THE REPUBLICANS and the Democrats are going in one direction, hell bent in the service of the rich and powerful. Now there is to be a new party going in the other direction, full steam ahead to give voice to the common man, whose needs are unmet and growing increasingly desperate.

The party that will rally behind Henry A. Wallace, the champion of peace and plenty, will not be a third party in the sense that three parties will be contesting in the 1948 presidential and congressional elections. The Republican and Democratic parties ceased contesting and joined their issues into so-called bipartisan policies immediately after the death of Franklin D. Roosevelt. They will indeed put up two candidates for President of the United States, but they will be Tweedledum and Tweedledee or maybe Tweedledum Truman and Tweedledee Taft.

As between them the issue would be decided by how many people prefer ahaberdasher to a millionaire newspaper publisher. What they stand for in all essentials is the same, and that's no good.

The Wallace party, as yet unnamed, but which might well be called the Common Man's Party since it is the common people who have to struggle for a living who will support it, will be a genuine party of opposition to the Republican - Democratic conspiracy. It will be the only standard bearer for labor, farmers and the unprivileged and underprivileged.

THE TIP-OFF that the Wallace candidacy has sent cold chills up wealthy spines is the extent to which Big Business stooges, namely the newspapers and radio commentators, are going to ridicule the candidacy. They are plain scared and they're all whistling themselves past the cemetery. It is common knowledge that they fear Wallace occupancy of the White House, for they have already set up

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As always with the first issue of the New Year, The Dispatcher begins Volume VI with a greeting from Brother Rockwell Kent, world-famed artist and honorary member of the ILWU. This year Brother Kent appropriately appended to his greeting a reprint of "Who Is Loyal to America?" by Henry Steele Com- mager in Harper's magazine. Brother Kent's "Wake Up, America!" is timely, for the freedoms so painfully built will surely crumble if the people sleep!

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3rd Party Wins Favor With Ranks
By William E. Dodd

Indications from all over the country point to a tremendous groundswell of support for the presidential candidacy of Henry Wallace.

Wallace headquarters in New York reported as The Dispatcher went to press that he had received over a thousand telegrams and messages following his historical decision to run for president. Out of this impressive total fewer than 12 disagreed with his decision while all the others congratulated him and vowed their full support.

Despite the timidity of some labor leaders, 150 of the favorable messages came from officers of local trade unions from all parts of the country. Indicative of the far-reaching response, Wallace headquarters said that the messages were received from 39 states of the union.

A regional director of the United Steelworkers wired: "I (Continued on Page 6)

Sugar Revolt Collapses In Hawaii
HILO, T. H.—The largest sugar convention ever held in the Islands ended January 5 with complete collapse of attempted revolt against the ILWU led by Territory Representative Amos Ignacio, president of the Hawaii island unit of Local 142.

Every one of thirty units was represented by delegates and recommendations of the ILWU national officers were unanimously supported.

Ignacio refused to attend the three-day meeting and attempted to get others to refuse to attend. He failed in every instance.

MEMBERS WILL VOTE
As result of the actions all sugar workers will ballot by referendum on the question: "Are you in favor of staying in the ILWU?"

Twenty-nine of the thirty units represented pledged to support the union. The thirtieth, Kohala of Hawaii, took a neutral stand and said the question would be left up to the rank and file.

ILWU Secretary-Treasurer Louis Goldblatt made it clear at the meeting that if a majority voted to remain in the union the minority will be again polled to

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Wallace

DAVID A. WALLACE

The First results of the U. S. Army war crimes trials of German big business men who backed Hitler were announced December 22. We are not sure what the trials mean in the shortness of human memory or the strength of moneyed solidarity.

Of six Nazi industrialists who powered Hitler's war machine, used his slave labor and supplied his gas chambers, three were released scot free. Friedrich Flick, Germany's biggest coal and steel man, got seven years. The other two got five and 2½ years. Since all had been held many months pending trial, their remaining terms are much shorter than their sentences.

The Judge in the case was Charles B. Sears of Buffalo, N. Y., an old Republican who in 1942 ordered ILWU President Harry Bridges deported as a "dangerous alien." This verdict was later set aside by the U. S. Supreme Court. With the Nazi bigshots, however, Sears did not live up to his tough reputation. In fact he was soft as putty and summarily dismissed the "crimes against humanity" charge against all defendants.

DEFENDS ANTI-SEMITISM

In Nuremberg on December 22, Sears ruled that "a person cannot become guilty of a crime against humanity merely by exercising anti-Semitic pressure to procure ... industrial property owned by Jews." In other words, this crime does not exist if you merely get a Jew killed to take over his factory, which has competed with yours.

In Nuremberg also, Sears virtually apologized to a defendant, and rebuked a prosecuting attorney, for "harsh" courtroom treatment of Otto Steinbrinck, No. 2 man in Flick's coal and steel empire and a longtime member of Hitler's SS storm troops. He rejected as "unthinkable" the idea of Steinbrinck, a 17-foot commander who has risked his life ... to save survivors of a ship which he had sunk, should willingly be party to the slaughter of thousands of defenseless persons."

The defenseless persons are dead and cannot speak for themselves. While we are not lawyers, however, we know that neither legal nor lay opinion accepts good conduct in one respect as disproving crime in another. Some of the worst pests in history were model husbands and fathers.

PROTECTS INDUSTRY

The famous British musical comedy writers, Gilbert and Sullivan, noted this long ago in their much-beloved Pirates of Penzance: "When a felon's not engaged in his employment, or maturing his felonious little plans, his capacity for innocent enjoyment is just as great as any honest man's."

When the enterprising burglar's not a-burgling, when the cut-throat isn't occupied in crime, he loves to hear the little break a-gurgling, and listen to the merry village chime.

Coming now to the big business solidarity angle, labor-baiting Sears passed down an opinion that there was "some shadow of justice" in the Nazi defendants' claim that "in their persons, industry itself was being proscribed." This of course wouldn't do.

Sears also tendered a defense of the German industrialists' problems when he said that their $40,000 annual gift to the Nazi party might have been "not too high a price to insure personal safety in the hearts of the Third Reich." We haven't heard that those who fought the Nazis, both in Germany and in the Allied armies, had no chance to worry about their own personal safety, or money to buy it.

HIGH BORN PRIVILEGE

Gilbert and Sullivan had something to say on this side of matters as well. If you've seen the Pirates of Penzance, you'll realize that the pirates were acquitted of all crimes as soon as they turned out to be well-born men of the right sort. What the general who led the police gave an order: "Away with them and place them at the bar."

The pirate king, however, stopped him effectively with:

"I pray you, pardon me, ex-pirate king."

"Peers will be peers, and youth will have its fling."

"Resume your ranks and legislative duties."

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Big Five Launches Undercover Plot
To Wreck ILWU in Hawaiian Islands

HONOLULU, T. H. — The arrival and activities of a mysterious group are unchronicled in the employer-controlled press, though its presence and activities have had economic and political life on the islands.

The ILWU last week exposed the visit to the islands of former Hearst man Lee Ettelson, imported at a handsome fee to destroy the union, something the employer planned to do. The ILWU nailed the lies of the Big Five and told the rotten conditions and $1 an hour, not exactly the same. They are still fighting. The man chosen for the job by the Big Five worked 26 years for the Hearst-Oriole Newspaper Company.

The ILWU longshoremen on the Pacific Coast recently chalked up substantial wage gains. The big wages in the middle of the year. Pineapple workers in June demanded to come out united on a program to fight for parity with West Coast members. The ILWU longshoremen in the middle and south have held their demand for parity with West Coast members.

Another angle of the Ettelson plan was what he called "selective discrimination" in the use of the Big Five's new mechanisms to stop the longshoremen from organizing the workers for new equipment which might improve their willingness to "cooperate." A different view was expressed by the ILWU union leaders as they prepared to strike in January 1947. The big wages in the middle of the year. Pineapple workers in June demanded to come out united on a program to fight for parity with West Coast members.

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Looking Who's Talking

Here's the Big Lie!

POLITICAL ACTION—
Labor's Blind Alley

The Taft-Hartley Act is an essential bulwark of free collective bargaining.}

The above is reduced from a full-page advertisement which ran in the New York Times, Washington Post, Chicago Tribune, Philadelphia Bulletin and the Cleveland Plain Dealer. It was signed and paid for by McGraw-Hill, who publish special publications for almost every big industry in America.

McGraw-Hill speaks for Big Business, big organized business, which has always fancied itself the master of the people and always fought to master labor.

That big business wants to silence labor at the polls has long been known. That was why the Taft-Hartley Act took political power by activity in America.

The assertions in the McGraw-Hill advertisement and editorial are so ludicrously brazen as to make reply seem unnecessary. But it was learned in Germany that repetition over and over of the big lie can have effect. Big Business is armed with billions of swollen, stolen profits with which to buy newspaper and magazine space and radio time with which to repeat the big lie. Even the people who produce and spend these funds insist seeing what where why who. But the result is a smaller production, higher taxes, lower real wages.

The Taft-Hartley Act protects the individual worker so much and equality of income—just which are the two objectives of the Taft-Hartley Act. The Taft-Hartley Act was denounced by the American labor movement as the master of the people and always fought to master labor. McGraw-Hill is a part of that movement.

What is "special privilege for labor?" According to the above advertisement, McGraw-Hill is so protected for labor and gave "employers the short end of the stick." That was some short end the employers got! In 1939, when the Wagner Act had been operating for three years, total corporate profits were 54 billion dollars. In 1946, the last year of Wagner Act operation, those total corporate profits rose to 21 1/10 billion dollars. That means they quadrupled! And Business Week of November 17, 1947, said U.S. corporations in 1947 will wind up with profits 50 per cent higher than 1946 (itself a record).

In the same period, 1939 to 1946, average weekly earnings in all manufacturing, taking the month of December in each year, rose from $25 to $46.86. They were not quadrupled. They were not even doubled. And the astronomical increase in the cost of living during the period hit the workers, not the profiteers who now claim they got the short end of collective bargaining.

Big Business speaks about incentives to produce. Its theory is that workers will be impelled to work harder if they have lower wages, longer hours and are forced to pay higher prices for what they produce. To achieve that noble objective, it is natural that Big Business wants the workers to turn away from their unions and stay out of politics.
Portland Bishop Condemns Race Bias, Marshall Plan

PORTLAND, Oregon.— Bishop Benjamin Dagwell of the Oregon Episcopal diocese on December 25 before the Chamber of Com-
merce here lashed out at hotel and restaurant owners who prac-
tice racial discrimination and con-
demned the Marshall Plan as an attempt to substitute “the rule of gold for the Golden Rule.”

In his Christmas message, Dag-
well said that the sound of Christ-
mas carols sang on the streets of

Seamen Ask Embargo on Chiang Arms

MONTREAL, Que. — HARRY
Davis, Canadian Seamen’s Union
president, warned December 27, urging that an
embargo be placed on the ship-
ment of arms to Chiang Kai Shue.

“These arms and munitions are to be used for the slaughter of the Chinese people and consti-
tute a threat to the peace of the world,” said the CSU president.

He called on the government to pursue a foreign policy of peace, in keeping with the wishes of the
Canadian people, and to reject the policies of the clique of monopolists which “aid and abet all pro-

FIGHTERS BETRAYED

“ ‘To go on selling arms to the fascists Chiang is a betrayal of the 20 million people who died in the struggle against fascism,” said Davis.

The proposal was recalled that
In 1938 the CSU warned against the shipment of scrap iron to Japan. That policy, he pointed out, led to war and the scrap was returned in the form of bullets against Canadians at Hong Kong.

S.F. Printers Win New Pay Raises

SAN FRANCISCO (FP) — By-
passing the Taft-Hartley law, the In-
ternational Typographical Union (AFL) reached a wage agreement without a contract with the Employing Printers As-

S.F. Printers Win New Pay Raises

The new agreement gives 750
workers a wage increase from $80
$95.50 for night

BLS Report Shows New Price Jump

WASHINGTON (FP) — Retail
prices for moderate income fami-
lies in 18 cities surveyed by the Bureau of Labor Statistics rose
another 1 percent between mid-

October and mid-November. BLS said December 26 in a prelimi-

ary report.

Besides the highest point on
record the retail price index on
November 15, 1947, stood 67 per
ceot above the level of August, 1939, the month before the start of

The new mark is 24 per cent over what it was one year ago. BLS said prices rose in November for all major
groups of consumer items.

Money Power Dictates

“The drive of Wall Street, to secure world economic domination continues in the most blatant fashion. The Marshall Plan, publicly proclaimed by the Yellow Press as a disinterested attempt by Ameri-

can capital to relieve distress in Europe, is now clearly revealed as
one of the key methods of propaganda. It has set the stage for
the plan is a fig leaf, a disingenuous fig leaf.”

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stirred against the refusal to participate to such immoderate lengths
that even war was threatened.

“Instead of getting hot under the collar, Bevin might reasonably
ask: ‘Why did they refuse?’

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ILWU Turned Over Local 46a to UPW

VENTURA, Calif.—ILWU Local 46a, which worked for the Pacific Naval Air Base here transferred to CIO United Public Workers Local 711P effective January 1.

Some half a dozen members will transfer. Local 46a had more than a thousand workers under agreement with PNAB contractors during the war when PNAB activity was at its height. Following the V-J Day they were shifted from contractors' to Navy payrolls and came under civil service.

UFW International Representative J. E. Jung expressed the hope to the ILWU that the UPW could help the office workers in the various grievances and increase the membership.

Mills Slaps WEA On Hiring List

SAN FRANCISCO—Impartial Chairman Arthur Miller made an interim decision December 23, 1945 which broke the WEA's lateral position not to sanction additions to longshore registration lists through new members, transfers, visitors' permits and extensions or reinstatements.

Miller in urging the adoption of some clear policy governing additions, referred to the practice prior to October 7 when employer representatives sat on the Port Labor Relations Committee and notified the union of any names for additions brought to the committee by the union.

In ruling further held: "The Port LRC shall formulate policies to be applied in determining future cases involving registrations, reinstatements, transfers from other ports, visitor's permits and extensions thereof which will generally add lists to the registration lists in relation to the need for men in the industry but will authorize the issuance from time to time of a reasonable number of such registrations, permits or extensions of permits to individuals approved by the committee at the same upon a basis which will take into account, among other facts, the facts of each such case regarding length of the individual's past service in the industry, his performance record, his standing with WEA or transfer and the degree of personal hardship which would result if permission to work is denied."

Impartial Chairman Miller Rules on Effective Date for Pay Increase

SAN FRANCISCO.—In his re-award of an 8 cent an hour increase in the basic, straight and overtime rates to longshoremen, Impartial Chairman Arthur Miller ruled that the new rates went into effect "for all work performed after midnight, December 15."

The WEA had failed to put the rate increases into effect on December 15. Miller's interpretation was in accordance with WEA's original ruling and was in line with the employer position.

However, regarding possible additional increases which may be awarded January 2, by the National Labor Relations Board, Miller said, "The schedule of rates for local 711 P employees, subject to the approval of the Case Board of Trustees."

ILWU Fish Processors Ask Increase

JUNEAU, Alaska.—ILWU marine warehousemen have conferred and plans to negotiate, January 7 for their first industry-wide contract in the cold storage industry.

They are asking a $2 per hour minimum for all fish house and cold storage workers, ice graders and salters. These workers receive $1.54 an hour, exact graders and salters who receive $1.56.

The demand for fish splitters is $235 per month plus any overtime worked. Splitters are now working under individual contracts.

Other demands are for the union shop, grievance procedure in the contract and a seasonal guarantee of 32 hours of work a week.

The ILWU is negotiating jointly with the Boot and Ketchikan, Juneau, Sitka, Petersburg, Pelican City and Wrangell Fish Exchanges.

Dockers Get New First Aid Course

SAN FRANCISCO.—The Acclimatization Board of the Waterfront Employers' Association and the ILWU agreed January 6 to give a first aid course for longshoremen to be held in Los Angeles, Portland, Seattle and San Francisco.

The course will be conducted in five two-hour sessions on the dockers' own time, but with the Board providing instructors and training equipment.

If the longshoremen demand it, the course will be given in other ports.

Sugar Revolt Collapses in Islands Largest Convention

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Local 10

Local 10 Chooses '48 Leaders

SAN FRANCISCO.—With the completion of the tabulation of runoff elections in ILWU Local 10 complete results were announced on January 2, by the union.

James Kearney was selected president over Bob Cain by a vote of 3,109 to 1,435. George Pickerill was selected vice-president for a runoff in 1946.

George Cahill was picked for secretary-treasurer over A. C. Anderson. R. J. Erkkila becomes the new recording secretary.

CAGILLAN IS B. A.

The following business agents were selected: Martin Callaghan, Charles Hoffman, Jimmy Manning, Charles W. Mayfield, Frank Petersen and Jimmy Butter.

Julius Siers, C. E. Barnes, Chris Anderson, David Keefe and A. Bertani will be members of the board of directors.

Chris Anderson, C. L. Huber and Elmer Will serve on the labor relations committee. Chosen at the same time was a 35-man executive committee.

NAACP Tests New Orleans Picket Restraint Order

NEW ORLEANS.—If the National Association for the Advancement of Colored People wins its request for an order restraining the police from interfering with picketing in New Orleans, it will be one of the largest anti-discrimination picket line cases in the history of the south.

A suit for an injunction to prevent interference with the picketing was filed by the NAACP against Mayor DeLesseps S. Morrison and Police Superintendent A. Adair Waiters after it learned that the police planned mass arrests of the pickets. Officially, the organization said it feared the mayor would decree the pickets a "nuisance" and a "traffic hazard."

Objects of the picketing plans are four big department stores which simultaneously agreed to a new policy not to allow Negro women to try on hats, high-priced dresses and foundation garments they wanted to buy.

START BOYCOTT MOVE

One of the four stores is Maison Blanche, owned by the City Stores Co., a nation-wide chain which reported sales of almost $150 million for the first nine months of 1947. The other discriminatory concerns are D. H. Holmes, Godchaux and Mayer Israel, all well-known department stores.

The boycott move started late in November when a dreamer, Mrs. Germaine De Sarrant, and two housewives, Mrs. Georgia Beauregard and Mrs. Luther Sar- fer, indignantly reported to the NAACP that they had been victimized by the new policy.

Executive Secretary Daniel E. Hall requested that the NAACP chapter in New Orleans start immediate got in touch with the stores concerned and heard directly from them that they were indeed instructing their clerks and cashiers not to permit women to try on hats and garments.

GAIN WIDE SUPPORT

As word of the new policy got around, the entire Negro populace got behind the boycott. The picketers, 20 in number, met Monday to decide if they wanted to go.

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The boycott move was charged to ILWU Defense Fund stop the distortion of meaning which the employers had given it. Also, instead of encouraging the stores to pay each month for five months, there will be only one collection of one month's dues.

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Sears Strikers Express Holiday Thoughts on Union-Busting

SAN FRANCISCO.—ILWU Local 6 members on strike against Sears and Roebuck store here expressed their resentment at the treatment they were getting drive with an ad in San Francisco newspapers December 23 wishing a "Merry Christmas to practically everybody."

"The word of the warehouse workers (now fired) at the company's Army street store. Greetings and heartfelt wishes for a happy New Year were extended to the thousands of good San Franciscans who support the strike."

The message read:

"We hope the cockles are warm
"In corporate and labor hearts.
"We hope they are as warm as ours are cold.
"We hope the brightness of corporate conversation
With their quick glances, in the eyes of the children we haven't told,
"That we've been fired.
"Eleven years ago we signed a contract with Sears, Roebuck Company.
"Many of us being people who worked there seventeen years or more.
"We signed a union contract, setting forth hours, conditions, wages.
"We thought that the sensible, peaceable way,
"Seems now Taft-Hartley has changed all the gauges,
"And broken up the works.
"They wanted it that way,
"And they got it, and we wanted it,
"That is, if what they wanted was open-shop ill will
"And bitterness that can't be forgot
"In a country that is still a
"Good union town.
"We hope the corporation will be kind
"To the scale the it hired
"For the jobs we so long held down.
"We hope their grievances will be settled
"With Brother We're still in the shop.
"Or policeman's billy stick.
"So, Merry Christmas to Sears and thanks
"For the Merry Christmas to us
"To the scabs it hired
"That is, if what they wanted was open-shop ill will
"And bitterness that can't be forgot
"In a country that is still a
"Good union town.
"And on Christmas Eve day the weary strikers plodded before Sears while scabs inside served a handful of cynical patrons who crossed their lines.

Bingham Grants Wage Increase

CLEVELAND, O. — Adjustments of 2 cents per hour have been gained by hardwood workers at Bingham Co., here as a result of a wage review vision on the part of the union, ILWU Local 209, and the Emeryville Chemical Company.

The increase covers approximately 100 members and was approved by the membership in a meeting December 30.

Negotiations were conducted by the shop committee at the plant.

Screen Directors' Guild Denounces Movie Firings

HOLLYWOOD.—The Screen Directors Guild has unanimously denounced the decision of the Motion Picture Producers Association to fire the 10 Hollywood witnesses cited for contempt of Congress and all other employees labeled "subversive."

The guild statement, which followed a similar action by the screen writers, termed the producers' action a "fundamentally inimical and calculated to pro

BEFORE THE war six countries had lower infant mortality rates than the U.S.
NMU's Smith Urges Members Act On ILWU-NMU Merger Proposal Now

NEW YORK—In his regular column in The Pilot, Ferdinand Smith, secretary of the National Maritime Union, this week printed in full a letter from ILWU President Harry Bridges proposing immediate merger of the ILWU and NMU.

Bridges' letter, sent last December, is in accord with actions taken by the past three conventions of the Wideawake of the ILWU national executive board.

In presenting the letter to the NMU membership, Secretary Smith stresses the coming struggle to preserve the hiring halls and the NMU membership, Secretary Smith, said his message from ILWU President Bridges was: "Mr. Wallace's announcement...was the expression of the highest and most responsible position to the rousing bipartisan domestic and foreign policies to which we have been forced."

Mr. Bridges wrote: "I am writing this letter to the membership again the opportunity that was lost when the CMU was destroyed.

"Mr. Bridges further urged the NMU membership immediately to do inside the union with all their forces, we have never once publicly attacked them. With the exception of one factually correct and file report relating to the dissolution of the CMU, a search of the files of our official newspaper, The Dispatch, will reveal not a single article, editorial or anything else criticizing or impugning the motives of any individual in the NMU.

"I urge you to support the ILWU leadership and their movement that I have spoken of here.

"What we are after is for there to be a common front, our rank and file to make the public statements.

"We are fighting for the preservation of the hiring hall. We do not wish to record the simple personal losses of the ILWU which cannot be afforded or tolerated.

"I am not your president, but I am a member of the National Maritime Union. In the name of the ILWU, I propose to merge with the NMU. I urge you to join in an immediate rank and file convention for this specific purpose.

"I am prepared to refer a merger to a rank and file convention in both unions.

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"PORTLAND LOCAL ELECTS OFFICERS

PORTLAND, Ore.—New officers were chosen late in December by the 300 members of the Local 40 of the United Association of Boatbuilding and Warehousemen's local 40 here. R. J. Wolf ran unopposed for president.

Elmer Mills is the new vice-president and Harry Rice secretary and business agent. Leo Benedict, the incumbent, was re-elected as treasurer.

Frank Aumend was returned to office as discharged. The Labor Board also was made up of the following three members: W. R. Parks, Jack Schreiner and Wally Hanks, alternate.

"If in the NMU there exist forces which feel the union must be torn apart, there is little we can do about it. You will note, therefore, that though we have had beefs with certain officers of the NMU and have argued them in the union with all rights and privileges accorded members under the NMU constitution, it may be that one of the privileges I am allowed, unless I have been deprived, is to have this statement come to the attention of the membership of the ILWU.

"It is not our desire to enter into an argument with anybody in your paper or any other, but we do wish now to record the simple proposition that we are ILWU.

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