ALAND ISLANDS WANT TO RETURN TO SWEDEN

STOCKHOLM, Jan. 11.—The newspaper Daglad of Helsingborg says that a petition has been signed by the whole population of the Aland Islands, asking that the Aland Islands be returned to Sweden. The petition will be presented to the Finnish Government.

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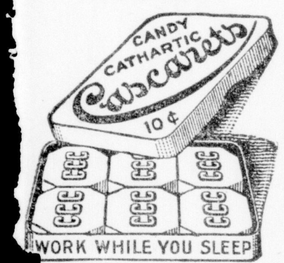

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GERMANY PLANS TO ENSLAVE SLAVS OF EUROPE, FEARING THEY MAY BECOME DOMINANT

It Was for This the Hohenzollerns "Sicked" Austria Onto Serbia and Started World War—Bismarck's Ideas Are Exceeded in Craze for Power — Austria-Hungary Is Also To Be Betrayed.

By Frank H. Simonds

Author of "The World War," "They Shall Not Pass."

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Several weeks ago I foreshadowed here the character of Germany's peace proposal so far as Eastern Europe was concerned. The fact has borne out the forecast. Germany has demanded of Russia the cession, under the guise of an utterly false application of the principle of nationality, of the territory she has occupied during the war and, in addition, much of the Baltic provinces. This would deprive the Russians of all their Baltic seacoast and take from them upward of 120,000 square miles, a territory as large as Italy.

In the present article I desire to set forth in some detail the underlying facts in the German proposals, to which the Austrians are bound to give assent, since their own freedom of action has been lost to them. Actually what Germany is endeavoring to accomplish is to deprive all the Slav world of economic freedom by seizing its exits to the seas, and at the same time to put under her own control more than a third of the Slavs of Europe through her own, Austrian and Bulgarian peace proposals.

Slavs Outnumber Germans.

To start at the beginning, there are in Europe some 125,000,000 Slavs and 75,000,000 Germans. Not only do the Slavs outnumber the Germans greatly, but they occupy vastly larger territories, are more prolific, and are certain within a brief number of decades to become far stronger in numbers; overwhelmingly superior, in fact. Unless the German can prevent the unification of the Slav race, or some sort of sympathetic association, his position in Europe is ultimately doomed, so far as this position means the domination of the continent and the possession of world power.

Fortunately for the German, the Slav populations are not concentrated, but widely separated. Nor are there merely geographical barriers between the various elements of Slavdom; religion and tradition also divide the Slavs. Thus, while 92,000,000 Slavs in Russia, 4,000,000 in Germany and 17,000,000 in Austro-Hungary are separated by no geographical or linguistic barriers, 6,000,000 in Bohemia are almost entirely surrounded by German-speaking populations, and 12,000,000 southern Slavs are cut off from the main mass by Hungarian and German-speaking districts of Austria. In the same way, while the mass of the Slavs are Orthodox—that is, belong to the Greek Church—the Poles and the Croatians are Roman Catholics.

Exceed Bismarck's Policy.

As long as Germany was content to follow the Bismarckian policy, which aimed at preserving the Germany created in the last century, and not at setting forth upon a world adventure of power, there was only one Slav problem for the German, and this was supplied by his 4,000,000 Poles in Eastern Prussia. In a population of 68,000,000, all save a few hundred thousand German by race and speech, this was not a great problem, despite the difficulties and annoyances incident to the undying desire of the Poles for the restoration of their old nation.

But when Germany, long allied with Austria, set out to push Austria southward to Constantinople—that is, across the Russian outlet to the open sea by the Bosphorus and the Dardanelles—the problem at once changed. Of the 50,000,000 inhabitants of Austria-Hungary, not fewer than 24,000,000 are Slavs, while the two controlling elements, the Germans and the Magyars, number but 22,000,000 combined. The remaining 4,000,000, Rumanians and Italians, having centrifugal aspirations, are thus natural allies of the Slavs, not of the Magyars and Teutons, and these two elements were thus in a minority in Austria-Hungary.

The situation had been temporarily ameliorated in Austria by the liberties bestowed by the Austrians upon the Poles. Five millions of Poles in Galicia were allowed to act within that province as masters, both of themselves and the 4,000,000 Ruthenians, and their support to the German element in Austria enabled it to maintain a control, always in danger, but never overthrown.

Slavs Give Trouble.

Since 1900, however, the situation in Austria has been steadily turning against the German and the Magyar. Every year the Slav population gained in numbers proportionately; every year its demands for political liberty increased; every year its sympathies, natural, racial and religious, with the main mass of the Slavs outside the Hapsburg Empire increased. Finally the successful Serbian campaign in the two Balkan wars brought about a situation in which the future domination of the German and Magyar minorities in the Dual Monarchy seemed unmistakably doomed. Even the Poles were stirring and turning their thoughts once more to a restored Poland, and once the Poles should throw their lot in with the other Slavs, the Germans and their partners, the Magyars, were doomed and the Slavonic minority in Austria-Hungary was bound to take the reins, thus destroying all the German ambitions of creating a Mitteleuropa extending from Berlin to Bagdad, through Austria-Hungary and the Balkans.

Now, bearing these facts in mind, what is the German policy? Obviously to seek to divide the Slavs in such a way that their numbers will no longer be formidable and that for fifty years at least Germany will be free to consolidate her road to the Near East, to build her great Mitteleuropa and to complete her effort to dominate the world. To do this she must detach some portions of the Slavs from the great Russian bulk; she must, in addition, take measures to suppress the hopes of the Southern Slavs.

Now, with reference to the Russian Slavs, Germany has shown her hand. At Brest-Litovsk she proposed that two states should be created out of the Russian territory taken by Austria and by herself during the war. The first of these states was to include all the Baltic provinces of Russia and extend from the environs of Petrograd to the Prussian frontier at Memel. All the great Russian Baltic ports, Reval, Pernau, Riga and Libau, was to be included, and Russia was thus to be deprived of an outlet upon the open sea, and thus economically subservient to Germany.

This state of nearly 6,000,000 inhabitants and about 60,000 square miles, a little larger than England and Wales, was to be under real, if disguised, German domination. All of its population, save a small minority, utterly insignificant, are Slav, Lettish and Lithuanian, but this small minority is German, composed of the descendants of the Teutonic knights of remoter centuries.

A Hated Minority.

And this minority has been the controlling element. It owns the lands and lives under conditions recalling the French nobility's circumstances before the revolution. It is a hated minority, against which the masses have risen many times, but the Germans mean to use it as the pretext for erecting a state which will actually be dominated by Prussian bayonets. In a word, some 5,500,000 Slavs are to be put under the control of not more than 250,000 Germans resident in this region, but the latter are to be backed by Prussian bayonets. Thus Germany adds a territory ten times as large as Alsace-Lorraine to her own empire and closes Russia's doorway to the Baltic.

The second German proposal affects Russian Poland. Some ten million Poles living in Russian Poland and the adjoining Russian Governments are to be taken from Russian rule and turned over to Austrian. It is announced that with them are to be joined the 5,000,000 Poles and possibly the 4,000,000 Ruthenians of Galicia, but, in any event, some sort of a Polish state is to be created under Hapsburg rule. But Germany refused utterly to consider joining with this state her own four millions of Poles in Posen, East and West Prussia and Silesia. Thus she purposes to keep her hands not alone upon all the great mineral districts of the Polish-speaking regions of Silesia, but also upon Danzig and the seacoast by which Poland would be able to touch the Baltic and trade with the world.

Will Turn on Austria.

This Poland to be created, then, is to be politically subject to the Hapsburg, but economically subject to the Hohenzollern. Nor does it require any great stretch of imagination to look forward to the time when the German will repeat the Schleswig-Holstein episode and deprive the old ally of ground conquered jointly, but needed for "rounding out" German estates and completing the realization of German purposes. But, laying aside future considerations, these facts are clear: Nearly 6,000,000 Slavs of the Baltic provinces are to be abstracted from the bulk of Slavdom and placed under Prussian control; 12,000,000 people, five-sixths of them Poles—that is, Slavs,—are to be taken from Russia and assigned temporarily or permanently to the Austrians, but Germany is to retain their outlets upon the sea and thus the economic supremacy in this new state. Here, then, are upward of 16,000,000 Slavs subtracted from the central Slav block.

Now, in addition, it is plain that the Germans and Austrians contemplate some temporary arrangement which will throw the Galician Slavs into the new Polish state, thus removing the Slavs who give the Slavonic element a majority in Austria proper. With 9,000,000 Poles and Ruthenians thus eliminated, the German-speaking element would regain numerical supremacy in Austria and be able to deal with the Czechs and Southern Slavs as it chose. Poland, as created by the Congress of Brest-Litovsk, will be commercially at the mercy of Prussia, politically under the rule of Austria, militarily dominated by Austrian and Prussian bayonets, and in this state the Poles of Austria will disappear as potent Slav forces.

The Cause of the War.

In this situation Germany pushed Austria forward against Serbia, and the world war was the result. Now, so far as the world war is concerned, it has been a German failure in the west and on the sea. Germany has occupied 7,000 square miles of French territory, but by contrast Britain and France have seized 1,000,000 square miles of German territory and 12,000,000 German colonial subjects. Germany has been excluded from the sea, and against sea power and the loss of her colonies she holds only French and Belgian territories as an insurance. As far as Austria and Italy are concerned, after many reverses Austria, aided by Germany, has occupied considerable territory in Venetia, but Italy has closed the Adriatic, occupied Albania and remains across Austria's only commercial routes.

On the east, on the other hand, the German, with his Magyar ally, has overwhelmed the Slav. He has occupied 120,000 square miles of Russian territory, holding upward of 20,000,000 Slavs, and he has brought down the whole edifice of Russian government. There is no more government, no leadership, only impotent anarchy in the great Slav state, and the Slavs of Eastern Europe are therefore powerless before the Germans. And in addition, by enlisting the Bulgar, the German has been able to destroy the Slav states of Serbia and Montenegro, now occupied by Bulgar and Austrian troops and also to conquer most of Rumania, whose collapse is assured by the Russian surrender.

Seizing by Opportunity.

Accordingly, the German finds himself today in a position to deal with the problem of the Slavs. He has crushed the great Slav movement toward liberty and union by overthrowing Russia; the Russian revolutionists have forsaken all racial aspirations, all thought of liberating their brethren of Austria and of the Balkans, to pursue the phantom of industrial and economic Utopias; they have destroyed their army, and they have now no choice but to yield to German terms or else to face the consequences of resisting without weapons an enemy provided with weapons and holding all the roads leading to the heart of Slavdom. Russia, as the German would say, is "kaput."

So much for the Northern Slavs. Now as for the Serbs of Serbia and Montenegro, their fate has already been set forth in Bulgar and Prussian statements. Most of Serbia, the valleys of the Morava and the Vardar, are to fall to the Bulgar, the balance to be added to Austrian Bosnia or permitted to subsist under a semblance of independence, but ruled by an Austrian princeling. In a word, 5,000,000 more Slavs are to be placed under alien rule, under Bulgar and Austrian, and the last obstacle to Austro-German power in the Balkans is to be eliminated.

"Now, exactly what this means is clear. In the present war, when Germany and Austria assailed Russia, they were able to throw the military resources of 28,000,000 Slavs within their own frontier against the great Slav state which they were attacking because it had ventured to champion the Slav cause in the Balkans. Without the aid of these Slav troops, Austria would have been overcome long ago, for she had but 22,000,000 of German and Hungarian subjects who were loyal. In the next struggle with the Slav, bound to come if the Slav world is now placed in Teutonic chains, Germany will have more than 20,000,000 additional Slavs from which to draw troops. Thus we shall see a Central Europe in which 75,000,000 Germans will control the fate and fortunes of well nigh 50,000,000 Slavs, use them for cannon fodder, use them to advance the cause of the German against the Slav, use them to make still stronger the German power in the world.

Designs On Rumanians.

I shall not at this time go into the subject of Rumania, and yet it is worth noting that a detail of the German plan is to put the 12,000,000 Rumanians of Hungary, Rumania and Russian Bessarabia in such leading strings as to reduce them to the condition proposed for Poland and make them soldiers of Teutonism henceforth, bound commercially, politically and militarily to the central group. And since Russia has collapsed the Rumanians have no choice, no method of escape; they are the helpless victims of the Russian revolution, who automatically lost their liberty when the Russian revolution decided to destroy the Russian army and negotiate with the Germans.

In sum, then, 75,000,000 Germans, allied with 10,000,000 Hungarians and 5,000,000 Bulgarians, are planning to put under their yoke 48,000,000 Slavs and 12,000,000 Rumanians, more than half of whom were free when the world war began and the remaining half of whom were moving toward political liberty under Austrian yoke. And outside of Europe Germany has fastened her power upon 15,000,000 of people in European Turkey, who are also in her scheme of things to supply economic resources and cannon fodder equally. Thus, in fact, 75,000,000 Germans are to rule 90,000,000 of other races, Slav, Hungarian, Bulgar and Turk. This is the present German plan, the first details in which have been sketched in the terms proposed by the German representatives at Brest-Litovsk.

It requires no discussion to set forth the peril to the whole world of this German plan. More than all else we are at war with the German idea which conceives that power is the sole consideration in international relations, which conceives that the German, as the member of a superior race, is permitted to use any means to the end of asserting this superiority. The German believes in war because war has made Germany great and each war has won new provinces and new prosperity.

Prelude to New Wars.

If the result of the present war is to give Germany the mastery of the entire Russian sea coast, and thus of Russia; if it is to give her direct political control of the Baltic provinces and indirect control of Poland; if it is to place Austria-Hungary as well under her domination, then the war will be but a prelude to new wars, whatever be the settlement in the west, and so far as German colonies are concerned. Germany could well afford to evacuate Belgium, return Alsace-Lorraine and agree to Italian possession of Trent if only she were to be left with free hands to deal with the great Slavonic world, to fix her own frontiers in the Baltic provinces and Poland to the north and in the Balkan peninsula at the south. With the further assurance power in the Balkans gave her of possession in Asiatic Turkey, she would be in a position to defy the world at once, and, with the new resources in cannon fodder of alien races, to conquer it when she had organized these resources.

The attention of the Allies has so long been concentrated upon the western front and their thoughts so occupied with the fate of France and Belgium that there is grave danger that it may be impossible now to arouse the Allied publics, become war weary and confused as to what the real perils of the situation are. Actually Germany is seeking to intrench herself in such fashion as to remain master of the political and economic future of 125,000,000 Slavs, including those within and outside of Russia, and 12,000,000 Rumanians. She is operating under the cover of Russian formulae, which sound Utopian notes, to seize the territories and the liberties of 16,000,000 Slavs along the Baltic and the Vistula, together with the Baltic seaboard of all Slavdom; she is seeking in the Balkans to destroy the only barrier to her expansion into Asia.

Germany's Big Contract.

It is probably true that the task of permanently holding in subjection 125,000,000 Slavs is beyond the capacity of the German, but temporary possession of these millions may enable her to wreck the western world, dominate Europe and plunge the world into a quarter of a century of strife and of anarchy. To make peace with Germany in her present mood and on the present basis would be to write another document like that Napoleon forced Europe to sign at Tilsit in 1807, a document which made him master of the continent and insured eight years more of struggle and of horror before Waterloo destroyed the empire which Tilsit had legalized and put a term to the ambitions which had there been accepted by Europe.

The fact that Russia can do nothing for herself does not lessen the obligations of the western powers toward the Slavs. If the Slavs are permanently conquered and by the treaty of peace which ends this war placed under a German yoke, there will be new wars at no distant time, and Germany will be able to bring millions and millions of Slav troops westward to complete the sale of France and to undertake the final conquest of Great Britain. While Germany claims the right to seize Slav territory either in the Balkans or along the Baltic, there can be no peace which is not a mockery, no peace which is not, in fact, a prelude to another conflagration, in which Germany's chances of victory will be far greater.

War Remains In East.

The war began in the east, when the Slav state of Russia dared to oppose German expansion southward to the Dardanelles. Belgium and France were but incidents. The war remains in the east, so far as the real problems are concerned. The disappearance of Russia has placed Germany in a more dangerous position, so far as the safety of the world is concerned, than Napoleon ever occupied. If she is permitted to consolidate her position, she will have won the war and have gained new momentum on the road to world supremacy.

Beyond all else Germany is now seeking an early peace which shall leave her still sufficiently strong to organize Eastern Europe and to control her millions of conquered Slavs. This is her goal, and we may in the next few weeks see that she is willing to pay for it in western concessions of unexpected magnitude. But if as a reward for these concessions in the west the Allies permit Germany to dominate the east, we shall end the war saddled with a new eastern question far more threatening than the old and a new German peril a thousandfold greater than that which troubled Europe for the last quarter of a century before the storm broke.

O'CONNOR SUGGESTS TAKING COAL FROM BINS OF THE RICH

H. C. of L. Commissioner Foresaw Present Condition Three Months Ago and Reported to Crothers, and There Matters Ended as Per Uusual.

OTTAWA, Jan. 11.—That the present scarcity of coal was anticipated nearly three months ago in the offices of the commissioner investigating the high cost of living, and measures to meet it advised, is indicated by a report to Hon. T. W. Crothers by W. F. O'Connor, K.C., commissioner, re cost of living, which was made public today. The report, which deals with the period from April to October, 1917, "the first six months of the coal year," states that during this time there was a great deal more anthracite imported into Canada than was the case in the previous year, and probably more than had ever been imported into the Dominion during a similar period. The report goes on to say:

"Under these circumstances it might be thought that the coal situation should be most satisfactory, indeed, and that there would be no trouble experienced this coming winter through shortage. While this should be the case, yet owing to indiscreet distribution, there is likely to be a great deal of inconvenience experienced, more especially in small communities where, owing to the scramble for coal in large centres, they have been practically overlooked.

Should Have Acted Then.

"The situation ought to be taken care of, and wants supplied at least partially at once, if not through the producers direct, at least through the large wholesalers.

"Again, owing to the panicky feeling of buyers in the large cities, more consumers have their full orders supplied than has ever before been the case, which has placed the balance—even though a greater tonnage than ordinarily has been received—on the wrong side of the scale, and as a consequence, while in our large centres a greater tonnage has been received than ever before, it is practically all in the large consumers' cellars, and the coal dealers have very little, if any, in store.

"This, of course, means that from now out—with the balance of the coal received—great care will have to be exercised in the distribution of same, so as to spread it among the smaller users and avoid unnecessary hardship."

Another report from Mr. O'Connor's office deals practically with the situation in Ottawa, in which he quotes statistics to prove that sufficient coal has been shipped into the capital to last until the middle of February. The reason for the present critical condition in Ottawa, says the report, is that some consumers have obtained and stored a great deal more coal than they require to carry them through the winter, to the detriment and suffering of their less fortunate fellow-citizens.

A drastic remedy is suggested in the report as follows:

"As the immediate necessity is to secure sufficient supply to take care of the urgent wants of consumers who are entirely without supplies through no fault of their own, I consider there is but one step to take, and that is to take from those who have a surplus in their bins, over and above their requirements for the next two months. Payment for coal thus taken, or replacement up to a certain tonnage, should be arranged in a manner satisfactory to all concerned."

The report closes by saying that had proper supervision of sales been established last summer by Ottawa and other cities, the present difficulties would not have been encountered.

Tirpitz Now Thinks Belgium Could Be Relinquished; Hopes Hindenburg Is Not Removed

LONDON, Jan 11.—A dispatch to the Central News from Amsterdam says that Admiral von Tirpitz, former German minister of marine and the foremost advocate of Germany's submarine warfare, declared that while the Germans must keep the Flanders coast, the annexation of Belgium to Germany was not necessary, and that a solution of this problem could be found.

Regarding the political situation, Admiral von Tirpitz is reported as having said that all sorts of things might be possible, but that he did not think they would go so far as an agreement on an armistice, by which the operations of submarines could be paralyzed.

He would not make a statement dealing with the reported resignation of General von Ludendorff, the German first quartermaster-general, but he said he refused to believe that things would be allowed to go so far as to make it impossible for von Ludendorff and Field Marshal von Hindenburg to gain a definite victory for Germany.

DARING AVIATOR WHO ESCAPED FROM HUNS VISITING IN TORONTO

Patrick O'Brien of San Francisco a Thriller.

ATTACKS WHOLE SQUADS

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TORONTO, Jan. 11.—Toronto has been revisited this week by a daring airman, Lieut. Patrick O'Brien, who arrived after a most adventurous escape from his German captors. Lieut. O'Brien came to Toronto and Camp Borden from his home in San Francisco to receive his training.

After some weeks of service on the west front he was brought down in a one-sided battle by the Germans, and being taken into Germany on his way to a prison camp he jumped from a train which was going 30 miles an hour, and by many heroic and clever moves, managed to get into Holland and then back to England.

O'Brien was reported missing on August 17. On that morning enemy gunners forced him to land, but fortunately, he got back to his own lines. Later in the day he was again flying over the enemy's lines, and he with five other machines was engaged by 20 German airplanes. O'Brien alone engaged four of them. He accounted for one of them before he was shot in the leg. He fell with his damaged plane 8,000 feet.

When he regained consciousness O'Brien was in a German war hospital. Later, when he was being taken into Germany, he jumped from the moving train, and by walking at night, swimming rivers and subsisting only on the food that he could get from the fields, he managed to reach Holland. He was a fugitive for 72 days. He had a narrow escape when he was in sight of his goal. To circumvent charged wires, O'Brien built a bridge in a nearby wood and threw it across the wires. It broke under his weight, and O'Brien says he can still feel the shock. He dug a tunnel with his hands under the wires, and he was free.

O'Brien will try to change to the American aviation corps.

TORNADO WRECKS ENTIRE TOWN IN ALABAMA STATE

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AILSA CRAIG, Jan. 11.—Word has been received that Pte. D. N. McKenzie, son of the late J. C. McKenzie of this place, has been awarded a Military Medal for bravery in France, and has been transferred to England, where he will train for an officer. Pte McKenzie lived in Sarnia at the time of enlistment, but was formerly an East Williams boy, and is a nephew of Mrs. J. F. Steuart and Mr. D. A. McEwan of this place, and also Dan McEwan, King street, London, is an uncle.

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AMERICA'S DREAM OF ISOLATION IS ENDED, SAYS CHAS. E. HUGHES

Republic Now To Aid in Creating New World.

NEW YORK, Jan 11.—"America's dream of isolation is at an end as a period of time when history is only beginning, and the republic now is to aid in creating a new world, where law is to be supreme and force only the instrument of justice," Charles E. Hughes, former justice of the United States supreme court, said in an address today at the convention of the New York State Bar Association, of which he is president.

"America entered the war," he declared, "only because it is essential to our safety that the pretentions of brute force should be defeated." And because the nation "cannot live in peace and security unless there is firmly established among the nations the reign of law.

"We are now fighting the battle of the law, the battle for the rule of reason against the rule of force, for the establishment of the orderly processes of examination, deliberation and judgment instead of despotism of arbitrary will, for the sanctity of covenants between states, for the maintenance of the obligation of states to recognize the principles which lie at the foundation of the international order and which express the commonsense of justice.

"To the new order America could not escape relation if it would. We shall take our part in international conference; we shall be represented at International courts; we can be counted upon to bear our share of the burden of endeavor to make sure that unscrupulous military power, destroyer of treaties, bestial and inhuman in its cruelties, shall never threaten the peace of the world and curse the earth with its ambition."

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U. S. WAR DEPARTMENT SIZING UP WATERPOWER

WASHINGTON, Jan. 11.—Waterpower resources of the country are being investigated by the war department, preliminary to Government action where necessary to keep in operation factories working on war contracts. It was stated authoritatively today, however, that the investigation had not proceeded far enough to indicate the necessity for action outside the Niagara Falls district, where power has been commandeered, and the Pittsburg district, where it is being distributed on priority orders.

Suggestions for Government distribution of power at Buffalo are held in abeyance, as the situation there seems to be working out satisfactorily.

AGENTS ARE BURNING CROPS IN ARGENTINA

BUENOS AIRES, Jan. 11.—The burning of crops is continuing in many parts of the Republic. The incendiary nature of at least some of these fires is indicated by the action of the manager of the Province of Buenos Aires who has reported to the authorities two individuals seen setting fire to grain fields just ready for harvesting.

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