

"Buy Christmas Seals" — Campaign Now In Progress

By AUDREY NUNN

The familiar double-barred Red Cross of the National Tuberculosis association made its appearance at Richmond Professional Institute on November 25, when the Occupational Therapy class began the sale of Christmas seals. The sale is being conducted in the lower front hall of the Administration building and will continue until school is dismissed for Christmas holidays. It is hoped that RPI students will make an all-out effort to purchase these medical supplies for victims of the number one killer of persons between the ages of 15 and 35.

Proceeds from the sale of Christmas seals are used for the relief of active cases of Tuberculosis and to estab-

lish organizations dedicated to educational organizations and preventive work in stamping out the disease. Of the money raised, 95 percent will be spent in the state where it was contributed. The other 5 percent will go to support the services of the National association.

TB, a respecter of no man, is killing 144 Americans each day. It is the No. one disease killer of adults from 15 to 35 years of age, yet the death rate is 75 percent lower since the national association was organized.

RPI must come forth with an excellent showing for a cause so worthy as the TB Christmas seal campaign. The school, in this way, can aid in saving the lives of 250,000 untreated people in the United States, who have active cases of tuberculosis.

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Coal Strike May Be Felt At R.P.I.

Dean Hibbs announced last week that Richmond Professional Institute now has on hand a three weeks' supply of coal which the college will endeavor to stretch until the Christmas holidays. In the event the coal strike continues, the Dean believes that other coal, now on order, may be delivered in time to replenish the supply.

Also, if the strike situation is not remedied, the publication of the PROSCRIPT will be halted, as the printer will be on a 24 hour week schedule.

PROSCRIPT

Due to the annual general overhauling of the presses and equipment at the printers, the plant will be shut down, therefore there will be no Dec. 4 issue of the Proscript.

December 11 will herald in a new Proscript. It will be new, and will contain new features in its makeup.

Classified Advertising

Classified advertising will be available in the Proscript beginning with the issue of December 11. The ads for the Proscript should be given to either Elaine Horton or Virginia Calisch. They must be handed in by Friday afternoon. Calisch will be in the front hall on that day until 3:00. The rate is 10c for 25 words or less. This space may be used for: books wanted or for sale; lost and found articles.

Honor Council Session Called

Serious infringements of the Honor code, under which all the actions of the students are governed, have resulted in two special sessions of the Honor Council during the past month. The names of the students involved were withheld.

Infractions of the Honor code include not only cheating during examinations, but also the copying of material from sources without proper acknowledgement and, especially in the case of term papers, from other students' papers.

The council, under the supervision of Dr. Margaret Johnson, is presided over by Dorothy Turock, Student Government president. It consists also of the Student Government officers and the house presidents.

The council, under the supervision of Dr. Margaret Johnson, has asked for the complete cooperation of the faculty and students in reporting to her, or to Dorothy Turock, all suspected infractions of the Honor code.

Store Service Students Leave For Field Work

With their suitcases packed with professional working clothes, and their heads packed with retailing facts, the entire senior class of the Store Service Department of Richmond Professional Institute left college last week to begin their annual Christmas work-experience.

This actual work in stores is part of the RPI program to develop men and women students, who upon graduation, have a knowledge of the job which they have derived from personal contact, as well as the benefit of class room instruction.

The Store Service students will be located in retail establishments

Wood To Be Guest Conductor At First Orchestra Concert

Kenneth Wood, head of the violin department at West Virginia University, will be guest conductor for the concert by the Richmond Professional Institute orchestra on Sunday afternoon, December 15, in the WRVA Theater. Wood, an able arranger as well as violinist,

will conduct his own arrangement of a Bach Andante for strings.

This will be the first time that the R. P. I. orchestra has performed in a theater outside the campus, and the event is arousing much interest locally. A number of musically minded men and women of the city are sponsoring the affair, which may well mark the beginning of a Richmond Symphony Orchestra.

The feature attraction on the program of the concert will be the Rubinstein D Minor Piano Concerto, with Volney Shepard, Director of the Music School, as soloist. The popular Unfinished Symphony by Schubert will also be one of the important numbers offered by the orchestra. Other selections will include Corelli's Christmas Concerto, Prelude and Fugue in G Minor by Bach, and the Prelude to the Third Act of Lohengrin by Wagner.

For this performance the R. P. I. group will be augmented by 15 students from the College of William and Mary at Williamsburg. A few professional musicians will complete the full orchestra. Also in the plan is a repeat performance of this program at Williamsburg, probably the following Monday evening, December 16.

R. P. I. Calendar November 27-December 4

Wednesday, Men's A. A. Gym
Thursday, Thanksgiving Holiday
Friday, Classes Resume
Monday, Men's A. A. Gym
Seminar class, front Library
Tuesday, Fine Arts movie, rear Library 7:45-10:30
Wednesday, Men's A. A. Gym.

Cut Regulations Clarified By Absence Committee

In order to clarify the confusion regarding absences before holidays, Miss Juliet Lee Woodson, secretary of the Committee on Absences, has prepared the following bulletin:

"Cuts count double the last day a class meets before a holiday and the first day of meeting after the holiday. For example: At Thanksgiving, absences from class on Tuesday, Wednesday, Friday or Saturday will be counted a double cut."

"If a student does not have these cuts, five dollars may be paid for each day, or part of the day missed."

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COUNT YOUR MANY BLESSINGS

Thanksgiving is the time to "count your many blessings one by one." It seems the greatest blessing RPI students have to be grateful for is that of being among the privileged few who are acquiring a college education. People say special grace over the Thanksgiving turkey on the dinner table, but let's not forget that those people with turkeys are more numerous than those who will reap the harvest of a college education.

Recently, Dr. Isiah Bowman, President of Johns Hopkins university, expressed the fuller meaning of a college education to his freshmen class:

"For every one of you here there are several others outside the gate . . . If you think of them as you should, you will be at peace with your conscience only if you make the best use of the special privilege you now enjoy and which was denied to them . . .

"Distinctly you are not here, we hope, merely to gain the smartness required to beat other men . . . It would be terribly lonesome business to know how to do something well only for the purpose of advancing a personal interest. What we can do for you is of no lasting importance if we have not taught you that citizenship comes first today in our crowded world . . .

"No man can enjoy the privileges of education and, therefore, with a clear conscience, break his contract with society. To respect that contract is to be mature; to strengthen it is to be a good citizen; to do more than your share under it is to be noble."

Thanksgiving for a college education is due because it offers more to life than a job. College aids the realization that there is more to living than working and that there is more value in friendship than in gold. Higher education helps the ability of self expression. It promotes our understanding of the society in which we live.

We are the beneficiaries of invaluable training. Should we not be thankful for the preparation which so many people go without. This, it seems, warrants our bountiful Thanksgiving.

MODERN DANCE WANTED

More than one desire has been expressed at RPI for a beginners' modern dance class to start at the beginning of next semester. Modern dance is apparently one of the most sought after courses at school, since both dance classes were filled to capacity shortly after the September registration began.

After the classes were closed to further enrollment there were still a great many girls who either needed or required modern dance in order to graduate. The dance classes are the only physical education courses which can be taken for two credits and this is another reason for the popularity of the classes.

Since so many students were not admitted to the dance classes this semester, there is an actual need for another beginners' class to start in February. It is hoped that such a class will be offered.

The President Speaks

By NANCY LaTOUCHE

The Commercial Art club of the Art Students' League was founded 15 years ago for all art students who were interested in meeting to converse on art and to hear outside speakers. The group selected as its sponsor, Mrs. Hazel Mundy.

Since this time, the Art school has enlarged to such an extent that two years ago it was necessary for the fine art and commercial students to divide into two separate clubs, both of which combined to compose the League. The two groups still jointly sponsor their annual costume ball and New York trip.

The following departments in the school are invited to join the Commercial Art group: Advertising, Interior decoration, costume design and Illustration, and Drama. Meetings are held on the third Thursday evening of each month.

Letters To Editor

Dear Editor:

In regard to the "Intra-mural Vs. Inter-Collegiate" editorial in the last PROSCRIPT issue, we, the Physical Education majors, believe that neither of these types of athletics should be omitted from our school, but should be broadened. The Physical Education majors can not receive the best preparation without both.

Through inter-collegiates, one learns sportsmanship.

Intra-mural sports are for every student, regardless of his or her ability. Inter-collegiate activities are definitely for the above average student in physical coordination. Intra-murals alone are not enough to fulfill the needs of these individuals. For this reason, we must have Inter-collegiates for physical education majors who are preparing for professional work in later life.

The Physical Education majors endorse that part of the editorial which advocates the broadening of the present intra-mural program, but at the same time, we know that our training would be incomplete without intra-murals AND inter-collegiate. Contrary to the editorial, we do not believe that it is necessary for class work to suffer under the pressure of inter-collegiate sports. Neither, do we think it necessary to play solely to win.

Yours truly,
The Physical Education majors.

To the Editor:

I think most of the John Q. Publics at R. P. I. are of the opinion that your Dramatic Critic for WINTERSET is somewhat of a biased and stereotyped reporter. It is the first time I have ever read a theatrical review that did not mention the heroine or the hero. What happened? I think

We The Men

By ART LEE

Those big, blue eyes of the women undoubtedly are peering into our column for men. This time their curiosity will be justified.

The well-known writer, Robert Benchley said, "Nine-tenths of the women in college are not pretty."

Now, while nine-tenths of the girls are gazing into the mirror and the other tenth are galavanting about town, maybe we men can speak confidentially.

It is said that man forgets more than he remembers, but it is perfectly normal. The point is—that you guys who have not been to school in the past few years/may forget certain things the instructor passes your way. Don't worry. It is perfectly normal. Science says so!

The subject that interests many men is women. That's a fact. Why are men interested in the shapely sex? Simply because men like to know how people spend money. Then too, there is another reason but that is hardly worth mentioning.

For you out-of-town men who are still looking for a spot where you can enjoy yourselves when out with a date—take a tip, and stop trying. Start crying instead, because it's a darn, hard job to find a spot in the capital city of this state; unless you are looking for a dark spot or a lost weekend.

Might some curious women still be peering? If so there is something concerning men that might interest you. There is some fixing going on in the basement of the Ad building but you might find yourselves in a fix for an explanation if you get too nosy.

Veterans Usher At Concert

The "Lost Battalion" will supply ushers for the Concert to be presented by Richmond Professional Institute's orchestra at the WRVA Theater on December 15th. This announcement comes from Joseph Hendrick, president of the veterans' association. This will be the club's first opportunity to support a school activity.

the actors mentioned were good but their performances did not excell those of the actors not mentioned. I don't think your reporter practiced what she preached about giving credit where it was due. They certainly deserve a pat on the back.

Did the director execute the staging of the play properly? If so, why did the audience laugh when they should have been shedding tears? Trok's gangsters must have been a former anti-aircraft outfit. The murders were committed by machine guns, and yet all we saw was pistols. I might add that it was not the cast's fault for such predicaments.

In the next Dramatic Critic's report please give praise and constructive criticism where it is due and not through a glass eye. Kilroy.

Our People

By CHUCK WOOD

Gene Layne is definitely one of RPI's most outstanding athletes. Her ability, combined with her splendid sportsmanship, has gained for her an outstanding place in the school activities.

Gene started her athletic career at Glen Allen High where she was voted the "Most Athletic" for two successive years. She was one of the outstanding basketball players there and also at Thomas Jefferson High, where she completed her high school training.

She has made a very impressive record at RPI since her entrance in 1944. Her skill in basketball has been one of her greatest contributions, but by no means her only one. Gene was elected captain of the basketball team last year and is now serving as president of the Girls Athletic Association, along with other officers.

"Naturally the school enrollment has increased 100 percent since I started and many changes have taken place for both, good and bad, but there is a big job for us all and that is having more school spirit and cooperation. It is true that we are here for a definite purpose, but it takes much more to make a wholesome individual other than just book knowledge," she declared.

Gene is a Physical Ed major, and hopes to get her degree in this field. Her contributions to RPI have been many, and her influence on the activities of the school have been one of the many important factors that have helped us to progress in school affairs.

RPI is very proud of Gene, now and we know that we will always be, so we say to you, Gene, "The best of everything always, cause you really deserve it."

Chapman Awards Hockey Letters

Hockey letters were awarded to twelve girls by Head Coach Frances Chapman at an informal picnic in Bryan Park November 21.

These letters, given for outstanding play during the past campaign, were awarded after a picnic which featured the playing of games, dancing, and the omnipresent hotdogs and Cokes.

Girls who received letters were Lillian Smith and Ann Tucker, wingmen; Captain Frances Allen, forward; Mary Munce, Martha Winston and Frances Mason, inners; Connie Hatke, Katherine Tarter, and Caroline Hoghead, halfbacks; Gene Layne and Maryanne Rawlings, fullbacks; and Mary Virginia Erickson, goalie.

Miss Chapman expressed regret at the girls' poor showing at Sweetbrier, but said that as a whole they concluded a successful season. Final totals show that the squad won three, lost four (two at Sweetbrier) and tied one.

SPORTS

BOB HALL EDITOR

All aboard . . .

All sports-minded fans are looking forward to the basketball doubleheader to be played at McGuire's Hospital tonight. It will mark the official unveiling of the cage sport for the coming season.

Head Coach Dick Wiltshire will floor an untried quint representing the men, while Florence English, girls' coach, will send a potentially good sextet against the McGuire's Hospital team and the Cadets, respectively.

It's on the way . . .

Plans for the Athletic Association's Christmas dance to be held December 14 are nearing completion. A working committee chosen at a recent joint meeting of girls' and men's AA include Dave Shobe, Bob Pully, L. Cook, Connie Hatke, Katherine Tarter, and Frances Allen . . .

Specialty number to be offered on the program include a waltz, rhumba, and fox trot, for which prizes will be given. Judges for the affair include Misses Florence English and Frances Chapman and William C. Shafer.

Bouncing about . . .

The ping-pong tournament which started last Monday is in full sway now, and eliminations have begun. A champion will be crowned and awarded a trophy . . .

Only a buck . . .

The sale of R. P. I. hats by the girls' AA is lagging. Only about half of the hats ordered have been purchased. They are on sale in the hall of the Administration Building, and are for a good cause, sports.

Why not buy one today? . . .

The Men's AA would like to thank Mr. H. H. Sisson, R.P.I. Business Manager, for his cooperation in the acquisition of equipment for the cage squad . . .

EFFORT (to say the least)—

Come one, come all, get behind your class,

Boost your school spirit, buy a season pass;

If you have the pep, you must have the dough,

So get a basketball pass, and watch your team go.

—A Pen' by Anonymous.

Girls' Basketballers Vie At McGuires Tonight

Head Coach Florence English will send an untried sextet representing R. P. I. against the McGuire's Hospital Cadets girls' cage team tonight.

After holding several informal practices in which fundamentals were stressed, the

squad, cut to 17 players, began serious work Friday and Monday. They appear in top shape for the approaching tussle.

A promising group of over 40 girls showed up for the initial practice and Miss English had a difficult time weeding out contemporary Varsity and Bee squads.

However, after much deliberation, the following squad was picked: at forwards; Martha Winston, Gene Layne, Ann Tucker, Clem Allen, Byrd Bradshaw, Barbara Hobson, and Cynthia Crockett.

Holding down the guard pots are Mary Roberts, Nancy Dugan, Katherine Tarter, Helen House, Libby Stevens, Mary Jo Reynolds, Gloria Chaney, Alma Martin, Lillian Smith, and Mary Prentice.

The girls' cage schedule for the rest of the season includes: Norfolk (there), December 9; Lynchburg (here), January 13; Wil-

liam and Mary (here), February 6; Bridgewater (here), February 12; Westhampton (there), Feb. 26; Farmville (here), March 15.

"Six games still are pending, but replies are expected soon," Manager "Erk" Erickson announced. They include Charleston, South Carolina (here); Lynchburg (there); Sweetbrier (here); Richmond Club (here); Medical College of Virginia (here); and George Washington University, (there.)

Students

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Little's Gridders Scholastic Inclined

Coach Lou Little's football players at Columbia University do better classroom work during the gridiron season than at any other time in the school year, sports writer Stanley Frank of the Saturday Evening Post reports.

Not only that, but statistics show that there is less academic mortality among Columbia football players than in the general student body, the article asserts. No first-string players have failed to graduate in Little's 17 years at the school.

This academic success is attributed by Nicholas M. McKnight, associate Deans of Columbia, to the pressure Little puts on his players during the fall.

During the season, Little sends unsolicited inquiries to each player's instructor every three weeks, asking for reports on grades, cuts and attitude in class. If a boy drops from a B average to C plus, a safe passing mark, Little "hauls the culprit on the carpet and gives him what-for."

Although Little often loses more games than he wins, he still is regarded as one of the greatest coaches in the country. His annual salary of \$17,500, figured on a "pro rata basis per victory" makes him "the best paid master-mind in the business."

Little is invariably short on talent because, despite the fact of Columbia being one of the world's largest universities, it has one of the smallest manpower pools in the Ivy League. However, the article states, these drawbacks have not prevented Little from asserting his ability as an "imaginative tactician." It is pointed out that many teams have since adopted the wing-T formation he introduced last year. His stature in the football world is further evidenced by the fact he is chairman of the grid rules committee and a past president of the Football Coaches Association of America.

I have never let my schooling interfere with my education.

—Mark Twain.

Wrinkles merely show where smiles should have been.

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Munford Speaker At Art League Meeting

"Doing an advertisement display isn't all cream," declared William Munford as he addressed members of the Commercial Art Club Tuesday night, November 19 in the Studio Theatre.

"You must check on the policy of the merchandise department, must learn to work with others, know the "right" merchandise, and conform to government regulations," he continued.

Miss Nancy LaTouche, president, introduced the speaker. As head of the Advertising Department at Thalhimers, Munford was able to present a word picture of the "typical day in the life of an advertising manager."

"People picture advertising as a lot of fun, but it isn't all play. You never know from one day to the next what's going to happen," Munford concluded.

Refreshments were served at the end of the program. Plans for the next meeting of the Commercial Arts Club will be announced later.

Foreign Youth to Receive Christmas Gifts

A proposal to create international friendship by sending gifts to European students, and receiving letters and small gifts in return was made last week by Miss Barbara L. Davis, student at the Richmond Professional Institute.

Miss Davis wrote to the American Youth for World Youth Organization outlining her proposal. The letter was forwarded to the University of Prague, Czechoslovakia.

Several faculty members have announced this plan to their classes. Educational and toilet kits are most desirable, but other gifts are suitable. Stickers with sex, age and other necessary data telling for whom the gifts are to be sent will be placed in and on the outside of the boxes. Letters can be taped on the box.

The gifts are to be Christmas presents, although some are not expected to arrive on time. Several students have volunteered to help and more are expected.

Vets' Insurance Is Meeting Topic

A meeting of all veteran-students has been called for December 10 when J. P. Giblin Veterans Administration insurance representative will discuss the National Service Life Insurance program.

Recent liberalized changes in the insurance program make such a meeting desirable, according to the Veterans Administration. Such a meeting has, therefore, been arranged by Dean Hibbs.

Giblin is expected to be at RPI during the afternoon of December 10. The time and place of the meeting will be announced on the Official Bulletin Board.

Glee Club To Take Part In Concert

The girls' Glee Club of Richmond Professional Institute will be presented in concert December 11 by the Virginia Museum of Fine Arts. This program will take place at the Museum on the Boulevard at Grove Avenue, Miss Priscilla Crum, curator of the museum announced.

The concert, under the direction of Charles Williams, will include a medley of Christmas carols as well as other numbers, sacred and secular.

Miss Virginia Holden, member of the Music faculty, is accompanist for the group.

Social Work News

Mary Abel was appointed to make arrangements for a Thanksgiving party. Virginia Wilson suggested that everyone wear masks, but it seems, being from Alabama, she had this festivity confused with Hallowe'en. It was decided not to wear masks.

On Saturday, November 16, about 20 students congregated at Lido's to attend a Chinese dinner arranged by Jo-hi Li and Hazel Wong, our students from China.

Ruth Light, always an attention getter in any group, demanded chop sticks—and got them. (She used them, too). Also seen chopping in the best of Chinese fashion was that lovely blonde, Mary Margaret Martin.

Among those we failed to see was Blackie Wannamaker, who was said to be "feeling ill." We know how you felt, Blackie. We feel the same way every Sunday morning.

Surrealistic Movie To Be Shown

A surrealistic screen interpretation of Edgar Allen Poe's "Fall of the House of Usher" will be shown in the rear library on December 3 at 7:15 p. m. The Fine Art Group is sponsoring the film, which is an early experiment in extending abstractions from the canvas to the screen. A short subject of the same kind will be shown also.

CHOOSE HONOR TEAMS

As per announcement in the past issue, the PROSCRIPT sports staff will choose an All-State, and if possible, an All-America girl team. The Virginia Eleven (all-stars) will appear in the issue two weeks hence, and the All-America, football's mythical Hall of Fame, the week following, if space permits.

From the five-man staff will come five potential teams with the players getting the most votes for the prospective positions winning the titles.

THE WEEK'S REVIEWS

Book Review

By FRANCES STRINGFELLOW

Anya Seton, author of the best seller "Dragonwyck," has written a second historical novel "The Turquoise," which while less dramatic than her former work, nevertheless provides a good story well blended with research.

Santa Fe Cameron, daughter of a Scotch doctor and a Spanish mother, was named for the town of her birth. Left an orphan, she was reared by a poor Mexican family until at 17 she eloped with a handsome but worthless medicine vender, Terry Dillon. Deserted by him in New York she was forced to earn a living for herself and her child. By her own determination to reach social heights she married Simeon Tower, fabulously wealthy broker with whom she finds riches but not happiness.

Always she is haunted by the fear that Tarry will reappear and reveal her past. The story moves to a swift climax, and although toward the end it declines in interest it is generally absorbing.

One of the secrets of Miss Seton's success is her ability to transform pages of American history into exciting experiences. Through her unusual characters past events become as vivid as any recent happening. At the same time she subtly introduces countless facts which are woven into the lives of those who people her stories.

This ability is well displayed in "The Turquoise" and produces a thoroughly readable book.

Students Model for Mail Order Catalog

Miss Elizabeth Howard, a costume design major at Richmond Professional Institute, has been doing photographic modeling for the past week for Colonial Studios. The pictures taken of Miss Howard in different costumes will be used in Miller and Rhoads' mail order catalog, which will be published in the spring.

Several other R. P. I. girls have been doing the same type of modeling for the catalog, also. All girls are paid for each picture to be used.

Rebecca Peebles In House Council

Miss Rebecca Peebles of Carson, Va., was elected House Council Freshman representative for dormitory 827, November 21, at house meeting.

Mrs. V. A. Chalkley, hostess at 827, urged students to conserve electricity by turning off all room lights when not in use. She explained that the coal shortage—Richmond Professional Institute has only three week's supply—can be alleviated if students will cooperate in this matter.

Miss Ethyl Merritt, house president, made suggestion for a dorm Christmas party. Plans for this will be announced later.

Drama

By LOU MESSICK

If any girls were interested in catching a husband they should have seen the play "For Love or Money," a light comedy giving pointers on how to snare a man.

The play was one of the Cellar Door Players' Thursday night productions and was directed by Carolyn Graves. Performers were: Meg Walters, Bobby; Robert Jeffers, Rems; Charlotte Nathan, Florrie; Ann Hudson, Mrs. Halevy; William Buckley, Willy; Robert Harris, Mr. Halevy.

The scene opened with Florrie and her mother discussing the younger sister Bobby's chances of getting a husband. Florrie was a typical example of the well meaning but aggressive big sister. When Bobby returned from work she found that Florrie had told Rems, who had called, that she, Bobbie had a date. Very annoyed she went to her room.

Rems called again and Bobby gave him the date. Florrie got the family out of the house and wrote down what Bobby should say when Rems (Cane). At first Bobby refused to do as her sister planned, but eventually she did, and Rems proposed.

The setting of the play, designed also by Miss Graves, gave the impression of a large and well Carranged living room. The set was one of the best constructed for the Thursday night plays.

The characters did unusually well, and the audience, as a whole, seemed to enjoy the play.

A Thanksgiving Prayer

O Lord, our God, with humble pleas,
We beg of Thee to give us these!
Assurance that we might never be,
Afraid to walk alone,
To face the future, proud that we,
Have met the foe, and borne!
For these, O Lord, we raise our praise;
And thanks to thee, through all our days.

—An R.P.I. Freshman.

An investment tip—Buy U. S. Savings Bonds at your bank.

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