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**FORTY HORSES, ALL IN A ROW**—Actually, there are ten rows of Belgian draft horses in the Schlitz 40-horse hitch, scheduled to appear in the Cotton Bowl Parade on New Year's Day.



**MINIMUM TILLAGE**—Grain sorghum planted in wheat stubble after harvest of the wheat.

**Minimum Tillage Is New Farming System**

Minimum tillage is a system of farming in which cultural operations are limited to those operations essential to produce a crop without soil damage.

Crops are planted directly into mulch left undisturbed from the previous crop. Competition is controlled with contact, pre-emergence, or post-emergence herbicides.

The ideal minimum tillage system is one that prepares a seedbed, plants the seed, and applies herbicides as well as fertilizer in one operation.

It is applicable to grain and forage sorghums, corn, small grains, cotton, soybeans and other crops.

It is applicable to dryland or irrigated farms.

Some of the advantages of minimum tillage are as follows:

1. Saves time and reduces production costs by eliminating three to ten tractor trips per acre per crop.
2. Conserves moisture.
3. Can cut wind and water erosion up to 95%. This reduces air and water pollution and has other related environmental benefits.
4. Increases food and cover for wildlife. Stalks, leaves, and seed left on the soil surface benefit pheasants, dove, quail, and other wildlife.

For further information or assistance contact the Soil Conservation Service.

**Weed Control Important In Winter Wheat, Other Small Grains**

Winter annual weeds are beginning to appear, especially in early planted fields of wheat and other small grains, according to Frank C. Petr, area agronomist of the Texas Agricultural Extension Service at Amarillo. Now is the time to start making plans for spraying these weeds before they utilize moisture and nutrients needed by the grain crop.

"Tansy mustard and Kochia are the weeds most commonly encountered in the major wheat growing area of the state," Petr explains. "They can be controlled easily with one-half pound of 2, 4-D applied either by air or ground spray equipment. It is important that the small grain plants are fully tillered before 2, 4-D is applied. Yield losses and plant deformity may result if the plants are too young."

Not all wheat fields require spraying, since good stands of vigorous wheat shade the ground early and discourage germination and growth of weeds, the agronomist says. In late planted fields or in those that did not receive moisture until recently, the weeds may not appear until January or February. Therefore, fields should be checked carefully.

"Weeds are easiest to kill while they are in a rosette stage with a diameter approximately the size of a half-dollar," Petr advises. "If the weeds are elongated and yellow blossoms have begun to appear, it may be too late. They have already caused a reduction in potential grain yield."

Mr. and Mrs. Denver Anderson and Rex spent Christmas with their daughter and sister, Mr. and Mrs. Gerald Foster in Amarillo.

**Federal Policies Causing Higher Lumber Prices**

"The Federal Government's policies and price control regulations are the major cause of high lumber prices," said Joe Butler, Executive Vice President of the Lumbermen's Association of Texas. The 87-year-old Austin based organization represents over a thousand Texas retail lumber dealer firms.

"The demand for lumber and forest products caused by the record breaking number of housing starts, and the federal government's inequitable controls, timber selling policies and lack of restraint on log exports, has compounded the problem rather than alleviate the present conditions," Butler continued.

In addition to the increased number of housing starts, the industry spokesman cited the following reasons for the continued rising lumber prices. (1) The lack of export controls have increased the volume of log exports from 430.6 million feet through September of last year to 512.7 million board feet through September of this year and (2) the lack of price controls on federal timber and the federal government's policy of selling logs to the highest bidder are consistently raising the log prices which are passed on in the finished product. It is estimated that the Federal government owns over 65% of the nation's forests. "If the government's policies and regulations are continued, the American people can expect their future housing to be stamped 'Made in Japan' at the expense of the American public," Butler said.

"The Price Commission's regulations rather than increasing the supply of lumber have been 'counter productive' in that they have restricted the nation's lumber supply on many critical lumber items. The Profit Margin limitation imposed by the Price Commission has forced many manufacturers to discontinue the manufacture of high manufacturing cost items such as 1" lumber for lower manufacturing cost items, resulting in critical shortages; to curtail or drastically reduce their direct carload shipments which are usually sold at a lower price, and move as much of their material through controlled warehouses at higher prices, and to increase their exports which results in less material being offered for domestic use.

"All of the above factors raise the cost of lumber and forest products to the retail lumber dealer who in turn must pass these increased costs on to the consumer and home builder," Butler said. "The retail lumber dealer is in the unenviable position of being caught in the middle between the Federal governmental policies and the manufacturer's activities on the one hand, and the wrath of the consumer and the home builder to the high lumber prices on the other hand.

"The lumber dealer's dilemma is further compounded by the fact that the Price Commission regulations permit him to pass on increased cost from the manufacturer, on one hand, yet at the same time he is saddled with the Profit Margin limitation which does not permit him to realize a greater margin of profit than he realized in the average of his two best years of 1968, 1969 and 1970. This further increases the lumber dealer's hardship since in 1969 the price of lumber dropped drastically, and most dealers lost thousands and thousands of dollars in inventory loss during this period of time.

Unlike the manufacturers who can increase their prices to reflect manufacturing costs, raw material costs and increased productivity, the lumber dealer is not permitted to realize the benefit of increased efficiency in his operation. He is actually penalized for keeping his operating costs down," Butler said.

"If the present governmental policies and the Price Commission regulations are continued, many, many independent retail lumber dealers will be forced out of business, and the consuming public will be at the mercy of the giant multi-level corporations," Butler predicted.

Mr. and Mrs. Ray Gene Hutcheson and boys of Beaumont spent from Friday until Tuesday with their parents, Mr. and Mrs. Joe Bedwell and Mrs. A. L. Morris and husband.

They were guests of the Bedwells for dinner Saturday, and had their Christmas tree with the Bedwells Sunday evening.

Pre-Christmas visitors in the A. C. Barrett home were Mr. and Mrs. Clovis Hill, DeAnn and Terri, Amarillo; Mr. and Mrs. M. L. McNabb, Debbi, Patti and Sandi, Seminole; Mr. and Mrs. George Seaney and Mr. and Mrs. Pat Cogdill, Silverton, and Mr. and Mrs. Glynn Barrett and Judy, Quitaque. They were all there Saturday.

Christmas Day visitors were Mr. and Mrs. Cecil Seaney and Jim of McLean; Mr. and Mrs. Darrell Wynn, Booker; Mr. and Mrs. David Seaney, Amarillo. They enjoyed coffee and cake and an afternoon visit.

Another granddaughter of the Barrett's, Mrs. Sheri Moring of Amarillo, was visiting her husband's grandparents in Clarendon Sunday for a Christmas dinner. The young people were playing games and she fell, breaking an arm in the elbow. She was taken back to Amarillo where surgery was required on her arm.

Mr. and Mrs. Sonny Meacham and family of Lubbock and Mr. and Mrs. Mike Killman of Hurst spent the weekend visiting with the Ralph Meachams and the James Lipscombs.

Guests in the home of Mr. and Mrs. A. L. Morris for Christmas dinner were Mr. and Mrs. Ray Gene Hutcheson and boys of Beaumont, Mr. and Mrs. Ronnie Hutcheson and Paula, Denver, Colorado, Mr. and Mrs. Kenneth Vines of Hereford and Ray Persons of Plainview.

Christmas dinner guests of Mrs. Josie Johnston and David were Sammy Johnston of Darrrouzett, Mr. and Mrs. Glenn Smith, Mr. and Mrs. Donnie Perkins and children, Mr. and Mrs. Terry West and Brad, and Alton Riddell, Silverton and Mr. and Mrs. L. V. Shockley of Memphis.

Guests in the James Barefield home for Christmas were Mrs. Pat Burnam and Ricky, Amarillo; Mr. and Mrs. Johnny Bingham, Lori and Rhonda, Big Spring; Mr. and Mrs. Richard Pittman, Sherry and Cindy, Wolforth, and Mr. and Mrs. Phil Barefield, Hereford.

The Phil Barefields are visiting this week with their parents, the James Barefields and the Walter Taylors.

Mr. and Mrs. Alvie Francis of Silverton hosted a family Christmas dinner in their home Monday. Those present were Mr. and Mrs. Boone McCracken, Mr. and Mrs. Ralph Carter, Quitaque; Mr. and Mrs. S. B. McCracken and Ronnie, Tulia; Mr. and Mrs. Richard Edwards, Mr. and Mrs. Clyde Monk, Lubbock, and Melvin Carter, Alvin, Texas.

Melvin Carter of Alvin, Texas, spent the holidays with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Ralph Carter. Monday night visitors with them were Don Guest of Paris, Texas, and Byron Young of Turkey. Don and Melvin were roommates while attending Texas Tech.

**McCRACKEN GRANDSON JOINS ARMY WITH HIGH RATING**

Three Pecos youths enlisted in the Army under the holiday program, but will not report for duty until January 1. David McCracken, son of Mr. and Mrs. Leon McCracken, jr. of Pecos and grandson of Mr. and Mrs. Leon McCracken of Quitaque, was one of the youth.

All three youth rated high on the standard armed forces qualification tests, but McCracken was rated in the top six percent in the nation on his test. Enrolling on the buddy plan, the three will receive their basic training at Fort Ord, California. McCracken, 18, will enroll in military police school at Fort Gordon.

Following completion of their individual specialty training they will be assigned to the First Air Cavalry Division at Fort Hood and will be guaranteed a minimum of 16 months there.

Mr. and Mrs. James Cathey and family spent the holidays with her family in Plainview. Her brother, Ronnie Bailey who is stationed with the armed forces in New Jersey, was home on leave, and her sister and husband, Mr. and Mrs. Jackie Lounet of Sunray met them at the home of their parents, Mr. and Mrs. E. E. Bailey.

Guests in the home of Mr. and Mrs. Willie Woods for Christmas dinner were their children and grandchildren, Mr. and Mrs. James Starkey, Steven and Tracy of Plainview; Mr. and Mrs. D. W. Baca and girls, Vernon (they came Saturday and stayed through Monday); Mr. and Mrs. Joe Edd Smith and children, Mr. and Mrs. Jimmy Davidson and boys and Mrs. Mattie Hamilton, all of Quitaque.

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Guest sin the John King home during the holidays were Mr. and Mrs. Jerry Price and children of Fort Worth who came Saturday afternoon; Mr. and Mrs. James Hawkins and children of Mesquite came Saturday night; Mr. and Mrs. Jerry King and boys of Odesa came Sunday morning. They had their dinner Christmas Eve. Others visiting during the day were their granddaughter, Kim, of Ralls; Mr. and Mrs. Bill King of Colorado Springs; Mr. and Mrs. Ray Don King and children, Paducah; Mr. and Mrs. Lawrence Bedwell, Plainview; Mr. and Mrs. Jean Grundy, Lamesa, and Mrs. Willie Hawkins, Turkey.

All the King children left Monday. The James Hawkins visited his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Willie Hawkins in Turkey. His grandfather, J. H. Hawkins, fell at his home Sunday, but did not break any bones. It was reported he was better Monday but pretty bruised.

Mr. and Mrs. Jean Grundy of Lamesa and Roy Grundy of Matador were dinner guests of their mother, Mrs. Jess Grundy, Christmas Day.

Guests in the home of Mrs. Debra McFall Sunday were Mr. and

Mrs. Sid McFall and family, Amarillo and Mr. and Mrs. Billy Joe McFall and family of Pampa. Mrs. Jack McFall and daughter, Jena, of Silverton visited Christmas Day.

Mr. and Mrs. Pete Rice joined her family at the home of her mother, Mrs. Lillie Lacy, in Turkey Sunday for a family Christmas dinner.

Mr. and Mrs. Jimmy Baird enjoyed their pre-Christmas dinner in the home of Mr. and Mrs. Tommy Baird and children in Plainview. Mike Baird of Lubbock spent the holidays at home with his parents.

Mr. and Mrs. Tommy Moring of Dallas spent Saturday and Sunday with his uncle and aunt, Mr. and Mrs. Bill Griffin.

Visitors in the Buddy Morris home during the holidays were their daughter, Mr. and Mrs. Bill King of Colorado Springs, who came Friday and stayed until Sunday afternoon. Mr. and Mrs. Corky Morris of Dimmitt and their daughter, Celia Ann, who is attending Texas Tech at Lubbock, came Sunday, and Mr. and Mrs. Ray Don King and children of Paducah.

Mr. and Mrs. Buster Chadwick, Laquita, and Stachia had Christmas dinner with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Guy Smith, in Turkey.

Holiday guests in the Leroy Hamilton home were their children, Mr. and Mrs. Verlon Hamilton and children of Roanoke, and Joe Hamilton of Lubbock.

Guests in the home of Mrs. Joe Woodruff Christmas Eve for exchange of gifts were Mr. and Mrs. Leroy McKay, Amarillo; Mr. and Mrs. Clint Hicks, Mr. and Mrs. Charlie Williamson and baby, Lubbock; Mr. and Mrs. Leroy Hamilton, Butch and L. W., Quitaque; Joe Hamilton, Lubbock; Mr. and Mrs. Verlon Hamilton and children, Roanoke; Mr. and Mrs. Leon Johnson and Kim, Oklahoma City; Mrs. Treva Dickerson and baby, Austin, and Mr. and Mrs. Darwin Hicks, Oklahoma City.

**NEW ARRIVAL**  
Mr. and Mrs. Russell McKay of Amarillo are the parents of a new baby daughter, Brandi Jo, born Tuesday, December 19, in Northwest Texas Hospital in Amarillo. She weighed 7 lbs. 13 3/4 ozs. Grandparents are Mr. and Mrs. Leroy McKay of Amarillo. Mrs. Joe Woodruff and Mr. and Mrs. Lon McKay of Quitaque are great-grandparents.

Mrs. Jodie Ziegler of Silverton and Mrs. Buck Thomas of Tullia visited Mrs. Jimmy Pointer in Quitaque Tuesday.

### Feed Grain Program Explanation Mailed To Farmers

A preliminary explanation of the newly-announced 1973 Feed Grain Program is being mailed to Briscoe County farmers with Feed Grain bases, reports Louie Kitchens, Chairman of the Agricultural Stabilization and Conservation (ASC) Committee.

"As they sort through their Christmas mail, I hope they find the explanation and put it aside for special attention," he said, explaining it is the first official word to be sent directly to farmers on the major provisions of the 1973 Feed Grain Program.

Sign-up for the 1973 Feed Grain, Wheat, and Cotton programs begins February 5 at the ASCS county office and continues through March 16.

The 1973 Feed Grain Program includes barley, corn, and grain sorghum, and producers may elect to participate under one of two options.

Option A requires an acreage set-aside equivalent to 30 percent of a farm's Feed Grain base. Payment will be on an acreage equal to one-half of each Feed Grain base established for the farm. Per acre payment rates will be equal to the farm program yield times 35 cents for corn, 33 cents for grain sorghum, and 28 cents for barley. A supplemental payment is possible if a five-month national average price plus the payment is less than 70 percent of parity. Feed Grain acreage on farms signed up in Option A will be limited only by set-aside and conserving base requirements.

Option B requires an acreage set-aside equivalent to 15 percent of a farm's Feed Grain base. Farmers electing to participate under this plan agree to limit their 1973 total Feed Grain acreage to the total acreage certified as planted for harvest in 1972 and also agree to forgo supplemental payments. Payment will be on an acreage equal to one-half of each Feed Grain base established for the farm. The per acre payment rates will be equal to the farm program yield-times 24 cents for corn, 23 cents for grain sorghum, and 20 cents for barley.

Under either option, substitution of wheat in excess of the allotment and soybeans planted for harvest as beans will be considered as Feed Grain for purposes of preserving Feed Grain base history for the farm.

Commodity loans will be available to all participants in the Feed Grain Program on the farm's entire production. National average loan rates will be \$1.08 per bushel for corn (No. 2 basis); \$1.79 per hundredweight (\$1.00 per bushel) for grain sorghums; and 86 cents per bushel for barley.



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### Reseal, Loan Programs Announced For 73-74 Storage

The decision has been made by the Department of Agriculture NOT to extend Warehouse Stored Loans on 1970, 1971 and 1972 Wheat; 1971 and 1972 Corn and Grain Sorghum, and 1972 Soybeans.

A decision was also made NOT to reseal Farm Stored Loans for 1971 Wheat, 1971 Grain Sorghum

The same alternate crops as approved for 1972 may be grown on set-aside in 1973. These are castor beans, crambe, guar, mustard seed, plantago ovato, safflower, sesame and sunflower. The payment reduction if alternate crops are grown on set-aside land will be equal to 30 percent of the average payment rate under Option A. This will be true whether the farmer is participating under Option A, Option B, or the Wheat Program.

ASCS County Office, Louie Kitchens. Those interested in obtaining more details should check with the office.

and 1972 Soybeans. A decision was withheld concerning reseal for Farm Stored Loans on 1971 Oats and all 1972 Feed Grains and Wheat. The decision on this will be announced later.

Christmas Day dinner guests of Mr. and Mrs. Lon McKay were their children and grandchildren, Mr. and Mrs. Bud McKay, Mr. and Mrs. Corky Davis and Scotty, Mr. and Mrs. Dwight McKay, Brian and Monte, Amarillo; Mr. and Mrs. Elbert Sperry, Susan and Steve, Idalou; Mr. and Mrs. Melvin Justus, El Reno, Oklahoma; Mr. and Mrs. Mack Kemp, Richard, Randy, Debbie, Stewart and Mia of Lubbock; Mr. and Mrs. Eldon Martin, Chuck and Kirk, Quitaque, and Joe Bob Crowell, Flomot, was also a guest.

Mr. and Mrs. Jimmy Pointer were hosts for a Christmas tree and dinner on Christmas Eve with their children, Mr. and Mrs. Johnny Pointer, Turkey, and Mr. and Mrs. Jimmy Wayne Pointer, Randy and Ricky, Lubbock, and Jimmy's parents, Mr. and Mrs. Elmore Pointer, Quitaque, as guests. They also had supper together.

Mr. and Mrs. Jimmy Pointer had Christmas dinner with her mother, Mrs. Jodia Ziegler, and all her sisters and brother in Silverton.

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Mr. and Mrs. Pat Mouser and Mandi spent the weekend visiting with relatives in Fredericksburg.

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Mr. and Mrs. Solon Owens spent the weekend in Tullia visiting with Mr. and Mrs. Jim Owens and Jed.

Mr. and Mrs. Hack Harwood of Canyon, Mr. and Mrs. Bill Lacy and Brent, Mr. and Mrs. Johnny Lacy of Amarillo, Mr. and Mrs. Mutt Berryman and boys, Mr. and Mrs. David Ratten and Don of Meade, Kansas visited Sunday with Mr. and Mrs. Sonny Mullin.

Mr. and Mrs. E. O. Stewart of Hereford, Mary Bell and Lois Howell of Dallas are visiting this week with Mr. and Mrs. J. R. Adamson, jr.

Mr. and Mrs. Don Guest and Gregg of Paris, Mr. and Mrs. Jim Guest and girls of Fort Worth and Byron Young visited Monday with Mr. and Mrs. David Guest.

Mr. and Mrs. Shorty Wheeler, Mr. and Mrs. Billy Wheeler and boys visited Monday in Clovis with the Harold Wheelers.

Mr. and Mrs. Bud Richardson, Karla Speed and Shane of Memphis, Mr. and Mrs. David Daniel of Smyer, Mr. and Mrs. Alton Setliff of Pampa, Mr. and Mrs. Arville Setliff and boys were guests Monday in the home of Mrs. Lillian Richardson.

Mr. and Mrs. Eddie Maupin and Fara of Dallas spent the weekend here with their parents, Mr. and Mrs. Michie Maupin and Mr. and Mrs. Jack Lacy.

**PUBLIC NOTICE**

**NOTICE TO CREDITORS OF THE ESTATE OF SENEY BOGAN, DECEASED.**

Notice is hereby given that original letters testamentary upon the Estate of Seney Bogan, deceased, were granted to the undersigned on the 13th day of November, 1972, by the County Court of Briscoe County, Texas. All persons having claims against the said Estate are hereby required to present the same to me within the time prescribed by law. My address is: Sidney T. Bogan, P. O. Box 233, Quitaque, Texas 79255. Sidney T. Bogan Independent Executor of the Estate of Seney Bogan, deceased. 29-2tc

**NOTICE TO CREDITORS OF THE ESTATE OF GAY S. McWILLIAMS, DECEASED.**

Notice is hereby given that original letters testamentary upon the Estate of Gay S. McWilliams, deceased, were granted to the undersigned on the 5th day of June, 1972, by the County Court of Briscoe County, Texas. All persons having claims against the said Estate are hereby required to present the same to me within the time prescribed by law. My address is: Billy G. McWilliams, Box 297, Quitaque, Texas 79255. My attorney is: J. W. Lyon, Jr., Box 625, Silverton, Texas 79257. Billy G. McWilliams Box 297 Quitaque, Texas 79255 29-2tc

Mr. and Mrs. Robert Chambliss of Plains spent the weekend with Mr. and Mrs. Keith Green and family.

Mr. and Mrs. Jay Stone and son of Ames, Iowa are here visiting with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. LeRoy Stone.

The Wendell Farleys were hosts for a family Christmas dinner and exchange of gifts Monday. Those present were Mrs. D. C. Duck, Mr. and Mrs. A. B. Ramsey and Dale, Mr. and Mrs. Glynn Barrett, Danny and Judy and Jana Boyles, Quitaque; Mr. and Mrs. Dwight Ramsey and Brian, Floydada; Mr. and Mrs. Gary Jameson and Kevin, Plainview; Mr. and Mrs. Johnny Chadwick and Shane, Mr. and Mrs. Larry Farley, Amarillo; Mr. and Mrs. Bobby Boyles, Plainview. In the afternoon the group visited Mr. and Mrs. H. G. Boyles, Jana, Elaine and David. Others visiting in the Boyles home were Mr. and Mrs. Corky Davis and Scotty of Amarillo and Mrs. Keyth Tiffin of Silverton.

**Changes Outlined In S. S. Benefits**

Starting in 1973, people who are working while getting social security benefits can earn more but never lose more than \$1 in benefits for each \$2 earned, according to Travis C. Briggs, social security district manager in Amarillo. "The more you earn, the higher your total income will be," Briggs said. "Under the new social security law, social security payments will be reduced by \$1 for every \$2 earned over \$2,100 in a year."

Previously, monthly payments were reduced by \$1 in benefits for every \$2 earned between \$1,680 and \$2,880 in a year—and by \$1 for every \$1 earned over \$2,880.

"People 72 and over will continue to get their full social security benefits regardless of earnings," Briggs said. Under the new law, people under 72 can earn as much as \$2,100 in a year and get their full social security benefits. Different rules apply to people getting social security disability benefits if they work.

In addition, starting in 1973, full benefits can be paid for any month in which an employee's wages are not more than \$175—or he didn't perform substantial services in self-employment. Previously, the monthly limit was \$140.

"Also, starting in 1973, only your earnings in the months before you reach 72 will be used to figure what benefits are due you for those months," Briggs said. "Before, earnings in the entire year you reached 72 were counted in figuring benefits due you for months before you were 72."

Another feature of the new law assured that the earnings exemption for people getting social se-

**D.P.S. Investigates Four Accidents**

The Texas Highway Patrol investigated four accidents on rural highways in Briscoe County during the month of November, according to Sergeant Rex Smith, Highway Patrol supervisor of this area.

These crashes resulted in no persons killed and no persons injured. The rural traffic summary for this county during the first eleven months of 1972 shows a total of 37 accidents resulting in three deaths and 19 persons injured.

Records in Region 5 of the Texas Department of Public Safety show a total in November 1972 of 584 accidents, resulting in 14 persons killed and 265 persons injured as compared to the same month in 1971 with 576 accidents killed 20 persons and injured 292. This is eight more accidents, six less fatalities and 27 less injured in 1972, compared to the same period of time last year.

The Highway Patrol supervisor reminds you that the signs and signals on the roads are put there for your safety and convenience. Drive friendly, the Texas way!

The 14 deaths for the month of November 1972 occurred in the following counties: Floyd, five; Cochran, Crosby, Hockley, Lubbock, Terry, Wise, Castro, Dallam and Moore, one each.

curity payments will go up automatically in future years as earnings levels increase, Briggs said. The first year there can be an automatic increase is 1975.

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