MRS. ROBERT TAYLOR SHERRILL

Sherrill-Brown Vows Spoken At Central Methodist Church

At two o'clock in the afternoon on Sunday, September 8, in the Central Methodist Church, Miss Irene Elizabeth Brown became the bride of Robert Taylor Sherrill. The Rev. Thad McDonald officiated.

The bride is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Frank Brown of 4001 Victoria Boulevard, Hampton, Virginia, and the bridegroom is the son of Mr. and Mrs. H. B. Sherrill of 124 Elm street, Mooresville.

The couple exchanged their wedding vows before a background of palms and an arrangement of yellow snapdragons and chrysanthemums.

Wedding music was rendered by the church organist, Mrs. Harold McLaughlin and Mrs. T. E. Goodnight, Jr., soloist. Vocal selections were "Wedding Prayer" and "Prayer Perfect."

The bride wore a street-length dress of white brocade and her short veil of illusion was attached to a white satin pillbox. She carried a white Bible with a white orchid showered with lover's knots and tulle.

Her only attendant was the bridegroom's sister, Mrs. Steven Smith of Mooresville. She wore an ice blue brocade dress with matching headpiece and shoes.

James B. Nelson, of Shreveport, La. and Hampton, Va., served as the bridegroom's best man.

Mrs. Brown, mother of the bride, wore a navy blue silk linen dress and the bridegroom's mother chose a peacock blue silk linen dress.

After a wedding trip to the mountains and West Virginia, the couple will make their home at 4005 Victoria Boulevard, Hampton, Va.

Mrs. Sherrill is a 1962 graduate of Hampton High School and is now employed as a civilian employee at Fort Monroe, Hampton, Virginia. Her husband is a 1957 graduate of Mooresville High School and a 1961 graduate of N. C. State College, Raleigh. He is now employed as a mechanical engineer for N. A. S. A. at Langley Field ,Hampton, Va.

Three Attend VFW Meeting In Goldsboro

The Department Council of Administration of the Veterans of Foreign Wars and auxiliary met September 7 and 8 at Goldsboro.

Congressman David N. Henderson was the guest speaker at the banquet on Saturday night and Sunday morning the worship service was conducted by the Rev. Robert Varner, chaplain.

Attending from the Mooresville Post was Marvin Sigmon. Representing the auxiliary unit were Mrs. Edna Sigmon and Mrs. Allie Williams. They are also state officers.

Luncheon, Rehearsal Party Fetes Bridal Couple, Attendants

On Friday evening following the Thompson-Mayhew rehearsal, the parents of the bride entertained the bridal party and out-of-town guests at a cake cutting in the Fellowship Hall of Lower Creek Baptist Church, Lenoir.

The room was attractively decorated with mixed summer flowers, carrying out the color scheme of green, pink and white.

The bride's table was covered with a cut-work cloth and graced with crystal candelabrum, entwined with clematis and asters. A three-tiered wedding cake, topped with the traditional bride and groom was placed at one end of the table. Punch was served by Mrs. Hadley Denton from a crystal punch bowl, which was placed at the opposite end of the table.

After the bride and groom had cut the first slice of cake, Mrs. Robert Stevens Jr., completed the serving. Dainty accompaniments of green and white mints and nuts were served from silver compotes.

Others assisting in serving were aunts of the bride, Mrs. G. B. Thompson and Mrs. Robert Denton.

Mr. and Mrs. John S. Thompson, entertained the attendants, organist and director of the Thompson-Mayhew wedding party at a luncheon given at their home at noon on Saturday.

A delicious three course luncheon was served from a beautifully appointed table.

The bride-elect presented gifts to members of the wedding party.

Mrs. Alvin Rader of Asheville, cousin of the bride, assisted the hostess in serving.

Guests from out-of-town attending the wedding were Mr. and Mrs. Tom Hinson and Virginia, and P. A. Sherrill of Hickory; Mr. and Mrs. J. Y. Mayhew, Mr. and Mrs. Paul D. Lipe, Miss Aileen Miller, Mrs. J. R. Mayhew, Mrs. C. J. Mullis and Judy, Loretta Coley, Mrs. Davis Loftin Mr. and Mrs. Eugene Hardy, Miss Sue Mayhew of Troutman; Mrs. Roy D. Cook of Mooresville; Miss Nancy Eades of Catawba; Mr. and Mrs. Alvin Rader, Martha and Julia of Asheville; Mr. and Mrs. W. D. Coley and Wanda and Miss Eva Scobey of Flint, Michigan; Miss Maryanne Mascott of Hanover, N. J.; Mrs. Mary H. Hartsell of Statesville; Frank A. Meyer of Boone; Miss Sandra Snyder of Charlotte; Mrs. Gray Lee Steele of Bristol, Tenn.; Mikeal Raybon of Newton; and Jack Lytton of Long Island.

MRS. BILLY MITCHELL MAYHEW

Ceremony At Lenoir Unites Miss Thompson, Mr. Mayhew

Wedding vows were exchanged on Saturday afternoon, August 31, at 4:30 o'clock by Miss Mary Evelyn Thompson of Lenoir and Billy Mitchell Mayhew of Troutman, at Lower Creek Baptist Church, Lenoir.

The bride is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. John S. Thompson of Lenoir, and the bridegroom's parents are Mr. and Mrs. J. Y. Mayhew of Troutman.

Rev. Billy Rivers, pastor of the bride, officiated at the lovely doube-ring ceremony, which was performed amidst a nuptial setting featuring two large baskets of white gladioli interspersed with fern and palms and four seven-branched antiqued brass candelabra, entwined with ivy.

Wedding music was presented by Mrs. Robert Conley, cousin of the bride, organist, and Robert Stevens Jr., soloist. Prior to the ceremony Mrs. Conley played "Liebestraum," by Liszt; "I Love Thee," by Grieg; "Always," by Berlin; and "Clair de Lune," by Debussy, and Mr. Stevens sang "Because," by D'Hardelot. During the ceremony "O Perfect Love," by Barnby was played. The Bridal Chorus from "Lohengrin," by Wagner; was used as the processional, and the Wedding March from "A Midsummer Night's Dream," by Mendelssohn, was used as the recessional. For the benediction, Mr. Stevens sang "The Lord's Prayer," by Malotte.

The bride was lovely in a formal gown of imported French Chantilly lace over taffeta and illusion. The scalloped neckline, and the sleeves which came to calla points over the hands, were bordered in hand-clipped lace. The basque bodice, embroidered with seed pearls and irridescents, was accented with a V at the waist. A deep double pleat highlighted with double rows of rose petal florets provided back interest for the controlled skirt which extended into a chapel train. Her fingertip veil of French illusion fell from a tiara of seed pearls accented with crystals. She wore a single strand of pearls, a gift of the bridegroom. Her flowers were a crescent shaped bouquet of white chrysanthemums centered with a white orchid.

Miss Jane Elizabeth Thompson of Lenoir, served as her sister's maid of honor. She wore a street-length dress of French blue crystalette with a modified scoop neckline and short sleeves. The front pleat fell from the waist for a petal effect. She wore a matching circlet headpiece, fashioned with a flat bow in the back, and short veil. Her flowers were a nosegay of blue tinted chrysanthemums and carnations.

Miss Sandra Snyder of Charlotte, Mrs. Gray Lee Steele of Bristol, Tenn., formerly of Charlotte, Miss Rebecca Youngblood of Lenoir, and Miss Sue Mayhew of Troutman, sister of the bridegroom, acted as bridesmaids. Their dresses and hats were styled identical to the honor attendant's, and were of powder blue crystalette. They carried nosegays of blue tinted chrysanthemums, and each wore a single strand of pearls, a gift of the bride.

The bridegroom chose a college roommate, Mikeal Raybon of Newton, as best man. Ushers were Jack Lytton of Long Island; Ralph Prestwood of Lenoir; William Coley, uncle of the bridegroom of Flint, Michigan; and Eugene Hardy, brother-in-law of the bridegroom of Mooresville.

Little Miss Wanda Coley, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. William D. Coley of Flint, Michigan, was flower girl. She wore a gown of white organza styled similar to that of the attendants' and carried a white basket of rose petals.

Mrs. Thompson, the bride's mother, chose for her daughter's wedding, a mauve sheath of antique satin and a deep mauve beaded hat. She wore a corsage of pink roses. The bridegroom's mother wore an aque ensemble with white accessories and a corsage of pink roses.

The bride's maternal grandmother, Mrs. Mary Hartsell of Statesville, wore a green and white silk dress with white accessories, and a corsage of white carnations. Mrs. J. R. Mayhew of Troutman, the bridegroom's paternal grandmother, chose a brown ensemble with matching accessories and a corsage of white carnations.

For a wedding trip to Western North Carolina, the bride changed into a teal blue crepe dress, designed with an empire waistline. She wore beige accessories, and lifted the orchid from her bridal bouquet for her corsage. Upon return, the couple will make their home in Troutman.

Mrs. Mayhew is a graduate of Lenoir High School, attended Woman's College of U.N.C., and is a senior at Appalachian State Teacher's College. Her husband is a graduate of Mooresville High School and Appalachian State Teacher's College, Boone. He is now head football coach at Troutman High School, Troutman.

Mrs. J. Cecil Scroggs, cousin of the bride, directed the wedding.

Following the wedding ceremony the wedding party received in the vestibule of the church.

Mrs. Beaver Hostess To LCW Group

Mrs. Hugh Beaver was hostess to the members of group No. 3, Lutheran Church Women, St. Mark's Church, on Tuesday evening, September 3, at her home on Statesville avenue.

The chairman, Mrs. Grady Shoe conducted the business session and a most interesting program on "Call To Be" was given by Miss Kathleen Mann.

Delicious refreshments were served to the following: Mrs. Jackie Anderson, Mrs. George Setzer, Mrs. Grady Shoe, Mrs. Dwight Shoe, Mrs. Mack Kennerly, Miss Mary Campbell, Miss Kathleen Mann, and Mrs. Beaver.

Personals

Miss Annette Keeter entered Mitchell College in Statesville last week as a member of the freshman class. She is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Harry Keeter of East Center avenue.

Miss Pam Brown has resumed her studies at Appalachian State Teachers College in Boone as a member of the junior class. She is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. C. C. Brown.

Larry Dean Feimster left this week for East Carolina College, Greenville. He is a member of the sophomore class and the son of Mr. and Mrs. Clyde Feimster of Mooresville, route 4.

Roddy Kerr left this past week end for Chattanooga, Tennesseee, where he will attend McCallie School. Roddy is the son of Mr. and Mrs. Robert Kerr of North Main street.

DECEMBER BRIDE-ELECT

Mr. and Mrs. Willard W. Sherrill of Mooresville, route 4, announce the engagement of their daughter, Judith Yvonne, to David William Honbarger, Jr., son of Mr. and Mrs. David William Honbarger, of Salisbury, route 7. A December 1 wedding is planned. Miss Sherrill, a graduate of Troutman High School, is employed at Mooresville Mills. Mr. Honbarger, a graduate of China Grove High School, attended Catawba College in Salisbury. He is employed by Duke Power Company in Mooresville.

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By Virginia "Jinks" Nantz

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Reported By Dawn Hinson

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Funeral Rites Thursday For Mrs. Brawley

Mrs. Johnsie Duckworth Brown Brawley, 72, died unexpectedly early Tuesday morning of a heart attack at her home at 345 North Academy street.

A native of Iredell county, Mrs. Brawley was born on March 11, 1891, a daughter of the late Samuel Ledbetth and Laura Fortner Duckworth.

She was twice married, first to Walter D. Brown, who died on September 4, 1917. She was later married to H. M. Brawley, who passed away August 16, 1940.

Mrs. Brawley was an active member of the Central Methodist Church and a charter member of Jacobi Rebekah Lodge No. 145. She was well known and highly esteemed by a wide circle of friends.

The survivors include: two sons, Harry D. Brown of Landis and J. Kenneth Brown of Troutman; one daughter, Mrs. James E. Cashion of Mooresville; one brother, A. C. Duckworth of Mount Mourne; and four sisters, Mrs. John Shimpock, Mrs. T. T. Wallace, and Mrs. Lawrence Wilkinson, all of Mooresville, and Mrs. O. O. Goodson of Mount Mourne. Three grandchildren, Bobby and Jimmy Cashion, both of Mooresville, and Harry Devan Brown of Landis, also survive.

Funeral services will be conducted this (Thursday) afternoon at 3 o'clock at the Central Methodist Church, with the pastor, the Rev. Thad McDonald, in charge. Burial will be in the family plot in the church cemetery.

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Lowrance Hospital News

Miss Joan Huffman is a treatment patient.

Mrs. Jerry W. Hobbs, a treatment patient, has returned to her home.

Ray Mills is receiving treatment.

Billy Crouse, of Denver, is a treatment patient.

Mrs. R. C. Millsaps, Sr., a treatment patient, is improving.

Albert S. Hardiman is receiving treatment.

Paul S. Sherrill is responding to treatment.

H. C. Welborn is a treatment patient.

Miss Connie Banks, a treatment patient, is improving.

Mrs. Ina Harris remains a treatment patient.

Mrs. W. W. Ball, a treatment patient, returned to her home in Lexington Tuesday.

Mrs. A. B. Teague, of Kannapolis, is a treatment patient.

Mrs. Emma Long, of Cornelius, is convalescing.

Mrs. G. F. Branch, a surgical patient, is improving.

Mrs. J. A. White, of Kannapolis, is an operative patient.

Mrs. L. O. Bost, of Concord, is responding to treatment.

Mrs. Mary Johnston is a surgical patient.

Master Randy Hedrick is a treatment patient.

Mrs. C. C. Greene, of Mooresville, route 2, is improving after surgery.

Mrs. E. H. Pethel, of Kannapolis, route 3, is a surgical patient.

Mrs. J. E. Thomas is a surgical patient.

Miss Robin Knewstub, a student at Lowrance Hospital School of Nursing, is recuperating from recent surgery.

Frank Burris, of Harrisburg, is an operative patient.

Mrs. J. R. Baker, of Mooresville, route 1, is a surgical patient.

Claude Meadows is receiving treatment.

William Ballard is a surgical patient.

Mrs. B. A. Wilkinson, of Maiden, route 1, is an operative patient.

Mrs. H. T. Marlowe is recuperating from surgery.

Master Samuel Russell, of Kannapolis, is a surgical patient.

Otis B. Hendrix, of Kannapolis, is receiving treatment.

Grover Tilley is responding to treatmept.

John Carson remains a treatment patient.

John Johnson continues to receive treatment.

Edgar Cranford, of Mooresville, route 4, is a treatment patient.

Roger Duckworth is responding to treatment.

Mrs. Ola Goodwin, of Kannapolis, is convalescing.

Hartsell Little is receiving treatment.

Brohn Harington continues to receive treatment.

Ray Wyatt, of Kannapolis, is a treatment patient.

Joe Gregory, of Kannapolis, is responding to treatment.

James Hager is receiving treatment.

Miss Linda Brotherton, of Mooresville, route 2, is a treatment patient.

Miss Margaret Overcash is a treatment patient.

Joseph Reynolds is receiving treatment.

Miss Lula Shimpock remains a treatment patient.

Robert Lee Roberts is a treatment patient.

Mrs. Myrtle Brotherton, of Mooresville, route 2, is a treatment patient.

William Porter, of Davidson, is responding to treatment.

Miss Shelby Honeycutt, of Troutman, is a treatment patient.

Presbytery Approves Sweeping Changes In Camping Operation

Concord Presbytery Tuesday approved sweeping changes in the organization and scope of the presbytery's retreat near Old Fort.

The presbytery met at Camp Grier to hear a report by its Christian Education Committee dealing with proposed improvements and expansion of the camping program.

The church group gave general approval to the committee's recommendations, pending a more detailed look into the financial end of carrying out the suggestions.

The Rev. J. Clyde Plexico of Valdese, chairman of the study committee, presented the report that contained these recommendations:

That an additional camping area be developed for use by summer of 1964. This would be a canvas camp site, accommodating 16 hogans (canvas huts on movable sleds) situated around central dining and lavatory facilities. This project would cost $22,000, the committee said.

That present sleeping quarters at the camp be remodeled.

That a permanent camp coordinator be employed for Camp Grier. Although the coordinator would be on permanent duty, his work would be sporadic, depending on use of camp facilities.

That resident camping at Camp Grier be limited to children who have completed the sixth grade in school. The committee said it felt youngsters under sixth-grade age are too young to take part in resident camping. At the same time, the committee urged that the 76 churches within the presbytery place more emphasis on day camping for younger children in their own areas. The presbytery's subcommittee on camping will work with the churches in organizing day camps locally.

Snow Circle Has Covered Dish Supper

The Laura Frances Snow Circle of the First Baptist Church met at the home of Mrs. John Gabriel on East Iredell avenue on Tuesday evening for its last meeting of the church year. The meeting was a covered dish supper and Mrs. Ray Nesbit, chairman, presided.

After the delicious supper, Mrs. R. W. Maddrey presented a most interesting program.

Special guests were Mrs. Bob Shepherd and Mrs. Marvin Rummage, president of the WMU.

Members present, other than the ones mentioned above, were: Mesdames Carl Hardin, J. W. Hager, A. Y. Lowery, Carl Coone, Keith Clodfelter, and Baxter Potts.

Personals

Master Jeff Edwards, son of Mr. and Mrs. C. L. Edwards, of Mt. Ulla, underwent a tonsillectomy at Davis Hospital in Statesville this morning (Thursday).

Miss Roma Cummins left Wednesday morning for Greenville to resume her studies at East Carolina College. She is the daughter of Mrs. Ethel Cummins.

Mrs. Young Taken In Death Tuesday Night

Mrs. Mildred Mayes Young, 43-year-old resident of 511 Parker avenue, wife of James Elree Young, died at 6:30 p. m. Tuesday while being transferred by ambulance from the Lowrance Hospital to a Charlotte hospital.

Death was attributed to a cerebral hemorrhage.

A native and lifelong resident of Iredell county, Mrs. Young was a daughter of Mrs. Annie Collins Mayes of Mooresville, route 2, and the late Ortell L. Mayes.

She had been employed as secretary in the office of the Mooresville Iron Works since January, 1950, and was well known and highly esteemed by a wide circle of friends.

She was a member of the Southside Baptist Church and a member and past president of the Mooresville Credit Women's Breakfast Club.

Survivors, in addition to the husband and mother, include: one brother, Wiley D. Mayes of Elon College, route 2; and two sisters, Mrs. Elwyn Case of Fort Mill, S. C., and Mrs. Thomas Sherrill of Greenville, S. C.

Funeral arrangements were incomplete at press time Wednesday.

Tot Unwittingly Left Far Behind

Returning home from an automobile trip to Illinois, Mr. and Mrs. Charles Logan, of Roswell, N. Mex., got the surprise of their life when they discovered their 5-year-old daughter was missing.

They notified police at Portales, N. Mex., who in turn contacted police at Alanreed, Tex., where the Logans had stopped earlier in the day at a service station. Sure enough, a service station attendant at Alanreed had found little Cathy wandering around his station and had called police.

After a 200-mile trip back to Alanreed, the Logans were reunited.

A drunk on the cruise stood looking through a porthole the entire afternoon and finally mumbled, "What a lousy television show!"

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Items Of Interest From Amity

By MISS NETTIE M. BROWN

—A. E. Lentz of Statesville, route 7, Mr. and Mrs. W. W. Lentz of High Point, J. M. Morrow, Sr., of Mooresville, and Mr. and Mrs. Carl Cook of Statesville, visited Mrs. Tom Morrow and Alan Morrow Sunday.

—Mrs. Winnie Lowrance and Mr. and Mrs. Elmore Bailey, of Mooresville, Mr. and Mrs. Claude Lowrance, of Newell, Mrs. John Coley, of Atlanta, Ga., Mr. and Mrs. Robert Constrichen, of Charlotte, and Mr. and Mrs. David Bostian and Mr. and Mrs. Carl Goodman, visited Mr. and Mrs. D. J. Lowrance last week.

—Mr. and Mrs. J. B. Harrison and daughter, Miss Phyllis Harrison, of Greensboro, visited Mrs. W. F. Cowan Sunday.

—Mrs. Lee S. Stikeleather is visiting Mr. and Mrs. G. T. Ingram of Kannapolis.

—Mrs. J. A. Christy is a patient at Iredell Memorial Hospital, Statesville.

—Mrs. J. M. Oliphant, Mrs. W. B. Lackey, and Mrs. E. W. Blackwelder visited Mrs. J. C. Patterson, Concord, route 1, and Mr. and Mrs. Marvin Craven Sunday evening.

—Mr. and Mrs. J. Lon Talbert were dinner guests of Mr. and Mrs. Marvin Johnston of Troutman Sunday.

—Mr. and Mrs. E. W. Blackwelder, Jr., of Laurel Hill, visited relatives here Sunday and attended Homecoming at Triplett Methodist Church.

—Mr. and Mrs. Homer Tolbert attended the Tolbert reunion Sunday at the home of Mr. and Mrs. S. H. Tolbert at Spencer.

—Miss Mary Margaret Hart spent the week end with Mr. and Mrs. Neil Morrow.

—Mrs. T. D. Bryson and Misses Lillian and Mary Brown Ketchie visited Miss Beulah Dixon and George Frank Ketchie Sunday evening.

—Mrs. W. S. Beeker of Cleveland and Mr. and Mrs. Harry Keys of Atlanta, Ga., visited Mrs. E. W. Blackwelder Tuesday evening.

—Mrs. Frank Goodman visited Mr. and Mrs. Melvin Karriker and Mr. and Mrs. Clint Sherrill, of Taylorsville Sunday.

Young People Hard Pressed To Take Adults Seriously

It's a wonder our young people take grown-ups as seriously as they do. Adult society is monumentally two-faced. We say one thing and do another. Take smoking, for instance.

Most state laws clearly prohibit smoking by students and teachers on school grounds.

Sale of tobacco to youngsters under 18 is unlawful in most places.

Coaches usually outlaw "the weed" for their athletes.

Health teachers tell pupils year after year that heavy smoking may cause cancer, that tobacco contains nicotine (a drug highly poisonous in its pure state), that inhaling deposits a tarry substance in lung tissues, that excessive tobacco use slows appetite and digestion, that nicotine causes a temporary "lift" to the nerves which helps make tobacco habit-forming.

Thus smoking has many drawbacks. Yet members of every segment of society smoke. Mothers and fathers puff in the home. Their children even light up for them. Ash trays are standard equipment everywhere.

Medical doctors enjoy tobacco. So do big-time athletes—at least they endorse their favorite brands for money. Even teachers, from first grade up, fog school lounges with tobacco fumes.

The armed services permit the giving of cigarettes to young GIs. Colleges often allow distribution of tobacco samples to co-eds on campus.

A growing number of parents permit their high school-age youngsters to smoke at home. "I don't want him smoking behind my back, so I let him smoke in front of me," was the weak-kneed approach of one parent.

Teenagers encounter little trouble in buying tobacco. If the law were enforced, said one principal, "we would either have truck-loads of cigarettes, or three-fourths of our students would be on suspension."

No wonder some educators are ready to toss in the towel. Why should high school principals break their backs enforcing nonsmoking laws when society itself mocks them?

Right or wrong, some school officials have established, in defiance of their state statues, escape hatches for high-schoolers who have just got to have their "drags."

An Alameda, Calif., vice principal, Louis Grant Brandes, sampled 110 large high schools in California and learned that 10 provide smoking areas where students can puff during noon hour as well as before and after school.

The practice is probably much more common than this sampling indicates.

The officials justified the smoking areas by saying that California statues are unrealistic.

"Students will smoke," most of the principals said. "Denying the privilege will only lead to deceit and evasion. Some school system is needed, one that will not glorify the smoker in the eyes of the non-smoker."

Another permissive principal said that without designated smoking areas for both boys and girls he would spend much of his time policing lavatories, boiler rooms, and other such places.

Most principals responded to the Alameda survey by saying, "It is poor educational procedure to provide a smoking area on or near school grounds when this would be breaking the law. As long as the law is on the books, I am going to do everything in my power to support the law."

There's no question that this latter group of schoolmen are on the right side. And they're oh it despite apathy and even opposition from the rest of society. No-"we would either have truck-loads of cigarettes, or three-fourths of our students would be on suspension."

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