

DAGO HOOTCH REAL MENACE

CHEMICAL COMPANIES OUT FOR THE BIG COIN

More Than Half of Local Dealers Sell
Illicit Booze.

HOLCOMB IS ONE OF THE LEADERS

While Some Chemical Manufacturers Do Legitimate Business
Others Are in Business Only as Bootleggers—Many
Exposures to Be Made Later.

Chemical companies—that is, certain chemical companies—are growing rich at the expense of Uncle Sam by making thousands of gallons of "lightning" alcohol and near-gin and peddling it throughout the country to professional bootleggers while working under license from the government, by whom they have been licensed to sell alcohol for legitimate purposes.

There are a large number of perfectly legitimate chemical companies who manufacture products that require a certain quantity of alcohol to make their product. These men or companies are being imposed upon by a bunch of illegitimate distillers who under a camouflage of chemical manufacturers turn out oceans of cheap made-over-night alcohol and peddle it about the city and send it out into Nebraska and adjacent states to drug stores, soft drink parlors, barber shops that deal, to pool rooms and many other joints that make their living off peddling booze and their car-fare off the business they are presumed to run.

In Omaha at least a dozen companies are manufacturing alcohol, making up a concoction of gin, grenade or a score of other popular drinks. Four or possibly five of the bunch are doing a legitimate business, while the others are in the business strictly as bootleg manufacturers.

Out on North Sixteenth street there is a Lambert Holcomb, located at 1015 1/2, who, according to numerous reports, is making all kinds of "tonics" in the way of eye-openers which he sells and peddles to bootleggers throughout the district. In the front of his store may be found a display of all kinds of extracts, which gives the joint an appearance of legitimacy. According to the very best of authority Holcomb makes little pretense of catering to any but bootleggers. He may remember a party he gave last Christmas time to a few more or less well known people including one who

is known throughout the city, whose influence is supposed to be considerable.

There is an alleged chemical company that is or was doing business under the firm name of Wolfe-Farrar Company on South Sixteenth street, who got into trouble a short time ago, but apparently they spent their ill-gotten dough as quickly as they earned it, so were unable to hold up under adverse circumstances.

George Cott & Co. have a place on Leavenworth, of which many wild but unverified stories have been told. On Farnam street, out on West Leavenworth, on Thirteenth and in certain down-town buildings are chemical companies as well as in other parts of the town that will be handled by the Mediator without gloves in our next edition, limited space preventing an expose of all the booze-dealing transactions of some of these places.

The public should know, however, that a considerable number of chemists are doing a strictly legitimate business and turning out products absolutely essential to the interests of straight-forward business and are complying in every way with the regulations of the government.

It is the bootleg distillers working under the name "Chemical Co." that this paper is going to expose in the next few issues.

SCHLAIFER GETS DRAW

Frankie Murphy fought "Kid" Schlaifer to a standstill Thursday night before 8,000 fight fans, but the best he could get was a draw. Nearly everyone in the big shed thought Murphy should have had the decision, except those who had their jack on the local Hebrew. The Kid took a lot of punishment and administered gobs of it, but the Irish boy had a shade in most of the rounds. Leo Shea called it a draw and he ought to know.

SOLDIER BONUS SURE TO PASS AT THIS SESSION OF CONGRESS

Secretary Mellon Tells Congress How They Can Raise Money
Without a General Sales Tax—Would Increase
Price of Stamps.

It is only a question of time until the soldier bonus bill will have passed and the ex-service men at last come into their own. For more than two years the American Legion and other agencies have fought to have congress recognize the just claims of the men who shouldered the real burden of the war, but it is only recently that they have been assured of success.

There is no doubt that the bill will be passed shortly, but the particular method of raising money to meet the obligation will take some time to iron out. Secretary Mellon has made suggestions that will no doubt be acted upon at the proper time.

He made the following estimates and suggestions:

One cent increase in first class postage, \$70,000,000.

Increased second class postage to wipe out deficits in that branch of the post office department, \$30,000,000.

Increased cigarette tax, the increase amounting to 50 cents on 1,000, \$25,000,000.

Increased tobacco tax, 2 cents a pound, \$5,000,000.

Increased documentary stamp taxes, \$40,000,000.

A license tax of 50 cents a horsepower on automobiles, \$100,000,000.

Extend List Later.

The total estimated return from these taxes was \$300,000,000. Mr. Mellon said the bonus would cost \$425,

000,000 a year for the first two years, and told the committee it could extend the list of taxable sources to make up the deficiency. He made it clear he was not "recommending" any of the taxes suggested.

The treasury secretary opposed a general sales tax on the ground of the cost and difficulty of administration. "I should say we cannot increase the taxes already in existence," Mr. Mellon said, "as they already are as burdensome as should be borne. We should go further and find some broad class of commodities on which reasonable taxes would not be too great a burden."

"It would be much better for us to provide the funds and collect the foreign debt as possible than to pledge that source for something when we don't know what the source will yield. "Anyhow, this would be a cumbersome way of raising money for the bonus and in some respects would cost us more than the other way, for if we undertook to sell the foreign securities they would not bring as much in the market as our own securities. In other words, they could not be sold at par."

Wouldn't Raise Income Tax

Questioned by Representative Frear (Republican), Wisconsin, as to the basis for the estimate of a cost of \$350,000,000 for the bonus the first two years, Mr. Mellon said this was on

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JUST KIDS— The Barnesville Giants! By Ad Carter



LEFT TO RIGHT:— SPIDER JONES— PEPPER WILLIAMS— TOMMY MARSH, CAPTAIN— PEE WEE, BENSE— MR. SMITH COACH— UMPIRE ETC AND FATHER OF WILIE SMITH WITH MASH— RED STONE— FRECKLES WHITE— SHORTY WILLIS AND LAST BUT NOT LEAST LIKE VANDERBENT #159

HIGH SPOTS IN WEEKS NEWS PACKERS WIN OUT IN STRIKE

The high spot in the week's news so far as it concerns Omaha was the calling off of the strike of packing house workers last Tuesday. It was a foregone conclusion that from the workers' standpoint the strike would end in failure.

It was ill-timed if not ill-advised. The workers went out just as winter set in and only the very mild weather during the past two months made it possible for them to hold out against the packers as long as they did. No one likes to have their wages reduced or their working conditions changed but it was inevitable in all lines of industry during the period of reconstruction and readjustment.

No doubt a large percent of the workers will find an opening in the packing industry within a reasonably short time. They will go back on the job, be able once more to pay their current obligations and in the course of time meet the bills it was necessary to run up while they were out on strike.

The political pot resumed boiling during the week when R. B. Howell, Water Commissioner, filed for the United States senate and District

Judge Willis G. Sears put up the necessary dough to get himself qualified as a candidate for congress from the Second District. Judge Sears is presiding over the juvenile court at this time. He is a prominent Elk. Friends urged that he try for the honor. Howell will make a strong fight for the nomination and will have a strong man to fight in Congressman Jeffries who has thousands of faithful friends.

When the executive committee of the Chamber of Commerce, representing more than three thousand local business men voted Tuesday noon to endorse the Fordney Soldier Bonus bill they did a great deal to get into the good graces of Omaha's two hundred thousand citizens.

Charles Pickens, president and general manager of Paxton & Gallagher Co. hit the nail on the head when he said: "I didn't notice anyone getting excited when this government agreed to furnish billions of dollars to Europe" and he did not think the club ought to get excited when the soldiers asked a part of what was coming to them. The endorsement means a great deal to the ex-soldier.

Doings In Omaha Fifty Years Ago

Jawn Hawmsner, the town's prominent mathematician, had it figured out that a concrete safety zone post could not be crushed by a one-lunged flyover, but was willing to admit that a dress might get wrinkled if tramped on by a consumptive Henry.

The Italian colony said times were getting hard and were wondering why everybody was jumping onto them simply because they made a little death-dealing hootch which would burn the guts out of a rhinoceros.

Colonel Hatcher, who looked like Uncle Sam but wasn't, after playing an engagement at the Comfort theatre visited several widely known institutions where his eloquence and wit won him the approval of the assembled awe-stricken citizens.

Bulls and little calves were heard to give out a bovine snort when they heard the packing house strike was called off. They felt they would have their skins removed in more delicate fashion.

Abortions were getting as common as peanuts at a circus in the village. One girl had died after three operations, but the press never got the facts till a month later. More than one local celebrity was interested.

"Kid" Schlaifer was still getting decisions or draws while using his map

HANSON SIGNS WITH MCGILL

Long Looked For Match to Be
Pulled Off at Auditorium
March 3.

At last Dr. J. W. Elwood and Gene Melady have made final arrangements for the much talked of Hanson-McGill wrestling match, which will be held on March 3 at the Auditorium. The match is attracting more than local attention as it is the first time in years that two wrestlers of note have come together on a winner-take-all basis.

Hanson is the big boy that wrestled Champion Zbyszko to a standstill for three hours, after which time the affair was called a draw.

The game is going to be greatly benefited by this take-all-or-nothing arrangement, as wrestling followers in this part of the state will know that the tussle will be on the level and that the best man will win.

Ernie Boyle is the promoter and he can rest assured that one of the largest gatherings of sport lovers in the history of local wrestling will be on hand to watch the match.

MAKE AND SELL DEATH DEALING ROT GUT HERE

Hard to Find Joints or Catch Them
Distilling

MEDIATOR EXPOSES MANY PLACES

Italians Putting Out Brand of Hootch and White Mule That Poisons the Mind and Body.—Dump at Seventeenth and Nicholas One of the Worst.

A bunch of Italians headed by one Sam Bargello, whose hootch joint is located in a private residence at 1120 North Sixteenth street, is just now turning out a large batch of the rottenest death dealing booze that ever came from a copper still. It is so poisonous that an ordinary drinker that gulches down three drinks of it is knocked silly, sent crazy for a day or permanently injured if not actually killed.

Bargello is but one of several Italians doing a land office booze business in the neighborhood of and in Nicholas Street. There is a pool hall for instance that is located at 1104 North Sixteenth run by an Italian or Greek who sells his hootch in the basement and has two pretty women working for him or at least staying in the joint. When you come in the girls are all smiles and are apparently ready to serve you either with a drink or with their bodies, leastwise it looks that way to a casual observer. The pool tables do not seem to attract a great deal of attention at this place, though they may do enough business with the ivories to pay the electric light bill.

On the northeast corner of Seventeenth is a soft drink parlor where moonshine and white mule puts temporary sunshine into the lives of a large number of black wenches, dope heads and other filth that congregates in this hell hole. This "Parlor" is run by Italians closely associated with Bargello. They serve hootch at twenty-five cents a drink and get a dollar a pint for the poison.

A few doors north of this joint there is a shack where it is said on good authority Italians make and

sell some kind of a whiskey concoction that would send a man noodle house if he were to drink it regularly. It is said that many wild drinking parties are started and finished at this place.

Italians in many other parts of the city are turning out the prohibited stuff in large quantity and sell the stuff to scores of people who come for blocks to get a hard kick from their white mule.

The Mediator has no fight with the Italians as a class and knows that many of them are hard working, industrious people who attend to their own business and live within the law, but we also know that scores of them are making this terrible stuff without a thought to the fatal results that are bound to come to those who consume it regularly. If they feel that they must turn out illicit hootch they could have the decency to make it in a manner that would eliminate the danger of killing the drinker of the stuff, but such a thought never enters their minds and if it does they refuse to change their system as it might cost a few additional pennies and it is cost that they want to keep away from.

They are a slippery bunch of bootleggers and distillers and it is hard for the police to get anything on them, but it is thought by exposures such as this one, many of them can be found and put out of business. Detectives have already made several arrests and they still have a man's size job on their hands to ferret out all these "Little Italy" joints that are getting rich selling and making the deadly cemetery juice.

Some time ago the colony had a

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GOVERNOR'S GASOLINE TAX HITS HARD ON THE ROCKS

Special Session Called by the Chief Executive Turns Down His
Pet Measure.—Engineer Says That Building Costs Are Only
Nine Per Cent Higher Than Seven Years Ago.

Governor McKelvie's gasoline tax bill went on the rocks this week when the lower house knocked it for a goul 67 to 31. The tax was intended to raise \$750,000 for road building purposes but a large proportion of the states representatives couldn't see the point so voted it down more than two to one.

Nearly everyone in the state owns an automobile or at least a Henry and they were not very keen on having a cent added to every gallon of Rockefeller juice they have pumped into the bowels of their buzz wagons.

It looked like a bum remedy to most of the members, one of them saying during the gabfest that it did not represent the will of the "people" to take the tax off one thing only to add it to another. He said further that members should do what the people expect of them and not slap them in the face by a favorable report on McKelvie's pet measure.

Representative Dysart of Omaha led the fight for the bill, using as the basis of argument the reasonableness of the proposed tax. His arguments fell on deaf ears as the yokel members had made up their mind by gosh that John D's product was costing too much as it was and the building program could be taken care of as originally planned.

As a matter of fact the Governor

was unable to work up much enthusiasm for his bill simply because it was unpopular with the people from the time it was first proposed. McKelvie himself is none too popular with the voters of the state and it is probable if the gasoline tax had been proposed by some member of the state senate or lower house during the regular session it may have had a chance as they have had the experience of other states with this particular kind of tax and it seemed to be rather popular in a part of them.

After the gasoline tax had been disposed of State Engineer Johnson sprung a surprise on the legislators by saying that building costs right now were but nine and six tenths per cent higher than they were in 1915. The Engineer says that there were more than one billion in profits ready for execution in the United States right now and if the capitol building committee did not get busy at once and let contracts they would find a higher market later when the demand will be at its height.

The house committee on cities and towns headed by Robert Druessow couldn't agree with the Omaha charter amendment to provide for the spreading and widening benefit assessments over a period of ten years as passed by the senate so the bill was reported out "without recommendations."

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ITALIAN BOOTLEGGERS

Before the days of prohibition, legitimate distillers for the most part were men of Irish, German or Jewish birth. While their financial transactions at times may have been intricate and their distilling methods not all that they should have been, at least they put out a brand of whiskey that one could drink with more or less assurance that they would not "wake up dead" the morning after.

Since Volstead, thousands of men with a thought only to the profits to be derived, have opened up distilleries of all sizes and turned out booze or what they sold for booze without a thought as to its quality or its effect. Some of them have at least had the decency or the forethought to bring out a finished product that would do no more harm than to make the victim, the consumer, drunk or sick, but there is an element making illicit whiskey or alcohol that is not only undermining the health of thousands of Omahans, but is actually leaving a trail of death in the wake of their nefarious and abominable operations. We refer to certain unscrupulous Italians who turn out distilled death and peddle it to the unsuspecting, the ignorant, the poor, who because of an attractive price, visit these hell home shacks, buy, drink, and—either live to come back again, weakened, mentally and physically, or stagger home to their families—and to death.

The north Sixteenth "Dago Dives" and their neighbors and relatives on Seventeenth and Nicholas, make and sell the rottenest and most poisonous death dealing hootch to be found under the sun. Because of the fact they are able to sell it for seventy-five cents or a dollar a pint brings many men and women to their joints because they are unable to pay more. These human wrecks are in large part Negro men and women, Italians or down-and-outers, still they have a rather large trade among people who are able to pay more if they must have their booze, but who for one reason or another prefer to give their business to these stink holes and their ungainly and ungodly owners.

It is time they were driven not only out of business but, as Sergeant Williams recently suggested, out of the country.

THE SOLDIER BONUS

It is very probable that more ink and more words have been spilled and spent over the soldier bonus than any one subject that has come before the American public during the past five years. It would seem that very possible argument has been presented pro and con on this rather vital subject, but we take the liberty of presenting one that seems to have been overlooked by the average writer and speaker on the subject. It has to do with the prosperity and the contentment of a very large number of our citizenship.

The fact cannot be denied that practically five million young men who either saw active service or were in one way or another directly involved in World War activities have had their minds made up for a long time that this government owes them something substantial for the sacrifices they made. They want money, cash, and they want it now while they are young—and for the most part broke. When they get that money, if they do, ninety-five per cent of them are going to spend it. For what? Clothing, shoes, groceries, to pay back bills and obligations, possibly a few of them for the things that are listed as luxuries, but it little matters for what they spend it, this much is sure, is absolute, five million men getting we will say on an average of five hundred dollars each, putting out that much money in the marts of trade covering every city, town and village in the country will bring about a revival of business that will again start the wheels of industry mov-

ing and the long looked for wave of prosperity will be a reality. But a bonus means more than material prosperity, it means contentment for the millions of ex-soldiers who will have come to the conclusion that Uncle Sam is on the square even though he is slow. It will mean added taxes in some form or another, that tax to be borne by the former service men as well as by those that stayed at home and waved the flag while the boys at the front were being made targets of.

If congressmen and senators would take off their silk tiles for a day or a week, go out among the discontented millions of ex-service men and their friends, hear what they say and learn to feel what they feel, the bonus bill would be passed within a week of the time that they had again resumed their seats in the halls of congress. A bonus means the beginning of real prosperity and contentment. Let's have it.

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thought they would be deported as was suggested by Williams. If a few of them were sent across the big pond before they have grown so rich that they are willing and ready to go and before they have all but murdered hundreds of good citizens who find it a hard matter from taking a little drink at times which of course they can not get legitimately.

We respectfully call the attention of Commissioner Dunn and Chief Dempsey to this condition and know that they are anxious to wipe off of Omaha's criminal slate such places and conditions as we have described.

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the assumption that half of the former service men would take the cash.

"It's all speculative," Mr. Mellon said.

Mr. Frear asked the secretary as to his views on various special taxes. The secretary objected to any further changes in the tax on the transfer of stocks and bonds, saying it would retard business.

Mr. Mellon thought the normal income rate could be increased temporarily so as to provide \$150,000,000 a year, but he said there was the general objection that the rates would be excessive. He added that the country, of course, would be obliged to accept it if congress so decided, but that "it would be an onerous tax."

ELEVATOR CRUSHES BOY SAVING TOTS

Six Playmates, Rescued by Youth, Abandon Him Crushed Against Wall.

New York.—In an effort to save a dozen children playing about a freight elevator at 81 Varet street, Brooklyn, William Miller, sixteen, of 258 McDougal street, Brooklyn, jumped upon the car as it started to slip. His legs were caught between the elevator and the wall. The children ran away. It was nearly an hour before Miller was released and taken to the Greenpoint hospital suffering from a fractured knee and deep lacerations about the legs.

The children forced the large door of the storehouse and started to play about the elevator, jumping on and off. As Miller passed, he saw six girls and boys standing on the platform



His Legs Were Caught.

while one of the larger boys made a pull at the starting chain. Realizing that they were in danger, he sprang through the door and on the platform of the car, slipping in the snow and falling as the car started upward. The car stopped about ten inches from the floor.

Few persons pass the building on Sunday. Miller finally became partly unconscious, but Harry Salman of 341 Varet street heard means and noticed the open door. Unable to extricate Miller, he called Policeman Boyle of the Stagg Street station. By working the elevator slowly, Boyle managed to release Miller, who fainted as he was lifted out.

When Green and Tender.

It is in our salad days that we are most particular about our dressing.—Boston Transcript.

.. Sleeps in Peace

Mrs. W. L. Burke, 4803 North Twentieth street, died on January 23 and was buried three days later. She is survived by her husband, who was prominent in Omaha business circles for a great many years, and two sons. Mrs. Burke was a pioneer Nebraska woman having lived here for more than forty years. Her husband loses a loving wife and the community loses a highly respected citizen.

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As It Looked to Him.

An old Swede from a northern lumber camp visited a city recently and saw the moving pictures for the first time. Relating his experiences when back at camp, he said, "As vent to run place where dey squirt pictures on de vall."—Boston Transcript.

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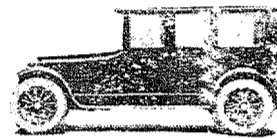
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GIRL'S BEAUTY BETRAYED HER

Fugitive From Justice, Once Convicted, Is Acquitted on Second Trial.

COP KNEW HER FACE

Jury Accepts Defense That She Killed Man in Defense of Honor—Fled After First Trial—Fugitive a Year.

Knoxville, Tenn.—Maude Moore, whose beauty betrayed her after she had been a fugitive from justice for more than a year, is innocent of the crime of killing Leroy B. Hart, of which she was accused. A jury has just so decreed. It was her second trial.

The verdict of not guilty gives the dark-haired, gray-eyed young woman the freedom for which she risked every danger and sacrificed all—except her beauty.

She handed away her liberty with a rose in Washington. It was after she had been sought for many months. Using the name of Helen Hope, she had married William Stubbs and settled in Tacoma like a good little housewife with a kitchen and a garden and a husband who never suspected for one instant that he had married a girl who was being hunted the length and breadth of America as an escaped murderess.

Mrs. William Stubbs was pruning rose bushes when a Tacoma policeman strutted along the street. He was just an ordinary policeman with an Irish laugh and an Irish eye for every roguish little peach on the beat. He noticed the quaint white bungalow. He observed the bonny beauty in the sunbonnet. He stopped and glanced up.

"Have a rose?" she asked, cheerfully. "Sure, and I thank you!"

Remembered Her Face. The Irish policeman took away the rose and the memory of a pair of clear gray eyes, a bee-stung mouth and a dazzling smile. The memory stayed with him for hours—until he walked into headquarters and a head-on collision with the likeness of the lady of his thoughts tacked on the wall under the caption, "\$2,000 Reward."

When the police came, Mrs. Stubbs confessed she was Maude Moore. They took her back to Knoxville and to trial for Leroy Hart's murder.

Maude Moore always had been a pretty girl. After graduation from business college she got a job in the first office she entered, a lawyer's. He beauty—then—was her trump card. Leroy Hart, just out of college, owner



"Have a Rose?"

of a flashy racing car, "money to burn," saw her and fell in love with her when she was twenty. When he suggested a spin one night and she accepted, Hart set his racer streaming toward the lonely highway known to Knoxville's sporty set as "Lover's Lane."

There, they said, she killed him. She was tried, convicted and sentenced to 21 years in the penitentiary.

Then She Fled.

Though a higher court granted a new trial she flung a few clothes into her bag at her mother's home and stumbled into the darkness.

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Effect of Habit on Some People. A West Dallas widow says that the only reason why she would ever take another husband is because it is so hard to stop marrying when once begun.—Dallas News.

Grain's Many Names. Corn is a term often used for the important cereal crop of a given region; thus in England corn usually means wheat; in Scotland, oats; in Ireland, barley, while in this country it means maize.

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Chewing of Detective's Car Wins New Summons for Licenseless Peddler.

New York.—Were all the horses in New York endowed with the genius that characterizes Nero, who works for Maurice Kelly, peddler, there would be fewer motorcars about.

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whim to institute general war against the machines that have all but put him and his likes out of business, Nero commenced to tear the leather out of Officer Coffey's car with his teeth and to scatter upholstery amid the snowflakes.

This process continued until Nero was spied from the window by Officer Coffey. What Officer Coffey said to Nero is not recorded. Neither is any mention made of the speech which Officer Coffey made to Peddler Kelly when he arrived five minutes later.

In the course of this harangue, however, it became a matter of suspicion to the detective that Kelly, who lives at No. 918 Jefferson avenue, Brooklyn, was plying his trade without a license.

Here, indeed, was heart balm! Officer Coffey handed Peddler Kelly a summons. And as the two men mounted their respective vehicles, preparatory to altered parking arrangements, a third dissertation delighted the ears of the bystanders.

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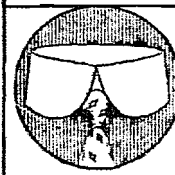
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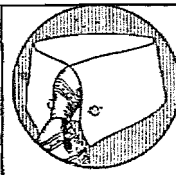
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