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THE COUNTDOWN HAS BEGUN

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Sharon Hornback will soon prepare her last Backtracker. PSGS is looking for a new editor. Sharon will cease being the Backtracker Editor in seven more issues.

Are you ready to become the new editor? You must be a member of PSGS. If you wish to accept now, Sharon will work with you on a few issues. Please let her know if this is something you would like to do. Contact Sharon at

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Presidential Ponderings

by Jean Yager

As another year comes to an end, the Education/Program committee is hard at work establishing classes and programs for 2025. Janet Camarata has agreed to continue her "Discovering Your Ancestors" Series. Series Three begins in January, Series Four in April and Series Five in September (no classes in August). I have listened to these several times, but Janet is always updating them and I'm always picking up new hints. They are worth the repeats!

December 12th is the date of our annual Christmas party. Door prizes (instead of a gift exchange) were a big hit last year and surprisingly everyone got a door prize!! It will be catered so you don't have to worry about bringing a dish. However, you are welcome to donate a door prize (or two).

The Social last January was such a success we are going to do it again on January 22nd, at our general meeting. It will be an in-person-only event where you will have access to live people, the opportunity to check out the available committees and sign up to volunteer at the Antique Show in February. Oh, and don't forget the refreshments! There will be lots of good food! So mark your calendar and if you are interested in helping to plan this event, please email me at psgsociety@gmail.com.

As mentioned above, our fundraiser this year, The Antique Show, is set for February 22 and 23, same place, same time. Closer to the event we will need help distributing road signs throughout Kitsap County. Email me to get your name on the list: psgsociety@gmail.com. We will also need volunteers to work the shows. You can email Rachelle Peel at rachellep98370@gmail.com.

Cheer: If you know of someone in our PSGS family in need of cheer due to illness, a death in the family, surgery, or simply needs a thinking-of-you, feel free to contact Lisa at memberrep@pusogensoc.org and she will be happy to send a card on behalf of PSGS.

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Genealogy Center Report

by Elisabeth Demmon

As you may have noticed, the New England section of the Genealogy Center (the shelving area along the back wall to the left as you enter the room) is very full and there are a number of new books to be added to that area. This is a major shifting project that I have started by moving the POLK Directories to the Reference Office. These POLK Directories are still available for use – just ask the Branch staff at the Help Desk for help to retrieve the books.

The shifting project for the left middle section (as you enter the room) has been completed so all the books are in Dewey Decimal order from 974 -to 979 from the back of the room to the front. Look for the newly restored edition of the 1885 County History of Portage County, Ohio in this section under Genealogy 977.137 History.

Ingrid, PSGS volunteer mender, continues her invaluable work as she mends and restores older books that need her talented skills. She is advising me on the purchase of a Book Cradle to hold older books that should be handled with care. The cradle will hold the item when in use to prevent excess handling and support the book's conservation.

My thanks to all the PSGS Volunteers who give their time and expertise to the 172 visitors to the GC this past quarter.

May you all have a lovely Autumn searching for your ancestors. Elisabeth Demmon, KRL Liaison to the PSGS.

PSGS Election Coming October 23

Our Nomination Committee (Charles Treiberg, Lisa Treiberg and Alta Drane) have been hard at work gathering a slate of officers to present at our General Meeting on October 23. Please come, either in person or by Zoom so we can certify our election. The slate you will be voting on is as follows:

President Jean Yager

1st Vice President Heidi Ginder

2nd Vice President Charles Treiberg

Secretary Mahala Henry

Treasurer Karen Duke

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Looking forward to seeing all of you at our October meeting. Thank you to the Nomination Committee.



Annual Trip to SLC FamilySearch Library

Maybe It's Time for an Alternate Library? By Diane Howell Evans

In the July 2024 issue of the Backtracker, I wrote an article surveying the membership on future trips to the Salt Lake City FamilySearch Library. One response I received indicated since our Genealogy Center has access to more Family Search Records, there was no urgency to go to SLC. So maybe our annual SLC trip should be changed to a trip every two-three years OR maybe we should consider trips to another genealogy research library.

I have researched other available top libraries for genealogy research in the US and came across several Top 10 lists! Please review the list below and notify me at DEvansAVA@aol.com if there are any libraries on the list that you would be interested in visiting in the future. This list includes libraries across the US minus libraries in the metro DC area which will be addressed in a future article.

The following list of top libraries include:

Allen County Public Library (ACPL) — located in Fort Wayne, Indiana, the library's claim to fame is the Periodical Source Index (PERSI) which contains thousands of genealogical and historical periodicals published since the 1800s. For more details, visit: Genealogy | Allen County Public Library Genealogy Center (acpl.lib.in.us).

Mid-Continent Public Library — located in Independence, Missouri, the Mid-Continental PL houses thousands of family history books, local history items, rolls of microfiche and microfilms and maps. It is popular due to its complete US Census collection, immigration and naturalization records. The library focuses on states in the Southeast, Mid-Atlantic, Midwest and the Plains. For more details, visit: About the Midwest Genealogy

<u>Center | Mid-Continent Public Library</u> (mymcpl.org).

Clayton Library for Genealogical Research — located in downtown Houston, Texas, thousands of researchers come to Clayton Library Research Center every year to use the renowned international collections to further their knowledge of their own family history. For more details, visit: HPL - Family History Research Center - Visit Us at Houston Public Library (houstonlibrary.org).

Birmingham Public Library – located in Birmingham, Alabama, the library offers information to researchers on Southern ancestors, especially those in the local area. Vital records, US Census records, passenger lists and the Caribbean Collection are just a few of the available record types. For more details, visit: Birmingham Public Library – Genealogical Resources (cobpl.org).

Denver Public Library – located in Denver, Colorado, this is a great research library for Coloradan ancestors, but also Western history as well. For more details, visit: Genealogy Collection | Denver Public Library Special Collections and Archives (denverlibrary.org).

New England Historic Genealogical Society (NEHGS) Library – located in Boston, Massachusetts, the library specializes in New England research and has an impressive manuscript collection dating back to the 13th century. Not limited to only New England, the library also has extensive Canadian, Irish and British collections. The library has been closed since March 2023 for renovations and is expected to re-open sometime in 2024. For more details, visit: Visit | American Ancestors.

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In honor of October Family History Month, PSGS members were asked to share a favorite photo and a short description. Below and on following pages are their submissions. Enjoy!



I am first generation America; my mother was born in Norway, and my father, in the Austro-Hungarian Empire (in what is Ukraine today). In part that is why travel was an integral part of my life, and remains so even today. Here is a passport photo for my family, at the time (two more children followed later on); I am the one seated in the bottom left corner. I still smile when I look at this as it brings up SO many memories of family trips, here and abroad, and the many good times we all had. I believe I was 5 years old in this photo.

Submitted by Leah Snider (nee Heilpern)

A few years ago, my aunt gave me a cross stitch sampler on linen, made by my 4x great grandmother, Julia Ann Darling, when she was 13 years old. Julia was born in 1806. Seeing 'Darling' peaked my interest and research revealed that Don, my husband, and I are cousins - 7th cousins twice removed.

We are each other's 3rd marriage. Our kids weren't just stepsiblings, but cousins.

submitted by Kathy Darling



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This is a four generation photo of my sister, mom, Grandma, and great grandmother. The picture was published in the local newspaper, The Indiana Gazette, Indiana, PA about 1937.

"...this time the principals are all of the female persuasion. To the left is Mrs. W. J. Rising of Indiana, R.D.6. Sitting beside her is her daughter, Mrs. V.W. Kissinger of Latrobe. At the rear is Mrs. Kissinger's daughter, Mrs. Ralph Brant of Latrobe and to the fore, looking shyly at the cameraman, is Carole Jeanne Brant, all of four years."

Submitted by Peg Powell

This is a picture of my grandmother, Myrtle Mae Partridge aged 12 in 1901. Her family lived in Minneapolis, Minnesota. She is pictured with her three brothers that she took care of most of the time. They are Art, aged 10; Ray, aged 6; and Bob, aged 8. I love old pictures. (Unfortunately, when I look at old pictures these days, they are pictures of me as a child.)

Submitted by Sharon Hornback



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Jeffrey Knight Meets His Baby Brother Christopher

This is not a candid photo. It was well planned. I had in mind what I wanted. I wanted to introduce our son, Jeffrey Carl Knight (born October 20, 1969), to his baby brother, Christopher Knight (born January 14, 1971) in a way that allowed me to see Jeff's reaction to his baby brother but to be in the photo that would record that memorable moment.

My husband, Carl, set the wicker baby crib in the yard of our California home. I even had Jeffrey cover his eyes while I guided him to the baby. He sweetly and carefully touched him



since I had told him we had to be careful and that we had to teach him how to do things since he was help-less and couldn't do anything by himself. This is still one of my favorite photos even if it was staged.

Since we lost Jeffrey when he was 14 years old (while Chris had just turned 13), photos are very precious to us. Even more so because many of our photos and slides were damaged or destroyed when we had a fire that destroyed our home. I have some precious photos of our boys--especially a couple of them. One is of Jeff pulling Chris in their new red wagon. Another is of the boys working on their first snowman together. Some photos (and moments) are so etched into my mind that I no longer need to see a photo.

Submitted by Melody Knight



This is Harry McNary Gailey and Leota Adelaide Lott in 1916, in Columbus, OH, my maternal grandparents. I scanned this from one of my mother's scrapbooks, a treasure my grandmother had saved. Harry and Leota met in college in Columbus. They married 1 Jan 1917, were very much in love and remained so through their entire married life. During their courtship they devised a two-part whistle call...if they were out anywhere and wanted to find the other person, one of them would whistle the first part of the 'call' and the other person, hearing it, would whistle the 'response'. They eventually taught the whistle to their daughters and those of their grandchildren who could whistle. Harry spent much of his last year in and out of the hospital. He drove the nurses crazy with that whistle, calling Leota. When she'd arrive at the hospital and hear that whistle from down the hall, she would immediately answer with the response. Before my mother passed I recorded the 'call' and 'response' so this part of their lives would live on.

Submitted by Liz DuBois

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Other than hearing my mother's family bits (Nellie Rodenbough Leon, b. 10/20/1914, Woodbine, Iowa) my 1st "Find" was receiving a many-page copy of black marked big printed sheets of mom's family. It was created by an older sister, Georgia Rodebough Yount, b. 1903. My Aunt Georgie was attacked by POLIO at age two and crippled for life in her legs. She grew to wear rough stilts and then crutches thru time. Most of her sisters wed early and finally she met a wonderful military veteran who was widowed. He was entranced by Georgia's beauty and proposed quickly. They wed and my handsome redheaded cousin John (Jack always to me) was born in the 1920s. His father died while he was young and the family helped assist them to go to Portland, Oregon with them. My own family moved from Omaha to Portland in 1940, after my mom's mother died, while I was a little redheaded toddler. My aunt found work at Jantzen Knitting Mills, right on Sandy Blvd, by

Georgia age 94 new apartments. I didn't see her 'til I rode the bus as a young teen, and saw her manage two flights of stairs to the street. She had to bob and shake her legs to take steps and then climb the big bus steps up and down. I wasn't taught to help others as never around anyone and was embarrassed I didn't try to help. She never mentioned she probably saw my red hair and never a word to me. I moved to Washington not long after and managed to squeeze \$5 in a birthday card yearly for a luncheon treat and she always sent a kind note and made a wonderful red and white quilt top of school houses for my graduation. She was always pleasant and outlived all her sisters by passing at age 94.

Look for a future story about cousin Jack Yount in the Army. Submitted by Polly Langworthy

This photo is of Anders Treiberg and Tio Thompson, my paternal grandparents. It was taken at their farm in Estonia in the 1930s. They were part of a Swedish speaking community on the Baltic Sea.

I think of the picture as "Estonian Gothic".

Submitted by Charles Treiberg

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Elmer Swanson (1904-1997) takes a bat from Babe Ruth at "Union Pacific" Depot in Butte, Montana on 16 October 1924.

Babe Ruth was a national treasure and hero. Butte Newspapers reported that Babe Ruth stopped in Butte at the Northern Pacific station, not Union Pacific, when on a westbound barnstorming tour. Elmer Swanson joined the relatively small crowd at 7 am on this chilly rainy day to shake Ruth's hand. Shockingly, he received a bat from The Sultan of Swat.

The photographer told Ruth to smile, but he said, "I can't. It's too early."

It is not known why Babe Ruth gave Elmer the bat, but Ruth was only in Butte for a few minutes, was in a hurry, and likely randomly chose Elmer to receive the only bat before he reboarded the already moving train to Seattle. Two years later, Elmer Swanson married and started a family in nearby Anaconda. He had an incredible story to tell his kids. Where is that bat today?

His parents immigrated from Sweden in 1900 and 1901. Elmer's father Walfred was one of four Swanson brothers, as well as their children, who worked at the Anaconda Company smelter most of their lives.



(Photo, colorized, is from author's cousin, Margo (Griffin) Swanson in Massachusetts, 2009.) Submitted by Gary Robbins





Looking Forward...

to the next three months of programs presented by PSGS

Oct 23, 2024 Your Ancestor's Occupation—Exploring the 1821 Irish Census

Presented by Steven Morrison

Use this powerful tool to find your ancestor in Ireland. Names may change, but occupations stay.

Nov 20, 2024 What is Forensic Genealogy Really?

Presented by Janice Sellars

Dec 12, 2024 PSGS Christmas Party (see page 15)

Schedule of Classes — Oct — Dec 2024

Genealogy Series II: Learn more about your Genealogy

By Janet O'Conor Camarata

Janet will be continuing her enriching and rewarding series using a variety of lesser known sources, including county and family histories; maps, atlases, and gazetteers; land records; courthouses, including wills and probate; immigration, naturalization and passenger lists and military records. Gain skills in the research process; on-site research planning; using timelines and chronologies; organizing paper, books and digital files and the Genealogical Proof Standard.

Oct 26, 2024 Timelines & Chronologies; Land Records — Hybrid

Nov 2, 2024 Organizing Paper, Books & Digitals Files; Courthouse Research, including

Wills & Probate— Hybrid

Nov 23, 2024 Genealogical Proof Standard; Military Records — Hybrid

Dec 7, 2024 Immigration & Naturalization Records; Students share

research — Hybrid

All classes are from 10:30 am to 12:30 pm and are open to the public. Zoom link will be emailed to members two days prior to class. The Zoom link is shareable to non-members.



VETERANS' DAY MEMORIES

Sgt Sr Grade: Elbert Westfall 1893—1962

Elbert was born on a cold fall night in Spokane, WA. He was not expected to live to the morning; the midwife put him in a box behind the wood stove, he would be given a name if he lived. He woke everyone up in the morning. He grew strong and lively, wanting to learn more and pursuing his love of machinery. He hung around the railroad terminal in Spokane and the train mechanics liked his company. Mechanics taught him about repair and care of machinery. "Al" learned about using metal lathes and steam power. He was soon viewed and worked as a machinist.

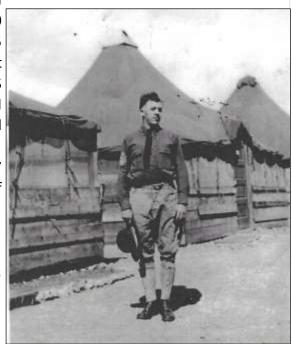
WWI arrived; Al heard about the "Motor Transport Corps" to aid in the Army's transition from horses/mules to liberty trucks. He could easily build a truck or repair/replace any part needed. Al enlisted, 14 December 1917, in 309th Motor Transport Corps. His trip started in San Antonio, TX after basic training; arriving in New Orleans 9 September 1918. Next stop was Camp Merritt, NJ; departed there 15 September after receiving overseas gear. The unit arrived in Liverpool, England on 29 September; stayed 2 nights at "Camp Knotty Ash". Then to Camp Woodley on 3rd class "buggies". Left Camp Woodley and hiked 14 miles to Southampton. They boarded the SS Margarette and crossed the channel at night, arrived Le Harve 5 October and unloaded gear. Next, Romorantin, France arrived 9 October and worked on Aeroplanes until 26 October. His unit arrived in Dijon on 29 October and worked on repairing trucks. Left there for Langres 9 November. "On the way to Verdun, we were stopped by Armistice". Then back to Dijon and stayed until 7 March; then 7-day leave. Went to

Cannes, Italy, and Paris. France was headquarters; visited the whole section. He went to Le Mans 29 May to greet 60 liberty trucks; worked here until 2 July. Classification was 5 July; then to Brest 8 July. "Lost our 'cooties' there". Left on the USS South Carolina 14 July. The mechanics on USS South Carolina enjoyed his company returning to US; Al received a tour of "triple expansion boilers". They arrived in Norfolk, VA on 26 July.

He was discharged in Fort George Wright, Spokane 17 January 1919 as Sergeant Senior Grade after 13 months of US Army Service and travel adventure.

Submitted by Don Westfall

There is much more to the story of Elbert Westfall. Look for an article from Don in a future issue.



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Musician Emer A Robbins, US Army, taken in summer 1900 at Aparre, Philippine Islands on northern Luzon. A local photographer took this with a backdrop of people watching the cameraman from inside a bamboo hut. Emer was a bugler, played the trumpet in the marching band, and carried commander's messages to remote jungle outposts. He served three years (1900 — 1903), including two years in the Philippines in Company L, 16th US Infantry. He was awarded the Philippine Campaign Medal — Army.

Submitted by Gary Robbins





My father, William Marion Dobson (1913—1996) enlisted in the US Army three different times beginning in 1936. The last time was when he entered WW II. William served in Hawaii when it was a Territory, Illinois, California, Washington, and Mississippi. He excelled in the Infantry earning many medals including the Bronze Star. He was a Sergeant when he took his final discharge in 1945. During WW II he was stationed in France, Belgium, and Algiers.

Submitted by Sharon Hornback

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Prior to the Revolutionary War a number of my ancestors fought in various Indian wars during the settling of this country. The Revolutionary War saw 38 of my known ancestors serving in one capacity or another, from being spies, to supplying equipment and/or provisions, to actually fighting for independence. Some were privates, some were officers, many were in the local militias, all focused on helping the cause for independence.

However, one man stands out because he was a Loyalist, serving as a Sargent with forces loyal to the

British. Jotham Purdy signed a "profession of being a Loyalist" in White Plains, Westchester County, New York in January 1776. His wife, Marguetiche VanVoorhees, was the daughter of Stephen Voorhees who was serving in the Dutchess County, NY militia as were many of his relatives. Jotham was killed on the doorstep of his home in White Plains on 6 Oct 1777, leaving a young wife with two small children. They lived with her family. Marguetiche died at the age of 104.

The photo is of George KNOPF and his wife Addie Bixenstein FEGENBUSH taken about 1870. George was born in Frettenheim, Hesse-Darmstadt, Germany, 25 May 1835. He and his twin brother, Philip, arrived in New Orleans on the "State of Maine", 26 Nov 1851 and settled in the Columbus, OH area where a relative, John Knopf, lived. John, George and Philip were all paper hangars and painters. George also opened a furniture refinishing business in Columbus after the Civil War.



George enlisted in the Union Army, Company F, 108th OVI, 11 Aug 1862; was sick in the hospital several times, was captured at Huntsville, Tennessee in December 1862; and mustered out 9 Jun 1865, returning to Columbus, OH. He and Addie were married in Columbus 3 Oct 1866. George died 18 Nov 1874, in Columbus, OH, of complications from his time in prison during the war.

On Veteran's Day I salute all of these, from the early 1600s wars to the 1 ancestor who served in the Civil War....to my son and my late husband who also served in the military!

Submitted by Liz DuBois

Annual Trip to SLC FamilySearch Library

Maybe It's Time for an Alternate Library? By Diane Howell Evans

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Detroit Public Library – located in Detroit, Michigan, the library's Biography and Genealogy Department offers both federal and state census records, vital records, city directories, yearbooks, catholic church records and much more. For more details, visit: Research | Biography and Genealogy | Detroit Public Library.

Dallas Public Library – located in Dallas, Texas, the Lloyd DeWitt Bockstruck Genealogy Collection offers one of the largest and most comprehensive collections for research of family history records in the Southwest. For more details, visit: Dallas Public Library - Genealogy Home Page (dallaslibrary2.org).

Los Angeles Public Library – located in Los Angeles, the library houses over 10,000 genealogies and one of the largest map collections in the

country. For more details, visit: <u>Genealogy | Los</u> <u>Angeles Public Library (lapl.org)</u>.

New York Public Library (NYPL)—located in NYC, the library could offer genealogical clues if your ancestors spent any time in NYC as so many immigrants did. A popular resource is the Emigrant Savings Bank Records Collection of Irish immigrant's personal and family information. For more information, visit: Genealogical Research at The New York Public Library | The New York Public Library (nypl.org).

If you know of another library not on the list, but you feel would be a great candidate for a future visit, including those in the metro DC area, please forward the name of the library and its location to me at DEvansAVA@aol.com. Thank you.

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My father was enlisted in the US Army Air Force. He became a pilot during WW II. He crash landed a plane with no one dying and it was determined it was faulty equipment. Because of a broken leg, he did not go into combat and spent the rest of his service teaching pilots. My mother saved his uniform and it was displayed at his memorial service when he died at the age of 87.

Submitted by Cecilia Hughes

I have an unusual WW II story. My grandfather, Ollie Cowsert, was an AT&T lineman at the time of WWII. He was not allowed to go off to the overseas war locations. It was determined that if the US was attacked again like Pearl Harbor that he was too valuable here in the US to get damaged communications back up. I also met a second-generation Civil Engineer that had a similar family story. His family member likewise was determined valuable to reconstruct bridges, roads etc. and not sent overseas. We are the only two people that we have met with this scenario. Not a thrilling story, but unique.

Submitted by Kathy Cowsert



PSGS Christmas Party

You are all invited to the annual PSGS Christmas Party on Thursday, December 12, 2024. Lunch will be catered by PSGS.

Schedule is: 10-12 set up; 12-2 party, party party; and 2-3 clean up. Please consider donating a door prize or two so all attendees will have a chance to take something home. Also, a Food Bank box will be available.

Recognition and installation of 2025 PSGS Officers will be held at the party.





PSGS ANCESTRY SIG (SPECIAL INTEREST GROUP)

Do you want a place to discuss genealogy? Do you want help in finding new ideas for research? Do you want to share a great find you made that may help others? Then the PSGS Ancestry SIG is the place for you. Join us on the second Monday of each month in the Heninger Room at the Sylvan Way Library from 10:15am to 12:30pm. This is an in-person only group. Hope to see you there!

BELFAIR CHAPTER

The Belfair Chapter meets on the third Thursday of each month in the Timberland library in Belfair. Meetings begin at 10:30 am. You do not need to live in Belfair to come. All are welcome. Please join us.

PSGS Annual Business Meeting

At our upcoming meeting, October 23, 2024, all members present in person or on zoom will have the opportunity and responsibility to elect the members of the 2025 PSGS Executive Board. All officer positions are open to any member who would like to serve as President, 1st VP, 2nd VP, Secretary or Treasurer. We will also vote for the Member-at-Large position. Information on all of the Executive Board positions, which includes the committee chair-persons, is posted on the members only page of our website: www.psgsocietgy.org/members

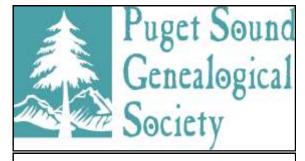
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BACKTRACKER UPDATE

Due to rising costs of printing and postage, all future issues of the Backtracker will be on-line only.

Thank you.

PSGS Executive Board



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