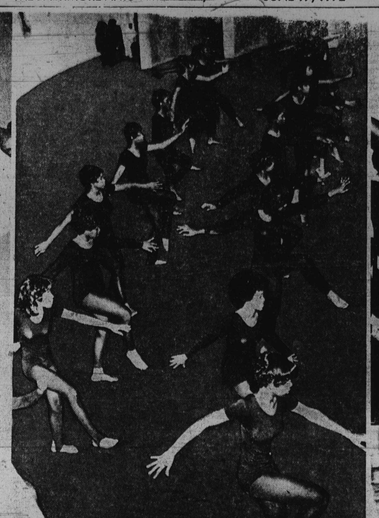

A BLACK EXTRAVAGANZA was held recently at Walbrook High School. The school, which has no senior class, held the program in its spacious auditorium as a closing activity. Pictured here is modern dance group which includes from left Robin Wright, Sydney DeShields and Algeda Pride. In middle panel are Andrea Smith, Deborah Morgan, Pamela Wells, Almeda Pride, Janelle King, Karen Stewart, Valorie Brown, Wanda Steplae, Anna Williams, Myra Wolfe, Carlin Pitts, and Linda Chambers. In right panel Lenorard Foote dances to "Shaft." (AFRO Photos by Benjamin Murphy Phillips IV)

WESTERN HIGH SCHOOL

Dressed in white, 743 girls get diplomas

Carrying out the school's century-old tradition, some 743 young ladies wore white gowns to receive diplomas on Wednesday at the Civic Center.

The 120th annual commencement of the Western High School drew nearly 10,000 relatives and friends.

Also seated in the auditorium were alumni and members of the faculty.

Under the direction of Robert B. Spangler, teacher of instrumental music, the combined band and orchestra played contemporary tunes which was the setting for last exercises.

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Opening remarks came from the principal, Angelo J. Fortunato, who gave special recognition to parents of the graduates. "For without you none of this would have been possible," he remarked.

Among honored guests on the platform were Dr. Roland N. Patterson, superintendent of Baltimore Public Schools; Dr. John Walton, president, Board of School Commissioners; Sterling S. Keyes, associate superintendent; Joel A. Carrington, assistant superintendent; Edward A. Gersuk, district director; Mrs. Elizabeth Murphy Mass, Mrs. M. Richmond Farring and Dr. W. Eugene Scott, board members.

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Dr. Patterson presented the class to Dr. Walton who conferred the diplomas in place of Mayor Schaefer who was not present.

Dr. Patterson spoke on the unlimited opportunities for women. He told them that society needs their "diverse talents" and "support" in their communities.

Dr. Walton conferred the 743 diplomas assisted by Mrs. Susan S. Miles, Mrs. Irma K. Roy, Richard G. Kehnard and James W. Carroll.

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The 15 girls who won Peabody Conservatory Medals for scholarship were Laurie E. Cohen, Adrienne Janet Kols, Karen D. McElvany, Beverly L. Miller, Rochelle Adler, Patricia M. Lamm and Donna R. Laird.

And, Julia A. Boublitz, Lura-Lee Colteryahn, Rachel Dykes, Sherry L. Wilanita H. Spivak, Mary B. Kachnowich and Robin L. McCullum.

Also, more than $650,000 was awarded in scholarships for the winners to attend 42 colleges and universities representing 23 states.

Modern dance group has special play

The Modern Dance club of Walbrook High School recently presented a play, "Black Extravaganza." The students chose this name because they had studied black heritage.

Their performance started with the group singing "What's Going On." Miss Geraldine Tyson and Steven Green were narrators.

The students who participated on the program visited the library and explored books that would work around the theme of the "Black Extravaganza."

Participating in the program were Misses Lynette Jones, Lynda Chambers, Renee Dors, Sydney DeShields, Corlis Pitts, Cheryl Crasley, Feleta James, Sheila Leary, Andela Logan, Denise McDuffie.

Misses Wanda Williams, Almeda Pride, Regina Robinson, Andrea Smith, Wanda Stokes, Myra Wolfe, Rubin Wright, Pamela Wells, Sharon Brown, Anna Williams, Rosalind Phillips, Andrea Wright.

Misses Gonele King, Effie Davis, Pamela Gee, Kim Brown, Cynthia Ringold, Marsha Nicholson, Jennifer Lewis, Vanona Matthews, Dian Meads, Deborah Morgan, Myrna Mullum, Joyce Turman, Jean Caldwell.

Misses Patricia Beamon, Valerie Brown, Francine Underwood, Karen Stewart, Valerie Williams, Darlene Thomas, Cheryl Simpson, and Miss Beverly Marshall, modern dance director.

Lombard parent-student day declared

Parents, students and administrators of Lombard Community School, 1500 E. Lombard St. met with Mayor Schaefer and participated in a proclamation signing designating June 3, 1972 as "Parent-Student Day."

Present at the signing were Mr. E. Rinehimer, assistant principal, E. Covert, special assistant at the school, Mrs. Beatrice Brooks, PTA and community council president.

Miss Jean Dancy, principal City Springs Elementary, Miss Sharon Goods, and Thomas Winston, ninth grade students at Lombard, and J. E. Mohamed, community school coordinator.

YOUNG ASSISTANTS, William Caudill, 5, and Cheryl Anderson, 5, with impaired speech and hearing, help Mayor Schafer honor the Hearing and Speech Agency for fine work in the field of advancement of speech and language learning, dedication and interest.

AT THE CAPITOL STEPS CONCERT given by the Douglass High School Music Department, were onlooker, Congressman James Corman; sponsor, Congressman Parren Mitchell; performers, Misses Selina Thorne and Gretchen Starkes; and directors, Reppard Stone and Thomas DeLaine.

Soul On The Capitol Steps

The Douglass High School band came to Annapolis a concert on the steps of the Capitol Tuesday in a concert arranged by Congressman Parren J. Mitchell.

The 22 young people who performed, rocked the quiet atmosphere on Capitol Hill as they moved through a series of selections including such numbers as: "Its Only Just Begun"; "Duck-Stuff" (an original composition) and "There's A Place For Us."

The hour and a half concert drew enthusiastic crowds. Among others seen applauding vigorously were "Fish Bait" Miller, venerable doorkeeper of the House of Representatives, Congressman James Corman, and staff members of the Congressional Black Caucus.

conducted by Thomas H. Dekinge, chairman of the Douglass High School Music Department and Reppard Stone, co-director of the Douglass High School Band.

Never before has there been a concert by a stage band aggregation on the Capitol steps. One white onlooker, who had applauded enthusiastically throughout the performance said "That's just what the Congresh needs — a little soul."

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WOMEN'S DAY — Church of God and Christ, Bentalou and Edmondson Ave., recently observed Women's Day. Left to right are Mesdames E. McEwens, guest speaker; V. L. Herrings, honored guest and Ruth Spann, coordinator.

CALVERT COUNTY NEWS

Church band to travel Sunday

By MELVINA EDWARDS

The band of St. Edmonds will be the guests of the St. John A.M.E. Church on Sunday at 3 p.m. Buses will leave St. Edmonds at 2 p.m.

Miss Brenda Melvina Green, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. David Green of Calvert County will graduate from Strayer Business College on Sunday. Miss Green is an honor student and a graduate of Calvert County High School.

Continue your prayers for the sick, who include Mrs. Elizabeth Brown, Mrs. John Butley and Mrs. Ethel Brown who are patients at Johns Hopkins Hospital.

The youth of St. Edmonds United Methodist Church observed their anniversary on Sunday at the church. The Rev. Bennet was guest speaker.

Funeral services were held recently for Matthew Brooks, son of Dury Brooks.

NEW PASTOR— The Rev. James H. Reynolds was installed recently as the new pastor of Bethany Baptist Church in Mt. Winans. He succeeds the Rev. Roland Johnson.

CPHA honors Rev. Dobson

The 31st annual Citizens Planning and Housing Association dinner meeting was held on Tuesday at Eudowood Gardens with 320 people attending.

Thomas P. Perkins 3rd, was master of ceremonies. The program included presentation of the new slate of officers and governors for election by Gerald A. Brown, chairman of the nominating committee.

Leonard Patterson was cited as housing inspector of the year for his diligence in performing his duties and his superior ability in working with the community.

The Rev. Vernon N. Dobson, pastor of Union Baptist Church received the highest honor from CPHA which is the Frances Morton Froelicher Civic Statemanship Award. He was honored for fostering citizen interest in better planning and living conditions in the Baltimore Metropolitan Area.

Charles G. Tilden Jr., new president of CPHA stated "There have been many recent positive manifestations of the bringing together of young and old, rich and poor, advantaged and disadvantaged, black and white, and all the other diversified elements that comprise our metropolis.

"Most visible among these efforts are the City Fair, Windsor Hill Neighborhood, Northwood area, successful passage of a new city zoning ordinance, approval of the county zoning maps, development of the inner harbor, plans for the Upton area, new Provident Hospital, Charles Center and others.

"Too often we fail to give recognition to the positive achievement which have served to stabilize our conflicts and act as vehicles for progress.

Robert C. Embry Jr., Commissioner of the Department of Housing and Community Development was the guest speaker.

Mr. Embry spoke on "The Absence of Strategy" concerning the recent policies and guidelines set up by the Department of Housing Urban Development in relation to low and moderate income housing in the inner city.

Others participating on the program were the Rev. Thomas Donellan, Ronald Blavatt, William Rogers, Richard Stein, Mrs. Susan Bennett.

Award Committee members were Dea A. Kline, Dr. Homer E. Favor, Mrs. Carol Rosenberg and Harold Kennedy. Ronald Blavatt, Thomas Jaudon.

Mrs. Sue Mills of Penrose Ave. buried Monday

"She enboyed reading the Bible, she loved to go to church and loved flowers."

Miss Sue Mills was speaking of her grandmother, Mrs. Lucy Mills, 72, 1222 Penrose Ave., Mrs. Mills died Wednesday at Bon Secour Hospital after a brief illness.

Funeral services will be held Monday at Kenneth Law Funeral Home. A member of Mt. Hebron Baptist Church, Mrs. Mills is survived by a daughter, Mrs. Ruth Martin; one brother, John Mills; 30 grandchildren, 36 great-grandchildren, and four great-great-grandsons.

She will be buried in Arbutus Memorial Park.

Baha'i Faith documentary to be shown

A public showing of "It's Just the Beginning," color documentary film about the Baha'i Faith, will be held at Lansdowne Senior High School, 3822 Hollins Ferry Rd., Saturday at 2 p.m. Sponsors are the Baha'i Community of Baltimore County.

"It's Just the Beginning" tackles the problems of peace, unity and justice in the world as viewed by Baha'i youth representing different races and strata of society.

The film was made during a recent National Baha'i Youth Conference which was attended by over two thousand youth from across the United States and from several foreign nations.

In the film the Black, White, American Indian, and Spanish-speaking youth tell of the many problems bothering them today and how the Baha'i Faith provides solutions.

Lt. Wilbur Flanagan Jr. dies of heart attack

"He died doing what he liked to do; he always liked helping people. He had just taken some furniture in Miss Linda Swift's apartment, who is a very close friend to him. He came down the steps and yelled look out and he dropped dead."

Mrs. Frances F. Jolley was speaking of her brother, Lt. Wilbur Lewis Flanagan Jr., 29, 2700 block Cylburn Ave., who died Wednesday of a heart attack.

Born in Baltimore, Mr. Flanagan graduated from Douglass High School in 1960. He attended Morgan as a chemistry major. In 1965, Lt. Flanagan joined the Army and completed officer's training school.

At the time of death, he was employed by CORE Target Training School as a graphic instructor. He worked part time at the Suburban Country Club as a waiter.

He is survived by his parents: Mr. and Mrs. Wilbur L. Flanagan Sr.; a son, Andre G. Flanagan; six sisters, Mesdames Faye D. Bridgeforth, Frances F. Jolley, Arlene F. Beverly, Angela K. Nunnelly; Misses Barbara L. Allen and Susanna D. Flanagan; two brothers, Patrick and Michael Flanagan.

The family will receive friends tonight (Friday) at Gransemare Baptist Church, 2520 Francis St., from 7 to 9 p.m.

Funeral services will be held at the church on Saturday, noon. Burial will be in Arbutus Memorial Park.

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Wankie mine will be sealed

WANKIE, RHODESIA (UPI) — Mine officials said the Wankie colliery was completely destroyed by an explosion last Tuesday and the shaft will be sealed with the bodies of the 419 missing miners still inside.

A company statement said "Devastaion under ground was utter and complete and the evidence was conclusive there were no survivors."

A major explosion ripped through the mine last Tuesday, burying 430 miners in the three-mile long shaft. rescuers recovered 10 bodies and one fatally injured man, who died in a hospital later, but gave up hope of finding the others.

A spokesman for the Anglo-American Corp., the mine owners, said conditions inside the gas-filled shaft were highly dangerous and the company was "no longer prepared to risk the lives of brave men for what is so obviously a hopeless cause."

RITES HELD IN PHILLY

Relatives and friends say goodbye to 'Chippie' Berry

By BERNICE SHELTON

PHILADELPHIA

"Chippie" Berry, as he was best known in and around Philadelphia, and the whole Eastern Seaboard, was buried on Thursday morning, in Eden Cemetery. He died on Sunday morning in Lankenau Hospital, following a heart operation.

Born Alton Chapman Berry, Feb. 12, 1904, in Newport, R.I., he was the youngest of children born to Mrs. Mary Gustine Chapman Berry, and William T. Berry, formerly of Baltimore County, Maryland.

He first came to Philadelphia, following his graduation from Howard University, to attend the University of Pennsylvania's School of Finance.

His affable personality, with its quiet magnetism, genuine sincerity, and captivating New England accent, won him many friends.

He became a permanent fixture and prominent member of Philadelphia's younger social set of that day, as an affiliate of a number of social clubs.

He was also a member of the Alpha Phi Alpha Fraternity and Washington, D.C.'s "What Good Are We," Club.

Some of his friends dubbed him 'man about town,' but if it were so, it simply was because Alton Berry's presence was in constant demand almost everywhere.

But his appearance, wherever, was always dignified, and without fanfare. His residence in the North Tower Apartments, Broad and Girard Ave., was a gathering place for his numerous friends and club members, from both inside and outside the city.

As a highly capable business man, Alton Berry held important positions, with various projects of the Philadelphia Housing Authority, including the James Weldon Johnson Project, in North Philadelphia.

In 1970, he retired as Director of Management of the Philadelphia Housing Authority.

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Following the viewing on Wednesday evening, at the Charles S. Chew Funeral Home, where services were held, the family and close friends, repaired to the home of a family friend, Miss Louise Warrick, younger daughter of the late Dr. and Mrs. Richard Warrick, to talk about Philadelphia's loss.

Alton had joined the group of friends for the Gay Northeasterners Spain-Portugal, London-Paris flight, and was planning to join the Mexico-Acapulco trip this summer.

The survivors present were two sisters: Mrs. Eunice Berry Hall, Mrs. Audrey Berry Norris Baltimore; a brother, Edward Berry, of Yonkers, N.Y.; two nephews, Dr. William Hall, of Baltimore, and Albert G. Hall; a niece, Mrs. Audrey Hall Coleman, of Los Angeles;

Also, grandnephews and grandnieces: J. Thomas; William Hall Jr.; Patricia, Pamela, Norman, and Julie Hall; grandchildren of Mrs. Eunice Hall.

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With Mrs. Hall was her sisters-in-law: Mrs. Leroy Berry, of Baltimore, widow of Alton's oldest brother, a physician.

The family stayed at the Sheraton, while in the city.

Among the throng of close friends offering condolences at the Warrick home were: Mrs. Jean Anderson DaCosta and her husband; the James Garretts, the Thornton Taylors; Langhorne; the Charles Shorts, (Minnie Tilghman); the Cogley Joneses Sr., sister and brother-in-law; and son, Cogley Jones Jr. Peter Shelton, the Davio Means, New York City; Mrs. Gerald Amonitti, the Samuel Beards, the Roy Dixons (Edith Daniel); Mrs. Jean Wade, N.Y.; Mrs. Gracie Smith Taylor; Dr. William Warrick Jr., North

Charles M. Wright, 1306 Aisquith

Rosetta Cole, 344 Mason

Elizabeth Franklin, 427 Druid Hill

Husband wins divorce, ends 5-year marriage

Phillip Thompson Jr. of Lynview Ave. was granted a divorce June 5 on grounds of adultery from his wife, Mrs. Thompson, who resides on Smallwood St.

Judge Albert Sklar awarded Mr. Thompson the decree in Circuit Court No. 2.

The court was told Mr. Thompson discovered his wife was guilty of adultery when she became pregnant after their separation in July 1970.

DEATHS

Jerome West, 1232 N. Gay
Amanda Brodie, 1303 Upton
Gary E. (Wattes) Wise, 2456 Brentwood
Sallie P. Cox, 4109 Norfolk
Florence M. Thomas, 719 East 21st
Sonney Ford, 907 W. Saratoga
Malichi Davis, 560 Wilson
Grace Jeter, 537 Presstman
Tyrone Keys, 1335 W. Lafayette
Sylvia Tisdale, 3219 Piedmont
Oliver James Wiggins, 2601 Queen Ann
Bertha Mitchell, 3303 Gwynns Falls
Jessie Ward, 4017 Liberty Hights
Vance Camper, 1748 N. Gay
Arthur Thompson, 1214 Bolton
Catherine Allen, 204 N. Amity
Bennie M. Vinson, 3711 Belvedere
Mabel Heckstall, 2205 Koko Lane
London Brooks Jr., 1804 Mullin
Randolph Taylor, 1818 W. Baltimore
John Walker, 1410 N. Broadway
Erick G. Malone, 1320 Edison Highway
Marthenia E. Simmons, 1604 E. Lafayette
Florence Strothers, 4415 Wentworth
Ola Walker, 1804 Greenmount
Louise Dutton, 2120 Fulton
James Edward Taylor, 1317 Greenmount
James Ford, Lusby, Md.
Golden Goins, 1806 Poplar Grove
John H. Taylor, 636 W. Conway
Elsie M. Purnell, 614 Warner
Wilson DeShields, 3400 Lynchester
Chandler Wynn, 1004 W. Lafayette
Stewart H. Johnson, 900 Argyle
John Payne, 1010 Park Rd.
Elvira Brown, 1233 Decker
Cosino Maynard, 2011 Barry
Todd Waller, 921 N. Parrish
Chester Allen, 824 N. Carey
Laura Moore, 1829 N. Bond
Helen Holt, 212 Bridgeview
Mary Margaret Brooks, 227 Edgewood
Marie Betts Latashita, 821 N. Calhoun
James P. Davis, 2229 E. North
Leroy Oratio Goines, 2450 Etting
Hildren Hicks, 2040 N. Fulton
Anthony Williams, 1163 McKean
Clarence Brightful, 2712 Loretta
Sarah Carter, 916 Harlem
Fred T. Watkins, 202 N. Amity
Barbara Ann Johnson, 2237 Corona
Edward Ragin Jr., 5107 Belleville
Walter Hardy Carter, Jessup, Md.
Octavia Henry, 2239 Filament
Gertrude Wright, 28 9 Mohawk
York McCoy, Jersey City, N.J.
Archie Vaughn, 2431 Harlem
Ophelia Eggleston, 1216 N. Gay
Eugene Brown, 1537 N. Patterson Pk.
Newell Bradley, 1726 E. 25th
Daisy Battle, 511 E. 21st
Willie Mann, 2425 Ferring Manor
Leander Toon Sr., 1622 Division
Forrest R. Hawkins, 1835 W. Fairmount
Blanche Brandon, 2420 W. Lexington
Atlas M. Hughes, 1531 Poplar Grove
Harry C. Holmes, 2101 Druid Hill
Walter Davis, 1807 W. Lexington
Willie Nathaniel Johnson, 1312 Gwynn Oak
Louise B. Jones, 712 E. 20th
George T. Campbell, 956 W. Lexington
Freddie M. Adams, 4304 Main
Rosa Lucille Mebane, 3506 Cardale
John Spicer, 605 N. Edgewood
Viola V. Campbell, 3402 Crismer
Elmer Alexander, 1416 E. Fairmount
Judy Blackwell, 12 S. Calhoun
Cyrus F. Edwards, 1517 Edmondson
Walter Lomax, 2401 E. Biddle
Evelyn Howard Brown, 2827 Presbury
Thurman Everett, 770 West Saratoga
George Martin, 4368 Park Hgts.
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John Henry McDaniel Sr., 624 N. Payson
Margaret C. Montague, 2318 Romano
Ray Smith, 717 S. Fremont
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Baby Boy Gilyard, 3200 Ravenwood
Baby Boy Douglas, 3231 Ingleside
Addie Chase, 1819 Pulaski
Tanya Fallin, 2315 Braddish
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Lenwood Williams, 1346 Carroll
Frank Thomas, 4105 Mountwood
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James C. Cook, 1816 Poplar Grove
White Hayward, 164 W. Hamburg
Lillian Freeman, 1108 N. Augusta
Joseph Alexander, 606 Cherrycrest
Baby Boy McCray, 1408 N. Montford
Clarence Patterson, 325 Elizabeth
Samuel E. McClenon, 1120 N. Luzerne
Minnie Mitchell, 951 Duncan
Ruth Davis, 2602 Quantico
Othelia Nicholson, 1929 W. Lafayette
Clyde White, 31 N. Bernice
Fred A. Barnes, 1701 Rutland
Martha Harris, 1826 E. Oliver
Metter Stroud, 1411 McCulloh
Robert Steward, Catonsville
Henrietta Hogue, 1425 N. Dukeland
Eugene J. Hope, 2009 W. Mulberry
Louvinia Thompson, 1817 N. Pulaski
Marie Reed, 520 N. Stricker
Vecie Hall, Warwick, Md.
Odessa M. Bacote, 3031 E. Federal
Mattie Lois Hudson, 268 Herring
William Perkins, 406 E.

Mrs. Toni Jackson, 40, dies on birthday

Funeral services for Mrs. Toni Ruby Jackson, who died Wednesday on her 40th birthday, were held Monday at the Morton and Dyett Funeral Chapel. The Rev. C. A. Carter of Baltimore, officiated.

Mrs. Jackson died at Sinai Hospital after a brief illness.

Mrs. Jackson, of 4900 Pimlico Rd., was a former employee of a Park Heights catering service.

Born in Danville, Va., Mrs. Jackson came to Baltimore at the age of five and received her early education here.

Mrs. Jackson's survivors include: her three children, Mrs. Joyce Fitz, of Danville, Miss Sandra Jackson, Newark, N.J., and Kim Jackson, Baltimore; sister, Mrs. Dorothy Garland, Baltimore; two brothers, James Gunn, Boston, Mass., and Thomas Gunn, Syracuse, N.Y.; an aunt, Mrs. Lillian Hemphill, and two grandchildren.

Mrs. Jackson is buried in Mt. Auburn Cemetery.

Johns Hopkins grad gets MLK fellowship

Gerald J. Bates, a May graduate of the Johns Hopkins University, is one of 29 black veterans throughout the nation to be awarded a Martin Luther King Jr. Fellowship for graduate study.

The fellowships have been sponsored by the Woodrow Wilson National Fellowship Foundation since 1968 to help college graduates continue their training in graduate and professional schools.

Mr. Bates, who will attend Harvard University Business School in the fall, majored in social and behavioral sciences at Johns Hopkins and was president of the Student Council during his senior year.

A native of Joliet, Ill., he came to the university in January, 1970 after serving four years with the United States Air Force and completing a year and a half of study at New Mexico State University at Alamogordo.

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At Johns Hopkins, Mr. Bates was a member of the Committee for Minority Student Affairs and the Blue Key honorary service organization and served in the Mayor's Fellowship Program.

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