

# The University Argonaut

## FACTS IN AFFAIR

### Students in Mass Meeting Criticise Exaggerations of the Newspaper Report.

### Motive of Classes and Participant Explained But Their Action Not Upheld.

At a mass meeting held last Thursday the students decided to set forth the following statement of facts concerning the Freshman-Sophomore rush:

Inasmuch as the incidents attendant upon the class frays between the Freshmen and Sophomore classes have been brought to the attention of the public in glaring misrepresentations, therefore we, the student body of the University of Idaho, set forth the following statement of facts:

For a week, up to and including November 23, there had been outbursts of class rivalry. Throughout these instances there had always been shown the best of feeling between the members of the two classes and there was never any intention upon the part of any member of either class to injure any member of the other class.

In one of the clashes, the Freshmen painted some of the Sophomores with shoe polish. When, on the evening of November 23, the Sophomores got the better of several Freshmen, some one thought it would be a good prank to paint them in such a way that it would remain for a few days. Some one then thought of silver nitrate. Many of the students had experimented with the solution, and had frequently had it upon their hands. They had found that there had never been any injury but that the solution left a stain that required a few days to wear off. There was no intention to injure anyone. And, in fact, no one was seriously injured. At no time was Mr. Jellick unable to perform his regular duties, and at no time did he suffer any physical pain.

The first article concerning the affair, which appeared in a local paper, was based almost entirely upon rumors. These rumors, which were largely unfounded, were increased and greatly magnified by each paper that copied them. Thus before the report had been current many days, the affair was given the appearance of a lawless riot.

As evidence of the growth of these reports we cite the following:

The Journal, Moscow, says: "Sophomores haze Freshman and may have scarred him for life."

The Statesman, Boise, says: "Moscow student branded and disfigured for life."

The Oregonian, Portland, says: "Marked for life."

The Times, Idaho Falls, says:

"Disfigured for life. College hoboos brand Jay Jellick with nitrate of silver."

This instance of cumulative exaggeration in headings is characteristic of the progressive exaggeration in the different accounts of the affair. Thus what in fact was merely an interclass fray in which there was always the best of feeling, was made to appear, to the mass of the citizens of the state, as one of the most dastardly, premeditated crimes conceivable.

A further misrepresentation of the facts is shown in the newspaper interpretations of Professor Eldridge's telegram to Governor Gooding. The papers have led the people to believe that the faculty tried to conceal and deny absolutely the occurrence of the affair.

Governor Gooding asked that Professor Eldridge send "report of the rush in which papers report Jay Jellick was mutilated." Professor Eldridge replied, "Report unfounded. Student Jellick alright. Letter follows." The letter referred to begins as follows: "Replying further to your telegram of this date, I am glad to state that all reports concerning the Jellick case which I have seen are greatly exaggerated, and as regards mutilation, absolutely unfounded. No doubt it is such a report which you have read." The letter goes on at length to give a full account of the whole matter.

It is evident to any fair-minded person that Professor Eldridge's reply, "Report unfounded" was in regard to the "Report that Jay Jellick was mutilated." It is manifestly unfair to consider the telegram a denial of the entire affair. There was no endeavor to conceal or deny the facts in the case. This is shown by the letter which was sent by Professor Eldridge to Governor Gooding immediately after the telegram.

As students in a state university, a people's university, which is expected to guard and protect and develop pure ideals of liberty, we feel that two offenses against liberty have been committed in the past two weeks. Some of the Sophomores of the University have violated the personal liberty of an individual student, and many of the papers have violated the freedom of the press.

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### Basket Ball.

Next Friday night the University basket ball team will play their first game. The game is just being introduced at the University, consequently no line on our players is held by which we can predict our chances for victory. Several old players are in college and they have been training for several days for the contest. Lewiston High School will be the opponent next Friday. They also are an unknown quantity, but last year they had a splendid team and should improve with experience.

A nominal sum will be charged next Friday evening to defray the expenses of the visitors!

## PROMENADE OF '07

### Large Crowd Gather to Enjoy the Festivities Afforded by the Juniors.

### Many Special Features Which Met With the Approval of All Present.

The first big class dance of the year is now an event of the past. The Junior class gave the annual Promenade in the Armory last Friday evening. Seventy-two couples were present and enjoyed the festivities.

Very little decorating was done, the gymnasium being left in its beautiful, natural state. A huge pennant was suspended from one of the large beams and reached nearly to the floor. The class numeral, "1907," was on the pennant and met the gaze of everyone as he entered.

The feature of the evening was the "Junior special." This dance was not on the program and as the dance was announced the lights went out. Suddenly from the west end of the room there came a flash of light and "1907" was exposed to view in a beautiful light effect. The orchestra played a lively two step and everyone danced in the lights from the Junior numeral. The brilliant light of the large arcs was supplanted by a gentle twilight. The dance was twice heartily encored.

After eleven, refreshments were served in the balcony. Paper plates were used on which were burned, "07 Junior Prom." All kinds of dainties were served, including chicken salad, cake, pickles, olives, sandwiches and coffee. The service was good and the hunger of the weary dancers entirely satisfied.

The music was furnished by Sterner's orchestra and was high class. The orchestra consisted of seven pieces and had prepared special music for the occasion. On account of the resin which had been put on the floor for basketball it was sticky in the fore part of the evening, but as the dance progressed it became better and by the close was in excellent condition.

The dance was a social and financial success. The students stood loyally by the Juniors and by their support helped the class to make a success of a difficult task. While the Prom was not so elaborate as some of its predecessors, yet all changes were made for the comfort of the guests.

Eight couple from the Junior class of our neighbor, the W. S. C., came up on the nine o'clock train to enjoy the dance.

The patronesses present were Mrs. Roland Hodgins, Mrs. Chas. A. Peters and Mrs. George Steunenberg. Mrs. Levi Young, Mrs. C. N. Little and Mrs. Warren Truitt were unavoidably absent on account of the death of

a friend. Mrs. Wm. H. Ridenbaugh, of Boise, was also to have been present and act in the capacity of a patroness but did not arrive as expected.

### ALL NORTH-WEST TEAM.

### Idaho Has Eight Men Mentioned and Gets Three Positions Including Captain.

Eight of the nine coaches of football teams in the Northwest recently selected all star teams. The votes were compiled by the Spokesman-Review and each candidate receiving the greatest number of votes for a position was selected to play on such a team. As a result the following composite team is the team that has been selected.

Name	School	Position
Middleton (162)	Idaho	Quarterback
Walker (211)	O. A. C.	Center
Roosevelt (210)	Idaho	Left Guard
McDonald (195)	Wash.	Right Guard
Larson (185)	Idaho	Left Tackle
Dimmick (180)	Whitman	Right Tackle
Moore (180)	Oregon	Left End
Pullen (180)	Oregon	Right End
Williams (190)	O. A. C.	Left Half
Rader (155)	Willamette	Right Half
Hardy (190)	W. S. C.	Fullback

Middleton, our captain and quarter, was almost unanimously chosen as captain and quarter back. The center position goes to Walker, O. A. C., with Snow a close second, the former winning out on account of superior weight. McDonald received votes from six different coaches. Roosevelt and Larson won on three votes each. Dimmick, of Whitman, received the vote of the only two coaches who saw him in action. Moore, of Oregon, was easily first choice for left end. Dan Pullen took right end from Smith, of Washington, on account of weight and experience.

For left half back, Williams received three votes. Rader received one for half back and also received one for full back. Hardy was closely pushed by Kerron, of Oregon, for the full back position.

The team would be one of great scoring ability. With Middleton to place kick, Hardy to kick goals and Rader to punt, the kicking department would be well equipped. With Williams, Rader and Moore a running game could be resorted to and with Hardy to plunge through the holes, opened by the heavy line, a bucking game could be played. The line, though heavy, is fast and Larson and McDonald could be counted on to make heavy line plunges.

The team would weigh 2032, or about 185 lbs. to the man. Every man in the line and back of the line is a strong defensive man and the backs could be depended upon to run punts back a long distance.

Not even one coach saw all teams in action but the above team is probably the strongest that can be selected.

Saturday morning the contest between the nine prep students. Clarence and Clifford Edmundson, Perkins, Denio, Allen, Workman, Hoag, Dean and Tolman, for the prep team resulted in the selection of Clarence and Clifford Edmundson and Perkins.

## THE VOCAL RECITAL

### Exceedingly Interesting Program of Eighteen Songs Given at University.

### Mr. Thor Van Pyk a Vocalist of Rare Ability, Whose Instruction no one Should Fail to Receive.

To university students generally and to the lovers of music especially, Mr. Thor Van Pyk's song recital, Wednesday evening, was welcome because of its intrinsic interest. An artistic temperament, a tenor voice of considerable range and much emotional power, and an exceedingly interesting program of eighteen songs combined to make an evening full of interest to the music lover. And in addition there was the piano number and the exquisitely clear cut, intelligent and sympathetic accompaniments by Miss Rosa Forney.

The first number was a group of five songs by Greig, which included "The Princess" and the well known "I Love Thee." The first is full of the atmosphere of romanticism and imbued with the old magic of the northern master of song. It was given with fine feeling and understanding. But here was disclosed for the first time the one failing of the singer—the use of the falsetto voice in the pianissimo passages instead of the legitimate, subdued chest tones. It may readily be granted that it was finely done, that the transitions form one voice to another were made with exceeding skill; but the use of the falsetto was evident. The song is full of imagination and color. It has an elusive charm "from far lips blown."

Then came three Scandinavian songs that are rare—Sjogern's "First Meeting," Ariberg's "With Thy Blue Eyes," and Kjerulf's "My Heart and My Lyre." It is difficult of course to say much of any one of them after a single hearing, but the second is a beautiful song with a sure appeal, and the last is altogether worthy of the author of the familiar "Last Night," which retains its exquisitely delicate sentiment, despite years of use and misuse. There seems to be much in these modern Norwegian and Swedish composers that is akin to the delicate and dreamy and passionate spirit of such poets of the celtic race as William Butler Yeats. Their's is a haunting music, spiritual in the elevation of its regret and its passion, essentially lyrical in its quality, and touched with an incommunicable beauty that is felt in the simplest of its strains and its chords. The three songs were given in excellent form. The singer unquestionably appreciates with mind and heart the beauty of these songs of his

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Whenever any of the rules and regulations of the University are infringed, or whenever liberties are violated, it is a commendable act in any person or organ to report such violation or infringement. But exaggeration and misrepresentation for the sake of sensationalism deserves the severest condemnation of every student of the University and of every fair-minded citizen of the state.

The students are indeed proud of the representation that Idaho's football men have on the all-northwest team. This team was picked by a vote of eight coaches of Northwest colleges and is perhaps the best team that could be picked. Idaho secured more men than any other college. Three men received positions on the first team. All of these men have gained their places in fair competition and are undoubtedly superior to any of their rivals. Eight of the eleven received mentions for places which tends to show that almost every man on our team is at the top among the men of his position. Had more coaches seen our men in action we believe that our representation would have been better.

Next Friday evening we open relations in debate with the University of Montana. We hope that this is only the beginning of a series of most pleasant relations with our sister state institution. At the same time we hope to defeat them in most instances and will endeavor to do so honorably and fairly. Next Friday we will be represented by one of the strongest teams that we could put forth and they are all fighters. They have been working diligently and are prepared to give Montana a battle royal. The Argonaut wishes our debaters success as they go into new territory in quest of new victories. Montana has good debaters and to defeat them is a high honor and to be defeated by them is no disgrace.

The debate season is now upon us. Next Friday we meet Montana, and the team is already selected to meet Washington State College. Following these two debates in close succession will occur the debates with Oregon and Washington in the triangular league, Utah and Whitman. This means that Idaho must put six teams with an aggregate of seventeen members into the field. These teams to have good hopes of success with the strong institutions as opponents, must be the best Idaho can afford. Every student therefore who can debate should try for the teams. Everybody should take an interest in the work. Start this interest by attending the literary societies and continue it by trying for the teams.

The next issue of the Argonaut will be the holiday number. Short stories, puns, local jokes, drawings, reviews of incidents, etc., should be contributed for that number. To produce such an edition of the Argonaut, one that will be representative of the student body of the University, will require the combined efforts of many of the students. The work should not be left to the few who are on the staff.

Several short stories will be acceptable. There will be space for all the local puns and jokes that the students can contribute. Several drawings will be necessary—a cover design, designs for various headings, etc.

Everybody should contribute something which will aid the staff in presenting a respectable holiday number. There is just one week left, consequently there is need of immediate action. If you have anything you wish to contribute address it to the Argonaut.

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The first was committed by youths who should have known better, the second by mature men who certainly should have known better. It is a serious offense to put nitrate of silver on a boy's face, it is a more serious offense to smutch the reputation of an institution which has an honorable record in its relations with the people of the state, by exaggeration, and misrepresentation of facts.

The students of the University of Idaho will keep the University free from all forms of hazing. Will the members of the press of Idaho purge the newspapers of Idaho of all forms of exaggeration, misrepresentation and sensationalism? Hazing has never held a place in the traditions of the University of Idaho, and the student body has pledged itself to keep it from ever getting a place in the University traditions. It is for the members of the press to see that sensationalism is excluded from the newspaper traditions of this state.

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### Deutsche Gesellschaft.

Die Deutsche Gesellschaft hielt letzten Montag Abend ihre erste regelmaessige Versammlung dieses Jahres, und war sehr gut besucht.

Herr Professor Eldridge lieder die Oeffnungsrede, welche aus zwei Teilen bestand. Erstens: Die Absicht und der Wert der Gesellschaft indem er auf die Entstehung und Entwicklung Nachdruck legte, und dem vor uns liegenden Werk sprach. Zweitens: Der Wert der deutschen Litteratur, welche wegen des grossen Umfangs des Gegenstands nur kurz besprochen werden konnte.

Nach der Rede wurden "Deutschland, Deutschland, ueber alles" und "Treue Liebe" gesungen.

Fraulein Forney wird naechsten Montag den 18. Dez. um sieben Uhr Abends ihren Vortrag ueber die "Wartburg" halten.

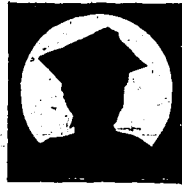
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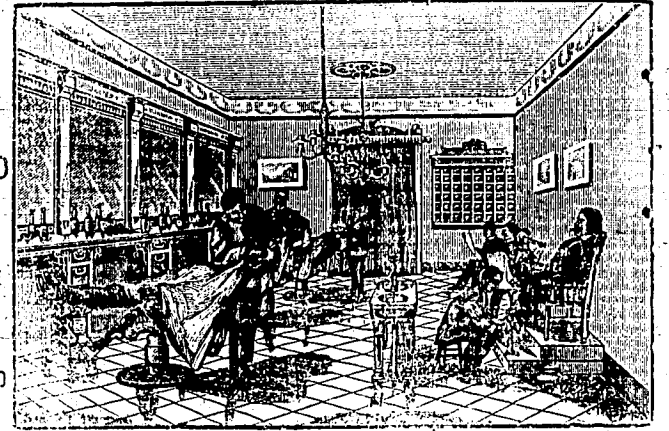
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Guy Holman was sick last week and unable to attend his classes.

The Electrical Association held their regular meeting last Wednesday afternoon.

Some of the regular dorm visitors failed to put in an appearance Sunday night.

Born.—To the wife of Dean Eldridge, Monday, Dec. 4, a boy, Franklin Glover Eldridge.

Bob Jones is managing the W. S. O. debate in place of Victor Price, who is a member of the team.

Sadie Stockton is entertaining her cousin, Lillian Madison, who came over from Pullman for the Prom.

Schultz is suffering from a severe cut in his wrist, caused by letting an axe slip while splitting wood.

Roy Wethered, '05, returned Friday from Roosevelt, Idaho, where he has been in the employ of the Dewey mine.

Miss Susie Bellus, of W. S. O., spent Friday night with Miss Katherine Magee at the hall and attended the Prom.

President MacLean returned from Washington, D. C., last week where he went to attend the meeting of college presidents.

The University of Montana has sent the personnel of their debating team. They are Miss Knuckles, Messrs Jones and Goodbourne.

Inez Dyer, of W. S. O., a former resident of Ridenbaugh Hall, was here for the Junior Prom on Friday night and visited Loila Tilley at the dormitory.

Professor and Mrs. Henderson returned from Boise, Saturday. Professor Henderson has been in the capital city for the past two months doing experimental work.

Darwin, Galloway and Montandon will leave Thursday for Missoula where they will meet the University of Montana. They will be accompanied by Professor Hulme.

Katherine Bryden entertained several of the dormitory girls at an informal candy pull on Tuesday night. Miss Sweet, Miss Simpson and Miss Fogle from town were also present.

The athletic board has decided to give an athletic show some time in January. These shows have heretofore proved to be great drawing cards and are very popular with the town people.

Several of the Ridenbaugh Hall girls were hostesses at a chafing dish party Friday night. Those present were Misses Gibson, Wagner, Jeffries and Howard; Messrs Oakes, Montandon, Roulard and Galloway.

The Philharmonic Club gives its first program Wednesday night, December 13. The program will include a talk by Professor Cogswell, piano duets, piano solos, vocal and violin selections by members of the Club. Students of the University and friends invited.

Arthur Ireton, brother of Nellie Ireton '08, was a visitor at the 'Varsity last Thursday.

Next issue is the Holiday Number. Are you contributing anything to make it a success?

Artists and those with literary talent should produce something for the next issue of the Argonaut.

The M. E. church is offering special rates to students of the University for season tickets to a series of four lectures and recitals to be held at the church this winter. The tickets are good at any or all of the events. The regular price of \$1.50 is reduced to \$1.00 to students. The events are: Bohumir Kryl Company, Dec. 21, musical and reading recital; Prof. M. L. Daggy, U. of Washington, Jan. 11, Lecture "Anglo Saxon Grit;" E. V. Cooke, Feb. 14, Reading and lecture from his own writings; Spokane Lady Quartet, Mch. 1.

**HAZING CONDEMNED.**

Students Unanimously Adopt Resolutions Offering Support in Keeping Hazing Out of Institution.

Whereas, Hazing has never held a place in the traditions of the University of Idaho; and

Whereas, We, the students of University of Idaho, do not uphold hazing in any of its forms; and

Whereas, Although no serious injuries have resulted from the class rush of November 23, we feel that there was a lack of prudence and forethought upon the part of some of the participants, and that there might have been serious results; therefore be it

Resolved, That we, the Associated Students of the University of Idaho condemn the action of the students who, on the evening of November 23, painted Jay Jellick with silver nitrate; and be it

Resolved, That we condemn hazing in any and all of its forms; and be it

Resolved, That we do all in our power and influence to prevent hazing in any and all of its forms; and be it further

Resolved, That we tender to the Faculty and the Regents of the University of Idaho all information in the case.

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countrymen.

The one piano number of the evening was Rachmaninoff's "Prelude" that has commanded the attention of musicians for its author who is this winter to come to New York to conduct his symphony. Russian music is unlike that of the Scandinavian peninsula. To the melancholy of the Russian temperament and the barbaric emphasis of rhythm there has been added the fluent elegance of the French school, for it is from France that the Russians, half orientals as they are, have received whatever of occidental culture they have acquired. The "Prelude" is emphatic and vital. It reveals the sense of oppression that has been so long in the mind and heart of every thoughtful Russian and less consciously felt by every peasant. To the interpretation of this interesting number Miss Forney brought a sure musical instinct and a fine command of technique. In conception, purity of articulation, and general execution her playing was worthy of high praise. It left the impression of fine distinction, penetrating thought, and sincerity of feeling. It would be unjust not to say another word in appreciation of the really excellent playing of the accompaniments, which, moreover, was done under exacting conditions. Only a singer can appreciate such unflinching support of the voice and ready surrender of the vocal interpretation.

Of the other songs one must pass over the Schumann and Schubert numbers, the characteristic song by Tchaikowsky, the greatest of Russian composers, and give merely a passing sentence to Dvorak's beautiful "Songs My Mother Taught Me." Its plaintive tenderness and melodic beauty make it one of the loveliest of modern songs. It is a difficult song to sing because it begins in the upper part of the vocal gamut and requires a continued pianissimo in that trying altitude. The "Arioso" from "Il Pagliacci" was given with dramatic characterization and Fontanelle's popular little song "Obstination" was sung in the original. The spring song from "Die Walkerie" was sung with much tenderness and genuine feeling for its lyric beauty. The closing numbers were

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two songs by Mildeberg, the second one being strikingly reminiscent of Frances Allitsen's setting of some verses by Owen Meredith, and the first having a melody that will doubtless win the favor of many. Altogether the concert was an exceedingly interesting one. Mr. Van Pyk revealed himself to be a singer with an extensive knowledge of the best songs of the best composers, as one who by temperament and vocal equipment and attainment is well fitted to interpret those songs. Those in the community who desire instruction in the art of singing and a desirable guide to the best that past and present song writers have given to the world will certainly make a grave mistake if they do not avail themselves of the instruction of Mr. Thor Van Pyk.

### GOETHE'S FAUST.

Professor Eldridge Lectures on the Character and Illustrates by Selections:

The speaker at assembly last Wednesday was Professor Eldridge and he gave a very interesting talk upon Goethe's character, Faust. He first told who the original Dr. Faustus was and gave a short history of his life. He told of the many books that have been published containing many legends about the life of this mysterious character.

Professor Eldridge followed the life of Dr. Faustus up to signing of the contract with Mephistopheles in which Dr. Faustus was to sell his soul to Mephistopheles. By the conditions of the contract Dr. Faustus was to work in the interest of his evil master for a specified number of years. Mephistopheles, on the other hand, was to endow Dr. Faustus with magic arts. Thus it was that Dr. Faustus became the chief magician of the empire. Dr. Faustus by these arts was enabled to conjure all of the celestial and terrestrial elements and make them to assist him in his infamous practices.

Here Professor Eldridge read numerous instances where Dr. Faustus would dispose of those who resisted him, by magic. The power possessed by Dr. Faustus was analogous to the hypnotism of

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today and many specific instances were enumerated that are exact parallels to features done by the modern conjurer.

After having given the short history of Dr. Faustus and told of some of his satanic deeds, Professor Eldridge began a very able dissertation upon the immortal character as portrayed by Goethe. Goethe worked on this character for sixty years and it was ever his purpose to warn mankind of the dangers of practices such as Dr. Faustus followed.

Professor Eldridge translated passages from the German as he lectured and explained their meanings.

After the address Mrs. Steunenberg rendered two beautiful whistling solos.

### Debate Team.

Five contestants entered the tryout for the W. S. O. team which was held at the University, Saturday afternoon. Those entering were Frazier, Morrow, Wyman, Price and Matthews. The team selected is composed of Price, Matthews and Morrow.

The following is the rating of the judges:

	Hume	Soons	Peters	Total
Price.....	100	95	97	292
Matthews.....	91	89	95	275
Morrow.....	90	93	84	267
Wyman.....	91	84	86	261
Frazier.....	80	88	88	256

### PREP. PARTY.

Enjoyable Social Function of the Department Given at the Club House.

Last Saturday evening the Preps gathered in the Club House and had a thoroughly enjoyable time. Some tripped the light fantastic to the strains of Sterner's orchestra from eight thirty till the unwelcome hour of twelve. Meanwhile those who did not dance enjoyed themselves at playing cards, finch checkers and various other games which added greatly to the amusement of the evening.

President MacLean, Pink Griffith and Professor Allen were heartily welcomed and royally entertained and helped to add to the joy and hilarity of the evening.

The party was chaperoned by Miss Jenkins and Professor Hulme.

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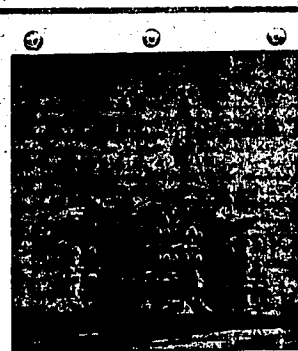
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