MYSTERY BAFFLES

Missing Nois Girl's Sisters Cannot Identify Bones Found in Sack.

SECOND INQUEST

Verdict Declares Woman's Skull Was Fractured by Two Blows From Behind-One Clew Is Being Closely Followed.

NEWPORT, Or., July 27.—(Special.)-although two sisters of Sophia Nois, who disappeared from here October 17, 1804 have viewed the skeleton of a white have viewed the skeleton of a white woman found on the beach, and county officials have followed every line of investigation that promised any results, the gunnysack mystery is as deep to-might as when it was dug from the sand mear Williams' dock yesterday morning. As further corroboration of the theory that the gunnysack mystery is one of murder, Coroner Carter held a second finguest today and the jury returned this inquest today and the jury returned this erdict: "The bones are those of a white woman aged about 21 years, killed blunt instrument which fractured

the skull in two places, above the right ear and at the base of the brain. It is evidently a case of murder." Of that clew which the disappearance of the Nois girl lends the snarl, the only new facts brought out by today's investi-gations were the rumor that she and her brother-in-law, E. E. Alloway, quarreled shortly before she dropped from sight, and that she first met him at the same time he became acquainted with her sister, while all were working on a ranch.

Mrs. E. A. Alloway, of Biodgett, and

Mrs. John Gunsalus, of Jefferson, arrived in Newport today, summoned by the faint hope that the bones might be those of their sister. Both sisters are of the ppinion that she committed suicide, a belief generally held here.

Women See Bones.

Without emotion, they gazed upon the barnacied remnants of a human being and minutely inspected the looking-glass, the scrap of silk, the bottles and cards which were in the gunnyack when John Schlesser, of Albany, found it. Then they shook their heads. They were unable to identify anything that would in able to identify anything that would in dicate that the mass of human wreckage before them was their sister's. Mrs. Alloway said her sister Sophia had her teeth filled with gold a short

time before she went to Newport. The teeth in the grimacing skull before her, the said, were not Sophia's.

Investigation of the mystery is progirl was murdered, her hands and feet chopped off after the slayer had dealt the death blows from behind, and the body cast into the sack. The fact that the sack contained playing cards practically dispels the theory that it was washed up by the seea, for if the sack had been in the water a great length of time, the pasteboards would have dis-

Sheriff James Ross and Deputy Prose-cuting Attorney Hawkins held a confer-ence today with Mrs. Alloway and Mrs. Gunsalus, and accompanied the two wom-en while they viewed the bones and con-fessed their inability to establish their

Mrs. Gunsalus was not in Newport at the time Sophia Nois disappeared. Mrs. Alloway was, however, and of the extra-ordinary mystery she said:
"My sister, Sophia Nois, was about 21 years of age when she came here with any husband and me, to go to Mr. Alloway's Slietz homestead. On the night of October 16, 1904, my husband and I of October 18, 1994, my husband and I went to the store to buy provisions. My sister was ordinarily a lively giri, and Fresh Demands Made of Street Rail where we were staying, urged us to buy wome rice, saying that Sophia would probably marry a Pole as soon as we reached the homestead. There were many Poles in the vicinity at the time.

Girl Breaks Down.

"When we returned, however, Sophia was in a very despondent mood. Finally, she broke down and cried. I asked her what the matter was and she said she would tell it all if I insisted. I don't

know what she meant by 'it.'
"After my husband and I had gone to
bed, some one knocked on the door. My
flusband said: 'Don't answer.' The
knocking continued and I got up. Sophia was at the door. She said she wanted a lead pencil and I gave it to her.

"It was reported that that night a splash was heard in the bay. The next morning Sophia was missing. In her room was a grip containing her clothes and a note which read: Dear sister, go thy way and think no more of me. I am going where you will never see me any more.' I have kept the note.

"Lifesavers dragged the hay without

"Lifesavers dragged the bay without access. The same day, Mr. Alloway and left for the homestead, Mrs. Amanda omlinson, of Wells, and Mrs. John Lutz, of Wrenn, two of my sisters, came over here to investigate but did not learn

Portland dentist named Fitzpatrick."
Although Mrs. Alloway gave no expla-nation and did not allude to it, it was re-ported here at the time of the Nois girl's disappearance that she had quarreled

disappearance that she had quarreled with her brother-in-law, Alloway.

Questioned by the Sheriff and Deputy Prosecuting Attorney Hawkins, Mrs. Alloway said she had met her husband in Wasco County, Oregon, Like herself and her sister Sophia, he was employed by a farmer named James McMillan. She married Alloway a few days before coming to Newport with Sophia Nois, in October, 1904.

Alloway is not here. His wife says e remained at home to look after the William Nois, mother of Sophia.

Mrs. William Nois, mother of Sophia, arrived this evening from Wells, but has thrown no light upon the strange disappearance of her daughter. She knows no reason why Sophia should have destroyed herself or should have been spirited away. Mrs. Nois had not seen her son-in-law, Alloway, since 1909, when he moved to Blodgett, where Mrs. Nois lived at that time, from Oregon City, where he lived after leaving his Siletz homestead.

Mrs. Nois denies any knowledge of

Mrs. Nois denies any knowledge of the rumor that Alloway turned his af-fections from Sophia to Gusta Nois, whom he married and that trouble was caused in consequence.

Speaking of the Nois case, Sheriff Ross says that he is convinced she never left Lincoin County after her disappearance. Jie has concluded that the bones are not those of Sophia Nois.

the banking business in Oregon are shown by a statement just prepared by State Bank Examiner Will Wright, following a call issued by the Controller of the Currency June 30. This is the first statement that has been issued by the present Bank Examiner since he assumed his position.

The previous call was issued March 29. An increase of seven state banks and of one National bank is shown since that time, there now being 151 state banks and 75 National banks in Oregon.

regon. The total resources of the 225 banks

The total resources of the 226 banks are shown to be \$14,218,090.26, an increase of \$3,370,678.61. The total capital of the banks is \$14,851,094.50, an increase of \$1,909,094.50.

Deposits are shown to be \$115,196,-985.46, or an increase of \$1,192,705.06.

Included in this are savings deposits that total \$11,925,734.91, or a handsome increase of \$82,298.50.

crease of \$842,985.20. Total cash and due from banks imounts to \$43,496,436.62, which is a lecrease of \$1,770.475.04. Cash on and and due from banks is a percentage of 36.8 of the total depos-its, which is really the reserve in Oregon banks.

COOS BAY PLANS GET O. K

HARBOR IMPROVEMENTS WILL COST OVER \$200,000.

Ordinance Prepared and Vote Will Be Taken by People at Coming Fall Election.

MARSHFIELD, Or., July 27.—(Special.)—The commission of the Port of Coos Bay held a public meeting at which the property-owners expressed approval regarding the proposed plans for the improvement of the harbor.

The commission has prepared an ordinance which the people will be asked to vote upon at the Fall election. The commission holds that it has the right to issue bonds on its own accord but has decided to first submit the matter to a vote. matter to a vote.

the bay.

The plan is to make a channel 20 The plan is to make a channel 20 Mayor Matlock said that he looked upon the coming of the Oregon Electric as the most important event in the historiest wide all of the distance and 500 cert wide all of the distance and 500 cert wide all of the distance and 500 cert wide operations. eet wide opposite the cities. It is the intention to spend \$200,000 on this

Information has been received from the Government engineers' office in Portland that the Government dredge Oregon will be sent here within the next six weeks to work on the inner channel. The work will be paid for out of the \$50,000 appropriation made by Congress which is now available. The work done by the Government dredge will lessen that which it is proposed to have done by the port commission.

It is proposed to spend \$50,000 to

It is proposed to spend \$50,000 improving the rivers emptying into the bay and also to spend \$50,000 in purchasing sites for public docks and warehouses. The commission feel that in the future the two cities on the bay. Marshfield and North Bend, will be connected and become one place and it is likely that they will select one large site which would be suitable for public docks for the consolidated city. To pay for all of this work it is proposed that bonds in the sum of \$300,000 be issued to run for 20 years and to draw 5 per cent interest. These three propositions, incorporated in the ordinance, will be voted upon at the election. It is proposed to spend \$50,000 im-

way Company-Corporation Will Make Counter Attacks.

TACOMA, Wash., July 27.—(Special.)
—The Municipal Commission, at its session today, added a new wrinkle to its war on the Tacoma Railway & Power Company, resulting from the Fernhill fight, by adopting five resolutions calculated to make serious trouble for the culated to make serious trouble for the

company.

One resolution requires the TacomaSeattle Interurban line to make application for a franchise on Puyallup and
Pacific avenues or stop operating its
cars on those thoroughfares. The interurban now runs over the street railway company's track under an agreement between the two companies.

General Manager Bean says the company won't apply for a franchise, but
will run the interurban to Puyallup,
and make Tacoma passengers transfer
at the city limits.

Another resolution orders the terring ompany.

Another resolution orders the tearing up of a Pacific traction track on Cliff

avenue, and another resolution orders another track moved. If not done in 30 days the city will do the work. General Manager Bean says the company will not comply.

The operation of cars on two streets in the business district where there are short tracks but no car service is ordered. The company says it will put old cars in service and run over these tracks.

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SWIMMER DROWNS IN LAKE

Man Tries to See How Deep Water Is and Fails to Come Up.

SALEM. Or., July 27.—(Special.)—Arthur Korb. 27 years old. was drowned in Bybee Lake, five miles north of Salem, this afternoon. Bybee Lake is back. this afternoon. Bybee Lake is back-water of the Willamette River, and this the first drowning there.

Korb, in company with his uncle and

Korb, in company with his uncle and his brother-in-law, attempted to swim across the lake. When within 10 feet of the opposite side Korb went down voluntarily to determine the depth of the water. He tried it a second time and falled to come up.

His body was located after a long search. He was the son of Adam Korb, a blacksmith, of this city, and was employed by the Imperial Furniture Company in Salem until recently.

"Our Own Mixture."

Buy a box of Park & Tilford's can-dies for "the lady," and remember your-self, too. "Our Own Mixture" is the es-sence of pipe comfort, and a vacation need. Made from the choicest tobacco. slended with skill and care-BANKING BUSINESS BIG
Report Shows Oregon's Deposits

Reach \$115,196,986,46.

SALEM. Or. July 27.—(Special.)—
Large increases in all departments of Wells-Fargo Bids

Big but pure tobacco—"Our Own Mixture" is the delight of thousands of discriminating smokers. Fragrant, mild, rich, it costs about half what other good mixtures do: It does not burn the tongue or affect the heart. Made in accordance with the most rigid pure tobacco rules and regulations. Ask for it at your tobacconist's, and if he doesn't carry it, of Sig. Sichel & Co., 92 Third, Third and Washington, or Wells-Fargo Bids

Lane County Asset Company by Which Prior Rights on City Street Are Overcome.

EUGENE, Or., July 27 .- (Special)-Mayor Matlock and members of the City Council say there will be no delay granting the franchise asked by the Oregon Electric line, which provides for entrance into Eugene by Fifin street. The ordinance probably will be

passed a week from next Monday night. It was said at the last Council meeting that probably 20 trains a day would ing that probably 20 trains a day would be running in and out of Eugene when the road is completed. General Manager Coolidge said that passenger service of 66 miles an hour could be given, making the trip from Eugene to Portling in about 3½ hours.

When Harrison Allen, attorney for the Oregon Electric, appeared before the Council a week ago and asked for a franchise over Fifth street, members

a franchise over Fifth street, members of the Council were favorably inclined, but found that the Lane County Asset Company already held a franchise over the street.

This objection was soon overcome at

a meeting of the officials of the com-panies. M. Svarverud, president of the Lane County Asset Company, said that the only agreement so far made be-The ordinance provides for three profects. One is to improve the channel of the bay, another to purchase sites for public docks and warehouses and another is to deepen the channels of the rivers and streams flowing into the hay. done this Fall.

set wide opposite the cities. It is he intention to spend \$200,000 on this vork.

Information has been received from the Government engineers' office in company, because such exactions had proved serious mistakes to municipalities which had lost more than they correspon will be sent here within the latter part of his speech was inspired largely by the representation of Fifth street property-owners, who through their representative, Clark Devercaux, by Congress which is now available, by Congress which is now available. urged that the Council require the Ore-

gon Electric to pave Fifth street.
In speaking for the electric company,
Mr. Allen said that the company wulnot pave Fifth street, but that it would share any improvements agreed upon by the citizens.

On motion of Councilman Henderson the petitions of the Fifth-street resi-dents were placed on file. The meeting was attended by representatives of each of three companies that have been interested in the Fifthstreet controversy. The Oregon Electric was represented by General Manager Coolidge, Chief Engineer Reed and To pay for all of this work it is proposed that bonds in the sum of \$300,000 be issued to run for 20 years and to draw 5 per cent interest. These three propositions, incorporated in the ordinance, will be voted upon at the election.

BLOWS AIMED AT ROAD

TACOMA BOARD HAS NEW MOVE

IN FERNHILL WAR.

The consolidate city.

The coning of the Hill road is the leading topic of conversation on the streets of Eugene today. It is strongly be believed that Eugene will be reached by the Hill roads of Central Oregon through McKenzie Pass, in the Casteades, and will continue west by way of the Siuslaw Pass through the Coast

of the Siuslaw Pass through the Coast Mountains, reaching the Pacific Ocean

HAWLEY MAKING INQUIRY

Bill Giving Preference Rights to Soldiers Arouses Interest.

SALEM, Or., July 27.—(Special.)— An investigation is being made by Representative Willis C. Hawley into the merits of a bill introduced at the last session of Congress, but introduced so late that it received scant atten-tion. This bill provides that in the settlement or sale of all public lands. including Indian reservations, all per-sons who served in the Civil War for 90 days and were honorably dis-charged, or in the war with Spain. Se In aiding to suppress the insurrection n the Philippines, shall have a prefer ence right over all other persons for 60 days from the time of opening. A proviso is attached that this does not apply to lands claimed by and in pos-session of bona fide settlers, who have located upon unsurveyed lands and have improved them.

This bill has been agitated by members of the Spanish-American War veterans, and Mr. Hawley is desirous of securing information whether the preferences indicated would meet gen-eral approval and be in accord with

PETITIONS SCORE MAYOR

Klamath Falls Wants Local Option Laws Enforced.

KLAMATH FALLS, Or., July 27 .-(Special.) — Two petitions are being circulated and extensively signed by the young people and citizens of this city with the object to have the local option laws enforced. These petitions follow:

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We, the undersigned young men and women of the City of Klamath Falls, affirm that conditions exist in our city that contribute to the delinquency of the young hoys and girls and are prejudicial to the moral and social uplift of the young men and women, and in fact to every resident of this municipality. We further affirm that we believe that these conditions exist with the knowledge of the Mayor, City Council and every member of the city police force. We, therefore, feel that we have the right to domand that the laws of the state over which the city has any jurisdiction be enforced. We further demand that all drinking emporiums, near-beer joints, saloons or other places where intoxicating liquous are sold be closed up. We further demand that all police officers who do not seem to be able to cope with conditions be relieved from duty forthwith, and men put in their places who will give the service for which the taxpayers of this city are paying.

We, the undersigned clizions of Klamath Falls, heartly indorse the efforts of the young men and women to improve the morals of our city and join with them in demanding the strict enforcement of local option and all other laws.

"Lucky" Jack Peterson Bound Over

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SALEM, Or., July 27.—(Special.)—
"Lucky" Jack Peterson, who is charged with running over a calf while driving his automobile, was bound over to the grand jury in Justice D. W. Webster's court today, his bond being placed at \$150.

Tired Feet?

tered, sore or tender feet is quickly banished by

AKINS Foot Comfort

If your feet trouble you warm days, merely sprinkle a little in your shoes and enjoy delightful relief. It's a great help in the "breaking in" of new shoes. Price, per box, fitted with sprinkler top25¢

An Ocean Bath at Your Home

Real Pacific Sea Salt for the bath, just what is needed during this hot weather-try a small package, then you'll purchase a larger one.

Small package 10¢ 100-lb. sack\$1.00

Old Hats Made New

With Strawine Hat Bleach you can easily and quickly make your old hat look like new. Enough in a box for 8 bleachings. Price 25¢

"Tanglefoot" Sticky Fly Paper Box of 25 Double Sheets 35¢

Bring the Children to See Steiff's Imported German Toys



We have just received and now have on exhibition in our Washington-street window a large assortment of the famous Steiff's Imported German Toys and Dolls. There are Bears, Monkeys, Dogs of all kinds, Polar Bears, Elephants, Chipmonks, Guinea Pigs, Bears that growl, Dogs that bark, Dolls that talk, and many others.

Each article is hand-made, the hair don't pull out, the joints are movable and the toy is practically unbreakable.

Prices Range From 75c to \$3.75. See Big Window Display and Store Exhibit.

Take an "Ever-Ready" Bottle on Your Trip

A great comfort on your vacation-or for auto touring, picnics, etc.—will be an "Ever-Ready" bottle in which cold liquids can be kept cold 72 hours and hot liquids hot for 48 hours. Of the many similar articles on the market, the "Ever-Ready" is the original and

Plain "Ever-Ready" Bottles. Extra Fillers. Pints \$3.75 Pints \$2.00 Quarts \$3.00

Bathing Season Is Now Open

We are showing an elegant line of Bathing Caps at very



Bathing Caps, \$1.00 Bathing Caps, \$2.00 Bathing Caps, \$1.33 50c Bathing Shoes, 33¢

The New Coffee

Demonstration This Week. De Kafa is a genuine coffee in the bean, from which the stimulating drug, caffeine, has been removed. Particularly adapted to the use of those to whom ordinary coffee is forbidden. DeKafa is a fine quality, full aroma coffee of rich and delightful flavor and is prepared for nary coffee. Per pound, 50¢

COOPER'S

This is a tried and proven remedy for diarrhoea, dysen-

BlackberryCordial

tery and other Summer bowel complaints. It is prepared from the finest ingredients. Price, bottle, 25¢ and 50¢

Flames Near Union Destroy Life and Valuable Property.

WOMEN CREMATED

Mother and Daughter Die in Lonely Cabin-Stoddard Mill Burned. Wires Go Down and Other Losses Feared.

LA GRANDE, Or., July 27 .- (Special.) LA GRANDE, Or., July 27.—(special.)

—The cremation of two women, the destruction of one sawmill, the burning of nine structures housing as many families, the destruction of a large amount of timber up Katherine Creek and the threatened destruction of another sawmill are details of two forest fires which originated yesterday on Katherine Creek, near Union.

The dead are Mrs. J. S. Dean and her adopted daughter, aged 15 years. The flames were first discovered by a son of Edward Sherman, six miles from Union. The boy was sleeping in a tent in the yard, but the flames had already enveloped the structure. The only persons in the house were those burned. It is believed that they were suffocated by the smoke when asleep.

A fire which started in a slab pile of

the Ed Stoddard mill yesterday destroyed the Stoddard mill belonging to the Union Pine Lumber Company and the adjoining cottages occupied by employes of the mill. The mill and lumber yards are destroyed. It is estimated that 200,000 feet of lumber are burned.

Communication tonight is cut between

Union and the scene of the destructive forest fires, which are raging in the rich timber belt on upper Katherine Creek.

When the telephone wires were burned down the report was being sent out that the Weaver sawmill was dangerously near the flames and that the Union County mill located near there is also in danger. Couriers from near the fire tonight say that the wind has swerved and sent the fire around the two mills and it is possible that both will be saved.

FORT STEVENS WOODS BLAZE

Fire, Starting Within Military Reserve, Is Subdued.

FORT STEVENS, Or., July 27.—(Special.)—Fire in the forests broke out yesterday afternoon near Point Adams, one mile from Fort Stevens and within the reservation. At 6 o'clock, the one mile from Fort Stevens and within the reservation. At 6 o'clock, the
guard lost control of the flames and
telephoned to the fort.

Twenty men, in charge of Lieutenant
Keeler, with shovels, slashing tools
and fire buckets, rushed to the assistance of the guard. Arriving there,
they found the fire spreading rapidly
and sent in a general alarm.

The flames were finally subdued,
after about three and one half hours'
strenuous work. This is the second
blaze within two weeks It is not blaze within two weeks known how the fire started.

FIRES REPORTED EXTENSIVE

Secretary Wilson Sees Burning Forests in Montana.

MISSOULA, Mont., July 27 .- Forester W. B. Greeley, with headquarters in Missoula, returned today from his trip through the northern part of Montana and Idaho with Secretary of Agriculture James A. Wilson. He brought with him much new information of the forest-fire conditions in the territory through which he has traveled. Forester Greeley said that within the Coeur d'Alene forest, comprising terri-tory in Northwestern Montana and Idaho, there were 40 separate large fires now burning and that more than 1000 men were employed in fighting

Land Grant Checking Done. SALEM, Or., July 27.—(Special.)—George G. Brown, clerk of the State Land Board, returned today from a trip of several days spent at the Land Offices of the state. His trip was for the purpose of Government land grants to the state. In company with State Land Agent Peter Applegate, he visited The Dalles, La Grande, Burns and Lakeview. Mr. Ap-plegate will return to Salem next Mon-day.

DECLARATIONS ARE FILED Two Would Hold Judiciary Posi-

tions-Other Men in Field.

SALEM, Or., July 27.—(Special.)— I. H. Van Winkle filed with the Secretary of State today his declaration of justice to all; special favors to none" be placed after his name on the nomi-

be placed after his name on the nominating ballot.

Henry E. McGinn, candidate for Circuit Judge in Department No. 3, Multinomali County, was the first of the candidates to bring in his petitions, returning a large number of names today that have, as yet, not been checked.

A. C. Libbey, of Jefferson, filed with the County Clerk his declaration for the office of State Representative from Marion County, asking after his name Marion County, asking after his name on the ballot the following: "Opposed to the assembly plan of nominating candidates. Favor Statement No. 1." County Treasurer J. G. Moore, an assembly indorsee, filed his declaration for re-election.

Track to Fair Grounds Due Soon.

SALEM, Or., July 27.—(Special.)—A. Welch, who has been inspecting local roperties of the Portland, Eugene & Eastern, states that extensions of lines in this city to the state fairgrounds will start in a few days, as soon as a cross

ern Pacific, and he expects that the line will be in operation in time for the state fair at the latest. He states interurban extension work is in view out of Salem, but says his plans have not reached the stage where they may be given to the

AMERICAN EXPRESS HIT

Successor to Pacific Company Under Fire for Second Time.

predecessor of the American, charged but 20 cents for six boxes, or 15 cents a box where more than two boxes were shipped at the time, rating them at 20 pounds in the box.

This is the second complaint that has been filed from Portland against alleged increase in express rates on specific com-modities since the American Company has taken over the business on the O. R.

SALEM, Or., July 27.—(Special.)—L. S.
Wright, of Portland, complains in a let-

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blood disorders. It corrupts and vitiates the entire circulation and manifests itself in the most hateful and loathsome symptoms, such as ulcerated mouth and throat, copper-colored spots, and even sores and ulcers on different parts of the body. The poison causes the hair and eyebrows to fall out, and sometimes the finger nails come off and the entire glandular system is and sometimes the finger nails come off and the entire glandular system is attacked. No medicine can cure Contagious Blood Poison which does not rid the circulation of every particle of the insidious virus. The least taint rid the circulation of every particle of the insidious virus. The le left in the blood will break out afresh, when treatment is left off. is the real and certain cure; it goes into the blood and by removing every particle of the poison, and adding rich, healthy qualities to the circulation, forever cures this powerful disease. All who suffer with Contagious Blood Poison may cure themselves in the privacy of their own homes by using S.S.S., and following instructions contained in our Home Treatment Book, which which we will send, together with any medical advice desired.



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In the woods at GEARHART PARK there are hundreds of ideal places for a camp this Summer. To popularize GEARHART PARK more than ever, and to accommodate a large number of people who are not yet ready to buy a lot and build a cottage by the sea, we invite you to bring your tent and camping equipment to GEARHART PARK, where our ground manager will locate you for the season. No expense will be attached to this offer. Free water will be supplied at a common hydrant. For those who wish electric lights, a small cost for connection and use of electricity will be charged. These camping grounds are a few minutes' walk from the surf and are situated in the prettiest part of the park. Those who camp will have all the privileges of the golf, tennis and croquet grounds close at hand, the magnificent hot salt plunge, garage, where machines may be had for hire; livery, where saddle horses and vehicles may be rented. In every respect, you will be as comfortable as those who live in beautiful homes. For permits and information, apply at once to us.

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