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2,093 Attend Feast of Trumpets in Gary, Indiana

by Harold Cormany

I THESS. 4:16 FOR THE LORD HIMSELF SHALL DESCEND FROM HEAVEN WITH A SHOUT, AND THE VOICE OF THE ARCHANGEL, AND WITH THE TRUMP OF GOD.

For the 1,933rd time since Jesus Christ founded HIS church in 31 A.D., the commemoration of Christ's return was observed with the keeping of THE FEAST OF TRUMPETS. Over 2000 people gathered in Memorial Auditorium at Gary, Ind. to keep the feast. Everyone there could feel the excitement of this great day from the very first song led by Mr. Frank McCrady (Elkhart-Grand Rapids).

Mr. John Bald (Indianapolis-Danville)

The first message was given by the Associate Pastor of Chicago-Peoria, Mr. Allan Manteufel. In his message, Mr. Manteufel pointed out the great supernatural signs in heaven that must take place prior to Christ's second coming. He also revealed that God has already caused many of these supernatural events to occur many thousands of years ago and that these happenings are documented both by the Bible and in history as well.

The main morning message was given by Mr. Dean C. Blackwell, Evangelist and District Superintendent of the Northern-Midwest Area. In his message Mr. Blackwell showed how God's true servants have always kept God's Feast Days, including the Feast of Trumpets. He explained how David and Job knew God's plan of salvation and how Christ would choose the area in which those who qualify will serve (Psa 47:4). Our evangelist explained that no matter what he might have desired to preach, God

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NEW SPOKESMAN CLUB OFFICERS—CHICAGO AREA

PRESIDENTS—front row left to right: Messrs. Dick Alexander, George Gibbs, Harold Cormany, Phil Fowler.

VICE PRESIDENTS—back row: Messrs. Fred Mancewicz, Roger Smith, Lowell Foster, Dave Shell (not pictured).

New Spokesman Club Officers Appointed

Mr. Baird Returns

by Gerald Flurry

Since the founding of the spokesman clubs in Chicago, through the direction of our evangelist, Mr. Blackwell, we have had encouraging growth in all areas. One club has mushroomed into four white and two colored clubs. Men have risen to ranks of elder and deacon through dedicated service, yieldedness and desire to change under God-given opportunities.

These clubs make possible oppor-

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"Around the World in 80 Days" could almost be Mr. Hal Baird's theme song after returning from a nation-wide baptizing tour this summer. Mr. Baird returned to St. Louis August 28 after an 80-day whirlwind tour covering 40% of the states in the U.S.A. and half of the provinces of Canada!

In addition to driving 14,000 miles, Mr. Baird and Mr. Pruner also flew approximately 1,200 miles. This combined mileage amounts to more than

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Mr. Baird Returns

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half the distance around the earth! That's where the "almost" came in—the "Around the World in 80 Days" theme.

Sabbath, August 29, Mr. Baird's sermon dwelt mainly with the more interesting and profitable highlights of his tour. Mr. Baird and Mr. Pruner baptized 40.8% of those who were met!

After having covered so much territory, there was one thing in particular that impressed Mr. Baird concerning our nation. He said that the physical pollution of our streams and rivers is very extant throughout the country, whereas 25 years ago such conditions did not exist. Factory and industrial wastes, raw sewage, and pollutions of every type are being dumped in to our rivers and are in evidence everywhere. This just another sign of the times.

We are all very happy to have Mr. Baird back with us again and certainly appreciate the golden opportunities we have in a local church area especially after hearing of those who are not so fortunate.

Remember, if you are ever inclined to give Mr. Baird a stereo album—he especially like, "Almost Around the World in 80 Days."

Slide Travelogue — Part II

by Ken Ellis

After showing many slides of beautiful Switzerland, Mr. Dean Blackwell continued guiding the Chicago-LaGrange brethren on a tour of Europe. The next pictures and explanatory remarks took all on a pleasure boat ride on the Rhine river.

Suddenly, the scene shifted back to England where the only expressway in England, the M1, was shown and then the entranceway to Ambassador College in Brickett Wood.

There were shopping and street scenes from the nearby English town of Watford. People in England usually don't have cars; instead they push "prams" or ride on motorscooters or bicycles.

But now to Rome, the temporary "Eternal" city. Outstanding was the huge Victor Emmanuel Memorial, pagan obelisks, tiny Fiat autos, the Pantheon, Coliseum, Old Forum and other ancient ruins. There were many churches including St. Peters and close-up views of the ceiling of the Sistine Chapel.

The next stop was Pompeii which was destroyed by being buried in ash from Mt. Vesuvius in 79 A.D. It has been extensively restored and there is revelry which took place there, reminiscent of Sodom and Gomorrah.

The Blackwell's and Portune's went next to Egypt, that ancient type of sin. The Sphinx and the Great pyramid were first visited—on camel back. The Great Pyramid, which Job was never permitted to finish, is large enough in volume to contain the six largest cathedrals on earth! It has been stripped of its surface marble to build bridges near Cairo.

Jordan was reached by flying over the very barren desert wasteland through which the ancient Israelites were led by Moses. Jordan is primitive in its development and living conditions. The Arabs and Jordanians seem unable to make anything of the land compared with what has been done with "Israel."

The Jewish half of the Holy Land is irrigated and built up, containing some very modern and beautiful buildings, fine autos and well-dressed people. But you still can see the Garden of Gethsemane and the original olive trees under which Christ taught the disciples and prayed. The Mount of Olives and Mount Zion are part of the city with the little Valley of Jehosephat between. One of the most interesting and authentic sights to see is the tomb in which Jesus Christ lay for three days and nights.

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commanded him to preach Christ's second coming and how Christ would come according to God's word. Mr. Roenspies (LaGrange) then gave the prayer asking God's blessing on the noon meal.

After the mid-day break Mr. George Meeker (Milwaukee) revealed to us in Jeremiah 23 that God had a reason for His people to attend His Holy Days so that he could reveal His plan of salvation to them.

The combined Chicago-LaGrange Choral then thrilled the audience under the leadership of Mr. Charles Hallier with two stirring numbers, one being Hendel's Hallelujah Chorus—what an appropriate song to be sung to commemorate such a great event. The other selection was Praise Ye the Lord.

This song seemed to inspire Mr. Dean Blackwell as he launched into his second message of the day, opening with Joshua and the walls of Jericho and how this actually was a type of what is to happen to the kingdoms of this world, when Christ returns. (Rev. 11:15) He told us that some of us would never witness this great event unless we become more a part of this church and divorce ourselves from the materialism of this present world.

The Merry Widows

by Marge Stocker

A pleasant afternoon was experienced by a group of the older ladies and widows. They were wined and dined at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Eugene Beyersorfer on Sunday, August 9th. The sumptuous fried chicken dinner with many tasty side dishes was prepared by Mrs. Beyersdorfer and Mrs. Stocker.



Special guests were Deacon and Deaconess, Mr. and Mrs. Joseph Schlitt.

Later in the afternoon, Mr. Joseph Tkach, Local Elder, and Mr. Jim Redus, ministerial assistant, paid a surprise visit and were persuaded to sample the chicken and wine.

Kenneth Ellis to Assist Mr. Floyd

Lochner In Imperial School — Pasadena

by Wilbur Ball

For sometime now it has been rumored that Mr. Kenneth Ellis would be leaving for Pasadena, California in order to assist Mr. Lochner, head of Imperial schools. However, there was no confirmation of this until August 20, 1964, when Mr. Ellis received a telephone call informing him that if he could be at Ambassador College in Pasadena by September 1st there would be a position waiting for him there. Mr. Ellis departed from the Chicago area by automobile on the 27th of August, 1964, giving him but one short week to terminate his position, pack his belongings, and sell his home.

Before receiving his master's degree he must write his final thesis. He will teach the seventh and eighth grades at Imperial school, and will assist Mr. Lochner and his staff in planning the curriculum for Imperial schools. Developing the curriculum for the world tomorrow is a major factor in the Imperial school system.

The prime purpose for the Imperial schools of today is to develop the system of educational methods which, while being used currently, will be carried over into the millennium for the enlightenment of the students who will be living during that time.

Mr. Ellis has been well known in the Midwest Area for the fine work which he has been doing since 1960, as News Editor of the Northern Midwest District Church of God News. Since **issue No. 1** he was the News Editor. Both Mr. Kenneth Ellis and his wife, Barbara, have extensive backgrounds in the field of journalism, having attained the position of editor in elementary school and in college.

Mr. and Mrs. Ellis have been in the Church four years. In August of 1960 they were introduced to the Truth by Mr. Ted Efimov.

For the last three years Mr. Ellis has served the Spokesman clubs as Grammarian, at one time two clubs. We feel the loss to the Chicago Area Church will result in a big gain for the one in Pasadena.

Farewell Mr. and Mrs. Ellis, and may God grant you His richest blessings.

Chicago News Briefs

by Fred Mancewicz

Blessed with a new baby girl are Mr. and Mrs. Scott of Portage, Indiana.

It was good to see Roy Fowler home for a few weeks—he attends the College of the Pacific.



Chicago's Loss—Pasadena's Gain. Mr. and Mrs. Kenneth Ellis, guests of honor to the Saturday night spokesman's club farewell dinner. Mr. Ellis has been chosen to teach at Imperial School in Pasadena and help develop school curriculum for the schools system in the world tomorrow. In the rear is Mr. Beyersdorfer, host and his lovely daughter, Marcia who is also leaving to become a freshman at Ambassador College, Texas.



"These are delicious". Our professional baker, Mr. Pollack, known for his hands rolling in dough, with his wife, Mrs. Pollack.

Dr. Duke Galloway inspects the "goodies" as Mrs. Galloway tries her testing technique by taste.



Mr. Dick Alexander, President of the Saturday night Spokesman Club serving others. Also pictured are Mr. and Mrs. Raymond Wakenight whose charming daughter, Ruth Ann recently was married to Mr. Jack Pyle, ministerial assistant in Chicago area.

Danville News Briefs

by Gene Scarbrough

Mr. and Mrs. Dennis Stauffer of Danville, Illinois left for Pasadena, California, where Mr. Stauffer has been accepted as a student at Ambassador College.

A sad note—Mr. Howard Miller of the Colored Church was killed in an automobile accident on the way to the Spokesman Club.

A word of caution to all driving to the Feast. **IT CAN HAPPEN TO YOU TOO!** Please be careful.

TRAVEL TIPS

by Dick Alexander

God's wonderful blessing which comes once a year, the Feast of Tabernacles, is again drawing near. In Deuteronomy 16:16 God tells us "Three times in a year shall all thy males appear before the Lord thy God in the place which he shall choose: in the Feast of Unleavened Bread, the Feast of Weeks, and in the Feast of Tabernacles." God commands us to assemble ourselves together to enjoy his blessings. God also tells us to be as wise as serpents and as harmless as doves. He instructs us not to be careless, but rather to be prepared. We will soon be traveling more than 900 miles to beautiful Jekyll Island, and we must use wisdom to make sure that we will return safely home.

Do you have a good spare tire? Are all four of your tires in good condition? One blow-out can ruin the Feast of Tabernacles, and even your whole life. Make sure you have a good jack and tire tools, a flashlight, and a red flare (or blinking red light) as these items could save your life. Make sure your brakes and brake linings are in good condition.

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ROUTES TO THE FEAST OF TABERNACLES

by Harold Stocker

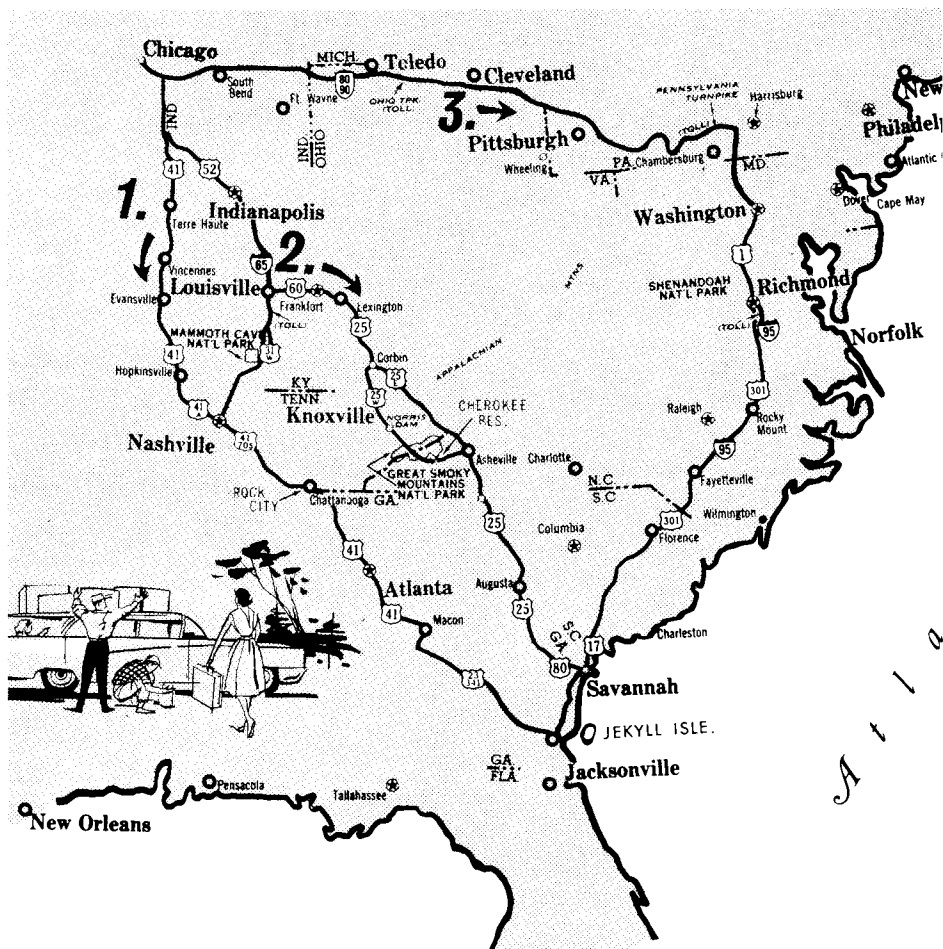
What is the best route to Jekyll Island? What things would you like to see either on the way there or on the way back?

Having decided the answers to these questions, it will be much easier to choose one of the three basic routes recommended by several major oil companies.

The routes are as follows: 1. The fastest. 2. The scenic route. 3. The route East through Washington, D.C.

These three routes are outlined in the above map. A more detailed map will be necessary, or at least desirable, for most of us.

Also noted on the map are various points of interest that have been suggested by some of the brethren. Some of us will be taking this trip for the first time and the anticipation is great. What a tremendous and wonderful blessing it is that God made available to us the knowledge of this very important Feast



and that He called us out of the ways of this world to enjoy it! The best enjoy the entire trip, why don't you select from one of these tested trip plans and watch for people you know all along the way?

1. THE FASTEST ROUTE

It will be necessary for some to accomplish the trip one or both ways in the fastest manner possible (with all safety and courtesy of course). Although some of this route goes through many small towns, it is the most direct.



2. THE SCENIC ROUTE

Somewhat slower, this route has many points of interest that dot the way through the beautiful mountains. Check the map for other side routes. Remember, God has given us a land on interest, contrast and color.

3. THE ROUTE EAST

The primary objective here would be to make use of the turnpikes and main highways avoiding smaller towns. Although longer, it is less interrupted by small towns. Time permitting, Washington, D.C. would make an interesting stop. Besides the Capitol Building, and others we have heard so much about, there is the Library of Congress . . . one of the largest in the world containing more than 30 million items. The Smithsonian Institute contains history and man's technical achievements, etc.

POINTS OF INTEREST (keyed to map)

Mammoth Cave National Park. Cave tours hourly every day of the year. Nature trails through dense woodlands along picturesque Green River Bluffs. Wildlife such as white tail deer and over 170 species of birds. Plenty of camping and picnic areas.

Some signs to this attraction are misleading and we should only follow signs having full Park title.

There are many cottages and rooms available at economical family rates and plenty of free parking.

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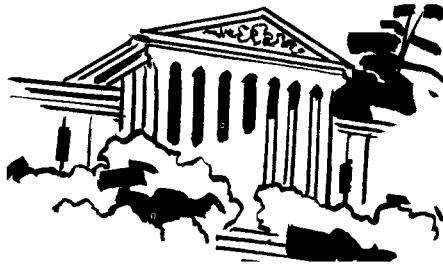
We have had serious accidents among the brethren due to faulty brakes and tires in poor condition. It is wise to have your car **turned-up**, if possible, before the Feast, as this will also help during the winter.

Now that our automobiles are prepared, let us take along a few other items to Jekyll Island to make our trip more pleasant. If you have a large family take along a cooler and frozen orange juice for the children, instead of buying pop. Also in the cooler, you can have milk which can be used for cereal in the morning as well as for drinking. If you have been thinking ahead and are energetic, then you also might have home-made canned chicken soup, and chili, which are very easy to prepare, and **oh, so delicious** when you get tired of restaurant food and crave a little of your own plain, homemade food. Since you will be driving a great deal without too much physical activity, it is wise to have only two large meals a day, with fruit and nut snacks in between. Three heavy meals get to be too much. Without heavier physical exertion, it is better for you to have a lighter fruit meal (and if you buy the fruit in supermarkets or highway stands yourself, you find it is more economical than restaurant meals.) Another good idea is to have a wet wash-cloth in a plastic bag for wiping those sticky fingers after eating in the car, or to refresh yourself by wiping your face. If you have several children, or if one child tends to be car-sick, an empty coffee can with a lid on it in the car, and a box of kleenex can be a big help for emergenies. A coffee perculator is also handy to have along in the morning for perking some coffee to go along with a delicious homemade coffee roll. This will get you started on the road, with a brunch later, when everyone is hungry.

As you may realize, a long journey is tiring and boring for children unless you **prepare** well ahead of time to make the trip interesting and enjoyable. One fascinating game is to take a map of the United States and mark each state off as the children spot the license plates on different cars. A point system can be set, with more points for the far-away states, and prizes for the most points. This game continues from the beginning of the trip to the end. (Of course the Bible quiz-sheet with small surprise

prizes for the most correct answers is another interesting game. Let the older children read the map and mark the routes.) This is fun and is good training for the children.

If you really want to make the trip interesting, then take the time to go to your local library after checking to see what towns, states and points of interest you will be passing through. Compile information on the states, towns, points of interest, and history of these areas, and you will be guaranteed the undivided attention of the children and enjoyment for many hours of the trip.



Choosing motels and restaurants for good lodging and food is difficult. The best thing you can do is to depend on AAA signs, Western Motel recommendations for motels, and Duncan Hines for restaurants. If a restaurant has very few cars around it at meal time even though it looks nice, then beware! Local residents know the good restaurants and will go there at noon and in the evening, so even if you do have to wait a few more minutes to be served, it may be well worth it!

Brethren, God's Feast days are given to us by God to enjoy as well as to learn more of His ways and truths. So let us be prepared to enjoy this Feast of Tabernacles even more this year as the time of the end draws nearer.



God's promise comes true. Mrs. Sylvia Efimov gave birth to third child, Bryon Jon Efimov. Before coming into God's truth, medical doctors stated that Mr. and Mrs. Efimov would most likely be childless. After prayer, fasting and anointing, God's promise has now grown to three.

Routes to Feast

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This is the most visited of all Parks in the U.S.A. For 36 miles along its main crest, this range maintains an altitude in excess of 5,000 ft. The deep mysterious mule-gray raze, rising from the valleys to the summits, gives these lofty mountains their name, which native Cherokee Indians called "Land of the Great Smoke."

In this area you will find black bear, sparkling trout streams, spectacular trails and points that afford vast dimensional viewing.

Rock City on top Lookout Mountain. No one can pass Chattanooga, Tenn. and miss the advertising of this observation point of seven states.

Cherokee Indian Reservation consisting of 56,000 acres and 4,500 Cherokee residents; Beautiful mountain views; an Indian museum where you will find an unmatched collection of artifacts and a guide to inform you.

Obviously there are many more interesting sights of different kinds that couldn't be mentioned here for lack of space. None of us could see them all. Our purpose is not to overspend ourselves on the way to or from the Feast but to find relaxing and enjoyable interests along the way.

Minneapolis News Briefs

by Russell Brown

Welcome to Mr. and Mrs. Clayton Bronkar and family who have recently completed a long move from Fargo, N.D. to Minneapolis.

The Minneapolis Spokesman Club has moved one of the elderly widows, Mrs. Malm of Red Wing, Minn., to Minneapolis.

Mr. and Mrs. William Zimmer from Rice Lake, Wisc., are the happy parents of a 9-lb. daughter, Annette Christine.

Mr. and Mrs. Adolph Bjorker recently returned from a trip to Crilly, Ontario. They were visiting at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Floyd Kielczewski.

ETIQUETTE TIP ARE YOU HAVING GUESTS FOR DINNER?

When hostess announces that dinner is ready. It is up to the host to rise and lead the guests in to the table.

This common courtesy can save many moments of embarrassment for the guests and also can assure you of a hot dinner.

Spokesman Officers

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tunities for men to be molded under circumstances to fit them for future use in God's work and his Kingdom. They are not tired of well doing, having given up pleasures of this world, and family hours to be of service to others. Under God's inspiration each man grows, if yielded and tempered through trial, so that he can be used in the next higher office to serve more people more abundantly.

The men chosen for office in the spokesman clubs have a great purpose, tremendous responsibility and dedication. They want and need your prayers to be used as instruments of our Eternal while they are schooled and tried in positions they are privileged to hold. Each man is unique and has talent which will bear fruit during his term of office. Many of their traits, will be an asset to those whom they serve.

Mr. Manteufel, on August 19th, announced the officers of the next term of office for four of the Chicago spokesman clubs.

CHICAGO-LA GRANGE

Saturday Evening

President—Mr. Dick Alexander; Vice-President—Mr. Roger Smith; Secretary—Mr. John Coco; Treasurer—Mr. Harold Stocker; Sgt. At Arms—Mr. Raymond Wakenight.

Sunday Morning

President—Mr. George Gibbs; Vice President—Mr. Dave Shell; Secretary—Mr. Dave Thompson; Treasurer—Mr. Willis Caulk; Sgt. At Arms—Mr. Bill Butler.

Monday Evening

President—Mr. Phil Fowler; Vice President—Mr. Lowell Foster; Secretary—Mr. Oleh Karpowycz; Treasurer—Mr. Marvin Edelbach; Sgt. At Arms—Mr. Julian Oakley.

Thursday Evening

President—Mr. Harold Cormany; Vice President—Mr. Fred Mancewicz; Secretary—Mr. Homer Smith; Treasurer—Mr. Bill George; Sgt. At Arms—Mr. Gobel.

ELKHART

Morning Club

New officers were announced August 30 for the Elkhart Morning Spokesman Club. They are: Mr. James Mambrock, President; Mr. Raymond Johnson, Vice President; Mr. Duane Rabbitt, Secretary;

LAODICEAN JONES

If they expect me to work at the Feast of Tabernacles, I expect something suited to my ability and one of those arm bands.



Be a proud doer,
Ps. 31:23
and not a proud speaker.
Prov. 8:13

Mr. Wilson Frank, Treasurer; and Mr. James Colvin, Sergeant-At-Arms.

Evening Club

Officers continuing for the Evening Spokesman Club are: Mr. Eugene La-Socha, President; Mr. Preston Fritts, Vice President; Mr. Paul Goddard, Secretary; Mr. Ben Bontrager, Treasurer; and Mr. Neil Skinner, Sergeant-at-Arms.

Minister Frank McCrady announced that there are now five or six openings for men in each club.



Newly appointed Grand Rapids Spokesman Club officers: front row, Mr. Jack Buckley, President, Mrs. Charles Corder, Sergeant-at-Arms; second row, Mr. Clair Lay, Treasurer, Mr. Roland Van Slooten, Vice President, and Mr. Glen Keeley, Secretary.

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