Outlook Points to Enormous Fair Crowds.

## MAJORITY FROM THE WEST

Paid Admissions May Reach Two-Million Mark.

EXPECT MUCH OF PORTLAND

Exploitation Department Will Make Efforts to Get a Million Paid Admissions From Western Country.

Announcements made yesterday by the exploitation department of the Lewis and Clark Exposition show that all previous estimates of the probable total attendance at the Lewis and Clark Exposition ance at the Lewis and Chark Exposition are undergoing a revision. In light of the rise of the Exposition to National favor during the past six months there are now substantial reasons for believing that the attendance will be vastly greater than was thought possible a few months ago. It is even thought quite possible that the total number of paid admissions will reach close to the two-million mark.

Six months ago the most optimistic escax months ago the most optimistic es-timate, based on sane consideration, was 1,250,600. A year ago 750,000 was consid-ered as even an excessive estimate. But the exploitation department, which keeps one hand on the public pulse, has dis-covered good reasons for believing that all previous estimates are too small.

Will Draw on Western Country. Working on this theory the departm has decided upon a new line of operation. Realizing the impossibility of making es-timates on Eastern territory, the new pian applies only to the Western country, or rather that portion of the West im-mediately related to Oregon, including the States of California, Washington, Idaho, Utah, Montana, Wyoming and Nevada. The plan in question Nevada. The plan in question is to bring 1,000,000 paid attendances from this field. Since 1,000,000 was about what has been depended upon in the past, the entire attendance from the East and from foreign countries would then be in addition to the peccasary 1,000,000.

the necessary 1,000,000.

There are reasons for believing the country named will measure up to the million mark. In the first place, appropriations have been made by every neighboring state except Nevada. These appropriations are large enough to provide state buildings which will serve as head-quarters for residents of the various states. Then the interest has been steadily on the increase among all classes, and the special commissioners who have canvassed the territory recently sport that the number who have arranged to come represents a goodly percentage of the population. For instance, the little town the number who have arranged to come represents a goodly percentage of the population. For instance, the little town of Clarka, Neb., will send an excursion of 80 persons out of a population of 600, while Central City, of the same state, promises an excursion of 100 persons out of 1200 population. Clarks sent two persons to 8t. Louis, and Central City sent 15. Of course all communities cannot be Of course all communities cannot be expected to make any such showing as that.

What Portland Will Do.

Of the 1,000,000 paid admissions from the Western country Portland is expected to furnish 500,000. The percentage of Portlanders who will attend from two to 50 times during the Exposition is heavy, and 51 tis thought that the estimate of 500,000 is not excessive. The figure is based on the listest estimated population of the city, which has just been completed by Henry E. Reed finite the completed and present the complete of the complete that after Mrs. Since the complete t city, which has just been completed by Heary E. Reed, director of exploitation. Mr. Reed finds the total population to be 125,000, distributed by age and sex

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& to 9 years	5.40D	5.202	30,701
10 to 14 years		4,978	10,656
15 to 19 years	5.430	8,871	11,301
20 to 34 years		6,796	13,790
25 to 29 years	8.404	8,040	14,444
30 to 34 years	8.747	0.466	14,211
35 to 44 years	17.805	8,236	26,131
45 to 54 years	30.764	4,585	15,349
55 to 64 years	4.042	2,485	
65 and over	1.000	1.543	6,521
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Contiguous Country is Populous. As for the people the Pair has to draw on in the country outside of the city, the population within 100 miles of Portland is estimated at 400,000; within 200 miles, 800,000; within 300 miles, 1,500,000; within 1000 miles, 5,000,000. In this last named territory there are 21,000 miles of railroad, or nearly enough

to girdle the world.

As for taking care of all comers, the Exposition management is now assured that there will be no serious difficulty in housing all comers. A knowledge of available rooms and houses in the city has led to the estimate that 10,000 strangers a day can readily be cared for.

## CALIFORNIA WILL BE READY

Commissioner Filcher Says His State

Will Patronize Fair Liberally. "California is taking the most friendly sterest in the Lewis and Clark Exposiinterest in the Lewis and Clark Exposi-tion and to talk of the Portland Fair among Californians one might think it were a California enterprise." This is what Exposition Commissioner J. A. Filcher of San Francisco, says in describing his state's attitude toward Port-

Commissioner Flicher arrived at the Exposition yesterday, in charge of an ex-hibit from California. Incidentally he comes to look after the progress of work on the California State building. He says his state will begin to pour visitors into Oregon almost before the Fair is open and that the special excursions on California days will be unusually large. As soon as the state building is fin-

lated all the exhibits will be moved here, he says, as California does not lutend to be late, but will have everything in place long before the Exposition is open

INDIANS WILL DISPLAY WORK Navajoes Coming to Fair to Make

Blankets and Curios. One of the features in the Liberal Arts Palace will be a unique display from the Navajo Indian reservation. There will be a dozen Navajoes at work on a plat-form. They will be arrayed in native at-tire, exactly as they dress at home, and will be engaged in showing the industries of the tribe. There will be blanket-weavers at work and all the processes of making the famous Navajo blankets will be exhibited. There will also be pottery,

basket and ornament makers.

Representing a big frontier trading firm which will send the Indians. A. J. Dockarty reached the city yesterday and made arrangements for his Indians and dis-

plays. The redskins will have topes of skins on the grounds and will do their cooking over campüres.

Among the blankets which will be brought here is one which has attracted wide attention. It is known as the old Manuelita. While it is a very ordinary looking blanket of small size, its origin is traced back to 1765. It is regarded by the Indians was accordingly and an offer the Indians as a sacred relic, and an offer of \$5000 has been refused for it. Others of the blankets to be shown are worth from \$500 to \$3000, being the finest specimens of the Indian's workmanship and art.

FREE FRUIT FROM PIERCE. Exhibit at Fair Will Be Made a Popular Place.

Popular Piace.

TACOMA. Wash. March 17.—(Special.)—
Another effort was made by the Chamber of Commerce and business men today to secure an appropriation to enable Pierce County to make a suitable exhibit at the Lewis and Clark Exposition in Portland. A committee, consisting of President Jones. Secretary Whitehouse. William Virges. S. R. Balkwill, George W. Fowler, E. E. Rosling and Marshall K. Snell, waited upon the Board of County Commissioners and laid the case before them. The Commissioners indicated a willingness to do the generous thing, whenever it was decided exactly what was wanted. The space allotted to the county is said to be 1520 feet, and the Commissioners desire to know what the exhibition will be and who will be in charge of it. It was proposed the committee should submit a list of current from which the Commissioners.

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A suggestion which met with favor was that fresh supplies of fruit from Pierce County should be kept on exhibition from the opening of the strawberry states up. the opening of the strawberry season un-til the close of the apple season, and it should be given out freely to the specta-

Part of Davenport's Exhibit.

SILVERTON, Or., March 17.—(Special.)—Pearl W. Geer, who was vicepresident of the Liberal University, located at this place a few years ago, and who now has charge of Homer Davenport's farm at Morris Plains, N. J., sailed from New York for London last Saturday with a shipment of Oregon quall and wild turkeys and will bring back with him a lot of waterfowl to be exhibited at the Lewis and

Plan to Perform at the Fair. UNIVERSITY OF CALIFORNIA, Berkeley, March II.—(Special.)—Managers of the University Glee, Mandolin and Banjo clubs are hard at work in Berkeley securing information relative to proposed trips to Portland during the Summer, for the purpose of giving concerts at the Lewis and Clark Exposition, similar to those rendered at St. Louis last Summer.

New Souvenir Coin for 1905.

The first shipment of souvenir Lewis and Clark coins, bearing the date 1906, was placed on sale yesterday by the Exposition, having just arrived from the mint at San Francisco. The coins replace those bearing the date of 1904, which were not sold. The price is the same as on the first coins, \$2 each or six for \$10.

DIVORCE SUIT IS CONTESTED James F. Smith Replies to Action Brought by Wife.

The contested divorce sult of Eudora E. Smith against James F. Smith, a junk dealer, occupied the time of Judge Cleland yesterday and was taken under ad-The troubles of the two date back for 14 years when they lived in Tillamook County, where they settled on tract of land to make a home. They got along well until the financial crash came in 1892, and as times kept getting worse Mrs. Smith came to Portland to obtain work, bringing the youngest child with her and leaving the others with her hus-band on the farm. One of the witnessee, A. L. Clark, testified that after 1831 times

Portland her permanent residence and Smith also moved here. He now owns some property in East Portland, and Mrs. Smith wants a share of it. He denies her right and accuses her of living an

er life. The name of Stephen A. D. Puter, re-cently convicted in the United States District Court of timber-land frauds, figured in the case. A witness testified that dur-ing the times of depression Puter wrote to people in Tillamook County offering to advance fees to every one who would file on state school lands, and Smith was one of those who took advantage of the offer. Puter visited the place and made the acquaintance of persons whom he aded to make application for scho

Earth Measurement in Fills Is Demanded.

PROPERTY-OWNERS ENRAGED

Declare Assessment District Is Too Small, and That They Are Required to Pay More Than Should Be Asked.

Direct charges of fraud in the South Portland fills were made yesterday to the Executive Board by Mark O'Neill, a lawyer, who owns property in the district assessed.

district assessed.

The Executive Board granted a petition asking for a resurvey of the sev-eral large and expensive fills south of Marquam Gulch. It is charged that the property-owners are to pay for more earth than has been put into the fills. The accusation directly affects the Elliott administration in the City Engineer's Department, as the fills were accepted before W. C. Elliott and As-sistant Scoggin resigned under pres-sure. Another petition asking for an en-

linquent. In every contract there is a clause providing penalty for such delay. The Executive Board decided to draw the relise closer, and the contractors will be penalized unless they show very good reasons for the delay.

The Portland Rowing Club was allowed to connect with the roadway of the Morrison-street bridge.

The engine-house on the Manadam road near Joses' mill, the material for which has been subscribed, was ordered constructed.

Will Appoint Patrolmen.

The police committee will appoint the 40 additional patrolmen as soon as that number of eligibles comes through the Civil Service Commission mill. Applicants must be citizens of the United States and residents of the city for one year, not under five feet nine thehes in height, and 35 years old. The salary is 175 a month. An examination will be held within a few days.

The Albina ferry-boat, together with landings and approaches, was ordered turned over to the County Court, together with a detailed statement of all expenses, as required by the creative legislative act.

ALBERT J. APPERSON DEAD.

Pioneer of 1847, and Indian War

Veteran Passes Away. Albert Jefferson Apperson, ploneer of 1847, Indian War veteran, and for many years a resident of McMinnville, dfed yesterday morning at the family residence, 2044 Park street, after an illness of two weeks. The funeral will take place at McMinnville, Sunday, at 19:30 o'clock and interment will be in the Masonic Cemetery. The remains will be taken to McMinnville this afternoon. Mr. Apperson was born in Newton, Mo., September 17, 1839, and was the sixth

### THE SUNDAY OREGONIAN SIX MONTHS FOR 75 CENTS

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Circulation Department. 

"We believe that we are paying for more earth than was included in the fills," declared Mr. O'Neill, facing the members of the Executive Board. have also asked the Council for a new district which will include the railroad land which was assessed for the bridges, but was not put in the fills district. These assessments will bring taxes up to 8 cents in that part of town. It appears that the town is now

under a moral wave, and the economics in the city administration is lost sight of.

he made up for it yesterday. He passed company by conductors, motormen and out a roast that made the ears of the care-takers, asking for a raise in wages members turn red. He said that the of 5 cents an hour during the Fair. There case would be carried to the Supreme are six petitions, one from each division Court of the United States if there was court of the United States it there was no other way in which a poor taxpayer could secure his rights. Administration of city affairs was conducted on the principal of highway robbery, he asserted, and he believed it would be advisable for toll on bridges to be exacted that the shutting property-company ed that the abutting property-owners would not be forced to pay for the ac-commodation of other people. "Well, I guess we understand the

situation pretty thoroughly now," said Mayor Williams with a placid smile when the peroration was finished. Surveyors under the direction of City Engineer Wanzer will make new

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A number of contractors who are belief on their contracts for street impovements asked for extensions of time, were 40 days and some 50 days de-If Bahy Is Cutting Teeth.

So sure and use that old and well-tried remedy.

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now before the street committee of the Council. It is alleged that not only was less earth dumped into the gulches than the specifications cailed for, but that the city is scheduled to pay two prices for earth handled twice when once would have sufficed.

Not Alone in Complaint.

Mr. O'Neill was not alone in his complaint. Several overlapping assessment in the several overlapping assessment districts were there to back him up. Though a district was laid out for each fill, the same property practically pays for all. The First and Front street fills of the Woods-street gulch and the Lane-street fill are the most important.

"We believe that we are paying for the street also of the woods-street gulch and the Lane-street fill are the most important." stramer Clinton. He spent a season in the mines, during which he was very successful, and upon again returning he together with his brother, built the steamer Union, at a cost of \$16,000.

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In 1884 he went to McMinnville to reside, where he established a general merchandise store. He became known as an active worker in Republican politics. In 1832 he was appointed receiver of the United States land office at Sitks, Alaska, remaining there until 1802, when he returned to Portland and lived the life of a private citizen until his death.

He leaves a wife and five children, A. Beverley Apperson, E. Clyde Apperson, Mrs. Ross L. Conner, and Misses Elvie E. and Lesira Apperson, of Park Piace, and J. R. Apperson, of Park Piace, and J. R. Apperson, or resides in East.

Petitions have been signed and present-ed to the Portland Consolidated Railway

the names of the employes interested.
The request has been made, as the employes believe they will have harder work during the period of heavy traffic this Summer. F. I. Fulier, general manager of the Portland Consolidated, was asked yester-day if he would grant the raise, but said he could not make any announcement as

yet, as he had not had time to take the matter under consideration

Woman Orator Wins Gold Medal. PHILOMATH, Or., March 17.-(Special.)

## RAIN OF MATCHES

Two Boys of Commercial Club Celebrate.

FALL AMONG PEDESTRIANS

Dropped From the Eighth Floor of the Chamber of Commerce Building and ignited on Striking the Sidewalk.

Third street had a rain of matches yesterday afterfloon. Parfor matches, they werk of the large, red-headed kind and heavy. They feil all the way from the eighth floor of the Chamber of Commerce building, and for several minutes they had the busy crowd at Third and Stark streets guessing what new kind of celebration was in progress.

Without any warning a whole handful came hurtling dowr As each match struck head first upon the hard, dry cement it ignited, and a regular fusiliade followed.

"Splittly-spit-crack-snap," went the matches, and several score of heads went up in the air right away. But nothing was in sight-nothing but matches—for just then another box was emptied upon the heads of the throng, and the profamily began to smap as victously as the matches.

About every second match that fell

About every second match that fell caught fire and blazed away harmissely on the broad sidewalk. Women lifted their skirts and fied.

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After five minutes or so of this novel bombardment, two men who had barely escaped feeling a match drop down their necks sauntared across the street and took continuading positions behind a telegraph pole. An instant later two heads appeared behind the wide cornice at the eighth floof. Then a gust of matches came sweeping downward. It was two boys employed in the Commercial Club, who were celebrating St. Patrick's day, twisting the necks of pedestrians and boosting the maach trust all at the same time. Seeing that they were observed, the conspirators shut off on the match shower.

PREDICTS A GREAT FUTURE Leonard Storror Talks of Portland's Certain Growth.

Leonard Storror, of San Francisco general superintendent for the Pacific Coast of the Postal Telegraph Company is in Portland for a few days inspecting the offices in the Northwest, Mr. Storror is a firm believer in the future of Port-land. "This is destined," said he, "to hand. This is destined, waid ne. To become a great city. It has an immensely rich country back of it and is in every way a desirable city in which to live. I come here about twice a year, and after each absence of six months I can see that much has been accomplished in the way of development and improvement. The Fair will be the means of making known to the country at large the resources of Oregon and will prove of great benefit to

the state and its metropolia."

Mr. Storror is a brother-in-law of Joseph H. Thatcher, divisional manager of the Pacific States Telephone & Telegraph Company, and during his stay in Portland is the guest of Mr. and Mrs.

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No Present Prospect of Road Building.

PLANS OF THE O. R. & N.

General Manager Worthington Declares That the Road Is in Good Condition, and No Changes Contemplated at Present.

A. Worthington, general manager of the Harriman lines in the Northwest, rethe Harriman lines in the Northwest, returned to Portland yesterday afternoon after a visit of several weeks to his former home at Chicago. On his return journey Mr. Worthington went over the Washington division of the O. R. & N. and has now traversed, in an official capacity, all of the lines of the system under his control. He reports that all of the properties are in good physical condition, well kept and needing no great repair or improvement and that there will be no changes or extensions made at this time.

"I do not know that there is anything

"I do not know that there is anything of importance to announce," said the re-turned railroad man last night at his apartments in the Hobart-Curits. "I have just returned from a trip to Chicago and have been over the Washington division.
I have found the physical conditions

along the main and branch lines to be good and there is no immediate need of

good and there is no immediate need of changes or improvements, so that there is nothing of news to announce as the result of my trip.

"As far as I personally know," continued Mr. Worthington, "there is no change in the policy or condition of the question of construction at Washtuens, where it has been reported that the O. R. & N. intended to change its tracks from the bed of the coulse to the north bank in order to allow the construction of the Government reservoir planned by the reclamation bureau.

"It has been stated, I believe, by Mr. Noble, one of the Government engineers connected with the reclamation bureau and stationed in that district, that Mr. Harriman and the Government officials had come to some agreement in regard to the work without the product of the dovernment officials had come to some agreement in regard

Harriman and the Government officials had come to some agreement in regard to the work wished to be done at the Washtuchs coulee, but I have had no notice of this fact. I do not think, however, that the policy of the road in regard to the contention, as announced by Mr. Calvin at the time, has been changed in any particular, If something has been done to reimburse partially the C. R. & N. for the loss it would sustain by making the change, it is possible that the work of moving the tracks will be at some time commenced. We are not obsome time commenced. We are not obstructionists, but I know of no change in policy. I sent a party of surveyors to make a survey of the route proposed, but it was to verify the estimate of the cost of making such alteration and not for any other purpose.

"As regards the story that the C. R. & N, would begin the extension of its line from Lewiston to Riparis, which has so long been projected, you can say that

long been projected, you can say that there is no foundation for the rumor at this time. I sent the surveying party over that line, but there is no intention

to begin its construction now."

Mr. Worthington brought Mrs. Worthington and daughters with him from Chicago and has taken apartments at the Hobart-Curtis.

## DAILY CITY STATISTICS.

Murriage Licenses, andrew Johnson, 50: Aivins Tire, 22.

Building Permits.

G. Ainsies estate, Tenth, between Salmon and Main, flats, \$11,000.

E. Rose, Upshur, between Twenty-fifth and Twenty-sixth, salcon building, \$410.

J. H. Morse, East Morrison, between East Thirty-eventh and Kast Thirty-eighth, dwelling, \$1250.

Bobort Smith, East Eighth

moort Smith, Mast Eighth, between Thompsen and Tillamook, two dwellings, \$5000.

L. Wagner, Thurman, between Twenty-fifth and Twenty-fixth, store, \$1500.

M. M. Johnson, Vanderbilt, between Hayden and Dawson, dwelling, \$1000.

Ellen W. Kerns, Williamette boulevard, stable 1950. ble, \$250.
F. J. Heiliwell, Prescott, between Maryland

A. Carlander, Huron, near Dawson, dwell-

P. A. Carlander, Huron, near Dawson, dwelling, 1300.

M. M. Barnes, Sumner and Williams avenue, dwelling, 25000.

Mrs. J. Bircher, San Rafael, between Grand avenue and East Bixth, addition, 1250.

Henry Rebe, Washington, between Fifth and Bixth, repairs, 1500.

M. C. George, head of Jefferson, repairs, 1500. II. Henrich, Crosby, between Holladay ave-nue and Clackamaz, alterations, \$600.

nue and Clackamas, alterations, \$40 Real Estate Transfers. William M. Ladd, trustee, to Western American Company, undivided half lots I and 2, block 85, Raieigh's Ad-Frank Watson et al., trustees and executors, to same, undivided is lots 1, 2, block 85, Raisigh's Ad-dition

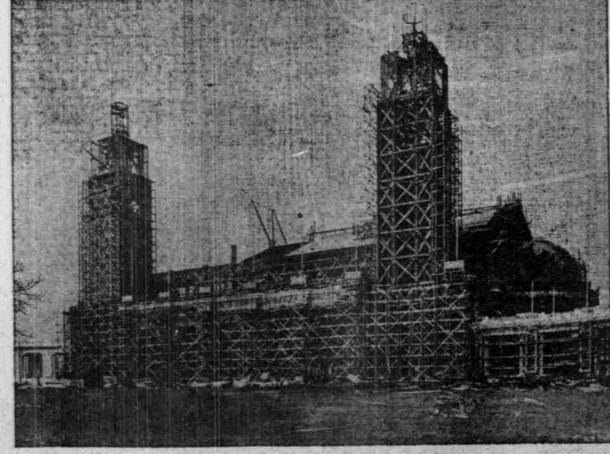
Townsend, lots 27, 28, block 10, Kern Park
William Bybes and wife to J. M. McKinney, about 315 acres, sections
24, 23, township 2 north, range 1
west
J. Richardson and wife to C. E.
Brown, lots 11, 12, block 2, Hawthorne's First Addition
Edward E. Alddich and wife to J. M.
McKinney, about 360 acres, sections
24, 25, township 2 north, range 1
west

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Susan Allison and husband to Western
American Co. undivided '§ lots 1,
2, hiock 83. Raleigh's Addition
Tyler Investment Co. to M. J. Elselalots 1 to 6 Inclusive, 21 to 28 inchusive, block 2, Peninsular Addition No 6
Park Land Co. to J. S. Johnson, lot
T. block 100. Wniversity Park
Margaret A. Elston to A. Lindstrom,
lots 1, 2 block 12, Kinzel Park
Tide Guarantee & Trust Co. to V.
Christis, lots 2, 8 block 11, North
levington 

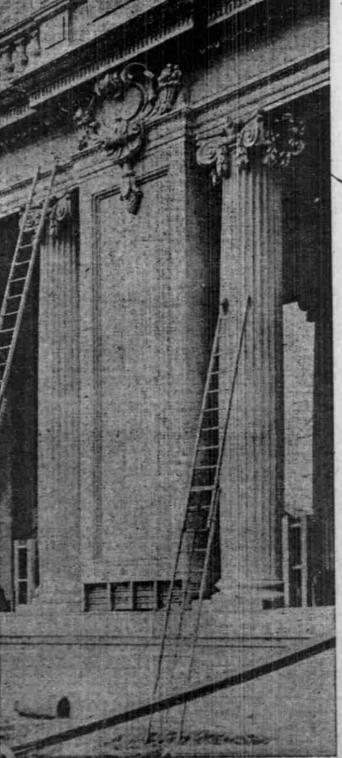
24. 25. township 2 north, range 1 west C. Bronsugh and wife to A. Hergavik, lot 1, block 2. Bronsugh Addition 1. E. Quarkenbush trustee, to M. L. Holbrook undivided 4 fractional blocks 9, 11, 12; undivided 4 river lot 1, 1 to 1e inclusive, James John's Addition, medivided 5 river lot A. James John's Recond Addition. Juligi Boltane and wife to M. E. Braiton, lot 1, 1 to 1, block 2. Tabasco Addition
Commercial Trust Co. to E. C. Johnson, lot 3, block 1, Sunset Park
Berthold Goldsmith and wife to P. Goldsmith and wife, lot 8, 9, block 6, Mayor Gates Addition
Charles E. Ladd and wife to G. Mackie, lot 13, block 20, Ladd's Addition.

lion State of Oregon to J. Welsenborn, lots 3. 4. block 14. Cloverdale Ex-tension No. 2 Ira R. Sikes to N. K. Sikes, lots 4, 21, block 6, St. Johns Park Addition

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