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PRESIDENT'S LETTER

"Great is our Lord, and of great power: His understanding is infinite." —Psalms 147:5

"Cast thy burden upon the Lord and He shall sustain thee." —Psalms 55:22

Dear Co-Workers:

Our wonderful Lord has promised to be with us at all times and in every situation. We can depend on His power to see us through. Sometimes we falter in our trust but He understands. Let us put complete faith in God's limitless power as we start another year in WCTU work, as well as in all other work we do for Him.

Do you realize this is our last year before the Centennial celebration? We must work diligently to gain members. Three ladies have gained their 10 new members and paid \$10.00 to the century fund. May we have more White Ribbon Investors before September 1974. It is too late for entering the Centennial Song Writing contest, but I hope that some of you did enter. There is still time to enter the poster contest. I have copies of the rules, and will bring them along to the State Convention or send them to you.

I was sorry not to be able to attend YTC camp this year—only got there for an officers meeting. I did appreciate the News Letter concerning camp activities. It was a pleasure to read "Flickertales", but it was mingled with regret, because of missing the wonderful Camp fun, the good lessons, the camp companionship of friends and the great spiritual uplift one gets at YTC Camp. What a profitable work those do who have oversight of the camp. The good done cannot be fully measured. Our State Executive Director of YTC, those who teach and counsel, from North Dakota and Minnesota and those who attend are deserving of our praise and thanks. Do remember them in your prayers, with your interest and your money.

Our new year will have started by the time you read this and I trust that many local unions will have collected all of their dues at their September meeting, remember you gain National recognition by being the first local union to collect dues of all members in September.

We need Home Builders. What are they? New members under 35 years old. There's an award for the local union who gains the most Home Builders.

Yes, we need new members, active, honorary youth, LTL's and White Ribbon Recruits. It was a pleasure to dedicate a little one as a Recruit at the Oakes District Meeting. I hope that we can

have many of these little ones at our State Convention for the White Ribbon Recruit Service. I know that Mrs. Holt will provide plenty of white ribbon for this occasion.

I am looking forward to seeing many of you at our State Convention in Calvary United Methodist Church on Oct. 9, 10, 11 in Fargo, N.D. I am looking forward to a wonderful convention, as the ladies of the Fargo District are making great plans for it—but part of the success of this depends on you. We need your prayers, your interest, your participation and yes, help with money. We need you and you need the inspiration, the fellowship and knowledge gained from being there.

Our banquet speaker will be Mrs. Herman Stanley, national Promotion Secretary. Mrs. Stanley is a forceful and inspiring speaker and a most gracious lady, as you who have met her, know. After listening to her I'm sure you will say, "I'm glad that I heard her speak".

Prayerfully,
Marion Bartle

STATE WCTU CONVENTION

The annual State WCTU Convention will be held October 9, 10, 11, 1973 in the Calvary United Methodist church, 2802 So. 12th St., Fargo, N. Dakota. The following groups will meet in the church October 9th:

General Officers will meet at 10:30 A.M.

Official Board will meet at 1:30 P.M.

Executive Board will meet at 2:30 P.M.

Prayer and Praise Service will be at 4:30 P.M. in the church for all. The Banquet will be held Wednesday evening, October 10th, at 6:30 P.M. at "The Bowler", with Mrs. Herman Stanley our National Promotion Secretary and World WCTU Treasurer, as our guest speaker. She has something to say and can say it so that you can hear it. Don't miss this opportunity!

Convention Committee Chairmen are:

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PROMOTION SECRETARY'S LETTER

"He is able to do exceeding abundantly above all that we ask or think." --Eph. 3:20.

Dear Co-Workers:

May I call to your attention the pink sheet entitled "Centennial Priorities in Membership" which was sent to each union some time ago. Note that this campaign is from Sept. 1, 1973 to Nov. 30, 1973. This campaign consists of collecting 100 percent membership dues between Sept. 1 and Nov. 30. This means the dues for the coming WCTU year of 1973-74. It includes unions with 15 or more members on the roll. The first union in the nation sending ALL dues of its members to the state treasurer and reporting to the National promotion secretary will receive a certificate and a \$10.00 voucher for literature from Signal Press. The state reporting the LARGEST PERCENTAGE of local unions sending in 100 percent membership dues between Sept. 1 and Nov. 30, 1973 will receive a certificate and \$20.00 on scholarship to the 1974 National Leadership Training school. The deadline for sending this report (the pink sheet) to the state promotion secretary is Dec. 10, 1973. Begin early to collect the dues of all your members and send promptly to the state treasurer.

I was happy to receive the National treasurer's report saying that North Dakota needs only 40 more members to be a net gain state. With the help of each one of you I know this goal can be achieved. Please make a special effort to secure new members. The dues amount to only ONE PENNY A DAY. This is a very worthwhile investment.

Thus far only one White Ribbon Investor has been reported to me. She is Mrs. E.J. Huntley. If there are others who have won ten new members and given ten dollars to the Century Fund since 1964 please let me know so that I can report it to National.

If there are unions who as yet have not sent in their annual reports please do so at once as I need some time to compile them for my annual report to be given at convention. Will the BANNER UNIONS who failed to indicate the number of points on the report blank please let me know the number of points. Special recognition will be given at convention to the banner union with the most points.

May I urge each union to appoint a director for each department you choose to work this coming year. It will make for greater efficiency and more things will be accomplished. The director should send a report to the respective state director by Sept. 15 of each year.

The time of our state convention is drawing very near. Please note the change in days this year. It will begin on TUESDAY, OCTOBER 9 and continue

through THURSDAY afternoon, OCTOBER 11. It will be held at Calvary United Methodist Church located one block east of Highway No. 81 near the Bowler. The banquet will be Wednesday evening, Oct. 10 with Mrs. Herman Stanley, National Promotion Secretary as our guest speaker. Make plans NOW to be there. We expect to see every union president, together with one or more delegates from each union. Come for a time of fellowship, inspiration and information. I am looking forward, the Lord willing, to seeing you in Fargo October 9-11.

On to the CENTURY MARK,
Mrs. Gilbert F. Johnson

NOTES FROM THE UNIONS

The latter part of May, six members of the Langdon WCTU appeared at the Memorial Court House in Langdon at the Cavalier County Commissions meeting to protest the issuance of another beer license to three men to operate a Pizza house and beer sale in Elgin Township adjoining Langdon.

Because of our efforts the issue was delayed for another meeting with the Elgin Township board, in attendance, and we also attended that meeting. The issue was turned down at this meeting. We feel we had some influence. (Hurrah! for the Langdon WCTU)

The Max-Benedict and Minot unions held a picnic July 9th at the Vernon Forthun farm. About 50 members and friends attended and an enjoyable time was had by all. A special guest was Mrs. Tom Harrington of Sherwood, who has expressed an interest in our work and a possibility of organizing a union in Sherwood. Following devotions a short business meeting was held and a nominating committee was appointed for the coming year in the Minot union.

The June meeting of the Prosper WCTU was at the home of Mrs. George Rust, with husbands as guests. This was for a picnic supper. Mr. and Mrs. Julius Morris brought guests with them, Mr. and Mrs. Wm. Stewart of Tampa, Fla., who showed slides to the group.

The members of the Union sent letters to Governor Link urging him not to sign the bill allowing nineteen year olds to purchase alcoholic beverages. Later, a letter from the Union was sent thanking him for his decision. Governor Link responded in a letter thanking the union for their support.

Recently elected officers for 1973-1974 are:
President—Mrs. Alvin Anderson
Vice-President—Mrs. Melvin Gangness
Secretary—Mrs. George Pearson
Treasurer—Mrs. Hans Langseth

PROJECTION METHODS

Mrs. Robert McCleary

Apelles: This was the name of a member of the early church located in the city of Rome to which the Apostle wrote his epistle. We do not know who Apelles was. His name probably means "plain", and he may not have been a preacher or an elder, but just a plain, simple Christian. Only one statement of three words we find concerning him in the Epistle to the Romans. But these three words are of great importance. It is written of Apelles "approved in Christ". This is a blessed mark of faithfulness. What Christian would not have it said of him "approved in Christ". And every Christian may be thus approved in Him, for He who gave grace sufficient to Apelles to stand the tests, to live soberly, righteously and godly, to be faithful in his testimony and in his service, is able and willing to give us the same grace for life and service.

Am I Thy friend?
And canst Thou count on me,
Lord, to be true to Thee?
Canst Thou depend
On sympathy and help of mine
In purpose, aim
Or Work of Thine,
And trust me with the honor
of Thy Name?

OAHU SURPRISE

1 inch of stick cinnamon 3 whole cloves
1/4 teaspoon allspice 1/4 teaspoon nutmeg
1 quart pineapple juice dash of salt

Tie spices in a small piece of cheesecloth or metal teabag. Add to the pineapple juice in pan and bring just to boiling point. Add salt. Serve hot with crackers and cheese. Serves 4-6.

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Mrs. Herman Stanley of Evanston, Ill., and formerly of Anderson, Ind., promotion secretary of the National Woman's Christian Temperance Union, was previously for 14 years, president of the Indiana WCTU.

She is also presently treasurer of the World Woman's Christian Temperance Union in which capacity she has served for the past six years. Prior to her election as treasurer, Mrs. Stanley served for nine years as World WCTU superintendent of the Speech Contest Department.

Mrs. Stanley holds degrees in Christian Education and Business Administration, and studied piano and voice at the Cincinnati, O., Conservatory of Music. She was a member of the first ladies Gospel Quartet—known as the Evangels—to broadcast from coast to coast.

As a child she was an active member of the Loyal Temperance Legion, children's WCTU affiliate, continuing to serve in many WCTU offices and directorships at the local, state, and national and world levels since that time. Mrs. Stanley was also state chairman of the United Dry Forces in Indiana for eight years and was a lobbyist in the Indiana Legislature representing the WCTU and the United Dry Forces.

Mrs. Stanley and her husband are members of the United Methodist Church of Anderson, Ind., where both have served in many capacities. While a resident of Anderson, Mrs. Stanley was children's director, chairman of the Christian Education Board, and taught the Adult Bible class of the church.

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 HONORARY (Men) MEMBERS—1.
 YTC DUES—Dickinson 19, Members from Camp 9.
 LTL—71 from Northwood.
 STATE REPORTS—Dickinson \$2.00, Lisbon \$3.30,
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 R.E. Roe, Mrs. A.M. Christianson by the
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 MEMORIAL GIFT—of \$50.00 for Oscar and Katie
 Kjorlie by their daughters.
 TOTAL MEMBERSHIP—775 women, 137 men.
 Mrs. L.O. Grondahl

LETTER

Dear Co-Workers:

Greetings in the precious name of Jesus!

Will each of you please help in updating our LIFE MEMBERSHIPS as published in our Annual State Report book? Names go back as far as 1909 and we know many of those women whose names are recorded, have passed away.

If each union president, at their next meeting, would open their 1972 Annual Report book to pages 6, 7, & 8 and go through the list, they would find many names that should be off the list. These names should be sent to me.

I am much in prayer for our work and pray that able women will be willing to accept a state office to replace those retiring. This is my 15th year as recording secretary and I have found the work richly rewarding. It has been a pleasure to work with the North Dakota WCTU. Through this work I have gained lasting friendships with wonderful christian women through out the state. I count them my dearest friends. Hope to see many of you at State Convention in October.

Love and prayers,
 Mrs. Benjamin (Emma E.) Gorder

FARGO DISTRICT WCTU CONVENTION

The 82nd annual convention of the Fargo District Woman's Christian Temperance Union was held May 7th in the Grace Baptist Church, West Fargo, with Mrs. Norman Swanson, District President, presiding. There was an attendance of 43 ladies with the West Fargo union as hostesses.

Mrs. Melvin Gangness, State YTC Director and Dr. A.D. Ottinger were the featured speakers, with the theme, 'Camp Echoes.' Mrs. Gangness gave several object lessons on how we as members can promote the work of the Camp. Dr. A.D. Ottinger spoke on the program carried out at camp and urged members to use their talents to further the cause through the young people, as they are our future leaders.

Pastor Raymond Dickau of the host church, gave the morning devotions and Pastor George Buchen, of the Community Presbyterian Church, of West Fargo, led the afternoon devotions. The Fargo District comprises 3 unions; Prosper, Fargo and West Fargo. All three unions reported giving money to the YTC work, Fargo union paid a young persons way to camp last June. West Fargo plans to send two young people to Camp this year. All unions carried out Social Service projects, placed literature in schools and churches and many letters were written to our legislators on Equal Rights Amendment and the right of 19 year olds to drink alcoholic beverages. The West Fargo union sponsored another Essay and Poster contest in the Middle School at West Fargo on 'Alcohol and It's Effects'. Prizes were awarded at the convention. The Prosper union always have a special prayer each meeting for our prayer concern of the month.

Miss Pearl Elofson conducted the Memorial Hour service in which five deceased members were honored. Mrs. G. Rondestvedt sang, 'In My Father's House are Many Mansions'. She was accompanied by Mrs. Florence Christianson.

The following officers were elected and installed: President—Mrs. Harry Anderson; First Vice-President—Mrs. Henry Johnson; Secretary—Mrs. Oscar Johnson; Treasurer—Mrs. A.H. Woo.

All who were present agreed that they had a very good convention.

The government in Singapore has instructed all its medical staff to set a good example to the public by refraining from smoking in public. Smoking is banned in theaters and other public places and there is a prohibition against cigarette ads in newspapers and on radio and television. —UPI

IN MEMORIAM

"Beyond the gate a loved one
Finds happiness and rest;
And there is comfort in the thought
A loving God knows best."

Irene Stewart

Mrs. Grace Olson passed away July 10, 1973. She was born July 23, 1896. Mrs. Olson was a member of the Hettinger WCTU about fifteen years and served as its secretary a number of years. She will be missed by the local union as well as by the community.

Ludvig Buland passed away at the age of 92 years, 2 months and 2 days. He was born in Norway and came to the United States in 1905. He was a carpenter by trade and worked at that for many years. He was a faithful member of the Methodist church and an honorary member of the local WCTU since 1943, always working against the liquor traffic.

He leaves his wife, Clara, one son of Great Falls, Mont., one daughter, Mrs. Harry (Ruth) Sheppard of Fullerton, N.D., 8 grandchildren and 2 great grandchildren. He was in a wheel chair for nearly six years before the Lord called him home.

Mrs. Sheridan Arnold, the former Elsie Larson, died July 4, 1973 at Owatonna, Iowa.

Elsie Larson was born February 23, 1890 at Ke-wanee, Ill., to Hannah and Frank Larson. She attended grade school there, then came with her parents to Larimore, N.D. in 1904. She attended high school in Larimore. On Feb. 23, 1910 she married Ulyssis S. Arnold. The couple farmed a short time then Mr. Arnold operated a paint store and did carpenter work until his death, Feb. 2, 1956.

The couple had two children, Darlene and Duane. Darlene died in 1945 and Duane is in business in Owatonna, Iowa. After the death of her husband, Mrs. Arnold lived with her son and his wife in Iowa.

Mrs. Arnold was a member of the Larimore WCTU for over 40 years, acting as president and working with the LTL group. She taught the Junior grades in Sunday School, was president of the Nazarene World Mission Society and member of the church board.

She leaves to mourn her passing, one son, four grandchildren, 12 great grandchildren and one brother, Ralph of Larimore.

Ralph Moore, son of Mrs. Julia Romsdal, and a life member of Glover Oakes Union passed away suddenly, July 2, 1973. Services were held at St. Ausgar Lutheran church near LaMoure, July 6.

Mrs. Oscar Kjorlie, a member of the Fargo Union for almost 50 years, passed away June 23, 1973, after having lived in Nursing Homes for many years. Her husband preceded her in death several years prior to this.

YTC NEWS

Camp days and National YTC Day at the Hilton in St. Paul are now history in the YTC year. As we SING OUT the old year, LET'S GET TOGETHER for the year ahead. Sing with jubilation the theme song: "Walking With Jesus," and commit to memory the text: Psalms 34:3, "O, magnify the Lord with me and let us exalt his name together."

The fall quarter, according to the plan of work is designated as; TOGETHER, SEEKING. Assign members to departments. Outline plans for the year. Begin the study book. Conduct a membership drive, stressing new members, honorary members, and One in a Million members. Collect dues and submit to state treasurer. (50 cents per member) Promote YTC WEEK, November 11-17. (Let this be in the form of a public program, exhibits, speeches, or films pertinent to the subject of temperance). REMEMBER, THE WHITE RIBBON BULLETIN has space to print any news of your YTC activities. Send to Mrs. E.J. Huntley, 428-4th Ave., Enderlin, N.D. 58027.

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Dr. and Mrs. A.D. Ottinger, Fargo — — — — —	50.00

A grateful word of thanks to all of these donors in behalf of the youth of our state. May you truly be blest for your thoughtfulness and prayerful concern.

Mrs. Melvin Gangness, Executive Director

ECHOES FROM YTC CAMP--1973

New Officers elected for 1973-1974:

President—Steven Kordahl

Vice President—Betty Stover

Secretary—Dawn Felton

Camp Queen—Barb Andriash

Camp King—Steven Kordahl

Department Chairmen:

Christian Living—Marlowe Kulish

Education—Debbie Grabanski

Social—Barb Andriash

Pub. Relations—Debbie Gertz

WHAT IS A DAY CAMP?

That question can be easily answered when there are so many available answers. The way to begin is to start with the sound of the morning bell which is heard at 6:45. Everyone hears that loud noise and then gets up to get to the 7:15 chapel service.

Breakfast time is at 8:00 and my how the food is consumed at this time. Oatmeal at home just doesn't taste as good as it does at YTC Camp. After the flag-raising ceremony, the morning is spent in class. Each camper attends a Narcotics Class, a Christian Living Class, and a YTC Know-how class. When classes are over, it's time to eat lunch.

The afternoon allows for a variety of camping experiences. The craft room opens at 1:30, and then at 3:00 there is swimming, horseback riding, and other recreation.

The camp day is completed with an evening service after the evening meal. This is the time for special music from the campers, films and slides, devotions, and then the fellowship around the campfire.

It is not unusual to hear this comment from most any camper, "My, the day goes by fast when one is at camp!" We all agree that it does and want to include that it is also a very profitable day. A day that will count for eternity.

—From the YTC Camp Paper

A LETTER FROM A CAMPER

What Camp Means To Me

Camp is: seeing old friends, fun, crafts, learning more about temperance and coming closer to God.

"Wake up", comes the cry at a quarter to seven. "Oh, let us sleep longer", replies a sleepy camper, slowly crawling out of bed. "Hey, that's my towel!" "Don't use that, it's poison!"

Ding! Ding! Time for morning Watch. Our leader, Irene Morse, brought out the many blessings and joys a child of God has been given in Ephesians 1, 2, and 4. Breakfast, flag raising, cabin clean up, and then our three classes; Christian Living, Narcotics and YTC, made up our morning.

Our afternoon started with dinner, followed by crafts and recreation. After the evening meal, we

had a special program, then Campfire and Lights Out! Ten-thirty P.M. completed our day.

Just as we campers followed a schedule at camp, so must we also do this in our christian living. Let us be faithful and true stewards of God by using our time, talents and energy for God's purpose and not always our own. As I have attended camp for the past several years, the greatest part is being able to share Christ and His love with the other campers. This year seven campers made their decision for Christ, and many others re-dedicated their lives to Christ. Camp has played an important part in my life, in that, every year I come back in renewed strength and courage to carry on God's work and the temperance cause.

We thank you, members of the WCTU, for your efforts in making camp possible. May God bless you and thank you again very much.

Carma Kulish, Dickinson YTC

MISS ROSILETA LEANARD



Miss Rosileta Leanard, Evanston, Ill., is the National Secretary of the YTC and was guest speaker at this year's YTC camp. She was also a counselor in one of the cabins.

R.R. Whittington has devised a nifty argument against smoking cigarettes. It goes like this and has for 25 years: When he sees a youth light up, he offers the lad \$10 if he will find out the cost of smoking a pack a day during the average life expectancy (for a smoker) of 60 years.

Two 13-year-olds collected 20 dollars from Whittington after they asked a bank manager this question: "What would 50 cents a day at 6 percent interest compounded daily amount to in 47 years?" Answer \$47,991.86.

It convinced the boys. But it's driving bankers crazy.

—LISTEN MAGAZINE

REMEMBER!

All local, District and State Reports must be sent to their proper places, such as District Presidents, State Promotion Secretary, State Directors, etc. Please get them in SOON.

Mrs. LeRoy Bartle, State President

TO WRITE YOUR CONGRESSMEN

In writing to our senators and representatives we must not only urge them to vote for or against certain measures but also commend them for the good steps they have taken to promote better laws and the enforcement of those we have.

Here is how we should address our letters: "Sen. Quinten N. Burdick, Russell Senate Office Bldg., Washington, D.C. 20510. Sen. Milton R. Young, Dirksen Senate Office Bldg., Washington, D.C. 20510. and Rep. Mark Andrews, 2411 Rayburn House Office Bldg., Washington, D.C. 20510. Thus your letters will go directly to those you wish to reach."

'ALCOHOL IS NUMBER ONE DRUG'

The No. 1 drug problem is alcohol, not marijuana, amphetamines or LSD, according to Daniel X. Freedman, M.D., Director of the American Psychiatric Association task force on drug abuse. Dr. Freedman says that there are between seven and nine million alcoholics in the United States and last year drinking drivers and pedestrians accounted for 30,000 auto deaths.

The drinking age in Ohio remains the same. The proposal to lower the age for purchase and use of intoxicating liquor to eighteen was decisively defeated June 27, by the Ohio House of Representatives. The vote was 65 to 30, with only four members not voting. Rep. Michael Oxley of Findlay opposed lowering the drinking age, arguing that figures in Michigan and other states where youths can drink at age 18 showed marked increases in accidents and fatalities among young people who have been drinking. He said it would be a mistake to expand the number of drinking drivers at any age.

—OHIO ISSUE

JAMES VALLEY DISTRICT WCTU CONVENTION

The 64th annual convention of the James Valley District WCTU, was held in the Grace Free Lutheran church of Valley City, N.D., May 5, 1973 with 30 in attendance. The meeting was called to order by Mrs. Lyle Trapp, District president. Morning devotions were led by radio pastor Rev. Standley of Valley City. Mrs. Schelkoph, local president, greeted the group and the Tower City union responded to the greeting.

A nominating committee was chosen, followed by a business meeting in which the secretary's and treasurer's reports were read, also reports from District President and local presidents.

A Memorial Service was led by Mrs. Schelkoph. A delicious noon luncheon was served by the Valley City Union. The afternoon devotions were led by a member of the Jamestown union and a special number in song was given by the Marion union.

Mrs. Leonard Bilden, State Executive Director of the LTL, gave the afternoon address which was much appreciated. A special number was sung by Jane Pierce of Tower City. The nominating committee reported the following District officers for the coming year who were duly elected: President—Mrs. Lyle Trapp, Marion, N.D.; Vice-President—Mrs. Charles Schelkoph, Valley City, N.D.; Treasurer—Mrs. Guy Muir, Jamestown, N.D.; Secretary—Mrs. Art Liebing, Marion, N.D.

Offering was \$29.25. A motion was made and carried to pledge \$25.00 to the state WCTU and \$35.00 to the YTC work and to send the Union Signal to a missionary. Since there were no posters the unions were urged to interest children in making posters. It was announced that the 99th National Annual WCTU Convention will be held in the St. Paul, Minnesota Hilton Hotel, August 30th to September 4th, 1973. A special number was sung by Mrs. Bjornson and Bonnie Van Bruggen of the Grace Lutheran Church of Valley City. The Jamestown union invited the District Convention to meet with them next year. Each union member was asked to pledge 15 cents to help the organization. Another song was sung by the Valley City ladies and the meeting was adjourned.

ANN LANDERS—Columnist, Author and Lecturer

'When you take liquor, you remove the 'police-man.' That's the most dangerous effect of drink. Under the influence of liquor you will say and do things you would never say or do ordinarily. You are not yourself. It's like saying that a store is a safe place because they have taken away the policeman who was on the lookout for pickpockets and shoplifters. Actually, inhibition is a very good thing. People need inhibitions and good judgment if they are to act like human beings. This is what makes men different from the beast.'

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