musicians of both groups. On the Sabbath of May 25, when Plainfield congregation returned to their church, we participated there in that service.

Our young people have also been active. For Young People’s Night at the prayer service once a month they have frequently conducted the service and assisted at other times. Young People’s Day was observed at the Sabbath morning service of March 2, at which the service was conducted by them and the pastor brought a message through an original story, “Two Masters.”

The Ladies’ Aid society has had either a dinner or supper for the public once a month most of the winter. This not only helps the church finances, but also gives the even greater value of fellowship contacts with people of the community.

Three rooms at the parsonage have been redecorated through the united efforts of the Ladies’ Aid and the trustees.

Rev. Marion C. Van Horn, Salemville, Pa., was the Sabbath Rally Day speaker for the union service at our church of the Plainfield and New Market congregations. Pastor Sutton was with the Marlboro Church for this pulpit exchange. Correspondent.

Cleveland, Ga.

Recently Brother and Mrs. E. A. Witter stopped by to see us for a week or so en route from Daytona Beach, Fla., to their home in Adams Center, N. Y. While here, Brother Witter preached several times and also made numerous visits to the homes of members of our church and neighbors. All of us were delighted to have them here and hope they will come again.

On the eighteenth day of May, Brother J. B. Conyers presented the claims of the Sabbath Recorder for support and also presented or discussed the usual questions and answers about the Sabbath.

Recently each member was asked to take a specially prepared box with a “non-shakable” coin slit in the top of it, and to put therein funds for a Special Harvest Offering to be turned in October 12. These funds are to be over and above our regular tithes and offerings. They are to be derived from some thoughtfully chosen project, such as the sale of chickens from one setting of eggs; the eggs laid on Sabbath day; the eggs one hen lays before the time expires; or a patch of tomatoes, onions, beans, cabbage, etc., grown and converted into cash; or a patch of corn; or a pig; or some needlework; or any way whereby funds can be raised for the Lord’s work. We believe the Lord will bless the particular method chosen in such a way as to make it an outstanding success. The amount a person turns in will not be known to any one except the individual and God, as the boxes are not numbered or named. This money is to go into our building fund. If such a plan were used throughout, the denomination, many hundreds of dollars, additional, could be raised for various projects.

There have been services here each Sabbath since July, 1936. Brother J. M. Arp now preaches on the first Sabbath of each month.

At a recent business meeting these officers were elected: J. M. Arp, moderator; J. B. Conyers, clerk; W. L. Arp, treasurer.

Church Clerk.

WANTED -- RECORDERS

Wanted: Clean copies of Sabbath Recorders of dates 1940, ’39, and ’38, to be sent postpaid to Frank Jeffers, 1223 Franklin St., Racine, Wis., to be distributed free from house to house in this city.

(Signed) Frank Jeffers.

OBITUARY

Hewitt — Honor Davis Hewitt, daughter of Arnold C. and Caroline Randolph Davis, was born at Farina, Ill., January 9, 1876, and died at the Mark Greer Hospital in Vandalia, Ill., May 21, 1940.

When sixteen years of age she was baptized and united with the Seventh Day Baptist Church at Farina, where she was a helpful, consecrated member until the time of her death. May 22, 1928, she was united in marriage with F. E. Hewitt at Farina, who preceded her in death.

She is survived by one brother, Mr. Carroll Davis of Farina; three sisters, Mrs. Ethel Irish of Peoria, Ill., Mrs. Aster Spears of Onida, S. D., and Mrs. Bern Johannsen of Pipestone, Minn.

Funeral services were conducted by her pastor, Rev. C. L. Hill, and burial was made in the Farina Cemetery.

C. L. H.

No star ever rose
And set without influence somewhere.

Who knows
What earth needs from earth’s lowest creatures?

No life
Can be pure in its purpose and strong in its strife
And all life not be purer and stronger thereby.

—Edward R. Bulwer-Lytton.
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An inspiring anthem, "The World Is the Lord's," was beautifully rendered by the choir—Irna Murphy (an old-time Boy Scout of the editor's) singing the tenor solo part.

**Babcock's Sermon**

The delegate from the Congregational Association was presented by the president. Rev. Orelle W. Babcock, pastor of the Adams Center, New York, Church, brought us the introductory message of the association on "The Supreme Allegiance."

There are vast numbers, he said, who give no allegiance to the Church, but place it upon education, culture, and what have you—never admitting that they are living on capital inherited from the Christian Church. Literature and history, he said, can not be separated from religion. The church and home are not the only places to admit the presence of God. We must recognize the presence of the Lord in the world today.

The results of modern trends indicate the degeneracy of the race toward the predominance of greed, sensuality, and hatred—Baals and Molochs instead of God. Israel was warned against the sins, and reminded of its punishments of forsaking God. Similar warnings are needed today. Humanity needs a power outside of itself. Loyalty must attach to the true source of light, and that is the Lord Jesus Christ. Mussolini was quoted as saying, "Europe is full of empty throne rooms. I walked through three of them today."

There are many empty rooms, he said, that ought to be occupied by us with high ideals and noble purposes, instead of being allowed to be taken over by those of ignoble and harmful worth.

We must choose God rather than false gods in private and public life, and be loyal to him, our heavenly Father. All summed up in the two great commandments—to love God supremely, and our fellowships as ourselves. Look for this sermon in some Recorder soon.

**Keynote Address**

The keynote address was given by Mrs. Achille Piccolo, daughter of the president, Rev. L. R. Goff, who was unable to take active part by the doctors' orders. He promised to report the opening meeting of the congress, and to express the delight of the experience of the challenge of the grand, old leader—"Choose you this day whom ye will serve."

He expressed his love and confidence in himself and his house, and we will serve the Lord.

Like Israel of old, he thought, we of today are worshiping false gods, and need to choose between those of materialism, greed, avarice, selfishness, faithfulness—and the real God who has led us on through the ages and gives us life and victory through faith.

**SOUTHWESTERN ASSOCIATION**

The Southwestern Association will convene with the Hammond Church August 14.

Verney A. Wilson.

**THE SABBATH IN TIME OF WAR**

By Rev. James McGeechay

In the first article we raised the problem of the unconverted young Sabbath keeper on being called up for military service, and related the personal experience of the writer of the other Seventh Day Adventists during the last war. We stand today for the Sabbath while serving with the British Army.

It may be difficult for all to agree on the strong, inflexible attitude we took at that time. This was felt by those of wider views, who had a greater knowledge of world affairs than we youth who had to face the problem at that time. The world has witnessed many of the ideas which he then had changed, and other questions, as his knowledge of the Bible, history, and life in general has increased with the passing of time.

As a result of his change of outlook he felt compelled to leave the Seventh Day Adventists and become a Seventh Day Baptist. Seventh Day Baptists always seem to have had a broader outlook on world affairs and social problems than Adventists, but the Baptist was able to secure a position for members of these two bodies of Sabbatarians to understand each other's viewpoint.

It may therefore be helpful to many readers to understand why the unconverted, as Seventh Day Adventists, to take such an uncompromising stand in Britain and America. It may be that they feared the heavy cost of war which would fall heavily in the Seventh Day Adventist work in Germany during the last war. Germany has never been able to secure the privileges in time of peace which they had, and had been able to secure Sabbath privileges in time of peace as Germany. The German military authorities would not allow the Seventh Day Adventist work to continue, the observation of the Sabbath, and the continued observance of the Sabbath, and the continued observance of the Sabbath, and the continued observance of the Sabbath, and the continued observance of the Sabbath, and the continued observance of the Sabbath, and the continued observance...
the face of opposition at home, and gave up the
office job he held.

The Sabbath was the most important thing according to
this message. According to this prophecy, nothing
else was so important in this generation as the
proclamation of the "end of the world and the Angel's Message."

International politics and the strife between
the nations had no interest in themselves as to
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Washington, D. C.

MISSIONS

HOME AGAIN

In the Missions Department of May 13, it was announced that the missionary secre-
tary was working a few weeks with us. Our
churches in Jamaica, B. W. I. The secretary's
work on that island closed June 2, and he arrived home June 7th to participate in the
sessions of the Eastern Association, held in Ashaway, R. I., June 6 to 9

It will be seventeen years next fall since Elder H. Louis Mignott, Rev. C. A. Hansen,
and the secretary started work in Jamaica, and
this brought a flood of memories which cannot
be recorded here. Furthermore, to write fully
about the trip, its work, the churches and
groups visited, the workers, the many meet-
gings, and the numerous conferences and inter-
views would require entire volume. In
announcing a prosperous trip and a safe
return, we may say that is in saying much.
Many problems encountered there was much
found to encourage. Pastor and Mrs. Chich-looked for no other spiritual happiness.
were happy only as they contemplated a
and carefree. They
never counted life on this earth as more than a
stepping stone to the life beyond. It has
been some of us a period of time.
We are smarter or have a keener
insight into life here and beyond than those
who lived close to nature, among the things
created for man's use here on earth? No man
has made a spark of life or a machine that
does as does the human body, and the
body of any animal or bird or any micro-
scopic form of animal or vegetable growth.
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JUNE DECIDES

June decides what the annual report regarding
missions will be, for the report of the
Board of Managers to the Seventh Day Bap-
tist Missionary Conference was
completed on June 1, 1946.
June is the last month to bring in our tithes
and offerings.

The month of May this year was a lean
one as far as contributions were concerned.
The amount received by the Missionary Board
through the United Budget was only about
$450. This produces a situation where the
board is working the workers about $2,300,
some of whom have received nothing this
month and some nothing for two months.

Usually, during June, churches bestow them-
selves in small contributions. There is
dire need that they should do so this year.
If all will promptly send in their tithes and
offerings, our workers can be paid what is
due them, there will be funds available for retribu-
tion on any field, and a great blessing will
come to the churches and every branch of the
work, from Jordan to Jordan, from the
windows of heaven, and pour you out a blessing, that
there shall not be room enough to receive it.
Chinese children. And in this, the Seventh Day Baptist mission is lagging behind. I am enclosing a copy of a letter which we sent to the American Consulate General here. You have received copies of correspond- ence which we have had with our Consul previously. There is little hope that we will get anything from the Japanese. It is to be expected we may not be blamed for destruc- tion or occupation on the ground that in a time of hostilities an army is entitled to do anything for its protection from hostile forces or the elements. The fact that war has never been declared seems to make no difference. Of course, we shall continue to put pressure upon the Japanese authorities, but I am con- vinced that we and the board must expect nothing. Not long ago we presented the Japanese army with a detailed list of the mis- sion’s losses. There has been no reply to this. I am convinced that our mission is a useful work and that it has rained a good deal and I have made several inspection tours since starting it. I，在 the present generation that we may be able to call quickly when we individually overcome evil with good.

Hyman—My faith looks up to thee.

Prayer—Lord Jesus, we are so weak and helpless. We feel our need of thee more and more as the days go by. When we measure our lives by thy teachings we have fallen far short. Help us to consecrate ourselves fully to thee and may our lives be for thine honor and glory. Amen.

Sabbath, June 22

Mark 7: 9—And he said unto them, Full well ye reject the commandment of God, that ye may keep your own tradition. Many times we are told certain lines of conduct are all right; the neighborhood does these things and we should do as the Romans do what is right. It is of no use to ask us to follow—keep God’s commandments and not our own desires or the leading of those who teach contrary to God’s law.

Hyman—I am walking every day with Jesus.

Prayer—Blessed Savior, we thank thee for making plain to us the law of obedience. To thee we come for knowledge and needed strength to do our Father’s will. Guide us, Lord, in ways of truth and peace. Amen.

WOMAN’S WORK

MEETING OF THE WOMAN’S BOARD

The regular meeting of the Woman’s Execu- tive Board was held in the Salem Sabbath school room May 12, 1940, with the following members present: Mrs. G. F. Trainer, Mrs. S. O. Bond, Miss Lotta Bond, Mrs. J. L. Skaggs, Mrs. Eldred Batson, Mrs. Okey W. Davis, Miss Greta Randolph, Mrs. Edward Davis, Mrs. E. F. Lothrop, and Mrs. O. B. Bond.

The minutes of the last meeting were read. Treasurer’s report was made by Mrs. W. J. Davis for the month of April and May, since the April meeting was omitted. April’s balance was $753.69, and May’s $829.14. Both reports were accepted as read.

Correspondence was read from Mrs. Luther Crichlow, accepting an appointment by the board as Woman’s Board correspondent for the Jamaica field. Very interesting corre- spondence from Rev. A. T. Bottoms, which will be answered by the corresponding secretary, was read.
YOUNG PEOPLE'S WORK
A THOUGHT FOR THE WEEK
By Wendell Stephen
Read Psalm 1: 3.
"Poems are made by fools like me, but only God can make a tree."

Have you ever compared your life to that of a tree—a tree which has suffered cuts and bruises, broken limbs and disagreeable weather, but always growing toward heaven with a steadfastness of purpose which nothing short of absolute destruction can ruin?

What a wonderful example for us who are still young in the Christian life!

Nortomville, Kan.

"REMEMBER THE SABBATH DAY, TO KEEP IT HOLY."

(Talk given by William Arthur in the Friday evening assembly at the Gettysburg, Pa., camp meeting. William Arthur is a convert to the Sabbath within the past year.)

The seventh day of the week is the Sabbath of God. He set it aside as a rest day for man to rest from his labors of the week, as he rested from his labors of the creation. It also had the sanction of Jesus.

We are all convinced of the fact that nearly all of the Christian world keeps the first day, or Sunday, as the Sabbath. They may believe in the Sabbath, but the day was changed. The Bible has no record of such change. This same Bible is held by all Christians as the authority.

"Remember the sabbath day, to keep it holy. Six days shalt thou labor, and do all thy work: But the seventh day is the sabbath to the Lord thy God. Thou shalt not do any work in it; thou shalt not do any manner of work: even thou, and thy son, and thy daughter, thy man-servant, and thy maidservant, and thy cattle, and the stranger that is within thy gates: For in six days the Lord made heaven and earth, and the sea, and all that is in them, and rested the seventh day: wherefore the Lord blessed the sabbath day, and hallowed it."  

This fourth commandment is placed right near the middle of the list. More is said in clarifying it than any other of the commandments. It makes one see that God wanted it thoroughly understood.

"If you are subject to the Old Testament law, I ask you, 'If you are subject to the Old Testament law, why do you not observe all of the Old Testament law? These laws are not in the New Testament? The Sabbath is contained in both. The Ten Commandments are of the much smaller group. They are universal in application. What a complete law they make! If everybody lived up to that law, there would be no turmoil and strife in the world today. Furthermore, all the statute books that the Bible commandments, and shall teach men so, he shall be called least in the kingdom of heaven; but whosoever shall do and teach them, he shall be called great in the kingdom of heaven."
PLANTING TREES AT THE WAXTERLY, R. I., CENTENIAL

OUR LETTER EXCHANGE

Dear Mrs. Greene:

I would like to introduce myself to the Recorder readers. My name is Ronald, and I have two brothers and three sisters. Their names are Cyril, Aubrey, Yonne, Nita, and Annette.

We all three brothers, play mandolins, and I also play the piano. We play the mandolins at Sabbath school and I play the piano at Sabbath school. We also play the mandolins and Annette. Their names are Cyril, Aubrey, Yonne, Nita, and I have two brothers and three sisters.

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13 Venus St.,
Fishers Hill,
Germiston, S. Africa.

Dear Ronald:

I am very glad to win a new Recorder friend, and especially from a far-away country like South Africa. I have only received one other letter from Africa, and that was from North Africa.

It is splendid that you and your brothers can give such good help to your Sabbath school music, and you to the church services. Music is one of the finest ways of praising God that is found in the Christian Church, and a real means of bringing pleasure and comfort to others.

I shall be looking forward to receiving the photo of your Sabbath school group.

Sincerely your friend,
Mizpah S. Greene.

**OUR PULPIT**

"A CHOSEN PEOPLE'S BURDENS"

(Sabbath, Rally Day sermon given at the New York City Seventh Day Baptists by Mr. Randolph)

Text—"... Jesus Christ, who gave himself for us, that he might redeem us from all iniquity, and purify unto himself a peculiar people, zealous of good works." Titus 2:13,14.

"Seventh Day Baptists are a peculiar people." How many times have you heard that statement? Not alone because we worship on the seventh day of the week and our church services are therefore closed during the day nine tenths of the world supposes to be the Christian Sabbath. Theologically, I am sure, because the sense of mission appeals to us, we call ourselves "peculiar" or "chosen." We tend to think that we are different from others for a purpose, that we have a contribution to make—just as Israel, which kept herself apart and has continued to do so down to this day—felt called to teach and redeem the Gentile world.

Now, Jimmy, I am in sympathy with this conception of our denomination. I believe that we have made, and are making a number of significant contributions to Christian thought and practice. Certainly I hold in the deepest respect those who have been persecuted for their religious differences; the Waldos (some of whom are members with us), the brethren of Ephrata and Snow Hill in Pennsylvania, the Hubbardists, and to some extent all of the early members of the Newport Church, and more especially those of the congregations in England which gave their lives for religious liberty—of which John Rogers of my own family was one. Had I lived in any of the periods when persecution was carried on, I pray that I might have been as faithful as they were.

This morning I would like for us to explore the cause for which we, a peculiar people, are chosen. What is it that God should bear? I have an idea that we need to listen to the lesson from Titus. It was characteristic of the Israelites that they did not always sense the burden of Jehovah’s call to them. It is of the nature of all religious bodies that they tend to identify self-perpetuation with the call of God rather than the making of positive contributions to the environment in which they live. Jesus Christ gave himself, in the words of our text, "purify unto himself a peculiar people, zealous of good works." Time and time again in history of the Christian era the Church has sought its own life, rather than losing it for Christ's sake, and each time it has lost the vitality of its gospel, the fact by which the Church lives. In each case, from the seventh day until the present, we can see that the Church would have gone forward instead of backward had she thought less of her own life and more of giving life, opportunity, education, health, and true faith to the men and women of that generation. But I am getting ahead of myself.

Because you have not heard me much in this vein, I wish to pay tribute to the influence of the Sabbath in my own life. It represents not only my whole religious awakening and growth in its formative period, but also it is the symbol around which cluster friendships, home, family ties, weekly wardrobe, and many special events, and that older religious and family heritage to which I have referred and which many of you share. With President Norwood I can say the Sabbath is the rock from whence I was born, the pit from whence I was digged. Here is a picture—to remind you—from the Providence Journal.
neal, written by Mrs. Charlotte Maxson Estey at the time of the centennial of the Pawcatuck Church.

I was born a Seventh Day Baptist and brought up at the Pawcatuck Seventh Day Baptist Church in Westerly. My memories of this church go back almost half way to its beginning in 1840. As a small child I succeeded in weaving a background to my childhood out of the eastern branching elms, through the Calvary Baptist bell tolled a solemn warning to late comers at other young influences outside the home. There succeeded in weaving a background to my childhood to the family pew at the front of the church.

So in our relations to the Sabbath Church I was interested to learn, since he went to his reward, that he was a first cousin of several members of this church, and that the Jews did Sunday represents, then, an early form of anti-Semitism—that most cruel of diseases which has been epidemic in the last decade, almost a plague. I am glad to acknowledge my solidarity with the ancient and honorable Hebrews, and with at least one of their halcyon days. Just so, I am the Seventh Day Baptist. The debt which we owe them, it seems to me, might help us to look with appreciation upon such a day which we observe here in New York more than anywhere else in America is despised and rejected.

I ought to express my gratitude, also, for the opportunities which have come to me—largely through the resources and contacts of my denomination. The liberal tradi tion in which my own heritage is rooted and from which I have been an aid to my thinking, and I am sure that I should not have attended Milton College, and from there entered the ministry, had it not been for the support of friends, my home church, and to a lesser extent the church in Welford. Whatever advantage I may go on to say for the SABBATH RECORDER and annual meetings like our General Council of the denomination, and that we may know in person many members of a majority of the churches of our denomination are positively unpar alleled in Protestantism today.

We would like to say more concerning the Recorder since this Rally Day, and I am glad to find many readers of it in the New York City Church, for though it were justly good of the policies it maintains. I like its "Hook-up" column best of all, and also the sermons (most of them), the women's page, the news of the Christian world as furnished by the National Council of Churches, and the reports of Dr. A. C. Bond, and I like also those occasional homely pieces by H. N. Bailey, B. Shaw, Safed the Sage, and others. There The Recorder is an essential mention if time permitted, and a few parts which I consciously do not mention, although I do appeal to subscribers other than myself. It seems clear to me that with the weekly issue of the Recorder, and this personal denominational friendship in which we share, we are admirably equipped for distinct service to the denom ination. Resources any church can have, in the human realm, are friendships—and the common interest of a denomin ation for a small church, I believe. What are the good works to which we are called through the influence of this church? Are there tasks of which we can or should say in Jesus, "for this cause came I to this hour"?

The missionary enterprise is shared in by most of the large churches, Seventh Day Baptists to re...
upon it. There is a crying need for some such service on the wider basis of Christian character and non-sectarian church relationships.

We should join with other churches in registering our conscientious objection and providing for their support—moral as well as financial if need be. The Commission has done its part, the pastors and churches should now do theirs.

The resettlement projects of the government have attracted considerable attention, but Mr. Sherwood Eddy has shown the possibilities of such work on a Christian basis. We must face the fact that there are families, thousands of them, whose outlook is that of a man down a well—and through no fault of their own but due to population shifts, drought, depression, and what not. There have been several such in our church in Nebraska. Why could we not undertake a resettlement project of some kind ourselves? I know of a farm in Connecticut and land in Florida owned by Seventh Day Baptists who wish they could put them to some good use. This church has property in Yonkers with which it does not know what to do. The kind of adventuring which touches our pocket-books is perhaps the best measure of our devotion.

When Jesus gave the Great Commission he did not say "go and preach the Sabbath, but "the gospel." The Sabbath is a part of us, rather than of our work. We need have no fear of losing what is valuable and precious; the Sabbath justifies its own existence and needs no defense league.

Believe me, I have said what I have said because I think it should be said; and not to hurt better men and women than myself. I deeply desire to gain the confidence of the countless "back-sliders" in and out of our churches, who hold more radical views of our denominational belief than I do; but I should deeply regret having said anything this morning which is destructive to the faith of a sincere Sabbath keeper. I am concerned not to fail the trust which this church has placed in me in calling me to be its minister. I subscribe wholeheartedly to the conviction of those who say Seventh Day Baptists are a chosen people. I am asking, however, that we place beside that statement the words in the epistle to Titus, "He gave himself for us, to free us from all wickedness, and purify for himself a people of his own, eager to do right."

DENOMINATIONAL "HOOK-UP"

Dodge Center, Minn.

Mr. and Mrs. Alton G. Churchward visited our church, and Mr. Churchward presented the interests of the Sabbath and American Sabbath Tract Society, Sabbath Rally Day, May 18. We were very happy to have them with us for this service, while we regretted very much the illness which kept Rev. Burchard Loofbourrow from coming.

There was a very good attendance and Mrs. Churchward brought us a fine message, besides bringing out and explaining many things we were glad to know. The Recorder cards were distributed and we were urged to express our views very frankly and return them to the Recorder office.

We miss our pastor and his family very much. His absence makes us feel deeply our great blessing and privilege of having such a God-fearing Christian man as our pastor, and also makes us more appreciative of the help in so many ways, and especially the music, of his splendid wife and daughter.

Every one is very willing to do his part, when requested, to carry on the regular appointments of the church while our pastor is away.

Correspondent.

"Character is made by many acts; it may be lost by a single one."

MARRIAGES

Whitford - Borger. — In an informal wedding solemnized May 12, 1940, Miss Twila Borger, daughter of Mrs. Laura B. Hullyard of Williamsport, became the bride of William L. Whitford, son of Mr. and Mrs. Ferre S. Whitford of Little Genesee. Rev. F. A. Underwood performed the single ring ceremony at the Memorial Presbyterian church at Lancaster, Pa. They will reside at Little Genesee.

OBITUARY

Slade. — Mrs. Ida Nichols Slade, born at Sharon, Pa., July 15, 1849, died at her home in Little Genesee May 23, 1940. She is survived by two daughters, Mrs. F. T. Allen of Bolivar, and Mrs. Floyd Baxter of Little Genesee; a brother, Maurice Nichols of Geneva; four grandchildren; and five great-grandchildren. She was a member of the Little Genesee Seventh Day Baptist Church, having joined by baptism, in early life.

Funeral services were conducted Sunday, May 26, at the home. Rev. Harley Sutton officiated.

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