

1937.
NEW ZEALAND.

THIRTY-NINTH ANNUAL REPORT OF THE
PENSIONS DEPARTMENT

FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31st MARCH, 1937.

Presented to both Houses of the General Assembly pursuant to Section 90 of the Pensions Act, 1926.

The COMMISSIONER OF PENSIONS to the Hon. the MINISTER OF PENSIONS.

SIR,—

Pensions Department, Wellington, 30th August, 1937.

I have the honour to furnish herewith, for the information of Parliament, the report of the Department relating to war, old-age, widows', Maori War, miners', epidemic, invalidity, and sundry pensions, family allowances, and war veterans' allowances for the year ended 31st March, 1937.

The following comparative statement relates to the annual value and gross payments of all pensions administered by the Department for the past two years :—

PENSIONS IN FORCE : ANNUAL VALUE AND TOTAL PAYMENTS.

Class of Pension.	As at 31st March, 1936.			As at 31st March, 1937.		
	Number.	Annual Value.	Total Payments, 1935-36.	Number.	Annual Value.	Total Payments, 1936-37.
		£	£		£	£
War	22,631	1,384,340	1,349,447	23,711	1,532,424	1,483,345
Old-age	43,309	1,828,150	1,718,601	54,134	3,068,293	2,413,103
Widows'	4,369	321,605	311,864	4,753	464,879	412,280
Maori War	43	2,107	2,577	36	2,106	1,972
Miners'	851	73,331	67,834	1,040	87,838	83,253
Epidemic	10	501	907	3	76	253
* Invalidity	507	23,961	22,991	7,491	478,165	284,760
Boer War	55	2,086	2,127	57	2,131	2,067
Sundry pensions and annuities	151	15,065	13,053	144	13,161	13,892
Civil Service Act, 1908 ..	13	4,460	4,676	11	3,933	4,106
Family allowances	11,691	144,856	149,043	9,515	125,702	130,730
War veterans' allowances ..	1,043	58,358	16,544	2,079	151,713	110,667
Totals	84,673	3,858,820	3,659,664	102,974	5,930,421	4,940,428

Cost per head of European population : 1935-36, £2 9s. 1d. ; 1936-37, £3 5s. 9d.

* Blind pensions formerly payable have been merged with invalidity pensions.

PAYMENTS ON BEHALF OF OTHER GOVERNMENTS.

The following figures relate to the war and other pensions paid by the Department during the year on behalf of other Governments :—

Government.	Class of Pension.	Number at 31st March, 1937.	Annual Value.	Average Pension.	Payments, 1936-37.
			£	£ s. d.	£
Great Britain	War	1,377	72,324	53 0 0	} 158,153
"	Army and civil ..	760	52,199	69 0 0	
Australia	War	515	24,167	46 18 6	26,518
India	Army and civil ..	59	14,949	253 0 0	20,339
South Africa	War	4	372	93 0 0	} 5,789
"	Civil	31	4,076	131 0 0	
Crown Colonies	"	38	9,861	260 0 0	11,963
Canada	War	1	216	216 6 8	566
Totals		2,785	178,164	..	223,328

WAR PENSIONS.

SUMMARY OF WAR PENSION PAYMENTS.

	Payments made in						Total.
	London.	Australia.	Canada.	South Africa.	Foreign Countries.	New Zealand.	
	£	£	£	£	£	£	£
Total payments to 31st March, 1936	1,064,912	623,076	36,782	6,617	10,882	23,084,950	24,827,219
Payments in 1936-37	50,739	30,582	2,267	590	801	1,398,366	1,483,345
Total payments to 31st March, 1937	1,115,651	653,658	39,049	7,207	11,683	24,483,316	26,310,564

The amount paid for the year ended 31st March, 1937, shows an increase over the preceding year of £133,898.

SUMMARY OF ANNUAL LIABILITY AS AT 31ST MARCH, 1937.

Class of Pension.	Number of Pensioners.	Number of Children.	Annual Value.	Average Pension.
			£	£
Soldiers (permanent)	10,647	33	621,630	58
Soldiers (temporary)	4,444	35	318,423	72
Dependants of disabled soldiers	3,252	5,809	262,477	81
Widows (without children)	1,332	..	128,256	96
Widows (with children)	385	740	63,314	164
Other dependants of deceased soldiers—				
Parents	3,441	..	129,399	38
Other adult dependants	75	..	2,516	34
Guardians of children	135	231	6,409	47
Totals, &c.	23,711	6,848	1,532,424	65

WAR PENSIONS PAYABLE OUTSIDE NEW ZEALAND AS AT 31ST MARCH, 1937.

	Soldiers.		Wives and Parents of Soldiers.	Dependants.		Annual Liability
	Permanent.	Temporary.	Temporary.	Widows.	Other Dependants.	
						£
Great Britain..	296	66	44	149	364	52,366
Australia ..	333	167	54	65	119	43,706
Other countries	56	19	4	6	23	4,897
Totals	685	252	102	220	506	100,969

ECONOMIC PENSIONS PAYABLE AT 31ST MARCH, 1937.

Class.	Number.	Annual Value.	Average Annual Grant.
		£	£
Soldiers with permanent pensions	1,883	115,851	62
Soldiers with temporary pensions	1,474	90,834	62
Widows with children	85	2,685	32
Widows without children	331	12,818	39
Widowed mothers	163	7,482	46
Totals	3,936	229,670	58

WAR PENSION APPEALS.

Appeals outstanding on 31st March, 1936	328
Appeals lodged during 1936-37	971
	1,299
Appeals dismissed during 1936-37	465
Appeals upheld during 1936-37	424
Appeals withdrawn and struck out, 1936-37	27
	916
Appeals outstanding on 31st March, 1937	383

Percentage upheld, 46·3.

The total number of appeals dealt with to the 31st March, 1937, was 8,415, the percentage upheld being 48 per cent.

Of the 916 cases dealt with during the past year, 502 were heard at Auckland, 48·6 per cent. being upheld; 169 at Wellington, 34·3 per cent. being upheld; 113 at Christchurch, 48·7 per cent. being upheld; and 132 at Dunedin, 50·8 per cent. being upheld.

Medical treatment of war pensioners during 1936-37 cost £66,871.

Railway concessions to war pensioners on maximum permanent disablement pension and those with locomotive disabilities on permanent pension in excess of 50 per cent. cost £1,869 during the year.

The loading paid on life-insurance policies of war pensioners due to war-service disability amounted to £173 for the year.

Temporary war pensions to soldiers increased by 181 and permanent pensions to soldiers increased by 346 during the year.

The 484 deaths among war pensioners are made up as follows: Soldiers, 197; widows of soldiers, 20; other dependants, 267.

WAR VETERANS' ALLOWANCES.

Since the passing of the War Veterans' Allowances Act in October, 1935, 2,529 cases have been granted, of which 2,079, with an annual value of £151,713, were in force as at 31st March, 1937. These comprised 854 single and 1,191 married veterans, with 1,994 dependent children, and 34 widows.

WAR VETERANS' ALLOWANCES APPEALS.

Appeals outstanding on 31st March, 1936	..	..	..	..	36
Appeals lodged during 1936-37	..	..	..	..	96
					— 132
Appeals dismissed during 1936-37	..	..	..	..	67
Appeals upheld during 1936-37	..	..	..	..	42
Appeals withdrawn and struck out, 1936-37	..	..	..	..	5
					— 114
Appeals outstanding on 31st March, 1937	..	..	..	..	18
Percentage upheld, 36·8					

FAMILY ALLOWANCES.

The claims lodged during the year totalled 1,417, which, with the 225 outstanding from the previous year, made a total of 1,642 to be dealt with. Of these, 1,131 were accepted and 308 rejected. Of the rejected claims 100 represent cases where the income of the family was in excess of the limit allowed. Three hundred and seventy-nine new claims from Maoris were finally dealt with during the year, 241 being granted and 138 rejected.

The total children of the 9,515 allowances in force as at 31st March, 1937, and those in excess of two in a family numbered 43,454 and 24,424, the average per family being 4·56 and 2·56 respectively.

The total amount paid during the year was £130,730, while the total annual value of all allowances in force at the close of the year was £125,702.

Weekly Rates at which Allowances granted.

Weekly Rate.	1s.	2s.	3s.	4s.	5s.	6s.	7s.	8s.	9s.	10s.	12s.	14s.	16s.	18s.	
Number granted	..	4	625	5	279	4	109	1	66	1	22	10	3	1	1

Numbers according to Size of Family.

Number of Children in Excess of Two.	1.	2.	3.	4.	5.	6.	7.	8.	9.	10.
Number of families ..	606	281	115	77	30	14	6	..	1	1

Weekly Incomes of Families.

Weekly Income.	£1 and under.	Over £1 and up to £2.	Over £2 and up to £3.	Over £3 and up to £4	Over £4
Number of families ..	29	196	525	171	210

COST OF ADMINISTRATION.

The cost of administration for the year amounted to £88,039, the principal items of expenditure being £45,385 for salaries of officers of the Department, who numbered 265 as at 31st March, 1937; £15,745 and £4,601 paid to the Postal Department for payment of pensions and postage and telegrams respectively; £5,230 for salaries and other expenses of the War Pensions Appeal Board; and £2,427 for salaries of the War Pensions Board.

The percentage of cost of administration to the total pension payments made of £5,163,756 (including £223,328 paid on behalf of other Governments) was 1·70, or 4·1d. in the pound.

LEGISLATION.

CIVIL PENSIONS.

The Pensions Amendment Act, 1936, and the Finance Act, 1936 (No. 2), widened the scope of the civil-pensions legislation, and the following brief summary shows the principal benefits to the pensioners coming within the various categories :—

Old-age Pensions.

The maximum pension has been increased from £45 10s. to £58 10s. per annum. Any income which has ceased may now be exempted.

Receipts during any income-year not exceeding £500 by way of legacy, life insurance, or compensation for accidental injury or death, where such receipts are expended on a home property or for any other purpose deemed reasonable, may also be exempted.

Additional property exemptions include any interest in land, including any interest in any mortgage of any estate or interest in land.

The general exemption for other property has been increased from £50 to £500.

The period of residence in New Zealand to qualify for pension has been reduced from twenty-five years to twenty years.

The deduction in respect of age from the pension of a female applicant under sixty-five years has been eliminated, and a woman of sixty years of age now receives the full pension.

Widows' Pensions.

Every pension has been increased by 10s. a week, and the maximum pension has been increased from £4 to £4 10s. a week.

The old provision charging 5 per cent. of all property other than home and furniture as constructive income has been eliminated.

A new provision provides pension for deserted wives with children on the same basis as widows pensions, subject to maintenance proceedings having failed, or a maintenance order not being complied with and the whereabouts of the husband being unknown.

Miners' Pensions.

Provision was made extending the qualifying diseases for miners' pensions, which now include miners' phthisis (pneumoconiosis) or tuberculosis of the lungs or any other disease of the respiratory organs commonly associated with or a sequel to pneumoconiosis, or any other occupational disease or heart-disease contracted while working as a miner in New Zealand.

A definite right to pension at the rate of 17s. 6d. a week during widowhood has been given to the widow of a miner dying while in receipt of pension. (Right to pension irrespective of circumstances previously was for two years only.)

Military Pensions (Maori War).

The pension payable to a Maori War veteran has been increased from £49 per annum to £58 10s. per annum.

Blind Pensions.

The pensions formerly payable to blind persons under Part III of the Pensions Act, 1926, are now included in the new invalidity pension provisions, with new benefits in respect of wife and children (10s. weekly for the wife and 10s. a week for each child) and an increase in the basic pension from 17s. 6d. to £1 a week.

Invalidity Pensions.

The Pensions Amendment Act, 1936, made provision for the first time for the payment in New Zealand of invalidity pensions to persons of the age of sixteen years or upwards.

The benefits of the Act are payable to persons of good character and who have been resident in New Zealand for ten years and who are permanently incapacitated for work, provided the condition of invalidity arose in New Zealand.

The following scale of pensions is provided for:—

Married Man: £1 a week plus 10s. a week for wife and 10s. a week for each child under sixteen years, with maximum pension of £4 a week.

Widower with Child or Children: £1 a week plus 10s. a week for each child under sixteen, maximum pension £4 a week.

Other Applicants: £1 a week.

Apart from pension, an income of £2 a week is allowed in the case of a married applicant or widower with children, and £1 a week in the case of other applicants.

The qualifications in respect of property are the same as for old-age pensions.

FAMILY ALLOWANCES AMENDMENT ACT, 1936.

The income exemption permitting maximum allowance in respect of children has been increased from £3 5s. to £4 a week.

WAR PENSIONS AMENDMENT ACT, 1936.

The benefits brought about by this Act are—

A time-limit of seven years from date of discharge within which marriage was required to take place before the wife or widow of a disabled or deceased ex-member of the N.Z.E.F. could qualify for pension has been removed, and the pensions become payable where marriage took place prior to 1st August, 1936 (this also applies to allowances under the War Veterans' Allowance Act, 1935).

The maximum economic pension payable to certain classes of ex-soldiers has been increased from £1 2s. 7d. a week to £1 5s. a week.

The reductions made by the National Expenditure Adjustment Act, 1932, in certain classes of statutory pensions and all economic pensions payable to dependants of deceased soldiers have been fully restored.

ORGANIZATION.

The increased number of pensioners consequent upon the widening of the scope of the pensions legislation necessitated a review of the number of pension districts into which the Dominion is divided. As a result, new branch offices at Whangarei and New Plymouth are being opened, bringing the total number of branches to fourteen.

The extended activities of the Department made necessary an increase of staff, and this has rendered the accommodation of the Department's offices, particularly the branch offices, inadequate.

Several branch offices have already been moved to more commodious and convenient premises, and arrangements are being made, where necessary, to suitably accommodate the staffs of the remaining branches.

Better provision is being made also for the convenience of the public, and, where possible, special rooms are provided to ensure privacy when applicants are being interviewed.

STATISTICS IN REGARD TO CIVIL PENSIONS.

	Old-age.	Widows'.	Maori War.	Miners'.	*Invalidity.	Epidemic.
Pensions in force at 31st March, 1936 ..	43,309	4,369	43	{ 717† 134‡ 199† 68‡ }	507	10
New pensions granted, 1936-37	14,388	1,117	..	{ 58 20 }	7,292	..
Deaths during 1936-37	2,974	7	7	58	201	..
Cancellations during 1936-37	589	726	..	20	107	7
Net increase or decrease	+10,825	+384	-7	+189	+6,984	-7
Pensions in force at 31st March, 1937 ..	54,134	4,753	36	{ 861† 179‡ }	7,491	3
Total children in receipt of pension, 31st March, 1937 ..	..	9,666	..	415	2,123	..
Total European pensioners, males sixty-five years and over, and females sixty years and over ..	51,779	..	..	..	..	..
Total Maori pensioners	2,318	458	12	..	277	..
Total Asiatic pensioners	37	..	..	..	2	..
§ Pensioners under section 7 (b), Pensions Act, 1926 ..	71	..	..	..	..	..
Percentage of European pensioners to total European population ..	3.4	..	..	..	..	..
New claims lodged	17,191	1,676	..	375	11,337	..
New claims rejected	2,008	494	..	107	2,956	..
Number of children on whose account pension granted ..	..	2,416	..	..	..	..
Annual liability at 31st March, 1937 ..	£3,068,293	£464,879	£2,106	£87,838	£478,165	£76
Average pension per annum	£56 13 7	£97 16 2	£58 10 0	£84 9 2	£63 16 8	£25 6 4
Gross expenditure for year 1936-37 ..	£2,413,103	£412,280	£1,972	£83,253	£284,760	£253
Increase or decrease on figures of previous year ..	+£694,502	+£100,416	-£605	+£15,419	+£261,769	-£654
Cost per head of European population ..	£1 12s. 1d.	5s. 6d.	0.3d.	1s. 1.3d.	3s. 9.5d.	0.04d.
Credit from national endowment	£40,940	..	..	..	..	..
Refunds paid to Public Account	£711	£151	..	£14	£132	..
Number of pensioners in homes and hospitals ..	1,596	..	4	15	829	..
Amount paid to controlling authorities of these ..	£67,324	..	£186	£1,114	£33,440	..
Number of pensioners in mental hospitals ..	177	3	..	1	..	..
Amount paid to Mental Hospitals Department on account of these ..	£8,731	£70	..	£65	..	..
Unpaid instalments as at 31st March, 1937 ..	£9,340	£2,057	£33	£133	£3,659	..
Instalments forfeited and subsequently paid ..	£3,157	£574	£8	£66	£3,442	..
Average of family under fifteen years ..	..	2.03	..	..	..	..
Total claims lodged to date	166,163	21,588	1,893	3,451	12,303	..
Total claims established	132,198	18,137	1,698	2,658	7,998	972
Total claims rejected	32,392	3,333	195	766	3,206	..
Total number of children benefited	..	43,545	..	..	..	..
Total deaths	63,480	151	1,656	1,030	340	14
Total guardians appointed	..	409	..	..	..	..
Total cancellations	14,584	13,233	6	588	167	955
Grand total paid to date	£27,508,721	£5,263,666	£609,409	£903,458	£458,617	£474,087
Total amount paid on account funeral expenses ..	..	..	..	£9,662	..	..
Total credit from national endowment ..	£860,389	..	..	..	..	..
Invalidity appeals—						
Appeals lodged during 1936-37	..	..	..	..	657	..
Appeals dismissed during 1936-37	..	..	..	..	308	..
Appeals upheld during 1936-37	..	..	..	..	165	..
Appeals withdrawn and struck out 1936-37 ..	..	..	..	..	18	..
Appeals outstanding on 31st March, 1937 ..	..	..	..	..	166	..
Percentage upheld	..	..	..	..	33.6	..

* Blind pensions formerly payable have been merged with Invalidity Pensions. † Miners. ‡ Widows of miners. § Pensions may be granted to males sixty years and over and to females fifty-five years and over in cases where two or more children under fifteen are being maintained. The seventy-one cases above comprise: European—Males, 60 and under 65, 61; females, 55 and under 60, 4; Maori—Males, 60 and under 65, 5; females, 55 and under 60, 1.

Total European population at 31st March, 1937, 1,502,737.

PENSIONS GRANTED, DEATHS, AND CANCELLATIONS IN EACH YEAR, WITH NUMBER IN FORCE.

Year ended 31st March,	Number of Pensions granted.	Deaths.	Cancellations.	In Force at End of Period.	Year ended 31st March,	Number of Pensions granted.	Deaths.	Cancellations.	In Force at End of Period.
<i>Old-age.</i>					<i>Family Allowances.</i>				
1899-1900	12,186	824	77	11,285	1928 ..	3,154	25	123	3,006
1901-1910	17,848	10,237	3,576	15,320	1929 ..	1,437	39	641	3,763
1911-1920	24,028	16,017	3,338	19,993	1930 ..	1,004	41	858	3,868
1921 ..	2,152	1,880	428	19,837	1931 ..	1,399	46	604	4,617
1922 ..	2,553	1,578	321	20,491	1932 ..	3,040	56	269	7,332
1923 ..	2,781	1,763	328	21,181	1933 ..	3,841	68	785	10,320
1924 ..	2,549	1,870	392	21,468	1934 ..	3,022	68	1,129	12,145
1925 ..	2,654	1,635	425	22,062	1935 ..	2,166	63	1,927	12,321
1926 ..	3,100	1,839	418	22,905	1936 ..	1,730	55	2,305	11,691
1927 ..	3,302	2,049	407	23,751	1937 ..	1,131	25	3,282	9,515
1928 ..	3,638	2,093	421	24,875	Totals..	21,924	486	11,923	..
1929 ..	3,614	1,968	411	26,110	<i>Maori War.</i>				
1930 ..	3,506	2,242	465	26,909	1913-1920	1,691	750	2	939
1931 ..	4,640	2,202	352	28,995	1921 ..	2	130	..	811
1932 ..	5,806	2,188	296	32,317	1922 ..	1	72	..	740
1933 ..	5,534	2,262	657	34,932	1923 ..	1	71	1	669
1934 ..	5,509	2,369	565	37,507	1924 ..	1	80	1	589
1935 ..	5,934	2,744	556	40,141	1925 ..	1	71	..	519
1936 ..	6,476	2,746	562	43,309	1926 ..	..	74	1	444
1937 ..	14,388	2,974	589	54,134	1927 ..	..	70	..	374
Totals..	132,198	63,480	14,584	..	1928 ..	..	66	..	308
<i>Widows'.</i>					1929 ..	..	49	..	259
1912-1920	5,817	47	2,326	3,444	1930 ..	..	50	..	209
1921 ..	627	8	642	3,421	1931 ..	1	40	..	170
1922 ..	523	3	598	3,343	1932 ..	..	27	..	143
1923 ..	616	12	536	3,411	1933 ..	..	36	1	106
1924 ..	730	8	607	3,526	1934 ..	..	20	..	86
1925 ..	602	6	524	3,598	1935 ..	..	21	..	65
1926 ..	684	2	447	3,833	1936 ..	..	22	..	43
1927 ..	705	6	562	3,970	1937 ..	..	7	..	36
1928 ..	761	4	629	4,098	Totals..	1,698	656	6	..
1929 ..	823	5	584	4,332	<i>War.</i>				
1930 ..	702	6	655	4,373	1916-1920	49,254	953	13,730	34,571
1931 ..	815	9	613	4,566	1921 ..	2,207	358	4,656	31,764
1932 ..	798	8	647	4,709	1922 ..	945	369	3,249	29,091
1933 ..	731	3	750	4,687	1923 ..	625	358	2,898	26,460
1934 ..	703	5	766	4,619	1924 ..	551	361	3,484	23,166
1935 ..	687	2	799	4,505	1925 ..	432	334	1,946	21,318
1936 ..	696	10	822	4,369	1926 ..	353	369	586	20,716
1937 ..	1,117	7	726	4,753	1927 ..	350	353	88	20,625
Totals..	18,137	151	13,233	..	1928 ..	330	401	-6	20,560
<i>* Invalidity.</i>					1929 ..	398	360	-88	20,686
1925 ..	114	..	..	114	1930 ..	347	405	-111	20,739
1926 ..	92	9	1	196	1931 ..	431	387	-242	21,025
1927 ..	46	6	4	232	1932 ..	348	432	-100	21,041
1928 ..	39	11	1	259	1933 ..	352	400	-111	21,104
1929 ..	43	14	6	282	1934 ..	365	419	-264	21,314
1930 ..	47	10	8	311	1935 ..	463	445	-346	21,678
1931 ..	43	18	6	330	1936 ..	740	451	-664	22,631
1932 ..	45	13	2	360	1937 ..	1,136	484	†-428	23,711
1933 ..	52	9	8	395	Totals..	59,627	7,639	28,277	..
1934 ..	60	12	5	438					
1935 ..	70	24	10	474					
1936 ..	55	13	9	507					
1937 ..	7,292	201	107	7,491					
Totals..	7,998	340	167	..					

* Blind pensions formerly payable have been merged with Invalidity Pensions.
 † This represents 822 reinstatements less 394 actual cancellations.

PENSIONS GRANTED, DEATHS, AND CANCELLATIONS IN EACH YEAR, WITH NUMBER IN FORCE—*continued.*

Year ended 31st March,	Number of Pensions granted.	Deaths.	Cancellations.	In Force at End of Period.	Year ended 31st March,	Number of Pensions granted.	Deaths.	Cancellations.	In Force at End of Period.
<i>Miners'.</i>					<i>Epidemic.</i>				
1916-1920	683	133	135	415	1920 ..	939	..	..	..
1921 ..	107	43	5	474	1921 ..	27	4	113	849
1922 ..	78	38	8	506	1922 ..	6	..	172	683
1923 ..	96	52	6	544	1923 ..	..	2	112	569
1924 ..	88	48	4	580	1924 ..	..	1	111	457
1925 ..	111	70	14	607	1925 ..	..	..	92	365
1926 ..	96	50	13	640	1926 ..	..	1	51	313
1927 ..	84	51	5	668	1927 ..	..	2	52	259
1928 ..	104	47	4	721	1928 ..	..	3	47	209
1929 ..	94	53	2	760	1929 ..	..	..	21	188
1930 ..	86	59	8	779	1930 ..	..	1	27	160
1931 ..	153	51	5	876	1931 ..	..	..	22	138
1932 ..	175	56	4	991	1932 ..	..	..	27	111
1933 ..	100	52	296	743	1933 ..	..	..	13	98
1934 ..	70	51	26	736	1934 ..	..	..	30	68
1935 ..	124	48	29	783	1935 ..	..	..	34	34
1936 ..	142	70	4	851	1936 ..	..	..	24	10
1937 ..	263	58	20	1,040	1937 ..	..	..	7	3
Totals..	2,658	1,030	588	..	Totals..	972	14	955	..
<i>War Veterans' Allowances.</i>									
1936 ..	1,061	7	11	1,043					
1937 ..	1,468	44	388	2,079					
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