



# HARDTACK



Indianapolis Civil War Round Table Newsletter

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Monday, June 10, 2024 at 6:45 p.m.  
Meeting at MCL Cafeteria Township Line  
2370 W. 86th Street

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## *The Plan of the Day*

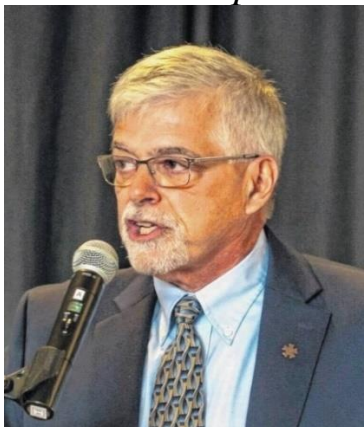


*Don Troiani*

**“BOYS, WE MUST  
HOLD OUR COLORS  
ON THIS LINE OR LIE  
HERE UNDER THEM!”  
COLONEL SAMUEL WILLIAMS,  
JULY 1<sup>ST</sup>, 1863**

**THE ACTION OF THE COLOR  
GUARD OF THE 19<sup>TH</sup>  
REGIMENT, INDIANA  
VOLUNTEER INFANTRY AT  
THE BATTLE OF  
GETTYSBURG.**

## *Our Guest Speaker*



**Phil Spaugy**

A resident of Vandalia, Ohio, Phil Spaugy owes his love of history to his grandmother, who taught in a one-room schoolhouse in Jackson Center, Ohio. His fascination with the American Civil War began at age seven, and he has been a collector since he was 16.

Particularly interested in Federal infantry arms and accoutrements, Phil has been a member of the Union Guards, Company A, 19th Regiment Indiana Volunteer Infantry of the North-South Skirmish Association for the last 47 years. He has extensively studied the soldiers, battles, and campaigns of the Iron Brigade, with a particular interest in the actions of the color guard of the 19th at the battle of Gettysburg. Phil also did research for the Don Troiani print, "The Black Hats," which depicts the gallant actions of Sergeant Major Asa Blanchard of the 19th Indiana at Gettysburg on the afternoon of July 1, 1863.

### **Roster of Officers and Committees for the 2023-2024 Campaign**

#### *Officers:*

President: Pete Benner

Vice President: Chris Smith

Secretary: Eric Dove

Treasurer: Pete Mohr

Immediate Past President: Steven Magnusen

#### *Committees:*

Preservation: Andy O'Donnell

Website: Ed Pope

Program Selection: Chairman Steve Magnusen; Members: Bob Gottschalk, David Finney, & Tony Trimble

Publicity: Peg Bertelli

#### *Quiz Master:*

Tony Trimble

#### *Book Raffle Master*

Tony Roscetti

#### *HARDTACK Newsletter:*

Editor: Bob Gottschalk

### ***Other Camp Activities***

**Hamilton County Civil War Roundtable:** Meetings are on the 2nd Wednesday each month, September through May (excluding December) in Carmel City Hall. Doors open at 6:30 p.m., and meetings start at 7:00 p.m.

**Madison County Historical Society Civil War Roundtable:** Meetings take place on the third Monday of each month at 7 p.m. in the Bowman Room at the Museum of Madison County History, 15 West 11th Street, Anderson, Indiana.

### ***Official Records***

**Alan T. Nolan Memorial Youth Scholarship Fund:** The Executive Board of the Indianapolis Civil War Round Table has established this fund to provide membership dues, annual tour expenses or other worthwhile purpose for any full-time student of any age. Please see Tony Roscetti to donate to this fund.

**Facebook:** The Indianapolis Civil War Round Table is on Facebook. We invite you to join our group. Feel free to post Civil War related messages on our site.

**Charitable Sponsors:** In an effort to upgrade our speakers and programs, the board of ICWRT is asking members and organizations with which they are involved (companies or charitable organizations) to consider sponsoring one or more speakers. This could be done as a gift now, or a person could opt to make a bequest in a will for that purpose. Because of our limited membership, we can't bring in as many national speakers as we would like to. If you are interested or want more info, call Chris Smith at 450-7430.

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### ***This Month In Civil War Era History***

June 24, 1859 – The Battle of Solferino was fought in Lombardy, Italy between the allied French and Piedmont-Sardinian Armies and the Austrian Army. The Allied victory was the largest battle fought on European soil since Leipzig in 1813, with 70,000 casualties resulting. It contributed to the establishment of the Kingdom of Italy in 1861, and the International Red Cross in 1863.

June 19, 1864 – Seven miles off the port of Cherbourg, France, the USS Kearsarge sank the CSS Alabama in an engagement that lasted less than 90 minutes.

June 30, 1864 – President Abraham Lincoln signed the Yosemite Grant Act, giving California 200,000 acres to establish the United States first state park.

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### ***Test Your Civil War Knowledge (with Trimble's Trivia)***

*by Tony Trimble*

No Quiz for June, but here are the answers for the May Quiz.

1. Prairie Grove, Arkansas lies 12 miles southwest of Fayetteville.
2. Decatur was Maj. Gen. Phil Kearny's War horse.
3. The Jessie Scouts were named Jessie Benton Fremont. They often wore Confederate uniforms.
4. Maj. Gen. John Schofield suffered from poor relations with the Missouri state government. He was replaced by William S. Rosecrans in January 1864.
5. An island in the James River near Richmond, used as a stockade for Union prisoners.

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Since Tony Trimble won't give you any more quiz questions until September, your HARDTACK editor will give you one to work on this summer:

**“Solferino,”** mentioned above, appears in bas-relief on one monument at Gettysburg.

Which one? Why?

You will have to get out of your car to find it!



## *Nominating Committee Report on 2024-2025 ICWRT Officers*

President: Chris Smith  
 VP: Tony Roscetti  
 Secretary: Eric Dove  
 Treasurer: Pete Mohr  
 Preservation: Andy O'Donnell  
 Web Master: Ed Pope  
 Publicity: Peg Bertelli  
 Quiz Master: Tony Trimble  
 Book Raffle Master: Roy Agnew  
 Keeper of the Raffle Books: Charlotte Carmichael

Hardtack Editor: Bob Gottschalk  
 Program Selection Committee:  
 Steve Magnusen, Chairman  
 Bob Gottschalk  
 David Finney  
 Tony Trimble  
 Nominating Committee:  
 Nikki Schofield  
 Linda Smith  
 Tony Trimble

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### *In Passing*

**Dan Mullendore Mitchell** passed away on Tuesday evening, May 14, 2024 at his residence in Franklin. A number of you will remember Dan as a long-time member and former president of the Indianapolis Civil War Roundtable who had an outstanding collection of GAR artifacts and documents, and very much enjoyed discussing his collection. He is survived by his wife Janet, who he married on June 18, 1960, and was also a long-time member of the ICWRT who usually accompanied Dan to the meetings. Dan also enjoyed casting and painting Civil War soldiers. Dan was a Past President and current Treasurer of the Johnson County Library Board and was the owner/operator of Mitchell Insurance Agency for many years.

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### *Review: Taking Up The Torch* by Nikki Schofield

The April-May 2024 issue of Smithsonian magazine has an excellent article entitled “*Taking Up the Torch. The Untold Story of The Youth Movement That Helped Elect Lincoln And Spurred the Nation To Civil War.*” The author, Jon Grinspan, tells the story of the young men in Hartford, Connecticut, who began the group known as the Wide Awakes, which the New York Tribute called “the most imposing, influential and potent political organization” in American history. Wide Awake clubs sprang up all over the country, before the Civil War. These men hated the Slave Power and were instrumental in getting Lincoln elected president. Grinspan wrote: “the movement likely had between 100,000 and 250,000 members at its height, but the shared sense of a burgeoning partisan army mattered more than the actual number.” Adjusting for today’s population, “the Wide Awakes comprised millions of members, dwarfing nearly every other mass movement in American political history.”





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## Don't Let Data Centers Destroy the Wilderness

This spring, Orange County, Va., approved the largest land-use alteration in its history, the rezoning of 2,600 acres at the gateway to the Wilderness Battlefield. It's the same area where, some 16 years ago, Walmart wanted to build a supercenter, before listening to reason and finding a more appropriate location nearby. In the aftermath, the Trust and its allies worked with the county to craft an overall vision for this historically sensitive region that would balance growth with preservation of open space.

Sadly, this new proposal is worse — far, far worse — than that original big-box development plan. In the face of overwhelming public opposition, officials approved the building of 5,000 homes and, appallingly, as many data centers and distribution warehouses as they can cram into 750 acres. Originally, that type of hulking, windowless development had been capped at five million square feet, but any semblance of a limit was lifted in the final hours before the vote, creating a material difference in the rezoning application beyond what had been considered by the county's professional planning staff.

Data centers are necessary components of our digital world, supporting the internet and cloud computing. But through a confluence of policy decisions and geographic convenience, Northern Virginia has become the data center of the world: more than 70 percent of GLOBAL internet traffic flows through Northern Virginia, with more data center facilities going online every day. Despite very real concerns about environmental impacts and the need for expensive upgrades to power lines and the existing power grid, neighboring counties are clamoring to tap into what they see as easy tax revenue.

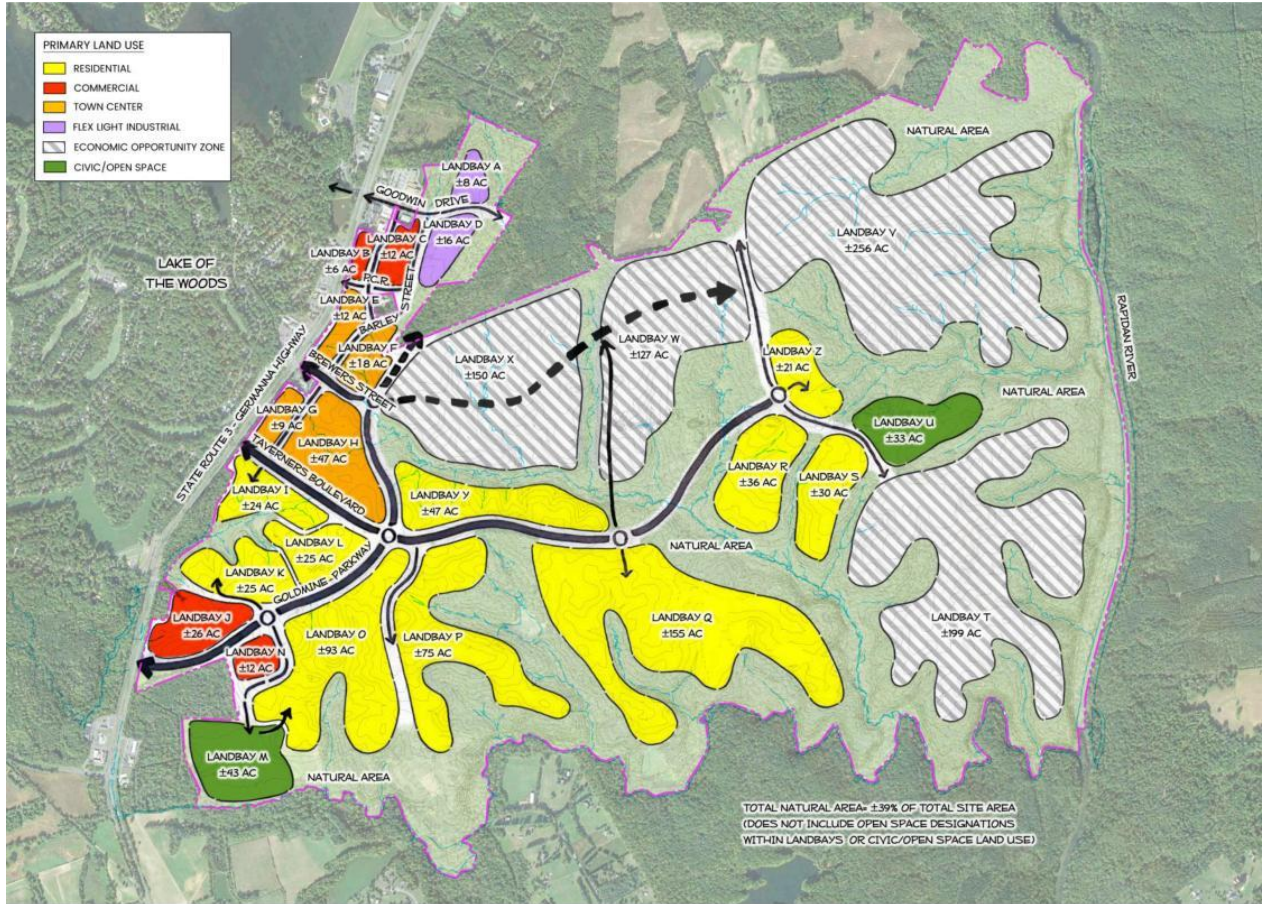
The Trust and its allies are tracking many such proposals, but most utterly pale in comparison to the threat posed by the Wilderness Crossing development. The sheer scale of it threatens not only the Wilderness Battlefield, but Chancellorsville as well. If ever there was a time to fight, it is now. That's why we — along with our long-time allies at the Central Virginia Battlefields Trust and Friends of Wilderness Battlefield — have filed a lawsuit seeking to overturn the rezoning and block the project.

We truly believe in the merits of our case, but such legal action is costly, and this urgent need comes while we are also pursuing many time-sensitive land preservation projects. Purchasing historic landscapes in this region outright is the most ironclad way to ensure they don't fall victim to another such proposal.

With so much at stake, the Trust is asking you to help us stop this outrageous proposal. Please consider making a gift toward this special appeal and help us hold the line at the Wilderness.

American Battlefield Trust  
1156 15th Street NW, Suite 900  
Washington, D.C. 20005





**RESIDENTIAL LAND USE**



**PRIMARY USES**

- SINGLE-FAMILY ATTACHED AND DETACHED DWELLINGS
- TWO-FAMILY DWELLINGS
- MULTI-FAMILY RESIDENCES
- CONVENIENCE RETAIL UNDER 10,000 SF PER USER

**COMPLEMENTARY USES**

- ASSISTED LIVING/MEMORY CARE FACILITY
- SMALL RETAIL USES < 4,000 SF
- COMMUNITY SERVICES
- RECREATION FACILITY/USE
- PUBLIC EDUCATIONAL FACILITIES
- MEDICAL, TECHNOLOGY OR EDUCATION CAMPUS

**COMMERCIAL LAND USE**



**PRIMARY USES**

- OFFICE/PROFESSIONAL SERVICES/MEDICAL OFFICE
- HOTEL OR SHORT-TERM LODGING
- CONVENIENCE RETAIL WITH OR WITHOUT CANOPY USES
- FINANCIAL SERVICES WITH OR WITHOUT DRIVE-THRU
- RETAILS/GROCERS
- RESTAURANT/ SPECIALTY RETAILERS

**COMPLEMENTARY USES**

- AUTOMOTIVE RELATED USES; SALES, REPAIR, AND SERVICE
- PRODUCT SALES I.E. BUILDING MATERIALS, ETC.
- RESIDENTIAL LAND USES

**TOWN CENTER LAND USE**



**PRIMARY USES**

- CONVENIENCE RETAIL
- RESIDENTIAL ATTACHED TO OFFICE OR RETAIL
- OFFICE/PROFESSIONAL SERVICES/MEDICAL OFFICE
- RESTAURANT / SPECIALTY RETAILERS
- ASSISTED LIVING/MEMORY CARE FACILITY
- ANCHOR USES I.E. MOVIE THEATER, SMALL GROCER < 25,000SF, SMALL HOME IMPROVEMENT, ETC.

**COMPLEMENTARY USES**

- RESIDENTIAL LAND USES
- MEDICAL, TECHNOLOGY OR EDUCATIONAL CAMPUS
- CIVIC/PUBLIC/INSTITUTIONAL FACILITIES

**FLEX LIGHT INDUSTRIAL LAND USE**



**PRIMARY USES**

- LIMITED MANUFACTURING AND PROCESSING
- FLEXIBLE OFFICE, STORAGE, AND WAREHOUSING FOR LIGHT INDUSTRIAL USERS / CONTRACTORS
- DATA CENTERS OR RESEARCH AND DEVELOPMENT CENTERS
- WHOLESALE DISTRIBUTION OR WAREHOUSE
- AUTOMOTIVE RELATED USES; SALES, REPAIR, AND SERVICE

**COMPLEMENTARY USES**

- RESTAURANT / SPECIALTY RETAILERS
- RECREATION FACILITIES
- COMMERCIAL LAND USES

**ECONOMIC OPPORTUNITY ZONE LAND USE**



**PRIMARY USES**

- ALL FLEX/LIGHT INDUSTRIAL USES
- SECURITY AND DEFENSE
- MEDICAL, TECHNOLOGY OR EDUCATIONAL FACILITY OR CAMPUS
- DATA CENTERS OR RESEARCH AND DEVELOPMENT CENTERS
- WHOLESALE DISTRIBUTION OR WAREHOUSE
- ANCHOR RETAIL OR ENTERTAINMENT I.E. MOVIE THEATER, GROCER, HOME IMPROVEMENT, GAME VENUES, ETC.
- COMMERCIAL LAND USES

**COMPLEMENTARY USES**

- RESIDENTIAL LAND USES AFTER DEVELOPMENT RESTRICTIONS EXPIRE

**CIVIC/OPEN SPACE LAND USE**



**PRIMARY USES**

- PUBLIC RECREATIONAL USES OR FACILITIES
- PUBLIC TRAILS AND PARKS
- NATURAL OPEN SPACE
- COMMUNICATION TOWERS
- PUBLIC SAFETY FACILITIES
- EDUCATIONAL FACILITIES

## Lincoln Forum XXIX: Lincoln in Fact and Fiction

Registration is \$420 per person, not including lodging. A \$50 Lincoln Forum membership fee is required. Forum is held at the Wyndham Gettysburg, 95 Presidential Circle, Gettysburg, PA, 17325

The Lincoln Forum is an assembly of people who share a deep interest in the life and times of Abraham Lincoln and the Civil War era. Through a roster of activities and projects including symposia, tours, student essay competitions, teacher scholarships, a newsletter, and annual awards to recognize special contributions to the field of Lincoln studies, the Forum endeavors to enhance the understanding and preserve the memory of Abraham Lincoln.

### **SATURDAY, NOVEMBER 16**

- 3:00 PM Registration Begins: Wyndham Lobby
- 5:00 PM Cash Bar in the Wyndham Presidential Ballroom Foyer
- 6:00 PM Buffet Dinner in the Wyndham Presidential Ballroom  
Lincoln Presidential Foundation Lecture: Gary W. Gallagher and Joan Waugh: "Lincoln's Generals: A Reassessment"

### **SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 17**

- 6:30 AM Breakfast Buffet in ballroom foyer (until 8:30 AM)
- 9:00 AM Moderator—Session 1: Jonathan W. White  
Harold Holzer, "Lincoln and Immigration"
- 10:00 AM Alan Taylor, "North American Civil Wars: Canada, Mexico, and the United States"
- 11:00 AM Leonne M. Hudson, "Along the Funeral Train Route: African Americans React to Lincoln's Death"
- 12:15 PM Buffet Lunch in the Wyndham Presidential Ballroom
- 2:00 PM Moderator—Session 2: Michelle A. Krowl  
William C. Davis and Sue Bell, "Gabriel and Nannie Wharton: A Confederate Love Story"
- 3:00 PM Panel: "Abraham Lincoln for Children": Jan Jacobi, Karen B. Winnick, Jonathan W. White, and  
Michelle A. Krowl, moderator
- 4:00 PM All-author Book Signing, Wyndham Lobby
- 5:30 PM Cash Bar in Wyndham Presidential Foyer
- 6:30 PM Buffet Dinner in the Wyndham Presidential Ballroom  
Allen C. Guelzo, "Lincoln and Democracy"

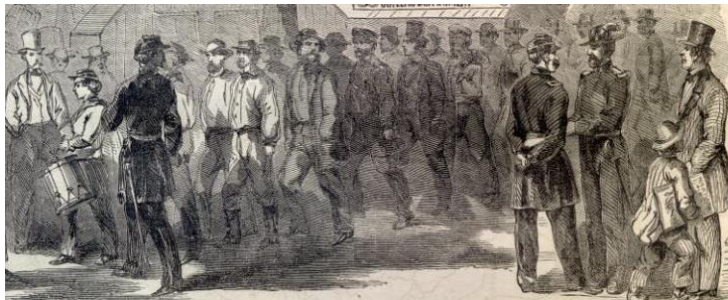
### **MONDAY, NOVEMBER 18**

- 6:30 AM Breakfast Buffet in ballroom Foyer (until 8:30 AM)
- 7:30 AM Board of Advisors Annual Meeting
- 9:15 AM State of the Forum / Election of Officers for 2023-2024  
Platt Family Essay Contest—Don McCue  
Moderator—Session 3: Edna Greene Medford
- 9:30 AM Jon Grinspan, "The Wide Awakes"
- 10:30 AM Nigel Hamilton, "The War of the Presidents: Lincoln vs. Davis"
- 11:30 AM Panel: "Why They Fought," with James Oakes, Susannah J. Ural, Edna Greene Medford, Gary W. Gallagher,  
Craig L. Symonds, and Frank J. Williams, moderator
- 12:45 PM Buffet Lunch in the Wyndham Presidential Ballroom
- 2:00 PM First Time Attendees' Battlefield Tour with Carol Reardon
- Breakout Sessions:
  - Uncovering the Secrets of Civil War Con Artists: William C. Davis and Frank W. Garmon Jr.
  - Living History: The Reenactors: Robert Brugler, David Walker, Holly Ray, and Jon Willen
  - Inside Lincoln's Cabinet: Mark Neels, Walter Stahr, and Craig Symonds
  - Slave Trading during the Civil War: James Oakes and Robert Colby
  - The Black Wartime Experience: Edna Greene Medford, Brian Mitchell, Leonne Hudson, and Michelle A. Krowl
  - Abraham Lincoln and Sherlock Holmes: Perspectives from a Historian and a Novelist: Tom Horrocks and J. Lawrence Matthews
  - Lincoln in Indiana: William Bartelt, Scott Schroeder, and Joshua Claybourn
- 5:00 PM Cash Bar in the Wyndham Presidential Forum
- 6:00 PM Buffet Dinner in the Wyndham Presidential Ballroom  
The Art of Historical Fiction: Jeff Shaara in conversation with Jake Boritt  
The Gettysburg Choral Society performs the Gettysburg Address

**For more information go to <https://www.thelincolnforum.org/>**

## RE-ENLIST NOW FOR THE 2024-2025 CAMPAIGN!

All ICWRT members may continue to receive the monthly newsletter, HARDTACK, via email at no additional charge. Members who prefer to receive the HARDTACK by U.S. Mail are asked to pay an additional \$12.00 to help cover printing and mailing costs.



Please bring your completed re-enlistment form (below) together with your payment to Indianapolis Civil War Round Table, and give it to Pete Mohr, ICWRT Treasurer, at the next Round Table meeting, or mail your re-enlistment form and payment to:

Pete Mohr  
6308 Breamore Road  
Indianapolis, Indiana 46220

Phone: (317) 828-5176  
Email: [pmohr2@gmail.com](mailto:pmohr2@gmail.com)

*Please complete and detach the form below and include with your check:*

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### **ICWRT Membership Enlistment for July 2024 thru June 2025**

*Please print legibly!*

Name..... Date .....

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Phone: (.....) ..... Email Address: .....

*We must have a valid email address if you wish to receive the HARDTACK newsletter free of charge!*

**(please specify Membership Level):**

\_\_\_\_\_ \$30 Individual \_\_\_\_\_ \$35 Family \_\_\_\_\_ \$15 Student

\_\_\_\_\_ I wish to receive the newsletter via U.S. Mail for an additional \$12

In addition to my membership dues, please accept my generous gift of \$ \_\_\_\_\_ to the ICWRT general operating account (This donation is not tax deductible)

If someone invited you to join the ICWRT, please add their name. \_\_\_\_\_

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