmussen, Jr. and son Christopher of Victoria spent last weekend with Mrs. Joe Mendell.

IN HOUSTON HOSPITAL

Mr. and Mrs. M. G. Lanier and daughter Kelli, Mrs. Joe Mendell, Mrs. E. L. Wied and Melba Wied visited E. L. Wied at the Baptist Memorial Hospital in Houston last Friday.

E. L. Wied was released from the hospital for the weekend so Mr. and Mrs. E. L. Wied spent the weekend with Mr. Wied's sister's family, Mr. and Mrs. Leo Malek. Mr. Wied returned to the hospital Monday and Mrs. Wied returned home to Garwood.

Mrs. R. A. Shoop had her children, Mr. and Mrs. George Koenig and Renee, Mr. and Mrs. Daniel Kudelka and son Duane of Ganado and Mr. and Mrs. Rex Allen Shoop and family, for a Fourth of July dinner.

Sheridan Red Cross Swimmers

Here are some of the 149 youngsters enrolled in the American Red Cross swimming lessons held at the Sheridan Pool from June 21st through July 3rd.

149 Take Red Cross Swimming At Sheridan

One hundred forty-nine youngsters enrolled in American Red Cross swimming lessons held at the Sheridan Pool from June 21 through July 3. This number was an increase of twenty-three over last year's one hundred twenty-six enrolled.

Formerly called Junior Life-Saving, Basic Rescue and Water Safety was offered to ten participants. Thirteen were enrolled in the Swimmer's class. Intermediates numbered twenty-six with Advanced Beginners having fourteen. The largest group was the Beginners with eighty-six.

Forty percent successfully completed their particular skills for their classes.

Assisting water safety instructors Bill and Lillian Gohlke were Jackie Smith, Denise Hagendorf and Holly Jones.

Bernardo Fire Dept. BBQ

Sun. July 20

Bernardo Volunteer Fire Department will hold its 10th annual chicken barbecue at the Mentz Parish Hall Sunday, July 20th and one and all are invited to attend.

The barbecued chicken dinners will be served beginning at 11:30 a.m. for $2.00 for adults and $1.50 for children under 12 years of age.

There will be entertainment for young and old throughout the afternoon and evening and music until 7:00 p.m.

Proceeds from the event will be used for equipment and supplies for the volunteer fire department in the Mentz and Bernardo communities.

NEWS FROM HERITAGE HOUSE

By Betty Svanner

In the absence of a minister Sunday, services were held any way. Mrs. Esther Sunderman led the church services with singing while Mrs. Emma Thomas provided accompaniment on the piano. Mrs. Roland led the opening prayer. There were 42 present including the visitors. Scriptures were recited by the residents and visitors. The closing prayer was led by Mrs. Gladys Hays, a resident.

Crafts were held as usual Monday with volunteer Helen Ball.

Bible Study was held last Friday with Rev. Sibley as the teacher. Mrs. Elsie Wegenhoft was our guest.

Mrs. Lena Ruggenberg from Weimar and Mr. and Mrs. William Terrell from Wharton were here to visit Mrs. Mattie Bricker.

HOLIDAY GUESTS

Mrs. R. L. Hutchins of Houston was here Thursday through Saturday to visit Mrs. W. C. Elkins and to participate in The Farris 1912 Arts and Crafts Show.

Mr. and Mrs. J. B. Cox and Mr. and Mrs. Alton Orr of Houston were here to spend the Fourth of July with Mrs. Elkins and Mrs. Hutchins.

PROMOTED

Carson L. Matthews whose sister Lorena Thomas lives in Eagle Lake was promoted to Army private first class while assigned as a cook in the 1st Calvary Division at Fort Hood, Texas.

HOSPITAL NEWS NOTES

Patients this week (July 7):
Mrs. Ida Stafford, city
Mrs. Clara Bell Morse, city
Epifanio Garcia, city
Leroy Spears, city
Mrs. Mollie Grewe, city
Ed McJimsey, city
Mrs. Sufronia Hemphill, city
Mrs. Annie Lou McTear, city
Mrs. Lee Anna Austin, city
Mrs. Stella Luna, city
Mrs. Mamie Mitchell, Altair
Abbie Taylor, Hallettsville
Eddie Junious, Columbus
Alfred Brandt, Columbus
John Mellon, Wharton
Leroy Bell, Rosenberg
Mrs. Odessa Taylor, Glidden

Dismissals:
Mrs. Shellanier Watson, city
Haliburton Parker, Sr., city
William E. Lenhart, city
Miss Susan Maldonado, city
Willie Mae Brown and baby girl, city
Jeffery Pasecik, city
Mrs. Nettie Richardson, city
Mrs. Florence Torres, city
Mrs. Mabel Watts, city
Miss Diana Cotton, city
Terry Michael Brown, city
Linda Spates, city
Mrs. Estella Martinez and baby girl, city
Miss Felicia Frazier, city
Patrick Powers, city
Mrs. Ruby Perry, city
Mrs. Irene Axel, Altair
Fred Lyle, Alleyton
Carl Schurring, Garwood
Mrs. Dorothy Klekar, Sheridan
Mrs. Carolyn Reed, Lissie
Mrs. Mary Stancik and baby girl, Columbus
Miss Carolyn Clark, San Antonio
Clayton Young, Victoria
Kenneth Nance, Rock Island

EAT MORE RICE!!

Two County 4-Hers To Attend Congress

(By Nora Galley, Assistant County Agent)

Denise Zimmermann and Jody Ripper will be among some 600 4-H boys and girls from across Texas participating in the third annual State 4-H Congress, taking a closer look at their cultural heritage.

The congress will be held at the Gunter Hotel in San Antonio July 15 through 18. Delegates will have an opportunity to hear stimulating speakers, take educational tours, and participate in group discussions that should provide them with a better background of their culture.

Speaking at the first general assembly of the congress will be Dr. Thomas S. Haggai, a minister from High Point, North Carolina, who will talk on "The Meaning of Culture".

The opening assembly the second day will feature an address on "History's Legacy" by Dr. Haskell M. Monroe, dean of faculties and professor of history at Texas A&M University.

A third keynote speaker, will be Dr. William H. Hale, Jr., associate director for the Continuing Education Center at the University of Georgia. He will speak on "Strength Out of Diversity" at the closing assembly of the congress.

Four-H'ers attending the state event will also be treated to a number of group presentations, including a "Cultural Fair" by students of Trinity University, "Heritage in Music and Dance" and "Texas Cultures Today" by students of San Antonio Junior College, and a "Historical Pageant" by members of the Extension District IX 4-H Council.

Walking tours will include the Alamo and the Institute of Texas Cultures.

A special feature of the state congress will be the election of officers and members of the 1975-76 Texas 4-H Council. The state council consists of the chairman and vice chairman of each of the 13 Extension Service district 4-H Councils plus four delegates-at-large.

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