

Whitman County Gazette
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CLASS OF
2021
Congratulations
Graduates

Whitman County Gazette's
High School Graduation 2021

Valedictorians and Salutatorians named in Whitman County

Colfax High School

HANNAH BURI

VALEDICTORIAN

Daughter of Blake and Angela Buri, of Colfax, she has been named as a Valedictorian of the Colfax High School Class of 2021. During her time at Colfax she was able to maintain a 4.0 grade point average. When she was a freshman and sophomore, Hannah participated in Knowledge Bowl and Future Business Leaders of America. During her freshman year Hannah also was a member of Family, Career and Community Leaders of America and was a Senate Page at the Washington State Capital. Sophomore year Hannah was the sophomore class ASB Representative as well as a member of concert and jazz band. She was a Running Start student her junior and senior years. Hannah took classes full-time at Washington State University and had completed the first two years of college. She was also a member of the National Honor Society. After graduation, Hannah plans to attend the University of Washington in the fall to continue to work towards her political science bachelor's degree.

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Colton High School

ADDYSON PURNELL

VALEDICTORIAN

Daughter of Tawsha & Andrew Kuhl, and Kenny & Cori Purnell, of Colton, Addyson has been named as Valedictorian for the Colton High School Class of 2021. During her time in Colton, Addyson was able to maintain a 3.914 grade point average. She was an active participant in Future Farmers of America, National Honors Society, as well as Honor Flight. Addyson was awarded the Washington High Honors award, Distinguished Young Woman runner-up, the Distinguished Young Woman Interview award, Achievement Award Scholarship and the Lewis-Clark State College Northwest Presidential Out of State Tuition Scholarship. Addyson played volleyball and softball during her time in Colton. After graduation, Addyson plans to attend Lewis-Clark State College to pursue a bachelor's degree in nursing.

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Garfield-Palouse

CHRISTIAN BURT

VALEDICTORIAN

Son of Melanie Whetstone, Palouse, and Tony Burt, Palouse, has been named Valedictorian of the Garfield-Palouse Class of 2021. Christian maintained a 4.0 grade point average during his time in school. While in school, he was active in many things including: Jazz, pep band, and marching bands; drum corps; knowledge bowl; drama; robotics; and Boy Scouts. He was awarded the Arizona Distinction Award (merit scholarship), became an Eagle Scout, National Rural and Small Town Recognition (PSAT, John Phillips Sousa Award, Congress-Bundestag Youth Exchange Scholarship Recipient to study in Germany during junior year of high school and the Johns Hopkins Center for Talented Youth Grand Honors Award. He competed in cross country while in school. After graduation, he plans to attend the University of Arizona Honors College, to double-major in physics and astronomy, also playing saxophone in the Arizona Marching Band.

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Oakesdale High School

TYLER HARDER

SALUTATORIAN

Son of Kyle and Kara Harder, Hooper, was named Salutatorian of the LaCrosse High School Class of 2021. Ty maintained a 3.92 grade point average during his high school career. He was a member of Future Farmers of America, rising to chapter president; ASB Treasurer from 2019 to 2021 and part of the National Honors Society from 2018 to 2021, becoming treasurer. He received many distinguishing awards from his work with FFA including: State Star Finalist, District 6 Star, 1st in state for Land Evaluation, Star Green Hand and many more. He was also on Honor Roll from 2014 to 2021, as well as receiving the Career Award. He was active in varsity track and field, varsity baseball and varsity basketball. While playing basketball he was awarded All-League Basketball Player, the Basketball team MVP, and Defensive Player of the Year Award in 2018. After graduation, Ty plans on attending Washington State University to get a master's degree in finance and a bachelor's degree in ag economics.

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Colfax High School

KARI LARGENT

VALEDICTORIAN

Daughter of Gary and Lisa Largent, of Colfax, Kari was named as a Valedictorian of the Colfax High School Class of 2021. During her time at Colfax she was able to maintain a 4.0 grade point average. While attending Colfax High School, Kari was active in Colfax High School musicals, Future Farmers of America, Jazz Band, National Honors Society and was a Class Officer. Kari was on Honor Roll from 2016-2021, awarded for Academic Excellence 2016-2021, and recognized as Outstanding Jazz Soloist in 2018 and 2019. In 2020 she was named as Graduation Marshall. Kari was named the Distinguished Young Woman of Colfax and Washington in 2021 and the College Board Rural and Small-Town Recognition Program winner. Kari participated in cheerleading from 2017-2021. After graduation, Kari plans to attend the University of Alabama to major in chemistry, working towards a career in pharmacy.

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Garfield-Palouse

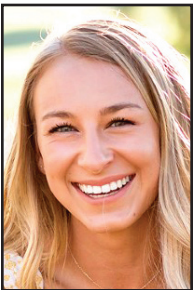
AUSTIN JONES

VALEDICTORIAN

Son of Mike and Evon Jones, Palouse, was named Valedictorian of the Garfield-Palouse Class of 2021. Austin has maintained a 4.0 grade point average during his time in high school. He was active in Garfield-Palouse FFA Chapter, Assembled Student Body Government (ASB), National Honor Society (NHS), Envirothon, Book Club, Knowledge Bowl, and Trig-Star. Austin received many awards during his time in school including: National

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LaCrosse High School

ZOE BAILEY

VALEDICTORIAN

Daughter of Steve and Katie Bailey, LaCrosse, was named Valedictorian of the LaCrosse High School Class of 2021. She maintained a 3.978 grade point average during school. Zoe was a member of National Honor Society from 2018-2021 and ASB Vice President from 2017 to 2021. She was on Honor

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Oakesdale High School

ISABELLA HENLEY

SALUTATORIAN

Daughter of Derek and Christa Henley, Oakesdale, was named Salutatorian of the Oakesdale High School Class of 2021. Isabella maintained a 4.389 (weighted) grade point average during her time in school. She participated in Future Farmers of America, National Honors Society, and drama. Her special honors include Class secretary 2016-2020, class VP 2021, Superintendents honor roll all years of high school.

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Colfax High School

ALEXIS BOOTH

SALUTATORIAN

Daughter of Darrel and Shawnda Booth, of Colfax, has been named Salutatorian of the Colfax High School Class of 2021. She has maintained a 3.96 grade point average through high school. During her time in school, Alexis was involved with Future Farmers of America, National Honors Society and History Club. She was active in basketball, volleyball and softball as well. Alexis

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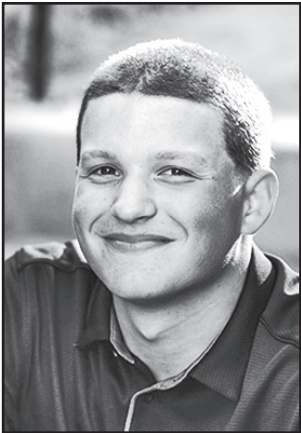
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Colfax High School Class of 2021



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ANDERSON



ANTHONY
BECKER



SYDNEY
BERQUIST



DUSTIN
BROECKEL



JACOB
BROWN



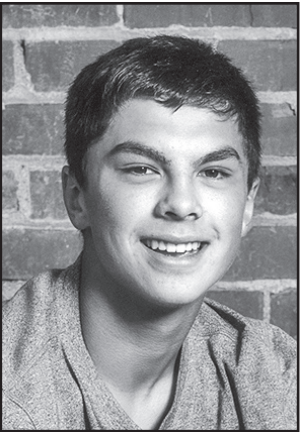
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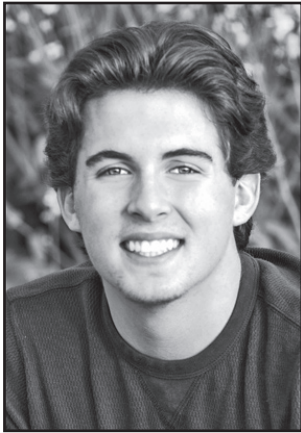
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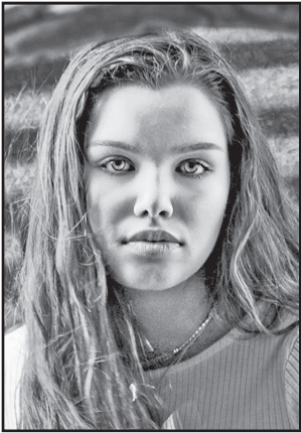
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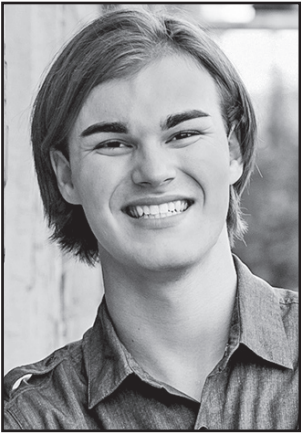
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LAYNE
GINGERICH



HELINE
HAHN



JOSHUA
HUBER



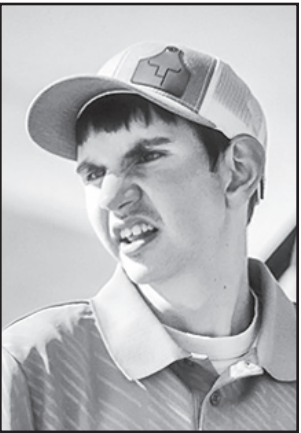
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MADISYN
JAROSCH



RAINE
JONES



KACY
KINCAID



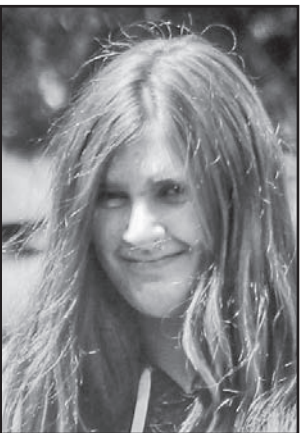
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KLAVEANO



SAMUEL
KOPP



ISABELLA
KOYAMA



REBECCA
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LUCAS
MCADAMS



REID
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AYDEN
MILLER



CARSTEN
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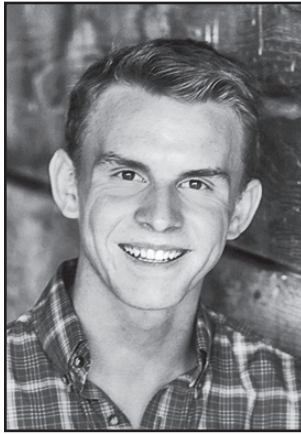
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RYANN
MILLER



WINSTON
MOORE



MARK
MORGAN

**Almota Elevator
Carmen Bruya -
Team Washinton Real Estate
COAST
Colfax Body Repair**

**Colfax Cable
Colfax Dental
Colfax Golf Course
Columbia Bank
Columbia Grain**

Colfax High School Class of 2021



CADEN
NOHA



IAN
OLSEN



PRESTON
OVERBY



EMALEE
PHILLIPS



BRAEDEN
ROGERS



KENNEDY
SCHMIDT



KOLBY
SISK



KOLBY
SLATE



BENJAMIN
TITCOMB



CODY
VIETZ



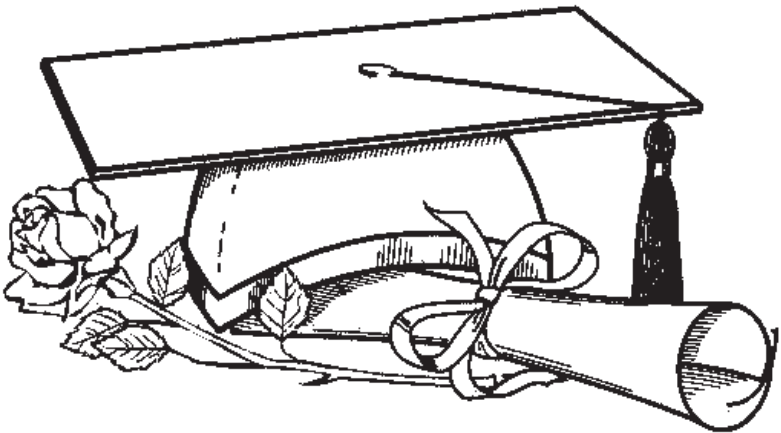
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JOSEPH
YARNELL



KIERTSYN
YORK



Colton High School Class of 2021



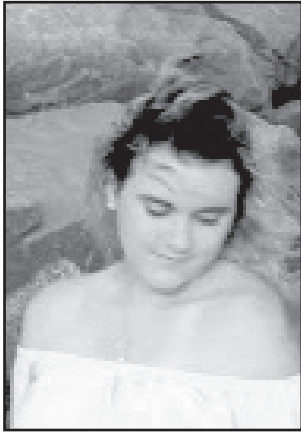
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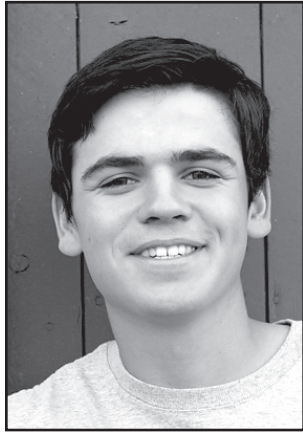
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DEVORAK



TRENT
DUFFEL



SAM
EATON



COLE
HENNIGAR



RUSSEL
JACKSON



BRADY
PECORA



TONY
QUIST



RYLEE
VINING



Crossett's Food Market

Dusty Attic

ED-KA Manufacturing Inc.

Edward Jones - Colfax

Endicott Food Center

Four Star Supply

Huber Action Freight

Inland Empire Milling Co., Inc.

Jones Truck and Implement

JW & Associates PLLC

Kirkpatrick, Utgaard & Perry

Kramer Funeral Home

Garfield-Palouse Class of 2021



JACOB
ANDERSON



BEN
ARRASMITH



KYLE
BANKUS



GARRETT
BLOMGREN



TOVAH
BRANTNER



SAM
CAMPBELL



PAIGE
COLLIER



ETHAN
COOK



DRAKE
DAVIS



KALEB
GIBLER



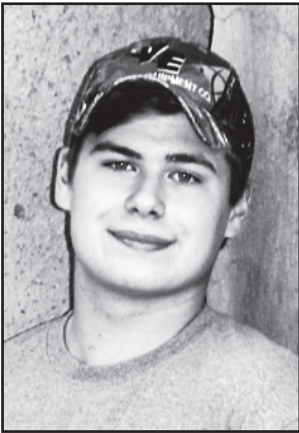
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KNAUFF



JACOB
MAURIN



DANIEL
KRAMER



JACOB
MCNIELLY



RACHEL
MEEUWSEN



ETHAN
MONTGOMERY



PATRICK
ORFE



RIELEE
RENEE



MIRANDA
RICHARDS



TAYLOR
ZEHM

LaCrosse High School Class of 2021



GENEVIEVE
MCGREGOR



ASHLEY
PARKER



Kuhl Auto Parts
McGregor Risk Management
McGuire, DeWulf,
Kragt & Johnson
Medical Micro Machining Inc.
Mint Condition Dental

Neilsen Insurance
Northwest Farmers
Credit Services
Pacific Northwest Farmers Coop
Pomeroy Grain Growers
Rosalia Market

Oakesdale High School Class of 2021



KURYN
BEARDSLEY



KAYLA
ELWESS



KIT
HOCKETT



LOUELLEN
REED



GAVIN
SHORPE



JAMIE
THOMAS

Rosalia High School Class of 2021



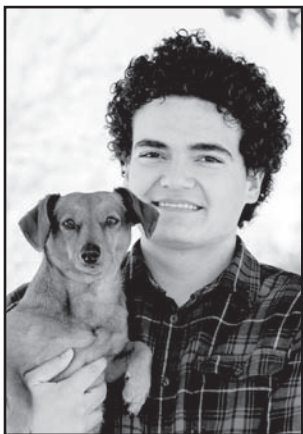
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ANDERSON



KALEB
ENNIS



ANTHONY
GEHRING



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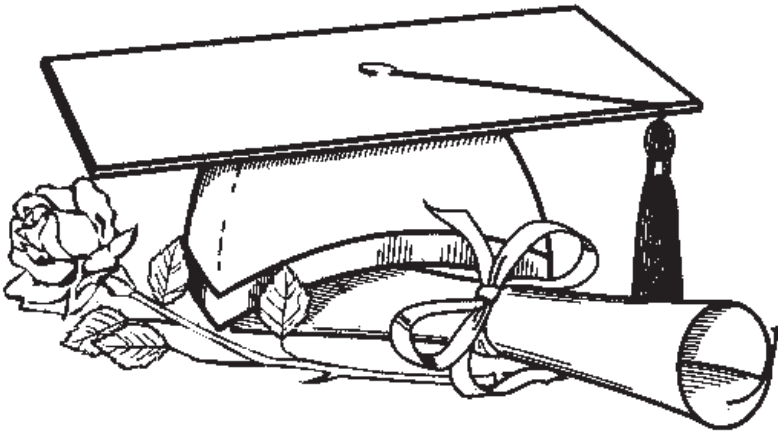
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KALE
STRUBLE



HANNAH
THEIS



St. John-Endicott Class of 2021



ALYSSA
ABRAHAMSON



PATIENCE
ADSITT



KAMERON
GREENHALGH



MATTHEW
JOHNSON



HAYLIE
LEINWEBER

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Rosauers - Colfax
St. John Hardware
St. John Telco
Startin's Repair
Stateline Processors

Steve's Glass
Tekoa Pharmacy
Tick Klock Drug
Top Notch Café
Webb's Empire Foods

Valedictorians and Salutatorians named in Whitman County cont.

school, coaches award for volleyball 2020. She was active in volleyball, basketball, as well as track and field. Isabella plans to attend Eastern Washington University to study Exercise science with hopes of pursuing a career in physical therapy.



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Rosalia High School

CHRISTINA WARD
VALEDICTORIAN

Daughter of Greg and Michelle Ward, Lah, and Mary Ann Ward, Rosalia, was named Valedictorian of the Rosalia Class of 2021. Christina maintained a 3.99 grade point average during school. She was a participant in Olympia Page Program, Future Farmers of America, ASB, Tough As Nails Youth Group, Rosalia Garden Club and Lions Club. She received the State FFA Degree, Chapter FFA Degree, Greenhand Degree. Christina was in National Honors Society, the FFA Chapter President, Vice-President and Secretary, as well as Class President. She was active in golf, volleyball and softball during her time in Rosalia. After graduation, Christina plans on attending Washington State University to obtain a Bachelor of Science Degree in Agriculture and Food



Systems. She plans on taking over the family farm, becoming a second generation farmer.

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GRAYCEE ASHWORTH
SALUTATORIAN

Daughter of Shannon Minerd, Rosalia, was named Salutatorian of the Rosalia High School Class of 2021. Graycee maintained a 3.7 grade point average during her time in high school. She was the Chapter Treasurer for Future Farmers of America, as well as Vice-President and President. Graycee was also the ASB historian. She received the FFA State Degree, as well as being on National Honors Society. Graycee played volleyball while she attended Rosalia. After graduation, she plans to attend Spokane Community College with aspirations of work in greenhouses and nurseries.



St. John-Endicott

ELLIE TOLLETT
VALEDICTORIAN

Daughter of Cliff and Corrie Tollett, has been named Valedictorian of St. John-Endicott Class of 202. Ellie had a grade point average of 4.0 while in school. Ellie was president of the following: As-



sociated Student Body, Senior Class of 2021, Future Business Leaders of America, and the National Honor Society. Throughout high school she participated in basketball, cross country, and track and field. She will be attending Gonzaga University in the fall and she does not know what she will be studying... she is open to suggestions.

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ETHAN STEELE
SALUTATORIAN

Son of Chris and Kelli Melhus, has been named Salutatorian for the St. John-Endicott High School Class of 2021. Ethan maintained a 3.43 grade point average. Ethan was the Sergeant of Arms for the School ASB and the Treasurer for his class. He participated in basketball, track and field, baseball, and filmed for football. Ethan will be attending DigiPen Institute of Technology in the fall, where he will earn his Bachelor of Science in Computer Science and Game Design.



Tekoa High School

AVA RAMBO
VALEDICTORIAN

Daughter of Kelly and Bobette Rambo, Tekoa, was named Valedictorian for the Tekoa High Schools Class of 2021. During her time in school, Ava maintained a 3.989 grade point average.



She was active in FFA, FCCLA, National Honors Society, Futre Problem Solving, the Healthy Tekoa Coalition and became ASB President. Ava was the WA FPS second place individual winner as well as the High School Poetry Contest national winner. She was active in volleyball and golf, where she was recognized as District Girls Golf Team Champion. After graduation, Ava plans on attending Washinton State University to major in apparel merchandising.

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ALLISON BLASZAK
SALUTATORIAN

Daughter of Edward Blaszak, Hayden, Idaho, and Debra Blaszak, Tekoa, was named Salutatorian for the Tekoa High School Class of 2021. Allison maintained a 3.45 grade point average during her high school career. She was part of FCCLa, a Peer Mentor, ASL Club, Book Club, 4-H, National Honors Society and EWU Running Start. She won several contests including poetry, speech, spelling and math, two Prides of May awards, High Honor Roll, and lettered in academics. Allison also played volleyball while at Tekoa. She plans on attending Eastern Washington University to pursure a major in Health Psychology and earn a master's degree in occupational therapy.



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St. John-Endicott Class of 2021 cont.



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WALKER

Tekoa High School Class of 2021



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TRISTA
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MICHEALA
BOULTON



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