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EDITORIAL

Action instead of Words.

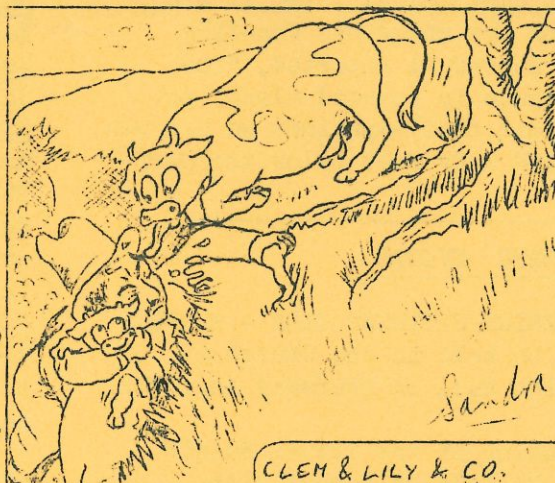
News of more timber men losing their jobs in the Fingal area is bad news indeed. Even though at least three of these men have found alternative work the situation in the area is far from healthy.

The eventual establishment of a woodchip industry in the Fingal Valley could create employment for men who know and work with timber but this may not be for some time and how much employment woodchips will create is still in doubt. The only large employer of men in the immediate vicinity of the Fingal Valley, the Forestry Commission, has it appears, been able to take some of these men on. But for how long can this situation continue?

This paper pointed out nearly two years ago this scheme introduced by the Labour Government was at best, only a short term solution. Once the bulk of trees was planted there would be less need for a continuing large work force. In fact, the overall employment of the Forestry is already declining and something more must be done to create employment for not only more local men who lose their jobs but also for any boys in the district who leave school and want to work here. At this stage, these boys have little chance of employment in the district. Surely in a small island state, it is possible for a limited population to live and work where they desire? Nobody but a super-optimist in the Fingal Valley would expect a boom in the industry in the next decade but surely residents can, at least, expect a stable employment situation and not the continually deteriorating one that exists. Members of Parliament from both sides of the House are not infrequent visitors hereabouts; there is always some politician available to open a fete or to listen to someone's social problem, but these same politicians are singularly barren when it comes to solid ideas and backing.

In contrast, many ideas have been offered by local residents from time to time, but these suggestions have been continually refused by excuses of lack of finance or

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"LILY! IT'S YOUR TAIL I WANT - NOT YOUR TONGUE!"

Editorial cont.

or practicability.

It is about time the politicians realised people in these parts want more than sympathy and words from the men they have elected to govern. They want action for a change.

TOUCHE'

Especially for any politician who hasn't heard of any local suggestions - how about this one? Aberfoyle Mines are short of men but men in Fingal and St. Marys say travelling back and forth over twenty or thirty miles of second rate roads of second rate roads is far too expensive. Neither do these men or their families want to live in second rate houses in Rossarden's spartan climate. Solution? A subsidized bus company maybe. Or adequate personal travelling expenses. Or better still, why not incorporate this with Housing Commission homes built in the Valley.

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TOUCHE (cont)
And for anyone who has not heeded last issue's warnings on pollution we include an extract from a report by Norwegian explorer Thor Heyerdahl, who recently sailed a reed boat across the Atlantic. In his opinion pollution is "the most grave problem existing today. We think of the ocean as endless as it was to Columbus. It is not so. For the whole of the 3,300 miles of journey there was hardly one day when we were not surrounded by globules of oil, oil sticks, bottles, plastic materials and lumps of wood. Sometimes this was so bad we could not swim in that vast ocean." Yet it was only 23 years ago after his Kon-Tiki voyage that Heyerdahl reported, "the ocean hereabouts is crystal clear, so clear and clean that sometimes we can see shoals of fish many feet below the surface."

COMING EVENTS

ST HELENS SENIOR CITIZENS CLUB - Monthly Dinner will be held in the Church of England Parish Hall on Thursday Aug.20th.

The next meeting of the FINGAL BRANCH A.L.P. will be held on August 13th. Guest Speaker will be Senator Devitt. Warm welcome to all intending members.

R A N F ANNUAL MEETING will be held in the Recreation Room at the Hospital on Wednesday 19th August at 11am. The meeting will be followed by luncheon, and Miss Ada Gerrie will introduce the Journal Club.

B O D S Members are reminded that the next meeting will take place on Tuesday August 18th at St Marys District Hospital.

LOCAL ASSOCIATION OF GIRL GUIDES & BROWNIES Meeting today at the home of Mrs Cruse St Marys at 2,30pm. All parents are urged to attend.

FOOTBALL TRAINING Ladies Football Team St Marys Oval
Friday 7th August 4.30pm
Sunday 9th August 10.30pm
Wednesday 12th August 4.30pm
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AFTERNOON TEA at St Marys Hospital Wednesdays 12th & 19th.
PROGRESSIVE DINNER Friday 28th August - Menu is as follows
Sherry at the home of Mr and Mrs C Royle 7pm to 7,30pm
Soup at the Clinic - Hostesses members of the Child Welfare Ass. 7.30pm to 8.15pm
Main Course at Hospital hostesses Matron and Sisters 8.15p, to 9.30pm
Sweets at the home of Mr and Mrs James Napier 9.30pm to 10.30pm
Coffee & Cheese at the home of Mr & Mrs Kevin Faulkner 10.30pm
DONATION - \$2.00 per person.
Bookings close on Friday 21st August at 6pm, Money must accompany bookings (at Royles)
CONCERT in Cornwall Hall Wednesday 12th August 7.30pm. Dancing and Supper to follow. Many famous local personalities AND Tiny Tim will be there.

SUPPORT THE ST MARYS FOOTBALL CLUB
QUEEN CARNIVAL
For Coral Bessel
WALKATHON & BARBECUE SUNDAY
SEPTEMBER 13th, commencing at 1.30pm
More details later.
STREET STALL at St Marys Hotel Friday August 28th at 10am
BOTTLE DRIVE if you wish to dispose of those unwanted bottles, please ring St Marys 186, 145, 193, 133
EUCHRE EVENING at the home of Mr R J Hinds each Tuesday Evening, commencing in August 18th. All Welcome
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Miss Piffle

A NICK-NACK AFTERNOON was given to Miss Carlene Hall of Fingal by Mrs. Rick Cowie. Carlene will marry Peter Webb at St. Peters Church, Fingal on 22nd Aug. at 5pm.

AN AFTERNOON TEA in the Presbyterian Hall, Fingal was well attended. Proceeds were towards the Glamorous Grandmothers, Mrs. M. Street.

CONGRATULATIONS TO MICHAEL BARNES on winning the Association's Best and Fairest Trophy. This proves a point; MICHAEL is not the bad boy some say he is!

PLEASED TO HEAR Tony Turner of Fingal is out of hospital and is feeling much better.

FRIENDS OF FRED DAVIS of Fingal, wish him a speedy recovery. After an accident at the Rossarden Mine, Fred has lost the sight of one eye.

RESIDENTS OF MANGANA, are pleased to hear that Mrs. Ron Cox is progressing satisfactorily after her operation. She is a patient in the L.G.H.

MR. JACK MILLER of "The Nook" spent the weekend with his mother in Launceston.

ALL RESIDENTS of Mangana were sorry to hear of the passing of Mrs. Blanche Oliver, an old resident of Mangana.

MRS. SECCOMBE and Mrs. Rigby of Hobart spent a few days with their mother Mrs. Oliver of Mangana.

WELCOME to the new Fingal Council's Health Inspector Mr. G.T. Hodgkinson and his family who came from Devonport.

CONGRATULATIONS to Jane Dawson who has just passed her final nursing exams after training at Calvary Hospital. Jane finishes her training at the end of August and will be going to Crown Street Hospital Sydney to do her Midwifery Certificate in October.

NEWSFROM SUE HERRLING tells of a trip from Hong Kong to Tokyo in a Jumbo Jet with 480 passengers, heat wave conditions in Tokyo, two visits to Expo '70, 8 new Canadian Guide friends, mastering the art of using chopsticks, and a really wonderful time.

ANNUAL DINNER of the St. Marys Child Health Association was held at Tatlow's Hotel Fingal last week. Official Guests were Miss E. Foster of Hobart were welcomed by the outgoing committee Mrs. B. Spilsbury, Mrs. John Snodgrass, Mrs. R. Jarvis and during the evening the office bearers for the coming year were elected. President - Mrs. Bruce Spilsbury, Secretary Mrs. M. Parker, Treasurer Mrs. R. Jarvis.

TWENTY YEARS SERVICE, Mr. T.J. Yates, Superintendent of Works for the Fingal Council, was given a farewell by Council workmen, on Friday 31st last. On making the presentation of a transistor mantel

Miss Piffle cont.

clock, the overseer, Mr. Roy Williams, thanked Mr. Yates for his co-operation and the understanding he had with his fellow workmen. His resignation was received with regret. Mr. B. Inglis, superintendent for P.W.D. and Mr. G. Davidson, supervisor for P.W.D., Launceston, attended the function and thanked Mr. Yates for his service over the past years. Previous employees who had worked with Mr. Yates also attended the function

STORK NEWS.....CONGRATULATIONS TO:

Mr. & Mrs. Cartwright of Fingal on the arrival of a daughter Helen Elizabeth, born at Q.V.H., Launceston on 28/7/70.

MR. & MRS. PARKER of Fingal, on the arrival of a son Ricky born at the Q.V.H. L'ton, on 30/7/70.

Mr. & Mrs. Gillies, of St. Marys on the arrival of a daughter Samantha Jane born at Q.V.H., Launceston on 28/7/70.

ST. MARYS GARDEN CLUB

At the July meeting of the St. Marys Garden Club the main feature of the evening was the wonderful collection of arrangements made from lichen. This was won by Mrs. Mitchell of Cornwall. Next month the competitions are as usual with an extra competition of a planter containing three different plants. A donation of \$10.00 was made to each of the Senior Citizens Clubs "Silver Threads" and "Golden Years" towards the Glamorous Grandmother Competition. Next meeting is Wednesday August 19th at 8.00p.m. Alan Jackson will be showing a choice selection of slides. All welcome.

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In last week's column we learnt of an incident in the history of Pingal's Council which left Councillor Williams alone in his 'splendid isolation which prompted the following verse in a later copy of the daily paper.

THE PLAINT OF COUNCILLOR WILLIAMS
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I am ruler supreme of Pingal,
I reign over highway and lane;
I'm monarch of courthouse and hall,
And lord over gutter and drain.

Till now this municipal trust,
Was held by a band of eleven.
That noble communion has burst—
Alas! we're not now even seven.

Twas not by mishap or disease
I was left here alone in my pride;
But a blow to ten hurt dignities
Took colleagues away from my side.

I mourn for the comrades who've fled,
For the guidance of which I'm bereft;
The council hall's silent and dead,
Even Minister Becker has left.

In Sydney Tom Bavin's decree
Was that city affairs should be run
By a hand picked commission of three,
But I'm a committee of one.

So in tones that are ringing and clear,
My views of myself I expound;
Then I sit and I clamour "Hear, Hear,"
Due tribute to logic sound.

I write strong reports neat of phrase
Which instant are acted upon;
I move resolutions of praise
For myself, which are carried nem con.

But great though the glory to me,
I feel that my work is in vain;
How lonely a despot can be!
Oh! give me my brothers again.

SEEING DOUBLE

A set of twin calves is good news to any farmer constantly beset by worries of how to raise his income. To a St Marys' farmer however it is threefold good news. His first two cows to calve this season both presented twins. Now his tenth in has also given birth to twins. The farmer considers he is on a pretty good thing, especially in view of the fact that two of the cows are daughters of the same cow which was a twin herself.

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There has also been an influx of students into the Matriculation College from private schools, and the reasons for this are on the one hand economic and on the other a desire among youngsters to enjoy the co-educational experience gained at the College.

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THE PORTLAND RED CROSS MEALS ON WHEELS SERVICE

At a Public Meeting held in St. Helens on Wednesday 29th July it was decided to form a Red Cross Branch in the District and from this Branch a Red Cross Service Unit has been formed - The Portland Red Cross Meals on Wheels Unit.

The President Mrs. K. Brown called a meeting on Thursday August 6th to discuss the possibility of starting a Meals on Wheels Service in St. Helens as soon as possible and Mrs. Marjorie Parker of Launceston addressed members telling them of the very satisfactory growth of this service in Tasmania particularly in the Launceston area. Mrs. Parker told members of the equipment necessary to start the service and promised that until they could find the necessary finance, Red Cross would loan the equipment.

The president was able to tell the meeting of a donation from the St. Helens Cork Club of \$150 and Mrs. Jackson of Falmouth added to this the sum of \$50, a sum she had raised from sale of pickled walnuts. Another anonymous donor gave \$10. The meals will be prepared at the St. Helens Annexe of the District Hospital and members are very enthusiastic about the project.

RETURN

THANKS

MR. GEORGE MORTON FRANCIS of MANGANA.

Kath & Morton Francis and children of "Strathspey" Fingal, sincerely thank all kind friends and relatives for their expressions of sympathy, extended to them in their recent sad loss of their dear Father, father-in-law and pop.

The rotund lady stepped nervously on the scales. After a moment of tactful consideration, the doctor cleared his throat and spoke.

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FROM THE PULPIT

Final day's play in the Primary School Basketball Carnival at St Marys resulted in a victory for E.N.E. (firsts) and Circular Head (seconds).

During the Carnival both these teams were undefeated.

Best and fairest trophies for the Carnival went to DEBBIE BELL firsts) Southern Midlands.

DEIDRE MEDHURST (seconds) also of Southern Midlands.

Results: Circular Head defeated West Coast, 20 - 13

Best Players :Circular Head Sandra Ness, B Nicholls, Kath Stokes.

West Coast Kathryn Grainger, Gay Hurd, Rexine Lorell.

E.N.E. 31 defeated Southern Midlands

Best Players : E.N.E. Sally Bennett, Lynette Styles, Kathryn Beachy.

Southern Midlands : Best Players Debbie Bell, Sally Cowen, Alison Scott.

SECONDS 17 - 10

E.N.E. 17 defeated Southern Midlands

Best Players :E.N.E. Janine Rattray, Joylyn Dennis, Cindy Bosworth.

Southern Midlands : Deidre Medhurst, Rosemary Harvey, Colleen McLean.

Circular Head Seconds defeated West Coast 39 - 16

Best Players Circular Head : Jill Stewart, Helen Nicholls, Kate Worthington.

West Coast Dianne Livesy, Nanine Rudling, Vicki Bradshaw.

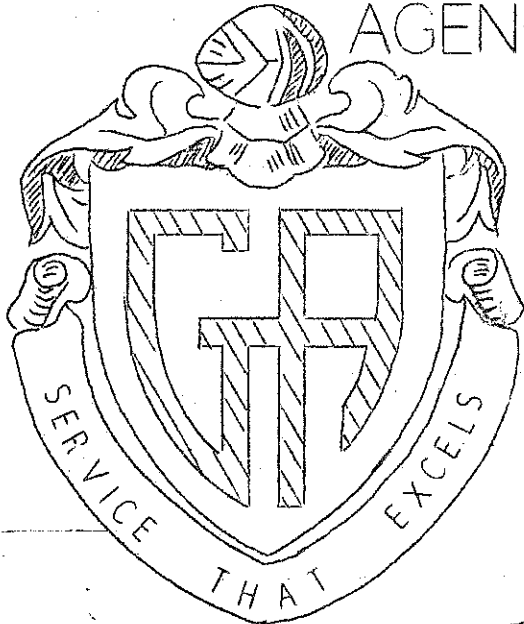
A story is told of a woman who came to a minister, carrying in her hands a mass of wet sand. 'Do you see what this is Sir? 'Yes, it is wet sand,' he replied. ' But do you know what it means?' No, I cannot say that I do, please tell me.' 'That is me,' she answered 'and the multitude of my sins which cannot be numbered.' The minister spoke calmly to her and enquired where she had got the sand; 'Down on the beach.' 'Go back there,' he said, 'And take a spade with you. Heap up a big mound of sand, pile it as high as you can. Then stand back on the shore and watch what happens to it when the tide comes in.'

Of course, when the tide flowed in it completely swept away the pile of sand. And so when God forgives sin, he takes it away as completely as the incoming tide carries away the heaped sand.

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"BLUES" WIN CLOSE GAME.

Fingal defeated St. Marys by 17 points in one of the best games of the season. The players were going in hard, but fairly, all day and the best result could have been a draw as the play was even all day. Fingal forwards who kicked 14.4 no doubt deserve the credit for a good win. Marshall, Yates, and Hogan were outstanding for the "Blues", and these players could be the key to their chances in the finals as when these players are firing, so is Fingal. For St. Marys, the best players were hard to find, as they all played well, but perhaps Merv. Turner would have been the best man. Umpire Johnston gave a good exhibition of umpiring, and it was good to see an umpire hold control and umpire as fairly as this.

St. Helens defeated Avoca in a good hard fought game after being only two kicks in front, and kicking against the wind in the last quarter. Good defence by the "Bay" managed to hold Avoca off, and run out winners by 10 points. Stephen Salter appears to have recovered from his injuries and gave an excellent display at full forward, and kicked 6 goals. Other good players were "Viv" Chapple, Politis, Brian Barr, and David Riley. For Avoca: White, P. Williams, Ruffin and Richardson were their best players.

Swansea defeated Rossarden comfortably and have kept their final four chances alive although I can't see it happening. It is disappointing to see Rossarden out of the four as they have set the standard for the last 10 to 12 years. Let us hope that they can return to the top bracket again next year.

This week St. Marys meet Swansea at home and although Swansea have a lot more hope, I still feel that the "Tigers" will be too strong.

Avoca play Fingal at Avoca and this should be the game of the day as last round Avoca defeated Fingal and this week Fingal will be after revenge and are my choice to win. St. Helens travel to Rossarden and should be able to beat the "mountain boys" who appear to have lost interest.

Next week St. Marys play Avoca or perhaps Swansea?, and with their better players finding form should be too strong for either of these teams and are my choice to go into the Preliminary final.

WORTH NOTING: Dale Wright of St. Marys was suspended for three matches playing against Fingal last week. Dale could be considered a little unlucky after some of the incidents this season.

SECOND ROUND, MENS CHAMPIONSHIP

A. Grade, T. Bean 71-143, D. Williams, 72-145. B. Lehner, 76-153. F. Singline, 83-159.

B. Grade, J. McGee, 89-173, H. Newman, 91-176. K. Spilsbury, 91-178.

C. Grade, M. Barnes, 102-201, K. Spilsbury, 109-213.

Associates, Second Round: A. Grade:

I Brennan, 92-178, G. Holmes, 94-184.

B. Grade: M. Wardlaw, 92-185, M. King, 92-188. I. Lehner, 98-194. P. Davern, 104-202.

C. Grade, C. Barnes, 98-195. C. White, 98-196, G. Dawson, 104-203.

PRESENTATIONS

At half time during the Fingal-St. Marys Football match last Saturday, Mr. R. Marshall presented Roger Yates with his Tasmanian Football Blazer. Roger, who has played senior football with Fingal for the past two years has been chosen to represent Tasmania in the All Australian School Boys Football Carnival in Brisbane. The team leaves on August 23rd. A cabaret and Social evening will be held at Tatlow's Hotel, Fingal, on Sat. 8th August, to sponsor his trip. Longford Football Club will make a presentation to Roger at the cabaret.

A presentation was also made last Saturday to John Clements, who has been chosen to represent the East North East Primary School Football Team in Hobart. This commenced last Monday, 3rd August.

N. E. T. P. B. C.

The annual meeting of the North-Eastern Tasmanian Power Boat Club was held at the Seamander Hotel-Motel on Tuesday 4th Aug. Main Office-Bearers elected were:

Commodore: G. Kerrison (Sen.)

Vice-Commodore: J. McGiveron.

Treasurer: M. Targett.

Secretary: R. Harvey.

Handicapper: S. Targett.

The manager of the C.B.A. St. Marys, who is a new-comer to the district, accepted the position of Official Judge. After the meeting, a delectable supper was enjoyed by all. People interested in joining this club as competitors, social members should contact either Bill Targett, Ross Harvey, or John McGiveron.

Q. What has two wings and a yellow back?

A. Chinese football team.

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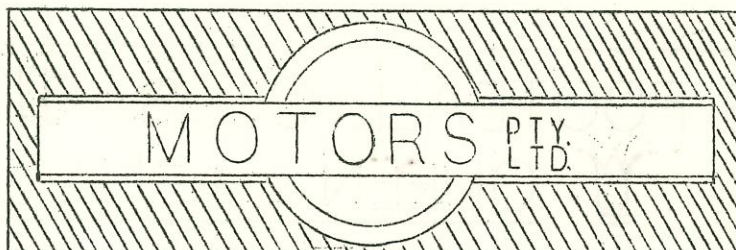
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ARIES: A joint project will prove a great success by the 14th. Avoid speculation mid August. Gains are doubtful- losses are more likely.

TAURUS: Guard against accidents - especially fire. Re-organisation of your affairs is called for early in the month. Romance is promising, but is disappointing later.

GEMINI: Good relations and understanding with younger members of the family. Creative contribution will gain you some honour. Business opportunities ahead.

CANCER: Most favourable developments romantically - before 19th. Creative work should be in full swing by 15th. Entertainment plays a great part in your activities.

LEO: Originality and action is called for this month. Be forceful with your ideas and success will not be far away.

VIRGO: The 14th is important financially. Partnerships should be handled with care. Romance has its ups and downs. Promotion is coming your way.

LIBRA: The 14th is one of the best days for romance. Any legacy that is pending may come to you then. Gains in money on the 7th.

SCORPIO: Work on a domestic problem; this will offset future complication. Financial investment is a dodgy business at this time.

SAGITTARIUS: The 14th is the day you should devote to creative activities. Make an extra effort at work. Promotion is in the air. Holiday should be over by the 20th.

CAPRICORN: Enlist friend's help with a personal problem. An opportunity for financial gain of 14th. You will make contact with people from abroad.

AQUARIUS: Keep personal relationships as pleasant as possible. You may make a trip abroad shortly. Time to take a fresh look at financial situation on 15th.

PISCES: Take stock of your money, tax and insurance. Financial gains will come your way without much effort. Chances to take advantage of later gains.

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St. Marys and Bicheno played their semi-final last Monday night with St. Marys winning by 61 aces. St. Marys will play Fingal at St. Marys next Monday night. The losers of the game will be winners of the Glen Thomas Memorial Shield.

Results:

ROSSARDEN: Ladies Doubles:

N.Conroy- L. Allen 21

M. Hawkins- M.Johns 21 , Mills

M.Lowe- J.Webb 12

MENS DOUBLES: P. Webb- V. Petpaisit 10

A. Johns - B. Lowe 16

D. Williams - J.Allen 21

MIXED DOUBLES: V.Petpaisit- L.Allen 3

A.Johns - M.Conroy 20

P.Webb - M.Hawkins 23

D.Williams -M.Johns 21

J.Allen- M.Lowe 10

B.Lowe - J. Webb Total 199

FINGAL GREEN Ladies Doubles:

N. Bush - H. Mills 18

J. Hall - M.Sutton 9

B. Bean - M. Bosworth 21

MENS DOUBLES: J. Smith - P. Mills 21

L. Gatty - A. Stone 21

R. Bean -L. Hall 10

MIXED DOUBLES: L.Gatty- M.Bush 21

J. Smith - J. Hall 21

P.Mills - B. Bean 21

R.Bean - H.Mills 3

A.Stone -M.Bosworth 21

L. Hall- M.Sutton 11 Total 188

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