



SPEEDY ACTION ON CURRENCY BILL DUE

President Predicts Passage in November.

CHANGES TO BE ACCEPTED

Mann, However, Doubts Law's Realization Before February.

RESERVE BANKS BIG ISSUE

Wilson Bases Assertion on Talks to Republicans, Some of Whom Say Executive Is Too Optimistic.

House Recess Discussed.

WASHINGTON, Oct. 20.—With President Wilson willing to accept substantial amendments to the Administration currency bill in the hope of obtaining speedy action on the measure in the Senate committee, supporters of the Administration grew optimistic today over the chances for the passage of the measure before the end of the extra session of Congress.

The President himself, in a letter to Majority Leader Underwood, announced his willingness to consider a proposal for a recess of the House, because, he said, conferences with members of the Senate committee led him to believe the bill would be reported to the Senate the first week in November and passed at the present session.

Some Less Optimistic.

Republican members of the committee and Senator Hitchcock, of Nebraska, were inclined to look upon this plan as too optimistic, but other members of the committee said they hoped to be able to live up to the President's expectations.

A reduction in the number of reserve banks, fixed by the Administration bill of 12, and the removal of the Secretary of Agriculture and the Controller of the Currency from the Federal Reserve Board, which would control the new currency system, were the amendments which the President let it be known he would not oppose. Almost all the witnesses before the Senate committee have contended for these amendments, and a majority of the committee is believed to favor them.

Reserve Number Unsettled.

The proposed amendments would retain the Federal Reserve Board as a strictly governmental institution, but would provide that it be composed of seven members, six to be appointed by the President and to devote their entire time to the work of the Board, and the seventh to be the Secretary of the Treasury. The committee has not yet taken up the question of reducing the number of reserve banks, but suggestions have been made putting the number all the way from three to ten. Senator Weeks, Republican, has a proposal that the number be reduced to one, a single Federal bank to be controlled absolutely by the Government.

The proposal for a recess of the House was taken up today at the White House and at the Capitol, and negotiations continued without any definite conclusion.

Mann Withholds Decision.

Mr. Underwood sought Representative Mann, after receiving the President's message, and urged the minority leader to consent to the passage of a joint resolution for a recess of the House until November 15. Mr. Mann postponed decision on the request until tomorrow. Then he went to the Senate and discussed with Republican and Democratic managers the President's assertion that the currency bill probably would be disposed of in November.

"I found," Mr. Mann said later, "that the Senate was without a quorum, as was the House. I found that the President had not consulted with Republican Senators, nor received assurances from them that the currency bill speedily would be disposed of. I found that the President must have been mistaken or else was very much misled.

"I found, in all probability, the currency bill would not get into the Senate until the next session of Congress and that the President would be lucky if it passes by February. The President says there is an ambitious legislative programme for next winter. Unless Congress begins work on the programme now, we will be here until next September, and unless there are concessions on the currency bill, there may not be much legislation enacted but currency at the next session."

Republicans Talk Bills.

President Wilson's confidence that Republican and Democratic Senators would reach an early agreement on the currency bill was based on talks with Senator Nelson and one or two other Republicans. Members of the Senate banking and currency committee expressed more confidence over an early outcome of the legislation than did Representative Mann, but none of the Republican members would predict the passage of the bill within the time set by the President.

As a quorum of the House is not yet in town, the Democratic leaders cannot act on a House recess without the consent of the Republicans.

SOCIAL OUTCAST TO RETURN TO LEPERS

OSTRACIZED NURSE, BENT ON SUICIDE, CHANGES MIND.

Girl Declaring Herself Free From Dread Disease Unable So to Convince Friends.

CHICAGO, Oct. 20.—Miss Maris Collier, who disappeared Friday, leaving a note saying that she had been ostracized by society because she formerly was a nurse in a leper colony, returned today.

She asserted that the unfounded reports that she was suffering from leprosy, causing her friends to forsake her, had so discouraged her that she had determined to shoot herself. She said that Miss A. Benjamin, of Milwaukee, an acquaintance, had persuaded her not to end her life.

"I became so despondent Friday that I decided there was no use living any longer," said Miss Collier. "I destroyed marks of identification on my clothing and as I was starting up old letters I found one from Miss Benjamin. In it she told me that if I ever intended to take my life to pay her a visit first. I told her a long time ago that I would kill myself.

"Miss Benjamin brightened me up and I now intend to go back to the lepers. I am an outcast to society. Doctors have made examinations and reported that I am free from leprosy, but friends refuse to believe it. If I go to any gathering the crowd near me dwindles until I find myself standing alone.

Miss Collier passed several months at a leper colony near Tracadie, New Brunswick. She was forced to leave because the climate was breaking down her health.

LIVES SAVED BY ENGINEER

Passengers Owe Escape to Prompt Action of Train Pilot.

LA CROSSE, Wis., Oct. 20.—Investigation of the Chicago, Burlington & Quincy wreck at Nelson, Wis., Saturday, in which one man was killed and 18 injured, shows that M. H. Dorsey, engineer of train No. 54, saved the lives of many of his passengers by his prompt action.

No. 54 was partly on a siding when the express train, No. 57, appeared close by. There was not time to pull into the siding and to remain where he was would have caused No. 57 to crash into the passenger coaches of No. 54. Dorsey quickly reversed his engine, backed on to the main track with the engine and baggage car, which had been clear, and took on his locomotive the shock of the collision with the express train running 60 miles an hour.

OCEAN LINE SALE POSSIBLE

Southern Pacific Might Consider Pacific Mail Deal.

SAN FRANCISCO, Oct. 20.—The Southern Pacific Company might be willing to sell the Pacific Mail Steamship Company "for a reasonable figure," said Mr. Kruttschnitt, chairman of the board of directors here tonight.

The steamship company has until 1914 to change from a railroad ownership if permitted the use of the canal. "Time will answer that," he said. "If anyone wants to buy the Pacific Mail and is willing to pay a reasonable price for it, I think the Southern Pacific would give full consideration to the offer."

GIRL WARDS OFF PANIC

Theater Fire Nearly Quenched Before Audience Learns.

SAN FRANCISCO, Oct. 20.—A young girl pianist employed at a local moving picture theater prevented a panic among the spectators today, when without attracting the attention of the audience she notified the management of a fire in the picture operators' room.

The blaze was extinguished almost before the audience realized there was a fire. The girl continued playing while the audience was asked quietly to leave the house.

BRAZIL GREET'S ROOSEVELT

Government Prepares for Entertainment of Colonel.

RIO JANEIRO, Oct. 20.—The steamer Vandeyck, with Colonel Roosevelt aboard, arrived off Rio Janeiro tonight, but owing to tempestuous weather, according to a wireless dispatch, she will not enter port until midnight. Colonel Roosevelt and his party will come ashore at 8 o'clock tomorrow morning.

Elaborate preparations for the reception of the ex-President have been completed. Apartments in the Guanabara Palace have been placed in readiness for him as the guest of the Government.

PAY-HOUR DEBATES COVER WIDE SCOPE

Conferences to Affect All Oregon Toilers.

SERIES OF SESSIONS PLANNED

Meetings Most Important, Says Chairman.

NIGHT WORK IS PROBLEM

Young Men Unfit to Take Places of Girls at Switchboards, Declares Telephone Representative at Hearing.

State-wide in its scope is the conference called by the Industrial Welfare Commission, which held its first meeting last night at the Commission's headquarters in the Commercial block.

It will be the business of the conference to inquire into the wages, hours and conditions of labor of women and minor workers throughout Oregon, to determine what constitutes reasonable hours, wages and conditions, and to make recommendations based on its findings to the Industrial Welfare Commission.

Research Committee Named.

While the members of the conference generally agreed to get all the information possible on the questions submitted, a research committee was appointed, consisting of Mr. Booth, Mrs. Gee and Mr. Roberts.

"It seems to me," said Chairman Cohen, "that this is by all means the most important conference that has yet been called by the commission, inasmuch as our recommendations, if accepted, will be made the basis of rulings affecting the entire state, whereas the other conferences have had to deal with industrial conditions only in the City of Portland. Difficulties not apparent in the work of the other conferences confront us."

Portland Wage Suggested.

After a discussion of the minimum wage, Mr. Roberts, who was a member of the mercantile conference, suggested that the minimum wage fixed by the commission for Portland be adopted as the minimum wage for the entire state.

The question being raised as to whether the cost of living, on which the minimum wage must be based, is not lower in the smaller towns than in Portland, Mr. Cohen said that work-

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SULZER'S RELATIVE TO WED

Sister-in-Law of Deposed Governor Ohio Man's Bride-elect.

PHILADELPHIA, Oct. 20.—A license to marry was issued here today to Miss Ernestine V. Roedelheim, sister of the wife of William Sulzer, deposed Governor of New York, and Walter M. Friedman, of Philadelphia.

Miss Roedelheim declined to disclose the date set for the wedding, which, she said, was to be private and quiet. Miss Roedelheim is a public school teacher in this city.

Lieutenant Henning Transferred.

OREGONIAN NEWS BUREAU, Washington, Oct. 20.—Lieutenant Oswald F. Henning, medical reserve corps, has been transferred from Fort Columbia, Wash., to Monterey, and will be succeeded by Lieutenant Charles R. Castien, now at Fort Worden.

SULZER NOMINATED IN ASSEMBLY RACE

To Reclaim Governor's Chair Real Aim.

PROGRESSIVES MAKE TENDER

Deposed Official Will Begin Where He Did in 1889.

SPEAKERSHIP NEXT GOAL

In Accepting Sixth District Offer He Promises to Make 'Fur Fly' and Give Enemies Warm Time.

Election Seems Sure.

NEW YORK, Oct. 20.—William Sulzer, impeached as Governor of the state, was nominated for the Assembly tonight by the Progressives of the Sixth Assembly District. Mr. Sulzer in 1889 began his public career as a member of this branch of the Legislature.

Mr. Sulzer has agreed to accept the nomination. Max Steindler, Progressive leader in the Sixth Assembly District, who placed the ex-Governor's name in nomination, said Mr. Sulzer reached him by telephone from Albany, inquiring if he had been designated. Mr. Steindler replied in the affirmative. He said he asked Mr. Sulzer if he would accept and Mr. Sulzer replied he would gladly do so.

Sulzer Issues Statement.

A few minutes after the convention met Mr. Sulzer issued a statement telling why he had "consented to come back to Albany."

Throughout the evening he was in communication by telephone with Progressive leaders in New York.

There never was any doubt that he could have the nomination if he wanted it, he declared, nor does he doubt that the first of January would see him back where he began his political career 20 years ago.

Return to Chair Forecast.

He and his friends also are convinced that he will go from there to the Speakership and thence back to the Governor's chair.

Some time tomorrow Sulzer will go to New York. He will begin a campaign for the Assembly seat immediately and speak day and night up to election time. After that he will accept some lecture engagement up to the first of January. If it is then necessary for him to come to Albany he will arrive here on the opening day of the Legislature to start his fight, which he hopes will put him

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BIBLE NEVER MORE VITAL, SAYS BRYAN

SECRETARY PLEADS FOR LARGER APPLICATION OF BOOK.

Value of Mental Training Overestimated and of Heart Development Underestimated, He Says.

WASHINGTON, D. C., Oct. 20.—"There never was a time when the people needed the inspiration of the Bible more than they do at present," said Secretary Bryan tonight, addressing the delegates to the Women's Home Missionary Society of the Methodist Episcopal Church in session here.

"And" the Secretary added, "there is not a community which cannot be purified, redeemed and improved by a better knowledge and larger application of the Bible to the daily life. No money that is invested pays so large a dividend as money that is spent for the moral uplift of the community."

"I am inclined to believe that we have overestimated the value of mental training and underestimated the value of the heart's development. A good heart can use a very dull mind and make that mind serviceable to society, but a bad heart cannot make use of a mind, however brilliant."

The speaker expressed hearty sympathy with both foreign and home missionary work.

At today's session the society elected Mrs. W. P. Thirkield, wife of Bishop Thirkield of New Orleans, president.

EXTORTION METHOD IS NEW

Sender Inoculates Letter With Germs and Cure Is Secret.

CHICAGO, Oct. 20.—A letter, the contents of which may reveal a new and deadly method of extortion or may prove only a hoax was investigated today by the Postal Inspectors and the police. The epistle was received by Frederick M. Steele, a millionaire manufacturer.

The letter, the sender wrote was filled with deadly germs from which the handler could not avoid contracting a deadly disease for which only the sender knew the cure.

"It is already too late for you to escape inoculation," the letter continued. Mr. Steele said the writer demanded that \$1500 be placed at the foot of the Logan monument in Grant Park and that the cure would be mailed. A physician will make daily examination of Mr. Steele's condition.

CUPID ADDS TO PROBLEM

Chicago Matron Appeals to Police to Keep Maid From Marrying.

CHICAGO, Oct. 20.—Mrs. Walter T. Dwight appealed to the Evanston police today to prevent her maid, Rose Bergenhammer, from leaving her to get married. A policeman found Albert Lee, the maid's fiance, trying to persuade Mrs. Dwight to permit her serving to go.

"Rose and I are engaged and Mrs. Dwight won't let her leave," Lee explained. "I gave her notice three weeks ago."

"Well," said Mrs. Dwight, "I've visited every employment agency in the city and can't get anyone to take her place."

Mrs. Dwight gave up in despair when the policeman refused to arrest Lee for attempted kidnaping.

LORIMER INVITED TO RUN

Ex-Senator May Seek Toga of His Successor in Senate.

CHICAGO, Oct. 20.—A petition asking ex-United States Senator Lorimer to be a candidate for the Republican nomination for United States Senator next Spring was circulated here today. The petition was mailed to Chicago by the Republican Club of Galesburg, Ill.

The place for which Lorimer was vacated at the expiration of the term of Senator Sherman, who was elected to fill the vacancy caused when the Senate held that Lorimer had not been properly elected.

BOY'S LONG NAP PUZZLES

Jewish Lad's 12-Day Sleep Attributed to Abuse in Russia.

ST. PAUL, Oct. 20.—Medical experts are puzzled over the case of Abraham Brachner, an 18-year-old Jewish boy, who for 12 days has been asleep in the city hospital. He is completely oblivious of all sensation and fails to respond to even the slight quiver of a muscle to a pin prick. It is said his condition is due to hysteria, caused by ill-treatment before the boy left Russia.

The lad recently arrived here as the ward of the Independent Order of B'Nai B'Rith.

2500 VOTERS ARE ADDED

Progressives Going Over Into Republican Fold.

Approximately 2500 residents of Multnomah County have registered since the June election, and more than one-third of newly-qualified voters are women and young men who will cast their first vote at the referendum election next month. The heaviest registration from one section was from Gresham, where more than 400 registered.

The falling off of the Progressive voters was notable, said one of the clerks last night. Most of those deserting the new party registered as Republicans.

DEATHS REPORTED IN EASTERN STORM

Five Fatalities Known in Wisconsin.

MARYLAND COAST STRICKEN

Water Runs Two Feet Deep in Streets of Crisfield.

FLOOD REPORTS COME IN

Blinded by Driving Torrents Cleveland Woman Walks to Death Before Automobile—Middle West Doesn't Escape.

MILWAUKEE, Oct. 20.—Five deaths due to the storm which is raging over Wisconsin are reported tonight. Snow is falling even as far south as Milwaukee. The casualties are:

Two Milwaukee hunters, George McEachron and Thomas Stolz, drowned in Shawano Lake, at Shawano, Wis., when their skiff was capsized by the gale as they were trying to reach shelter.

Three men were drowned when their naphtha launch capsized in Chequamegon Bay at Ashland, while trying to take provisions to a coal steamer in the harbor.

BALTIMORE, Oct. 20.—One of the worst wind and rain storms ever experienced on the eastern shore of Maryland is raging tonight. The storm began early this afternoon and by nightfall lower Chesapeake Bay traffic was tied up.

Crisfield reported that water was two feet deep in the principal streets and still rising and that fishing boats in the harbor were being beaten to pieces.

Other towns on tributaries of the Chesapeake Bay reported floods. Great damage to oyster and fish industries will result.

CALUMET, Mich., Oct. 20.—A heavy snow and wind storm struck the central Lake Superior region today, gathering velocity until a small blizzard was blowing and increasing in force. Marine reports say that but few boats were caught in the storm, most of the shipping being held in the harbor.

LOUISVILLE, Ky., Oct. 20.—A light fall of snow was recorded this morning in Eastern and Southern Kentucky. The earliest fall of snow previously reported in this state was October 27, nearly 50 years ago. There was a rapid falling temperature tonight and, freshening weather generally over this state is forecasted for tomorrow morning.

CLEVELAND, O., Oct. 20.—Blinded by the driving rain and a 35-mile wind, five persons walked in front of automobiles tonight and two of them received serious injuries. Miss Mary Costello, 45, was thrown against the curb and her skull fractured. She died while the automobile, which ran over her while carrying her to a hospital. Police exonerated the driver.

Shortly before midnight the rain changed to snow and then to sleet.

KANSAS CITY, Mo., Oct. 20.—Freezing temperatures, the first of the season, prevailed over Missouri, Kansas and Northern Oklahoma early today and a light frost extended into Northern Texas.

ST. PAUL, Oct. 20.—Light snow fell here late today, the first of the present season.

CHICAGO, Oct. 20.—The tail of a wind storm that centered over the St. Lawrence Valley, according to the Weather Bureau, brought the first snow of the season to Chicago and other Middle Western points tonight. Snow, or a trace of it, was reported at Davenport and Dubuque, Ia.; St. Louis, Mo.; Terre Haute, Ind.; and Houghton, Mich. Thermometers registered 35 degrees here, the coldest of the season.

The cold weather extended as far west over Missouri and Oklahoma and Missouri reported the thermometer at 27 degrees and at Concordia, Kan., it was 24 degrees. Ice formed over the ponds and streams. A light fall of snow was recorded at Birmingham and Atlanta and at several points in the Kentucky mountains two inches of snow fell.

NEW HAVEN, Conn., Oct. 20.—A high wind storm that swept over the Connecticut shore tonight cost one life and did much damage to small craft. Russell B. Young, aged 19, who was rowing with his father, was drowned when their boat was capsized.

At New London the sea was said to be the highest in five years.

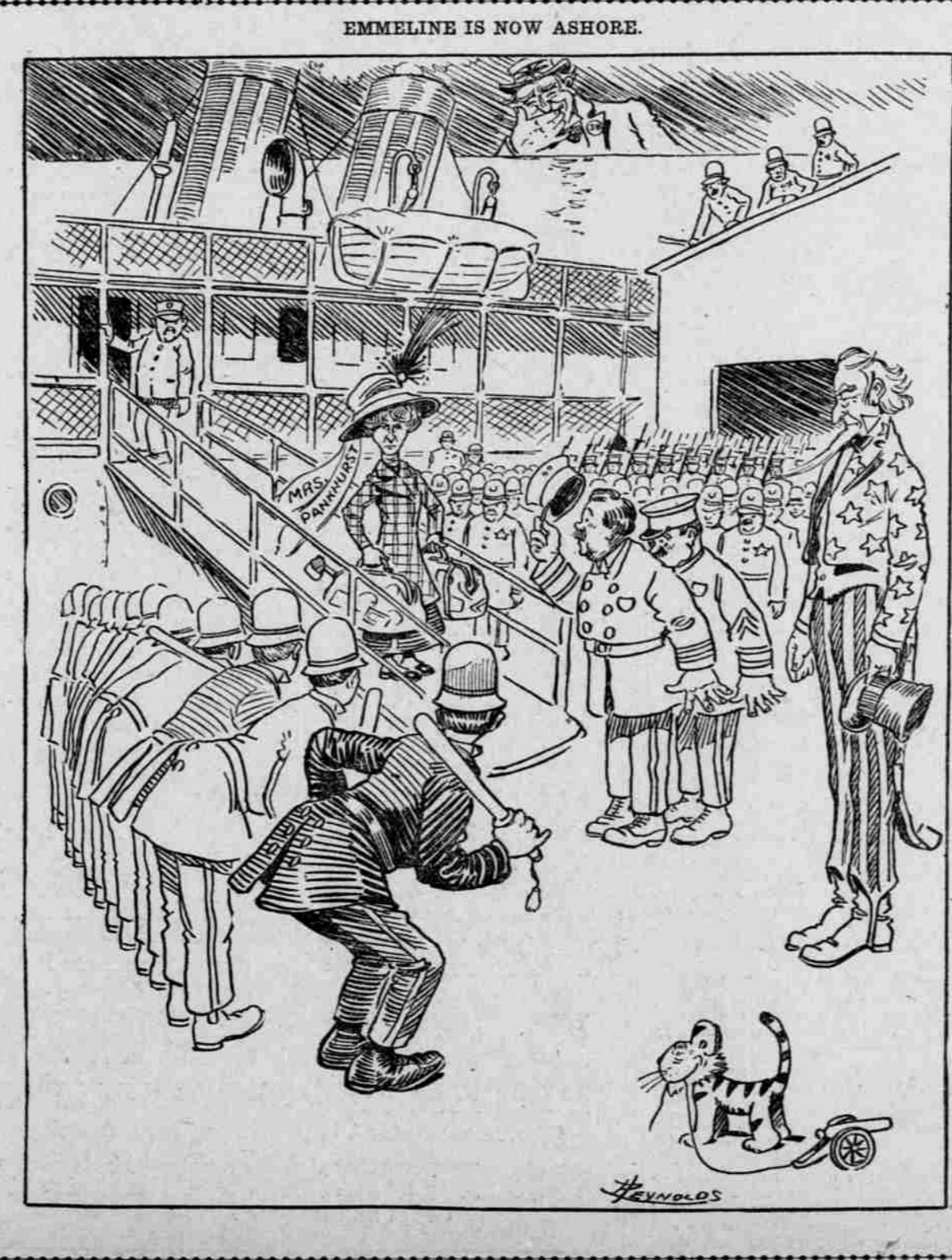
An unidentified vessel is displaying distress flags outside the harbor.

WIRELESS NOVICE IS FINED

Unlicensed Radio Operator Draw First Penalty Under New Law.

NEW YORK, Oct. 20.—Elmer E. Myers, a Brooklyn youth who set up a wireless plant on the roof of his home without first obtaining a Federal license to do so, was fined \$50 today by United States Judge Mayer for violation of the radio act passed last June by Congress. He is said to be the first defendant under this law.

The law forbids unlicensed operators picking up messages sent ashore from ships or from one state to another.



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