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Dave Puthoff

Would you like some help in your modeling endeavors? Look no further than your Division 7 Website for a variety of articles of model railroading topics. At last count there are 16 topics authored by Division 7 members and friends, located at the "Modeler's Aid" tab.

If you have a photo, or a useful tip, or maybe just a useful website that you would like to share, the Oilcan is an opportunity to share it with your fellow model railroaders. Email it to editor@cincy-div7.org.

Dave

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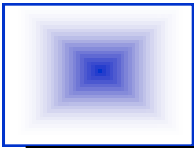
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Space permitting, The Oil Can welcomes news items, articles and letters on Model Railroading and related topics. Deadline for submissions is generally the fifteenth of the month preceding the next meeting.

Cover:

Scene from John Listermann's HO B&O Railroad

Photo by Bob Shreve



Following the many activities during the month of May, it was nice to have a relatively quiet month of June. By now you should have received an Email from the Mid Central Region containing a link to the electronic version of the spring issue of The Kingpin. If you did not receive one, then the national office, and by trickle-down action the regional Email list, does not have your current Email address. If you did not receive this Email, please check with Peter Weiglin to ensure the NMRA national office has your correct Email address.

Two of the items featured in the Kingpin are new structure kits now available. Division 6 in Columbus is offering a limited run, laser cut model of the B & O Railroad station located in Grove City, OH. The kit is available in N, HO, S, and O scales. Prices range from \$29 to \$69, depending on scale. The Mid Central Region has released their one room brick schoolhouse kit made by Mountaineer Precision Products. The kit features laser cut wood construction with plastic brick overlay. It is available in HO, S, and O scales with prices ranging from \$40 to \$75, depending on scale. Complete details including pictures and ordering information are found in the spring Kingpin.

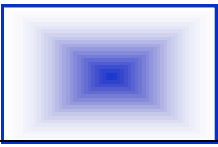
Each year Division 7 sponsors the Russ Wenderfer award to honor a Mid Central Region member for their promotion of the hobby within the region. Russ was a Division 7 member from the 1970's until his death in 1996. He served as Secretary and was an energetic recruiter for the division and model railroading, manning our promotion booth at many events during that time. Each Division may nominate a candidate who by their actions, involvement with Division activities, and overall volunteer service has promoted the hobby of model railroading and promotion of the National Model Railroad Association. The MCR president selects the award winner based on the qualifications on the nomination forms and input from the region directors. This year the winner of the Russ Wenderfer Award is Peter Guise from Dayton Division 3. From the nomination form submitted by Division 3 Superintendent Rick Lach: "It is a distinct honor and pleasure to nominate Peter Guise for the 2015 Russ Wenderfer award. Peter has volunteered countless hours, not only using his tremendous computer skills, but also by using his creative out-of-the-box thinking. Peter is a superintendent's delight because he always demonstrates the uncanny ability to analyze a situation or event from many different points of view, and ultimately he comes up with the right solution. Combine this "sounding board" characteristic with the fact that he has been willing to devote countless hours working into the night, and you have an absolutely reliable person whom you can count on in any situation." The Russ Wenderfer award is normally presented during the MCR convention. Peter was not able to attend the convention in Lexington, so I presented the award to Peter at the Division 3 meeting on May 31st.

A couple of items from the June Division 7 BOD meeting: First, there will be some changes to our constitution and by-laws needed to coordinate with the NMRA National's work to cover all regions and divisions under a common 501(c)3 status. Frank Koch will be identifying the changes and presenting them to the BOD. Any changes will be voted on by the general membership later in the year. Second, per a recommendation by Treasurer Koch and by vote of the BOD, we will be transferring additional funds from our savings account to the investment account. This will provide additional income to the division due to the higher rate of return from our investment account.

Jim MacKnight is looking for suggestions for the next Division 7 car project. He's looking for a car that was built anywhere from late 1920's through 1950's, that would have still been in interchange service in the 1950s and 1960's and possibly into the 1970's. USRA designs or AAR standard designs are good because Accurail has fairly accurate models for those cars. Please contact Jim if you have some ideas for a car project.

See you at the July meeting in Mason.

Bob



SECOND SECTION

John Shields
Asst. Super

For June, our monthly meeting was at the Anderson Senior Center on Beechmont Avenue. Our clinician was John Listermann, giving a clinic entitled "Drawing in Perspective". After the meeting, we visited John's HO B&O layout and Rick Crumrine's Pennsylvania-inspired HO layout.

Our July meeting will be in Mason at the St. Susanna Church on July 12th. John Burchnell will be our clinician, giving a clinic entitled "Engineering Secrets of the Eastern Loggers". The modeling contest will be for flatcars with loads, while the photo subject is trains on bridges. After the July meeting will visit Bob Bartizek's O gauge Pennsylvania layout in Lebanon, and Dave Davenport's HO layout in Mason. The visit to Bob's layout is timely, as his layout is featured in the July issue of *Railroad Model Craftman*, including being featured on the cover!

In August, we will be in Kenwood at Good Shepherd Lutheran Church on August 9th. Our clinician for this meeting will be Bruce Knapp talking about passenger operations. The contests will be models of railroad servicing facilities and photos of tunnel portals with trains entering or exiting. Afterward, we visit Paul Miklos' N scale B&O layout and make our first visit to Donald Docter's HO layout in Montgomery. On September 13th, we will be in Northern Kentucky at the Erlanger Library for a clinic from Charles Bogart from Lexington. This time he will be talking about an early railroad consolidation proposal from the ICC. After the meeting, we will return to Bob Adams' N scale Norfolk and Western layout.

There is a change in our plans for October. Due to a scheduling problem, Lou Sassi cannot be here as planned. So.... We have arranged to have Lou give our November clinic instead! With that said, we will still have our monthly Division meeting on October the 4th (note: this is the first Sunday, to avoid conflicting with the Cincinnati Train Show the next weekend) at the West Chester Library. Our clinician will be Frank Koch. His topic is: "R.I.P. – What about the trains?" If you have never thought about what will happen [what do you want to happen?] with your collection when you are gone, this will a good topic to get you thinking.

In November, we return to Hamilton, to Partners in Prime on November the 8th. This will now be the venue for Lou Sassi to give his clinic entitled: "Woods to Walls, Fields to Fences". After the meeting, in addition to the Whistle Stop club there at the senior center, we will be visiting the layouts of the clubs that share the Ross School facility which range from O scale to N. We end the year as we always do in Westwood with the slide show and foodfest at Westwood United Methodist Church on December 13th.

Looking on ahead into 2016, we will be in Hyde Park on January 10th, back to West Chester on February 14th, and at Harmony Lodge on April 10th. [There is no Division meeting in March due to the Spring Flea Market on March 12th]

Based on a discussion at the BOD meeting in June, I am starting a search for additional national level clinicians to bring in for us. We have historically been able to get some of the biggest names in the hobby to come here and while we are blessed with some outstanding clinicians who happen to live in our Division, and in our region, we had intentionally cut back on the expense of getting visitors from further away. Since we have stabilized the income from the Fall Show and continue to do well with the Flea Market and the car sales, and have improved our investment income, it was felt that we should "up our game" around clinics.

Given our connections through Mike Brestel and Frank Koch to the national NMRA, we have some leads identified. However, I would like to invite all of the members to offer suggestions of what YOU want to see/hear about. And I especially want to hear from anyone who has personal contacts with people in the hobby that you think would be good to have come and talk to us. And secondly, if you have EVER seen a clinic at a regional or national convention that you thought was really great, and would just love to see again, *please* pass that on to me and I'll see what I can do. As examples, three that I saw during the national convention we hosted in 2005 that I thought were great were: The history of the Decker meat packing facility in Iowa and how the railroad served that facility; How to select the right light for your model workbench to save your sight and let you enjoy modeling longer (presented by an eye doctor, who also happens to be a model railroader); and How to get weathering materials and other supplies cheap at Sally Beauty! (who knew?) When people ask, "Why join the NMRA?", I want to have an even longer list of what the local division does for you.

See you at St Susanna in July.

John

LAYOUT VISIT to JOHN LISTERMANN'S HO-Scale Railroad



LAYOUT VISIT to RICK CRUMRINE'S HO-Scale Railroad



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Photo by Bob Shreve

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**NMRA MCR DIV. 7
JUNE 2015 CONTEST RESULTS**



MODELS: PASSENGER CARS

Box Stock:

- 1st Place: Tom Brueggeman, MMR: Union Pacific Passenger Car "Colorado Club"
- 2nd Place: Warren Ossman: Milwaukee Road, "Hiawatha" Passenger Car
- No Other Entries in This Category

Kitbashed:

- 1st Place: Ron Gribler, MMR: NYC Passenger Car #1302
- 2nd Place: Warren Ossman: Pennsylvania Coach #1862
- No Other Entries in This Category

Scratch Built:

- 1st Place: Ron Gribler, MMR: Mud Creek R.R. 16 Passenger Coach #25
- No Other Entries in This Category

PHOTOGRAPHY: GRAFFITI ON R.R. CARS

Print Prototype: No Entries Submitted

Print Model: No Entries Submitted

Junior Division – No Entries Submitted in Any Category

2015 OVERALL STANDINGS (through June 2015)

MODELS

| | | | |
|-----------------------|----|---------------------|----|
| Ron Gribler, MMR | 18 | Frank Hermanek, MMR | 03 |
| Bob Lawson | 07 | Tom Brueggeman, MMR | 03 |
| Georgia Dahlberg, MMR | 07 | Bob Chapman | 01 |
| Warren Ossman | 07 | Perry Simpson | 01 |

PHOTOGRAPHY

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|-----------------------|----|---------------------|----|
| Georgia Dahlberg, MMR | 07 | David Wynne | 03 |
| John Listermann | 06 | Randy Seiler | 02 |
| Tom Brueggeman, MMR | 03 | Joe Ross | 02 |
| Mike Brestel | 03 | Frank Hermanek, MMR | 01 |

JUNIOR DIVISION – MODELS –No 2015 Entries To Date

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JULY CONTEST CATEGORIES -

MODELS: FLATCARS WITH LOADS

PHOTOGRAPHY: TRAINS ON BRIDGES

Brad Jonas
 NMRA, MCR, Div. 7 Contest Chair
 Laddie Henninger, Assistant Chair

DIVISION 7 - CLASSIFIED ADS

As a benefit to Division 7 members, the Oilcan will offer to list free Classified Ads to allow members to sell railroad-related items. A few other Divisions offer such a program. The Board has approved a trial of 6 months; after which the program will be re-evaluated. If you have items to sell, please review the Rules, and send an email to editor@cincy-div7.org

CLASSIFIED AD RULES:

Item(s) must be railroad related.

Seller must be a Member of Division 7 MCR NMRA.

Listing description shall be 30 words or less.

Item(s) can be displayed for a maximum of three (3) months. Oilcan Editor will assign a Listing Number that will include the last month of listing. (E.g., "xx-July 2015" would indicate Listing xx will be listed through the July 2015 Oilcan).

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Limit of three (3) listings from same Seller at any one time.

Seller shall email Oilcan Editor if item is sold so it can be removed from page.

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Oilcan Editor reserves the right to edit listing if needed, and will notify Seller of edit prior to publication.

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|  | AHM/Rivarossi, Heavy Mike, 2-8-2, with Vandy tender in Glacier Park colors, (RIV5411), Test run only, real coal glued on tender, DC operated. Have 2 locos | \$25 each \$40 both | Sam Parfitt | samparfitt@fuse.net 513 378-9133 | 02-Aug-15 |
| | G-Scale (1:29): Aristocraft (yellow box) Heavyweight Passenger Cars (Union Pacific), 6 cars | \$600, or Make Offer | Frank Koch | fjkoch@hotmail.com 513 324-3781 | 03-Aug-15 |
| | O-scale (2R): Atlas DASH 8-40B, CSX #5937 | \$200 | Frank Koch | fjkoch@hotmail.com 513 324-3781 | 04-Aug-15 |
| | HO scale: IHC Corrugated Side Pullman Standard Passenger Car Sets (8 cars, NIB), choice of GN, NH, or C&NW Also have Athearn & ConCor sets. | \$80/set | Frank Koch | fjkoch@hotmail.com 513 324-3781 | 05-Aug-15 |
| | Atlas B23-7 Norfolk Southern factory-installed DCC & Sound, hi-short hood, added details, light weathering, Original box | \$150 | Jim Hodde | jimhodde@zoomtown.com | 06-Aug-15 |
|  | DCC Block Occupancy Detectors Built-in Adjustable Time-Delay-Off, Adjustable Sensitivity. 200 ma DC Open Collector & BiPolar Outputs with LED Indicator, 12 vdc. For DCC only. | \$12 each | Dave Puthoff | deputhoff@yahoo.com | 07-Aug-15 |
| | Miscellaneous lumber including L-girders | FREE | Jim Hodde | jimhodde@zoomtown.com | 08-Sep-15 |

SPECIAL SUMMER SALE - JULY 18

WHITE ELEPHANTS - Special Summer Sale. Saturday, July 18, 9am-1pm.
Frank Koch House (513-324-3781), 4769 Silverwood Dr, Batavia, OH.

I have picked up several large collections for disposal and have a lot of left-over stuff from the last couple of years that has not yet been to the Division Shows. Much of it has not been out before and all is priced to move. The highlight, which was popular when I last did this, will be at least one whole table of nothing but parts and pieces of projects...a great source of kitbashing and detail parts.

I've got G, O, tinfoil, HO, N, and brass of all sorts. As always, bulk purchases receive special consideration. Of course, I'll still be at the Fall Show with all of Frank's Fabulous Fleas and Elephants.

Frank Koch

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HOTEL ROOMMATE (WANTED) at PORTLAND CONVENTION

A Cincy Div 7 member will be attending the National Convention in Portland later this Summer and has a room booked in the Convention Hotel. Looking to split the cost of the hotel room with another Div 7 member. If interested, contact Paul M. at pmacdaddy@cinci.rr.com.

SWOOPS WEEKEND - October 2-4

The SouthWest Ohio OperationS weekend (SWOOPS), sponsored by Division 7, will be October 2-4. Our website is now up and running, <https://swoopsrail.wordpress.com/> We will have twelve great layouts available for operations in five sessions, beginning Friday evening and extending through an additional open session on Sunday afternoon. Truly an “op til you drop” weekend.

Registration will be open in July – I’ll post a note at that time. We would really like to encourage Division 7 members to participate.

Rick Stern

CHRISTMAS LAYOUT HELP NEEDED (BATAVIA)

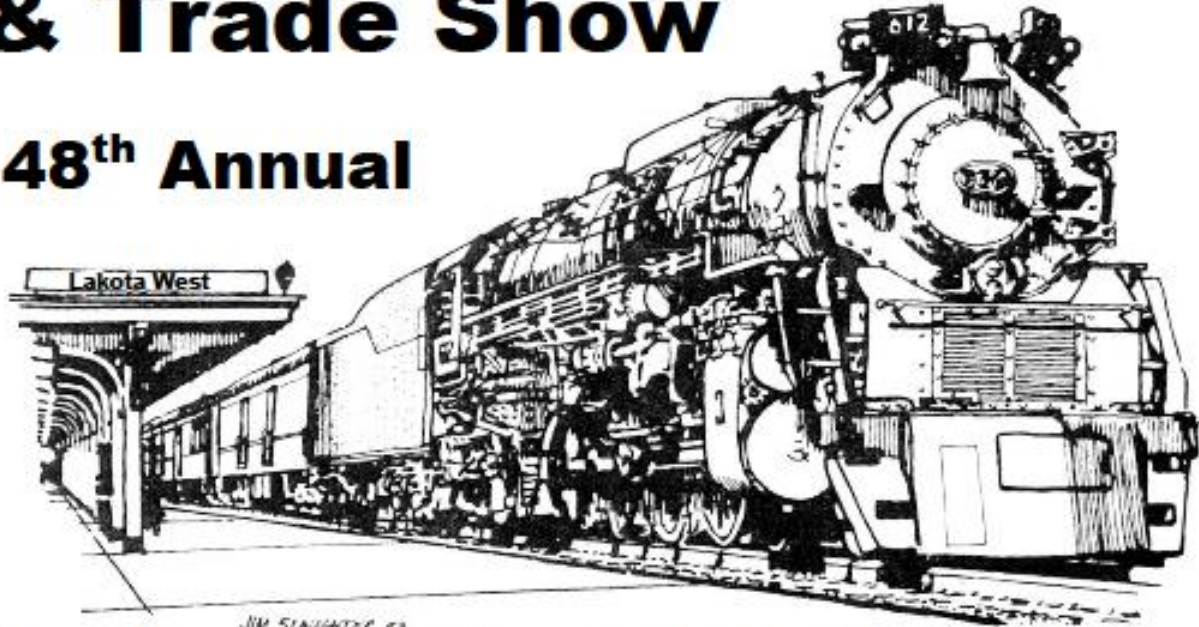
Requesting your assistance...looking for enthusiasts who could help assist with locating a group of individuals that would be interested in setting up a model train display in Batavia, Ohio. The time period is from Thanksgiving through New Years Day. Large commercial building with a large expanse of glass for outside viewing and possible selected open house evenings if so desired by the group.

Please contact Charles Ward, 513-374-2000 or clward@fuse.net for more particulars and if you may be of assistance in bring trains to downtown Batavia and Clermont County during the Christmas season. Thank you for your consideration.

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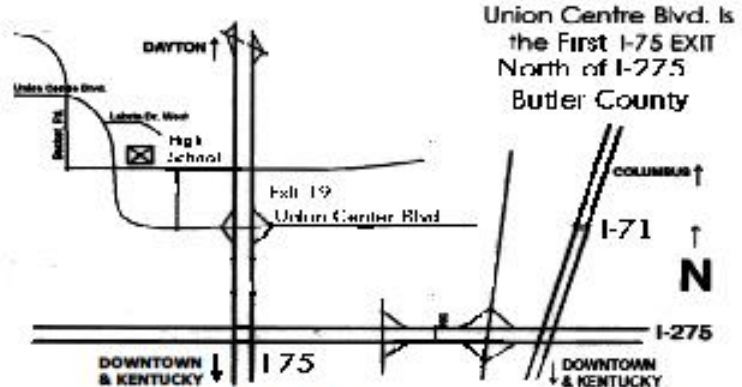
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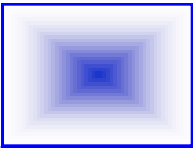
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KNAPP'S NOTES

by Bruce Knapp

John Burchnell

John and I are friends, although you might not realize it since we are constantly picking on each other about the honest, no-springs, monthly raffle. I have worked closely with John since the fall show met at the Cincinnati Gardens. I also shared a sleeping compartment and a hotel during the Anaheim NMRA national convention.

I have come to admire John's attention to detail and willingness to work. Good examples of John's commitment to the Division, the MCR, and the National are the highly successful bus tours that he and Merlyn, another good friend, plan and execute each spring. The spring trips and the fall shows are a credit to John's ability to organize, plan, and follow-through.

I must confess the trip to Anaheim was fun, although there was the matter of John's birthday. Our Division 7 contingent wanted to do something special, so we took John to a Pirate Theme dinner theater. The next day, was a full day of John saying "ARRGH". We considered having John "walk the plank". To be serious I enjoy both John and his delightful spouse, Ruth Anne. That said, John you will win a raffle prize when a certain biblically referenced spot freezes over.

The Monthly and Quite Honest Raffle

Speaking of the raffle, there have been some unfortunate remarks made about our wonderful monthly raffle, in fact, some were downright mean. I want you complainers to know my honesty has never been questioned, come to think it, it's never been mentioned.

For you doubters out there, we are promoting my co-conspirator --- oops, I mean co-worker Russ Poynter to be the new raffle chair. Russ is hard-working, dependable, plus I taught him everything he knows about running a raffle. (too bad, John). Keep supporting the raffle with your donations, and especially your \$\$\$.

Division 7 BOD

I mentioned at the June meeting that members are always welcome at our BOD meetings. I am proud of the work done by the Board to keep the business portions of the monthly meetings as short as possible. I invite you to attend BOD meetings so you can see the work being done in your behalf. I think a couple of things I should mention --- (1) you come as an observer, and (2) if you want to address the board let the Superintendent schedule time for you. Our next board meeting is Friday, September 4th at 7:00 pm; site to be announced.

Next Meeting

I will see everyone at our July meeting at St. Susanna's Church, for John Burchnell's clinic on The Engineering Secrets of the Eastern Loggers. The all-new raffle will be up to its normal high (?) standard, and the layout visits look great.

Keep 'em rolling

Bruce

Next Meeting

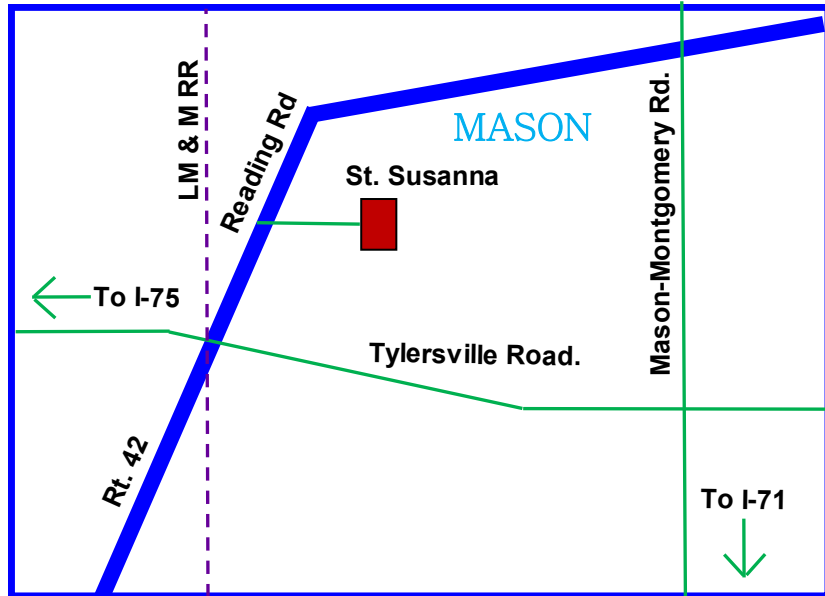
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Coming Down the Line

Cincinnati Division 7, MCR, NMRA
2015 Schedule

| <u>Date</u> | <u>Location</u> | <u>Program/Speaker</u> | <u>Layout Visits</u> | <u>Contest Topic</u> |
|-------------|---------------------------------|---|--------------------------------|---|
| 7/12 | St. Susanna Church Mason OH | Eng. Secrets of Eastern Loggers John Burchnall | Bob Bartizek Dave Davenport | <u>Models:</u> Flatcars with Loads <u>Photos:</u> Trains on Bridges |
| 8/9 | Good Shepherd Church Kenwood | Passenger Operations Bruce Knapp | Paul Miklos Donald Docter | <u>Models:</u> Servicing Facilities <u>Photos:</u> Tunnel Entrances with Trains Entering or Exiting |
| 9/13 | Erlanger Library Erlanger KY | 1929 ICC RR Consolidation Plan Charles Bogart | Bob Adams | <u>Models:</u> Locomotives <u>Photos:</u> Locomotives |

Around the Region
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7/16 Lebanon Modelers - Lebanon OH
8/8 Summerail at Union Terminal - Cincinnati

National
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8/23-29 Portland Daylight Express Portland Oregon

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