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# TECH NEWS

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BY STUDENT FEES

**City College joins the nation and the world  
in mourning the passing of**

**A great patriot . . .  
A great leader . . .  
A great president . . .**

**JOHN FITZGERALD KENNEDY**

## Dean Allan: "I Wouldn't Worry About the Files"

By HARVEY HOFFMAN

How will the "FBI scandal" affect the engineering student at the College? To what extent do the various intelligence organizations (FBI, Army and Naval Intelligence, etc.) investigate the potential employee's background? To find the answers to these and other questions TECH NEWS inter-

viewed Dean William Allan, Dean of the School of Engineering and Architecture.

Dean Allan points out that political eruptions occur so often at most colleges that the student need not worry about its effect on his prospective employer's hiring policies. "Companies are not impressed by the antics of these subversive organizations" and will continue the campus interviews regardless of the fact that a small leftist minority group exists. He also voiced the sentiment that engineers are "among the most stable and responsible groups on this or any other campus" and that because of their mental make-up they are not likely to join this type of ground.

Many engineers employed by the Federal Government and by defense contractors are required to gain security clearance. The school or some other intelligence organization investigates the prospective employee's background. An intelligence agent may approach Dean Allan for some information but will usually be told more than the technological ability of the individual. They will then interview the student's parents. These discussions usually follow a definite pattern and ultimately the question arises, "do you have any knowledge concerning his [the student's] loyalty?" Paradoxically, these people do not inquire of the Dean about the student's membership in college organizations. Although Dean Allan is not certain what these men do when these interviews are terminated, it may be assumed that the agents visit the departments of the college including the Department of Student Life to gather information.

Dean Allan suggests that if a student is or has been involved in any radical left political group he should not attempt to conceal this from his employer.



Dean William Allan, "... engineers are stable."

On the job application the prospective employee should state any affiliation with any political organizations. If concealed, these political affiliations would be brought to light eventually and, at the very least, would be cause for embarrassment, but, in fact, would probably lead to more serious consequences (e.g. the loss of the job). If these affiliations are brought out into the open immediately, the employer may take the position that "boys will be boys" and regard connections lightly.

In a random sampling of engineering students, it was found that the majority believed that although, perhaps, morally wrong to allow intelligence agents access to the Department of Student Life files, it is a necessary evil needed to obtain security clearance. Ira Bloom, President of Student Government, commented that "the students' political and religious beliefs should not be given out by the school."

### WHO'S WHO

Any senior interested in being considered for nomination in Who's Who Among Students in American Colleges and Universities is requested to submit his name, average, and extracurricular record of Mr. Edmond Sarfaty, Dept. of Student Life, The Finley Center. Nominations will be based on leadership, service, and scholastic ability.

## Job Seekers Run Into Rough Going

By RICHARD ROSENFELD

Engineers have come up against an unexpected crisis this year. The failure of several large business concerns to send representatives to the campus for the purpose of hiring graduates, and the small amount of hiring done by those who have come, have created a feeling of disillusionment and depression among seniors.

Sperry Rand has cancelled its interviews, and R.C.A., while interviewing, isn't hiring. Among corporations which have interviewed, there have been none of the "come one, come all" type of recruiting which characterized past years. Bendix was quick to explain to prospective employees that its need for new men was small. Procter & Gamble hired only one man after its interviews. What are the reasons for this serious situation, and what can be done about it?

Engineering and Aerospace firms have generally had a poor year. The cause has been the limited number of government contracts issued by the defense department. Secretary of defense MacNamara in a drive to cut expenditures has discontinued the cost plus 10% type contracts which meant an increase in profit for each additional man a company hired. Many firms, including R.C.A., General Electric, Sperry, Avco and others have been laying off men, usually unwillingly.

The engineering students themselves have been unduly upset by the turn of events. They have been unrealistically oriented by newspaper and magazine articles and their professors to believe that the demand for their services is unlimited. This is untrue. Interviews are not just formality, and prospects must have superior

qualifications. Another factor has been general unwillingness of graduates to move from the New York area. This can be exemplified by looking at the hiring procedure of DuPont. Most of those hired would have to work at the DuPont complex located in Wilmington, and experience has shown that few will make the move. The only ones seemingly unaffected by the slow down in the industry are the Negro graduates. In an effort to exhibit the liberal mindedness of their firms, and to be able to show several Negroes at the middle management level in a few years recruiters have been bending over backwards to find space for these Negro graduates.

The situation for engineers is not completely hopeless. Hiring opportunities are still greater than those for liberal arts graduates. The issuance of several big contracts would also be a great stimulus to the industry, and it is rumored that Grumman and Keefrad may be receiving large contracts shortly. Politics also plays a role in the engineers' future. The money saved by the defense department may allow a tax cut before '64 elections and afterwards, there would again be an increase in the amount of money spent by the government.

Hiring generally picks up towards the end of the semester, and again in the spring.

## Memorial Service To Be Held Today In Lewisohn Stadium

The College will pay tribute today to the memory of President Kennedy in a memorial service to be held at noon in Lewisohn Stadium. In case of inclement weather, the ceremony will be held in the Great Hall.

The service had originally been scheduled for Monday, but was postponed because of the national holiday and the closing of the College. A similar program has been planned for the Baruch School.

Eulogies will be delivered by President Buell G. Gallagher and Student Government president Ira Bloom. Much of the student body and faculty is expected to attend to pay their last respects to our departed leader.

President Gallagher said of the service; "We think it is correct for the entire College to pay its last respects to the memory of President Kennedy."



President Buell Gallagher  
"... correct for the entire College to pay its last respects."

## Tech Men Urged to Join E.S. Groups

By KEN SANDLER

Evening Session Student Government President Robert E. Croghan expressed concern Friday of the plight of the evening session engineering student. With the extension of the Day Session classes into the evening, Croghan realizes more than ever the need of day session Tech Groups to expand and attract members from the evening session. He feels that many evening session groups will merge with day session groups once the extended school day is put into effect. Unless the Tech groups meet the increase in "Liberal Arts" clubs, Croghan expects that the Tech groups may become such a minority in the area of extra-curricular activities that they will have no say in the extra-curricular life of the school.

The E.S.S.G. President will try to address day session clubs at their Thursday meetings in the future to explain the needs of the evening session engineering students in relation to joining Tech groups.

In response to an article in the October 31 issue of TECH NEWS, about this problem, we have received several letters. We are reprinting some of them below from evening session tech students who would like to join engineering groups:

To the Editor of Tech News:

In my Fraternity there are many Tech students in the Evening Session. Speaking for these students, I would like to see a Tech Organization chartered in the Evening Division. I think this organization will greatly enhance

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## November 22, 1963

A crowd around a car was the first indication that something out of the ordinary was happening. Ironically, the milling of people and students about that one car in front of Steinman Hall was reminiscent of people straining to hear the last out of the World Series. Those on the outer edge of the crowd, being unable to hear the news broadcast, pressed themselves closer, and asked for information. As if by relay system, word reached us that President Kennedy had been shot.

Disbelief was almost everyone's immediate reaction. It was just ridiculous and impossible to happen: nobody in a civilized country shoots presidents.

The relieved, if not joyous atmosphere of a Friday afternoon at College was shattered into a lugubrious and meaningless period of time. This weekend was not anticipated — our man had been struck out.

City College was a Kennedy School; we identified with his vigor and freshness, while embracing, in most part, his politics. He symbolized our college generation and its ambitions-intellect, power, and beauty. We lost more than a great president; we lost a friend.

## Student Painters

Just 10 or 15 feet in front of the main entrance to Shepard Hall, stands a familiar visage; a bronze bust of Abraham Lincoln. Embodied by this single form and conveyed in most pleasing aesthetic values, lies a testament and a constant reminder of a great nation's past. It is truly a symbol of the emancipation of a race. But unfortunately, even today, many years after his passing, the color issue is still being thrown in his face; i.e. blue, green, red, tan, etc. Due to childish pranks and the like, the rather large nose bestowed upon this man, has become the target of frequent painting and shining. The paint splattered quote etched on its pedestal, "With malice toward none and charity for all," still hasn't seemed to make any sense to certain malicious and immature individuals. The colors change but the damage remains the same both to the statue and to the image of a mature City College student. The really unfortunate part of such occurrences lies in the fact that the actions of a small group serve to create an impression for a much larger group. It is our belief, that in view of the damage such actions have on the school financially, in addition to our reputation, some policing action should be undertaken by the Department of Student Life to prevent reoccurrences.



"With

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## Letters —

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the outlook and personal development of the Tech Student.

Arthur Cooper, EE  
for Sigma Epsilon Tau

To the Editor:

As an evening Tech student I read with interest Evening Session S.G. President Croghan's suggestions concerning the formation of evening Tech groups. I personally feel that there is a need for such groups and think that the Honor Fraternities should be the ones to initiate this process. I would welcome the chance to join one of these groups.

Mike Heller, EE

Dear Tech News Editor:

As an Engineering student in the Evening Division, I wish to express my desire to belong to an organization which tends toward the needs of the Engineering student at City College. There are many organizations which are for Day Session students but there are none in the Evening Division. I do not feel this is fair to the students who attend the Evening Division. I hope that you will work for the development of an organization for the Evening Session Engineer.

Very truly yours,  
Kenneth R. Luby  
Upper Sophomore  
Mechanical Engineering

To the Editor of Tech News:

I was a member of the Society of Motion Pictures and Television Engineers last term and found that the Evening Session gave us the use of a room and funds for our purposes. Since I am a day session student, I found this a most unusual situation, since Day Session Student Government either has no room space or is unwilling to allow it to be given out to tech groups.

While I personally am not an engineer, I feel that if the Evening School wants Tech Societies to be formed then it would be silly of the day tech groups not to take advantage of this situation. If for not any other reason, a joint day-and-evening is financially much better off than a solely tech group.

Personally, I am benefitting from this situation and I urge my fellow students to grab this chance.

Name withheld

## Library Noise

To the Editor of Tech News,

While the Tech Library has become an overcrowded and noisy place to work, it still remains to many students, the last bastion of solitude in which a Tech Student may work.

It is, therefore, necessary to help the library get a minimum sound level at all times. Some of the means of this end, however, are not altogether pleasant. To be suddenly knocked from one's train of thought by "all right, you, you, you and you, pack your books and leave," is perhaps more disconcerting than the noise that you, you and you, were making.

It is necessary to keep the library silent, but one questions the means used. Perhaps a degree in library science should include courses in common courtesy.

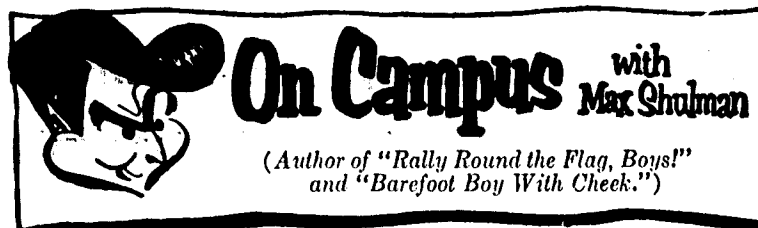
Jay Adam, 806

The Staff of Tech News Wishes to Congratulate  
Its Colleague

MARTY MILLER

On His Recent Engagement to

SUSAN SOLOMON



## SHOULD AULD ACQUAINTANCE AND JAZZ LIKE THAT

I am now an elderly gentleman, full of years and aches, but my thoughts keep ever turning to my undergraduate days. This is called "arrested development."

But I cannot stop the healing tide of nostalgia that washes over me as I recall those golden campus days, those ivy-covered buildings (actually, at my college, there was only ivy: no bricks), those pulse-tingling lectures on John Dryden and Cotton Mather, the many friends I made, the many deans I bit.

I know some of you are already dreading the day when you graduate and lose touch with all your merry classmates. It is my pleasant task today to assure you that it need not be so; all you have to do is join the Alumni Association and every year you will receive a bright, newsy, chatty bulletin, chock-full of tidings about your old buddies.

Oh, what a red-letter day it is at my house, the day the Alumni Bulletin arrives! I cancel all my engagements, take the phone off the hook, dismiss my resident osteopath, put the cheetah outside, and settle down for an evening of pure pleasure with the Bulletin and (need I add?) a good supply of Marlboro Cigarettes.



Whenever I am having fun, a Marlboro makes the fun even more fun. That filter, that flavor, that yielding soft pack, that firm Flip Top box, never fails to heighten my pleasure whether I am playing Double Canfield or watching the radio or knitting, an afghan or enjoying any other diverting pursuit you might name—except, of course, spear fishing. But then, how much spear fishing does one do in Clovis, New Mexico, where I live?

But I digress. Let us return to my Alumni Bulletin and the fascinating news about my old friends and classmates. I quote from the current issue:

"Well, fellow alums, it certainly has been a wing-dinger of a year for us old grads! Remember Mildred Cheddar and Harry Camembert, those crazy kids who always held hands in Econ II? Well, they're married now and living in Clovis, New Mexico, where Harry rents spear-fishing equipment, and Mildred has just given birth to a lovely 28-pound daughter, her second in four months. Nice going, Mildred and Harry!

"Remember Jethro Brie, the man we voted most likely to succeed? Well, old Jethro is still gathering laurels! Last week he was voted 'Motorman of the Year' by his fellow workers in the Duluth streetcar system. 'I owe it all to my brakeman,' said Jethro in a characteristically modest acceptance speech. Same old Jethro!

"Probably the most glamorous time had by any of us old alums was had by Francis Macomber last year. He went on a big game hunting safari all the way to Africa! We received many interesting post cards from Francis until he was, alas, accidentally shot and killed by his wife and white hunter. Tough luck, Francis!

"Wilametta 'Deadeye' Macomber, widow of the late beloved Francis Macomber, was married yesterday to Fred 'Sureshot' Sigafos, white hunter, in a simple double-ring ceremony in Nairobi. Many happy returns, Wilametta and Fred!

"Well, alums, that just about wraps it up for this year. Buy bonds!"

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Old grads, new grads, undergrads, and non-grads all agree: that good Richmond tobacco recipe, that clean Selectrate filter, have turned all fifty states of the Union into Marlboro Country. Won't you join the throng?



# SG Prexy Race Has Three Runners

By KEN SANDLER

With just two days remaining for the filing of nominating petitions for Student Government positions three candidates have announced their intentions to seek the S.G. presidency, Robert Levine '64, Bob Rosenberg '64 and Howard Simon '65 are the seekers of the top office.

Levine is running on the Unity Party ticket but Rosenberg has not announced the name of his ticket as yet. It is rumored the old IRT will be revived in this campaign by the Rosenberg supporters. The IRT meant is not the collection of cattle that runs down Lexington Avenue but is the Independent Form Ticket that successfully elected Alan Blume to the S.G. presidency several terms ago. Blume, by the way, is running for Treasurer on Rosenberg's ticket, although it had been rumored that he would try for a second term as S.G. President. When TECH NEWS asked Blume if the rumor was true he refused comment. He refused to comment for publication on the election but when we pressed him for a quote he said: "You can bet I'm up to something." Current S.G. President Ira Blum has said that he will support the most qualified man for the upcoming election. He said

that of the candidates now announced Howie Simon was the most qualified. Simon is running on a ticket rumored to be called the Competency Slate.

In other election developments, Robert Levine has charged that, "Howie Simon is indirectly an anti-Tech student because were he to be elected his administration would be overly concerned with off-campus activities and insufficiently concerned with on-campus needs such as a North Campus bookstore and lounges."

A most curious aspect of the election is that for the first time in many years no Tech student is running for a major S.G. office.

Elections begin December 10 and will run through December 14.

As in previous elections TECH NEWS will publish an ELECTION EXTRA edition with complete coverage of the election and with our endorsements of candidates for the major offices.

## ARCHITECTURE

A short time ago, while glancing through an architectural publication, I came upon an article concerning itself with the reorganization of American cities. A varied and interesting collection of ideas had been developed in an effort to foresee the expanded needs of these metropolises. Boston presented a scheme to transform a large section of its downtown from a maze of streets and alleys into a generous open plaza lighted by a new city hall; San Francisco looked ahead to its very desirable Bay Area at the expense of destroying established hallmarks; Chicago had already realized the concept of new urban communities, similar goals were being fostered by other cities.

It was very disheartening to see New York City was not among these front runners in design; that this great metropolis was sitting on its hands while others dreamed of greater things. Perhaps it is a kind of complacency caused by a yearning for the past: for small shops crammed into the bases of greater structures, for narrow side streets, and for brightly shuttered storefronts. All of these have their place and remain as evidence of past decades, but we must develop new idioms to keep pace with the ever changing needs and functions of a growing city.

The excitement and thrill of downtown is lost in the pushing and shoving of choking mobs of people in vehicles. Shopping has become an unbearable experience of noise and confusion and little more than a way of a quiet resting area for the weary visitor. Disorder and ugliness are the order of the day.

It would be pointless to say that the people of New York are not satisfied. Many who once loved the hallowed canyons are fleeing to the suburbs in search of a distance that offers some of

the pleasures of community life; in search of a way of life in which they can enjoy their environment instead of fighting with it. But these same people look toward the future; a future when they may return to the city that will once again offer the thrills and excitement of an urban life.

Perhaps you say that this is too great a task? A great task yes, but all that we need do is look around us and we see the marvels of modern technology: great steel and concrete structures, men flying into outer space, and world communications reduced to a matter of minutes. And behind all of these advances lies a coordination and harmonious relationship between the minds of individuals to produce a common goal. Surely a civilization such as this, that provides us with a technology to send men into outer space, can at the same time clean up our city. What is lacking is not the means, but the will.

New York must organize its directives to face the great task before it, and much of this responsibility must be assumed by the architects of the city in the role as incentive conspirators and as individuals in harmony with stated objectives. Not until architects, together with engineers, city planners, businessmen, and civic government, are brought together to form a coordinated body of individuals can we hope to impart a new grandeur to this once great city.

Howard M. Kaplan,  
Arch 205



## Lock & Key Looks for Tech Men

Lock and Key, the City College College Senior Honor Service Society will be soliciting for members within the next week or two. To apply for membership a student must be either a junior or senior and have held an executive office in a college organization.

Bob Rosenberg, Chancellor of the honor society, urged tech students to seek application. He noted that "there has been a decline in the number of tech students in Lock and Key over the past few years, although at one time they dominated the society." Rosenberg, who heads the society, served the school through student government where he held many positions, including S.G. Vice-President.

Petitions for application may be obtained in Room 152 Finley.

## Club Notes

AIAA

Will sell tickets for its Christmas field trip to the Republic Aviation research center on Thursday, December 5 and Thursday, December 12 from noon to 1:45 p.m. in Room 108 Shepard. All interested students are urged to come.

TECH TEA

The Technology Council is sponsoring a Student-Faculty Tea today in Knittle Lounge from 3:30 to 6:00. All students and faculty members are invited.

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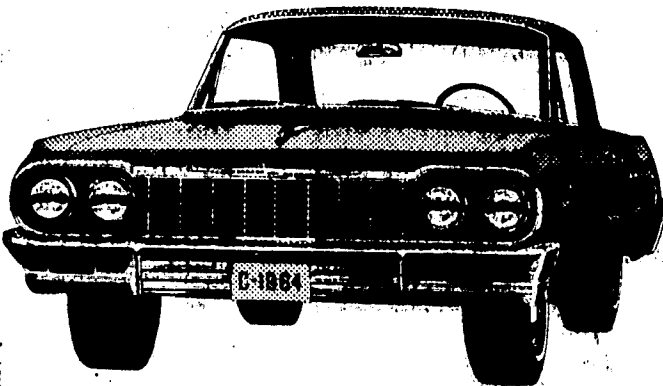
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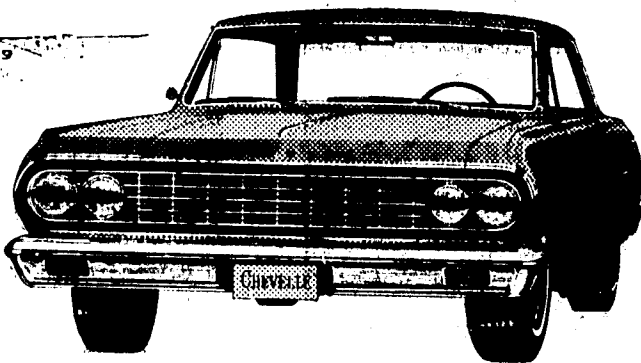
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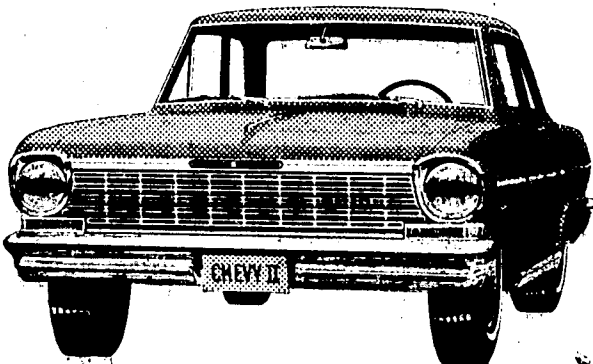
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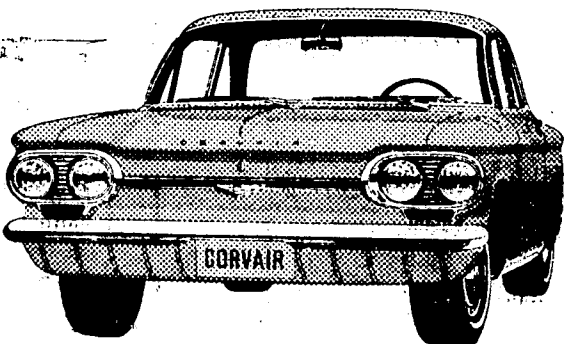
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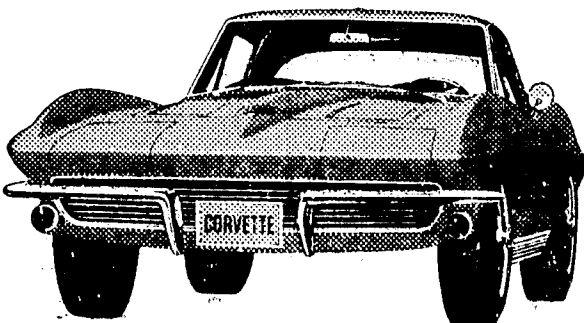
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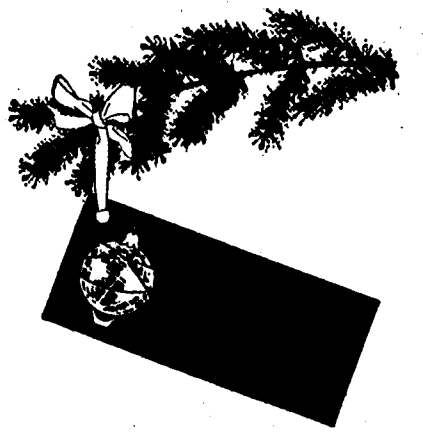
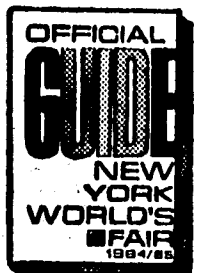
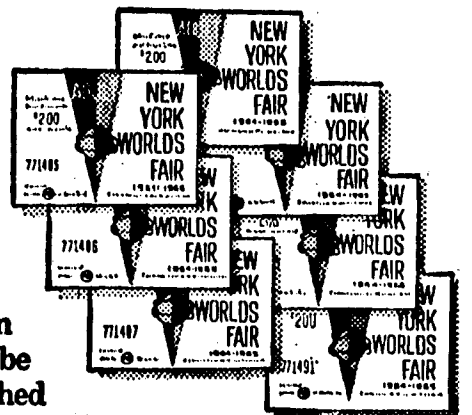
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