

MECKING, KORCHNOI to play in AUGUSTA

(see below)

WALTER, SMELTZER SHARE STATE TITLE

Defending co-champion Charles Walter was drawn in the third round of the 1973 S. C. Closed Championships by Jeff Smeltzer of Greenville, and the two competitors then won their remaining games to become S. C. Co-Champions for 1973. For Walter it was his third time as Champion or Co-Champion; this is Smeltzer's first success.

Twelve of the fifty-one competitors competed in the Championship Section of the annual event. Results of the remaining sections and additional details still have not been reported to us as we go to press.

INTERNATIONAL MATCH TO FEATURE RUSSIAN AND BRAZILIAN STARS

USCF Executive Director E. B. Edmondson announced on December 3 that a quarter-final Candidates' match in the World Championship play-off series will be held in Augusta, Georgia, starting about January 15. The match will feature Viktor Korchnoi of the U. S. S. R., a contender for the title for the past decade and the co-winner of the Leningrad Interzonal, and twenty-one year old Henrique Mecking of Brazil, winner of the Petropolis Interzonal and one of the world's most exciting young players. So far as is known, this is the first international chess competition ever held in the South, and only the second Candidates' competition to be held in the United States. (The first was the Fischer vs. Larsen match in Denver in 1971.)

As we go to press plans are still being firmed up for this exciting competition. Presently plans call for the match to be played in the Towers Motel at the corner of Broad St. and U. S. Highway no. 1 in downtown Augusta. Local arrangements are being made by W. H. "Bill" Dodgen of the Augusta-North Augusta Chess Association and by USCF Regional Vice-President Lee Hyder of Aiken. The match is to be held in the U. S. as a consequence of a successful USCF bid at the FIDE congress in Helsinki this fall; Augusta was selected as a site after consideration of numerous alternatives by the USCF officers.

The match will be won by the first player to win three games, with draws not counted. However, if no decision is reached after sixteen games, the match will be terminated at that point. If one player then has a 2-0 lead, he wins; otherwise, the match will be decided by lot. Four games will be played per week, and two days will be reserved for play of adjourned games; there will be one free day per week.

Tickets for the match will be available in early January. Arrangements at the site will include a large room with display board and closed-circuit television observation of the players so that spectators can discuss the game without disturbing the players.

The Augusta match is one of four to be held simultaneously. Robert Byrne will play Boris Spassky in San Juan, Puerto Rico; other matches will be in Spain and Moscow, USSR.

THE COMPETITORS IN THE AUGUSTA CANDIDATES MATCH

VIKTOR KORCHNOY

Born March 23, 1931, in Leningrad, USSR.

A graduate of Leningrad University, with a major in History, Viktor Korchnoy still found time to become one of the world's greatest chess-players. He became an International Master in 1954 and an International Grandmaster in 1956, at the age of 25. The Soviet Championship is the most difficult national tournament in the world and he has won it three times--1960, 1962, and 1965. His first prizes in international tournaments cannot be counted on the fingers of both hands.

Korchnoy, nicknamed "Viktor the Terrible" because of his fierce, uncompromising efforts to win every tournament, has been a Candidate for the World Championship three times before--in 1962, 1968, and 1971. In 1968, he lost his final Candidates Match to Boris Spassky, who then went on to become World Champion. In 1970, he was eliminated in the Semi-Final Match by former World Champion Tigran Petrosian, who in turn was eliminated by Fischer on his road to the Championship.

At 42, Viktor Korchnoy is still playing like a man ten years his junior. In the 1973 Interzonal Tournament held in Leningrad (in June), he tied for first place with Russia's Anatoly Karpov, more than 20 years his junior. Now, against another much younger player, he faces what may be his most important test. Can he overcome Mecking, truly scale the heights this time, and meet Fischer in 1975 for the World Championship? We will all know the answer after the Mecking-Korchnoy Match in Augusta, Georgia, in January of 1974.

HENRIQUE MECKING

Born January 23, 1952, In Rio do Sul, Brazil.

"Mequinho", as he is called in Brazil, is the idol not only of his native country but of all South America. A true prodigy, perhaps the strongest chessplayer ever born in South America, his exploits make headlines there just as Bobby Fischer's do in the United States. A highly likeable young man away from the board, he even receives much of the same bad press as Fischer over his demands for excellent playing conditions whenever he is competing in a tournament or in a match.

Henrique Mecking first came to the attention of the world when he became Brazilian Chess Champion in 1965, at the age of 13. In 1966, he became an International Master of Chess by winning the South American Zonal Tournament. The Federation Internationale des Echecs (FIDE) awarded him the title of International Grandmaster in 1972, at the age of 20. A main reason for this award was his clear first place result in the 1971 Vrsac (Yugoslavia) International Tournament.

These and many other international triumphs paved the way for Mecking's greatest victory to date in the 1973 Interzonal Tournament in July. This tournament was played in his Brazilian homeland and press and public alike went wild when he triumphed most convincingly over the field of 17 other aspirants for the World Chess Championship. This Interzonal victory made Mecking one of the eight Official Candidates for the World Championship. He now meets the Russian, Viktor Korchnoy, in one of the quarter-final elimination matches which will reduce the number of Candidates from eight to four.

Regardless of the outcome of this match, Mecking is one of the real threats to Bobby Fischer's reign as World Champion. More than nine years younger than Fischer, he still has his greatest years ahead of him, while Bobby may have reached his peak. These next few years will tell the story as to whether or not Mecking can replace Fischer.

CHESS ACTIVITY AROUND SOUTH CAROLINA

Chess activity continues strong in Hartsville and in Aiken County. Hartsville had a really big tournament October 13, with 35 entrants, and a nice fight in the top section that was won by Hartsvillian Virgil Smith over a strong opponent, Dr. Norman Hornstein. On Nov. 11 in a slightly smaller one-day tournament William L. McClain won the top section. Down in Aiken on September 29 Charles Walter came over and beat out the home town crowd for the top trophy; 20 participated. North Augusta had a fall one-day event Oct. 20; Lee Hyder won the top section.

In coming months tournaments are planned in Augusta (just across the river from S. C.), Charleston, North Augusta, and Hartsville, and up in North Carolina two traditional events will be coming up in Charlotte (the Groundhog) and Shelby (the Dogwood). See the tournament announcements on another page, get up a car pool to save gas, and go!

We have one report of high school chess activity: Lower Richland defeated C. A. Johnson 4-0 in a match on October 17, and then beat Irmo 3-0 on Oct. 24. The Lower Richland Chess Club is trying to organize high school league play; interested persons or schools should write them, c/o Donald Elton, 3207 Berkeley Fr. Dr., Columbia, SC 29209.

GAME

The decisive game from the S. C. Championship matched the two players who eventually tied for first. White: Jeff Smeltzer; Black: Charles E. Walter. Sicilian Defense, comments by Walter.

1 e4 c5 2 Nf3 d6 3 d4 cd 4 Nd4 Nf6 5 Nc3 a6 6 f4 Qc7 7 Bd3 Nbd7 (7--g6 or e5) 8 a4 (8 Nf3 or O-O) b6 9 O-O Bb7 10 Qe2 (Qe1) g6 11 Kh1 Bg7 12 Nf3 e5 13 Bd2 O-O 14 fe de 15 Qf2? (Rae1 or b4) Nc5?1 (h6) 16 Qh4 Nd3?1 (Rae8) 17 cd Nh5?1 (h5) 18 Ng5?1 (g4) h6 19 Nh3 Qd8 (Rad8) 20 Qd8 Rad8 21 Bc3 Rd3 22 Bb6 f5 23 Nf2 Rd2 24 b4 Rc2 (Rc8) 25 Rac1 Rc1 26 Rc1 Rc8 27 Bc5 Nf6 28 Rd1 Kf7 29 h3 Ke8?1 (h5) 30 Rd6 Rc6 31 Rc6 Bc6 32 b5 a6 33 ab Bb7 34 Kg1 (g4) Kd7 (h5) 35 g4 f4 36 Kg2 Kc7 (Nh7) 37 Kf3 Nd7?1 (Nh7) 38 Nd3 Nf6 39 Bf2 Nh7 40 h4 Drawn. (In case you haven't guessed, the parenthetical moves are suggested alternatives to the moves played.)

BOOK REVIEW

--from J^uADOUBE (Cincinnati Chess Federation)

WINNING CHESS OPENINGS, by Fred Reinfeld. Reprint, new in paperback in 1973: Collier, N. Y. 265 pages, \$2.95.

"There have been more books written about chess than all other intellectual games combined, and more books have been written about the chess openings than any other single aspect of the game," says Al Horowitz in the introduction. So why another opening book?

Because this is undoubtedly one of Fred Reinfeld's best books. It is in the lucid Reinfeld tradition, but it is also more advanced than most of his other works.

It is not enough, he says, to memorize lines--one must understand the openings. That means knowing the NORMAL FORMATIONS of that opening. Lack of realization of these normal formations is probably the most significant shortcoming of opening play by the average player.

This book presents the principles behind ten different openings, with an elaborate history of opening play added in Horowitz's introduction. As usual, don't hold your breath waiting for some of Reinfeld's lines to appear in today's tournaments--but this book will still provide the C, D, or E player with priceless insight into openings that normally would require years of experience to attain.

Don't be fooled by the cover--for once, diagrams within the book actually illustrate concepts rather than take up space. This is the way diagrams should be used. For \$2.95 this book is a BEST BUY.

TOURNAMENT RESULTS

Note: To save space, \$, and typing I am not giving full cross-tables for all events. Is there any particular objection? If so let me know. --Ed.

PEE DEE OPEN, Hartsville, Oct. 13.

Section A: Virgil Smith 2½, Norman Hornstein 2, Thomas E. Payne 1½, Charles S. Howard 0.
 Section B: Bruce A. Payne 2½, James E. Hughey 2, Richard O. Stucker 1½, O. D. Duckett 0.
 Section C: J. Fred Wilson 3, Donald L. Henderson 2, Wm. L. Parrish, Jr., 1, James T. Kerns 0.
 Section D: Jesse Hubbard 2½, Ralph G. Bryant 2, Walter Mintz, Jr., 1, Marnzell Hand ½.
 Section E: David Causey 3, Hobert E. Norman 2, Samuel Freeman 1, Churchill Hornstein 0.
 Section F: Gregory Martin 3, Sandra Payne 1, Carpenter King 1, John Mattis 1.
 Section G: Stephan Stankewich 3, Loyd Law 2, Stanley A. Benson and Alise K. Bass both 0 (Both withdrew.)
 Section H: Ken Mann 3, James Grunebach, Robert M. Smith, and Sylvester Brown 2 ea., Billy Walters, Neal Runions, and Edward D. Bowling 1 ea.

AUTUMN OPEN, Hartsville, Nov. 11.

Section A: Wm. L. McClain 2½, James E. Hughey 2, Donald Morse 1½, Virgil Smith 0.
 Section B: Gregory Martin 3, Tom Davis, Hobert E. Norman, and O. D. Duckett each 1.
 Section C: Carl Beavers 2 (trophy), Tommy Sublett 2, Don Henderson and Robert Smith 1 each.
 Section D: Ken Mann 2½, Harry Lee Abrams and James T. Kerns 2 ea., Billy Walters 1½, Buddy Bloom 1, Ronnie Walters 0.

AIKEN FALL TOURNAMENT, Sept. 29.

Section A: Charles Walter 2½, Lee Hyder 2, Charles E. Braun 1, Frank F. Simpson ½.
 Section B: Dr. Louis F. Knoepp, Jr., and Harold M. Bush, Jr., ea. 2½; James E. Hughey 2, Robert Holley 1½, F. X. McGahee ½, Jeff Roberts 0.
 Section C: Gregory Martin and Wm. T. Besson, Jr., 2 ea.; Claude E. Eaton 1½; James D. Gayle ½.
 Section D: Jim Williams and Andrew J. Hanson 2½ ea.; Danny Beavers 2; John Phillips and Walter Mintz 1, D. C. Kirkley 0.
 Section E: Carl T. Beavers 3, George H. Kinser 2, Joseph Widener 1, Ronald Davis 0.

AUGUSTA-NORTH AUGUSTA FINALLY DID IT--they played a draw with the Aiken club this fall, 5½-5½. Here's how it went: Hyder (A) def. Simpson; Braun (A) def. Knighton; Holley (A-NA) won by forfeit; F. X. McGahee (A) and Holzworth drew; Roberts (A) def. Yost; Standahl (A-NA) def. Turnier; Sanchez (A-NA) def. Kelley; Garis (A-NA) def. Gayle; Wood (A) def. Hagler; Dabrowski (A-NA) def. Riddle; Davis (A) def. Kinser.

UPSET!

In the first International Open in Silver Springs, Md., this summer, the Canadian Champion Peter Blyasis was paired with little-known Tim Taylor of Pennsylvania in the last round; and here's what happened to the International Master. Taylor was White in a K Indian.
 1 d4 g6 2 c4 Bg7 3 Nc3 d6 4 g3 Nd7 5 Bg2 e5 6 Nf3 Ngf6 7 O-O O-O 8 Qc2
 9 Rd1 Qe7 10 e4 Re8 11 d5 c5 12 Ne1 Rf8 13 Nd3 Ne8 14 b4 f5 15 bc
 dc 16 Be3 Rb8 17 Nc5! Nb6 (if Nc5 then d6) 18 Nd3 Nc4 19 Ra7 Ra8 20 Bc5
 Ncd6 21 Qb3 Rf2 22 Rac1 f4 23 Nb5 f3 24 Bf1 Qd8 25 Nd6 Nd6 26 Ne1 Bf8
 27 Nf3 Bg4 28 Ne5 Bd1 29 Nf7 Bb3 30 Nd8 Ne4 31 Bf8 Bd5 32 Be7 Ra2
 33 Bg2 Kg7 34 Re1 Nf2 35 Bd5 Nh3+ 36 Kh1 Nf2+ 37 Kg2 Rd2 38 Kf3 Nh3
 39 Ne6+ Kf7 40 Ng5+ Resigns.

SECRETARY'S REPORT

Minutes of the 1973 SCCA Business Meeting:

The meeting was called to order by President Smith at 1:45 p. m., November 18. The President recognized the excellent handling of the 1973 Championship by the Palmetto Chess Club.

The Secretary read the minutes of the 1972 meeting. The Treasurer presented his report (attached and given below).

The President remarked on the difficulties at the 1972 meeting and read the letter he had published in the SCCA NEWS. The membership approved the following eight proposals:

1. Items to be considered at the annual meeting must be publicized in advance. (Carried 43 to 1)
2. Secretary and Treasurer to be two separate elective offices. (Carried 43 to 2)
3. Article VII, Section B, concerning Presidential approval of editorial matter, to be deleted from the Constitution. (Carried unanimously)
4. The President shall appoint a 5-member nominating committee. (Carried unanimously)
5. The Editor of the SCCA NEWS be given equal authority on the Executive Board. Carried 29 to 4 (abstentions not recorded). A recount was called for because 29 votes appeared insufficient for the constitutional amendment. The proposal carried on the recount by 33 to 4.
6. The Secretary will prepare a list of proposals and nominees from the annual meeting (beginning with the 1974 meeting) which will be submitted to the membership for referendum. (Carried unanimously)
7. Dues for second and subsequent members of the same family will be half the normal rate. (Carried unanimously)
8. The Executive Board (5 members) will set tournament conditions for the state championships. (Carried unanimously)

Officers were elected as follows:

Jim Smith was reelected President with 21 votes; Charles Walter received 12 votes, Charles Braun 6 votes, and Jeff Smeltzer 4 votes. Jim Millen was elected Vice-President with 15 votes; Charles Eaton received 14 votes and Charles Walter 12 votes. In a recount the voting was Millen 15, Eaton 14, Walter 11. Reelected by acclamation were Charles Braun as Secretary and Harold Kelley as Treasurer.

The meeting was adjourned at 3:00 p. m.

Charles E. Braun, Secretary

TREASURER'S REPORT

This report covers the period 11/6/72 to 11/16/73.

Receipts:

Carried forward:	\$ 268.92
USCF Dues	284.00
SCCA Dues	185.00
Tournament	212.00
Miscellaneous	11.90
Cash for change	35.00
Total	\$1296.82

Expenditures:

Newsletter	\$ 682.84
USCF Dues	284.00
USCF Affiliation	10.00
Tournament	99.37
Miscellaneous	38.10
Cash for Change	35.00
Total	\$1149.31
Net (Current bank balance):	\$ 147.51

H. M. Kelley, Treasurer

RESULTS OF MEMBERSHIP POLL

The following are the results of the recent poll of the membership as recorded by Secretary Braun:

- Item 1: (Smith proposal for tournament format): For 31, Against 18, Not Voting 1.
- Item 2: (Two day tournament): For 33, Against 15, Not Voting 2.
- Item 3: (Cash prizes): For 29, Against 20, Not Voting 1.
- Item 4: (2 Rds. per day): For 43, Against 7.
- Item 5: (Restricted Championship): For 29, Against 21.
- Item 6: (Entry Fee \$5 or less): For 38, Against 12.
- Item 7: (Sitting Proposal): For 45, Against 5.
- Item 8: (Family Memberships): For 47, Against 3.
- Item 9: (Set fee of \$3 for F. M.): For 25, Against 25.
- Item 10: (Reduced rate F. M.): For 31, Against 17, Not Voting 2.
- Item 11: (Split Sec.-Treas.): For 42, Against 6, Not Voting 2.
- Item 12: (Elect by mail ballot): For 29, Against 21.
- Item 13: (Amend by mail ballot): For 39, Against 10, N. Voting 1.
- Item 14: (Advance notice of business): For 45, Against 4, N. V. 1.
- Item 15: (Elect Editor): For 19, Against 31.

ERRATA

In our zeal to bring you a report of the last USCF business meeting we did a sloppy job, and thus present the following corrections and additions courtesy of Martin E. Morrison and Harold Winston.

- 1. No dues increase was proposed. Junior memberships are unchanged except that foreign Jr. memberships must be submitted through a USCF affiliate. (Canada considered as U. S. for this.)
- 2. Affiliate dues increase to \$20, to take effect in February, exempts bona fide high school, college, or prison clubs. (The increase is to help pay for the Rating Supplements.)
- 3. The revised Rating Regulations were published in the 1974 Yearbook and Catalog.
- 4. Tournaments which prohibit smoking will be so indicated in Tournament Life.

Thank you, fellows!

MORE NEWS

As we go to press the Chicago Chess Club is sponsoring an International Tournament at the LaSalle Hotel in Chicago. Participating are Kaplan of Puerto Rico, Sigurjonson of Iceland, Amos of Canada, Vranesic of Canada, Saidy and Soltis of the U. S., and six young, untitled American masters: DeFotis, Chellstorp, Karklins, Martz, Weinstein, and Commons.

Mecking's second for the Korchnoi match is the young Swedish International Master, Ulf Andersson. The names of the two Russians who will accompany Korchnoi have not yet been announced. The exact starting date will be either Jan. 13, or Jan. 15; this is awaiting confirmation by the participants. A fund has been established by the Augusta-North Augusta Chess Assn. for the local support of the match; contributions are welcome and may be made to the ANACA or the USCF. We are looking into the possibility that such contributions can go to the USCF Non-Profit Foundation. Those who contribute \$25 or more will be recognized as Patrons in the official program and other publicity. Advertising in the program will be accepted up through Christmas; rates are \$175 per page, \$100 per 1/2 page, \$50 per 1/4 page, and \$25 per 1/8 page. Ticket prices are not yet set but we will begin taking reservations for the first three games only; reservations should be accompanied by \$2 per game, and we will settle on the rest when you get here! The capacity of the hall is in the range 100-150; we're not exactly sure how many yet. We'll send out a mailing with more details around Christmas. With fear and trembling, here are phone numbers: Bill Dodgen, (803) 279-6881; Lee Hyder, (803) 648-8924. Correspondence to Hyder, please.

AND A MERRY CHRISTMAS AND A HAPPY NEW YEAR TO ALL!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!

COMING EVENTS

Augusta, Georgia: End of the Year 1-Day, December 29.

4 Man round robin paired by USCF ratings. At Horne Motor Lodge, inter-section U. S. #25 and 78, Rooms 311 A-C. Reg. 8:30-9:30, Rds. 10, 1, 4. 45/90, EF \$2 (Free if joining USCF for first time) GCA reqd., other state memberships honored. Inquiries or advance entry to Frank F. Simpson, 2643 Hillcrest Ave., Augusta, GA 30904. (Trophies to winners)

Charlotte, NC, 1974 Groundhog, Feb. 2-3.

5-SS, 40/100, YMCA, 400 E. Morehead St. 3 Sections: Open, Amateur (Under 1800 or unr.), Booster (Under 1400 or unr.) EF \$10, 8, 6 if mailed by 1/23, \$2 more thereafter. Prizes \$125-75; 100-60; 75-35; plus Jerry Spann Memorial trophy and trophy each section. Reg. 8-9:30 2/2, Rds. 10-3-8, 9:30-2:30. NCCA membership req., other states honored. Entries to Grady Brown, 3921 Woodleaf Rd., Charlotte 28205. (Will be postponed two weeks in event of heavy snow.)

Greensboro, NC, UNC-G Spartan-IV, February 2. Also March 2, April 6. 3-SS, 45/90, Student Union, UNC-G, EF \$3, free if joining USCF first time. 9 sections as entries permit; trophy to winner each section. NCCA mem. req. for N. C. players after two tournaments. Reg. ends 9:30, Rds. 10-1-4. ENT: Joe Sims, 705 N. Greene St., Greensboro NC 27401.

CHARLESTON, SC, SECOND ANNUAL SNOWSTORM SPECIAL, Feb. 9-10.

In memory of last year's SC JR. Closed Championship, where 17 brave youths faced snow, sleet, and terrible traffic conditions in order to meet across a chessboard, the Charleston Chess Club presents a 5 Rd. Swiss, open to all, 40/90, Home Federal Savings & Loan Community Room, 158 Meeting St. Rounds 10-3-8, 10-3; Registration 8:30-9:30 Sat. EF \$10 for adults, \$7 for Jrs. under 21; if received by 2/1 \$7 and \$5 respectively. Trophies to 1st, 2nd, best A, B, C, D, + cash as entries permit. Entries: Mrs. E. W. Schlich, 3116-A Meeting St. Rd., North Charleston, SC 29405.

Note that the site has ample parking, is across the street from two motels, and is near shopping, an art gallery, and the flea market.

North Augusta, SC, MIDWINTER OPEN, Feb. 23, 3-RR in 4-man sections, 40/75, at North Augusta Recreation Center, Buena Vista Ave. EF \$1, SCCA or other state membership req., trophy to winner each section, Reg. at site 8:30-9:30, rounds 10. Inquiries: Wm. H. Dodgen, 2008 Robin Road, North Augusta, SC 29841.

Atlanta, GA, PAN AMERICAN INTERCOLLEGIATE TEAM CHAMPIONSHIP, Dec. 26-30 at Atlantan Hotel, Cone and Luckie Sts. For college teams of four (full or part-time undergraduate or graduate students). 8 Rd team SS. EF \$40 for first team from a school, \$35 for others (number unlimited). SHOW ID CARDS FOR ALL PLAYERS. \$3600 in cash and trophy prizes. First place \$600 plus trophy. Colleges must join ICLA (\$10) Entries, etc. to Jared Radin, 1458 Sheffield Dr. NE, Atlanta, GA 30329.

Savannah Coastal Empire Open, Richmond Hill, GA, May 25-27. At Holiday Inn, Richmond Hill (near Savannah). \$1000 prize fund; more details next issue.

TENTATIVE ANNOUNCEMENT: South Carolina Junior Championship, North Augusta, March 9-10. At North Augusta Recreation Center, Buena Vista Ave. 5 Rd. SS. EF \$3 in advance, \$4 at door. Trophies to top four players. Tentative pending approval by SCCA officers; if approved details will be in our next issue shortly before the tournament.

SAD REPORT: Chess columns in the Columbia and Charleston papers have been dropped due, apparently, to the newsprint shortage.

THE SOUTH CAROLINA CHESS ASSOCIATION is the official state chess organization for South Carolina, recognized and affiliated by the United States Chess Federation. The SCCA sponsors the annual South Carolina Championships, the S. C. High School Team Tournament, the S. C. Junior Championships, and other competitions. SCCA NEWS, official organ of the SCCA, is published quarterly and sent to all members.

Any person may become a member of the SCCA by submitting the annual dues to the Secretary at the address below. Dues are \$3 for adults, and \$2 for persons 18 years of age and younger. Family memberships are \$3 plus $\frac{1}{2}$ the normal amount for second and subsequent family members at the same address. (Only one SCCA NEWS sent). Institutional subscriptions are \$3. Advertising rates may be obtained by application to the Editor. Nominal publication dates are March 1, June 1, September 1, and December 1 of each year. Copy should reach the Editor two weeks in advance of these dates, if possible.

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