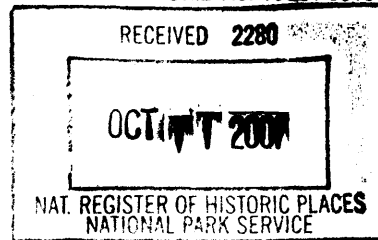


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National Register of Historic Places Registration Form

This form is for use in nominating or requesting determinations for individual properties and districts. See instructions in *How to Complete the National Register of Historic Places registration Form (National Register Bulletin 16A)*. Complete each item by marking "x" in the appropriate box or by entering the information requested. If an item does not apply to the property being documented, enter "N/A" for "not applicable." For functions, architectural classification, materials, and areas of significance, enter only categories and subcategories from the instructions. Place additional entries and narrative items on continuation sheets (NPS Form 10-900a). Use a typewriter, word processor, or computer, to complete all items.

1. Name of Property

historic name Maynardville State Bank
other names/site number Duke's Jewelry

2. Location

street & number 1001 Main Street NA not for publication
city or town Maynardville NA vicinity
state Tennessee code TN county Union code 173 Zip code 37807

3. State/Federal Agency Certification

As the designated authority under the National Historic Preservation Act, as amended, I hereby certify that this nomination request for determination of eligibility meets the documentation standards for registering properties in the National Register of Historic Places and meets the procedural and professional requirements set for in 36 CFR Part 60. In my opinion, the property meets does not meet the National Register criteria. I recommend that this property be considered significant nationally statewide locally. (See continuation sheet for additional comments.)
Robert L. Hays 10/4/01
Signature of certifying official/Title Date
Deputy State Historic Preservation Officer, Tennessee Historical Commission
State or Federal agency and bureau

In my opinion, the property meets does not meet the National Register criteria. (See Continuation sheet for additional comments.)

Signature of certifying official/Title Date

State or Federal agency and bureau

4. National Park Service Certification

I hereby certify that the property is:
 entered in the National Register.
 See continuation sheet
 determined eligible for the National Register.
 See continuation sheet
 determined not eligible for the National Register
 removed from the National Register
 other,
(explain:)
Elson W. Beall 11/21/01
Signature of the Keeper Date of Action

Maynardville State Bank
Name of Property

Union County, Tennessee
County and State

5. Classification

Ownership of Property
(Check as many boxes as apply)

Category of Property
(Check only one box)

Number of Resources within Property
(Do not include previously listed resources in count)

- private
- public-local
- public-State
- public-Federal

- building(s)
- district
- site
- structure
- object

Contributing	Noncontributing	
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1		buildings
_____		sites
_____		structures
_____		objects
1	0	Total

Name of related multiple property listing
(Enter "N/A" if property is not part of a multiple property listing.)
N/A

Number of Contributing resources previously listed in the National Register
N/A

6. Function or Use

Historic Functions
(Enter categories from instructions)

Current Functions
(Enter categories from instructions)

COMMERCE/TRADE: financial institution

WORK IN PROGRESS

7. Description

Architectural Classification
(Enter categories from instructions)

Materials
(Enter categories from instructions)

Classical Revival

foundation	Concrete
walls	Concrete
roof	Tin
other	Glass, Wood

Narrative Description

(Describe the historic and current condition of the property on one or more continuation sheets.)

8. Statement of Significance

Applicable National Register Criteria

(Mark "x" in one or more boxes for the criteria qualifying the property for National Register listing.)

- Criteria A, B, C, D with checkboxes and descriptions.

Criteria Considerations NA

(Mark "x" in all boxes that apply.)

Property is:

- Criteria A, B, C, D, E, F, G with checkboxes and descriptions.

Areas of Significance

(Enter categories from instructions)

ARCHITECTURE
COMMERCE

Period of Significance

c. 1922-1930

Significant Dates

1922; 1930

Significant Person

(complete if Criterion B is marked)

NA

Cultural Affiliation

NA

Architect/Builder

Unknown

Narrative Statement of Significance

(Explain the significance of the property on one or more continuation sheets.)

9. Major Bibliographical References

Bibliography

(Cite the books, articles, and other sources used in preparing this form on one or more continuation sheets.)

Previous documentation on file (NPS): N/A

- Criteria for previous documentation on file (NPS).

Primary location of additional data:

- Criteria for primary location of additional data.

Name of repository:

East Tennessee Development District

Maynardville State Bank
Name of Property

Union County, Tennessee
County and State

10. Geographical Data

Acreage of Property Less than 1 acre 146 NE Graveston

UTM References
(place additional UTM references on a continuation sheet.)

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See continuation sheet

Verbal Boundary Description
(Describe the boundaries of the property on a continuation sheet.)

Boundary Justification
(Explain why the boundaries were selected on a continuation sheet.)

11. Form Prepared By

name/title Amanda L. Wild, Historic Preservation Planner
Organization East Tennessee Development District date April 23, 2001
street & number 5616 Kingston Pike, Post Office Box 19806 telephone 865-584-8553
city or town Knoxville state Tennessee zip code 37939

Additional Documentation

submit the following items with the completed form:

Continuation Sheets

Maps

- A **USGS map** (7.5 Or 15 minute series) indicating the property's location
- A **Sketch map** for historic districts and properties having large acreage or numerous resources.

Photographs

Representative **black and white photographs** of the property.

Additional items

(Check with the SHPO) or FPO for any additional items

Property Owner

(Complete this item at the request of SHPO or FPO.)

name Larry Lay, Union County Executive
street & number 901 Main Street telephone 865-992-3061
city or town Maynardville state Tennessee zip code 37807

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VII. NARRATIVE DESCRIPTION

The Maynardville State Bank is located at 1001 Main Street on the corner of Court Street and Main Street in the Town of Maynardville (2000 population of 1,782). The building is situated on a corner lot and is across the street from the Union County Courthouse. There is no landscaping as the building abuts the road. A sidewalk along the front elevation separates the building from the road. To the east of the bank building is a vacant lot. Built circa 1922, the building functioned as a bank for several years until the Depression forced its closure in 1930. It later functioned for commercial purposes, most recently as a jewelry store. The building is now vacant, and will be rehabilitated and used for county and city meeting space.

The Maynardville State Bank is a one-story rectangular Classical Revival style building with a low-pitched front-gabled pedimented roof, one-story full-façade portico, and a wide-eave overhang with ornamental tin trim on the soffit. The roof is of tin and has a smooth ridge and a finial at the south and north ends. The building also has rusticated concrete block exterior walls that are painted white, and an interior chimney located on the roof slope. The interior of the building contains the original bank vault, tin ceiling and a wide band of trim along the ceiling.

The south facade faces the road and contains the only entrance into the building. Two Doric columns support a full-façade portico. The columns are wood and are unfluted with a concrete base and cap. The facade is asymmetrical and consists of two bays – a large window and a door. The large fixed rectangular window has a single light with a three light transom above. The window is encased in wood with wood muntins separating the lights. The entrance contains a door with a single wood panel in the lower portion of the door, and glazing in the upper portion. The door contains the original hardware. The door entrance resembles a classical entablature with a frieze, architrave, cornice, and dentils along the top. The portico ceiling is tin with a decorative garland design. Asphalt shingles are located in the gable field.

The west elevation faces Court Street and is flush with the road. This elevation consists of two one over one, double-hung sash windows surrounded with a wood casing. Each of the windows has a concrete lintel, which is formed by a rectangular piece of concrete.

The north or rear elevation contains one double-hung, one-over-one sash window in a wood casing with a concrete lintel. The window is placed in the eastern side of this elevation. Asphalt shingles are located in the gable field and there are gable returns. East of the window is a vent from the interior that is covered by an aluminum plate that projects from the exterior wall.

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The east elevation is identical to the west elevation with two double-hung, one-over-one sash windows with wood muntins and concrete sills and lintels.

The interior of the building contains one large room and a vault. The floor is concrete with a linoleum covering. The coffered tin ceiling is embellished with "reed and tie" and egg and dart detailing. There is also a wide band of tin cove molding. The interior of the building once contained an office and a bathroom in the rear. The walls separating these rooms were most likely removed after 1950, when the building served other commercial purposes. Ghost markings remain demarcating the original floor plan of the structure. The original vault is located in the rear west corner of the structure.

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VIII. STATEMENT OF SIGNIFICANCE

The Maynardville State Bank is eligible for listing in the National Register of Historic Places under criterion A for its role in the commercial development and banking interests of the small town of Maynardville, and criterion C as a good local example of a vernacular Classical Revival style building. The bank is located at the corner of Main Street and Court Street in the town of Maynardville, the county seat of Union County, Tennessee. Maynardville is located approximately 20 miles north of Knoxville.

Union County was formed in 1850 from Anderson, Campbell, Claiborne, Grainger, and Knox counties; although it was not until 1856 that all legal requirements for the formation of the county were met. A small community called Liberty became the county seat; however, the town was renamed Maynardville after lawyer Horace Maynard. County historian Bonnie Heiskell Peters explains that Maynard had defended the county in litigation that had opposed the county's formation.¹ Marcus Malone donated the lots north of Main Street to the county. After the county was officially recognized, a courthouse was erected in Maynardville in the late 1850s. This building was subsequently torn down and rebuilt in 1900. A fire in 1969 destroyed the courthouse, and the present building was constructed.

Union County was predominately agricultural and experienced very slow growth. A pamphlet from the Federal Writers Project notes, "As a county seat town and trading center for farmers, Maynardville has had a very slow growth and is strictly an agricultural town without industries."² In 1909, the Luttrell Union County Bank became the first bank chartered in the county. It, however, was robbed shortly after opening, and due to sufficient losses, was forced to close.

The decade of the 1920s was one of the most prosperous for Union County. In 1922, the Maynardville State Bank was chartered. Prior to the establishment of this bank, the Luttrell Union County Bank had been the only other bank chartered in the county. The first president of the Maynardville State Bank was Arthur Acuff. The bank opened with \$15,000 in capital stock and \$40,219 in deposits. It was supported by eighty-seven farmers, and loaned \$10,000 in its first year.

¹ Bonnie Heiskell Peters, "Union County, Tennessee." Carroll Van West and Connie L. Lester, eds. *The Tennessee Encyclopedia of History and Culture* (Nashville: Tennessee Historical Society, 1998), 1001.

² Page, Bonnie, ed. *Union County: Its Cities, Towns and Points of Interest*. Pamphlet from the Federal Writers Project, 1939-1940 (Clinton, Tennessee: Clinton Courier News, 1986), 21.

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Banking operations continued successfully so that by 1926, deposits had increased to \$57,691 and loans to farmers were expanded to \$35,000. The number of depositors increased to 300.

Over the next several years the bank continued to grow, however, it had over-extended itself. When the stock market crash occurred in 1929, the Maynardville State Bank, like many other banks across the nation, was unable to collect outstanding accounts and was forced to close its doors by 1930.

Because the Federal Deposit Insurance Corporation had not been enacted, a bank's failure often meant that a depositor's money was lost. Some individuals who had savings accounts with the bank were able to collect a portion of their savings, however, much was lost. Although the banking industry recovered, it was not until 1951 that another bank was finally chartered in the county. At this time, the Union County Bank opened and operated out of the same building for several years until it moved into a new building.

The Maynardville State Bank represents the local history of a small agricultural community. A bank building is usually one of the most important buildings in a small community and is typically centrally located with the town's activities. The Maynardville State Bank is one of the few commercial buildings in the town, and was located prominently on Main Street across from the courthouse.

The building is a vernacular adaptation of the Classical Revival architectural style with a full façade portico supported by Doric columns. Diane Maddex, editor of *Built in the U.S.A.: American Buildings from Airports to Zoos* states, "Although banks occasionally sought new architectural expression, the traditional visual virtues of strength and security were retained."³ Banks often symbolized the "strongbox," and its very solid construction represented its function. Although the Maynardville State Bank is located in a small town and is a simple building, its construction does indeed represent stability and trust, resembling a bank vault. Maddex adds, "Although banks early adopted the canons of classical architecture as appropriate forms to house their functions, the less tangible attributes of strength, security and stability characterize them as a distinguishable building type."⁴ Architectural historian, Carole Rifkind, states that a columned portico with a triangular

³ Diane Maddex, ed, *Built in the U.S.A.: American Buildings from Airports to Zoos* (Washington, D.C.: Preservation Press, National Trust for Historic Preservation, 1985), 20.

⁴ Maddex, *Built in the U.S.A.*, 20.

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pediment, "is an imposing monument and an impressive symbol of government power, civic spirit, and commercial enterprise."⁵

The bank has a tin roof as well as a tin portico ceiling and an interior pressed tin ceiling. Metal roofs and ceilings were often used in the construction of schools, homes, and public buildings during the early 1920s. This building material was popular because it was ornamental yet fire-resistant and inexpensive. The exterior walls are rusticated concrete block, which was relatively inexpensive, easy to make, and fire-resistant. Pamela Simpson, author of *Cheap, Quick & Easy: Imitative Architectural Materials, 1870-1930*, states, "Between 1900 and 1930, thousands of the rockfaced concrete-block buildings were built, many of which survive today on the mainstreets and backstreets of America."⁶

With the loss of the courthouse in 1969, the town of Maynardville has very few buildings remaining from its past. The Maynardville State Bank is a local landmark representing the banking interests in a small agricultural town. The bank was built with quality materials and craftsmanship. The building has experienced no alterations on the exterior and only minor changes on the interior. Although the building requires rehabilitation, it retains its integrity.

The building has been vacant since Duke's Jewelry moved out in 2000. The county almost demolished the building, and, in fact, destroyed the building next to the bank for a parking lot. A group of concerned citizens persuaded the county to save the building and adapt it for another use. The building will be rehabilitated and used primarily for meeting space.

⁵ Carole Rifkind, *A Field Guide to American Architecture* (New York: Penguin Group, 1980), 181.

⁶ Pamela Simpson, *Cheap, Quick, & Easy: Imitative Architectural Materials, 1870-1930* (Knoxville: University of Tennessee Press, 1999), 27.

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X. GEOGRAPHIC DATA

Verbal Boundary Description

The Maynardville Bank sits on less than one acre of land on Main Street, and is located on Parcel 7 on the Union County Tax Map No. 58J.

Boundary Justification

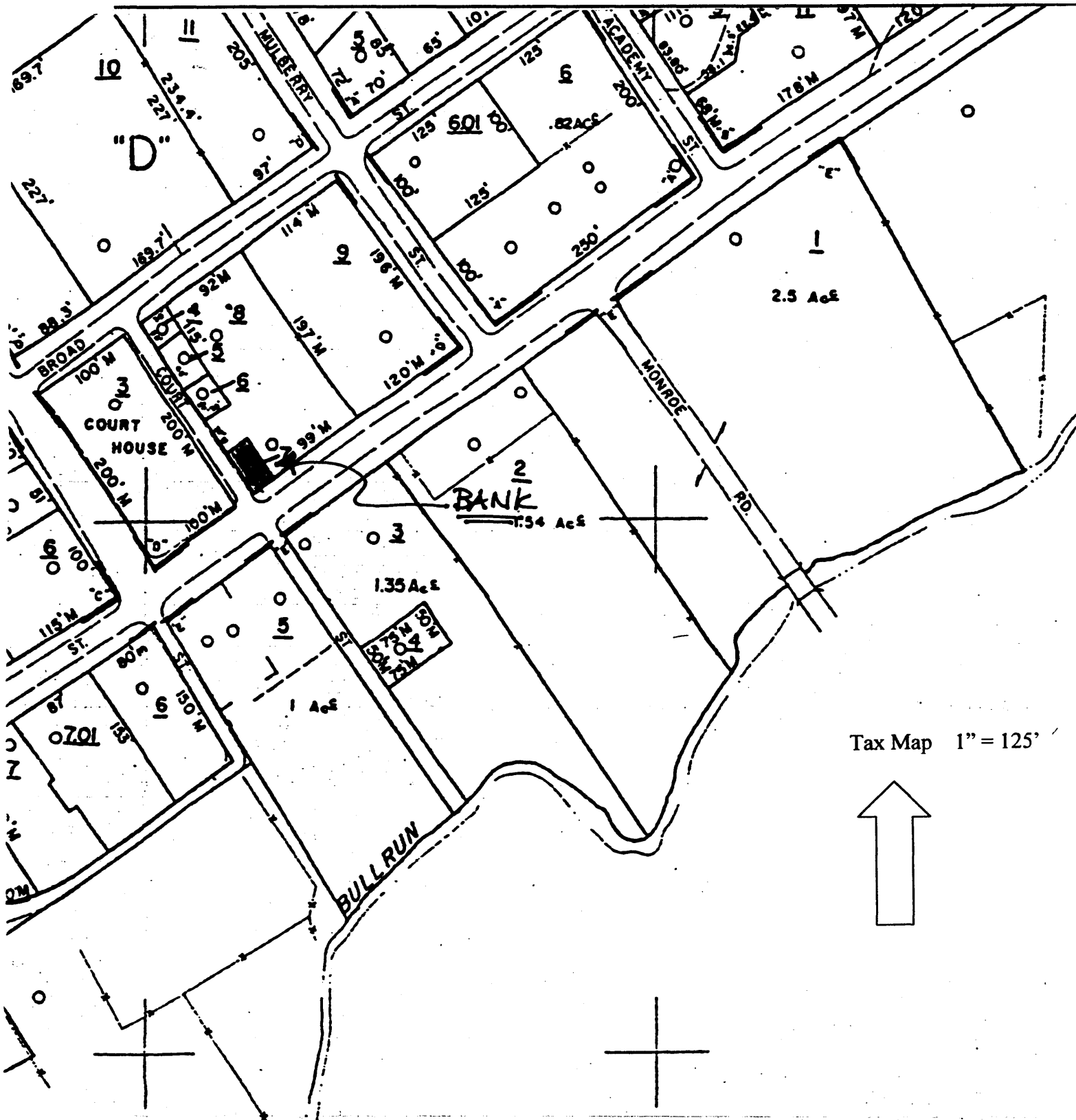
The nominated boundary includes the parcel of land historically associated with the bank.

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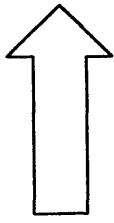
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Tax Map 1" = 125'



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PHOTOGRAPHS

Maynardville State Bank
Union County, Tennessee

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East Tennessee Development District
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Knoxville, TN 37939

Date: May 2001

Negatives: Tennessee Historical Commission
2941 Lebanon Road
Nashville, TN 37243

South (front) elevation, facing north
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East elevation, facing northwest
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North (rear) elevation, facing south
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West elevation, facing southeast
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Front door, south elevation
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Portico ceiling, south elevation
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Interior – front of building, facing south
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Vault, facing north
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