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TWO GAMES OF BASKET BALL ON HOME FLOOR

COMPANY A DEFEATS HIGHS— VARSITY LOSSES TO DURHAM "Y"

The Company A basket ball team defeated the Durham High School five on last Thursday night in the Angier Duke gymnasium by a score of 34 to 19. The Highs had a fast team and put up a stiff fight for the winning margin, but they were outclassed. In trying to stay with their opponents the high school lads piled up a huge number of fouls.

Neither side seemed to have much the odds during the greater part of the first half. When the first half lacked only five minutes of being up, the score was tied at 10 to 10. However, during these last few minutes it seemed that the Company A men caught the high school boys off their guard and secured three field goals before time was called. In the second half the Company A team appeared to take the lead with more ease, scoring 18 points while holding their opponents to only 9.

Starling was the star for Company A, succeeding in pocketing eight field goals and eight fouls. Jeffries found the basket three times from the field. Aldridge, although he was guarding, scored two goals. Carver held his forward to a goalless game.

Carmichael did the best work for the high school team. He made six field goals and two fouls of four tries. Brooks was the only other man to score for the Highs. He secured two goals from the field.

Below is the line-up:

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| Co. A | Position High School |
| L. F. | |
| Starling | Carmichael |
| R. F. | |
| Jeffries | Speed |
| C. | |
| Brendall | Fanning |
| L. G. | |
| Aldridge | Brooks |
| R. G. | |
| Carver | Heflin |

Referee: B. T. Pond. Time of halves: Twenty minutes.

On Monday night in the College gymnasium the Durham Y. M. C. A. team defeated the prospective varsity basket ball team by a score of 39 to 22.

This game seemed to be destined a walk over for the Y. M. C. A. at the end of the first half, the score standing 27 to 4 in their favor. However, in the last half the college team appeared to get together better and scored 18 points, while holding their opponents to only six field goals.

This was the first game the college team played; and there was a shift in position in this game, which disorganized the team work in the first half. Long was star for Trinity, succeeding in placing five field goals and three fouls. For the "Y" Holloman.

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Lieut. J. B. McCullen, ex-'19, who has been at Camp Grnat, Illinois, since receiving his commission in September, was a recent visitor on the campus

N. C. CONFERENCE IN SESSION NOW

MEETS AT GOLDSBORO—TO BE IMPORTANT ANNUAL SESSION

The eighty-second session of the North Carolina Conference of the Methodist Episcopal Church, South, convened yesterday, December 11, at St. Paul's Church, of Goldsboro, with Bishop U. V. W. Darlington, of Huntington, W. Virginia, presiding.

Trinity College is always interested in the proceedings of this conference, since the College is the property of this and the Western North Carolina Conference. Dr. W. P. Few, Professors H. E. Spence, R. L. Flowers, and W. W. Peele, are attending the conference. I. L. Shaver and W. A. Rollins are among the students who are in attendance.

This session of the Conference gives promise of being of more than ordinary interest.

The question of laity rights for the women of the Church is to be voted on. This question was handed down from the General Conference which convened in Atlanta last May. The conferences of the church have to ratify this constitutional amendment before it becomes a law of the Church. So far, twenty-four conferences have voted on the question, all of them passing it by an overwhelming vote; ten of them passed it unanimously. The North Carolina Conference is considered rather conservative, and the result of its vote is awaited with anxiety. If the amendment becomes a law, the women of the Church will have equal rights with the men in acting on committees, holding church offices, and going as delegates to the various conferences.

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CAPTAIN C. R. BAGLEY WRITES FROM FRONT

Below is given an extract from a letter to Prof. Chas. R. Bagley, '14, to Captain Webb. Mr. Bagley took his M. A. at Trinity in 1917, which year he was also assistant instructor in French. Mr. Bagley was also a winner of a three years Rhodes scholarship to Oxford University, which he expects to avail himself of after he is released from the Army.

This letter was written on November 7, just before the signing of the armistice. The place of writing was very probably from the Verdun sector, and it gives a vivid picture of conditions on the front at the closing of the war.

"I write you from my secure but uncomfortable position 40 feet under the ground. In fact we have a veritable subterranean city, where rats and water abound and the doughboys grope and swear from place to place under the cover of eternal night.

"After a most harassing march we are again on the front, this time occupying a very famous portion of the line. The position is one seething mass of mud, shells and graves. I can easily believe the report that 30,000 lie buried here, a great monu-

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MUCH ANXIETY ABOUT EXAMS BEFORE XMAS

FINAL DECISION OF FACULTY TO DISCONTINUE COLLEGE FRIDAY

As the days of December were passing, there was a growing conflict of anxiety and pleasant expectancy operating in the heart of every Trinity student. There was that pleasant anticipation of the approaching Christmas holidays in the breast of everyone; but no one could enjoy those pleasant thoughts for a very long period of time—the intrusion of the seemingly inevitable examinations was certain.

When the schedule was posted and the talked-of examinations began to appear to take material form, the less diligent students began to cry out, "I'm lost." From the members of the 9019 and EKO-L and from ambitious candidates for these scholarship organizations were heard such expressions as "O, I just know I shall fail."

After being assailed for days with all types of pathetic pleas, that august body of Trinity professors assembled last Thursday afternoon in that mysterious and secret council known as "Faculty Meeting". By this time most of the professors had realized that

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EXAMINATIONS AT PARK SCHOOL BEGIN SATURDAY

DR. HALL SPEAKS TO SCHOOL OTHER ITEMS FROM PARK SCHOOL

The Park School final examinations are to begin on Saturday, 14th of December, and in preparation for them the students, aided by the instructors, have put much hard work into their efforts to prepare for the final tests. The examinations are to continue for one week, and the Christmas holidays are to begin on December 20.

The literary societies are continuing their work and are carrying out interesting programs which are of a great material benefit to those who ally themselves with the work. The program of the Grady Society at its meeting on last Saturday night centered on the discussion of woman suffrage. Messrs. Lassiter, Westor, and Gray representing the affirmative, were opposed by Messrs. Gentry, Bass, and Lee, of the negative, and a very interesting declamation was given by Mr. Thompson.

The program of Calhoun Society on last Saturday night consisted of a debate, an oration by M. L. Wilson, and a speech by Headmaster Aldridge. The subject of the debate was: Resolved, That the Monroe Doctrine should not be abandoned. Representing the affirmative were E. L. Harris, J. Baldwin, and R. L. Armstrong. O. Mathews, W. Weatherly, and W. Atwater defended the negative.

The regular meeting of the Y. M. C. A. last Thursday evening was addressed by Mr. Percy Lee, the president. Using the subject, "The Slackers", Mr. Lee

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OFFICERS RECEIVE HANDSOME GIFTS

CAPTAIN BREWER IS GIVEN FINE WATCH—LIEUTS. GET GIFTS ALSO

The officers of the post were given quite a surprise at Chapel Wednesday morning. The men of the S. A. T. C., who are being discharged, presented each of the officers with a gift as a token of their respect and esteem.

Sergeant L. D. Hicks, first sergeant of "A" Company, acted as spokesman of the battalion, presenting Captain Brewer, the Commanding Officer of the Post, with a fine watch.

Captain Brewer was taken by surprise, and made a short talk, in which it was evident that he was very much touched by the proof of the esteem and good-will of the soldiers.

The company officers were remembered in their turn. Sergeant Hicks, speaking for Company "A," presented a handsome overcoat to Lieutenant Lockhart, the Company Commander. Lieutenants Jackson, Hopkins, and Whitman were each given a token of remembrance from the men of Company "A".

Sergeant Earl Smith, first sergeant of "B" Company next took the floor and in behalf of the Company presented Lieutenant Holmes, the Company Commander, with a husky Colt automatic pistol. The other officers of Company "B", Lieutenants Hebert and Hill, were also given gifts as expressions of appreciation.

Captain Joseph M. Erwin, of the U. S. Medical Corps, has been on the post for several days assisting in the examinations for demobilization.

AN R. O. T. C. ASSURED FOR TRINITY COLLEGE

That a Reserved Officers' Training Camp will be established at Trinity after Christmas seems to be practically assured.

Several days ago the War Department wired the College, inquiring about the possibility of an R. O. T. C. at Trinity and asking if the College desired the establishment of such a unit here. The College immediately replied that conditions were favorable for an R. O. T. C. here and that it wished to co-operate with the Government in the matter.

In a few days after the reply of the College went in Capt. Brewer received orders to leave all equipment, including guns, clothing, etc., here if the College desired to retain them by giving bond. The College gladly agreed to these terms, and plans are to leave all the equipment in the care of the College.

Lieut. J. R. Rone, '16, now with the 25th Field Artillery at Camp McClellan, Alabama, was a visitor on the campus this week.

Mr. Lloyd Rone, '01, spent a few days this week on the campus. Mr. Rone has for several years been engaged in extensive mining work at Torreon, Mexico.

BRITAIN DAY PROGRAM HELD LAST SATURDAY

DR. BOYD PRINCIPAL SPEAKER—DR. FEW READS BRITISH POEMS

In accordance with the celebration all over America on that day, last Saturday morning at 11:00 o'clock in Craven Memorial Hall an interesting and appropriate Britain Day program was rendered.

This national celebration was a testimonial of Great Britain's part in the war, similar to the commemoration of France's contribution which found expression in America last July in "Bastille Day".

Professor R. L. Flowers presided at the occasion, but Dr. W. K. Boyd, head of the Department of History, was principal speaker. President W. P. Few read some interesting English poems which were written during the war. Mrs. T. P. Cheek added a delightful variation to the program with her vocal solos. James G. Leyburn, a local student, presided at the piano.

Below is given the program:
I. Vocal Solo, Mrs. T. P. Cheek
"God Save the King"

II. Reading of English Poems,

Dr. W. P. Few

a. "All We Have and Are"—

By Rudyard Kipling.

b. "The Soldier"—By Rupert

Brooks.

c. "Slave and Emperor"—By

Alfred Noyes.

III. Vocal Solo, Mrs. T. P. Cheek

"The Holy City"—By Steven

Adams (An Englishman).

IV. Address... Dr. W. K. Boyd

"The Ties and Obligations

Which Bind Us to Eng-

land".

V. Song Audience

"The Star-Spangled Banner"

In substance Dr. Boyd spoke

as follows:

American nationality was born in English ideals and owes its preservation to a large extent to English influence. This statement may seem bold and dogmatic when we recall that the United States and England have had two wars. The Revolution was, however, really a civil war and was opposed by Pitt, Fox, Burke and other English leaders. The War of 1812 was brought about by the necessity for England to violate the rights of neutrality to check the militarism of Napoleon in much the same manner as England and France have violated neutral rights in the recent war. In 1817, just a short period after hostilities had ceased, an event took place which is unparalleled in the relations of the larger states of the world; England and the United States agreed to practical disarmament along the Great Lakes and since that time there have been no military lines separating their adjacent possessions.

About 1820, when France and other countries had intervened in the affairs of Spain to restore the monarchy, by intervening and hindering the restoring of the Spanish colonies in America, England rendered the United States a distinct service. England al-

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Out a week early for Christmas holidays—the undreamable.

The faculty have decided that it is for the best interest of all concerned to close college tomorrow until January 3. The students are busy now getting ready to leave for home where they are to spend the holidays. THE CHRONICLE wishes to one and all "A merry Christmas."

WHAT ABOUT SOCIETIES

To the frequently repeated question "What are the societies doing this year?" there has been no satisfactory answer. Perhaps no other college activity has been so seriously handicapped as the literary societies because of conditions arising out of military preparation. Practically all of the old men have been in the S. A. T. C., and the most of them considered their attendance at society on Saturday evening as wholly incompatible with the exercise of the only freedom of action allowed them during the week.

After a week of nerve-rending warfare, consisting of intellectual contests with aggressive members of the faculty, usually resulting disastrously for the student-soldier involved, of days of expected and unexpected K. P. duty, and of nights of walking sleep on sentry posts,—after a week fraught with such experiences as these, the modest announcement headed "Program for November 25, 1918" held for the rookies far less charm than the gay theatrical pages of the *Morning Herald*, heralding the advent of "I'm So Happy" or "The Heart of the World", to these war-weary heroes the clatter of can music and the rhythmic movement of the light fantastic toe were far more soothing than the harsh musics and incoherent heavy guns of embryonic orators.

But enough of this pseudo-humorous comment. It is not the desire of the writer to give vent to any piqued feelings resulting from the lack of patronage given his society, but rather to drop a

few gentle hints as to what society of the future should be and will be.

The temporary secession of society work need not be regarded as a cause for discouragement. Now that the S. A. T. C. and many army camps have been demobilized, it may be confidently expected that with the beginning of a new term, society work will be revived, and that the old spirit of friendly rivalry between the two societies will again manifest itself. Even now it is by no means an uncommon occurrence to see an old member lecturing a helpless freshman on the incomparable advantages of his own society, with apparently incidental allusions to the terrors of membership in the society "across the hall."

Society work should not, and possibly will not, be any more what it was before the war. It seems that the present, when everything is undergoing a change, might happily be taken as the occasion for effecting a long-felt need of revision of programs. The program consisting exclusively of orations and debates was sufficient in the good old days, when practically all students were preparing themselves for the legal profession or for the ministry; but as a consequence of the broadening of the curriculum, a large percentage of the students are interested in subjects in which orations and debates have no part. Therefore, it would be entirely fitting to offer to men pursuing scientific courses an opportunity for discussing their problems in public. Such programs would not only be a great advantage to the societies, but they would also tend to stimulate work in the various departments of instruction affected.

The time is ripe for such a departure from the old groove; why should not the literary societies at Trinity College take the initiative?—N. M. W.

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way and Stephenson each threw five field goals, and Mangum got four field goals and one foul.

The line-up was as follows:

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| Trinity | Pos. | Y. M. C. A. |
| Jeffries | R. F. | Stephenson |
| Carver | L. F. | Holoway |
| Starling | C. | Mangum |
| Long | R. G. | Richardson |
| Aldridge | L. G. | Heflin |
| Substitutes: Trinity, Edgerton for Jeffries and Teague for Carver. | | |

BRITAIN DAY PROGRAM HELD LAST SATURDAY (Continued from Page 1)

so suggested that she and the United States join in a declaration against intervention of other countries in South America. President Monroe and others were receptive of this proposal; but it was thought better to go further and, refusing a joint declaration, Monroe made known the American opposition of European intervention. This was born from an English suggestion the famous "Monroe Doctrine." In this declaration we had the moral support of England, without which at such an early stage in our national development a clash of interests would certainly have followed.

Although it would have been to the commercial interest of

England to have intervened in favor of the South during the Civil War, she not only refused to do so, but influenced other nations not to intervene, and in the end we have not two nations, but one.

In regard to the Alabama Claims, which came shortly after the Civil War, England performed the most notable incident in the relations between the two countries. She arbitrated her honor, submitted to a decision based on theories of law not in force when the offence was committed, and paid an indemnity of \$15,000,000. In this act England set a precedent for the United States and other countries under the probable near league of peace. Some will protest against our submitting of our sovereignty or honor to any impartial tribunal. It is notable that England, in the above incident, the greatest sea power on earth, submitted to arbitration a matter of national honor, abided by the decision, and kept the respect of other nations. Again England's conciliatory attitude and submission to arbitration was shown in the more recent Venezuela affair.

Again when in 1898 Germany was talked of as entering the Spanish American conflict in behalf of Spain, England let it be understood that she would take sides with America and made known her sympathy with our cause.

Thus at certain landmarks in our national development the influence of Great Britain has sustained us; towards the United States British policy has been notoriously pacific. Let us inquire the reason for this.

The reason does not seem to me to have been for economic and commercial advantage, nor necessarily to avoid wars at any cost; but it appears that the Whigs were either in power when conflicts arose or gained control before they were settled. A second reason for these pacific relations is that the mind of the British nation has been gradually won from things martial to things peaceful. Slowly but surely that nation has gone through a process of change which make it today the most complete democracy in the world. The House of Commons is supreme. Every man over the age of 21 and every woman over 30, who has had the right to vote in local elections or who is a wife of a voter, may cast a ballot in the national elections. In England there are 16,000,000 voters to a population of 50,000,000, while in the United States there are only 9,000,000 voters to a population of 100,000,000.

British democracy is not wholly political; it is also social. The English people are no longer an aggregation of individuals, but members of one community. Thus in place of the classes and masses of the old days there has come a nation of neighbors. The evidence of this is a series of laws protecting the weaker and more dependent members of society. England leads the world in the protection of women and children wage earners. In war stricken England no child below the age of 14 works; all are in schools; those between the ages of 14 and 16 who do work spent 280 hours in school each year. But this is not all; in England there is a minimum wage law below whose standards no one may work. Moreover the state provides for the wornout worker. There is also an insurance law which provides for medical care during illness or unemployment. This fund does

not come from forced contributions from the laborers, but out of the tax payer's pocket.

Care for the dependent, the women and children; protection of the laborer in such a way that even the humblest member of society may have a chance at education and the enjoyment of the natural comforts—What nobler program for a country and a people has ever been adopted? Today England is thoroughly democratic; the United States has not yet shaken off the clothes of eighteenth century individualism. Will this country of ours ever rise to the altruistic plane of the British ideal so well expressed in the words of the following memorandum: "We are members one of another. No man liveth to himself alone. If any, even the humblest, is made to suffer, the whole community and everyone of us, whether or not we recognize that fact, is thereby injured."

Miss Sara Hudgins has gone to Raleigh with her mother to visit and recuperate from her severe attack of influenza.

A beautiful Art Calendar has been issued for 1919, showing various Trinity views. Owing to demobilization of the S. A. T. C., several copies have been left on hand; and anyone desiring one or more copies can get them by addressing H. W. Carter, Durham, N. C. The price is 85¢ for one, or \$1.50 for two.—Adv.

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ment to the undying spirit of France. The beautiful little epitaph, *"Mort pour la France"*, the crosses, and the tricolor scattered over the hills as far as one can see explains why they have not passed this hill. I can now understand what was meant by the 'crosses row on row' and *"Ils ne passeront pas"*. Anyone who has ever seen this sight must realize that it was not the living who have won the war. Rather it is those who have made the supreme sacrifice when the candle burned low and the cause seemed lost. It was a long dark age from September 1914 to July 1918.

"Now, of course, it is practically over with Bulgaria, Austria, and Turkey out, but I daresay that many enthusiastic American Quartermaster men will return to America explaining how they won the war. I am beginning to think that there are many things about warfare worse than fighting; but the doughboy is the man who catches it, not the men behind the desks.

"The cry everywhere seems to be peace, peace, but I am not in a very peaceful frame of mind. I have marched scores of kilometers through that section of France recently delivered from the Huns, and the enormity of the outrage has sunk pretty deep into my heart. It is beyond description."

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spoke in part as follows: "Slacker, which is one of the many words that have come into common use during the war, is applied to the man who hears the call of his country and refuses to obey it, one who is so selfish as not to appreciate what has been done for

him. We hold in contempt the slacker of his country; how shall we consider the slacker in the spiritual life in a time like the present?

"Although liberty in the political and commercial world is worthy of the supreme sacrifice of every one, the liberty of the spirit is greater. The world is not free from the toxin of selfishness and sin, not even is America free from it. Therefore there is a need for the Gospel of Christ to be carried throughout the land to drive out this toxin of selfishness. Christ gives the call for everyone in his life to answer this call. Shall we, who scorn a slacker in the war, be slackers to the greater call?"

After the talk by Mr. Lee, Professor Aldridge made a very interesting extemporaneous speech to the boys, urging them to live up to the ideals of their homes.

On last Saturday morning the boys of the Park School were given a very instructive address by Dr. Winfield Scott Hall, who spoke on the subject of "Ideal Young Manhood." His lecture was very impressive and was much appreciated by the entire student body. Later in the day school was temporarily adjourned and the entire body of students went over to the Craven Memorial Hall, and in union with the College students and the S. A. T. C. men, celebrated Britain Day in honor of our great ally and friend.

Headmaster Aldridge is out of town attending the Methodist Conference which is in session at Goldsboro, and during his absence the affairs of the school will be conducted by the other masters of the school with Professor McKay at their head.

N. C. CONFERENCE

IN SESSION NOW
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It is expected that the whole morning session of Thursday will be given over to the consideration of the Centenary Movement, a movement which the church has launched for the purpose of raising \$35,000,000 during the next five years for missions. This campaign is to be started in 1919, the hundredth anniversary of missions in Methodism in America. The North Carolina Conference will at this session assume its share of the amount to be raised and will set machinery in motion to raise more than \$1,000,000.

Another very interesting feature of the Conference will be the presentation of a service flag to the Conference. This flag will contain a star representing each boy who has gone out from a parsonage of the Conference into the service of his government during the war. A large number of the boys whose names will go on the honor roll of this flag have been students of Trinity during recent years and are familiar to many students of the present generation.

On Friday evening at 5:00 o'clock the annual Trinity Alumni banquet will take place, on which occasion there will be scores of Sons of Trinity feasting and listening to "peppy" after-dinner speeches, praising their Alma Mater. At the educational session, which is to be held Friday night, Dr. W. P. Few will be principal speaker.

D. E. Saunders, '18, who has been a student officer in the Naval Aviation at Tampa, Florida, has been mustered out and is back with home folks in the city.

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MUCH ANXIETY ABOUT EXAMS BEFORE CHRISTMAS (Continued from Page 4)

if examinations were given before Christmas, the records would show a far greater percentage of their pupils failing than had ever been remotely approached in the past. (It may be guessed that such a record was not desired.)

Just what took place in this council of "profs", which lasted until dark, will always be a hidden mystery to the outside world. The fanciful mind can imagine that such arguments as the following were put forth galore: The influenza has cut this term so short that it is not necessary to have examinations on so little work as has been covered this fall; the S. A. T. C. students who are mixed up in the classes have been so crowded for time that they are not prepared for examinations, and it would hardly seem just to have some students in a class take examinations and others not; and indeed the influenza, the military drill, the general confusion of things, and other "unavoidable" hindrances have made conditions such that no student has a chance to make a creditable mark on examinations. When at last the Parliament of Profs was ended "on account of darkness," they emerged from their secret chamber, but were silent on the matter of the proceedings of the meeting. Nevertheless Madame Rumor whispered it around that there would be no examinations before Christmas.

The fond dreams were realized and prayers were answered when Friday at chapel Professor Flowers read the following resolutions as "unanimously" adopted by the faculty in session Thursday afternoon, December 5:

"Resolved: That it is the sense of the Faculty that all students now members of the S. A. T. C. who remain in College until noon, December 20, and who return to College after the holidays and complete successfully an approved course of study for the two remaining quarters, be given credit for one year's work, without being required to take examinations on the work of the first quarter.

"Resolved: That no examinations be given for any student until March."

After the reading of the above resolutions, the eye of every student on the campus has beamed with new lustre, and every heart has throbbled with more delight in its longings for the joys of Christmas holidays.

Later, however, as the S. A. T. C. men began to be discharged and to leave for home, there seemed to be a fever of home-sickness spreading over the campus.

The faculty assembled again Tuesday afternoon of this week and the advisability of holding the students until December 20 was brought up. The decision of the faculty that, owing to the fact that there would be so few students to continue work and that after Christmas college courses were to be reorganized, it would be for the best to discontinue college activities at noon Friday, December 13, until January 3. Much applause from the students greeted the announcement of this decision at chapel exercises Wednesday, and there is double rejoicing on the campus over the ending of the war.

Lieut. L. E. Graham, ex-'19, who was recently mustered out from Camp Zachary Taylor, visited friends at the College this week.

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