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Student Committee Initiates Library-Commons Fund Drive

Cast And Crews Ready First Play

The cast of "Soldier's Wife, the first production of the season, has been announced by Miss Lavinia M. Schaeffer, director. Preston Abbott will take the part of John, the soldier who returns home, and Muriel Stewart '46, that of his wife, Kate. Jane Gumpright '46 as Florence, Kate's older sister, Joyce Lord '47 as Peter Grey, a successful career woman, and Arthur Ploener '46 as Craig, her ex-husband, complete the picture.

All five members of the cast are experienced in Little Theatre work and two were in last Spring's production of "Heaven Can Wait". Arthur Ploener as the slightly bewildered inspector and Muriel Stewart as the nurse, both turned in memorable performances.

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Outing Club Council Votes 14 New Members

At the joint meeting of the Outing Club board and council last Wednesday night, fourteen new members were voted into the council to fill vacancies. They were, freshmen, Raleigh Stone, Francis Disnard, Glenn Fleischer, Arthur Bradbury, and Robert Gumb; sophomores, Barbara Beattie, Marjorie Lorenz, Allan Kneeland, Elizabeth Whittaker, Elinor Mills, and Wesley Baker; juniors, Janice Prince, Preston Abbott, and Jeanette Packard, senior.

A Thorncrag open house was planned for Sunday, November 18, by Patricia Wakeman and Jean Cuts, both '47, but was called off because of rain. If weather permits the second Sabattus trip to the year will be on Sunday, Nov. 25, and is being planned by Marsha Wilson and Camille Carlson '47 and Pauline MacMackin '46. Winter Carnival will be January 18 and 19. Co-chairmen are Pauline MacMackin '46 and Richard Woodcock '48.



MARY STANLEY

Chairman of Publicity for "Soldier's Wife"

CA Renews Frosh Discussion Group

The past week has seen the unfolding of another phase of the Bates orientation program, the Freshman Discussion Group.

Sponsored by C.A., more specifically the Freshman Committee of C. A., under chairman Ray Hobbs, the Freshman Discussion Group which is really a clinic for ironing out freshman problems will continue for a six-weeks' period meeting every Tuesday night at the home of a faculty member from 7:00 to 8:00.

The idea itself is not new. Mr. (Continued on page three)

Freshmen De-Bibbed In Circus Atmosphere

Carrying out a circus theme this year, the freshman debibbing party will go overboard for rollicking entertainment. Scheduled for Dec. 1 in Alumni Gymnasium, the program will offer a gala midway of side-shows. This particular phase of the circus will be handled by Frye, Milliken, Whittier, and Mitchell houses and will begin promptly at 7:00 p. m. The four-ring main show with specialty numbers from the three New Dorm sections, Cheney, Hacker, Wilson, and the Town Girls begins at 7:20 (Continued on page two)

Phys. Education Adopts New Plan

The Physical Education department has announced its new schedule, paralleling that of the scholastic branch under the Bates Plan. Professor Lena Walmsley explains that here also they desire a basic core of material, in this case a fundamental skill and understanding of the games and sports that will be most useful for every-day fun. Then upon this background the upperclassmen are free to broaden their interests with a large choice of electives.

Specifically, all freshmen will take the same program. Meeting three times a week they will have six lessons in each of the twelve activities offered. The actual schedules are printed below:

1st Unit: Nov. 19-Jan. 12—Volleyball twice a week for three weeks; Folk and Square Dancing twice a week for three weeks; Games once a week for six weeks.

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'March Of Time' Reel Opens Chase Series

The annual lecture series, under the direction of Professor August Buschmann, will present as its first program on November 26th, two films from the Forum Edition of the "March of Time". One of them, "China", portrays that country's struggle for a republic with scenes of her ancient civilization, the beginning of her democracy, and China today. The second film is "Russia at War", an up-to-date documentary on the Soviet soldiers, their fighting, and their country.

"The Nation's Capital", "The New South", and "Men of Medicine" are the titles of some of the future reels. This year the lecture series will vary its schedule with both speakers and movies. Since students are admitted free, they are asked to sit on the right side of the chapel, as the left is reserved for townspeople.

Representatives Set Campus Goal At \$1500

In an effort to give the students the opportunity to feel a part of an donate to the Library-Commons Fund, a student drive has been launched. The drive is scheduled for the week of Nov. 26-Dec. 1.

The idea of a student Library-Commons Fund Drive was conceived by Daniel Misuraca who returned to the campus this fall after being away for three years. He took the idea to President Phillips who approved it immediately since the initiative had come from the students themselves. Shortly after organizing a committee, Mr. Misuraca had to leave campus.

However, the committee decided to go ahead with the project. The committee was representative of the campus organizations. Madeline Richards for Student Government, Patricia Donovan representing the town girls, Myrtle Holden for the STUDENT, Gordon Hiebert from Christian Association, and Jane Gumpright from the Student Activities Committee and Student Government.

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Patricia Wilson Heads Up Stu-G

In a special election for head of Student Government, Patricia Wilson '46 was elected president. The position was left vacant by Betty Kimball Howard who did not return to campus this fall.

Patricia Wilson, a member of Outing Club, Bates Conference Committee, and the Student Government Board, was elected last Saturday morning by the women of the three upper classes. Miss Wilson, who proctored Frye Street House last year, is president of New Dorm North this year.

Miss Wilson will assume her duties immediately. The office of president of Student Government has been filled temporarily by Madeline Richard '47, vice-president, pending an election.

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Student Library-Commons Drive

Next Monday morning in chapel the soliciting of students for the Library-Commons Fund will take place. This is an entirely spontaneous movement within the student body; it did not originate with the administration and they are in no way connected with it. As we are the only group affiliated with Bates that has not done something toward contributing to the fund and because so many desire in some way to help in the building program, it seems only logical that there should be a drive among the student body.

The need for the new commons and the addition to the library are apparent to any one who is familiar with the college. That this need is recognized strongly by the faculty is evident by the fact that their contributions have already exceeded the quota set for them. With the drive not yet over they have 102% of their goal. It might also be of interest to mention that the original plans did not include the faculty as a unit of subscribers. They asked if they might contribute . . . much the same as the movement has started among the students with Dan Misuraca's going to the President for the identical reason.

Some voices of dissension have been weakly raised with the statements that either we won't benefit from the program or that their parents have already given to the fund and it would be the same as giving twice. The first objection can be dismissed as an extremely selfish attitude which is entirely illogical. Just because we will not be on campus to enjoy the use of the buildings as underclassmen does not mean we do not benefit from the actual giving and also as alumni. If that line of argument was followed there would be no contribution from the alumni or any other similar group not deriving direct benefit. The indirect benefits received from the expansion of the college facilities are greater in the long run. The second objection, perhaps more widespread, is equally as invalid. Instead of writing home why not take it out of our own spending money. This is after all a student drive and should mean something as such. Here is our opportunity to do something constructive, perhaps for some of us a way to show a little appreciation. Others may think of it as a way of helping society in general by improving educational institutions. Whichever way we look at it, however, let's all pledge something on Monday morning — and hope we go over the top.

M. E. Holden '46.

Little, Army Veteran, Talks Of Aid Of New Drug

It is only through the words of the men who were up front that we can learn of the great work done in the cause of the mentally wounded soldier by America's well trained and hard working medic and their assistants. It is contact with these people and their wonderful service, that has led one of America's fighting veterans to Bates as a pre-med student.

Eyverett L. Tuttle's service with the army began as a medical technician treating diseases such as malaria, jaundice, and diarrhea. Towards the end of 1943 the need was seen for some kind of a station devoted exclusively to the care of psychiatric and psychoneurotic patients. On December 19 of that year a clearing station was formed under the supervision of Major Hanson, chief psychiatrist of the Fifth Army. Tuttle was assigned to this staff. The company was located between seven and twelve miles behind the front lines in order that the psychiatrists could examine the patients first hand right out of the line.

Tuttle explained how men suffering from combat fatigue often lost the use of limbs or the power of speech for no apparent reason. Sometimes a period of rest was enough to cure these men, but often the patient has had a shock thus losing consciousness for a period of minutes or even seconds. Not remembering what they did or what happened during that time, they begin to worry. This soon develops into some kind of a disorder, paralysis, pain, or stuttering.

The new treatment is then begun. A drug called Pentothol is injected intravenously. This produces a state of hypnosis. Under the power of the drug the patient answers suggestions of the doctor and begins to talk of the things which were troubling him subconsciously, and soon he finds himself using the limb he believed injured.

The percentage of men returned to duty under the old plan of sending the patients to Africa for treatment, with the natural delay that ensued, was 17%. With the induction of the new clearing stations this percentage has been raised to 93%.

Tuttle's job was to take care of the patients as they came in, seeing that their wants were filled, cleaning them, issuing clean clothes, food, etc.

Some of the cases were violent. In one case a captain wanted to be released and attacked Tuttle with a gun. He refused to obey an enlisted man, but as soon as any officer appeared, the captain would respond to suggestion, typical of a soldier's instinctive obedience to rank.

On his return to the states, Tuttle worked for a while in the Cushing General Hospital in Framingham, Mass., treating mental cases, usually the small percentage of men who had not responded to the Pentothol treatment overseas.

Following his pre-med course here, Tuttle wants to take his medical training, internship, practice, and then enter the field which led him to a medical career—psychiatry.

Scholarship Committee Changes Aid Policy

After investigating the "whole matter of student aid", the coordinating committee on Student Financial Aid decided to change several phases of its previous policy. Student financial aid is granted in four ways: scholarships, Purinton Fund grants, student employment, student loans.

The requirements for the twelve full tuition scholarships given each year to the incoming freshman class have stiffened considerably. Great care will be taken to award these scholarships to those showing outstanding leadership ability as well as intellectual attainment and scholarship. After having received this scholarship a student must achieve a rating of at least 2.8 the first semester, 3.0 the second semester, and 3.2 each semester thereafter. Heretofore, the requirement has been a 2.6 rating.

Grants in aid still keep the requirement of a 2.6 rating in the previous semester. The committee did pass the rule that in general small grants of less than \$50 a semester will be avoided. Another of the committee's decisions was the fact that scholarship recipients will not have to repay the amount of the scholarship should they want to transfer to another college.

Purinton Fund grants are limited to those men who demonstrate an above average performance in leadership, citizenship and service to the college. These men must have a satisfactory academic standing, but in general not above 2.6 since these men would be eligible for grants in aid.

The committee recommends that student loans be made on a short-run basis, mainly three months.

Mail And Records Aid Debate With Texas U.

The varsity teams which will represent Bates at all the important debates this year have been chosen and plans for several debates are already under way.

Something unique in the debating field is the way in which the debate with the University of Texas is being carried on. All parts of this debate will be carried on by mail and recordings. Representing Bates College will be Nancy Clough and Gordon Hiebert, taking the affirmative: "Resolved, that Maine is the Ideal Playground of the Nation." Bates will send its arguments which the University of Texas team will hear and answer, arguing in favor of their state as the ideal playground. A rebuttal will then be exchanged. Several debates are planned to be conducted in this manner with colleges which are too far away to make possible actual meetings.

Members of the teams which will put on a demonstration of debating at the Debating Clinics which were announced previously, have been selected. At the first clinic to be held on the Bates Campus, December 1, Ruth Stillman and Jean Harrington will meet with Bowdoin. At the next meeting to be held at the University of Maine, Dec. 8, Bates will debate a team from the University. On this team are Dorothy Strout and Lila Kumpunen. Both debates will have as a subject the problem of Compulsory Military Training.

Discussion Groups

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Rowe initiated it several years ago, but the coming of the V-12 unit made it temporarily impractical. Now, however, with a freshman class of nearly 300 members it will serve a definite purpose, in fact, several definite purposes.

The main purpose is simply to help acquaint the freshman with the college and help him to solve the numerous problems he will meet. The meetings will also give freshmen a chance to meet more of their classmates and professors.

The remaining meetings will be about religious adjustments, leisure time and extra curricula activities, besides discussions of the purposes of college, the Bates Plan and examinations.

Freshmen De-Bibbed

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with special introduction by the M. C.

Having done their share in entertaining the upper classmen and faculty, the freshman girls are then allowed to remove their bibs and bows. This makes them a full-fledged part of Bates in spirit and marks the night that Student Government lifts freshman rules.

Kibblin's With Kanga

(Who Really Gets Around)

Perhaps you were one of the throng who went to trip-the-light-fantastic at the Armory week ago Saturday. Consensus of opinion has it that the big crush centered not so much on ole' J. D. as around the pedal region. Speaking of atomic energy some of those contortionists really have it — they go mad with power — end quote.

This next item we approach with no little amount of hesitation — We've dug the depths and scanned the heights for a subtle approach, but finally decided you could "take it straight" — wherefore all the co-educating? The way we see it with all the potential talent in the class of '49 why let it seep out little by little — let 'em wonder — silence breeds curiosity, and holds mystery — so hang on till that big night — then mow 'em down when that potential stuff can legally become kinetic.

They used to be in blue:

One by one and sometimes more, the sea scouts are coming back to show that they can flaunt a crease in grey flannel as well as the next one. How many of us sailed by Don Pederson and Bud Melvin thinking "h-m-m, I've seen that face but the background doesn't check". Usually the second or third glance brings it all back — the V12 boys in college tans! Manny Chase and that one in a million, Smiley of "Heaven Can Wait" fame, were both around.

Trusting that the vine is still sturdy we're expecting the following rumor to come back to us something in this order: My deah, have you heard? Well, December eighth at nine p. m. there's to be a strictly formal session held at

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Commons Fund

As of November 16 the Library-Commons Fund stood at \$146,747.13, or 32.6% of the final goal. Included in this total is the faculty contribution which has already exceeded its quota by piling up 102% with the \$5,138.50 so far contributed.

	Quota	Results
Alumni	\$192,000	\$ 32,758.06
Trustees	65,000	49,438.25
Corporations	25,000	5,825.00
Auburn - Lewiston	50,000	2,025.00
Faculty	5,000	5,138.50
Initial Gifts	25,000	30,947.50
Miscellaneous	23,000	20,614.82
Total	\$450,000	\$146,747.13

Library-Commons Fund

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There are mainly three reasons for emphasizing a student drive: (1) the students were the only group that had done nothing for the Library Commons Fund, (2) the buildings are to be memorials to the service men many of whom were our friends, (3) Bates is part of the community.

The procedure for collecting the donations will be that of pledges. There will be a rally in Chapel on Monday, Nov. 26th, during which pledge cards will be passed out to every student. The students will sign up on the pledge cards what he plans on donating. These pledge cards are then given to house solicitors who will see each individual to solicit his pledge. The drive will end Dec. 1 and all pledges must be paid up by that date.

The committee has set the goal of \$1500 which it considers a fair amount for the size of the campus. The feeling of the entire committee is that the students will consider it a privilege to donate to the Library-Commons Fund.

Chase Hall Dance

The Student Activities Committee announces that there will be a dance Saturday night at Chase Hall and everyone is invited.

The week before there was no scheduled dance but the various facilities on campus were thrown

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College Editors To Meet

The editors of "The Colby Echo" will be host to the editors of the college newspapers of Bowdoin, University of Maine, and Bates. Myrtle Holden, Electra Zazopoulos and Anne Smith will represent the STUDENT at Colby on Dec. 8.

The purpose of the meeting is to iron out difficulties by discussion and suggestions of fellow editors in neighboring colleges. The editors will be guests of Colby for the week end.

Play

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The play is scheduled for three performances, December 13, 14, and 15. Rehearsals are well under way and backstage crews and play production people are making the Little Theatre a busier place these days.

Season tickets will be on sale till December 1st. The year's program includes, in addition to "Soldier's Wife", "As You Like It", January 31, Feb. 1, 2; "Pygmalion" (subject to change), March 28, 29, 30; and "Disraeli", May 23, 24, 25. Anyone interested in obtaining season tickets should get in touch with Bernadine Opper, chairman of the ticket committee. Those ordering season tickets now have only to specify the night for "Soldier's Wife". Seats for other plays can be reserved later.

open to all. Features were roller skating at Rand, ping-pong and pool at the Women's Union, and open house at Chase Hall with free refreshments.

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Phys. Education

2nd Unit: Jan. 14-March 8—Golf twice a week for three weeks; Modern Dancing twice a week for three weeks; Objectives of Physical Education once a week for six weeks.

3rd Unit: March 11-26—Body Mechanics twice a week for three weeks; Badminton twice a week for three weeks; Exercises and Marching once a week for six weeks.

4th Unit: April 29-June 17—Hockey twice a week for three weeks; Archery twice a week for three weeks; Campcraft once a week for six weeks.

Skiing will not be open to freshmen, as it is felt that enough cannot be accomplished in six lessons to warrant the equipment necessary, and softball and tennis are omitted, as it is believed that almost everyone has a general knowledge of them. These three sports, however, will be offered to upperclassmen in addition to the twelve other activities when they select their programs.

These lessons have been worked out by the gym department so that specific instruction will be given in each activity. This plan was tried out last spring semester on the freshmen to discover just how much could be taught in six weeks.

The requirements in Physical Education for graduation are the same—three and one-half years of gym with the opportunity for seventh semester seniors to drop out if they have a "B" grade in posture or an improvement of one letter from the freshman grade, a quality point ratio in gym of 2.0, and if they can pass a Physical Fitness Index with a number that is within 10% of their own average over the three years.

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C. A. Commissions Choose Advisors

The C.A. year is under way with the choice of faculty advisory members. Dr. Zerby is president of the advisory board, and general director of all activities.

The Freshman Commission, under Ray Hobbs, with the assistance of Mr. and Mrs. Kimball, have begun their discussion groups. Other plans include a revamping of the Freshman handbooks.

Mr. Ross will assist Shirley Hicks' Campus Service Commission with their work in the second-hand bookstore and around the campus grounds.

Marcia Dwinell, as chairman of Community Service, has received calls for help from two or three rural churches and several charitable organizations. This commission will be advised by Mrs. Myhrman.

Social Commission, with Terry Smith as leader and Miss Carlson as advisor, hope to have interdorm sings as well as the traditional May-day breakfast, C. A. banquets and cocoas.

The postwar problems and the WSSF drive are the major projects of the Reconstruction Commission under Ted Hunter, assisted by Mr. Harms. Public Affairs Commission will deal with national problems and will be advised by Professor Seward.

Mr. Ingles will assist the Publicity Commission which is headed by Sue Davidson, and Dr. D'Alfonso will aid the Deputations Commission, headed by Dan Novotny.

Holly Hawkes as leader of the Religious Commission has organized the first vesper service. Advisors are Mrs. Zerby, Mrs. Seward, and Prof. MacDonald.

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Erwin Canham Speaks For World Agreement

Erwin Canham was the speaker of the evening at the first Round Table meeting of the 1945-46 season held at the Poland Spring Mansion House on Friday evening, November 16. Mr. Canham, a Bates graduate, is the editor of the Christian Science Monitor.

International affairs was the topic of his address. He very strongly insisted on the necessity for world agreement, which, as he said, does not necessarily mean world government. World agreement he feels will come about through a basis of reciprocal inspection and through an effort on our part to break down the barriers of fear and enmity. He referred particularly to the existing relationship between Russia and the United States.

In speaking of the headquarters for the United Nations, Mr. Canham mentioned the possible places which are now under consideration. These are Philadelphia, Dutchess County, New York, and Boston. Boston appears to be the most favorable spot at present. These headquarters will be not "on American soil", but its own soil ceded by America. The United Nations Headquarters will be in the United States because Russia vetoes Geneva, and the interest and participation of American people is apt to be greater. Too, in America there is not the same chance of the League's being overwhelmed by surrounding nations.

Mr. Canham sees this international problem resolved into two points. One, there must be mutual inspection between nations on a basis of understanding. Materialism is useful only in helping to conquer the environment, but that is not enough. Two, most important spiritual values, truth and brotherhood, must be foremost.

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Mr. George W. Lane, Jr., treasurer of the college, was host to the Round Table. About one hundred and fifty faculty members attended. The menu consisted of fruit cup, soup, green salad, frogs' legs, relishes and rolls, roast beef, potatoes, peas, pastries, coffee and mints. Dr. Edwin Wright, chairman of the program, introduced the speaker.

An extra feature of the program was "The Bates Tablet", a miniature publication containing the news of the evening, published by Dr. Wright.

Kibblin's With Kanga

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the men's gym with Count Bassie's orchestra and Lily Pons as added attraction, etc., etc." Well, making such allowances we're passing on to you a very shaky whisper that's going around completely unconfirmed, unofficial, and even somewhat unlikely, concerning a dance around early December. With gym starting this week we need a good blizzard and a Bates formal inevitably means a good foot or two, or three.

Perhaps a few on the other side of the campus have wondered a bit about the chain of iron shackles draped becomingly over the co-ed sweaters with the little yellow tags hitched on to it in place of the traditional "petite perles". For awhile we thought it all might become another bobby sox rage but now meal tickets are out — now all you have to do is stand at the door and look "Batesy" and you're in! (What we're wondering is just what constitutes looking Batesy!)

Just a thought—who's the blond John Alden who put the nickel in and then had his friend negotiate with the freshman co-ed for a date

Clubs Plan Projects For This Semester

With the semester now started, the clubs are getting under way and are making plans for the year. The Spofford Club, with Lila Kumpunen as president, held a meeting November 19 to exchange ideas and discuss a trip to Boston planned for some time during the year in order to attend a Theatre Guild play.

On December 11 the Politics Club, headed by Parker Hoy, will hold an organization meeting. They plan to have as speaker R. R. N. Gould, professor emeritus of government and founder of the club. Anyone in the three upper classes who is a social science major is eligible for membership.

The MacFarlane Club, with Bob Smith as president, has several projects in mind, and is already sponsoring the musical concerts which will be held in the chapel every Tuesday evening. The first of these was last night.

for him Saturday night. And don't forget — the original John didn't even HAVE a telephone (or probably even a nickel).

The rafters really shook the other night when we gave out with the traditional "Bests Wishes" to Pauline MacMackin, due to a very pretty piece of cut glass from one Lou Cooper. We have a feeling Marcia Wilson could give a little advice on the discretionary use of first words at a shower party. For anyone who's asking — you did a wonderful job, Marcia.

Well, that beady brown eye through the key-hole is beginning to Worry me — besides it's time to look Batesy, so see ya around.
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Freshmen Meet CA Through Radio Skit

By Theresa Vassar

Friday night we frosh were introduced to a friend whom we had heard a great deal about before we even arrived on campus, namely, BCA. Thanks to the members of BCA, we feel that this will be a lasting friendship.

The many different functions of the Bates Christian Association were demonstrated at a rally by short skits with representatives of each commission taking part.

Ray Hobbs with the help of his freshman committee re-enacted for us our first day at college. Next we witnessed a "battle of the sexes" conducted by Shirley Hicks. There were several other skits which included, a bit of information about deputations, provided by Dan Novotny. Then a few of the highlights of community service brought out by Marcia Dwinell, while Sue Davidson took care of the publicity angle.

There were a number of other skits also. Each of these was expressed in such a clever manner that it all seemed more like play than work.

Gordon Hiebert, president of BCA, explained the theme of each skit which was supposedly being broadcast over a television set. The product set forth by BCA Incorporated was, "Interest and Knowledge for Public Affairs". A fine product put forth by an equally fine organization.

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