

Bits 'n Pieces

Alfred University experienced quite a few changes during the spring and summer, and as always there is a lot going on in the fall. Here, briefly, are some of these goings-on:

Some major administrative changes have occurred in the past four months.

The Fiat Lux welcomes to Alfred Dr. Christine Grontkowski, the new dean of liberal arts and sciences. Dr. Grontkowski replaces Dr. Foxen, who retired last spring after 11 years at AU.

Dr. S. Gene Odle retired his position as Provost, for what the Alfred Reporter called "personal health reasons." Taking his place is Dr. Richard Ott, formerly dean of the New York State College of Ceramics.

Since Ott has moved up to the position of Provost, Dr. Susan Strong and Mr. Lynn Taylor have been appointed co-acting deans of the ceramics college.

Herrick Memorial Library saw some changes over the summer. The Childrens Room has been converted into a conference room and the Bergren Room has been changed to a faculty study room.

The former all-night study room in the basement has been renovated. Shelving placed there will accommodate all books and materials from the Bergren and Childrens collections, as well as some periodicals.

Speaking of study rooms, the all-University study room is now located in the Parents Lounge, Rogers Campus Center. The lounge will be open Monday through Thursday until 3 a.m.

The Athletic Department added some equipment to the swimming pool area. To meet new state regulations, the department has added lifeguard chairs, an emergency lighting system and a first aid kit.

In addition, swim coach Mike Schaeberle said that he plans to close the diving well to divers at noontime so people can swim in that area.

The Office of Student Living located in Cannon Hall is no more.

AU's residence hall program, now known as the Office of Residential Life, is located on the top floor of Carnegie Hall. All residence hall concerns should be directed to assistant dean for residence life Sue Smith.

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WALF plans for the present and future

Management at WALF is busy making plans including a Sept. 3 reggae concert and the addition of National Public Radio to WALF's schedule when it begins broadcasting on Sept. 10.

Station manager Melisa Scott said WALF and the Student Activities Board will present the reggae group Uprising this Saturday at 9:30 p.m. in the Saxon Inn.

Tickets will cost \$2 and proceeds will go towards another concert planned for next semester.

Scott said WALF and SAB chose an early concert date to publicize the two groups and "to show that there is something to do in Alfred."

She said with the money made on the first concert, the two groups hope to "upgrade" the next one.

NATIONAL PUBLIC RADIO
Mornings each Monday through Friday, the station will air two hours of "Morning Edition," a mix of news reports and analysis, sports, satire, commentary and human interest and arts features supplied by NPR, National Public Radio.

During the afternoon WALF will air one and 1/2 hours of "All Things Considered," a mixture of hard news, investigative reporting, commentary and features.

On Saturday and Sunday mornings the station will air the news program "Weekend Edition."

Former station manager Mark Sugiuchi said he hopes NPR's attention to national and international events will "pop the Alfred bubble" and make students more aware of events outside the community.

Sugiuchi said he thinks NPR will also improve the station's self-image. "As far as WALF is concerned, it sets a standard to strive for," he said.

PLANS FOR THE FUTURE

Scott said next spring the station wants to contact AU alumni and bring them up to date on station matters.

Next summer, management wants to move the station's transmitter to Jericho Hill. The move would expand WALF's audience range to nearly 35 miles, far enough to reach Hornell and Wellsville. Scott and Sugiuchi said eventually they would like to see the Steinheim, which

houses WALF, renovated.

But they agreed the station's first priority is getting NPR launched and successful.

"I think things will move well this year," Scott said. "I see that station flying...I don't ever see it going down."

WALF will get National Public Radio through associate membership with WXXI, a Rochester-based radio station. WALF will pick up NPR from an audio cable located in the audio-visual repair building. After receiving the news through a phone modem, WALF's news department will edit WXXI news and replace it with station-produced local news.

Former station manager Mark Sugiuchi was able to get NPR's news service after securing \$2,500 from the Student Senate last April.

He said he chose NPR over the network news services for its analytical treatment of news.

"NPR is extensive and in-depth. It's like MacNeil-Lehrer, except it's ten times better," he said.

Coll, McKeon praise freshmen class

With higher Scholastic Aptitude Test scores, an increased number of women and minorities, and a wider geographic base, the freshmen class is already getting good marks from University administrators.

The freshmen class SAT mean score is 1090, up 25 points from last year, President Edward G. Coll, Jr. said last week at a University breakfast.

Mike McKeon, director of admissions, said the academic quality of the art students is "extra strong. The competition was incredibly keen to get into the art school this year."

The School of Art and Design had originally planned for 65 openings but wound up with 90.

Art students' portfolios were better this year. Judged on a scale of one to 10, the average portfolio rating was 4.5. Last year's average rating was three.

Admissions' recruiting efforts netted not only "better students," but more women and minorities as well, McKeon said.

"There are significantly more women in the freshman class this year," he said.

Freshmen women represent more than



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The '88 Freshmen Olympics - 'And if we all pull together...'

half the business students, nearly half the liberal arts students and two-thirds of the art students.

In the College of Ceramics 22 percent of the class are women. Significantly, in the School of Engineering seven of 39 students are women. "This is well above the national average," McKeon said.

At press time McKeon had no exact numbers for minority students, but he said there are more at AU overall this year.

The class was recruited from 33 states and territories this year, and 11 nations.

"I think everybody is happy about the incoming class," McKeon said.

University buys new phone system

Joyce Wagner

AU has purchased its own digital telephone switch to provide phone service to on-campus students, faculty and staff. The switch enables AU to take over services formerly provided by the Continental Telephone Company.

Under the new system, each student wishing to use a private phone will be assigned an authorization code. The code gives users access to other campus and outside phone lines.

Since students have their own code numbers, they will each receive their own bills, rather than two or more students

trying to estimate how much they owe on one bill.

"We feel we can give better service, and perhaps ease the burdens of roommates negotiating over phone bills," said L. Roland Doerschug, director of institutional services and facilities.

Doerschug said AU chose to purchase its own phone system in order to reduce the number of Federal Communications Commission charges levied on users.

The FCC charges \$6 per month on outside phone lines, but Doerschug said most calls made at AU are intercampus calls. In operating its own phone system,

AU "can significantly reduce the number of FCC charges we have to pay," he said.

AU will charge the same rates as Contel to cover installment costs. For persons who purchase a phone line, the flat rate each month will be \$15.18. For those who purchase only an access code, the flat rate will be \$9.50.

AU has contracted with ACC for long-distance service, and it plans to offer students a 10 percent discount on long distance calls.

He warned that students should keep their codes confidential to avoid paying for calls they don't make.

Bits'n Pieces cont'd

The Rugby Club will have its first meeting tonight at 7 p.m. in the McNamara room, Rogers Campus Center.

A memo sent by the club said anyone with or without previous sporting experience is eligible to play, if "various minimum requirements are met."

The Bergren Forum series begins Wednesday, Sept. 6. Dr. Vicki Eaklor, professor of history, will deliver the lecture, "The Strange Career of Scarlett O'Hara, a discussion of the epic story Gone With the Wind."

The Division of Performing Arts will have auditions next week for its first fall theater and dance productions. Auditions for the play Dark of the Moon will be held Sept. 5-6 at 7 p.m. in the Performing Arts Annex Studio Theater. Auditions for the Fall Dance Concert will be held Sept. 7-8 at 7 p.m. in the McLane Center dance studio.

A small note of self-congratulations: it's the Fiat's 80th anniversary!

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Editorial: Starting off on the right foot

Going to college is hard. If you are here for the first time, your heart might not know whether to pitter-patter in exaltation or terror. Starting off on the right foot is even harder, especially if you're not quite sure what you're doing.

Dr. Dave Kaplan of Career and Counseling Services informs us that the first six weeks of college is a critical period for new students. How you cope with Alfred in these first weeks may determine your success here.

At first glance Alfred seems a strange little place: quiet, quaint, an amalgam of brick, concrete and green space meticulously arranged in the middle of nowhere.

But don't be fooled. Alfred University is a vast community unto itself, and difficult beginnings don't have to happen here.

Do you have a direction? Perhaps not. The best place to start looking may be with your advisor. Talk honestly to him or her about your goals, your needs and what you want from an Alfred education.

Another place to look for direction is in campus organizations. From planning student activities, to involvement with media and service organizations, to hiking and camping...the list of group-sponsored activities is endless.

When a group announces a meeting, go and see what they're about. If you stick around, you'll make friends, learn skills and perhaps find your direction in life.

Do you have a question? Ask somebody! Ask anybody—your resident assistant, friends, or the person standing nearest to you at the time. If they can't help you, they may tell you who can. Keep asking until you get an answer.

Dealing with problems during those first weeks at Alfred is easier if you know where to turn. We cannot offer solutions to all problems, but a few friendly suggestions come to mind:

- If a vending machine eats your change, don't beat on it! Contact Residence Hall Services in Cannon Hall for a refund. RHS also accepts UPS packages, COD package pick-up and intercampus mail, and it sells loose change and stamps.
- If you cannot study comfortably in your room, use the all-University study room in the Parents' Lounge. It's open Monday through Thursday, midnight to 3 a.m.
- If you're having difficulty with a course, ask your professor about tutoring. SLAP tutors students in a variety of subjects, and the Writing Center helps students iron out problems with their writing.
- Feeling a little out of touch with the world but nobody wants to watch the nightly news? Pick up a newspaper. The New York Times is available at the campus center desk, and several stores downtown sell papers from Buffalo, Rochester, Hornell and Wellsville, as well as USA Today.
- If you're having problems you think nobody else can help you with, think about consulting the counselors at Career and Counseling.

Starting off on the right foot doesn't have to feel like trial by fire. All it takes is a little patience and the willingness to explore and take advantage of the vast resources the AU community has to offer.

To the Editor:

Dear Editor,

I was shocked to hear that the all-night study room in Herrick Library will no longer be in service.

At first, I thought it was a rumor. However university librarian Lana Meisner confirmed the information.

The purpose of the all-night study room is to provide a conducive study environment for students who need to study late at night. If students could study properly in their rooms, the need for an all-night

study room would never have come about—the need for such a study environment still exists.

I have attempted to study in my room until the wee hours of the morning unsuccessfully. I start out at my desk, but the chair soon becomes uncomfortable and I move to the bed. In the end I usually fall asleep and use valuable time I could have spent studying, sleeping.

In an environment like the all-night study room, the furniture discourages

such a happening from taking place.

As an attempt to replace the study room, the Parent's Lounge at the Campus Center will be open Monday through Thursday until 3 a.m. The study room operated successfully without inconveniencing other individuals.

Why hasn't there been a better solution to this problem?

Sincerely,
Tara Smith '87

Fosdick-Nelson Gallery announces 88-89 schedule

Eight major shows are scheduled for the 1988-89 school year in the Fosdick-Nelson Gallery. The shows range from the work of Clarence White, a famous American photographer of the early 1900's, to present-day children's work of staff and faculty.

The Five Day Event
Sept. 5 - Sept. 9

Tony Hepburn, associate professor of sculpture at AU, and David Finn, a visiting artist from New York City, will build sculpture, draw, and respond to each other's work in a five-day collaborative show. There will be no plans or strategy for the show, only materials and intuition.

Faculty Show
Sept. 16 - Oct. 12

For the first time since 1984, selections from all the faculty members of the School of Art and Design will be displayed as a collective showing.

The Radwaste and Stonehenge Series Oct. 19 - Nov. 4

Nava Atlas and Chaim Tabak will present a collaborative show consisting of twenty-six "books."

The "books" consist of eleven rice paper reliefs with collage and calligraphy and eleven paper reliefs with the collage and metallic paint on museum board that address the environmental effects of radioactive and toxic waste.

The other four "books" consist of collage and calligraphy that address the the mystery that the Stonehenge monument inspires.

Instant Photo Art: "Selection 2"
Nov. 11 - Nov. 30

A collection of 200 photographs by 75

internationally acclaimed artists will be on display.

The show is a forte of instant photography representing a variety of photographic styles from "straight" techniques to multi-

image collages.

"Selections 2" was curated by Alain Sayag, curator of photography at the Musee National d'art Maderne, Pompidou

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Career and Counseling seeks to change students' attitudes

Christine Scott

The staff at the Career and Counseling Service would like to give students a new outlook on their services and a reason to take advantage of what they have to offer.

"Most students who use the service come in at the last minute, or after a problem has gotten out of hand," said Dr. Dave Kaplan, assistant director of Career and Counseling.

Although Career and Counseling are both located on the first floor of Bartlett Hall, they should be thought of as two separate services.

COUNSELING

Students have access to counseling services through the Career and Counseling office. "The counseling services are used by over 50 students per week," Kaplan said.

Some students may fear that if they receive counseling, it will become part of their record. This is not true.

"All counseling is strictly confidential and stays in the office with two exceptions: if the individual is in danger of hurting himself or someone else, or if the individual has abused or is an abused child. The counseling services are bound

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to confidentiality by the American Psychological Association and the Association for Counseling and Develop-

ment," Kaplan said.

Nationally, one out of every two students who start college don't finish. The counseling service would like to lessen these odds at AU.

The first six weeks is the most crucial period. It determines whether a student will make it or not. "People expect an individual to leave home and to go to a strange place, live with individuals he doesn't know, and take courses at a level he's never had before—and to succeed," Kaplan said.

Counseling can help freshmen adjust to their new surroundings and help upper-classmen deal with new demands placed on them.

"Alcohol is the number one problem I deal with," Kaplan said. Counselors also

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deal with depression, burnout, test anxiety, stress, pregnancy, sexuality and career issues.

Counseling sessions last fifty minutes or more depending on the circumstances. If the problem stems back to the family, the entire family may be brought in and counseled.

Students who use the counseling services give it good reviews.

One student who wished to remain anonymous went to the counseling service when she was having a hard time dealing with an unwanted pregnancy and a breakup with her boyfriend.

"I felt as if I had no one to talk to, but I knew I needed help. I figured I had nothing to lose so I went. The counselor was very helpful—he let me discuss my options and draw my own conclusions. The counselor remained objective but still helpful," she said.

Another student wishing to remain anonymous said, "I had family problems which didn't surface until I left home for college. The service helped me and if I have another problem I would use the service again. I would even recommend the service to other students."

CAREER

The career section of Career and Counseling helps students choose careers, keep up to date with their careers, and find employment after graduation.

"Seventy percent of the student body use the service, which is a good turn out, but the students wait too long to use the services," said Charles Shultz, director of Career and Counseling.

Three programs exist to aid students in their career choices.

DISCOVER

DISCOVER, a computer program located in the Career and Counseling office, tests students' values, interests and abilities. The program, now in its fifth year, gives students "some ideas as to direction," Shultz said.

SIGI program

The SIGI computer program is a new service in addition to DISCOVER.

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Intramural Update

Rowdy Doug Dowdy

Sign-ups for fall leagues will occur according to the schedule below. Please note that there will be two captains meetings for each sport. It is imperative a team captain or representative be present at both of these meetings. All meetings will be held in the intramural office in McLane Center.

The meeting times and dates for A-block sports are as follows;

September 6, 6:00 p.m.

Rostercard pick-up

September 12, 6:00 p.m.

Rostercards & entry fees due

September 13, 6:00 p.m.

play begins.

•Flag Football - Men's

•Soccer - Men's, Women's, Coed

•Softball - Men's, Women's, Coed

•Bowling - Men's, Women's, Coed

The meeting times and dates for B-block sports are as follows;

October 11, 6:00 p.m.

Rostercard pick-up

October 24, 6:00 p.m.

Rostercards and entry fees due

October 25, 6:00 p.m.

play begins.

•Floor Hockey - Men's, Coed

•3 On 3 Basketball - Men's, Women

•Wallyball - Men's, Women's, Coed

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Located in the McMahon building, the program usually is used by undecided majors and freshmen.

SIGI helps individuals find their areas of interest and directs them toward a career choice. The computer obtains this information from a question and answer routine that takes about 20 minutes.

Student Kerry Ellis said she used the SIGI computer to find out what career areas interested her. "It was very helpful and pointed me in the direction of my present career choice," she said.

After Alfred Series

This program is a group of workshops on resume writing, job search and other areas concerning seniors.

The Series began about 10 years ago. At first it was comprised of a series of workshops conducted in late September. But when attendance to the workshops dropped because of student classes and commitments, Shultz decided to change the structure of the workshops.

Last year he encouraged student groups such as the Career Women's Association and the American Marketing Association to promote and co-sponsor the workshops. The workshops were spread out over the first and part of second semester, and they gained a wider, larger audience.

CAREER DEVELOPMENT

Shultz said he would also like "to encourage or even have a larger push for freshmen and students with undecided majors to take the Career Development and Life Planning course. This course examines ways to make decisions and gives tests to highlight areas of interest.

In the future Shultz said he would like to see a more formalized four-year program of career development. "This program would act under the expectation that students will be more actively involved in their futures," he said.

Wanted:

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Forest People

First Meeting is
Wednesday
August 31, at
8:00 p.m.in
the Parent's Lounge
Rogers Campus
Center

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Centre in Paris. The show is part of a world-wide tour sponsored by International polaroid Corporation.

Ornamental Architecture Reborn: A New Terra Cotta Vocabulary Dec. 7 - Jan. 23

This exhibition a result of a national competition for new terra cotta elements in architectural design.

Winning entries were manufactured in terra cotta by Luowici Celadon Company. The exhibition consists of color drawings, architectural renderings, terra cotta tiles and color photographs of actual applications.

The exhibit is from the National Building Museum and is supported in part by the National Endowment for the Arts and the Graham Foundation for advanced studies in fine arts.

Snow Fences

Jan. 27 - Feb. 1

The children, from toddler to teens, of faculty and staff from both Alfred State College and AU will have their work displayed. The materials will be from crayon to clay.

Clarence White Retrospective Feb. 8 - Mar. 1

Clarence White (1871 - 1925) was an American pictorial photographer and teacher.

White taught many famous photographers such as Margret Bourke-White, Dorthea Lange, Doris Ulmann and Ralph Stein.

Alvin Langedon Cobern described White's work as "the most subtle and refined images photoraphy has ever produced."

The display comes from a collection of Mr. and Mrs. Clarence H. White, Jr., and the Trisolini Gallery of Ohio University.
Xavier Toubes: Paintings and Ceramics

Mar. 13 - Apr. 5

Toubes, professor of art at the University of North Carolina, is an Alfred Master of Fine Arts alumnus.

The exhibition will include ceramic work and paintings.

M. F. A. Exhibitions

Apr. 10 - May 5

These team art exhibitions are of the

M.F.A. student candidates. The show consists of the students work of a major emphasis; ceramics, glass or sculpture.

Annual Student Show May 13 - early Sept.

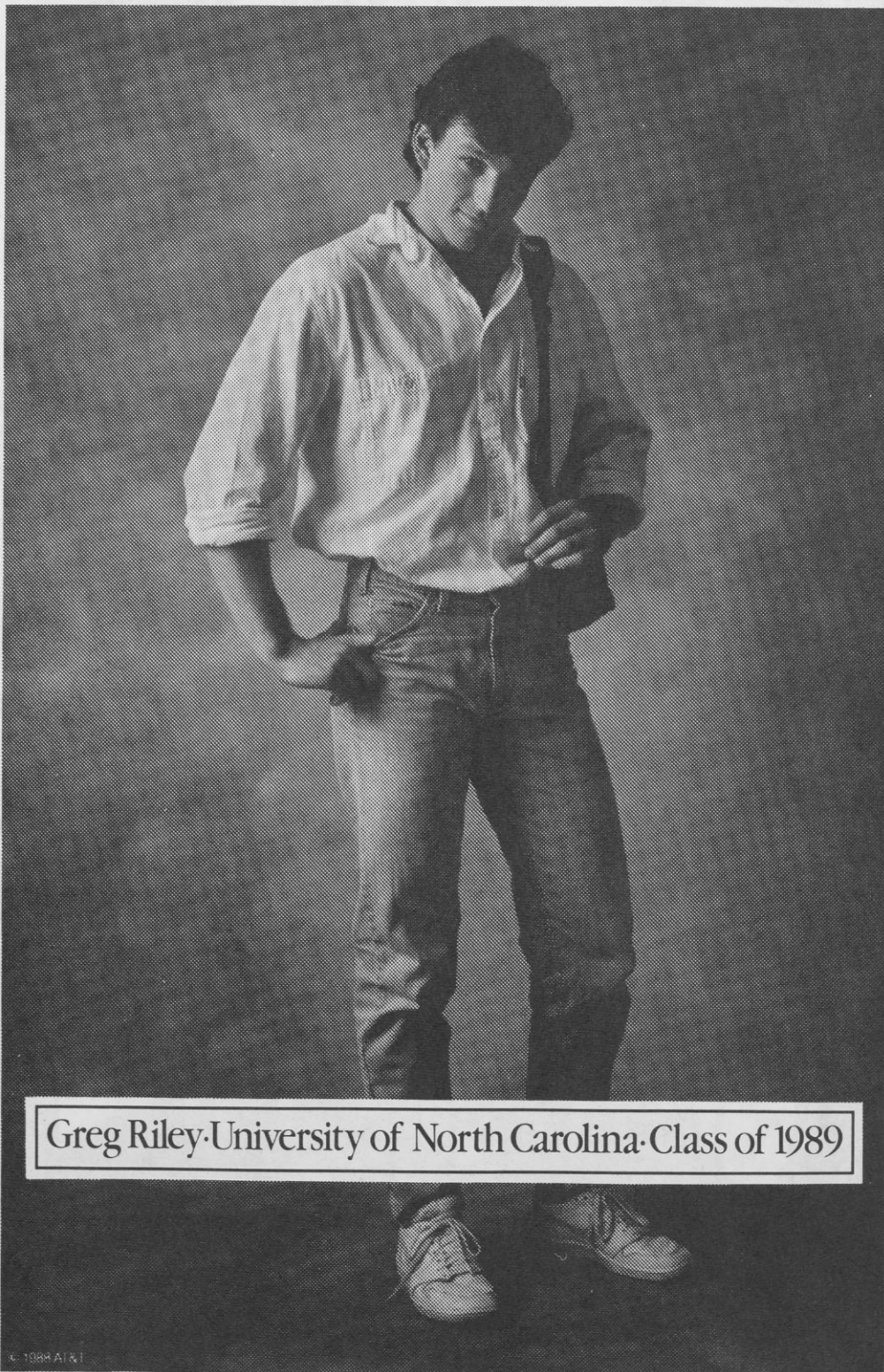
The best undergraduate student work, as judged by the faculty of the School of Art and Design, will be on display throughout the summer months.

Donald Royce-Roll is the gallery director. The gallery is open to the public Sunday - Friday 11 a.m. to 4 p.m.

Questions? Comments?

Please write us!
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at the Campus
Center desk.

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