

Reed submits charges against Parking Board

SENATE ATTACKS PARKING BOARD, NICK SMITH

In a late development, just before press time, the ASGRCC Senate charged the college with violating its own regulations and state law by allowing staff and faculty to park in student parking stalls, and charging a fee for duplicate parking permits.

All nine senators present at a special meeting Tuesday voted for two directives to Parking Director Nick Smith and the campus parking and traffic board.

"I take my directions from the Dean for Students," said Smith. He said the "state law" referred to in the directives are codified GRCC regulations that have been superseded by later decisions of the parking board, and said a committee is working on correcting the discrepancies.

The allegations duplicate charges made by ASGRCC President Terri Reed, and were prepared for consideration before the senate by Senator Marcia Antonich, a Reed supporter.

By JUDY NILL

On Dec. 1, ASGRCC President Terri Reed submitted two formal charges to the Judicial Board against the Parking Board.

"The college duplicate parking permit policy is illegal according to the WAC-State Law. Green River currently charges \$1 for each duplicate parking permit. State law dictates that duplicates shall be free of charge," read one charge.

The other: "It is discriminatory to allow staff to park in student spots, but not to allow students the opportunity to purchase (for \$1 more) a staff permit to park in student or staff spots."

The GRCC Parking Board consists of three administrators, three student representatives and two designated staff persons.

Last week's CURRENT detailed Reed's charges concerning discriminatory parking policies and administration rebuttal.

As a result of Reed's charges, the ASGRCC Judicial Board has called the Parking Board to a 2 p.m. meeting today in the Rainier Room, "for a hearing on charges being brought against you by Reed."

Reed commented that the hearing is a step in the right direction. "We've just not been getting any action," she said.

Concerning the published refutations to her charges by Dean of Students Earl Norman, Business Manager Rich Rutkowski and Director of Parking and Security Nick Smith, she said, "If they want to rebut, that's

their privilege. But that \$1 fee is still illegal and it's still wrong to have discriminatory parking policies."

Smith responded to the first formal charge, saying, "The parking board decided students were abusing free stickers—purchasing duplicates for buddies so they wouldn't have to buy their own—so the board approved the charge of \$1 for duplicate stickers."

Regarding the alleged illegality of doing this, Smith said, "The WAC (Washington Academic Code) has not been updated." The code is made up by the college, approved by the Board of Trustees and sent to the attorney general (of the state) for codification, he added.

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The Pond: Woody vs. woodsmen?

By BARBARA HOBBY

Student foresters may have inadvertently left The Pond less private and some woodpeckers homeless.

In a letter to the Current, science department staff member Kathy George charged that the thinning of dead cedars near The Pond would soon leave it "exposed to the parking lot" if continued, and said the dead trees "are natural habitat for woodpeckers."

The dead cedar the letter refers to has been cleared away and used by the Forestry class in the construction of a foot bridge on one of the many campus trails. There are different opinions as to whether that was the correct thing to do with the dead cedar.

Gary Knell of Maintenance explained that the reason for the cedar dying was that the water table had been altered when the sewer line was paved. In other words, when the parking strip below Lindbloom Student Center and the SMT building was put in, it changed the ecological balance so drastically that it killed first the Douglas Fir and then the cedars.

Pat Cummins, Forestry Dept., explained further that the cedars had been infested with beetles—this too could have been part of the reason for the cedars dying. Cummins felt that removal of the dead cedars would prevent the spreading of the beetles to the surrounding trees. Cummins could see no reason why the dead cedar shouldn't be utilized elsewhere on campus.

On the other hand, maintenance feels dead trees should be left where they are, as they are—unless there is an obvious danger of the trees falling on people, cars, or buildings. For example, if a fallen tree is blocking a pathway, maintenance will cut and remove



WOODS AND WOOD — The foot bridge, at left, was fashioned from dead cedar trees which used to sit in the Pond area (right.) According to a Science Department staff member, the cedars were once the home of "numerous" woodpeckers and an integral part of the ecological balance. The forestry department removed the trees, claiming they were a hazard and habitat for beetles. (See accompanying story.) (Staff photos by Lee Vanderlaan.)

the portion causing the problem, but leave the rest of the tree to rot as it would in a forest.

As for the woodpeckers, Cummins said he found no signs of their activity on the dead cedars he and the Forestry class removed. However, there were some signs of woodpeckers on some of the trees in the same area. According to biology instructor Denny White, "We should try to leave that area as natural as possible. The pileated woodpecker lives on campus and will need snags for nesting purposes."

The Forestry class intends to plant more cedars in the pond area that has been semicleared. Cummins feels that new cedars might be able to adapt and survive

in the changed surroundings of the pond. It had been too drastic of a change for the older trees there before. Of course it will take another 90 to 100 years for the new trees to actually replace those that were removed.

But the woodpeckers and exposure of the pond area were not Kathy George's only concern. She wanted to know who gave the Forestry class the authority to remove those dead cedars.

Well, the Forestry Dept. gets their authorization from Dr. Melvin Lindbloom. But, according to Dr. Lindbloom, he leaves all forestry matters pretty much to their own discretion. He figures Forestry knows what they're doing. However, Dr. Lindbloom

has to answer to the State Dept. of Natural Resources. Because the Green River campus is on land leased from the state, the Dept. of Natural Resources has the final say about any major changes being considered. This also means that the Dept. of Natural Resources can do anything they want in the way of clearing trees or other changes on the GRCC campus.

Overall, Dr. Lindbloom is more concerned with protecting people on campus from the possible hazards caused by nature, than with protecting the ecology within the campus. Dr. Lindbloom did offer to listen to any person having a complaint about something being done to the campus grounds.

Trustees oppose disclosure requirement

By MARK D. STUMPF

Before the November general election, Referendum 36 was a little-publicized measure that seemed almost lost amid the hoopla of more dramatic ballot contests.

But when the voters approved it, Referendum 36 became a critical issue for many of this state's college trustees.

The new law requires that all appointed state officials make the same detailed public disclosure of their personal finances that has been required of elected officials since the passage of Initiative 276 several years ago.

That includes the governor-appointed presidents and trustees of the state's colleges and universities. They must decide by

December 31 whether to file their initial report with the Public Disclosure Commission, or resign. Three trustees at community colleges around the state have resigned so far.

GRCC President Melvin Lindbloom and three of five trustees here have said they will comply with the requirement, while as of Monday two were still undecided. All of them dislike the law, calling it an imposition and invasion of privacy that will not benefit the public.

Chairman of the trustees Dr. William Shaw, and trustees Hugh Mathews and Dr. Richard Eidal said they plan to comply. Trustees Helen Smith and William Kennelly said they haven't yet decided.

Lindbloom described the report as "a very complete disclosure, and a complex one." Shaw said it would take him "two or three days" to fill out the required form, and said it is "a more extensive report than the long form for income tax purposes."

Shaw said the report's demands for "everything" about a trustee's financial life can cause problems for businessmen, whose finances are often intertwined with those of their partnership or corporation, who may not want their finances revealed.

"I have nothing to hide," said Mathews in a comment echoing other trustee's opinions. "However, I think it's a hell of a note when you serve without pay

and then have to make this kind of disclosure."

"I don't like it, but I don't have much choice," said Shaw.

"I'm unhappy with the law. I plan to comply with it," said Eidal. "I don't think any need exists. I don't think there's a conflict of interest problem," he added.

Smith considers it largely a philosophical question. "The disclosure itself doesn't bother me," she said. "What bothers me is I'll have . . . no way of knowing who is looking into my affairs."

Smith said she believes persons seeking access to disclosure reports should have to identify themselves and register their names, and the official notified. "I feel that's the other side of the (accountability) coin," she explained.

"It invades my privacy," said Kennelly. "I don't think the job requires me to throw open my assets and affairs to the public." He said he faces the kind of conflicts many trustees have complained about: in order to fully disclose his own finances, he must in effect disclose those of business associates.

"I'll fill it out," Kennelly said of the disclosure form, "I don't know if I'll turn it in."

Public benefit from the disclosures will be minimal, most agreed. Trustees are required to sign a statement saying they have no conflicts of interest when they are appointed, said Shaw.

"The long-term result is that the quality of trustees . . . is going to go down very definitely," Shaw said, because otherwise qualified persons may not want to serve because of the disclosure requirement. "We may see some trustees resign" rather than comply, he said.

"I hope no one resigns," said Eidal. "It would be a loss to the college."

Yule ball here tomorrow

Tickets for Green River's first Christmas Ball, scheduled for 8 p.m. tomorrow in the student center, can now be purchased at the recreation desk in the center for \$6 per couple. The dance will feature music by "The Madrigals" from 9 till midnight at which time hot hors d'oeuvres, punch and eggnog will be served.

The Special Events-sponsored dance is a formal affair. It is recommended that men wear suits and women wear dresses (no particular length is recommended). A photographer will be present to take color pictures for \$3.50 per couple.

Mona Lacross and April Cawthon, coordinators of the event, believe that in order for the dance to be successful, it will be necessary for students to get involved. According to Lacross, "This event is something that everyone can enjoy. There should be a big turnout for the dance."



DANCE PLANNERS — Chris Morgan, Celia Zilka, April Cawthon and Mona Lacross are anticipating a big turnout for tomorrow's Christmas Ball. (Staff photo by Pat Cimino).

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Miss Auburn applications open

By CATHY MELBERG

Applications are being accepted for the Miss Auburn Scholarship Pageant, which is really the Miss Auburn Beauty Pageant renamed.

Applicants must be between the ages of 17-27, single (that means never married or child), Auburn residents (or Green River students) and, of course, female.

The pageant winner receives a \$600 scholarship for furthering her education and a chance to go on to the Miss Washington Pageant.

Other than age, etc., what other attributes should an applicant have?

"The girl should have talent, be pleasant looking and have a slim figure," said Arlene Wright, pageant director.

She qualified these attributes. "It depends upon the girl herself and what she thinks of herself," she explained. "A contestant should possess intelligence, poise, and talent."

The contestants compete in three categories: swimsuit, talent and formal (with an interview).

The pageant runs an average of 10 contestants and takes place on April 23 this spring. Applications are due on Jan. 15, however

During the three month interlude between application and competition, a series of preparations occur. Contestants meet twice a week to cover modeling, grooming, physical fitness and make-up.

Miss Auburn Pageant puts on a fashion show-fund raiser with local department and clothing stores contributing fashions.

Contestants visit the Pierce County Pageant to see how it's done and check out the competition.

"Many of the women who enter these contests are looking for a career in communications," said Wright. "Some are also interested in becoming entertainers."

Beauty pageants date back to 1921 when the first Miss America Pageant was held in Atlantic City. Its purpose was "to develop a higher appreciation of the beautiful in young womanhood by the American public."

Anyone interested in applying, can find official entry blanks at Auburn Chamber of Commerce, Evergreen Stationers or see Patti Fox in Student Programs.

Undercurrents

The high price of baseball: a final farewell to innocence

By MIKE VOURI

Well, it happened again Monday.

Reggie Jackson, former golden boy turned sour kid, turned suave, fluid-talking, fluid-hitting media-hype superstar has hit the biggest homerun of all — the free agent jackpot. It's too damn bad.

Oh, he's a good ballplayer all right. He possesses one of the strongest throwing arms from right field the game has ever seen. He hits with power and has speed enough to steal 30 bases. Most importantly though, he's displayed the knack of getting the "big hit." The hit that wins the close game, the playoff...the world series. However, no ballplayer who ever roamed the sacred diamond is worth \$3 million.

Three million? Aw heck...that's nothing. Montreal dangled four million under his nose and chances are Jackson could have reeled in more had he not contracted Yankee/Big Apple influenza. Poor Reggie. Charles O. Finley had assured his immunity by abusing him with yearly inoculations of humble pie and now the poor devil has been stricken down in the very bloom of his innocence.

There was Jackson on the six o' clock news, his pleasant face shining like the harvest moon, sporting that hated Yankee logo on his head and bringing in the sheaves.

That wily old silver fox, Daddy Warbucks Steinbrenner, was hovering around, oozing money from every pore while the ghosts of Jay Gould, J.P. Morgan and other colleagues scattered garlands of bullion at his feet.

"It's a competitive game," Steinbrenner was heard to say, "I don't care what anybody says."

He doesn't have to. Anyone with money enough to buy a championship team; to actually hammer out the gold plate and remold the Yankees into that despised aggregation of aristocrats of old, is going to do anything he damn well pleases and pzzart on you and the horse you rode in on.

What an ironic turn of events it is. The poor ballplayers, struggling under the whips and bounds of slavery for 100 years or more, are now free to do as they please. Under the reserve clause a player could not play out his contract and then offer his services to the highest bidder. He was impressed into indentured servitude and could not take his leave unless his owner deemed it to be in his interest (the owner's interest, not the player's.)

There was a reason for this form of gladiatorial white slavery (white slavery that is until 1947 — from then on anybody could sell himself down the river).

Maintain parity in the league! Keep the game competitive. It did...up to a point. Every team could claim some semblance of parity with other teams...except the Yankees. They were the league.

There were other blockbuster teams. The Giants (in New York), Dodgers (in the 50's and 60's), Cardinals and Philadelphia Athletics were all perennial winners.

But the Yankees, those damn Yankees, were in a class by themselves, really. They possessed enough wealth to "buy out" other clubs. From the time when they stripped the flesh off the Red Sox' bones (early Babe Ruth period) to the period when the Kansas City

Athletics seemed to be their personal farm team, the Yankees managed to milk the league of its prime talent.

The other teams employed different methods. The New York Giants had the incomparable John McGraw, a driving, taskmaster manager on the field, combined with shrewd business acumen. The St. Louis Cardinals established the first major league farm system to glean raw talent for the big club. The Philadelphia Athletics were owned and managed by the legendary Connie Mack.

Had Marvin Miller, currently the baseball player's representative, strolled into John McGraw's office demanding such things as player's rights and higher salaries, the gruff old gentleman would have called Miller the worst kind of Bolshevik and condemned him to march in the Mummer's Parade in Philadelphia.

But it was a different time then... and a different game. Baseball was still a sacred summer ritual. Babe Ruth was the most popular and revered human being in the western hemisphere (and Japan). The game was played predominately by semi-educated men who emerged from the cities and farmlands across the country. Some could barely read and write and remained convinced all the way up to the day of their retirement, that it took a crazy man to pay someone to play boy's games.

America has grown up now. Manifest Destiny has prevailed. So much so, that it has even encompassed the national pastime. Baseball has gone west, northwest, south and across the border into Canada. Along with expansion have come the high salaries, the big-spender owners and "smart" ballplayers.

True, ballplayers still come from all over — but they're no longer semi-educated and any talking they do with their owner's now is done in the presence of an attorney, especially at contract time.

It is sad somehow, this vulgar twist of reality into America's game of dreams...especially for old fans like my paternal grandfather. I'm sure Old Mike feels much like a father who hears his daughter sneaking in the door at 4 a.m.

Yes, the players have won their freedom. They're free now to practice that God-given right of free enterprise and baseball now assumes its place in the tainted Valhalla of Big-Money sport.

That's right. Everybody is going to get a piece of the pie. The "Damn Yankees" devil has stole his way into the locker room and found enough souls to field a championship club. Nothing has changed. The ballplayers remain "owned" lock, stock and barrel, even shrewd Reggie.

What irony. Everyone is going to get a piece of the pie — everyone on the New York Yankees — while baseball fans pay the price at the gate and journeyman players who'll never be superstars, wallow in the obscurity of second division teams.

Somebody should shove the pie in Steinbrenner's face.

Final exam schedule

All classes will meet during the week of final examinations as scheduled below. Whether an instructor administers a final examination is decided by the instructor in accordance with division policy. December 13 has been designated as study day.

TUESDAY, DEC. 14

8 to 10 a.m.	All 8 a.m. classes
11 a.m. to 1 p.m.	All 11 a.m. classes
2 to 4 p.m.	All 3 p.m. classes
4 to 6 p.m.	Available test time for classes with conflicts

WEDNESDAY, DEC. 15

8 to 10 a.m.	All 9 a.m. classes
11 a.m. to 1 p.m.	All 1 p.m. classes
2 to 4 p.m.	All 4 p.m. classes
4 to 6 p.m.	Available test time for classes with conflicts

THURSDAY, DEC. 16

8 to 10 a.m.	All 10 a.m. classes
11 a.m. to 1 p.m.	All 2 p.m. classes
2 to 4 p.m.	Tuesday-Thursday classes that do not fit regular schedule time.
4 to 6 p.m.	Available test time for classes with conflicts.



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Ultra-modern welding shop to open here

By JUDY NILL

"Probably the most modern welding shop in the western United States is nearing completion and should be in use by the beginning of Winter Quarter," said Ken Miller, head welding instructor at GRCC.

The new shop is designed only for welding — unlike the present facility which is housed in the Trades and Industries Building along with carpentry, metal shop and other industrial classes.

"I don't know of another public school in the country that has designed a building only for welding," said Miller. "The administration gave us just about everything we asked for."

The structure, which is located in the cluster of new buildings near Parking Lot C, has been five years in the making from the time of the early planning stages to now. It is about 7,000 square feet in area. Total cost of the building and equipment is approximately \$425,000. Testing facilities, classrooms and restrooms will be housed in the building, as well as the actual shop.

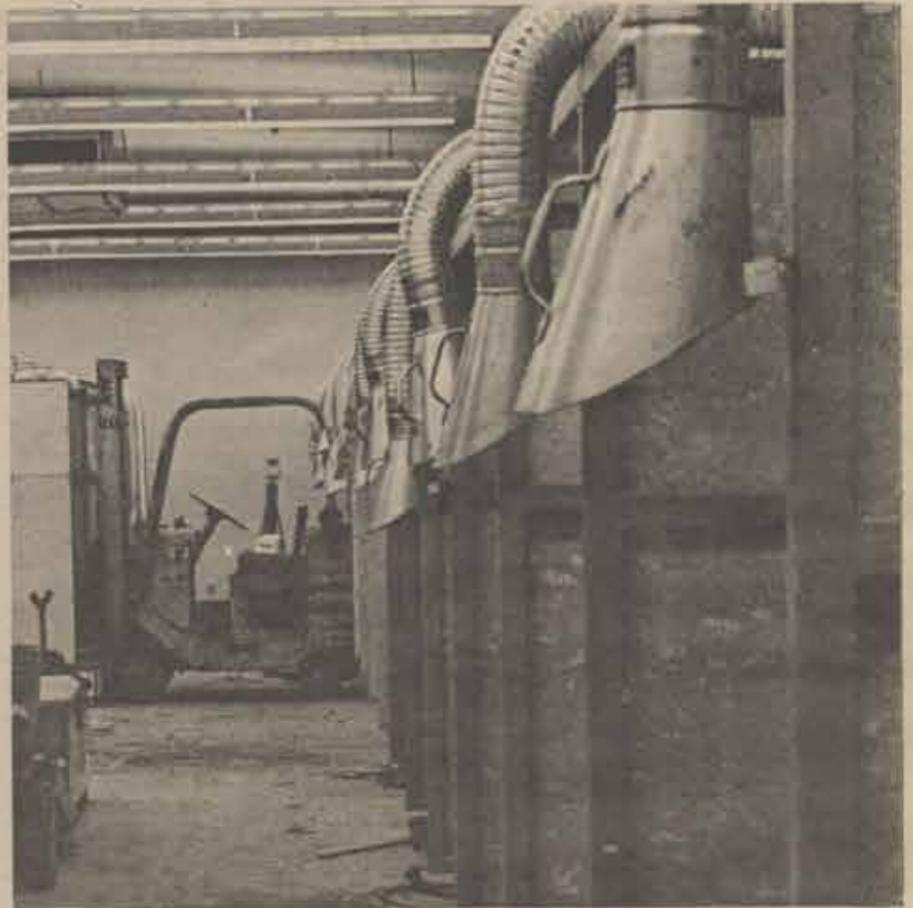
Welding programs at GRCC—which are taught on an individual basis—have greatly increased in popularity since their inception. "I came here in 1968," said Miller, "and we had about 10 students during the day and about that many at

night. At one time—during the two years (1974-75) we ran the shop 24 hours a day, five-and-a-half days a week—we were going through about 250 students a week."

Since the 24-hour program has been discontinued for lack of available funding, the shop operates from 7 a.m. to 10:30 p.m. There are two full-time instructors—Miller and Bob Mahoney—and 10 part-time instructors, who are all welding supervisors in outside industries. Miller estimates there are now about 150 students per week attending various welding classes and programs.

Miller points out that it is certainly not lack of interested students which has decreased the hours of instruction. "If the funding were there, I'd go back to 24 hours a day in a minute. I would have no hesitation," he emphasized. "Everybody thought we were nuts to start that graveyard class (1 a.m. to 6:30 p.m.), but it was the first to fill up."

The problem is in available funding to the college for the welding program. "Welding is a high-cost program—everything we learn with is consumable," explained Miller. "There's probably no other program on campus that costs as much."



THE LINEUP — Welding equipment is aligned in near-perfect order in anticipation of the opening of GRCC's new welding shop, scheduled to premier Winter Quarter. According to instructor Ken Miller, the shop is one of the best in the country. (Staff photo by Lee Vanderlaan.)

When the new welding shop is in use, it will maximize the welding program's capacity. Since the old shop will continue to be used, the total number of students that can be at work at one time will be expanded to 100.

Miller hopes that the 24-hour

program can somehow be reinstated. "I have a philosophy that schools should never close their doors. As long as there are students to have a class, have one. To operate a school only from 8 a.m. to 4 p.m.—I think it's a waste of money," he says.

Program somewhat responsive

Gator Bucks passed along as complaints roll in

By DENNIS LACKEY

Just who is that irreverent looking alligator with the irrepressible grin adorning that green gizmo (that will gladly engage in gladiatorial struggle against those who would eternally exasperate an already aggravated and aggrieved entity) that hangs so benignly from the northernmost wall of the LSC lobby.

Keep your hats on folks—it's

Wallace (Wally to his friends) Alligator and he is our (YOUR) champion crusader on campus.

Does the financial aids office flicker and fade in and out of existence when you appear?

Do the registration peoples suddenly make Sanskrit the spoken word of the day?

Do the Security and Parking Offices inexplicably become the

foreign exchange and you don't have any?

Then make a meteoric move among the metaphors, alleviate the alliteration, and grab "one passed buck".

The wonderful Wally just might make dollars—or sense for you.

The new complaint system located in the LSC is the first of several planned locations. There

are further plans for boxes to be planted in the library and SMT buildings.

At present the complaints are numbering between seven and eight a day of which about half are legitimate. The other half are given over to graffiti, some of which reads damned insensitive and grotesque.

Student-body Vice-President Charlie Firth noted that to the best of his knowledge no program along these lines has been in existence at Green River before. Asked for an opinion of the possible effectiveness of the system, he stated, "When the students take this program seriously, I think they will find it very responsive to their complaints and inquiries. It's a good idea."

Thus far only a few legitimate complaints have been received, but those, including the return of \$25 to a person that had battled the bumbling bureaucracy for a total of ten weeks for the return of her rightful monies, have been duly dispatched in short order.

As the man says, "If you gotta gripe—put it in the right place."

Ripoff's — Believe It or CENSORED

CHARLES CLOUD
DIRECTOR OF THE PITTSBURGH PENNSYLVANIA ANIMAL SHELTER
LIKES TO BE CALLED "KING"
BECAUSE HE REIGNS OVER CATS AND DOGS

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A RARE MINERAL IS OBTAINED IN QUARTZ

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Political science instructor views world of politics

By SUE LANDGRAFF

John Barnard, a political science instructor at Green River Community College since 1967, can usually be found these cold fall mornings on his way to and from classes by a trail of smoke from his pipe that encircles his head like a wreath. His beard is brown. He wears brown and blue shirts and his bag is filled with things political.

"The practical end of politics is only a small portion of what political science is all about," Barnard explained. "Political science is a typical social science. It examines why men act the way they do in one particular sphere, this sphere being politics." Since becoming embroiled in Senator Eugene McCarthy's presidential campaign a year before he started teaching at GRCC, Barnard has participated in practical politics at a grass roots level.

He finds it fascinating but thinks some people may not participate because they think they can't change the system. Others aren't involved because of other priorities they place higher.

"They complain because they're bitter about the system, but most aren't really afraid of the consequences of a particular election," he explained.

He feels that a quarter to a third of the people in the last four or five elections have actually elected a president because, "in the typical American way, we feel it will be all right regardless of who's elected."

Leaning back in a desk chair in his small, smoke filled, book-lined office, Barnard frowned as he filled his pipe. "It's important who we select to be our representatives in the system. If the small interested group voting doesn't select interested, perceptive, far-seeing representatives, then the system could be in very serious trouble."

He believes, in fact, that in some areas, the country is in trouble—energy policy (or lack of one)—being an example. But he also believes that because of their optimistic attitude, Americans believe somehow things will take care of themselves.

"There's no guarantee we'll resolve problems in a satisfactory way. And in that way I'm pessimistic. But I don't look for imminent doom."

Barnard pushed up his sweater sleeves as if readying for battle and spread his hands for emphasis. "Student government is no different from our national government. Student government represents those who are vitally interested."

In October's senate election, only 150 students—out of 3200 students eligible to vote—showed up at the polls, which Barnard interprets as meaning relatively few students are interested.

"But it's not the student body's fault; it's the nature of the campus." He feels the last two or three GRCC student body presidents have been committed, capable people who have generally selected capable people; and that the only thing that really

catches students' attention is how much of their money is being spent.

"But even when it's pointed out how much money is involved, it's too much hassle to hassle. They figure they're here to go to school."

So last month, politics came to the school in the form of a political symposium. As the symposium director, Barnard said it took a lot of his time to organize. It brought in as many people as he thought it would, "but not as many as I'd hoped." The scope of bringing in four national speakers in a short period of time was rather unusual and he admitted the symposium itself was an unusual attempt for a community college.



JOHN BARNARD

"Controversial speakers are generally avoided because community colleges are small and more vulnerable. The issues tend to be more community oriented."

The issues discussed in the three-day symposium of speakers and panel discussions, included minorities, ethics, media, money and violence. Barnard feels the top topics were pertinent, raising provocative questions that brought provocative answers. The purpose of the symposium was to create thought and discussion on the topics of democracy as practiced in the U.S. "and every other speaker had something important to say about the operation of democracy in this country."

Knocking the ashes from his pipe, Barnard hesitated, pipe in mid air, smiled and explained that the U.S. is not a true democracy.

"Only in a small group is it possible to have true democracy and even in small groups you have to think in the same fashion. You have to have education to have any form of democracy, but the more educated you become, the less chance there is for pure democracy because more individuals think they have the answers. The debate is even more intense and longer lasting."

A space in time 'The Turkey'

By MIKE VOURI

Ah yes, it is the Holiday season once again. The Macey and Gimbal parades are history; the helium cartoon characters are deflated; department stores are hiring; guns will soon cease firing; and everywhere foul play will be committed against the turkey.

Cogitate if you will for a moment on the fate of the turkey. Conjure up if you will the image of the turkey. Does your mental image depict a homely fowl with a head resembling Ronald Reagan's neck. Or do you see Lester Maggletort, the hopelessly deranged fellow who sits in the rear of your english class, talking through his nose and getting A's in the process?

The turkey, and too, the Lesters of the world have suffered unjust villification in recent years. Where in the Sam Hill does the expression "jive turkey" come from anyway? Charles Kuralt of CBS News once did an On The Road segment about a small south Texas town which proclaims itself to be the Turkey Capital of the World. Although Kuralt did conclude the turkey to be an exceptionally stupid creature, he carefully avoided mention of "jive turkeys."

It is not difficult to understand Kuralt's reason for this omission. The townfolk have erected a statue commemorating the turkey and go to the extent of parading the entire turkey population down main street each Thanksgiving.

They've found it mighty hard to control the birds. Some roast on high tension wires while others die of heart failure or wear themselves out waddling and gobbling. The sidewalks are packed with throngs of well-wishers and cat-callers, guzzling Lone Star Beer and gobbling back at the fowl.

Obviously one wrong word from Kuralt and the rowdy crowd would have gutted his motor home and run him out of town with a pack of junk-yard dogs snapping at his heels.

There are a gaggle of turkey farms in the foothills of California's Sierra Nevada too. A few years back I'd pass the farms while on my way into the mountains for a weekend of skiing. Invariably I'd comment to friends about the segregated turkey pens. Blacks in one, whites in the other—a lot like Selma, Ala. in the mid-sixties. Why? It bugged me each time I went by.

On one particular afternoon my curiosity got the best of me. I could stand it no longer. Fortified by my liberal upbringing, I turned down the gravel road leading to one farm. The proprietor was an amiable fellow and I might add, an incredibly accurate spitter. The entire course of our conversation was punctuated by these amazing Beech Nut hits at whatever he took aim. While cutting the dust around the toes of my shoes, he explained that the whites were hens and the blacks toms. He suggested I stop by sometime when he multiplied his flock. "Like salt 'n pepper," he chuckled. "these dumb birds don't need no national guard to get along...though you got to coax them a little...pitooooowey (a hit)." He went on to explain that most consumers prefer to look at white turkey meat rather than black and that the average turkey has a life span of approximately five months.

See the turkey pipping there/ Oblivious to the fate he'll meetin/ To his judgement day come the holidays/ When he'll be roasted, stuffed and eaten.

Speaking of being eaten. The father of a friend once brought home a live bird in late August.

"This is our Thanksgiving turkey," he proudly announced to one and all. "We'll fatten him up ourselves and have sandwiches for weeks."

The family was enthusiastic. It was to be a participation feast. Get the whole family involved was the motto. The children were to be in charge of feeding the bugger. They fed him well—with lots of love, of course.

Judgement day arrived and it was decided the children should attend the "kiddie show" at the local fleabag theater. While "George" was thrashing in death under an upturned incinerator, the kids were lightly running their fingers over gum stuck under the seats, cheering the arrival of Company B and the subsequent annihilation of a whole tribe of indians.

The kids returned home to an empty pen and pin feathers on the kitchen table. Nothing was said at the outset, but from what I understand, it was a fairly grim Thanksgiving. While the adults devoured George in the dining room, the children consumed only the condiments in the kitchen and proclaimed their parents to be little more than cannibals.

Thank heaven I've never become acquainted with our family's holiday birds. The memory of those beady little eyes and washrag faces would be too much to bear. It would be like...like eating Lester Maggletort.

Enough of this madness. Since we all (most of us) love to diddle that drumstick on Christmas Day, here's a perfect stuffing recipe for your added enjoyment:

- 2 cups bread crumbs
- 1 cup water
- 1 medium onion (chopped)
- 1 tsp salt
- 1 tsp pepper
- 1 cup popcorn (unpopped)

Stuff turkey

Bake at 350 degrees. It will be done when the popcorn blows the ass out of the turkey.

Have a Merry Christmas and Happy Hanukkah.

High Tides and Green Grass

A cornucopia of Christmas releases

By KELLY ENOCHS

As usually occurs this time of year, the recorded entertainment market is flooded with new releases. Recording companies and musicians wisely (money-wise) release all the products they can before consumers go wild on that compulsive yearly buying spree known as Christmas.

If new material isn't ready, many performers put out a live

concert recording or a "greatest hits—best of" collection. The '76 Christmas season is no exception with five of the "big hit" variety, and two live concert albums already out.

'Best Of The Doobies' on Warner Bros. highlights the writing, guitar, and vocal talents of the Doobie Brother's Tom Johnstone and Pat Simmons. Hits include

"China Grove," "Long Train Running," "Listen To The Music" and "Jesus is Just Alright."

CBS has released 'Mott The Hoople — Greatest Hits,' a sad memory of a defunct band that had enormous potential. Among the tracks are "All The Way From Memphis," "Ballad Of Mott," "Roll Away The Stone" and the classic "All The Young Dudes."

'Bee Gees Gold — Volume I' on RSO records contains "How Can You Mend A Broken Heart," "Lonely Days," "I Started A Joke" and my favorite Bee Gees song "New York Mining Disaster 1941."

Also out are 'Alice Cooper's Greatest Hits' on Warner Bros. and 'Best Of The New Riders Of The Purple Sage' on Columbia. Cooper's album has "I'm 18," "Elected," "Hello Hooray" and a riot-rocker "School's Out" among others. The New Riders' album contains their only famous single "Panama Red."

Unlike some concert albums, 'Certified Live — Dave Mason' and 'The Song Remains The Same — Led Zeppelin' are both excellent. Mason's CBS double album could have been called a 'hit collection' as the songs include his best works. "Only You Know And I Know," "Every Woman," "Show Me Some Affection" and Dylan's "All Along The Watchtower" are performed impeccably.

Zeppelin's 'The Song Remains The Same' on Swan Song is the soundtrack to their motion picture of the same name. The album shows the band at work on stage—a real rocker with a 15 minute version of "Whole Lotta Love," 27 minutes of "Dazed And Confused," and an excellent "Stairway To Heaven"—perhaps the ultimate rock song of all time.

Elton John has a new double album, 'Blue Moves' out on MCA. Most of the album, including "If There's A God In Heaven" and "One Horse Town," is reminiscent of the early albums of Elton's career like 'Tumbleweed Connection' and 'Madman Across The Water.' All of Elton's 12 previous lps are "gold" and 13 is no exception.

Jackson Browne's 'The Pretender,' his fourth album, is the superb masterpiece his fans have waited for. Browne's lyrics are amazing, equaled only by Bob Dylan, Neil Young or Al Stewart. The songs "Linda Paloma" and "The Pretender" should become as popular as his hits "Take It Easy" and "Fountain Of Sorrow." Music by Jackson and his supporting musicians is incredible—Jeff Porcaro of Steely Dan, Russ Kunkel, and Jim Gordon alternate at drums; Leland Sklar on bass guitar; David Lindley - guitar and violin; Lowell George of Little Feat - guitar and vocals; John David Souther, Don Henley of the Eagles, David Crosby - Graham Nash, and Bonnie Raitt contribute backup vocals. The album is magnificent in all respects, yet still sincere and emotionally touching. An album to buy for someone you love this Christmas.

CONCERT RUNDOWN:

- Dec. 10 — Charlie Daniels Band, Cate Brothers, Buck Acre
- Dec. 14 — Climax Blues Band
- Dec. 28 — Ronnie Montrose

The above concerts are all at the Paramount Northwest.

For things to do around the Seattle area, a good telephone number to call is the KZOK 102 1/2 GUIDELINE — the number is 223-3944.

Chamber Singers plan Christmas performances

Green River's own Chamber Singers are doing it again this holiday season. Singing, that is, and plenty of it.

From the SeaTac Mall to the Des Moines Odd Fellows Hall, the Chamber Singers will sing all of your yuletide favorites.

Chamber Singers are a small, but not insignificant, part of the Concert Choir, operating under their own schedule of performances. The group performs material ranging from folk to chamber to 20th Century classical to Folk Gospel and originals from group members.

Approximately 18 members fill out the choir, employing a-cappella vocals (of course), piano, guitar, and flute. Tryouts are held in the fall, with auditions for those wishing to fill periodic vacancies.

The club performs for many types of audiences, religious groups, service organizations, and the general public.

Throughout this month and into January the Chamber Choir will be performing at these locations:

Dec. 9 — Rainbow Cafe, Auburn, from 12:25-1 p.m. and SeaTac Mall-Caroling from 6:30 to 7:30 p.m.

Dec. 10 — Xmas Tree decorating contest in the Lindbloom Student Center from 12 noon to 1 p.m. and SeaTac Mall-Caroling from 6:30 to 7:30 p.m.

Dec. 12 — Edgewater Inn, Seattle, at 12 noon; Seattle Center (with Concert Choir) from 1:30 to 3:30 p.m. and Auburn Methodist Church from 7 to 8:30 p.m.

Dec. 13 — Concord Inn, Auburn, from 2:15 to 3 p.m. and SeaTac Mall-Caroling from 6:30 to 7:30.



Ron Smith

Dec. 22 — Old Soldiers Home, Orting, from 7 to 9 p.m.

Jan. 5 — Odd Fellows Hall, Des Moines from 9:15 to 10 p.m.

Also at the Dec. 10 performance on campus will be a jewelry sale.

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New night classes offered

Have a chair that you would like to refinish? Maybe build your own home and survive? Possibly learn how to cook international cuisine or even brush-up on your parenting skills?

The Continuing Education Department at Green River Community College is offering these and many other new night classes for Winter Quarter including classes for single parents and fathers who want to brush up on their child-rearing skills.

There will be a class concerning women's rights entitled Women

and the Law, it will deal with women's rights concerning credit, child care, job and wage discrimination and abortion.

There are also classes in such diverse subjects as gunsmithing and making blue jeans to the wearer's specifications.

The Continuing Education Department is trying to become more community oriented in its programs according to Daniel Kralik director of Continuing Education. The courses offered by Continuing Education will be taught at different facilities in the community as well as the GRCC campus.

Further information about credit and non-credit night classes offered by GRCC may be obtained by contacting the Continuing Education Department.

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Money problem same for athletes

By STEVE POWELL

Now I know how Frank Boggs felt when he reported that the Oklahoma Sooners were under investigation by the NCAA for "scalping tickets."

As mentioned in this column a few weeks ago, Boggs became public enemy number one and received bomb threats after his report. Sports were becoming too important to the fans.

Last week, though I said in the article that I wouldn't like to see it happen, I wrote in this column that it had been mentioned that if sports in the community colleges were dropped, it would save all the students a little bit of money. Athletics in major colleges are self supporting while community colleges rely on student support.

I was questioned by numerous athletes and received a few letters from other students that raised some good points about the article. The most convincing one, was that of money.

The reason I am attending a community college, just like most other students, is because of the low cost. That is a major reason why most athletes come here also. Some of them could receive a partial athletic scholarship from a four year school but the cost left over would still be more than if they went to a community college.

Because of the support shown, especially by the athletes, for the athletic program and the lack of interest in cancelling the program by the other students, it looks like sports are here to stay. Besides, it only costs \$32,000 a year and the athletes, despite the lack of fan support, seem to get a lot out of it.

You can bet that I'm going to remember, just like Frank Boggs will, that a writer can attack religion, administrations or governments, but not athletics.

More Sports: Orenthal James Simpson wasn't supposed to play football this year in Buffalo. He said he would rather retire from the game if he wasn't traded to a team on the west coast. He wasn't and he didn't.

Simpson has not only played in Buffalo but he has played like no one else can. He is an unbelievable athlete. He must be. O.J. didn't turn out at all this year until the day before his team played its season opener. Sure he ran to stay in shape but he didn't have any hitting or game experience. He was absent from his team the entire pre-season, including the months of practice before the first pre-season game.

Because of his late start Simpson got off to a bad start. He ran for just 400 yards in his first six games. The juice has since cut loose running for about 600 yards in the last three games and driving his season total to more than 1200 yards. The Buffalo Bills, however, are still losing and O.J. is troubled.

Simpson is troubled not only with his team and his not being traded but also with the NFL in general. The United States Constitution says that Americans are free to choose how and where they want to earn a living and yet in the NFL, they tell you. That philosophy bothers Simpson but for the type of money he makes, I think he is willing to suffer.

It would be a shame if Simpson would retire. If he was traded to a true contending team, like the Rams or Raiders, the possibilities for his personal success, not to mention the probable success of his new team, would be almost frightening.

The Bills need a defense. Last year they set an offensive record and still missed the playoffs. The Rams were going to give up defensive stars Mike Fanning and Jack Youngblood, along with superstar running back Lawrence McCutcheon last year for Simpson. That would have been a smart move because if Simpson retires after this year, the Bills will get nothing and the team will be nothing.

Predictions: In the pro ranks this week, Dallas will eliminate Washington from the playoffs and Philadelphia will help Seattle get Tony Dorsett by beating the Seahawks. In the college bowl games over Christmas vacation the scores will be: Oklahoma 28, Wyoming 10; Georgia 23 upsetting Pittsburg 21; Michigan will beat USC, 21-17; Colorado will beat Ohio State, 24-23; and in other bowl games the winners will be Nebraska, Houston and UCLA. By the time school resumes, the NFL playoffs will be in progress and Oakland will be the winner over Cincinnati, Baltimore over New England and in the NFC, Minnesota will beat the St. Louis Cardinals and Dallas will edge Los Angeles.

Wrestlers gain experience in Grays Harbor Tourney

Two Green River wrestlers placed in the top five of their respective weight divisions in the Grays Harbor Open Invitational last week-end.

Pat Smith, at 158 pounds, placed third and Mike Calkins, a freshman, placed fourth at 170 pounds. There were about 425 wrestlers at the event, which had major and community college competitors.

Nine wrestlers from GRCC entered the tournament. They were Paul Impson, Dave Yahn, Tony Batinovich, Matt McCleary, Nick Capato, Ron Robbins and Ivan Tuura, a Canadian foreign student attending Green River. Dennis Underwood and Bill Cole didn't wrestle because of injuries.

Smith's only loss was in the semi finals against the eventual champion of his weight class.

"There was no team placement," said Ron Cole,

assistant wrestling coach, "but if there was one, we would have won

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the tournament. It looked like we had more individuals in the final rounds of competition than any other club or school."

Green River has its first match against UPS Dec. 15. They have a tournament that week-end at the University of Washington.

Intramurals

Mens basketball: The recreation department is accepting team rosters for men's five on five full court basketball to be played during winter quarter. All students, faculty and staff are eligible to participate, except for varsity basketball players. Two divisions will be formed. One is open and the other is for players 5'10" and under. Individuals can only play in one of the leagues.

Roster sheets can be picked up in PE-9 for players to form their

own teams. The recreation department will arrange teams for players who want to play, but haven't formed a team.

In the finals of three on three competition, Teams #5, #7, #10, #8, #4 and #12 are still competing for the championship.

Women's basketball: A league for women is being contemplated if enough interest is shown.

Other winter quarter intramural activities will include pickleball and badminton tournaments.

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Basketball squad bounces UPS Loggers

By STEVE POWELL

Craig Fite had his best game of the year scoring 24 points and Green River's high scoring guard Todd Eisinger added 21 leading the Gators to a 75-62 win over a physical University of Puget Sound junior varsity team Dec. 3 in the GRCC gym at noon.

Green River opened the game with a tough zone defense that stifled the UPS team and forced them to take outside shots. On the other side, UPS started out in a man to man defense and the Gators took advantage of it as

Brad Eisinger and Fite scored on numerous occasions on easy back door lay in shots as Green River jumped out to a 16-10 lead.

UPS, led by Bob Vogelsang, got hot from the outside and the UPS big men got tough on the offensive boards as the Loggers made a comeback just before halftime. With six minutes left in the first half, GRCC led by nine points and UPS decided to switch to a half court zone press hoping to create some GRCC errors. At first, the Gators handled the press easily as they went to Todd Eisinger for two quick buckets. Green River had their biggest lead of the first half with four minutes remaining as they led 35-25.

The press then started to create some turnovers and with 1:45 left in the half, UPS had cut the lead to two points. The zone had forced GRCC to the outside shots and had left the UPS big men alone underneath for easy rebounds. The Loggers stalled for the last shot and missed so Green River led at the half 39-37.

Bob Vogelsang, a freshman guard from Huntington Beach California, led UPS in scoring in the first half with nine points and Rick Hartnett added eight. Todd Eisinger had 11 points at the half and his brother Brad had seven. Craig Fite added 10 more for the Gators.

Green River started the second half on a low note as UPS went ahead for the first time in the game with less than a minute gone 40-39. Led by the Eisinger brothers, GRCC came back and led 45-40 with 16:28 remaining.

With 12 minutes left, UPS put on a full court zone press and the Gators broke it easily and with

8:42 left in the contest, Green River again led by 10 points.

Again, UPS wouldn't play dead. Led by Rich Hartnett, they trailed by only 60-56 with six minutes remaining. Green River then made a few important steals and forced UPS in to taking some bad shots and with 1:19 left, GRCC led again by 10 points.

In the time remaining, the Gators scored on three break away fast break goals and ended the game with their biggest lead of the day, 75-62.

Budd Neff, whose offensive rebounding in the first half kept the Gators in control of the game, finished the contest with 14 boards. Todd Eisinger made 10-16 shots from the field and had six assists for his 21 points. Craig Fite made 10-14 field goals for 24 points. Jerry Line added 11 points, Brad Eisinger had nine, Rusty Trudeau seven and Budd Neff scored three.

Vogelsang lead UPS with 15 scores, Rich Hartnett had 14, Scott Vermillion 12 and John Wilson tallied 11.

Green River won the game at the foul line as they made 17-28 while UPS made just 6-8.

The Gators now have evened their record at 1-1 after a season opening loss to Grays Harbor 78-74. They got a chance for revenge last night as they traveled to Grays Harbor. Green River's next

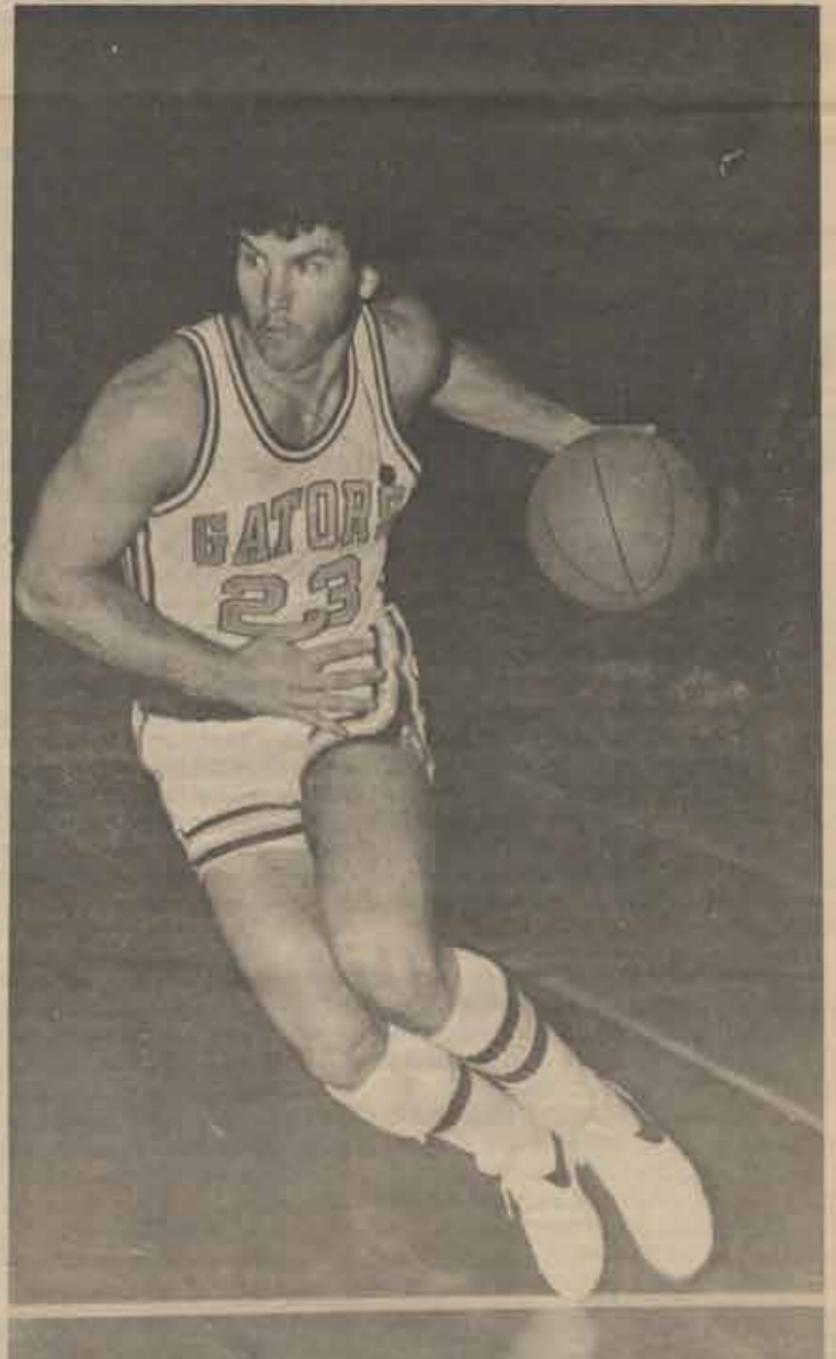
home game is Saturday night against Ft. Steilacoom at 7:30.



SCORING two of his 21 points on this jump shot is Todd Eisinger. Eisinger is the leading scorer on the team this year as he was last year, before he was injured.



DRIVING down the lane and shooting a hook shot against the UPS Logger's JV team is former Franklin Pierce star Jerry Line. Green River won the game 75-62.



DISPLAYING a look of determination as he drives in for a lay in is Green River sophomore Rusty Trudeau. Trudeau came off the bench to score seven points in the Gators win over UPS.

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