PROFILE OF PRINCE WILLIAM COUNTY AND MANASSAS, VIRGINIA

The history of Prince William County dates he history of Frince William County dates back to the American Aborigines who held possession of it and with whom Captain John Smith became acquainted when he explored the territory after settlement at Jamestown. Land grants here date from 1650. The County was formed on January 1, 1731 by act of the General Assembly.

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Located in the northeastern section of Virginia, approximately 25 miles to the north is the Nation's Capital, Washington D. C., and 90 miles to the south is Richmond, the capital of the Commonwealth of Virginia. The County is uniquely situated in that it has both a shore line and mountains within its boundaries and its altitudes range from a few feet above sea level in the east at the Potomac River to 1, 300 feet in the northwest in the Bull Run Mountains, It is bordered by the counties of Fairfax and Loudoun on the north; Fauquier on the west; Stafford on the south and on the east by the Potomac River. It has a land area of 347 square miles and a water area of 7 square miles and the low water mark on the Virginia side serves as a boundary between the States of Virginia and Maryland.

The climate is relatively mild with temperature ranging from an average of 35' in January to 77' in July. The average annual rate of precipitation varies from 37 to 40 inches.

The principal fields of civilian employment are agriculture, government, trade and construction, Today, industry, other than agriculture is slowly but progressively making a more appreciable contribution to the County and every indication points to steady and continuous expansion.

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Growing rapidly in population the County in 1960 showed a population of 50, 164 as comparad with a 1950 figure of 22, 612, or a 121, 8% increase. Continuous growth is predicted and a population of 450,000 is not at all unobtainable in the single-growth is predicted and a population of 450,000 is not at all unobtainable in the single-growth is 1950. 35 of the 98 in the nineteen eighties. In 1950, 35 of the 98 Virginia Counties were larger than Prince William. By 1960 the County stood ninth, It is now the fastest growing County in Virginia.

THE COUNTY SEAT MANASSAS

The Town developed in 1853 near the junction of the famous Civil War Railroads; the Manassas Gap Railroad and the Orange and Alexandria Railway, These roads then offered the only direct rail connection between Washington and Richmond, Manassas was incorporated as a town on April 2, 1873.

Commemorating a historic past, it is here that the Manassas (Bull Run) National Battlefield Park is located, On this site in July 1861, the opening battle of the Civil War was fought and in August 1862, a second bloody battle occurred. In both battles the Union forces were driven back on the defenses of Washington and our National Capital was in danger of capture by the Confederates. In 1961 this Battlefield Park attracted 369, 222 visitors, It includes an equestrian statue of General Stonewall Jackson a museum, and battle ground markers. This park is now experiencing a period of major physical and interpretative development under the Mission 66 Program of the National Park Service.

Manassas experienced a 97.1% population increase between the years 1950 and 1960. The projection is that the town will triple in population each decade. Not one but a combination of factors is attributable to this predicted

growth:Manassas lies in the path of the expanding Washington metropolitan area, It is closely located to the Dulles International Airport and to Interstate 66. It has excellent public facilities and land is available for development in or near the Town. Further, following the pattern of road building it is not inconceivable that a similar highway to the Washington Circumferential Highway might be constructed at a future date and pass very close to Manassas.

STATISTICS

Form of Government: Town Manager System.

Town government vested in town council composed of a Mayor and six members elected by popular vote for four year terms.

Bonded Debt: Dec. 31, 1961 - \$ 425,000.00

Financial Data: Two banks plus branch offices with total deposits on June 30, 1962 of \$14, 747, 595, 67 and total assets of \$16, 389, 935, 00. One Federal Savings and Loan Association with total assets of \$25, 512, 376, 84 on June 30, 1962.

Postal Receipts: \$125, 569.00 for calendar year

Telephones in Service: As of July 20, 1962: 4,829. (this includes the Town of Ma-nassas Park, about 4 miles from Ma-

Churches: Sixteen representing thirteen denomi-

Organizations and Clubs: Forty-five.

Building and Construction: 103 building permits issued in 1961 valued at \$1,323,795.00.

Newspapers: One weekly, The Journal Messenger, Current circulation 7,800.

Radio Broadcasting Station: One, Station WPRW 500 watts, 1,460 kilocycles, A M; 30,000 watts, 106.7 MGS, FM. Independent

Hotels: One, The Stonewall Jackson, with total of 22 rooms. Replacement contemplated with new motor-hotel and modern quali-

Motels: Two, The Town House Motel with 11 units, George's Lake Jackson Motel with 2 units; additional units to be con

Railroads: Southern Railway Company plus use of tracks by Chesapeake and Ohio and Norfolk and Western,

Bus Lines: One - Trailways.

Highways: State Routes 28 and 234. Interstate

Airports: 96-acre municipal airport, Federal Aviation Agency has approved and allo-cated funds for construction of a new 250 acre (4, 200 'paved runway) muni-cipal airport in 1962.

Automobile Registrations: 1650, Town proper.

Population: U.S. Census Report-Year 1960: 3,555. Trade area-four mile radius :20,000.

Assessed Real Estate Valuation: \$3,431,680.00.

Tax Rate: \$1.25 per \$100 of assessed valua-

Tax Rate: \$1,25 per \$100 of assessed valuation. Assessed valuation is approximately 17 1/2 % of true market value. Education: Four public schools from first grade to and including senior high with 128 teachers and 2943 pupils, school year 1961-62. Estimated pupil enrollment for school year 1962-63 is 3734. One parochial school teaching first six grades (one additional grade is to be added each year) 6 teachers and 200 pupils. One private kindergarten with 6 teachers and 75 pupils.

Hospitals: 60-bed hospital under construction.

Public Library: One with 15,500 volumes and

Town Statistics: Total street mileage: 23 with 20 miles paved, Meters: Water 1010; Sewer 910; Electric 1,151, Gas, approximately 1,025, Capacity of water system: 504,000 gallons with daily average pumpage of 350 gallons per minute, Study is being made on feasibility and desirability of a watershed project, Sewage: Present plant to be renovated and used in conjunction with a new sewer plant, Plans and specifications for building of a new sewage system have been approved by Federal Agencies, The Virginia Water Control Board and the Virginia Department of Health.

Police and Fire Protection: Fire Department has 45 volunteer firemen, one station and five pieces of equipment, Value of Fire Department real estate and equipment: \$175,000,00. Police Department has 1 Chief, 1 Sergeant, 6 Patrolmen and one station, The Headquarters of the Prince William County Sheriff is in the Town of Manassas and operates with 1 Sheriff, 1 Bailiff, 9 Deputies, 1 Jailer, 2 Dispatchers, 1 Matron and nine pieces of equipment, equipment.

Manassas is both an old and a new town and to like Manassas is to like America.

Tradition runs true and deep in this Town. It is here that the names and accomplishments of Johnston, Beauregard, Lee, Longstreet, Stuart and General Stonewall Jackson won immortal fame and are forever enshrined in the hearts and minds of schoolboys, Descendants of these Confederate heroes live here. There are streets named in honor of these firm and solid men who fought for a cause which they determined was right, Evidence that a once divided nation is now united is also seen in this historic community where one of its principal streets is named for General U.S. Grant and where a Peace Monument was erected in memory of those who fought so gallantly for the Union and the Confederacy.

Manassas is a community where a spirit of friendliness, unity and harmony exists, It is the place to settle, to bring up children, to play, to work and to enjoy life;

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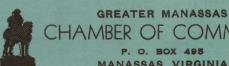
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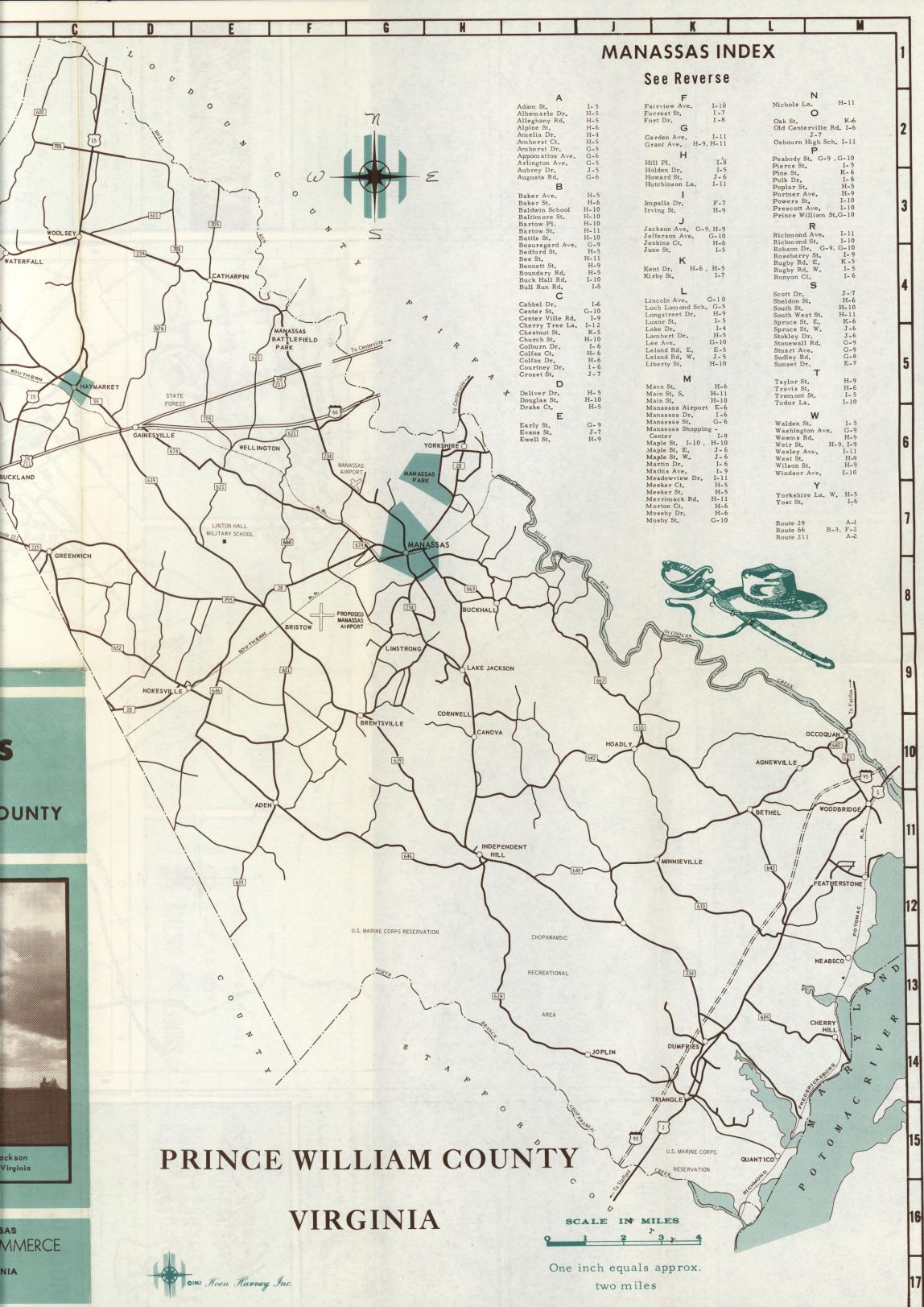
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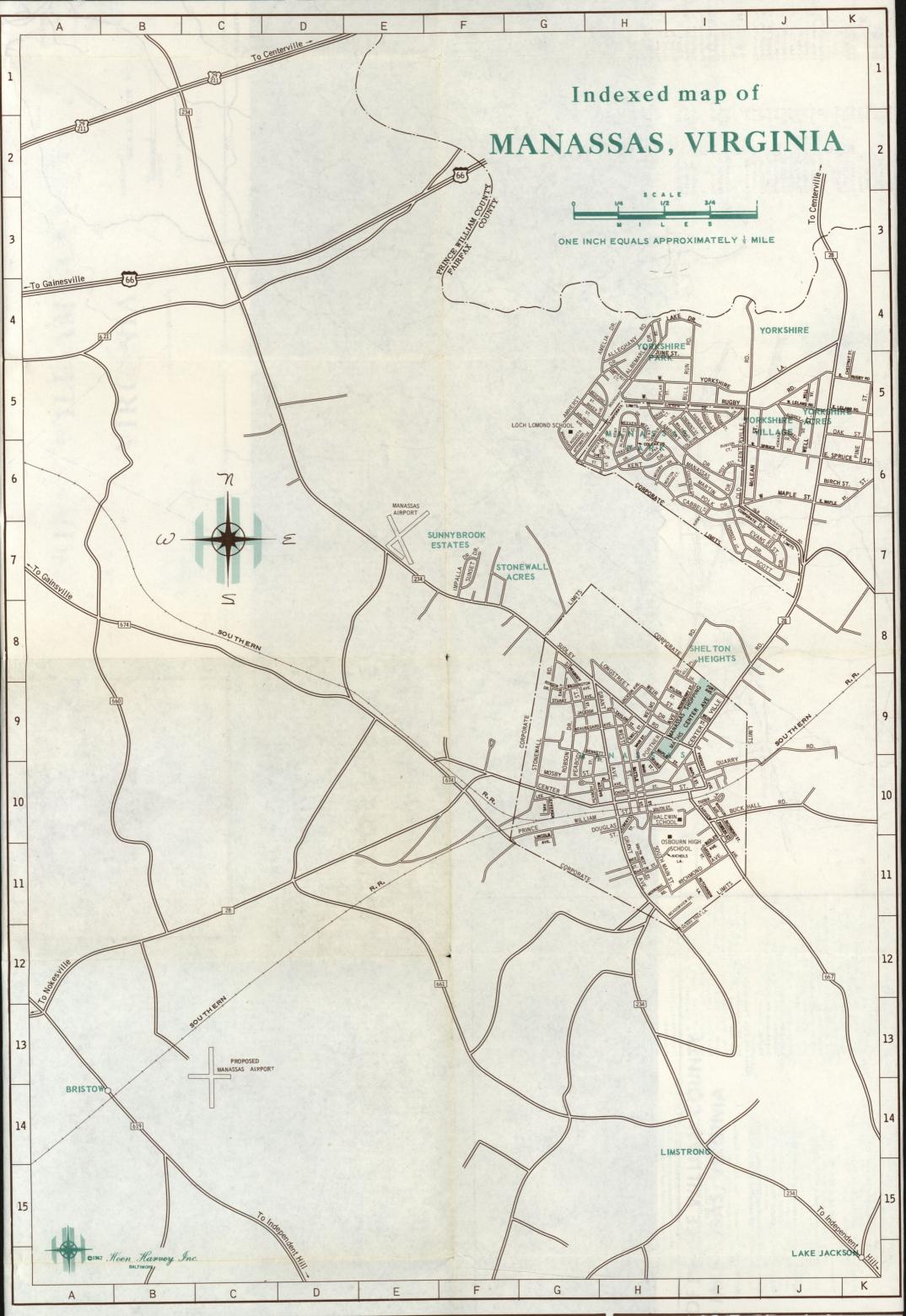
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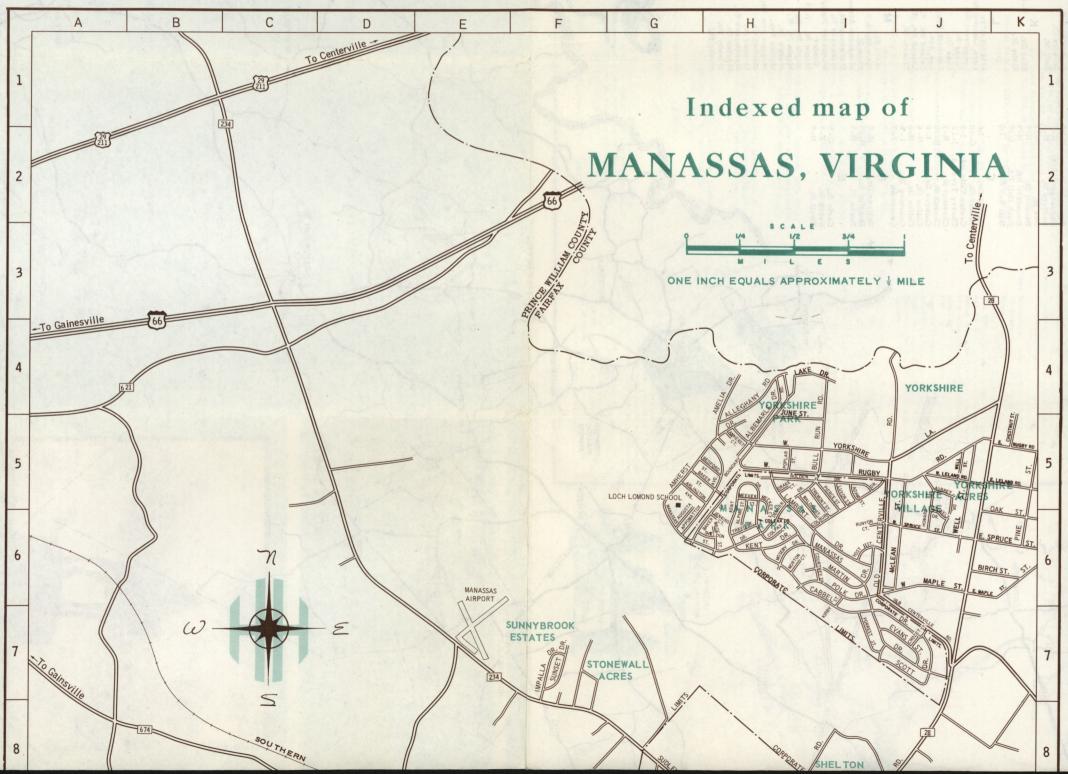
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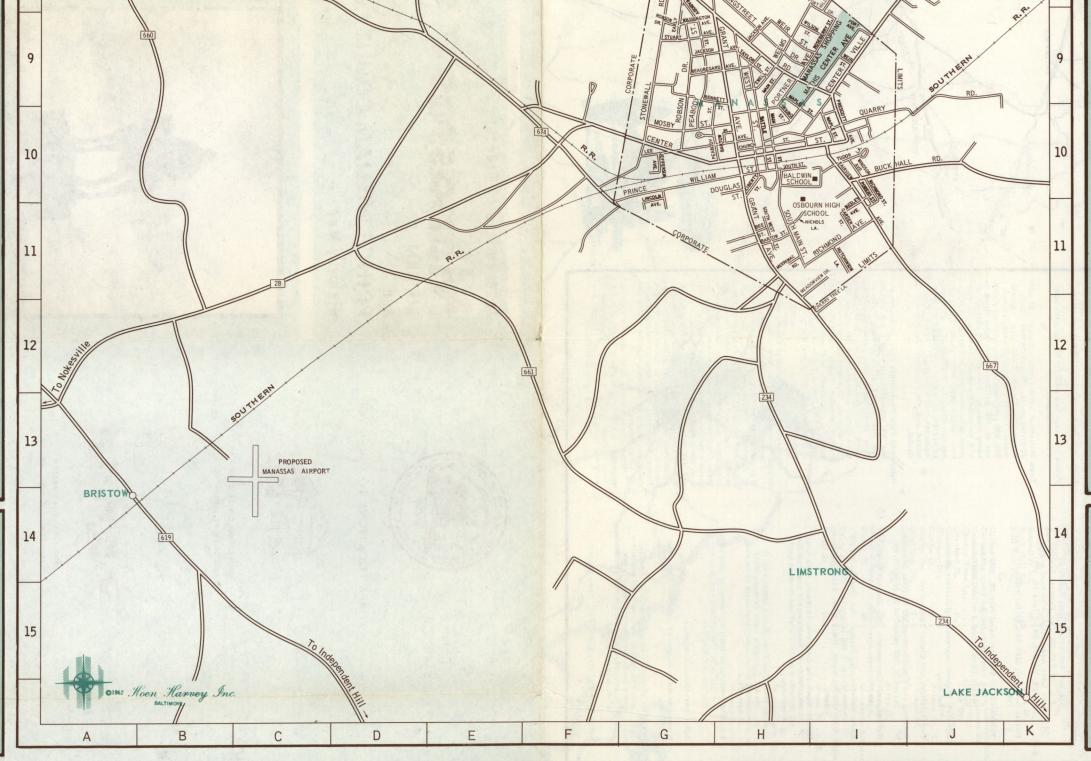
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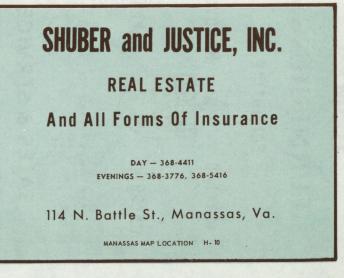
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