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CIRCUIT COURT WILL CONVENE ON MONDAY, APR. 17

Chief Judge Stephen R. Collins has drawn the following jurors for the April term of Court which will convene here Monday, April 17th. This list is subject to change and the corrected list will be published later.

FIRST DISTRICT

James W. Mulford
S. McCosh Walls
Ralph Poore
William H. Moffett
Herbert S. Ford
Olin S. Davis
J. Burgess Anderson
Clayton H. Johnson

SECOND DISTRICT

Harry S. Redmile
A. Earl Jewell
John W. Jarvis
Roy Mitchell
Daniel W. Hill
Thomas S. Silcox
Albert Jervis
D. Raymond Hill

THIRD DISTRICT

Benjamin F. Rash
Harry T. Williams
Robert A. Loud
J. Leonard Price
Charles H. Joiner
Harvey B. Moore

FOURTH DISTRICT

John H. Gillam
Nelson J. Forney, Jr.
Philip V. Kratzer
Benjamin H. Cosden
George N. Cooper
Jack E. Keiffer
Charles N. Satterfield

FIFTH DISTRICT

Frank O. Puppe
Max Alexander
W. Melvin Warner
John A. Kelley
S. Elwood Burgess
Walter L. Briers
Melvin Glenn
J. Ernest Willson

SIXTH DISTRICT

W. Walter Morris
R. Woodall Robinson
F. Bramwell Geddes
Albert B. Groves
George C. Lee

SEVENTH DISTRICT

A. Leon Brown
Joseph S. Trew, Jr.
Bert E. Wallace
Norman S. Lee
Charles P. Kingsley

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Kennedyville W. S. C. Service Meeting

The monthly meeting of W.S.C.S. was held last Friday evening at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Wm E. Anthony and son. The meeting opened with a devotional service led by Mrs. Robert A. Kennedy. The first song was "In the Garden" followed with a prayer by Mr. Cursey, the pastor. The scripture reading was by Mrs. Dempsey.

All took part in the response and Mrs. Kennedy made the service very interesting and helpful. Another song "My Country 'Tis Of Thee" was sung and then the meeting was turned over to the President, Mrs. E. W. Cursey. She had the Secretary, Mrs. Harry Kennedy read the minutes then the Treasurer, Mrs. Geo. M. Glenn gave her report. She called on all the different committees to which they responded. The "Sunshine Circle turned in to the Society $25.00. Dues were received and the balance of this conference year's missionary money to Mrs. Morgan was ordered paid, also $25.00 on Pastor's salary and $5.00 to Mrs. Kirby for Red Cross drive.

Mrs. Cursey reminded the Society that the month of April was the time to bring in their "Holiday Cups" of which Mrs. A. V. Crew has ful lcharge Everyone was pleased to have the two new members, Mrs. Jarvis and Mrs. Kramer to join our Society. Mrs. H. Clendaniel of the membership committe submitted their names. They then talked and made plans for the Easter Bake. The following program was then given: 2 solos by little Margaret Hopkins and two readings by Mrs. Roe and Mrs. Smith. After the program, ice cream, cake and candy were served which all enjoyed. Mrs. Wm. B. Cleaver Jr. and Mrs. Hague Fogwell asisted in entertaining

The April meeting will be entertained at the home of Mrs. Ida Scotten and Miss Blanche Redmile. Mrs. Jas. Groves will assist in entertaining.

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DO YOU KNOW

"Whenever any person driving a vehicle approaches a railroad grade crossing and a visible electric or mechanical signal device gives warning of the immediate approach of a train, the driver of such vehicle shall stop within fifty (50) feet but not less than ten feet from the nearest track of such railroad and not proceed until he can do so safely.

"Penalties. Fines may be up to One Hundred ($100.00) Dollars." Sec. 185-a.

College Library To Get Valuable Books

The Library of Washington College has received a collection of more than 125 volumes of history and historical reference works formerly in the library of the late James W. Chapman, Jr., of Baltimore an alumnus and member of the college's Board of Visitors and Governors. They are well displayed in a handsome case, presented with them. The gift was made by Mrs. Edward Gieske and Mr. S. Vannort Chapman surviving children of Mr. Chapman. Several rare volumes in Maryland history are in the collection.

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FEDERAL BALLOT LEGAL IN STATE O'CONOR ADVISES

Replying to questions raised by President Franklin D. Roosevelt relative to Absentee Voting Enactment of Congress now awaiting his signature, Governor Herbert R. O'Conor advised the Nation's Chief Executive that the bill is amply accepable under the Maryland Laws.

Governor O'Conor also took occasion to inform President Roosevelt that the Maryland absentee voting law conforms to the suggestions laid down by the Secretaries of War and Navy, that it does "everything possible at State level to insure widest participation of service forces" and that it maintains State sovereignty in this field, so long reserved absolutely to State jurisdiction!

The Governor's telegram follows:

'The President,
White House,
Washington, D. C.

Replying your telegram relating to soldiers voting bill respectfully advise as follows:

Answering first question the use of supplementary Federal ballot is authorized by laws of Maryland.

Referring question two, the recently enacted Maryland law adopted at Special Session last week not only permits counting of soldier votes if cast in accordance with act of Congress but also validates Federal applications for ballots by service forces and authorizes State to use information on Federal Ballot for purpose of registration of soldiers and sailors.

Maryland soldier vote law is in accordance with joint memorandum of Secretaries Stimson and Knox and conforms to bulletin of Council of State Governments. Everything possible at State level to insure widest participation of service forces incorporated in our statue thus maintaining State sovereignty.

HERBERT R. O'CONOR
Governor of Maryland."

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TRUCKERS MUST CALL FOR RATION

Truck and bus owners of Kent County must either personally or by their agent call for their second quarter gasoline ration T coupons at the local office of the War Price and Ration Board.

The first quarter gasoline ration was mailed to truck owners January 1st. The second quarter is for April, May and June and will be available April 1st. The second quarter coupons will differ from those of the first quarter.

DEATHS DURING THE WEEK

Mrs. Frances Russell Wheatley

Mrs. Frances Russell Wheatley, aged 81 years on March 22nd, died at the Crew Nursing Home on Thursday afternoon, March 23rd, following a lingering illness. She was a lifelong resident of Chestertown and a member of Christ Methodist Church.

Mrs. Wheatley was the widow of the late Joseph N. Wheatley and the daughter of the late T. Waters Russell and Benanna Frazier Russell.

She is survived by two sons, Joseph N. Wheatley, of Chestertown and W. Russell Wheatley, of Toronto Canada; two sisters, Mrs. Annie M. Culp and Mrs. Amy R. McMenamin both of Chestertown; 1 grandchild and two great grandchildren.

Funeral ararngements at the time of going to press were not entirely complete, altohugh it is expected that the services will be held in Christ Methodist Church on Sunday at 3 o'clock with interment in Chester cemetery.

Usilton and Wells are in charge of funeral arrangements.

Edgar Hunter

Edgar Hunter aged 30, passed away at the Kent and Queen Anne's Hospital Tuesday night.

He is survived by his mother, Mrs. Sally K. Hunter near Cliffs and his father, Otis G. Hunter, two sisters Mrs. James A. Wright of Wilmington and Mrs. Katherine Perry of Baltimore and two brothers, John O. Hunter of Chestertown and James A. Hunter of Baltimore. His wife also survives.

Funeral services will be held today, Friday at 2 o'clock from Usilton and Wells funeral home. Rev. Lester Loder, officiating. Interment in Crumpton Cemetery.

MOBILE BLOOD DONOR UNIT DUE HERE IN APRIL

The Red Cross Blood Donor Unit is due to return to Chestertown sometime in April according to Mrs. Cornelia Lumpkin, Kent County Health Nurse.

Kent County last October made a fine showing in volunteers for blood donations and received a certificate of appreciation from the Red Cross which is only given to those counties where outstanding cooperation is given.

The unit again will be stationed at the Chestertown Fire House and every cooperation has been again promised by the Fire Company and Ladies Auxiliary of the Fire Company, Boy Scouts who assisted the local Red Cross committees before.

Volunteers for a pint of blood are again asked to call Chestertown 450, Red Cross Headquarters for appointments. Date unit will be here will be announced next week. Let's again put Kent County over the top as we have in other drives pertaining. 200 volunteers are wanted this time. Age limit 18 to 60. All between 18 and 21 must have a release signed by parents.

Seven every fifteen minutes can be handled. It is painless and only takes a little of your time, as can be verified by any one that gave blood before.

The war news is good but when the casualty lists are published possibly one of our men died because there was not enough blood plasma.

In the first World War, the mortality rate for wounds was around eighty per cent because of infection. Today wit hthe sulfa drugs to prevent or halt infection, and blood plasma to stave off shock more of our soldiers should be returning.

As more countries are invaded, as our troops press farther north into Italy the demand for blood plasma will become greater. The Red Cross has already asked for 1,000,000 units and will probably ask for more.

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Col. H. S. Brown Addresses Washington College Assembly

Col. Hiram S. Brown, Chairman of the Board of Visitors and Governors of Washington College for the past twenty-two years addressed the weekly assembly at Washington College, Thursday morning. His topic was "Americanism in American Colleges."

Col. Brown, a graduate of Washington College is a native of Kent County.

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NO R STAMPS AT GAS STATIONS

According to a recent ruling by the O. P. A. filling stations will not be able to redeem any R stamps after March 31st. The only exception to this rule is where the station pumps gasoline direct into the gasoline tank of a boat. R stamps are issued for non-highway use principally for boats and tractors.

Provisions are made whereby small users may have a limited number of R stamps exchanged for E stamps which can be accepted by operators of gasoline stations.

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Honoring Service Young People

Christ Methodist Church will honor her young people in the armed forces of our country at a special service Sunday, March 26th, at 11 a. m. Senator Wilmer Fell Davis of Federalsburg, will deliver the message. A beautiful solid walnut Altar Cross will be dedicated in honor of the 54 young people serving our country in this global war. The public is cordially invited to be present.

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Planting on the contour with soybeans, as with corn, will ease the strain on the soil and at the same time obtain higher yields on rolling land. Using good quality seed of adapted varieties is another way to increase yields.

Arrested On Work Or Fight Law

Sheriff Henry Gsell is busy enforcing the work or fight law. Many have been arrested lately and eleven just last week. Some of these paid their fines and went to work and others were put on probation and went to work.

The Sheriff is asking the cooperation of the citizens of the county for cooperation in an advertisement on page 8 of this issue.

With so much to be done it is necessary that every citizen do his or her part.

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The latest information we could get on the Red Cross Drive in the County was that $13,100 had been turned in and there is still more to come. If you have not made your contribution get it in now. The drive closes March 31st.

The TRANSCRIPT joins in the sincere congratulation to Mr. Whitworth and his committees for the fine job they have done and hope that they will continue until the drive ends.

Below is a letter from Frederic L. Laise congratulating Kent County on the success of its Red Cross Drive.

Mr. J. Burton Whitworth
War Fund Chairman
Kent County Chapter
American Red Cross
High Street
Chestertown, Maryland

My dear Mr. Whitworth:

Our sincere congratulations to all of you in Kent County who made this 1944 War Fund Campaign such a tremendous success. We are sure you will be happy and proud to know that your Chapter is amongst the first in Maryland to go over the top. This accomplishment reflects the interest and able leadership of your Chapter officials and the continued loyal support of the people in your community.

Please extend our sincere thanks to all who are assisting in making this campaign such a success.

Very sincerely yours,
Frederic S. Laise,
Regional Director
Eastern Area

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WITH U. S. FORCES

Norman "Cop" Blakeney, U. S. N. came last Saturday to spend the week as a guest of his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Maxwell Blakeney, before returning to his ship and active duty. He has just returned from the Mediterranean area where he has been in the midst of battle.

Corporal Joseph Sutton, U. S. Army is home on a furlough as a guest of his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Raymond Sutton. Corporal Sutton is stationed in Alabama.

Lt. Colonel Walter Chapman has recently been promoted to this rank. He is a member of General Marshall's staff and attended the conference in Cairo, in that capacity. Lt. Col. Chapman is now in Washington.

Sergeant Wilson L. Reidy, son of Mrs. James A. Reidy, stationed with U. S. Air Forces, somewhere in England has earned an air medal and an Oak Leaf Cluster as a result of 13 combat missions. Sergeant Reidy is an aerial photographer.

A IX Air Force Service Command Advanced Air Depot, England: The promotion of J. T. Williams, 26, of Chestertown, Md., from the grade of sergeant to staff sergeant was announced recently in England by headquarters of an Advanced Air Depot of the IX Air Force Service Command.

Sergeant Williams, the son of Mrs. Geraldine Williams of 137 N. Queen street is an Air Force photographer in his Service Group.

Photography, an important part of aerial warfare is just one of the many specialized, technical tasks handled by this Service Command Group, whose principal job is servicing Ninth Air Force fighter planes.

Before entering the service he attended Washington College where he won varsity letters in both football and track. He is a member of Kappa Alpha fraternity.

After completing his "boot-training" at the Bainbridge Naval Station, Harvey Brown, Jr., has been the guest of his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Harvey Brown in Quaker Neck for the past week. On Wednesday of this week he also visited the Chestertown High School where he spent the day with friends. He will return to his base on Saturday to await further orders.

HIGH SCHOOL EQUIVALENCE EXAMINATIONS

The next series of equivalence examinations leading to the Certificate of High School Equivalence issued by the State Department of Education wil lbe held on Thursday and Friday, April 27 and 28, according to Dr. Earle T. Hawkins of the State Department of Education who is in charge of the examinations.

These examinations are offered to afford opportunity for adults who left school before high school graduation to obtain a Certificate of High School Equivalence, permitting them to pursue higher studies, to qualify for CPA examinations, and in other ways to be eligible for work which requires "high school graduation or the equivalent."

The examinations are administered in the City of Baltimore and in the county seat of any county where there are applicants. Examinations are available in all the standard high school subjects. In order to be a candidate for the April examinations it is necesary that an application blank be submitted to the State Department of Education, IIII Lexington Building, Baltimore-1, by April 1. Application blanks can be secured at the Kent County School Board in the Elementary School Building, High St., Chestertown. Candidates must be nineteen years of age and must have been residents of the State of Maryland for at last one year. There are special provisions made for members of the armed services. Further information can be obtained from the State Department of Education.

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COON HUNTERS TO ELECT

The Eastern Shore Coon Hunter's Association will meet at the home of C. D. Hicks, Goose Hill, near Chestertown on Wednesday evening March 29th. At this meeting officers for the coming season will be elected.

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GAME AREAS TO BENEFIT FROM POST-WAR PLANS

The State Game and Inland Fish Commission has projected a program for the post-war era that will add immensely to the utility of four of the State-owned Wild Life Demonstration Areas, Governor Herbert R. O'Conor made known Wednesday following a report from E. Lee LeCompte, State Game Warden.

In addition, the Governor announced that the State Game Department is planning the development of game refuges on State-owned forests in cooperation with the State Department of Forests and Parks, as well as construction of a new water supply at the Gwynnbrook State Game Farm and the erection of a new State fish hatchery to supplement the existing one at Lewistown, Frederick County.

The total cost of all the projects submitted will be $51,900.00 he said, and will afford 6,300 work-days to help the employment situation in the conversion period.

The Demonstration Areas affected, according to the Governor's announcement, were the Wellington area at Princess Anne, Somerset County; the Idylwild area at Federalsburg, Carroll County; the Millington area, Kent County, and the Girdletree area in Worcester County. All these properties were purchased in conformance with the Pittman-Robertson Act under which the Federal Government paid 75% of the purchase price and the State 25%.

The work proposed is essential towards fullest utilization of these areas the Governor pointed out, entailing draining of field ditches to improve game living conditions, grading and draining soil surface roads, etc. At Millington, he said, it is planned to construct barns, storage building and out-buildings, to serve as refuge headquarters on this 550-acre area; and at Idylwild, the building of a dam at Marshyhope Creek is proposed to improve the water habitat for water fowl and fur-bearing animals. The dam will include two concrete spillways 40 feet long and will flood an area of approximately 75 acres. At Gwynnbrook, the work would entail the construction of a concrete pool for water storage, at a cost of $5,000. The fish hatchery construction would entail the purchase of land area totaling $5,000, and buildings and water supply to be erected over a 2-year period at a cost of $8,000 a year.

The development of the Wild Life Restoration Areas on the game refuges in State-owned forests to be done in cooperation with the Department of State Forests and Parks, will cover a 3-year program at a cost of $1,000 a year, the Governor added.

P. G. Wilmer Named Head Of Kent Defense

Mr. Philip G. Wilmer, of Chestertown, was named President of Kent Defense at a meeting of directors held this week.

Mr. Wilmer, one of the organizers of this important war munition plant, has been production manager. He will continue to act as production manager as well as president of the corporation. His appointment to the presidency fills the vacancy caused by the sudden death of Mr. S. Scott Beck.

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STATE GUARD TO HAVE A 10-DAY CAMP DURING '44

Members of the Maryland State Guard will have ten days of intensive training at Fort Meade—with pay—this summer, Governor Herbert R. O'Conor announced Thursday. The eight-day camp last summer was productive of such excellent results the Governor said, and the conscientious work of Maryland's fighting men made such a splendid impression upon the Regular Army officers detailed to help with their training, that he was only too willing to lengthen this year's stay.

The ful complement of the State Guard,which is in excess of 2,000 officers and men, will be taken along Governor O'Conor made known, adding that the tentative training schedules already proposed would insure that every hour spent at Camp would be made to count towards the improved efficiency of the various units. Adjutant General Francis Petrott and Brigadier General Dwight H. Mohr Commander of the Guard, conferred with the Governor, and outlined the plans now in the making.

As was the case last year the Governor declared, the Third Service Command will lend every assistance towards making the encampment a success. Kitchens and other facilities will be made available; officers will be detailed to help both with the training plans and the actual field maneuvers, and the Army will supply transportation to and from the Camp for the members of the various units.

A survey of the entire Guard has just been completed by officers of the Regular Army, Governor O'Conor pointed out, and while most of the units were declared "fit for any emergency" high turnover in some of the companies and lack of necessary weapons in some instances, suggest the necessity of continuing intensive work to insure that every battalion in the State be ready to cope with any emergency that might develop.

Recent replacrement of the shotguns used by the State Guard since Dunkirk by regulation U. S. Enfield Rifles and expected receipt in the near future of some $177,000.00 worth of clothing and equipment from the Army for use by the members of the Guard, will make it possible to put into the field the best equipped force possible since the Maryland National Guard units were mustered into Federal service, Governor O'Conor declared.

The 2,300 rifles have been distributed to all Guardsmen he said, and, with the new outfits, which will include both wool and cotton shirts, trousers and caps; shoes, mackinaws gloves, belts and ties—complete summer and winter outfits will constitute a total of $568,000.00 in supplies of every kind received by he State from the Federal Government since the outbreak of the war.

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SCARE GOOSE WANTED

Kent County farmers particularly those living near the bay shore, are looking for some appropriate device which will serve as a scare goose both day and night. Effective gadgets in the form of scare crows with numerous white rage streamers flapping in the breeze have helped in the day time but at night they have little or no effect with the result that acres of young wheat shoots disappear over night.

The damage this year is particularly heavy, according to reports, due to the fact that some of Kent County's estates have fed the wild geese with corn following the close of the season but due to the scarcity of this golden grain this year the geese have spread out to many green wheat fields in search of feed.

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Captain George L. Ekaitis former foot-ball coach at Washington College and Mrs. Ekaitis will visit in Chestertown this week-end. One of the Captain's aims during his visit here will be to find a basket of onions. Yes we have no onions to-day.

30 SELECTEES LEFT FOR EXAM. THIS THURSDAY

Thirty selectees left Chestertown on Thursday morning for their pre-induction physical examination at the Fifth Regiment Armory in Baltimore. If they pass the examination they have at least 21 days before reporting for duty. Those who went are

White

Melvin Sutphin, Chestertown.
Robert Lee Larrimore, Rock Hall.
Roland Launcelot Perry, Chestertown.
William Ralph Penn, Rock Hall.
Melvin Franklin Jacob, Rock Hall.
Burnice Neville Deaton, Chestertown.
Lenox Ray Kendall, Rock Hall.
Edward Ernest Nordoff, Rock Hall.
Earnest Price Younger, Worton.
David Elwood McGinnis Millington.
Joseph Richard Joiner, Chestertown R. R. 2.
Harry Wright Coleman, Rock Hall.
Clifton Jeral Bakeoven, Kennedyville, R. R.
George Millburn Sutton, Chestertown.
Albert Robert Bryden, Rock Hall.
Herman Backway, Jr., Chestertown.
Richard Wilson Legg, Rock Hall.
William Henry Woolford, Chestertown R. R.
Irving Fisher Leverage, Chestertown.
Thomas Birdsal Andrews, Jr., Chestertown.
Richard Corgan Roberts, Chestertown.
Robert Newton Mance, Chestertown
Charles Medford Wallace, Chestertown R. R. 2.

Colored

George Henry Graves, Chestertown R. R.
Claude Leroy Demby, Worton
William Edward Goldsborough, Chestertown.
Benjamin Franklin Graham, Chestertown.
Roger Nelson Brooks, Worton.
James Vincent Grinnell, Chestertown, R. R.
Daniel Taylor, Rock Hall.
Robert Donald Collyer, white, of Rock Hall also went with this group to be inducted as a Naval Aviation Cadet.

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Prodigal Son Has Sad Return Here

A prodigal son of Kent in the person of a 24 year old negro Raymond (Mickey) Bradshaw, had a very unpleasant visit here last week when he was arrested for trying to pass counterfeit money.

Two hours after Bradshaw arrived here from Chester, Pa., he landed in Kent County Jail for attempting to pass counterfeit money on two negro youths. Stopping the boys on the street the impostor flashed a bogus ten dollar bill and asked if they could change it. One of the boys replied that he had only three dollars where upon Bradshaw stated that he would take that and get the larger note changed later as he owed a man waiting down the street some money and did not want to keep him waiting.

That was the last the boys saw of Bradshaw and their money. Upon notifying the Sheriff and describing the faker, the officers immediately recognized Bradshaw and started a search for him.

When the officers located him, he still had the counterfiet bill and on Monday night was found guilty and sentenced to six months in the House of Correction by Judge Clarence Melvin.

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JR. RED CROSS PLEDGES FUNDS

Superintendent of Schools, Louis C. Robinson, has reported that the school children of Kent County feel so keenly their obligation to the service men who are fighting for them they have pledged themselves to provide by the end of March fifteen dollars for each of seventy-three men. Of this number, twenty will be provided for by the colored school children.

The great majority of children in every school in the county have qualified for membership in the Junior Red Cross by contributing twenty-five cents or more and many children have contributed a dollar. These contributions are being made out of the children's savings and earnings.

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Walter W. Clark, Jr., son of Mr. and Mrs. Walter W. Cark, who is serving with the U. S. Marine Corps "somewhere in the Pacific" is suffering with a broken arm received in combat. He claims he is doing all right however and writes his parents not to worry.

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