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## MEDICAL ALUMNI NEWSLETTER

### Legislative Changes to Benefit Medical Center

New legislation has been passed in the current special session of the Wisconsin Legislature and signed into law by Governor Nelson, making fundamental changes in the admissions procedure and rate structure for public patients at University Hospitals in Madison.

Commenting on the bill's passage, **Dr. John Z. Bowers**, Dean of the Medical Center, said that the Hospital Administrative staff, the Department of Administration, University Administration and the legislators are to be commended for the passage of a bill which will strengthen the educational and research programs and assure a high quality of care at the hospital. "By initiating and sponsoring this bill Gov. Nelson has shown an impressive understanding of the importance of good health. The practically unanimous bi-partisan legislative support indicates that our senators and assemblymen are eager to assure the finest medical care for the citizens they represent."

The new law is designed to increase the use of University Hospitals by counties of the state by broadening the categories of public patients who may be admitted to the hospital and for whom the State will pay one-half of the cost. Under the new law the State will share with the counties, the cost of patients admitted to University Hospitals who are receiving public welfare categorical aids. Pres-

ently, the counties must bear the full cost of this care. The law also abolishes the quota limiting State cost sharing to two admissions per 1000 population per year by any county. Presently, the counties pay all costs in excess of the quota.

The outpatient program at University Hospitals also receives assistance from the new law. Under its provisions the State will now share the cost of the care of public patients receiving outpatient care at University Hospitals. Presently such costs are charged in full to the counties. In addition to sharing the cost of the actual outpatient treatment itself, the law also provides for the State to assume one-half of the cost of housing for the public patient while receiving such care at the hospital. It is anticipated that the dormitory, adjacent to the hospital, presently occupied by students of nursing, will be available July 1, 1960 to provide such housing accommodations.

\$100,000 is appropriated in the law to begin a remodeling program in some of the older sections of the hospital. Additional sums will be appropriated in each of the next several years as the remodeling program develops. High on priority is the planned renovation of large wards to provide additional private facilities since forty percent of the hospital admissions are now private patients.

## Open Letter from Dean Bowers

*During my tenure at Wisconsin many developments have been most satisfying—the emergence of new departments and new research programs, improvements in curriculum and admission procedures, the acquisition of new facilities and many others—yet none has provided the gratification given by the rapidly expanding program of the Medical Alumni Association. Deans of a number of medical schools have inquired “how was it done?” University President Elvehjem has expressed his appreciation for the loyal support of the medical alumni.*

*The devotion of many alumni has launched the ship.*

*Real evidence of the value of a strong Alumni Association is shown by the sparkling success of the William S. Middleton Medical Library campaign.*

*As we begin a new year of challenge and anticipated accomplishment I wish to express my sincere appreciation to the entire alumni body for your support which heartens us and your interest which strengthens our resolve to maintain our position in the first rank of the nation’s medical schools.*

*Yours sincerely,*

*John Z. Bowers, M.D.  
Dean*

### Milwaukee Alumni Meeting

The third Milwaukee session of the University of Wisconsin Medical Alumni Association will be held at the University Club on Friday, February 12, 1960. The meeting will begin with cocktails in the Library at 6:00 p.m. Dinner will be served at 7:00 followed by a short program.

The featured speaker will be Professor James F. Crow, Chairman of the Department of Medical Genetics. Dr. Crow will report on some of the interesting research being done in his department and the recent advances in Medical Genetics, which as you know, is one of the newer programs at the Medical Center. Dean Bowers will also bring you up to date on the Medical School progress. Registrations will be limited.

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### GOVERNOR SIGNS U.W. HOSPITAL BILL



Governor Gaylord Nelson is shown as he signs into law the U.W. Hospital Bill. Shown with Gov. Nelson are, left to right, Dr. John Z. Bowers, Dean of the University Medical School, Harry Spindler, a member of the Department of Administration who drafted the bill, and Supt. Lloyd L. Hughes of University Hospitals.

## Historical Library Collection

Dr. Maurice L. Richardson of Lansing, Michigan has recently contributed an additional \$3,000 to enable the library gradually to incorporate into the Richardson collection the Goldschmid Library of important illustrated works in pathological anatomy, purchased in 1958. The gift brings the total of Dr. Richardson's gifts to the medical history collection and the library building fund to more than \$15,000.



Dr. Richardson first developed an interest in the history of medicine while a student at the University of Wisconsin in the years before the four-year medical school was established. After his graduation in 1910, he remained as a graduate student and student assistant in histology and neuro-anatomy to Dr. William Snow Miller, who was founder of the famous William Snow Miller seminar and collector

of a fine book collection, which is now part of the Medical School Library.

After graduation from the medical school at Johns Hopkins, Dr. Richardson entered the field of pathology. He later switched to radiology, becoming a diplomate of the American Board of Radiology in 1939. During this period he assembled a library of historical works which he has contributed to the Medical School during the past decade. The books, which are in unusually fine condition, include a number of genuine rarities: two incunabula, published within 50 years of the invention of printing; a first editions of Hooke's **Micrographia**, with its fine illustrations; two pamphlets on vaccination, the work of Benjamin Waterhouse, who introduced vaccination into the colonies; the Vesalius **Fabrica**, 1555. Other familiar names in the collection are Fracastorius, de Graaf, Malpighi, Morgagni, Lower, Potts, Addison, and Stokes.

Approaching his retirement as radiologist in the Edward W. Sparrow Hospital in Lansing, Dr. Richardson decided that the time had arrived when, in his words, "One wishes to see the collection which has required years to accumulate, in an institution where it will be well protected and kept intact, where it will be of use to special students for research in Medical History, and where it will be a stimulus and inspiration to all students to enjoy

one of the greatest cultural aspects of good medicine."

## Labor for Reunions

Alumni Day, Friday, May 20, 1960 marks a special date for the classes of 1930, 1935, 1940 and 1950. The thirty, twenty, and ten year reunion groups assemble for the occasion and celebration along with the silver anniversary class of 1935. This "togetherness" means that old friends are reunited, memories ignited, and traditions and events recalled.

Class lists and ballots have already been sent out to the members of the above reunioning classes to select speaker-representatives for the clinical portion of Alumni Day and committee members to work on reunioning plans. A paper will be presented by the chosen member from each of the four groups at the clinical section of Medical Alumni Day.

It is interesting to note the numbers and locations of the various class members. They are scattered throughout most of our fifty states and, if one can rely on the experience of the past, distance doesn't seem to be a determining factor as to whether they return or not.

The 1930 group totals 34 members, half in and half out of Wisconsin and the out-of-staters are scattered mostly west of the Mississippi.

The class of 1935 has 53 members, mostly east of the Mississippi, except for the few "vacationers" still rooted on the west coast and in Arizona, Hawaii, Colorado, Utah and Kansas.

There are 47 members in the class of 1940 and more than half are outside Wisconsin. Several of these are in California.

The class of 1950 with 72 graduates has representatives in 26 states plus the District of Columbia. About 2/3 of these members are from out-of-state.

All four of the reunioning classes have Texans and Arizonans numbered among their elect, giving opportunities for a carpool next May.

Get-togethers in the past years by the reunioning classes have combined business with pleasure. While the doctors attend the clinical sessions their spouses are shopping or out visiting friends. At the evening's festivities the honored classes and wives join the regular medical alumni cocktail and dinner banquet and sit at special tables.

It has been very gratifying to note the response of the graduates to the preliminary plans and the tremendous amount of fun experienced in past years and anticipated for the coming Alumni Day.

## Library Fund Progress Report

Although we can't yet show you a picture of excavation begun, there has been progress. We have the land. The site has been formally approved by the University Regents—on the west side of North Randall Avenue between the nurses' dormitory and the Children's Hospital.

Discussions with architects are continuing and work on plans is underway.

But most important—

**With \$135,000 in additional contributions we can begin construction.**

The current total in gifts and pledges is **\$415,000**. We are now proceeding with plans for the initial library unit, to cost an estimated **\$550,000**. This unit would provide space for the immediate library needs. Plans will be drawn for the entire structure providing space for twenty years of expansion and costing an estimated \$800,000. Construction of this unit would be initiated as soon as funds are available.

Your maximum support is needed now. Pay up your pledges — upgrade your contribution — urge your classmates to contribute.

Additional contributions are expected from industry but we must provide the major amount.

The firms which have given generously have done so because they have been impressed by the excellent alumni response. This includes many industries which never had before given to "tax supported" institutions. What we do now will pay manifold benefits to our medical school.

As your pledges are fulfilled you will be receiving certificates of recognition. Contributors in the Bronze Plaque and Brown Derby category will also receive a picture of Dr. Middleton autographed

with a personal comment. A facsimile of the certificate and the picture to be given were printed in the October Newsletter.

Since so many of you would like to know how your class compares with others of similar vintage we are listing totals for the past forty classes.

In the next issue of the Newsletter we will again list all current contributors to the fund.

Are you proud of your class total? Only you can change it.

**REMEMBER**—with \$135,000 more, construction can begin.

### CLASS REPORT

Contributions during the Current Campaign:

1919	\$2260	1939	\$5799
1920	785	1940	4599
1921	2380	1941	3255
1922	1650	1942	4900
1923	1345	1943	10230
1924	2035	1944	2101
1925	392	1945	2485
1926	1735	1946	5160
1927	2116	1947	3015
1928	3135	1948	4575
1929	6398	1949	2270
1930	6875	1950	3850
1931	3547	1951	4032
1932	9095	1952	3867
1933	8135	1953	1110
1934	8270	1954	605
1935	8622	1955	611
1936	8385	1956	115
1937	5850	1957	245
1938	4135	1958	473

Interns & Residents ..... 7300

Faculty (Including Alumni Members).....21655

(Use this form if you have lost your pledge card or can upgrade your contribution)

## WILLIAM S. MIDDLETON LIBRARY FUND

I hereby (Give ) support in the category indicated.  
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- \_\_\_\_\_ (\$200) Middleton Medical Alumnus
- \_\_\_\_\_ (\$500) Middleton Brown Derby Alumnus
- \_\_\_\_\_ (\$1,000) Bronze Plaque Alumnus.
- \_\_\_\_\_ (\$ ) Other

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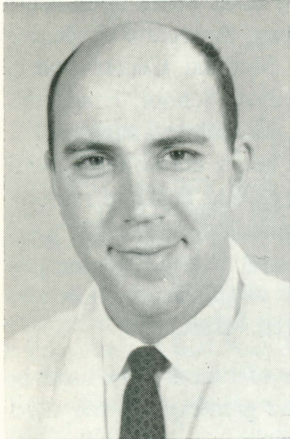
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This pledge will not be considered binding on me or my family in case of my serious illness or death.

## NEW FACULTY



A former intern at University Hospitals, **Robert O. Burns, M.D.**, has accepted a position as Assistant Professor of Medicine and is at present Assistant Director of Student Health at the Medical Center. Dr. Burns received a M.D. degree at the Medical College of Virginia where he was a member of Alpha Omega Alpha. He has held residencies in Medicine at the Medical College of Virginia,

the C & O Hospital in Clifton Forge, Virginia and Memorial Hospital, Charleston, West Virginia.

Prior to coming to the Medical Center, Dr. Burns was in private practice in Huntington and Charleston, West Virginia. While in Charleston he was Director of Medical Education at Memorial Hospital and in charge of the artificial kidney there. He is certified by the American Board of Internal Medicine and his main interest at present, is in the field of renalogy.



A neurologist from Columbia University, **Hartwell G. Thompson, Jr.**, has accepted a position as Assistant Professor of Neurology at the University of Wisconsin Medical Center, beginning October 1. Dr. Thompson received his M.D. degree from Cornell University in 1950 and interned in surgery at Bellevue Hospital in New York City. He received his training in neurology at the Neurological Institute of New York, which is part of the Columbia Presbyterian Medical Center. After completing residency training, Dr. Thompson became a full time member of the Department of Neurology at Columbia as a special Trainee of the National Institute of Neurological Diseases and Blindness.

At the University of Wisconsin, Dr. Thompson will be a full time member of the Department of Neurology and will be active in the teaching program for medical students and residents. His main interest will be in research in clinical neurology, with emphasis on related aspects of neurophysiology. Dr. Thompson will head the Parkinson's Disease Clinic at the Medical Center.

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## Postgraduate Courses--

### 1960

#### Laboratory Diagnosis for General Practitioners

February 11-12 (2 days)

Frank C. Larson, M.D., Director

Tickets available to:

Robert Shaw Chorale & Orchestra  
Wisconsin Union Theater, Feb. 12

#### Therapeutics

February 18 (1 day)

Frederick E. Shideman, M.D., Director

#### Neurology

March 10-12 (2½ days)

Francis M. Forster, M.D., Director

#### Pediatric Endocrinology

April 7-9 (2½ days)

Nathan J. Smith, M.D., Director

#### Effects of Pollution and Environment on Health

May 19-20 (2 days)

Seymour B. Crepea, M.D., Director

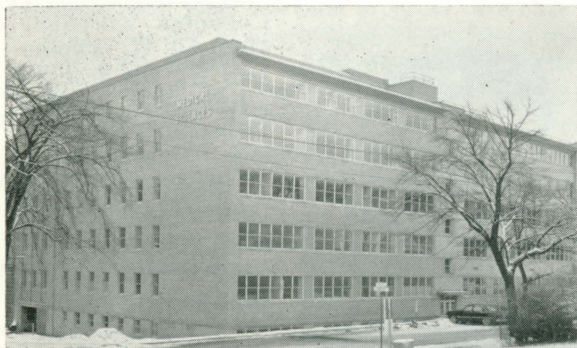
General Practitioners will receive Category 1 credit from the A.A.G.P.

You may register for any course now. Send all requests for information to Dr. Robert C. Parkin, 418 N. Randall Ave., Madison 6, Wisconsin.

## ALUMNI MEETING — May 3, 1960

A state-wide Alumni meeting will be held during the annual State Medical Society Meetings in Milwaukee, May 3, 4 and 5. A luncheon meeting following cocktails has been planned for Tuesday, May 3 in Juneau Hall of the Milwaukee Auditorium. **Silas Evans, '36** and **Joseph Stone, '35** have been appointed co-chairmen for the meeting.

## NEW MEDICAL SCIENCE BUILDING TO OPEN



Pictured above is the latest addition to the Medical Center campus, the Medical Sciences Building. It should be ready for occupancy the latter part of March. The research wing adjoins Bardeen Laboratories and Service Memorial Institutes and completes the quadrangle housing the basic science departments. The six-storied structure, together with Service Memorial Institutes, which is being remodeled, will house the laboratories of Physiological Chemistry, Pathology, Medicine, Medical Microbiology, Pharmacology, Surgery and the recently established research program of Medical Genetics. Its erection will bring about a more central location of the many research programs of the various departments and thus allow a convenient exchange of information both within a department and between interdisciplinary research programs.

## 100th Anniversary

The Medical Center recently celebrated an anniversary. The anniversary of its 100th open heart surgery. **Dr. William Young**, Associate Professor of Surgery at University Medical Center and a 1941 graduate of the Medical School, heads the team of up to 15 persons, including 4 surgeons, 2 anesthesiologists, 3 nurses and a cardiologist, who work directly within the exposed heart to remedy difficulties that could be remedied in no other way. A contrivance of motors and pumps and oxygen tanks takes over the work of the heart while the surgeons repair the damaged vessel.

An average of 12 pints of blood were used in each of the 100 cases. The greatest number used in a single case was 28 pints.

At the Medical Center the operations, two each week, are scheduled weeks in advance, depending upon urgency. The patients came from 30 counties in the state and ranged in age from 20 months to 54 years.

Due to the heart surgery team 100 cardiac cripples have been given a chance for a normal life.

## Faculty in the News

The Centennial Merit Award was presented to **Dr. B. M. Peckham**, Chairman of the Department of Obstetrics and Gynecology at the University Medical School, designating him as one of Northwestern University Medical School's distinguished alumni. The award was received at ceremonies marking the school's centennial. He is one of the twenty recipients of this citation given for outstanding work in academic medicine.

**Dr. Anthony R. Curreri**, '33, Professor of Surgery and Director, Cancer Research Hospital, left in November for Europe as Consultant to the Surgeon General of the Army on an inspection tour of medical installations in

the European theater with headquarters in Heidelberg, Germany. He will return the first week of January.

Emeritus Professor of Anesthesiology, **Ralph M. Waters** and Mrs. Waters were the honored guests at the annual meeting of the American Society of Anesthesiologists held at Bal Harbour, Florida. An educational exhibit, "Anesthesia — Wisconsin," prepared by **Dr. Karl Siebecker**, '40, and **James Kimmey**, a third year medical student, received a "Special Merit Award" at the meeting.

**Peter Moore**, Pharmacology and Toxicology, left in October to participate in a Nutrition Survey in Vietnam, sponsored by the Interdepartmental Committee on Nutrition for National Defense. Dr. Moore returned the latter part

of December.

**Dr. James F. Crow**, Chairman of Medical Genetics, has been elected President of the Genetics Society of America.

**Dr. Francis M. Forster**, Chairman of the Department of Neurology, was elected President of the American Board of Psychiatry and Neurology. Dr. Forster has served as a Director of the Board since 1952 and has been representing the American Neurological Association of the board.

**Dr. Newton E. Morton**, Assistant Professor of Medical Genetics, has been appointed by the Board of Directors of the American Society of Human Genetics to represent them on the Program Committee for the 2nd International Congress of Human Genetics to be held in Rome, Italy in 1961.

# Alumni Capsules

**Theodore Roberts**, '50, a neurosurgery resident at University Hospitals, recently took part in a mercy flight which has all the drama of a movie plot. Early one afternoon, the Air Force radar station in Antigo, got word that a surgeon was needed there where a 13 year old boy had been shot in the head while deer hunting. Truax Field in Madison was contacted and CAP accepted the mission. Dr. Roberts was flown to Antigo in a private plane. They took off at 4:00 p.m. and flew through a blinding snowstorm and darkness to land at Antigo. The Antigo radar station had to "talk" the plane to a safe landing the storm was so thick.

**Helen M. Worsencroft**, '56, writes the Medical Center that she is now in her third of a four year Ob.-Gyne. Residency at Washington Hospital Center, Washington, D.C. She is hoping to return to Wisconsin to practice when she finishes. "The big city is fine but there will never be any place like Wisconsin." That's music to our ears.

Man should not be judged by age. Proof of this is **Dr. Spencer De Witt Beebe**, probably Wisconsin's oldest active general practitioner who recently observed his 90th birthday. Dr. Beebe entered the University of Wisconsin after his graduation from Sparta High School and studied for three years before completing his medical education at Rush Medical College, Chicago in 1896. Although he maintains his office in the Sparta Clinic, his main interests lie in his job as physician at the Monroe County Home and Infirmary where he looks after the health of 288 persons.

From sources unknown we have

learned that **George L. Thomas**, '36 of Janesville, Wis. has again purchased an ice boat. Classmates may remember the case of the steamed-up glasses and open water which resulted in George's "dunking" during med school days. We understand it has taken George this long and annual trips to Sun Valley, Idaho to convince his wife of his present-day abilities.

A short note from **R. J. Muenzner**, '36, of Milwaukee informs us he will be in South America the early part of February to attend the Pan American Congress of Ophthalmology.

**Arnold S. Jackson**, '19, Madison was one of 12 distinguished surgeons selected to become Honorary Fellows of the International College of Surgeons. They received their honors at the 24th Annual Congress of the North American Federation, International College of Surgeons in Chicago.

**Evan L. Frederickson**, '50, was appointed Professor of Surgery and Head of the Section of Anesthesiology at the University of Kansas Medical Center at Kansas City. Prior to this appointment he had been Associate Professor of Pharmacology and Anesthesiology at the University of Washington in Seattle. Congratulations, Dr. Frederickson.

**Lester McGary**, '24, was honored recently at a testimonial dinner given in Madison to mark his retirement after 33 years as Chief Pathologist of the Madison General Hospital. Dr. McGary and his wife will remain in Madison until Jan. 1 when they will move to Corsicana, Texas where Dr. McGary has accepted a posi-

tion as chief of the laboratory of a community hospital. His son, **Lester Eugene McGary**, '52 is connected with the Corsicana Clinic.

A note from **Herbert F. Sandmire**, '53, tells us that he has joined with another doctor in the practice of Obstetrics and Gynecology at 430 S. Webster Ave., Green Bay, Wis. Prior to entering practice he served three years in the USAF and then completed a three-year residency in Obstetrics and Gynecology at the University of Iowa Hospitals.

Having completed his internship at St. Mary's Hospital, Madison, **Thomas H. Peterson**, '58 is now practicing with **David Joe Freeman**, '52 in Wausau. Thomas's father, A. W. Peterson is Vice-President, Business and Finance and Trust Officer at the University.

**David R. Downs**, '57, writes Alumni office that "I am now serving my two year tour of obligated service time and I am due to be released in June, 1960. I will be looking for a place to practice in Wisconsin." His present address is 1st Marine Division, Camp Pendleton, Calif.

**Edward Miner**, '57 proudly announces the birth of a daughter, Jennifer Lynn, born December 5, 1959. "We are enjoying a medicine residency at Indiana University Medical Center."

**David L. Dean**, '50, left Madison to live in Arizona's sunny climate. He, his wife, Jane and four children moved to Phoenix. His address is 926 W. Willetta St. His specialty is General Surgery.

A change of address notice in-

forms us that **Janet J. Whitmore**, nee **Jacobson**, '45 has moved from Appleton, Wis. to 1115 Pacific Ave., Everett, Washington.

**George J. Theiler**, '53 has become affiliated with the Gosin-Lynn Clinic of Green Bay. Dr. Theiler came to Green Bay from Ft. Rucker, Alabama, where he had spent two years as Chief of the Obstetric-Gynecology Department at the base hospital.

Having completed an internship at Rockford Memorial Hospital, **Irwin J. Bruhn**, '58, has opened an office at Walworth, Wis.

During a recent meeting of the International College of Surgeons, it was announced that **Robert Krohn**, '27, of Black River Falls, had been elected a qualified Fellow of the College.

**Marc J. Musser**, '34, who was on the teaching staff of the Wisconsin Medical School from 1938 until his appointment to the Houston Veterans Administration Hospital staff in 1957, has been appointed Director of Professional Services at the Houston, Texas, Veterans Administration Hospital. In his new position in Washington, D.C., Dr. Musser

will coordinate a nation-wide program of some 6,000 individual and cooperative studies, with major categories in cancer, heart and blood vessel disease, mental illness, aging, tuberculosis, atomic medicine and dental research.

**B. W. Lyne**, '53 recently discontinued his private practice in Neillsville to enter a residency at the Mayo Foundation in Rochester, Minn. Dr. Lyne is entering the postgraduate work in Pathology after five years at Neillsville.

A 1955 graduate, **Frederic W. Jansen**, has returned to his home town of Green Bay, Wis. to practice obstetrics - gynecology. He took both his internship and residency at Charity Hospital, New Orleans, La.

**Dean M. Connors**, '52, has assumed the duties of Associate Pathologist and Director of Medical Education at St. Mary's Hospital, Madison. He has spent the last two years at St. Mary's Hospital in Rhinelander. Dean is also on the clinical staff of the Pathology Department, Wisconsin Medical Center.

**Irvin M. Becker**, '47, was certified by the Subspecialty Board of Gastroenterology in April. Dr. Becker has been practicing as an

internist and gastroenterologist in Milwaukee since release from the U. S. Navy in 1954.

**Robert Mataczynski**, '55, recently discharged from service, has returned to practice in Superior, Wis. He had practiced for a year at Superior before entering the U. S. Army in 1957. Dr. Mataczynski was released with the rank of captain and had been stationed as Assistant Chief of Obstetrics and Gynecology at the Army Hospital at Wurzburg, Germany.

**Gerald Gredler**, '51, reports he has finished his Orthopedic residency in Milwaukee and is now practicing in Janesville, Wis. Their children are nine and seven years for the boys, five for the girl, and they have a country estate in Janesville on Milwaukee Road (a street, not a railroad).

**R. J. Botham**, '52, has left his post as Instructor in Surgery at the Wisconsin Medical Center, a position he has held since 1957, to join the Dean Clinic in Madison. He will practice as a General Surgeon, specializing in heart surgery. He has retained a tie with the Medical Center with an appointment as Clinical Instructor and is continuing his research program at the Medical Center.

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