

# The Round Table

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## Anderson accused of misuse of senior class funds

Phillip Anderson, President of the Senior class, has been found guilty of siphoning funds from the class bank account.

This problem was discovered when Mr. Ferri went to withdraw money for the down-payment of the Continental Manor for the Senior Prom. As of the moment, the class has approximately \$50. This sum is incomparable to the \$12,000 that was in the fund at the beginning of the '83-'84 school year.

Where did all the money go? Many suspect that Mr. Anderson had help from Pat Garrett, Mike Vartulli, and Jerry Rotante. This could account for the fact that the track team was supplied with new uniforms two weeks

ago. Coach Ferreri denied ordering the new uniforms. He said, "The uniforms are a God-send. It's a shame that they were sent anonymously. I would like to thank the person personally."

Also, the fact that Mike Vartulli and Jerry Rotante recently purchased a 200 foot yacht for the sole purpose of sailing to Pat Garrett's newly built condo in the Caribbean is very suspicious.

Mr. Anderson was unavailable for comment, but Mr. Garrett denied every bit of it saying, "It's all a pack of lies. I am innocent. I am. As for Phil, I hope he rots in jail."

Jerry Rotante and Mike Vartulli said that they had used "spare change" to pay for the yacht. According to

Mr. Vartulli, "Jer and I saved every cent. It's all good clean money. The yacht is truly ours. We never helped Phil or Pat."

Mr. Garrett, Mr. Vartulli and Mr. Rotante will be brought in for questioning April 1. If innocent, the three will be free to walk the streets of Stamford. If found guilty, they will face a trial and possible imprisonment.

As a result, the Senior class will be forced to make many changes. One of these include the Senior Prom. The location will be changed from the Continental Manor in Norwalk to the Stamford High School Courtyard.

Other expected changes include graduation and the class trip.

Graduation will take place on July 1 at 9:00 A.M. in the SHS student parking lot.

In addition, the class trip originally scheduled to the Bahamas has been changed to Beirut. According to newly elected President, Pat Garrett, "I decided to change the trip because everyone complained that the 'package deal' to the Bahamas was too expensive. I think that Beirut will be a great place to be during April vacation. Besides, everyone will be satisfied. The airfare is reasonable."

Whether or not the class of 1984 will make it through the next few months is left to be seen. What is known is the Senior class will truly miss Phil Anderson as a class president and as a friend.

## Michael Jackson to visit Stamford

The much awaited Michael Jackson tour is scheduled to begin late this spring. What makes this all the more exciting is that one of his stops is Stamford, Connecticut. After lengthy negotiations, local producer, Jim Koplich, was able to persuade the music world's most electrifying entertainer to give one performance in Stamford following his Meadowlands engagements.

The date and site have yet to be determined but Michael and his brothers will be coming to Stamford during their American reunion tour.

Koplich hopes that the signing of the Jacksons will mark the beginning of a trend that will bring more of pop music's top performers to Stamford.

Mayor Serrani is reportedly very pleased with the arrangement. The city could receive upwards of one-hundred thousand dollars in profits from the one concert.

Tickets will be sold exclusively at Bedford Records, giving city residents the best opportunity to get seats for the show. The price of the tickets will range from twelve to seventeen dollars and there will be a two ticket limit per person. Fans are warned not to buy tickets from anyone but Bedford

Records because there will be a number of counterfeit tickets in circulation. In addition, authorities maintain that they will try their best to stop scalpers, who could receive from one-hundred to two hundred dollars for tickets, but they realize that there is only so much that they can do.

constructed and padding would have to be put down on the cement seats in the stands. Field seats would be

Although the location for the concert has not been finalized, rumors have it that Boyle Stadium, Scalzi Park, and the Hartman Theatre are the most likely sites for the Jacksons performance slated for late May or early June. Stamford High's own Boyle Stadium is capable of holding 5000 people and Dr. King said she would be honored if Mr. Jackson would play on the Stamford High School grounds. In fact she says, she will strongly recommend it.

If the concert is to be held in Boyle Stadium vast improvements would have to be made to the facility. To begin with, the fence surrounding the field and the goalposts on the field would have to be taken down. Furthermore, a stage complete with light show capabilities would have to be

easy enough to put in, but seating at the far ends of the stadium would be a problem. Right now however, Stamford High's Boyle Stadium has as good a chance to hold the Jacksons' concert as the other two sites do.

## Thespian Society stages The 'A' Team

The Thespian Society is now in production of the Stage version of "The A Team." What makes this show unique is the fact that the technical crew members will act, while the actors will work the stage. This role-reversal is one of the many trend-setting ideas the Society plans this year.

In the role of "Face" is Solon Vlasto, Vice-President of the Society. Solon was reportedly shocked at receiving the part as he refused to audition because of a bad case of the blushes. The V.P. does plan to work hard at the role. "I've always wanted to do this," he said.

Veteran Crew member, John Sanchez, was cast as Murdock, the crazed hero. "No problem," John grinned when he heard that Chi Ho Leung was his close competitor, "I knew I had it in the bag."

"It wasn't even type-casting," grunted Junior Paul Parish, who got the role of tough guy, B.A. "I pity the fool who says it was."

The calm, cool and collected "A Team leader,

According to inside sources Michael and his brothers are very happy about performing in Stamford. They realize that they have many fans within the city and only hope that they can please them with a memorable show.

Hannibal, will be played by Grover Parker. "This is such great news that I just have to sit down," Grover said.

Eileen Dougherty will play the news reporter/friend of the "A Team" and the only female member of the cast. "I just can't wait to rehearse," she said.

Thespian Society President Cheryl Duncan felt that the play would be a success if she didn't break too many nails.

Carolyn Mostel, treasurer, did seem to be having a little trouble working the spotlight, "OH, silly me, I have it backwards."

"This is a far cry from Oklahoma" a stunned Jennifer Kmetty said.

"This is fundamentally an experiment. You see, each of the kids gets to try doing something different," said Henry Guertin, adviser. Mr. Guertin added,

"Fundamentally, there are no problems between the actors and the technical crew and the media should put to rest the allegations that the crew felt that it was their chance to spit on the actors."

## Cobb signs with Nets

Paxton "Moochie" Cobb, star guard with the Stamford High Black Knights basketball team, was signed to a 10 day contract by the New Jersey Nets of the National Basketball Association.

Moochie will replace Otis Birdsong who left the team in a contract dispute. Cobb said, "I hate to forego my senior year of eligibility, but I'm in it for the money."

# Mr. Martin named Soviet ambassador

Mr. Richard Martin, one of Stamford High School's most beloved teachers, was named Soviet ambassador to the United States earlier this week. Mr. Martin, who is a veteran of SHS, is expected to assume this position later this month.

When asked what his first reaction to this decision was, he simply replied, "I am glad that someone finally challenged me."

Dr. King, a colleague of Martin's, told *The Round Fable* that she was supportive of any decision he makes.

Mr. Bellantoni, mathematics department head, said, "We here at SHS are sad to see Mr. Martin leave our educational institution, however, we are all supportive of him if he

does, in fact, assume this extremely important position."

High ranking government officials believe that Mr. Martin's taking office will not draw the two superpowers any closer but, in fact, will separate almost any chance for them to come to terms. Democratic presidential hopeful, Walter Mondale, expressed his views on Martin's appointment during a speech in Philadelphia a few days ago by saying, "This will only hinder our attempts towards nuclear disarmament and our already unstable relationship with the Soviet Union."

The Reverend Jesse Jackson stated during a press conference in New York, "Mr. Martin is just

the man to do the job, and do it right."

President Ronald Reagan said yesterday, "It is an honor to have such a great man here in Washington, however, I believe that Mr. Martin is in favor of what we are against."

Is this statement by the President true? To prove what President Reagan said, *The Round Fable* talked with Mr. Martin at his new home in Fort Lauderdale, Florida.

When asked what his views on gun control are, he simply replied, "Since I have lived here most of my life and know how ruthless people are, I am in favor of having hand guns or any other lethal weapons."

He also told *The Fable* that he carries a switchblade, taped to his left

leg, and a .357 in a well-concealed shoulder holster.

Mr. Martin was then asked the all important question of nuclear disarmament. "I am against nuclear disarmament and believe that the United States and the Soviet Union should be able to deploy as many warheads as they feel necessary."

Martin had no comments on whether the U.S. and Russia would become close to one another and settle their differences.

So, it seems that Mr. Richard Martin, a former math teacher at Stamford High, will become a very important national figure later this month. At that time it will be known if the Soviet government did, indeed, show good taste in its choice of ambassador.

## Movie Picks for summer

This summer promises to be an exciting time for the movies and T.V. Ever since some of the people here at Stamford High School have on cable T.V., some of the have been slated to appear in many different movies and television shows. Let's see who's doing what-

*Superman iv-* Christopher Reeve and Margot Kidder will be back to fight off the evil Trivia Man, played by Mr. James Palley, who has stolen the last remaining copy of Trivia Pursuit.

*Louis XVI: The King and His Court* — This ABC miniseries will star Mr. Neal Harre as the legendary King.

He has done this act many times in his Modern World History classes so we can await an excellent performance from this experienced actor.

*Antigone-* A special PBS presentation will feature Jane Fonda as Antigone, Yul Brynner and Creon as Mrs. Marge Raggolino as Ismene. Mrs. Raggolino was chosen because of her fair skin, golden curls and her natural modeling ability.

*Monday Night Football-* Dr. Killion's voice was heard by ABC and he was immediately hired to replace Howard Cosell on Monday Night Football. Rumor has it the the job pays 23 thousand dollars a year plus a chemistry set.

*The Absent Minded Professor-* A remake of this movie is being done for cable T.V. and will star a member of our science department who has not yet been decided on. The

network is open for suggestions from any concerned students.

*Flashdance II on to the Joffrey Ballet* Because of her beauty and grace, it is obvious why Mrs. Cikatz was chosen to replace Jennifer Beals in *Flashdance II*. It is said by studio officials that she will do all her own dancing.

*Saturday Night Live-* The newest member of the not-yet-ready-for-prime time

players is Mrs. Ferrara, who after years of entertaining her science classes is going on to bigger things.

*Ghandi II The Tradition Goes On-* The plot of this movie take Ghandi's twin brother, Harvey played by Mr. Cutter, from India all the way to New York to spread his brother's word. While filming, Mr. Cutter will also be playing in the stage production of "Annie" as Daddy Warbucks.

## Special Offer

A limited number of 1984 yearbooks are available for only \$10. See Mrs. Cantow for details.

## Seniors travel to Mt. Terence

Members of the senior class have been seen in stores all over Fairfield County purchasing clothes for the senior class trip. The affair, to take place at the Mt. Terence Monastery in nearby Mt. Terence, New York, has sent members of the graduating class to hardware stores in search of that perfect gunny sack.

The Class of '84 will be leaving on Saturday April 14 and returning the following Wednesday afternoon. On a typical day, each senior will awaken at 5:00 a.m. and perform certain tasks. After Breakfasting, he will perform tasks until lunchtime, after which he will work until six o'clock in the evening. At that time he will be allowed to read for one hour. Lights out will be

promptly at seven.

Much controversy has surrounded the trip. Many concerned parents have called the school, asking for a more structured schedule of events. Mr. Kuczo, senior class administrator, replied to allegations that the school was allowing too much freedom to the students by stating, "No...Wrong."

Still several parents staged a protest march in front of the Strawberry Hill Avenue entrance to the building. An angry parent said, "This is a disgrace. I can't believe that they [the administration] are in favor of all this."

Vice-Principal Mr. Anthony Markosky responded to the demonstrators by saying, "The decision is final. All seniors will be expected to be

at the back of the school, the gym area, promptly at 8:00 a.m. on Saturday the 14th, ready to go."

Senior Class President Phil Anderson said, "We had narrowed it down to Mt. Terence or a day trip to the Carvel factory in Yonkers, N.Y. The class voted for the monastery, so there we shall go."

Debbie Logan, vice-president of the class thanked the administration for allowing the seniors the choice in the matter. She also said of the monastery visit, "I'm so happy for the chance to see the world."

The cost of the trip will be \$19.84 in honor of the year in which it will be taken. Liz Liebow, who thought of the catchy figure said, "Isn't it just gnarly?"



# Heeter

By Heather Barry

Before I start anything, I'd just like to welcome everybody, old and new, to Stamford High. We've been back for close to two months now and things seem to be running pretty smoothly. In view of this I'd just like to pass on some helpful hints to the new students at SHS.

I'll begin with the teachers. For any of you who are still a little confused about Stamford High, or you have any problems at all, the teacher to see is Mr. McWilliams in Room 154. He is one of the nicest, most helpful persons around! Believe me!

Mr. Cutter is another congenial teacher. If you're missing any lunches or homework just go and look for our resident E.T. And if any of you are one of those very subjective people who can never find anyone to talk to who is of the utmost quality, I think you can find your answer in Room 126 with Mr. Patrick Skruck.

One enterprising teacher, Mr. McGovern, has set up a small florist shop in the back of the English office. Don't forget that if you ever need some for that Friday night date! They're at a special price!

Miss Baxter (PE) and Mr. Cleary (Math) always have their doors wide open for those of you who wish to enter. Go and have lunch with them someday!

I think that those are all the teachers that you need to know about for the present time, so I'll go on to some basic facts about the school.

Don't let anyone try to kid you about the pool being located on the third floor. What would it be doing up there? The pool is really on the 00 floor through a secret doorway in Room 4 (Only seniors are supposed to know about that).

The teacher's parking lot is not just for teachers, and don't let any of them fool you, they only spread that rumor around because they don't want to walk so far. Now tell me, who's carrying the books?

Also, you don't need passes for the Media Center either. Those librarians just like getting kids nervous by waiting at the doors like vultures. To get by them all you have to do is say, "Go Fish!" —that's the secret password.

Are those cafeteria workers still charging everybody for their food? (I wouldn't know, it's been years since I've been to the caf.) If they are, somebody should complain right away! Everything is supposed to be free! All you spend is pure profit to them! I'd talk to my administrator right away!

There's one more secret which I will let you in on. When you attend a girls' basketball game in the winter (and you will attend one) there's a way to get in without paying. All you have to do is give the person at the door the "High Sign." As the room in this column is limited, I'd check with the coach to get the correct way to do it.

I'll end this with a few suggestions about which clubs to get involved in and their advisers. The Chameleon Collection Club (CCC) is one of the best and is led by Mr. Vaccaro. The Super Hero Club under the guidance of Mr. Kovacs is extremely interesting and very popular.

Another popular club is the Agriculture in Modern Society Club with Mr. Martin. All of them are simply fascinating and I urge you to try to hook up with one of them right away before you miss any more action packed adventures. (Sorry, that was plugged in by the SuperHero Club).

Well, I hope that these various bits of information will help you, no matter how many years you are going to be here—five, six, seven... You'll be hearing from me again so until then...

Oh! One last thing I forgot to tell you about. There's a junior in this school by the name of "Spaz" to her close friends. Occasionally she goes on wild raids, blessing and cursing people with her famed magic wand. Don't worry, she's harmless! Good luck!

## Knight Light Debbie Logan



By Cheryl Duncan

"You have to know who you are and what you want in order to get the full benefits of a school like this."

Debbie Logan, senior class vice-president, demonstrates how to reap the best from Stamford High.

A native of Trinidad, Debbie transferred from Catholic High to SHS at the beginning of her junior year.

hockey team, student council and the Minority Student Union. During the year she participated in both indoor and outdoor track where she excelled. At the end of her junior year she was elected vice-president of the Class of '84.

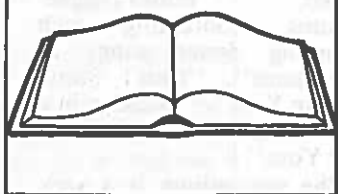
Debbie was unsure about her chances for victory, "My feelings were mixed. On one hand, I had met a lot of people here, but on the other hand I was from another school. I really didn't know how people would react to someone from Catholic coming over and running for the vice-presidency."

Now that she is vice-president, her goals for the class are "To have a homecoming, a successful prom and a senior class trip."

In addition to her many activities, Debbie manages to work ten hours a week at Bloomingdale's.

Despite all these extra-curricular activities, Debbie

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Among the various colleges and universities in which Debbie is interested are: the University of Pennsylvania, the University of

Dayton and Brown University. She plans to major in

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## Knight Light Phil Anderson



By Rob Lefko

Phil Anderson, president of the senior class, has had a great influence on Stamford High since he became a student here. He has been involved in many school activities, has been impressive as a student while showing great leadership qualities in just a little over one year.

Phil has a strong interest in photography, music and dancing. He is a member of the French Club, the Student Council, the Minority Student Union and both Cross Country, during the fall, and Track during the winter and spring.

In addition to all this, Phil was chosen captain of Stam-

competed in the 800 meters at the Junior Olympics. Last year, Phil was all-county and all-state in the 4 X 4 relay, and his ultimate goal is to be a member of the 1988 Olympic team.

Phil also makes time for an after school job, and has maintained a 3.2 grade point average. He hopes to go to college at either Lehigh or Dartmouth, commenting that he is hoping for a track scholarship.

Phil transferred to Stamford High along with his classmates from Rippowam last September. Having been president of his class as a sophomore, Phil had to start over again in a new school.

Regarding the change Phil said, "I can't really compare Rippowam to Stamford High because there are so many more people at Stamford High. They [the two schools] are very different."

In his year at Stamford High he has made many friends and was elected president of the class. He said, "I didn't look at it like I was from Ripp. I didn't think that would affect this election."

Phil's goals for this year include a great prom, and graduation. He also hopes for more dances and social activities and expects to see



# Fall and football go hand in hand

By Allyson Andriunas

Fall and football go hand in hand. When fall starts, so does football season and there's nothing like it. This is the time of year when you break out those sweaters or throw on a comfortable sweatshirt to keep warm from that new crisp chill in the air.

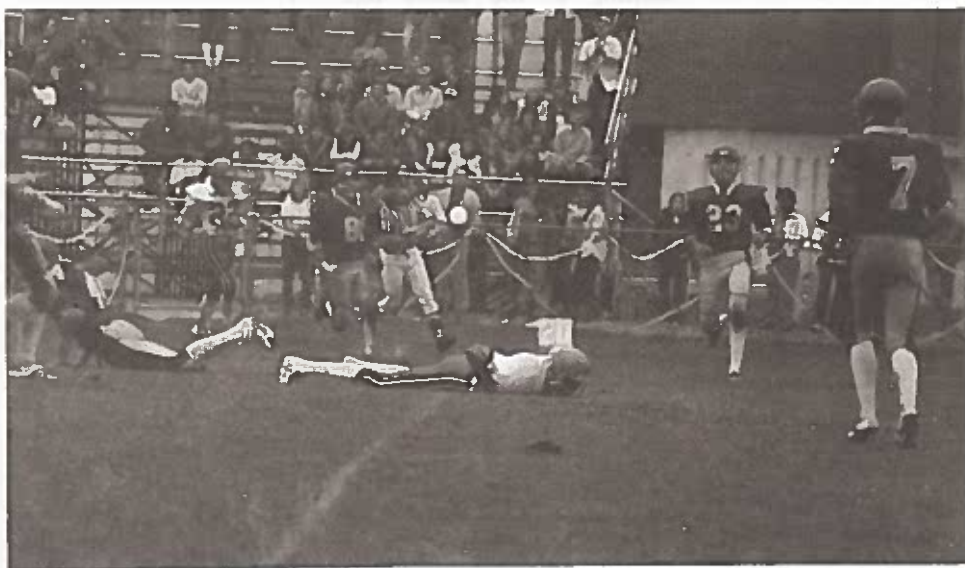
It's a time when everything changes: the weather, the foliage; and the days get shorter, but best of all it's time to go to an SHS football game.

When I'm sitting at a game, eating a hot pretzel, it's a great feeling. It's great to be there with my friends and see the whole school come together encouraging the Black Knights on to vic-

tory. It's great seeing parents and teachers get excited and yelling words of advice (and sometimes other things which can't be printed here).

It's great hearing the crowd go wild after a touchdown as you suddenly realize you're covered with confetti; and to share in the grief with the players when a game is lost.

Boyle Stadium is one of the best football facilities around and home games are really something special. The turnout of onlookers is tremendous! Kids who will soon attend Stamford High, come to watch; graduates from years ago still come to lend their support. It's really a part of high school that is always remembered!



A Stamford player slips on the wet turn during the Knights 6-0 victory over intra-city rival Westhill on October 1. A slight, but steady rain dampened the efforts of both teams. (Round Table photo by Karen Levine).

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## Rock Pile



### 'Police' find a new beat with *Synchronicity*

By Mike Mehan

In the last year there have been several new album releases by rock artists. David Bowie's *Let's Dance*, the Stray Cats *Rant and Rave*, containing the hit single "Sexy and Seventeen", a new *Best of the Who* and *Synchronicity* by the Police.

*Synchronicity* was the most successful new album of the year. Its hit song, "Every Breath You Take" turned gold within weeks of its appearance. There was a time that the song could be found somewhere on the radio at almost any time.

The album launched the Police's most publicized tour to date. They sold out New York's Shea Stadium, something that was done by very few bands such as The Who, The Beatles and (as everyone remembers) Grand Fund Railroad.

Aside from being the Police's most successful album, *Synchronicity* is also their most controversial one. People either hate it or love. Critics say that the album is too far from their progressive Reggae/rock to be considered real Police.

It is true that their earlier releases *Outlando's d'amour*, *Regatta de Blanc* and *Zenyatta Mondatta* are quite different from *Synchronicity*. They are all quick paced, punk/reggae albums, containing such humping dance songs as "Roxanne", "Can't Stand Losing You", "Message in a Bottle" and "It's All Right For You."

The new album is a very mellow, laid back album. It's major hits, "King of Pain" and "Every Breath You Take" depend more on their lyrics than the music. Their style has changed from a rough punk/Reggae style to a slower, more expressive sound.

Drummer Stewart Copeland studied Reggae and syncopated beats to help develop this new softer tone which has replaced the new

listened to on its own terms — a lamentation. Singer/songwriter "Sting" underwent a long, painful divorce during the album's creation. It is his sorrow that dominates the album and the new style of music. This is obvious in the tracks "King of Pain", "Wrapped Around Your Finger" and "Every Breath You Take."

Another song directly influenced by his emotions is "O My God" a cut reflecting an element of sorrow and a pessimistic air that weaves through Sting's lyrics.

Phrases such as, "Take the space between us, Fill it Up Some Way" and the slow style of "Tea in the Sahara" reflect this.

Only two songs were not written by Sting, but they do little to soften the mournful tone. The words also are more sophisticated and meaningful than previous albums.

*Synchronicity* should appeal to a wider audience than before and perhaps their next album will combine their two distinct styles to capture both new and old fans.

## Innuendo

By Imogene

Hi everyone! I hope that you all had a great summer and are full of hot items for Imogene's column. If you do, just drop it in the Innuendo envelopes in various classrooms or Room 102. Don't forget to specify grade (9, 10, 11, 12).

Seniors have some good stuff this time around...Does T.N. still exist or has she fallen off the face of the earth???...Brett, you shouldn't deal with the wrong people...Goldie, I know you know were good trees grow!...M.P., never forget your old flame S.P....V.E., DON'T PAY ATTENTION TO THOSE JERKS...M.D., watch those X rated courtyards!!!!...B.K., I hear business is rough these days...John, is that your favorite color lipstick???...It's amazing how it's snowing at E's house...N.S. looks like everything went to your head...K.B., what a joke about M.P., J.B.—E.J.'s front lawn is real comfortable huh???...M.C., I love your centerfold shots!!!!...R.M., looks like you're a new man this year...P.F., you finally wised up...J. M., why are you such a space shot...M.M., Michelle Who???

Juniors are starting to talk...Aimee, wear an ugly bag over your head...T.D., how's Riggins???...A.K., I hear you're too good for us now...K.M., you are looking extremely good this year...M.M. is in love...B.S. and J.A., work on your speeches...M.B., I hear you and your math teacher get along REAL well...M.D., do you really like J.R.???...S.E., what the heck are you doing going out with a loser like E.M.???...M.B. shouldn't go to school red-eyed!...E.W., nice head.....

Sophomores are just getting into the swing of the new year but...J.S. has another fling in progress, but he's just like all the others...D.L., how do you like your new neighbors???...J.S. is robbing the cradle...Is T.D. really cute or do just some people think so?...The same goes for M.C....K.Z. is getting restless and desperate...C.G., M.M. wants more romance in sixth period.....

Freshmen have yet to be initiated into Innuendo but...D.L.

## Word Search

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