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Road Projects Discussed At Luncheon

State and county officials met with representatives of the American Automobile Association Tuesday to discuss improvement of four Montgomery County roads.

The meeting began with a luncheon at the Brook Farm Tea House, followed by a tour of the roads for which improvements are being asked.

Washington Irving Cleveland, president of the Montgomery County Civic Federation and Washington manager of the A. A. A., presided. State Senator Stedman Prescott and Police Court Judge Harold C. Smith spoke at the luncheon.

Members of the State Roads Commission, Dr. Homer Tableh, chairman, and Chief Engineer Nathan L. Smith; Montgomery County Commissioners and representatives of the county civic groups attended.

The roads discussed were Connecticut avenue from Chevy Chase Circle to the Chevy Chase Lake; Brookeville pike, Jones Mill road and old Georgetown road.

The county commissioners recently directed F. Barnard Welsh, counsel to the board, to institute condemnation proceedings against the strip in the middle of Connecticut avenue, formerly used for street car tracks.

GLEN ECHO TO GIVE SWIMMING LESSONS

Free swimming lessons will be given throughout the Summer at the Crystal Swimming Pool, Glen Echo Park, beginning Thursday, July 1.

Qualified senior Red Cross life guards will conduct special classes for children and adults. With the exception of Saturdays, Sundays and holidays, the children's swimming class will be held each day from 10 to 10:30 A. M. and the adult class from 10:30 to 11 A. M. Additional lessons will be given for the benefit of employed persons on Monday, Wednesday and Friday from 7 to 7:30 P. M.

The instruction will be under the supervision of Boyd Hickman, director of the pool.

Kensington

The Woman's Guild of Christ Episcopal Church held their annual lawn party on the church lawn Wednesday evening, June 30, at 7:30 o'clock.

Miss Martha Meriam, Miss Peggy Elliot and Miss Laura Darling have gone to Camp Overall, near Luray, Va., for two weeks.

Mr. and Mrs. Joseph Gerber, Miss Elinor Gerber, of Collingwood, Pa., Mr. and Mrs. Allan Frank and Mrs. Katharine Sharp, all of New Jersey, have been the guests of Mr. and Mrs. LeRoy Rogers.

Mrs. Amos Harvey, of Binghamton, N. Y., arrived Friday to be the guest of her brother and sister-in-law, Mr. and Mrs. Ernest J. Wakefield.

Miss Margaret L. Warthen, granddaughter of the late Mr. and Mrs. Jason P. Warthen, of Kensington, was graduated from the American University on June 7. Miss Warthen is a member of Alpha Chi Omega, National sorority. Miss Warthen and her sister, with their aunt, Mrs. George B. Furman, are on a trip to the New England States.

Mr. and Mrs. Frank Borden, of Philadelphia, were recent guests of Mr. and Mrs. Wilson L. Townsend. Miss Elizabeth Townsend accompanied them on their return to Philadelphia.

Mrs. J. R. Baker entertained at an al fresco luncheon, followed by bridge, last week. The honor guests were Mrs. Conrad Stuntz and Mrs. Craig Hunter, of Fairfax, Va., and Miss Bruce Whitmore, of Manassas, Va. Mrs. Baker was assisted by her niece, Miss Barbara Richmond, and her guest, Miss Elizabeth Gernane, of Savannah, Ga.

The Rev. D. Wade Safford, rector of Christ Church, Kensington, has announced the following schedule of services for the summer: First Sundays—Holy Communion at 8:30 at Garrett Park; Holy Communion and sermon at 11 o'clock at Kensington; Evening Prayer and sermon at 8 o'clock at Garrett Park.

Other Sundays: Holy Communion at 8 A. M. at Kensington; Morning Prayer at 11 o'clock at Kensington; Evensong at Garrett Park at 8 P. M.

Saints' Days: Mr. Safford will be the celebrant at 7 A. M. at Kensington on the following Saints' Days: June 29, August 24, and September 21.

Ear Held Imperfect Organ

From the scientist's point of view the human ear is an imperfect microphone which adds harmonics to the notes it hears. Actually, physicists say, it is difficult to prevent any sound - detecting device from adding overtones which were not present in the original sound. The ear does not pass sound vibrations on to the brain exactly as they were received, but adds other higher tones.—Popular Mechanics Magazine.

News Review of Current Events

C.I.O. STEEL POWER FADES

Thousands Back at Jobs as Companies Maintain Stand . . . Congress Digs In . . . Hitler Warns He'll Act Alone

Edward W. Pickard
SUMMARIZES THE WORLD'S WEEK

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Steel Furnaces Glow Again

PLANTS of the independent steel corporations in Pennsylvania and Ohio were once more operating as state troopers kept the peace. Violence among strikers, workers and police dwindled to a handful of hand to hand fights in which injuries were comparatively few.

With Gov. George H. Earle having lifted martial law in Johntown, Pa., it was estimated that nearly half the 15,000 workers of the Bethlehem Steel corporation's great Cambria plant were back on the job.

It was apparent that the real grip of the strike had been broken. Mayor Daniel Shields declared it was all over, but there were still about 250 pickets on hand. The day before the plant re-opened the C. I. O., in a last-minute attempt to save its cause, promised a mass meeting near Johnstown of 50,000 miners who would then aid the steel strikers in keeping the plants closed. Only about 1,500 showed up, and after listening to speeches by union leaders they dispersed peaceably.

Plants of the Republic Steel corporation and Youngstown Sheet & Tube company in Ohio's Mahoning valley, where half of the total numbers of state militiamen were protecting the public peace, again were operating. Steel plants in Chicago were preparing to reopen. Still none of the independent steel corporations had signed contracts with C. I. O. unions. Their refusal to sign had been the sole issue of the strikes.

Der Fuehrer Scores Neutrals

"FROM now on," Adolf Hitler told 200,000 Nazis at a party rally in Wurzberg, "we will prefer . . . to take the freedom, independence, honor and security of our nation into our own hands and protect ourselves alone." Disgusted, Germany withdrew from the non-intervention patrol of Spain, as Italy did likewise. Der Fuehrer warned that the Nazis would take independent action to protect themselves from attacks by the Spanish government. He described how Germany had been condemned for shelling Almeria after a Spanish airplane had bombed the cruiser Deutschland, and how, when the cruiser Leipzig was attached by a submarine while on patrol duty, the non-intervention committee had done nothing about it.

Adolf Hitler

A remedy suggested by Great Britain and France was that the patrol duty be left entirely to them, with Italian observers on French patrol ships and German observers on British ships to "judge the equitable, impartial working of the system."

Mediation Board Gives Up

THE mediation board of three, named by Secretary of Labor Perkins to sit in Cleveland and attempt to negotiate a settlement in the steel strike, gave up in despair. Its chairman, Charles P. Taft of Cincinnati, and the other two members, Lloyd Garrison, former president of the national labor relations board, and Edward F. McGrady, trouble-shooting assistant of Mme. Perkins, were unable even to persuade Tom Girdler, Eugene Grace and other steel officials to sit around a conference table at which union leaders were present. The board explained its failure, "The only hope of settlement lies in such a meeting."

In criticizing the companies for their stand the board said, "Nothing can be made clearer today than that management and organized labor, when it really represents the wishes of the men, have got to learn how to live together, to reach agreements and to abide by them when made."

Steel officials handed Taft a written resume of their stand, that they would not make any agreement with Lewis' "irresponsible" C. I. O. They admitted that the Wagner act might force them to negotiate with the union, but declared another law provides that no one need make a contract he doesn't want to make.

Governor Davey of Ohio revealed that after the board had given up, Secretary Perkins telephoned to ask him to subpoena steel chiefs to the state capital, Columbus, and "keep them there until they sign an agreement." Meanwhile state troops would keep the mills closed, Mme. Perkins suggested. Governor Davey refused, saying:

"Secretary Perkins' suggestion would be the exercise of the most autocratic and dictatorial power ever attempted. In private life it would be kidnaping.

"Until the courts have decided that the companies have to sign contracts or agreements I have no right to take anybody and hold him. I have no right to keep plants closed except in case of riot . . . The troops are in the steel district now for the purpose of maintaining law and order; to protect the rights of those who want to go back to work."

Love surmounted the hatred of two political dynasties as Miss Ethel du Pont married Franklin Delano Roosevelt, Jr.

Looks Like a Long Summer

CONGRESS will be in session for a long time yet, probably until September 1. That was the consensus of the 240 senators and congressmen who attended President Roosevelt's week-end outing for majority members on Jefferson island in Chesapeake bay.

Although they insisted the meeting was purely social, it was generally accepted that attempts had been made to swing back certain of the New Deal lawmakers who had been getting out of line lately. The result is that a heavy program of legislation desired by the administration will be attempted before the members of congress can leave for home.

The President's court bill—presumably in its original form, although it seems to face certain defeat, either through a vote or through filibustering—headed the list. It was closely followed by government reorganization and wage and hour measures.

Seeks Changes in Wagner Act

SEN. ARTHUR H. VANDENBERG of Michigan proposed three amendments to the national labor relations act designed to broaden the rights of employers under the Wagner act, forbid "sit-down" strikes and other "unfair" union practices, and provide severe penalties for unions which violated contracts with employers. His amendments:

Senator Vandenberg

1.—To give employers the same right which only employes now enjoy to appeal to the national labor relations board for an election to determine the representatives of employes.

2.—To require agreements in writing and to permit strikes only after a majority vote of all employes. Any group which broke its contract and did not repair the break after being ordered to do so by the board would be suspended from representation.

3.—Establish a code of practices for labor. This would:

Prohibit compulsory political assessments on union members.

Require that all union officers, agents and representatives be United States citizens.

Forbid union organization by coercion.

Prohibit damage to property, strikes intended to force any person to violate a contract or federal laws, and violations of "any person's rights in real or personal property."

Montagues and Capulets

WITH all the family blessings save those of a political classification, Miss Ethel du Pont, daughter of Eugene du Pont, and Franklin Delano Roosevelt, Jr., son of the President of the United States, were married at Christ church near Wilmington, Del., in a "simple" wedding attended by a "handful" of about 400 picked guests. Bitter political hatreds of the older generations were buried in the protests that this was "the youngsters' day."

Gedeon Slayer Surrenders

ROBERT IRWIN, New York sculptor once treated for insanity, who killed Veronica Gedeon, beautiful New York model; Mrs. Mary Gedeon, her mother and Frank Byrnes, a boarder in the Gedeon home, on last Easter Sunday, surrendered to police in Chicago. He was flown back to New York City where indictments were being prepared. He prepared to defend himself from the electric chair by a plea of insanity

Budget Trouble, French

BUDGET trouble is bothering France in a serious way; in fact it led to the resignation of Premier Leon Blum and his People's Front government, to be succeeded by Camille Chautemps. One of Chautemps' first acts was to appoint Georges Bonnet, ambassador to the United States, as minister of finance, with orders to begin attempts to balance the budget.

Bonnet's first moves were to close the stock exchange and suspend foreign exchange and commercial payments pending a decision on whether or not he would be made an economic dictator temporarily.

France, like the United States, operates on two budgets—ordinary and extraordinary. France's deficit in her ordinary budget, as estimated by retiring Finance Minister Vincent Auriol, is about $200,000,000, and the deficit in her extraordinary budget approximately $1,600,000,000. Rene Brunet, Bonnet's undersecretary, said they could be balanced in three years.

Most of the expenditures from the extraordinary budget are for defense.

Budget Trouble, U. S.

TREASURY figures indicated that the end of the fiscal year would find the President's economy program missing its mark by about $200,000,000. Last April he warned all departments that expenditures would have to be drastically cut, and revised his budget to $295,000,000 less than the forecast in January. His revised budget estimated that expenditures from July 1, 1936, to June 24, 1937, would be $7,781,000,000; actually they turned out to be $7,883,000,000, or $102,000,000 above the estimate. It was believed that, at that rate, there would be a difference of about $200,000,000 in the budget and actual spending for the entire fiscal year.

"Humanizing" the Majority

AS MAJORITY members of congress met on Jefferson island in Chesapeake bay with President Roosevelt, to have their relations with the chief executive "humanized," the belief in Washington circles that the President is willing to accept a third term expanded to the greatest proportions yet known.

President Roosevelt

The spark which touched off the latest cloakroom whisperings of a third term was the declaration by Gov. George H. Earle of Pennsylvania that he would give "unqualified and final" support to a Roosevelt - for - President movement in 1940. Further reports had it that John L. Lewis, chairman of the Committee for Industrial Organization and leader of the sit-down strikes that have swept the nation, was working toward the same end. The President has only indirectly disavowed such an ambition.

The Mail Must Go Through

FEDERAL warrants were issued at Cleveland for six C. I. O. leaders in the strike at Youngstown and Warren, charging them with preventing delivery of the United States mails to loyal employees of the steel company plants there. Their names were not revealed.

The order for the obtaining of the warrant was given by Attorney-General Homer S. Cummings after he had looked over testimony at the senate post office committee's hearing. Charges have been made that C. I. O. leaders were censoring the mail in Ohio cities and refusing to permit delivery of parcel post packages containing food, clothing and other "irregular" articles for workers in the plants.

"All mail that the post office department sees fit to attempt to deliver must be delivered," said Cummings. This did not conflict with the post office department's refusal to deliver packages to the plants, but sought to prosecute persons who would prevent the delivery of mail the department had okayed.

Rebels Again Eye Madrid

HAVING taken Bilbao after months of siege, Gen. Francisco Franco, rebel commander, turned his guns once more upon Madrid and the sector north of Guadalajara. New troops were moved into the sections about the western and southeastern limits of the city.

The loyalist government set out at once to strengthen its own lines, although it was not believed Madrid was in much danger of attack before the insurgents have "cleaned up" the northern provinces. Since the capture of Bilbao the Basque and Asturian forces have been virtually isolated from those of the Madrid-Valencia government.

Hopkins Slices WPA Rolls

WORKS PROGRESS ADMINISTRATOR HARRY L. HOPKINS is busy trimming 314,759 names off the WPA rolls, to shave the total to 1,655,477 by mid-July. The cut was to be effected "simply through not replacing men who found jobs in private industry" and by combing the lists for ineligibles. WPA officials emphasized the need for economy by comparing the estimated $2,175,000,000 spent in 1937 with the $1,500,000,000 approved by congress for relief in fiscal 1938.

'Way Back When

By JEANNE

FAMOUS SONG WRITER KEPT A BOARDING HOUSE

I WONDER how many many women who are just simple little housewives today would be famous, if they had the time to take from demands of their homes and families.

Carrie Jacobs Bond made her success because circumstances forced her to change from a housewife to a business woman. She was born in Janesville, Wisconsin, in 1863. She liked music and studied piano from childhood until she married at the age of eighteen. When she was twenty-five, she remarried Dr. Frank L. Bond, who took a sympathetic interest in her music and encouraged her to compose. She wrote one song, "Is My Dolly Dead?", at that time and it was accepted; but the work was merely a hobby with her and she did not produce more. She devoted her time and efforts to being a good housewife and mother for the Doctor and her little boy. Then, Dr. Bond was killed in an accident and she was left an invalid without money, and an eight-year-old son.

Carrie Jacobs Bond did not lose heart. She rented a large house in Chicago and took in roomers. She made some money as a dressmaker and painting china. They were so poor that her son had to go to work soon thereafter as a delivery boy. Ambitiously, she devoted all her spare time to composing songs. Through financial support from a woman singer she started a small music publishing house, writing the words and music, and painting the cover designs of the songs she printed. She even promoted the songs herself, and little by little she won success. Today the songs she wrote are remembered and sung throughout the world, "A Perfect Day," "I Love You Truly," "His Lullaby," "My Son," "Do You Remember?" and others.

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SENATOR PITTMAN RUSHED TO ALASKA

SO OFTEN gold buried far away in some inaccessible part of the world looks easier to get than fortunes awaiting us right at home. Senator Key Pittman of Nevada started his career on a wild goose chase for gold, but came back to make his success in the occupation for which his schooling fitted him.

Key Pittman, who was born in 1872, attended law college in Tennessee. His career at that time looked as though it might consist of practicing law, obtaining an appointment as district attorney, and forging ahead in politics with the United States senate as a goal. But young Pittman could not see it that way, and the reason was the Alaskan gold rush in 1896. He rushed up to the Klondike! And what happened? Key Pittman landed at Dawson just ahead of the freeze almost penniless. In Nome it is said that he worked at one end of a bucksaw to make a living. Then, the people made him district attorney. Shortly thereafter, he returned to the United States, settling in Tonopah, Nev., where he laid the foundation of his fortune in the Tonopah Telephone company.

In 1913, Key Pittman, in his first political contest, was elected to the United States senate, where he has given a good account of himself for 24 years. His greatest interest is to better the position of silver, inspired of course by the great production of this metal in Nevada.

Stories of wealth to be won in foreign fields sound so much more alluring simply because the fields represent the unknown and seem to offer more adventure. Probably while we are pining to be in one place, the fellow who is there wishes he were in ours.

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Montgomery Masons Mark St. John's Day

Approximately 200 members of the Masonic Order, representing lodges at Bethesda, Gaithersburg, Kensington, Rockville and Silver Spring, attended St. John's day services in the assembly hall here yesterday afternoon.

Rev. J. Lloyd Black, worshipful master of the Rockville Lodge, was in charge of the program, which included a sermon by Dr. E. C. Powers, chaplain of the Grand Lodge of Maryland, whose topic was "Building in Silence," and selections by the Montgomery Choral Club, under direction of Mrs. Howard M. Blandy.

The arrangements were in charge of a committee headed by Alfred Christie, of Washington Grove.

SILVER SPRING LIBRARY ELECTS NEW TRUSTEE

Fred L. Lutes has been elected a member of the Board of Trustees of the Silver Spring Public Library Association to fill the unexpired term of Mrs. Lloyd Y. Beers, who resigned because of ill health. Lutes is cashier of the Silver Spring National Bank.

The board also voted to maintain the regular hours for the library during the Summer months. The library is open from 2 to 6 P. M. daily, with the exception of Saturday and Sunday; from 7 to 9 P. M. on Monday, Wednesday and Friday and from 10 A. M. to noon Saturday.

Mrs. Rhees Burkett was appointed a member of the Book Committee and Lutes was named on the Administration and Building and Equipment Committees, assignments formerly held by Mrs. Beers.

Lacy Shaw, park commissioner, has announced that work will start soon on the installation of lights in the parkway and road leading to the building from Georgia Avenue.

Some Birds Choose Dark Nest, Hide White Eggs

In nearly all cases, birds that lay white eggs hide them in dark places, while eggs that are covered with brilliant markings on a colored shell are left in exposed positions, writes Oliver G. Pike, F. Z. S., in London Tit-Bits Magazine.

All the owls choose dark places for their homes, and few make any attempt at nest building. The eggs of the tawny owl are found in holes in trees, and the decaying wood or other rubbish at the bottom forms the only nest. The barn owl chooses a bare board or other ledge in the sheltered corner of any old building, while the little owl is often content with a rabbit burrow on a grassy bank. All these birds lay pure white eggs with no markings.

Kingfishers and woodpeckers lay white eggs, and build dark homes in which to conceal them. The kingfisher is a clever engineer. She makes a tunnel in a sandy bank and, at the end of this, which may be four feet in length, she excavates a larger chamber in which the nest is made. This consists entirely of undigested fish bones which she casts up through the beak in the form of white pellets.

The little sand-martin also digs out a tunnel on a grassy bank, an even more wonderful feat than that of the kingfisher, which has a long sharp beak well adapted for digging, but the sand-martin has only a tiny beak. She also lays white eggs.

Woodpeckers make their homes in trees, boring through two or three inches of solid wood, then digging out a larger chamber in the heart of the trunk. The green woodpecker is the best known of the several species; in many country districts it is called the "wet weather bird," because its loud notes are so often heard just before rain. Kingfishers' and woodpeckers' eggs are pure white, have a gloss on their surface, and the shells are so thin that the yolk shows through, giving them a dainty pink tinge.

The Golden Gate Bridge

Seven hundred feet longer than the George Washington Memorial bridge across the Hudson at New York, hitherto ranked as the world's greatest suspension - bridge, the Golden Gate span, the longest, highest, widest, handsomest, costliest bridge in the world, connects San Francisco with the North-Bay Redwood empire. It is the only one ever flung across the extreme outer mouth of a major ocean harbor. If all its rivets were placed head to toe, they would form an iron serpent that would writhe for thirty-six miles.

Aden, "Gibraltar of East"

Aden was Great Britain's first territorial acquisition during the reign of Queen Victoria. In 1838 an English vessel was wrecked in the vicinity of the town, and the crew and passengers were detained by the local Abdali chief. While negotiations were pending to settle this incident, acts of "treachery" were committed, and a military force was sent from Bombay under Major Baillie. Aden was seized by this expedition on January 19, 1839, and from that time until recently had been part of Bombay presidency.

PAID FIREMEN FOR KENSINGTON

Two paid firemen to be on duty 24 hours each day were appointed at a special meeting of the Kensington Fire Board last Friday night.

The two firemen are James W. Moulden, who was appointed for day duty, and Maynard L. Hawkins, who was appointed night man. The salaries of the two men will be taken care of without an increase in the tax rate. The fire tax is 5 cents on each $100 assessed valuation, which is the same as prevailed last year.

A set of strict rules and regulations was adopted by the fire board to cover the paid and volunteer firemen while on duty at the fire house.

The Kensington Fire Board was created in May, 1935. At that time the Kensington Volunteer Fire Department was approximately $4,500 in the red. In two years the board has paid off the debt, has purchased a new fire truck and 1,000 feet of new hose. There are no outstanding debts at the present time.

Members of the board are George C. Shinn, of Capitol View, chairman; Major L. L. Dye, Garrett Park; E. W. Shepard, Chevy Chase View; Edward R. Saunders, Kensington, and Kenneth W. Simpson and J. K. Culver, representing the fire department.

Annual Festival at St. John's Church

The committee in charge of arrangements for the annual festival of St. John's Church, Forest Glen, to be held on July 21 and 22, has practically completed the organization of the various subcommittees, and the following appointments as chairmen have been announced by Father Joseph T. Kennedy, pastor of St. John's.

Dinner, Mrs. Chris. Tolson; hostesses, Mrs. M. Katherine O'Brien; bingo, Mrs. John Kingdon; ice cream and cake, Mrs. Gus Kline; children's table, Miss Marie Culver; stands, George Mess; service, Mrs. Albert J. Wade, Mrs. William J. Jouvenal, and Mrs. Roy Temple; reception, John T. Culver.

Mrs. Kline will be assisted by the ladies of Holy Redeemer Parish, Kensington; Mrs. Kingdon by the members of the choir of St. John's, and the Sanctuary Society will have charge of the fancy table.

The festival has been an annual feature of St. John's parish life for nearly 50 years. It was established by Father Charles O. Rosensteel, retired (magna cum laude) pastor, soon after his appointment as pastor of the church by the late Cardinal Gibbons. Prior to the days of modern automobile traffic, it was a rendezvous for the people of the entire county of Montgomery, rivalling the Rockville fair in that respect.

The menu, as announced by Mrs. Tolson, will include Maryland fried chicken, baked Virginia ham, potato salad, slaw, pickles, jelly, Maryland biscuits, rolls, coffee and iced tea.

MARYLAND FOXHUNTERS' COMMITTEES MEET

The horse show and headquarters committees of the Maryland Foxhunters' Association met at the home of Bernard T. Brosius, Old Georgetown road, near Beane, Monday night to begin preparations for the association's annual horse show Labor Day on the farm of Brook Johns, near Oakdale, Montgomery County.

Whitney J. Aitcheson, Bernard T. Brosius, Ralph P. Counselman and Harry T. Whitlow compose the horse show committee and the following constitute the headquarters committee: James B. Bland, A. G. Rolfe, George A. Willson, Z. M. Waters, Josiah J. Hutton, Everett Beall, W. B. Randall, Bernard T. Brosius and Whitney J. Aitcheson.

The association will sponsor a dance at Willis Hall, near Laurel, July 10, Mrs. Bernard T. Brosius, secretary, has announced. Mrs. Brosius, Mr. and Mrs. Whitney J. Aitcheson, George A. Willson and Richard Fulton comprise the Committee of Arrangements.

Cannot All Be Admirals

The story is told how Nelson, after the Battle of the Baltic, was so impressed with the bravery of a young Danish lieutenant that he said, "That young man ought to be an admiral." The opposing commander immediately replied, "If all my brave officers were admirals, I should have no lieutenants left." This incident, notes a writer in Pearson's London Weekly, has a message for all who are ambitious. We must not be discouraged, but we must do our best. The fact that we are not at the top of the tree does not mean that we are not fitted for success, but simply that we cannot all be "admirals."

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