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114 SALOONS ARE CLOSED IN MEMPHIS

FEDERAL COURTS TEMPORARILY
STOP SALE OF LIQUOR IN
TENNESSEE CITY.

COURT GRANTS INJUNCTION

Prohibitionists Allege State and Municipal Officers Refused to Enforce Law.

Memphis, Tenn.—Aid of the Federal courts was successfully invoked by the Law and Order League to enforce the prohibition law which the city, county and state authorities have not enforced in Memphis. United States Judge McCall granted a temporary order against 114 saloons, pending a hearing, restraining them from serving intoxicating liquor.

The Federal court took jurisdiction on the allegations of the petitioners that the saloons were in violation of the law guaranteed by the fourteenth amendment to the constitution. The petitioners alleged that the state prohibition law is being enforced in other parts of the state, but the governor, attorney general and county attorney general, with other officials, have refused to enforce the law here, and, therefore, the United States court can take jurisdiction.

On the grounds that irreparable injury might be done the complainants if delay were permitted, Judge McCall granted the temporary injunction. The action, which was a total surprise to the saloons and the local prohibitionists, was the culmination of a long and bitter fight to enforce prohibition in Memphis, the largest city in which it has ever been tried.

The state-wide law passed in the spring of 1909, and was supposed to go into effect on July 1 of that year. It was partially enforced for a time in Knoxville, but in Memphis, situated on the river and practically the metropolis of three states—Tennessee, Arkansas and Mississippi—there has never been any more serious effort to enforce prohibition than the presentation of evidence to the grand jury.

The body regularly failed to indict, and the city and county officials have acknowledged the impossibility of closing the saloons.

The Law and Order League has been making a campaign for law enforcement, and the present political campaign, which is now on in Tennessee, has prohibition again as its principal issue.

Chattanooga, Tenn.—Every saloon inside the corporation holding Federal license was closed by order of Judge S. D. McKeynoide of the criminal court. The action of Judge McKeynoide follows the decision of the supreme court, sitting in Knoxville, in which that Federal license was prima facie evidence that whiskey was being sold.

Nashville, Tenn.—No steps have as yet been taken here to take advantage of the recent supreme court decision in reference to the possession of Federal license being prima facie evidence of the sale of liquor. The matter is in the hands of the attorney general of this county. There are a number of saloons in this city which it is understood, possess Federal license. Advice from Knoxville are to the effect that many saloon keepers there have surrendered their licenses and closed their places of business.

Emperor William Goes Visiting. Brussels, Belgium.—Emperor William of Germany is now the guest of King Albert of Belgium. The emperor arrived here and was met at the railway station by the king and queen. He was accompanied by a large suite, and was cheered as he passed through the streets, lined with ten thousand troops. On arrival at the royal palace there was a reception to the diplomatic corps, followed by a dinner of 150 covers given by the king in honor of his royal guest.

Powers to Recognize Portugal. Berlin, Germany.—Great Britain has proposed that all the powers recognize the republic of Portugal at the same time. Germany replied approving the suggestion.

Perfecting Savings Bank Plan. Washington.—Secretary of the Treasury MacVeagh and Assistant Secretary Andrew and Postmaster General Hitchcock conferred concerning postal savings bank plans. The treasury officials are working out the plans steadily, but slowly, owing to a desire to safeguard against any defects in a scheme of such magnitude where more than 60,000 postoffices and perhaps 15,000,000 depositors may be affected. They base these figures on the work in other postal savings countries.

Famous American Dies in India. New York City.—Cable dispatches received here announce the death in Palamou, India, of the Rev. Dr. Jared W. Scudder, one of the oldest and most distinguished Americans in the foreign missionary field. For more than 32 years he had been one of the principal representatives in India of the Reformed Church of America. He was born in Ceylon eighty-two years ago. His father, the Rev. John Scudder, was a pioneer American missionary in Asia. Mr. Scudder's seven brothers were also missionaries.

Twain's Treasures to Be Sold. Chicago.—Literary treasures of the late Samuel L. Clemens (Mark Twain) are to be sold at auction in this city, and among them will be many manuscripts and documents, the contents of which have never been published. Mr. Clemens' house, "Stormfield," near Redding, Conn., is to be sold, and his daughter, Mrs. Ossip Gabrilovitch, has decided to sell the bulk of the library, retaining only such books as have intimate family associations and signed volumes from living authors which were presented to her father.

POE IN HALL OF FAME.

Doctor MacCracken of New York University Announces Successful Candidates for Hall of Fame Places.

New York City.—Edgar Allan Poe is at last in the hall of fame. Years of effort on the part of staunch supporters to get his name added to the list was rewarded by the announcement of Dr. John H. MacCracken, the chairman of the senate of the New York university, that the author of "The Raven," with ten others, had been accorded this honor. The eleven names added are as follows:

Harriet Beecher Stowe, 74 votes; Oliver Wendell Holmes and Edgar Allan Poe, 69 votes each; Roger Williams, 64; James Fenimore Cooper, 62; Phillips Brooks, 60; William Cullen Bryant, 59; Frances E. Willard, 56; Andrew Jackson, George Bancroft, 53 votes each, and John Lathrop Motley, 51.

As a result of the election, the authors' corner doubles its population and goes far ahead of the statesmen in number. Eleven bronze tablets for the names chosen will be designed with an appropriate quotation from the words of each, and the formal unveiling will take place in October, 1911, in the hall of fame, at New York university.

Those failing of election ten votes or less were: Francis Parkman, Charlotte Staudens Cushman, Mark Hopkins, 45 each; Patrick Henry, 44; Martha Washington, 43; Daniel Boone 42; Samuel Adams and Lucretia Mott, 41 each.

COUNTERFEITERS IN TOILS
U. S. Secret Service Men Make Big Haul in Chicago.

Chicago.—Three hundred thousand dollars in counterfeit Nicaragua 5-peso notes, freshly printed, were seized, and the printer who made them, the engraver who made the plates used by the men charged with securing the manufacture were arrested here by Captain Porter of the United States secret service, and his operatives.

The notes had only been printed, not having the "official" seals or numbers impressed. There were 15,000 notes, each of five pesos (worth approximately \$2 each, American money) and "signed" by F. Baca, advocate general; J. Madriz, "El Presidente," and "F. Mayoraz." They had not been out from the large sheets.

George B. Williams, president of the printing company bearing his name, was charged with printing the spurious notes; H. N. Secrest of Tampico, Mexico, was accused of being the promoter having the notes printed, and Richard J. Trumbull, manager of the Guarantee Engraving company of Chicago, is charged with having made the copper plates from which the paper was printed.

HEINLE LENEVE ACQUITTED.
Doctor Crippen's Young Typist Freed by Jury.

London, England.—After a trial lasting but a few hours in the New Bailey criminal court, a jury found Eubel Clare Leneve not guilty as an accessory after the fact in the murder of Cora Belle Crippen, for whose death her husband, Dr. Hawley Harvey Crippen, will die on the gallows on November 5.

Miss Leneve was in love with Doctor Crippen and slept in his house on the night of the day following the day upon which the doctor murdered his wife and buried the dismembered parts in the cellar of his Hilldrop Crescent home. She accompanied Crippen in his flight to Canada, and with him was arrested and indicted.

Editor Freed for Crippen Story. London, England.—There was a sequel to the Crippen case when the London court indicted a fee of \$1,000 upon Assistant Editor Ferris for contempt of court in permitting the publication in the London Chronicle of a story asserting that Doctor Crippen had purchased hyoscin and had confessed to the murder of his wife. The court ordered that Ferris be imprisoned until the fine is paid.

French Aviator Killed. Madgeburg, Prussia. Lieutenantal Moritz fell with a Wright aeroplane and was instantly killed. The airman was gliding to the earth when he started his motor, the strain causing the machine to turn turtle. It crashed to the ground, carrying the lieutenant beneath it. The aeroplane was smashed to bits.

UNCLE SAM WANTS CREDIT INFORMATION

GOVERNMENT TO KEEP CHECK
ON MONEY BORROWED
FROM BANKS.

PROTECTION FOR THE BANKS

Every Bank Examiner Must Keep
Credit Information on All Borrowers in His District.

Washington.—A tentative system of collecting credit information for the benefit of the national bank examiners, with the compilation and checking up of the commitments of large local and extended borrowers, has been formulated by a committee of the examiners, who have been meeting at the Treasury department. Every examiner hereafter will keep for his own use a complete file of all large and extended borrowers in his district, from which lists will be sent to the Treasury department for summing up.

The machinery available by the controllers of the currency will be put to work to gather such credit information as can be obtained from national banks and from state banks and trust companies located in states where there is already co-operation between the Federal and state banking officials, as in New York. The examiners will not divulge the name of the bank where a line of credit is found of an extended borrower, but their special reports giving the total only of the loans listed. These lists are entirely confidential.

It is not contemplated that a comprehensive plan which will guarantee the assembling of complete credit information covering commitments in all the banks in the United States is practical at this time, nor is the personal and intimate relationship between the banks and the borrower to be interfered with.

It is expected that the knowledge that a hundred or more men were keeping a constant check on the borrowers will make it extremely hazardous for the dishonest individual, firm or corporation to get money from the national banks.

A radical rearrangement of the districts into which the country has been divided also was recommended by the committee. This rearrangement contemplates well-defined commercial areas or banking zones, the headquarters in each district selective on the count of importance as banking centers and as reserve cities.

SWINDLING GAME EXPOSED.
Diamond Thieves Wrecked Extensively in the Carolinas.

Charlotte, N. C.—A unique swindling and involving prominent diamond importers, was laid bare here when J. W. Napier and W. P. Duke, who nobody knows where, were arrested on warrants sworn out by United States Postoffice Inspector Bulla of Washington, by United States Commissioner Cobb for the Federal court.

Duke collapsed following his arrest, turned state's evidence and unfolded the operations of the gang to the commissioner without restraint. Briefly, the scheme was to order diamonds from a responsible concern, collect on delivery, subject to examination, substitute imitations for the real diamonds and return shipments to the importers with some flimsy excuse as to the quality of the stones.

Night Riders Change Name. Paducah, Ky.—News comes from Duncuburg to the effect that "night riders" is a discarded name and that "United Brothers of Night Guards" is the latest style of signature on the letters received by independent tobacco farmers ordering them to pool their tobacco. The letters read: "By our blood, we command you to pool all of your 1910 tobacco. (Signed) U. B. N. G." The letters have been received through the mails.

Clerks' Strike Declared Off. Meridian, Miss.—Citing a lack of support on the part of other labor organizations as primarily the cause for the failure, announcement was made declaring the strike of the clerical employees of the Queen and Crescent railroad system abandoned. Orders to return to work were issued from the headquarters here of the Brotherhood of Railway Clerks. The strike began a month ago in an endeavor to secure an increase in salaries and a betterment of working conditions for the employees.

Tener Charges Criminal Libel. Philadelphia.—John K. Tener, Republican candidate for governor of Pennsylvania, swore out a warrant for the arrest of E. A. Van Valkenburgh, editor and president of the North American company, charging him with criminal libel. The warrant is based on an attack begun by the North American on October 13 against Mr. Tener's business integrity. The charges have been reiterated daily. Briefly, the attack charges that Mr. Tener was "a friend and associate of swindlers."

Tripe Murder in Florida. Tampa, Fla.—News has been received here of a triple murder which occurred at Chatham Bend, near Fort Myers, in which two white men and a white woman were murdered by a white man named Leslie Cox and a negro. The dead are Miss Ellen Smith, a man named Waller and one known as "Dutchy." The latter is said to be an escaped convict. Details of the crime are meager. The negro is under arrest, and claims that he was forced to kill the who was known as "Dutchy."

D. B. HILL, DEMOCRAT, DEAD.

Conspicuous Figure in National and New York State Politics Passes Away.

Albany, N. Y.—David Bennett Hill's life ended at Wolfert's Roost, his country home, near Albany. The storm took place at Montour Falls in Schuyler county, where the former governor and ex-United States senator was born sixty-seven years ago.

Senator Hill had been ill nearly three weeks with a cold and a bilious attack, but his condition had not been considered serious. He was sitting up in bed to take a drink of water when he was seized with an acute attack of the heart. Death quickly followed, with no one but a nurse at his bedside.

Although he retired from active participation in politics following the presidential election of 1904, Senator Hill was deeply interested in the progress of the present campaign. Recently he discussed the situation with Judge Parker, who was then preparing to make a tour of the state in the interest of the Democratic ticket.

Senator Hill had entertained many men distinguished in state and national politics at Wolfert's Roost, and his guests always found him a most hospitable host. The senator never married, did not smoke and rarely indulged in intoxicants.

Governor White issued a proclamation requesting that all the flags on public buildings be displayed half-mast until sundown on the day of Senator Hill's funeral, and that the citizens of the state unite in appropriate marks of respect to his memory.

BEST BASEBALL BET.
Philadelphia National League Defeats Chicago National Team.

Chicago.—The baseball championship of the world belongs to the Philadelphia club of the American League. They clinched the big prize. Five games were played, and the eastern youngsters took four of them by outbating, outfielding and outstriving the veteran Chicagoans. They "got the jump" at the start by winning the first three games, and although Chicago, the victors, had been swept in one defeat, it really didn't change the situation a bit.

While the series was not the most profitable ever played, it helps to simplify the high cost of living problem confronting even the best of Philadelphiaans, to say nothing of the Chicagoans, with winter coming on. The players' share of the money amounts to \$79,071.33. Of this 60 per cent, or \$47,443.15, goes to the winners, and \$31,628.17 to the losers.

The total receipts for the series were \$173,938. The Philadelphia share was \$133,755 apiece, while \$17,599 goes to the national commission. The total paid attendance was 125,219 persons.

OCEAN STEAMER WRECKED.
19 Drowned When Steamer Regulus Was Wrecked Off Newfoundland.

St. Johns, N. F.—News of the wreck of the steamer Regulus, bound from Belle Island to Sydney, with the loss of 19 men of the crew was received here. The wreck occurred at Shoal Bay, nine miles from this port. She had here tail shaft off by 30 feet, 30 miles from here, during a heavy storm, while on her way from Belle Island to Sydney, and a tug picked her up. The storm increased, however; four hawseers were parted during the night and the Regulus, after being in the fog and darkness. At daylight the steamer was found to be a total wreck on a point of land at the entrance of Shoal Bay. Nineteen members of the crew had been swept into the sea and drowned.

Fund for World Church Conference. Cincinnati, Ohio.—A gift of \$100,000 to the campaign fund for the world's conference on church unity by J. Pierpont Morgan served as a fitting climax to the greatest convention of the history of the Protestant Episcopal church. Mr. Morgan was named as treasurer of the movement to raise funds required to bring about what is hoped to be the greatest world's conference of Christian churches throughout the universe.

Gifts to Women's Colleges. New York City.—Appropriations amounting to \$725,000 were made to six colleges and universities at a meeting of the general education board here conditional on the institutions raising certain amounts to secure the gifts. The institutions named and the amounts are: Baylor university, \$200,000; Trinity college, \$150,000; University of Chattanooga, \$150,000; Meredith college, \$50,000; Wesleyan female college, \$100,000; Amherst college, \$75,000.

New Carolina Railroad. Statesboro, N. C.—Announcement has been made here that the Statesville Air Line Railroad company will build at once a new line of road from Statesville to Yadkinville, the county seat of Yadkin county, a distance of 25 miles. The road will be erected by convict labor, arrangements having been made to transfer 50 convicts from the state prison to Statesville to begin the work of grading for the new line at once. The proposed road runs through a rich section of the country.

20 CENTS FOR COTTON

PREDICTED BY NEW YORK BROKERS THAT STAPLE WILL
BREAK RECORDS.

GENERAL BUYING MOVEMENT

Sudden Climb in Prices Follows the Publication of Government Ginning Report.

New York City.—With an advance of practically \$3 a bale in the price of cotton, seldom, if ever, has the trade, accustomed as it has become to rapid fluctuations during the bull campaign of last season, experienced such abrupt transition from weakness to strength displayed by the staple. The sudden climb followed the publication of the census bureau report showing the amount of cotton ginned of 11,000,000 bales or less. In addition to heavy covering by recent sellers, a big rush of buying orders from outside sources developed, the bull leaders of the earlier season who are supposed to have taken profits on their long cotton when the market reached the 15-cent level, seemed to be coming back as big buyers on the advance, and private reports came from all over the South, from western speculative centers and from many of the chief cotton centers abroad, expressing a very bullish view of the figures. It is doubtful whether a government report ever caused a more general buying movement or caused a more sensational rapid advance.

Predictions of 20-cent cotton before the end of the season was frequently heard in local trade circles, and the market, in short, reflected a complete revival of the bullish enthusiasm.

FLORIDA TOWNS DESTROYED
Belated Appeal for Help From Ten Thousand Islands Section.

Tampa, Fla.—A belated appeal for aid was received here from the vicinity of Punta Raasa, on the Gulf coast, reporting that the Ten Thousand Islands section had been swept by a tidal wave during the West Indian storm, and that all residents who had escaped were in destitute circumstances. Small settlements were wiped out of existence and the residents saved themselves by climbing into trees.

G. W. Storter, a leading merchant of Everglades, brings the news of the ruin of crops, wrecking of all merchandise houses and the total desolation of that section. A young merchant of that section, reports the drowning of many women and children, the men seeking safety in trees.

H. W. Martin of Bokelie, reports the washing ashore of seventeen bodies, supposedly those of sailors who perished during the storm. The schooner Eureka arrived here from the devastated district bringing a petition from Chokoloskee, asking the local board of trade for assistance. The petition signed by thirty-six surviving residents. A cargo of provisions was sent out from Tampa.

PLOT TO RUIN FRANCE.
Socialists Planned Campaign of Anarchy and Civil War.

Paris, France.—On the reassembling of the chamber of deputies after the government had been attacked by the Socialists, Premier Briand created something of a sensation by declaring that he had proof, through confessions of the leaders of the movement, that there was a deliberate plot to ruin France by violence, anarchy and civil war.

During his address the premier said that the cabinet was studying a plan to prevent a repetition of such strikes while at the same time the government legitimate rights of wage-earners. The Socialist members of the chamber of deputies made a violent demonstration against M. Lepine, prefect of Paris, and the head of the police force was compelled to withdraw.

They then denounced the ministry for the throwing of military resources of the country to the service of capital, asserting that such a procedure only increased the war among classes.

Hundreds Reported Dead in Storm. Naples, Italy.—The beautiful coasts of the Bay of Naples and the Gulf of Salerno and the islands of Ischia and Procida have been devastated by a peculiar combination of the elements. Two hundred and fifty persons are said to have been killed. The disaster appears to have come in the form of a cyclone. Accompanying the cyclone was a cloudburst, a tidal wave and violent eruption from Mt. Vesuvius and from a crater suddenly opened on the summit of the long-extinct Mt. Epomeo.

Altitude Record Again Broken. New York City.—The American altitude record that J. Armstrong Drexel so proudly brought down out of the clouds in his monoplane, was snatched from his grasp by Ralph Johnstone, in a headless Wright climber. Drexel covered the distance in 4 minutes 44 seconds, and in the second heat led Johnson at the finish 50 yards. The time for the second heat was 5 minutes 14.25 seconds; 6,000 people saw the race.

RALEIGH AND THE STATE.

TRI-STATE CORN EXPOSITION.
On December 5 at Columbia Farmers Will Make History.

The farmers of North Carolina, South Carolina and Georgia will have the greatest opportunity to compete for prizes for the best corn at the South Atlantic Corn Exposition held in Columbia on December 5 that has ever been offered to any people south of the Mason and Dixon line. The corn exposition management, during the past summer, has been busy gathering prizes for this event.

It has been previously announced that the aggregate value of the prizes will reach \$8,000, but now the prospects seem to indicate that it will be more than that, and perhaps as much as \$10,000 in money, machinery, live stock, etc., will go to the exhibitors of the best corn. Especial emphasis has been laid upon the ten ear exhibits. Prizes are offered for the first, second, third and fourth best ten ear exhibits of corn of any variety for each county in the State. Also similar prizes are offered for the best ten ear exhibits in each congressional district. Three classes will be opened to any man or woman, boy or girl, in the States who wishes to compete. The winners of these classes will come together in the sweepstakes classes in the State for the best ten ears of single ear variety of white corn, for the best ten ears of prolific white corn, and for the best ten ears of yellow corn. The exhibitor showing the best ten ears of corn of any variety still to be awarded the American agricultural cup, valued at \$5,000. The winners of the ten ear classes will come together again in the grand sweepstakes classes for North Carolina, South Carolina and Georgia, and the winners of the grand sweepstakes classes will be eligible for the grand champion sweepstakes classes for the best ten ears of corn exhibited from any of the three States. Should a South Carolina man, woman, boy or girl exhibit the best ten ears of corn, white or yellow, from North Carolina, South Carolina and Georgia, the aggregate of his prizes in money, machinery and cups will approximate \$825.

Also liberal prizes are offered for the best 50 ears of corn in South Carolina and for the grand champion sweepstakes for the best 50 ears of corn in any of the three States. Likewise prizes are offered for the best single ear in the congressional district class, in the State class and in the grand champion sweepstakes class. Liberal prizes are also offered for the best individual display. The one from South Carolina who makes the best individual display will receive as his reward \$225 in cash.

The second prize for this is \$150, and the third prize \$100. In this exhibit the exhibitor will be required to show at least ten bushels of corn, and the display will be judged 70 per cent. for the best corn and 30 for the best decoration and display. The corn exposition management also offers liberal prizes similar to those of South Carolina for the best corn in Georgia and North Carolina, which in the grand champion sweepstakes will come into competition with that in South Carolina.

Every campaign which has been waged by a farmer is especially urged to select corn for exhibition. At least five judges will be required to do the judging and these will score every exhibit, attaching a complete score to every exhibit. So the exhibitor can see where in he is strong or weak with his corn.

State Sabbath Convention Oct. 30. The fifth annual State Sabbath Convention for observation and preservation of the Christian Sabbath will be held in Raleigh October 30 to November 1.

To Decide Question of Shipping. The question of whether interstate commerce in cotton should be held by the North Carolina corporation commission November 22.

Erring Man's Troubles Multiply. J. W. Napier, who was arrested at Charlotte on a charge of defrauding the United States mails was hardly in the hands of the federal authorities before a Baltimore detective arrived and placed another serious charge against him that of abduction.

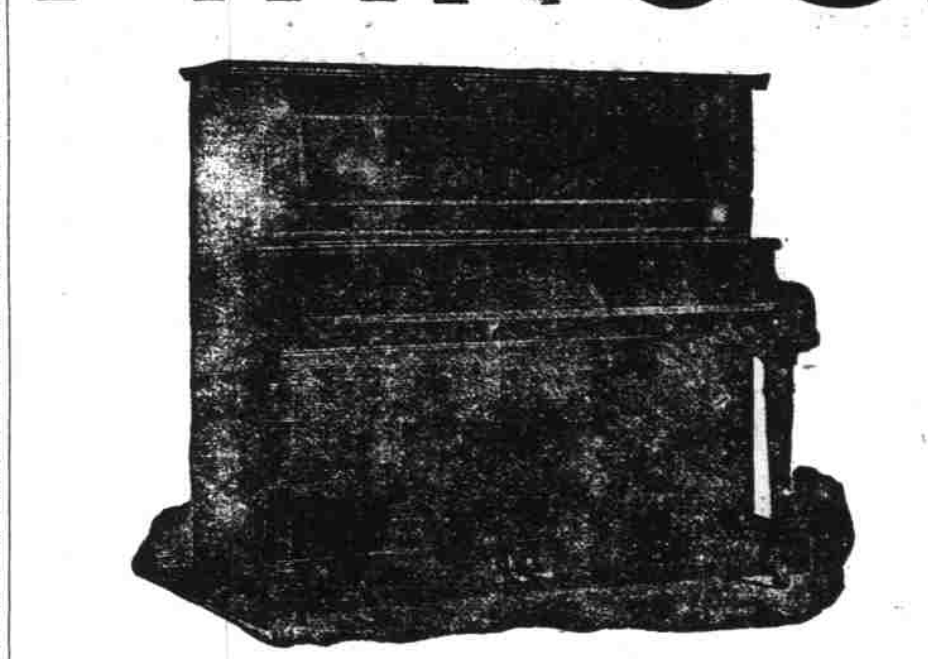
Napier, it is charged, had enticed a young girl, 16 or 17 years old, away from her home, promising her a place with the girls' show among the midway attractions.

"Tough Element" Rules Wadesboro. Wadesboro citizens have become aroused because of the continual violation of the law in town and the apparent inability of officers to cope with the situation. An indignation meeting was held in the court house.

For some time the rowdy element has almost taken possession, especially on Saturday night they would run things to suit themselves. Officers seem to be unable to handle the "tough" element which gather about near-beer joints.

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