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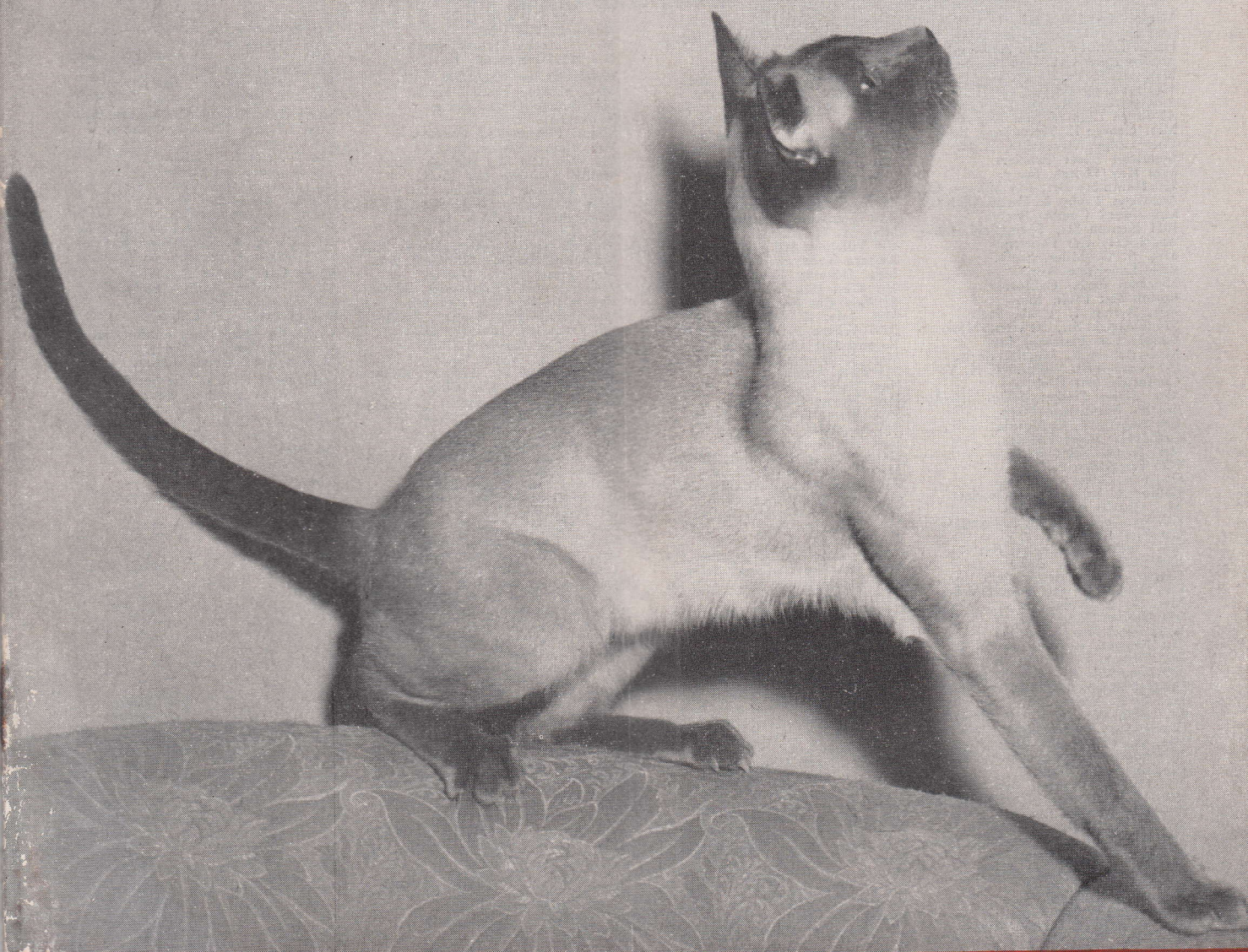
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RED SELF & RED POINTS

Dear Editors:

Dorothy McCrea's article in September CATS is most interesting to me. It is good to notice that more and more scientific breeders are experimenting either in improving the breeds or else starting a new variation or type of cat.

Mrs. McCrea mentions the almost obsolete Red "Self". I say almost because that has been one of my interests for the past two years, attempting to revive that strain of Domestic Shorthair solid red. So far I have one year-old female and a nice little Red Self born July 12, 1952, in a litter with two females, a smoke and tortie S. H. All bars and stripes on the red are practically eliminated, perfect, dark mahogany-colored solid body and tail, named Captain Copper by my youngest son.

We hope to successfully raise him and later breed and start a line of color-bred Red Domestics. Coppie's father, one of the most handsome black Domestics I've ever seen has tortie, black and red mackerel tabby in his background.

It is most hard to use a show type Red Tabby S. H. for breeding red cats without markings as their bars are too well-bred into the coat. I prefer to use the tortie for she will bring the "breeder for Red" closer to his aim. Mate her to a black with tortie or red coloring in his background and an excellent new strain would be made. Selective breeding of the best red kittens in the litter should carry on from there.

May I tell you about our newest Red Point Siamese arrivals? On July 17, 1952, Isis and Tutankhamen presented us with three new Red Pointed kittens, two girls and one boy. On July 19th, they had another Red Pointed daughter. This fourth kitten, smaller than the rest with dark ink-blue eyes and big bat ears is most interesting. At two weeks, she would cry to be picked up, then roll over on the palm of my hand, purring delightedly!

Are spaced kittens such as this unusual in cats? I wish some of the breeders would write me if they have had similar experiences in their litters.

Your Magazine is read and appreciated by both junior and senior members of our family. Thank you for bringing it to us cat breeders.

Sincerely,
Mrs. Alyce De Pilipio

Sundust Cattery
9405 Burlington Blvd.
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CATNIP CONSCIOUS

Dear Editors:

I have derived a great deal of pleasure as well as valuable instruction on feline ways from your publication. I am an ardent admirer of all breeds of cats, but confine my personal love and care to two Domestic Short Hairs plus two kittens. They are strictly alley boys and girls, but oh, so loving and appreciative!

Incidentally, I constantly carry a tobacco pouch with a goodly bit of catnip in it, and I have several cat acquaintances whom I visit at least once a week. Two of these outside cats come running to my whistle, knowing full well that a catnip feast awaits them.

Thank you for what you are doing to help inform the public on the importance to our civilization of well-cared-for and well-loved cats regardless of breed. I loan my issue of CATS to two friends regularly.

Respectfully,
Merle G. Bulkeley

529 West First St.
Long Beach 2, Calif.



PARLOR
PISCATOR

Dear Editors:

We are new subscribers to your wonderful magazine, and I just had to write to tell you how much we enjoy your articles and stories on our favorite pet—the cat.

We are the proud owners of a little Blue Persian girl whom we call Doll-Baby. She is truly our pride and joy and she knows it, for she's the queen in our castle, so to speak. She is friendly and intelligent, and on nice days is allowed out in the yard, tied of course, and comes running when we call her to get her collar on.

Dolly likes to sit under the pine trees and survey her domain, and then runs and jumps in a little wagon to be pulled through the yard.

Here are some snaps of her getting a drink in the bath tub, and playing with her pets—the goldfish. When we bought the two fish recently, we thought for sure that they would not survive our Dolly's handling, but at last reports the fish and the kitten were getting along wonderfully. Doll-Baby just sits and watches her fish, and then every once in a while gives them a prod if she thinks they're moving tooo slowly.

We eagerly look forward to receiving your magazine each month, and want to send you our best wishes. Here's to nine times nine lives for CATS magazine!

Sincerely,
Mrs. Donald Griffith

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That sleek young man on our cover this month is Double Champion Kewalo Lei Krampert, Blue Point Siamese owned by Mr. E. W. Krampert of Box 1106, Casper, Wyoming.

Double Champion Kewalo was 1952 All-American Blue Point Male Siamese, and defeated more cats in his own color class than did any other cat in America, Long Hair or Short Hair. Kewalo also gained Best Cat in three Specialty Shows and was Best Opposite Cat in four All Breed and Two Specialties. Frank Bjerring made this splendid photographic study.

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Tu Chen

The Story of an Ugly "Cat-Ling"

By
Helen Fittipaldi

This is the story of the despised runt of a litter. A kitten not well enough thought of by the breeder to warrant selling. A giveaway cat. A poor lost looking little thing that really no one wanted. That is no one but me. When I first saw her, I knew that there was a cat who needed someone to love her. There was a cat who had an inferiority complex. I loved her from the very first.

When I brought her home my husband jokingly said, "Oh! come now, Siamese cats are aristocrats, that's just a cat."

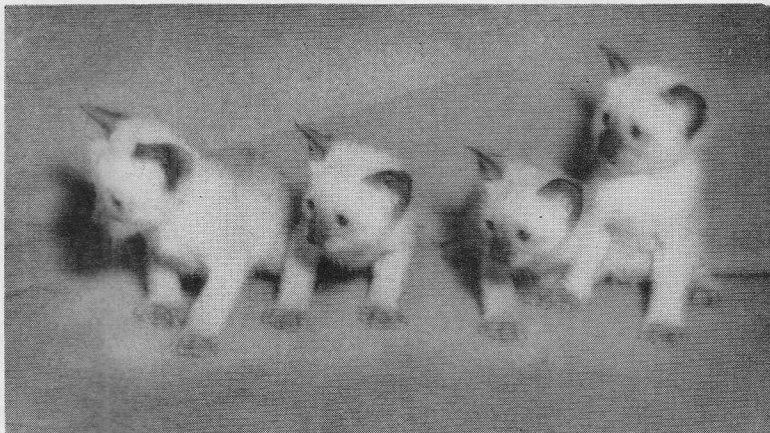
How wrong he was. The day that we first shared our home with her, she showed ordinary signs of cat curiosity, and little more. The second day she exhibited a distinct interest in food. By the third day, she was a connoisseur.

She not only knew where her ordinary supply of food was kept, but supervised the preparation of all the meals. After feeding her a dab of this, and a dab of that, her little skinny body began to fill out at once. Where there formerly had been only skin and bones, there seemed to be a little round ball of personality.

She knew all the cute-cat ways that had made us dearly love cats, and to them she added a few of her own. She started meeting my husband at the door when he returned from work at night. She would see that the children settled down at bedtime and would come down to the living room with a full report of their activities. Which she would deliver in true Siamese fashion, emitting loud wails and walking up and down the stairs a few times as if to let us know that she was on the job.

The former skeptical attitude that my husband had shown commenced to be extremely optimistic, and hope was expressed that perhaps in time she would

Photos
of
Tu Chen
and her
family
by
the author



fill out her skin, and begin to look like the other Siamese cats that he had seen. She soon did. But like other Siamese, to us, she was the most beautiful, most exquisite and the loveliest of all.

After we had our cat nearly a year we had her bred. She lost her first litter, and it seemed that hard luck just pursued her. She became thin, dull, listless. A trip to the vet revealed nothing to be wrong with her. Just the usual, "feed her up, give her this vitamin compound," and all of the general panaceas, that kind-hearted vets pass out to anxious pet owners.

Then surprise of surprises, after her morning walk one day, Tu-Chen showed up with a crooked-eared Red Tabby about three weeks old, which she adopted, and which from thenceforth, became a member of the family. We had to feed it with a bottle. But Tu-Chen gave it all its other care, including housebreaking it. We were delighted that she had something on which to lavish her pent up maternal instinct.

Tu-Chen and Red (as we called it for obvious reasons) became inseparable companions. Where one went, the other followed. Because we lived in a suburban residential area, we saw no harm in letting our cats out for their daily airing, until, one day Red was missing.

Tu-Chen was heartbroken, and sat at the window far into the night calling for her little friend. By bedtime we were sure that Red had wandered off, and would not return, but Tu-Chen was not so sure as we. She kept up her vigil, and early next afternoon begged to be let out. By the time I had prepared supper, and doing so, missed my second chef, I was thoroughly alarmed. I hopped into the car, and began to scour the neighborhood. One street after another I traveled looking for my kitty. When I was just about to give up hope, I found her sitting on the window sill of a newly built house in the neighborhood, quite obviously distressed. Upon investigation I discovered that Red had been locked inside.

The workmen had completed the house the day before, and had locked it up, more than likely while Red was making a tour of the premises. In vain I tried to get Tu-Chen to get into the car with me while I went to find the foreman of the construction job. She would not leave

her post, but sat outside calling encouragement to her imprisoned friend.

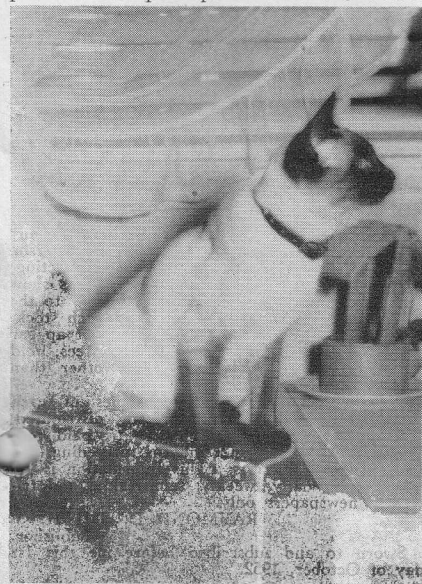
After Red was once more safe at home, and her Foster Mother had completely bathed her, seen to it that she ate well, and remonstrated with her in cat talk, things once more settled down to normal.

When it became time for Tu-Chen to be bred again, we did so, in high hopes that this time we would have a litter. There came time for another visit to the vet, more vitamin pills, and plenty of T. L. C. (tender loving care). We found it necessary to give Red to a neighbor, who wanted her for a pet for her children, because she was a little rough for an expectant mother in her play with Tu-Chen. We were heartbroken to have to do so, but felt that our beloved mother-to-be deserved every right to a family of her very own.

Our hopes were rewarded, because right on schedule, Tu-Chen presented us with four little babies. They are six weeks old now, and strangely enough, we can't find a runt in her little crew. They are all strong and sturdy villains, loaded with charm and personality, which we feel quite naturally is inherited from their mother.

I think that there is no greater reward to a pet owner than the love and fidelity returned by a pet that has good care. If an animal is worthwhile having, it is worth the attention and care that would be given to any other prized possession. Just think of caring for an expensive pet in this way: you can own a mink coat, or a fancy car, and you can give other costly items care, you can insure them, and be afraid to leave them in your home without protection, but they can't love you. A Cat for a pet is an exquisitely beautiful, and graceful addition to any home. A Cat is an almost self-sufficient animal. All that it actually needs from its owner is a modicum of care. Just so long as its food is provided, its nice warm bed, and a clean receptacle for its toilet habits, it will reward you with its very presence in your home.

It has been said that cats do not like people. I think that cats do not like people who do not respect them. I have found from experience that any animal



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The Black Cat

By Florence Kemmer

I have been unable to find any reference to the first Black cat or to its origin but Black Long Hairs were being bred before the Blue made its appearance in 1871.

The beauty of a Black cat is its blackness, or as most Cat Fanciers would say, its soundness of coat color. By soundness of coat we do not mean only a nice shiny black on top, but that when we blow into the fur we find it jet black to the skin, in other words there should be no circles of off color on the fur. The black must be dense in color, free from shadings in the undercoat, free from rustiness, free from smokiness on the stomach and plume. Often Black cats will grow length of coat and look very beautiful but the black pigment will not have followed down to the skin. We should wait until the coat is black to the skin before showing it, as often fine cats will go down at the shows for unsoundness of coat when possibly in another month it would be a winner. Sickness will often leave a "fever line" or off color streak on the fur of the Black cat.

Black cats with "lockets" or "buttons" of white hairs should not be used in breeding, and females with this defect should be spayed, males should be neutered and both used for pets. Miss Simpson, in her book "Cats for Pleasure and Profit" published in 1928 says, "A white spot at the throat was not formerly considered a very damaging blemish, but nowadays even a few stray white hairs may be cause for disqualification."

In an article published in the *Fortnightly Cattarian*, Mar. 1904, (author unknown at this date) the breeder writes, "It may be noted that when a Black cat is to be praised, a great deal is made of its color. We then read that 'he is never rusty like so many poor Blacks, but bears a deep jetty black coat all the year around.' No cat, of any color, is able to maintain the degree of depth and purity of color peculiar to new coat all the year round. It is true that some cats

carry heavy coats all the year. These are usually neuters or non-producers. These perpetual coats are composed chiefly of dead hair and are rusty and harsh at all seasons. Only to the cat whose entire old coat is removed at the shedding season, comes the rich, silky, glossy new coat. With such cats the glossy, jetty coat may last for several months, at least until it has attained its full growth. At that moment the table turns, the descending scale begins, for, in all things, be they cats or coats, full fruition is succeeded by beginning decay. At the proper time, a new coat begins to grow and pushes off the old, which, in turn, loses its smooth feel, its luster and its rich color, and begins to fall out, the rich, glossy, soft new coat appears in its place. No black cat can retain a black and glossy coat all year round. A rusty coat on a black cat, at proper season, is as surely a sign of a healthy Black cat as it is rusty coat at all seasons a sign of an unhealthy Black."

In type the Black cat should conform to the standard as set down for all other Long Haired varieties. The faults of many of our Black cats of today are poor color, harsh texture of coat, pointed and over large ears, more tail than is necessary. These faults become accentuated if continued breeding from Black parents is carried on for more than three generations. With the Blues so much nearer perfection and many splendid males available for stud service, the Black breeder with a little patience can soon establish a Black line with the correct color, texture of coat, head and body type.

For the beginner the first step is to obtain the best Black female bred from at least three generations of all Black bloodlines. Breed her to a good type medium Blue male that excels in the points that are weak in your queen. From this mating the females will be better than the males, both in color and type, and should be kept. These young

BLACK CAT SUPERSTITIONS

There are many superstitions about black cats, here are a few—A black cat without a single white hair is luckily, especially if it comes to you unsolicited.

If you start out to undertake any new work and a black cat crosses your path, you will be very lucky in your undertaking, but if you try to coax a black cat to come to you and it runs away, you will be disappointed in the results.

In soothsaying, cats have always played an important part—The brain of a black cat was considered an important ingredient in the recipes and prescriptions of the witches in the Middle Ages.

The meowing of a black cat at midnight is a bad omen, and foretells a death. When the black cat scratches the leg of the table, sneezes, draws her paw over her forehead in washing her face or frisks about the house, it is a sign of rain.

If a black cat lies in the sun in February, she will creep under the grate in March.

A Jewish superstition—When a cat licks her paws, be prepared for company. In race track superstition, to meet a black cat brings bad luck, while a white cat is excellent.

To kill a black cat is very unlucky, and means misfortune for a year.

Black cats are considered very lucky by actors, and to have a cat run across the stage during rehearsal is considered very lucky. It brings bad luck to kick a cat.

SHOW STANDARD FOR THE BLACK CAT

Show standard—Black, a dense coal black, sound from roots to tip of fur; absolutely free from any tinge of rust on tips or smoke in undercoat. Eyes copper or deep orange. Type, low on legs, deep in chest, massive across the shoulders with a well rounded middle piece. The cat should be large or medium in size, but there should be no sacrifice of quality for the sake of size. Head should be round and massive, with great breadth of skull, set on a neck not too long, ears neat, round tipped, set wide apart and not unduly open at the base, eyes large, round, full, set wide apart, brilliant, giving a sweet expression to the face, nose short,

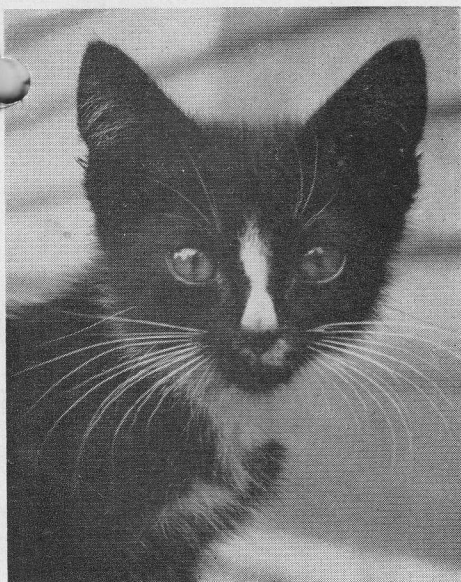
snub and broad, cheeks full, jaw broad and powerful. Back level, tail short, carried without a curve and at an angle lower than the back but not trailed when walking. Paws large, round and firm, toes carried close, five in front and four behind. Coat should be long and show primarily perfect physical condition. It should be fine in texture, soft, glossy, full of life and should stand off from the body. It should be long all over the body including the shoulders. The ruff should be immense and continue in a deep frill between the front legs. Ear tufts should be long, curved. Toe tufts long. Tails very full.

queens should later be bred to the best Black male available and the females from this mating bred back to their Black uncle from the first Blue-Black cross. The males from the first crossing of Black female to Blue male, will not excel in color but are excellent for siring Black females. They should be used within the line of the first cross progeny, either to niece or grandniece. If in this mating a Blue female results, which is very likely, she is the best prospect for breeding excellent Blacks of both sexes and should be bred back to her sire regardless of his failing in color, provided his other points are good.

By breeding a Blue queen of good type and texture of coat to the best Black male at hand, a step forward is made in the production of Black males, but unfortunately these males are not dominant in color when later bred to queens of other strains. The correction for this is to use these males to breed to a Blue queen closely related to his Blue dam.

It is said that the rusty kittens are the blackest adults. Black cats are born jet black. About the age of six weeks, those which develop the blackest coats begin to be rusty or even streaked.

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The Baptism of Congo

By
Velma West Sykes

Illustration by
Stephen Stengel

Of the two, the bishop's cat was the more ecclesiastical-looking. He had a poise and dignity when sitting on the hearth rug that not only discouraged any familiar advances from both animals and humans, but also made his master secretly envious and desirous of attaining the same high degree of perfect entity. His markings, too, were curiously close to those of the men of the cloth.

Whenever the Bishop spoke to him, Congo inclined his head as if he were giving the remarks flattering attention. His name was unusual for a cat—even such an unusual cat. It had come about through the bishop trying to extricate himself from an embarrassing situation with the small girl who had donated the cat to him. She had appeared one rainy afternoon with the small, mostly black kitten in her dress which was gathered into a pocket after the immemorial fashion and disclosed a diminutive pair of pink silk panties. She must have been eight, and the kitten just had its eyes open. As the bishop himself had answered the door, she had walked in confidently and put her small charge down upon the floor.

"I've brought you a present," she said, but her voice and her eyes betrayed the uncertainty she felt about how the present would be received.

"Well, well," said the bishop, who had learned to be tactful and that this expression could mean anything until you felt more sure of your conversational ground.

"Sarah was going to send them away to be drown-ded," went on the generous girl. "We had six and she said we could only keep one. So Philip an' me—he's ten an' got a bicycle so that's how we came—looked up the names of ministers in the telephone book an' we picked out five an' we're giving each one a kitten. You get the biggest an' prettiest because you're a bishop. . . . I don't believe in drown-ding kittens, do you, Mr. Bishop? Do you think God likes to have little kittens drown-ded?"

The bishop was more confused than when he had passed some of his oral examinations. He cleared his throat and

glanced down at the mewling kitten.

"Isn't it too young to leave its mother yet?" he had asked hopefully.

"No—you can teach it to drink milk from a saucer," the little girl assured him. "What are you going to name it?"

Obviously she was taking it for granted that her present was being accepted—and certainly she was making it very hard to refuse.

"Why — er — suppose you suggest a name," the bishop had answered.

"It's hard to decide on a name until you know if it's a boy cat or a girl cat," the child answered naively. "Maybe you could tell us—Philip nor me didn't know."

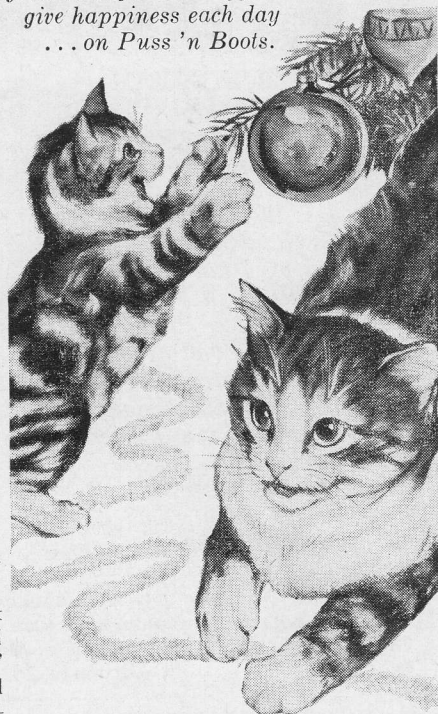
The bishop, who had always been painfully shy about sex matters and was a celibate, took refuge in ambiguity. He had been reading Vachel Lindsay's stirring poem before being called to the door, in preparation for a sermon on superstitions, so now he said hastily, "We'll call it Congo—that will be suitable to either sex and is a nice name for a cat of that color."

"Would you mind christening it before I go?" persisted the strange child. "You see, we're Presbyterians and believe in infant damnation—so if you christen the kitten, even if it got drown-ded later" (here she gave him a shrewd, speculative look) "why it would go to heaven just the same."

The bishop was shocked and yet curiously interested. He was realizing how some of the creeds and dogmas of a church might be interpreted by the matter-of-fact members or by imaginative children. So with a whimsical smile, he dipped his fingers in the glass of water on his desk and solemnly said, "I christen thee, Congo," but omitting any mention of the deity. As he finished, a shrill whistle was heard outside and the little girl turned to go.

"Well, goodbye. I'm glad you like Congo. That's Phil—I bet he's gettin' tired waitin' 'cause we've got to go clear over on the other side of town to see some Methodist and Congregational ministers. We didn't pick out any Baptists, though. We didn't like to think of too much water and the kittens. . . ."

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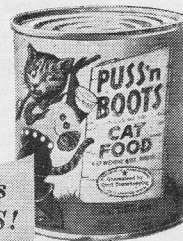
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FEWLINES 'BOUT FELINES

DARK INTRUDER

By Isabel Sarsfield McCarthy

*Soft darkness is an ebon cat
That prowls along the edge of day;
Sure-footed feline acrobat,
He goes his stealthy, traveled way.
Black paws descend in measured pace,
Sharp vistas by a tail are blurred
As murky veils of shadow-lace
Are drawn abroad by limbs befurred.
Claws reaching up pull down the string
Still dangling from the shade of day
To blot out rays still shimmering
Through twilight's gentle overlay.
At last in peaceful solitude
With amber eyes his only light,
The cat enjoys an interlude
Until dawn chases him in flight.*

It may plausibly, however soundly, be maintained that it is by his emotions, not by his reason, that man differs most from the beasts . . .
My cat never laughs or cries; he is always reasoning.

Unamuno, "Del sentimiento tragico de la vida"

ANOTHER MANX

answers the Manx in CATS Magazine
for Sept. 1952

By Ethel Eames

*Oh never bring a tail to me
But drop that shipful in the sea!
Who wants a tail, I'd like to know
For tails cause only pain and woe.
No one can step on my old tail
And make me utter piercing wail!
No one can pinch it in the door
And make me holler and yell and roar!
I hope the Manx repented
Who tailless state lamented.
I too am a Manx, of a tail I'm free
And I'm as happy as I can be
I'm perfectly happy
Yes siree!*

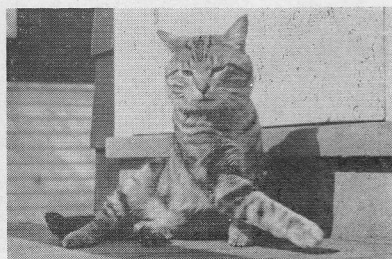
LITTLE TOMMY GREEN-EYES

By Hannah C. Peterson

Each morning the tiger cat comes to our door,
Laps up his milk, then waits for more.
A bit of fish or a bit of meat,
He eats very daintily, leaves his plate neat.
"Now, Tommy, tell us, why these weird sounds at night
That disturb our slumber, wake us up in a fright?"
Tommy looks left, Tommy looks right,
He looks up, he looks down, and holds his lips tight.
Then to show that he's bored, he yawns very slightly,
For a much-needed rest, he skips away lightly.

There is really nothing so primitive, even so animal, as reason.

Havelock Ellis, "The Animal Mind"
from the Atlantic Monthly, Nov. 1910.



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By Dorothy M. Thompson

*Oh gentle Goddess
Of the Night
And Keeper
Of the Realm afar
Light up
The Milky Way—
Polish a star—
Leave just one
Celestial gate
A tiny bit ajar—
A small
Velvet kitten
Has just crossed
The bar.*

From "Anthology of Poems, Vol. I"
National League of American Pen
Women 1951 (Vantage Press, Inc.)

HOME GIRL

By Marjorie Soule

*We thought our cat
was a home girl,
she is;
The other fellow's
home!*

To my mind there is no more doubt that animals think, after their fashion, than that men as a rule do not think at all.

Carl Van Vechten, The Tiger in the House

From THE KITTEN AND THE FALLING LEAVES

By William Wordsworth

*But the kitten how she starts,
Crouches, stretches, paws and darts!
First and one and then its fellow,
Just as light and just as yellow.
There are many now—now one—
Now they stop and there are none.
What intenseness of desire
In her upward eye of fire!
With a tiger leap half way,
Now she meets the coming prey,
Lets it go as fast, and then
Has it in her power again.
Now she works with three or four,
Like an Indian conjurer;
Quick as he in feats of art,
Far beyond in joy of heart.
Were her antics played in eye
Of a thousand standers-by,
Clapping hands with shout and stare,
What would little tabby care
For the plaudits of the crowd;
Over happy to be proud;
Over wealthy in the treasure
Of her own exceeding pleasure.*

Contributed by Mrs. S. P. Cloud

TO A WORRIED PUSS

By Roger Goldworthy

*Those odors wafting thick and thinner—
They taunt us all my little friend.
How fragrant is each subtle blend
That tempts the man, or feline, inner.
Your heavenly torture soon will end—
You, too, shall have Thanksgiving
Dinner.*

AUTUMN PUZZLE

*Red-gold kitten on the wall
Leaps at red-gold leaves that fall;
Twirls; pounces, spins, retrieves,
Which is kitten? Which are leaves?*

By Lee Priestley

LAUNDER-O-CAT

By Helen Hyde Jensen

Mama cat's tongue plies a busy routine
Perpetual motion keeps four babies clean.
It makes little difference which one is beneath
The sand-paper scrubber that darts from its sheath.
A swipe to the red ones, then two to the grey,
The one like a teddy bear noses his way
Under the washer, and shined on his back
Gets a good going-over while having his "snack".
Though seemingly aimless this process regains
The pink of perfection each offspring maintains—
And all through the nursing and washing she purrs
Ecstatic with pride because they are hers!
Long before man made his Bendix and such
The mama-cat washed with "the personal touch".

Contributed by Guy Bogart



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Two New Books for Cat Lovers

THE COMPLETE SIAMESE CAT, by Milo G. Denlinger. Denlinger's, Richmond, Virginia. 142 pages, 37 illustrations. \$2.95.

Cat fanciers and breeders, particularly of the Siamese variety, will find this well-written, forthright volume both interesting and handy for ready reference. Perhaps some of us may be fancifully inclined on one point and pray for forgiveness if we have harbored the thought occasionally that Siamese Cats *could* have descended partly, at least, from some creature other than the Cat. Living with these lovely and distinctive felines over a period of years gives one food for considerable reflection. Mr. Denlinger, however, explodes the theory that the Siamese could be anything else . . . we must accept him as he is and put aside the fairy-tales, the conjectures, the apocryphal.

Where the first Siamese Cats came from is unknown; much is left to speculation. It is likely that cats with Siamese points first appeared in Siam, or somewhere in Southeast Asia, as a mutation from cats of more common or usual color patterns. After such first appearance it required no long involved selection to produce a true breeding variety which subsequently came to be known as Siamese.

A chapter on Siam (or Thailand) that great peninsula which lies between India and China affords good reading. The author tells of its physical proportions, its many and varied governments over a period of centuries, its people and their relations to and with other countries. But if such a thing as a Siamese Cat was ever seen before the eighteenth century it is remarkable that none were brought to the West and no mention ever made by any missionary, soldier, sailor (especially the sailor, we may add) or trader in the Orient in that era.

The Siamese Fancy as we know it today in England and America had its origin from a total of approximately eleven cats brought into England around 1884 and shortly thereafter; hence what we have today is really the English Siamese.

And considerable changes have taken place in the general physique of the breed . . . for instance the kink in the tail has disappeared—in its place is a long, tapering, finely-made whip. Today's Dbl. Ch. Pooh Pooh Dah Dah Ming Ting is *not* cross-eyed.

The temperament and character of the Siamese, his needs, desires and whimsicalities are well told. Of value to the breeder is a chapter devoted to the raising of Siamese Cats from start to finish.

Sprightly drawings and charming photographs, many of which have appeared in *CATS Magazine*, are generously included in the format.—F.W.M.

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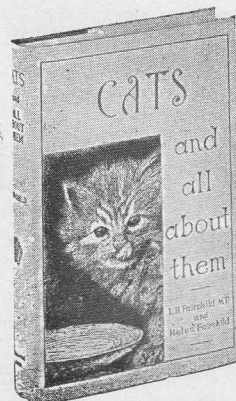
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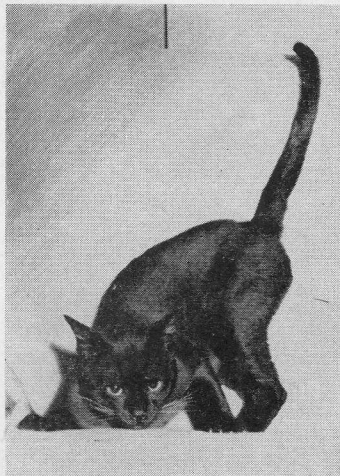
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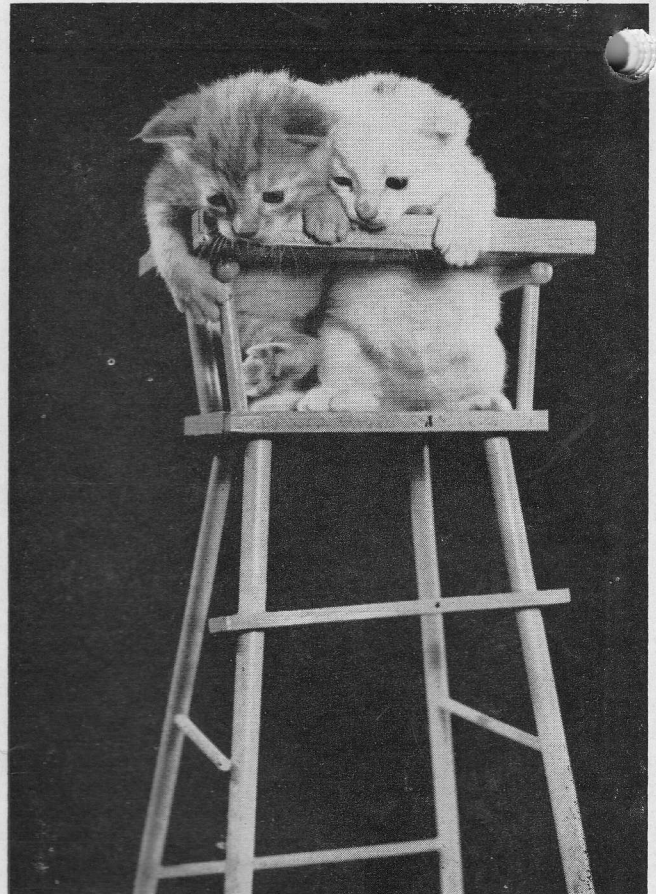
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HIJINKS

By E. E. Dunham

November Picture of the Month

That's *Tinkle* and *Tuffie* up there—little half-and-half kittens of the E. E. Dunhams of 15302 Montrose, Cleveland, Ohio, who are winning for their owner this month's \$25.00 U.S. Bond in the Picture of the Month Contest co-sponsored by 3 Little Kittens Cat Food and CATS Magazine.

Mr. Dunham's an office supervisor for E. I. DuPont in Cleveland, married and father of a young boy and girl. It was for the children that they got their Long Hair female a year or so ago, but it seems that she had ideas of her own. Anyway, it's her unplanned for offspring which inspired her owner to try for honors in the cat picture contest of the year. Congratulations to you Mr. Dunham and to both your families.

This striking pose was arranged by hanging a black curtain well behind the high chair. Two floodlights were then arranged for reasonable modeling, and the kits posed at the last minute so they would not become tired under the heat of the photo-floods. Finally the picture was taken with a Rolleiflex twin-lens camera from a low angle so as to accentuate the feeling of height.

It's such simple things, carefully planned and executed which lead to great pictures. There'll be a good many good nights for photography in these winter months ahead, so you other photographers may well get thinking about winning some Bonds of your own.

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Why Puss Licks Her Coat

YOUR CAT AND VITAMIN D

By Claire Halliday

We look upon the cat as a very clean creature (and so she is) because she washes herself so frequently with her tongue and paws. But when she performs her toilet she is doing much more than that. She is licking vitamin D off her fur, the same vitamin that is made in our skin when we take a sunbath . . . the same factor that is in cod-liver oil in such abundance. Vitamin D is a food that every man, woman, boy, girl, and cat needs every day, and particularly in the wintertime when the sun's ultraviolet rays are very weak and most creatures remain indoors a good deal of the time.

The role vitamin D plays in the body of animals and humans is to help the minerals, calcium and phosphorus, make long, strong bones and good teeth, and keep them in constant repair. The minerals are in the milk the cat and baby drink, and in meat and vegetables.

Now vitamin D is just as necessary to animals and birds as it is to people, but scientists wondered for a long time how furred and feathered folk got their supplies. How, for instance, does the vitamin D get onto the cat's fur? The answer is that an oil comes out of her skin, spreads over her fur, and the sun's rays turn this oil into vitamin D. Some scientists think that the vitamin D then sinks back into the animal's skin. And certainly some of it must get into the animal's body in this way because all animals do not lick their fur as much as cats do. Dogs also lie in the sun a great deal and are seen to lick themselves, but not nearly as much as the cat. The cow never washes herself all over, and yet she has vitamin D in her summer milk when she is out of doors in the sunny pasture. There is almost no vitamin D in her milk during the winter when she is in the dark barn. Even plenty of windows do not solve this problem because ultraviolet rays do not pass through ordinary window glass.

The oil that comes out of our skin is called sebum, and vitamin D is formed when the ultraviolet rays shine directly on it. Instead of licking it off and swallowing the vitamin-oil as the cat does, our skin absorbs it. It is therefore important to keep the skin soft and pliable and not burned or dried out.

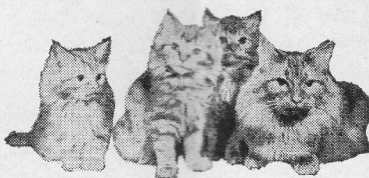
Two Chinese scientists once did some experiments to discover more about the oil on animal's skin. They took rabbits and treated their rickets by turning the sun-lamp onto their long ears. This cured the rickets. Then the scientists took other rickety rabbits and washed all the natural oil off their ears with ether. These rabbits were not cured of their rickets by the ultraviolet rays.

Do animals get enough vitamin D from sunshine to satisfy their needs? It is very doubtful. We know that growing children, and probably adults, living in the temperate climate require much more vitamin D than they ordinarily get from

the sun* and must take fish liver oil in some form if they are to be free from rickets. (Adults develop softening of the bones, a form of rickets.) Farmers know that they can grow bigger, glossier calves, lambs, and chickens by giving these barnyard babies vitamin D in their feed. If kittens and puppies are to grow sturdy bodies and sharp, strong teeth, they too should receive a little fish-liver oil every day.

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By Corleen Wells

Yes, my Silver Shaded Persian is a glamour puss, that is why she was named Za-Za, by my son, who looked at her when I brought her home, and said, "She looks as if she came from Hollywood"! what a glamour gal!! Better name her Za-Za! and we did!

She lives up to her name: strikes pretty poses, never loses her dignity, loves to be brushed and powdered, and then gracefully walks in to the living room with a slightly arched back to show herself to anyone around. She is at her best when we have friends in for the afternoon or evening. It's then she really goes to town. She walks around the room slowly

and stops before each one just long enough to be seen and noticed, then moves on to the next one, then jumps up on my grand piano to lie in all her beauty.

The piano has been her favorite spot since I brought her home at the age of two months. That really isn't strange, as I am a teacher of voice as well as a singer, and am at the piano a great deal. One day while practicing, she became very nervous, walked around and looked at me with pain in her green eyes, walked across my hands on the keys so I could not play, then I stood up in the bow of the piano as I would do in concert. She came around, jumped up on the edge of the instrument where my hands were, and gave me a good nip, then flew out of the room. I laughed until the tears roled down my cheeks.

She lets my students know when she does not like their tones also, but now at 9 months she is more or less used to it all. She doesn't bite any more, but she walks around on top of the piano and stops and gives them a disapproving look when she does not like what they are doing. Pupils now always ask for her if she is not around to greet them, as they say they know by her face whether they are in good voice or not.

For some reason Za-Za loves flowers, and spends quite a bit of time in the garden actually smelling them—going from one to the other with her little nose.

She is an endless delight to us as she understands what we say to her, is very affectionate, and loves us all up every day when we say good morning. Her greatest joy is to have me chase her when I want her to come in, in the evening. I have to do it until she is all out of wind, and so am I, then she lies flat on her stomach and lets me pick her up.

At six months of age she won two ribbons for me in the "kitten class" at the Canyon State Cat Show, and loved having people look at her, while her brother in the next cage hid behind the screen most of the time, being very bashful.

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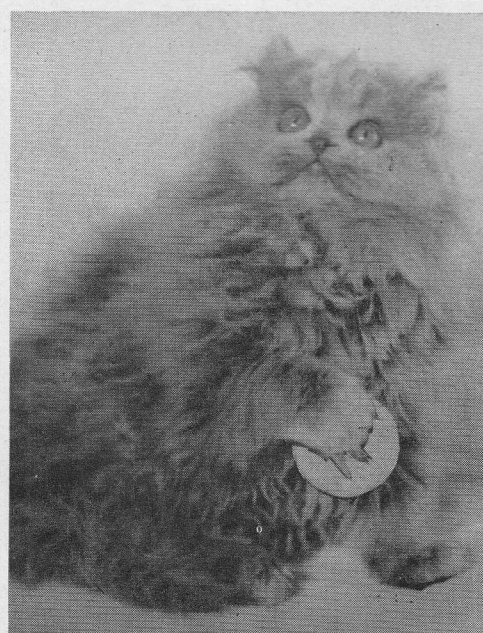
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By

Helen Fairchild

I just broke a little girl's heart, and my own along with hers. The door chimes rang (a strange thing in itself because they are supposed to be out of order and must have been pushed beyond their strength to resist) and two small girls, one with a kitten in her arms stood on the porch. No "hello" or anything, just—"My Mother said if you say this is a boy kitten I can keep him!"

I didn't even have to make the usual examination to know it was a 'girl'. She was a half-breed, Blue-Cream, all purry, cuddly, warm and in love with the whole world. She was fat and full of fleas but in this day and age that is no problem—thanks to such excellent Shampoos as Labco. No doubt someone had dropped the kitten in front of the child's home. I told her, "She's a girl, but can be operated upon if you don't have room for kittens later on." The tiny child looked me straight in the eye and said, "I know, but that costs so much money. Thank you anyway. Now, I'll have to go over the Pound." The kids ran off the porch before I even had time to get their names. The kitten was hanging gaily to the shoulder of her new found friend and no doubt purring loudly.

I realize the cost of living is steadily rising and no one knows better than I how much it costs to feed cats. We have 15 old retired "eaters out of house and homers", but I wonder if a child's kittens isn't more important than money? I remember so well when I was a child every stray cat or kitten followed me home. I'm sure Mother didn't welcome them with open arms, mentally, but always told me they were perfectly beautiful. One winter (we lived in the Middle-West where it can really get cold) we housed 16 cats and kittens in the basement. They were very happy and warm but their room was infested with fleas. I don't know how my family, who were in a low income bracket (Ministers aren't and never were paid high salaries and couldn't have afforded pest control workers) got rid of the fleas, but I still had my cats and kittens to play with in the Spring.

The point I'm trying to make is that parents should do everything possible so that their children may have pets. The relative expenditure will be more than compensated by the child's happiness.

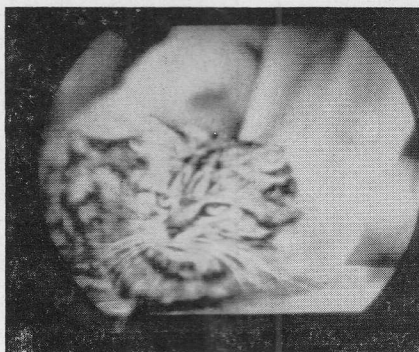
Of course, the little girl whose heart I broke and her Mother won't read this and maybe the sweet kitten will go to the pound, but I do have a sort of 'feeling' that this little girl MAY have a Mother mine was!

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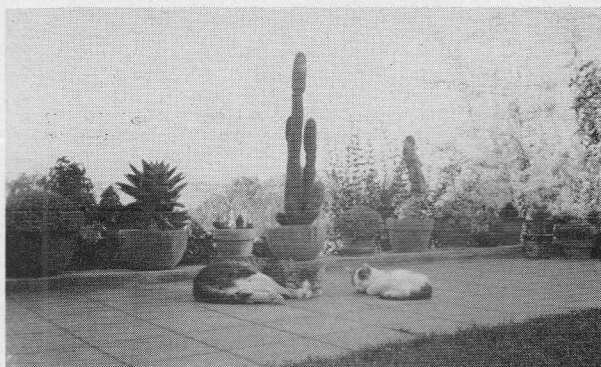
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and to our own cat families this Christmas.

Luckily, though, a good many other people have been
worrying for us about this same problem and now they are
ready to help us solve it in a multitude of attractive ways.

Felix, of 416 Smith Street in Seattle, whose major domo
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Dorothy Hubbard of Just fur Cats in Poughquag, N. Y.,
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- 8-9—New York, N. Y.—Empire Cat Club, Inc. (CFA). All Breed (Mrs. John S. Hunter); National Siamese Cat Club (Mr. Henry C. Becker); Solid Color Club of the East (Mr. Becker).
- 10-11—Long Beach, Calif.—Combined Show of California Cat Club and West Shore Cat Club (CFA). All Breed (Mrs. J. H. Revington); California Silver Fanciers (Mrs. Helen Fairchild); California Solid Color Fanciers (Mrs. Lawrence Pelton); Short Hair Society of Southern California (Mrs. Fairchild).
- 16-17—Boston, Mass.—Boston Cat Club, Inc. (CFA). All Breed (Mrs. Ralph T. Mabie); Solid Color Club of the East (Mr. Anthony DeSantis); Siamese Cat Club of New England (Dr. C. Evans Sawyer).
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- 24-25—San Francisco, Calif.—San Francisco Cat Club (ACA). All Breed (Specialties and Judges to be Announced).
- 24-25—Buffalo, N. Y.—Buffalo Cat Fanciers, Inc. (CFA). All Breed (Mrs. Ralph T. Mabie); International Solid Color Society (Mr. Anthony DeSantis).
- 31-Feb. 1—Cleveland, Ohio—Lake Erie Cat Club (CFF). All Breed. Solid Color and Foreign Short Hair Specialties (Judges to be Announced).
- 31-Feb. 1—Phoenix, Arizona—Canyon State Cat Club (ACA). All Breed (Specialties and Judges to be Announced).
- 31-Feb. 1—Knoxville, Tenn.—East Tennessee Cat Fanciers (CFF). All Breed (Mrs. W. E. Limpert); American Tabby & Tortie Club (Mrs. Horace O. Reed); Solid Color Club of the South (Mrs. Reed).

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- 14-15—Pharr, Texas—Magic Valley Cat Club (CFA). All Breed (Mrs. J. H. Revington).
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100th FOR NORTH TEXAS CLUB

The North Texas Cat Club celebrated the admission of its one hundredth member, Mrs. Julian W. Bowes, 4908 Live Oak, Dallas, Texas, at their meeting August 31st. Mr. Julian W. Bowes was the one hundred and first member. Mr. and Mrs. Bowes are from New York and Hollywood, and he is connected with Universal Pictures. They have five Siamese cats who rule them with a paw of iron which automatically makes them a member in good standing. Mrs. Bowes was given a year's subscription to CATS Magazine.

The North Texas Cat Club was organized in Oct. 1950 with forty members and gave its first cat show Dec. 1951. They are planning their second annual All-Breed and Specialties show to be held in the Science Building Fair Park, Dallas, on Nov. 29th and 30th in behalf of the Girl Scouts. Mrs. C. F. Rotter is the All-Breed judge and Mrs. Laura Graham the Specialties judge.

Miss Ollie Mae Knapper, Dallas, is the president of the club, and Mrs. E. M. Washburn, Fort Worth, is vice-president.

BLUE SOCIETY CUP LIST

The oldest Specialty Society in the United States and Canada—the Blue Cat Society of America—is this year making its generous Cup List available to all clubs that request it. The Society is not affiliated with any one of the National Associations, and will work with all organizations for the advancement of Blue Long Hairs. All interested clubs should write the Secretary-Treasurer, Mrs. Lawrence Pelton, North Price Street, Hubbard, Ohio.

The history of the Blue Cat Society is almost as long as that of the Fancy in the United States. It was organized forty-five years ago in Chicago under the leadership of Mrs. L. H. Bixby and Miss Lucy Johnstone. The club became inactive for a period during World War I, but was revived in 1922 with Mrs. Bixby as president. When Mrs. Bixby's health failed, Miss Elsie Hydon of New Jersey was elected as president and served successfully for several years. Other presidents have been Mrs. Eva T. Harris of California, and Mrs. Seran of Oklahoma, and the club today is under the leadership of Mrs. J. H. Revington of Tennessee.

As with most clubs carried on by mail, it is the secretary-treasurer who is primarily responsible for the success for the club objectives, and the Blue Society has been fortunate in having such outstanding leaders in the Fancy as Mrs. H. L. West of Washington, D.C., Mrs. Foster Prather of Georgia, and Mrs. Pelton in this position.

With almost a half-century of service and progress behind it, the Society looks forward to a continued era of improvement in the Blues, and solicits the support of all clubs and of all breeders who share their interest.

WE WISH TO INFORM THE CAT FANCY THAT THE SOUTHERN SIAMESE CAT CLUB NOW LISTED AS A MEMBER CLUB OF THE CAT FANCIERS' ASSOCIATION, INC., IS IN NO WAY CONNECTED WITH THE ORIGINAL SOUTHERN STATES SIAMESE SOCIETY SPONSORED AND ORGANIZED BY THE NORFOLK CAT FANCIERS, INC. MARCH 1, 1952 AT NORFOLK, VIRGINIA. THIS CLUB WAS DISSOLVED AS OF MAY 18, 1952.

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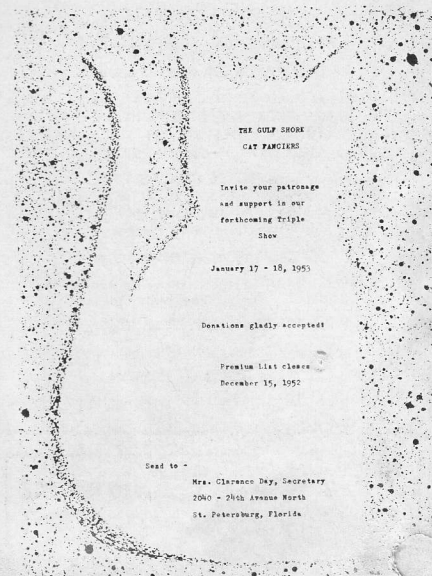
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This Novel Cat Cut-Out is the mailing piece for the Gulf Shore Cat Fanciers Show, designed and sent out by Mrs. C. L. Day, Show Secretary.

Notes and News

Miss Yorke at Mo-Kan, Too

Following her Garden State tour of duty on December 8 and 9, the noted English Judge Kathleen Yorke will stay in America to officiate at the All Breed show of the Mo-Kan Club, in Kansas City, Mo., on January 3 and 4. Miss Yorke is Chairman of the Governing Council of the British Cat Fancy.

New ACA Club in San Diego

The Silvergate Cat Club of San Diego has been accepted into membership by ACA and held its first show in San Diego's Palisades Building on October 18 and 19. Officers are Mr. Jack B. Richard, president; Mr. Byron E. Roper, vice president; Mrs. Jay T. Dellinger, secretary-treasurer. Board members are Mrs. Robert R. Butts; Mrs. Jack B. Richard, Mrs. Byron E. Roper, and Mrs. Leonard L. Smith.

The club meets at homes of its members the first Tuesday of each month. Visitors and new members are encouraged to attend and are invited to contact Mrs. Dellinger at 3846 Central Avenue in San Diego.

East Tennessee Dates Changed

Because of possible conflict with the other Knoxville Show, the East Tennessee Cat Fanciers (CFA) have postponed their Triple Show from November 8 and 9 to January 31 and February 1st, 1953. The show will be held at Chilhowee Park in Knoxville, and Judges and Specialties will be the same as announced previously—Mrs. Limpert for the All Breed; Mrs. Reed for the Tabby & Tortie and Solid Color Club Specialties.

New Lake Erie Officers

Mrs. William K. Hansen is the new president of the Lake Erie Cat Club (CFF) of Cleveland elected at the annual meeting held in September. Other officers are: Mr. James J. Small, vice president; Mrs. Robert G. Vance, Corresponding Secretary; Miss Ethyl Foley, Recording Secretary; Mr. Robert G. Vance, Treasurer; Mrs. J. J. Small, CFF Board Member. Board of Trustees consists of Mr. Henry J. Trend, Mr. William K. Hansen, Mrs. Shirley Lorenz. The club's show will be held on January 31st and February 1st in Cleveland's Municipal Auditorium under the direction of Mr. Hansen and Mr. Vance who were named Show Manager and Show Secretary.

New Orleans Club Incorporates

The Cat Fanciers of New Orleans Incorporated (ACA) have just announced their new corporate status. Officers recently elected are: president emeritus, Mrs. E. Jane Roberts; president, Mr. T. A. Dobyns; vice president, Mrs. Harold Tannenbaum; recording secretary, Mrs. T. E. Phillips; corresponding secretary, Mrs. T. A. Dobyns; treasurer, Mrs. Lionel Soignier. The Board of Directors consists of Mrs. Charles Lake, Miss Winifred Porter, Mrs. William Culver and Mrs. Dobyns.

Sweep for Chindwin's Singumin of Newton at Norfolk

Just in time for this issue came the news that Mrs. Virginia Cobb's Champion Seal Point Chindwin's Singumin of Newton gained a sensational double victory at the Norfolk Cat Fanciers Show by being Best Cat in both the All Breed under Mrs. Mabie and in the National Siamese Specialty under Judge Kay Thoma. This is one of the very few times in show history that a Siamese has made such a double win, and by doing so, "Singumin" earned the final points for her Grand Championship. This is Mrs. Cobb's second Siamese Grand Champion, her first having been her famous Newton's Jay Tee.

SIAMESE CAT SOCIETY OF CALIFORNIA (UCF) at Inglewood, California, Sept. 7, 1952. ALL SHORT HAIR SHOW: Best Cat, Best Ch., Best Siamese—Ch. Ta-Lee Ho's Blue Chiffon, BP f., Mr. and Mrs. Earle M. Phillips. Best OS Cat, Best Aby—Raby Ramphis (Imp), Mr. and Mrs. H. T. Beaver. Best Novice—Purke's Blue Padi-Khai, BP f., Mr. and Mrs. Paul Perkins. OS—Palos Verdes Avatar, SP m., Capt. and Mrs. B. K. Culver. Best Kit—Moon, SP m., Mrs. Fay V. Fields; OS—Beaver's Ramphis Zarana, Aby f., Mr. and Mrs. H. T. Beaver. Best Burmese—Far Cry's Ata Boy Too, m., Mr. and Mrs. C. E. Gillies; OS—Mrs. Alexander's Fa-Ying of Far Cry, f., Mr. and Mrs. Gillies. Best Domestic—Jelly Beam, Blue m., Mr. and Mrs. John T. Kilpatrick; OS—Blue Muffettee, Blue f., Mr. and Mrs. Kilpatrick. Best Manx—Senza Coda's Storm Cloud, PC m., Virginia Lee Sweem; OS—Tyoh's Lil Black Samba, SC f., Mrs. Lucille Oliver. Judge—Miss Lucy Clingan. SIA-MESE SPECIALTY SHOW: Best Cat, Best SP—Mandarin's Lady Godiva de Beaver, f., Mr. and Mrs. H. T. Beaver. Best OS Cat, Best OS Ch.—Ch. Mandarin's Blue Chips, BP m., Mr. and Mrs. Earle M. Phillips. Best Ch.—Ch. Kabar's Miss Milly Tilly, SP f., Ken and Virginia Bartlett. Best Nov.—Purke's Blue Padi-Khai, BP f., Mr. and Mrs. Paul Perkins; OS—Anna's Dee Syre, BP m., Anna N. McCracken. Best Kit—Sinna's Bom Bia, SP f., Mrs. Geo Annis; OS—Pur-ell Blue Sahib, BP m., Mrs. Pearl B. Funk. Best BP—Ch. Ta-Lee Ho's Blue Chiffon, Mr. and Mrs. Earle M. Phillips. Best CP—Ting Tsing, f., Miss Helen M. Beeler. Judge—Mr. Howard Stevens.

MINNEAPOLIS PERSIAN CAT CLUB, Inc. (ACA) at Minnesota State Fair, August 29-30, 1952. ALL BREED SHOW: Best Cat—Texas Valiant Prince, Blue m., Mrs. F. L. Lindsey. Best OS Cat—Ridgwood's Suite De Danses, GE wh f., Mrs. Arno Beck. Best Novice—Calico Sugar Ray, GE WH m., Mrs. Sherman S. Stark; OS—Dream O' Bear, BE WH f., Mrs. T. R. James. Best Kit—Vicki of Como, Blue f., Grace Quigley; OS—Frosty Snowman, GE wh m., Mrs. Raymond Bell. Best Ch.—Tr. Ch. Elco's Rudolpho, RTPF m., Farris-Finzel; OS—Dbl. Ch. Princess Peggy, BC, Calico Cattery. Best Amer. SH—Poquette of Lookout Point, Silm., Mrs. G. R. Fin. Best Manx—Tannenbaum's Pharaoh of the farm, Blue m., Miss Winifred Porter. Best Short Hair, Best Siamese—Kramper's Blue Kew of Wolfgang, BP m., Mr. and Mrs. R. G. Wolfgang. Best Burmese—Adagio of Jadawa, m., Dr. and Mrs. James Cutler. Best Aby—Disston's Bengal Boy of Harmonie Acres, m., Mrs. Waldo A. Schulz. Best OS Short Hair—Holly Cat Dan Chi of Tonka Wah, SP m., Mrs. Charles Smith. Judge—Mrs. Jess Adair. SOLID COLOR SPECIALTY: Best Cat—Texas Valiant Prince, Blue m., Mrs. F. L. Lindsey. Best OS Cat—Honey Bear, BE WH f., Mrs. T. R. James. Best Nov.—Siesta Timothy Red Top, RPF m., Mr. and Mrs. B. Walentiny; OS—Black Baby Panda, Blk f., Garda James. Best Kit—Imp. Lion Donald Duck of Dunesk, Blue m., Dr. and Mrs. James Cutler; OS—Vicki of Como, Blue f., Grace Quigley. Best Ch.—Tr. Ch. Lee's Hi-Hat Champaing, Cr. m., Marie Wilson. Best Manx—Tannenbaum's Amethyst of the farm, Blue f., Winifred Porter. Judge—Mrs. James Clifton. SHORT HAIR SPECIALTY: Best Cat, Best Ch., Best Siamese—Rosebank Kwong Wu, BP m., George Baxter. Best OS Cat, Best Nov.—Cymri Frau Wolfgang, SP f., Mr. and Mrs. R. G. Wolfgang. Best OS Nov.—Chocolate Monday Lion, Burmese m., Dr. and Mrs. James Cutler. Best Kit—Imp. Taishun Zeta, Aby f., Marlene Baxter; OS—Faar Glow, SP m., Wallman Cattery. Best OS Ch.—Lien of Jerry-Ko, BP Siamese f., George Baxter. Best Am. SH—Royal Panther Gena, Blk m., Pat Ryan. Best Manx—Tannenbaum's Amethyst of the farm, Blue f., Winifred Porter. Best Burmese—Adagio of Jadawa, m., Dr. and Mrs. Cutler. Best Aby—Disston's Bengal Boy of Harmonie Acres, m., Mrs. Waldo Schultz. Judge—Mrs. James Clifton.



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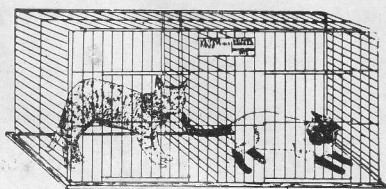
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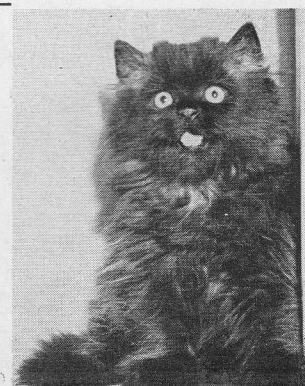
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CAT TAIL

Out Colorado way there comes to me a story regarding a Chocolate Point Siamese mother cat. It seems that Mrs. Alfred Longstreet is very much wrapped up in her rose-garden. She ordered quite a few high priced plants from Jackson and Perkins the famous rose people. She could hardly wait until the roses arrived, and to kill time, she went out to her rose garden and dug excavations for each plant. The Siamese mother cat who is named Yuu-Yuu, in the meantime had her litter of five wee ones. She seemed very pleased with the box her mistress had donated to her—until she found out about the holes that were dug. Yuu-Yuu inspected the new up-turned earth, and liked it. That night Yuu-Yuu and her family were gone—absolutely gone. They could not be found anywhere. Mrs. Longstreet called all her neighbors; offered bribes to small boys; stopped people in the street—and asked if they had seen her babies. At last she gave up and resigned her self to the fact that Yuu-Yuu and her little family were gone. There also happened to be a re-

serve deposit on three of Yuu-Yuu's children. She was thumbing through her telephone directory the next morning in preparation to calling the friends who had wanted the babies when there was an imperative call at the door. It was Yuu-Yuu—no other cat ever talked the way she talked. Still the kittens remained a mystery—she refused to go to them while she was being watched. Mrs. Longstreet was very nearly desperate. Three days later the plants arrived, but it was a sad owner who donned garden gloves and made preparations to plant—But there, in the very deepest hole she had dug—were the Siamese babies, none the worse for wear and happy and cheerful as you please. Two of the kittens will receive very un-Siamese names. A little boy will be called Jackson—a small girl will answer to the name of Madame Perkins.

A letter by airmail came in today from Roberta Collins, Felton, Kent county, Delaware. Riberta tells me of a Tortoiseshell lady she owns who every year and sometimes twice a year decides that she must raise her family in an apartment. This is the third family she has

moved out of her nice box in the kitchen behind the stove. When Calico finds that her family are wide-a-woke—and at a walkable age—she will watch her chance to find an open door. She will then carry each small cat outside and deposit it at the foot of a large golden willow tree. When each one is safe at the foot of the tree she will climb up and up and up—until she reaches a small house built by the Collins boys some sixteen years ago. If there are any birds trespassing—she shoos them out—(never at any time has she tried to catch the birds). This all has happened so many times that now when Calico and her kittens are missing Roberta will get a ladder and bring them down. This she does quite often—especially if it is raining. Next day—they will be back again. None of the kittens has showed the slightest tendency to be a tree-dweller. Calico seems to think her removal of the kittens is a hush-hush secret.

Anne Mason, Priest River, Idaho, tells me that out there they have some very chilly weather and it is necessary to have fires in their fireplace before it is time to turn on the oil heat for the winter. The Masons possess a very handsome set of andirons for one fireplace, they are made of Swedish iron and represent a couple of Black Cats—larger than lifesize. Their black Persian Ink-Spot has decided that they are part of his family. When there is no fire, he will cuddle up to them and purr himself to sleep. Once Anne placed a large container of garden flowers in front of the fireplace. Ink Spot did not like this—he knocked them over. She thought this was an accident, but when she cleaned up and again placed the flowers on the hearth, again Ink Spot knocked them over. She watched him deliberately walk up to them and slap with his big paws. The flowers were removed, and Ink Spot again settled down with his family. Last week there was a frost, and grandfather decided he would make a fire in spite of what that dratted cat wanted. The fire was made. Inky stood and looked at it in astonishment—he wildered and confused—it was the first fire he had ever seen. He crouched and softly advanced—there was a growl—and much spitting—but the heat frightened him. Gingerly he touched one of the andirons. It was hot, so he backed away—and decided his family were against him too. If they wanted to stay there and burn—well, just let them.

Now the way they are very interested in Siamese—as well as dogs. The questions is—could they live together. The family has written me its solution. The Glen Archibalds of Sand Springs, Churchill county tell me they have the happiest animal family that ever existed.

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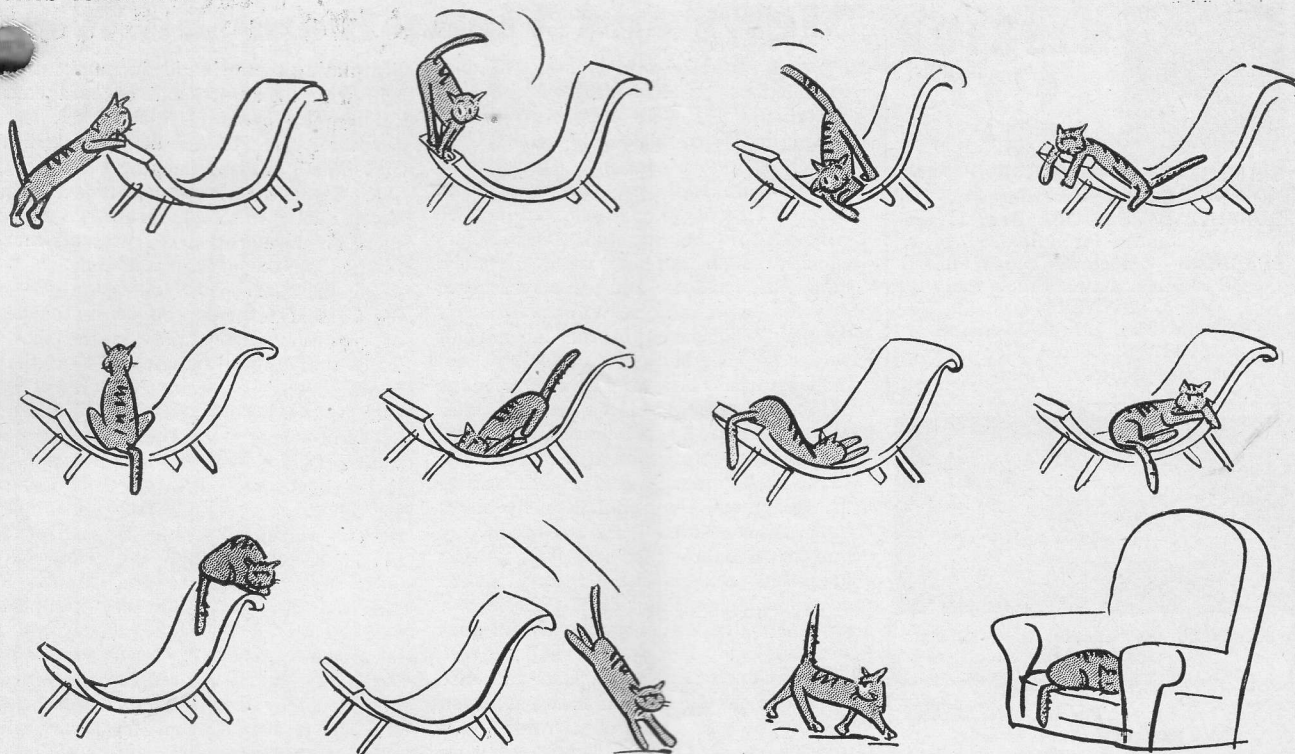
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Florence Kemmer

Sometime later they often become smoky but all this will disappear with the kitten coat and they will have more depth of color and luster than your blackest baby. Novice breeders must be very careful in making their selection of Black kittens for often the rusty Black sold for a pet far outclasses his blacker brother.

From late August on is important in the preparation of Black long hairs for the coming shows and the breeder must concentrate on the final extra care required to insure sound color and glossy coat. Taking it for granted that a cat is in good health, has recently been wormed and regularly brushed and combed, we are now ready to pluck out any dead hair that remains. This is not the difficult task it may seem to the Novice breeder, nor is it hard on the cat, if quietly and properly done. Brush and comb the coat well, combing upward from the tail to the head in order to bring the coat into an upstanding position. Place the cat on a table near a window, so that every discolored hair will show up clearly. Starting with the hump, take the dead and faded hair out gradually and evenly by grasping a few hairs between the thumb and first finger of the right hand, holding the roots against the cat's body with the left hand; a slight pull will release the dead hairs. Take particular care to remove discolored tufts from the paws.

The tail coat should be kept clean always and regularly brushed upward so the air may penetrate to the roots. If neglected, the tail goes badly off color, becomes clogged and matted and efforts to clean it result in extensive

loss of coat, which should be guarded against as it takes much longer to grow a coat on the tail than it does on the rest of the body. Body coat will grow in six months but it takes from two to three years to grow another tail coat.

Keep the ears thoroughly clean and the coat free from fleas. Both color and shape of eyes can be badly affected if the ears are not free of mites and no coat can be lustrous if infected with fleas. Black cats being conditioned for show MUST be kept in dry, clean quarters, out of fog, rain and wind, as these elements tip the new coat rusty brown as fast as it grows in. They should be kept off the damp ground as this has the same undesirable effect. An early morning sun bath on clear days is beneficial, but be sure not to leave the cat exposed to the sun after the morning hours.

No change in diet should be introduced. Decide the favorite and most easily digested food and stick to it. Change in food may upset the digestion and result in throwing the coat off color.

It is difficult to accomplish the best results with a Black cat when it is not amenable to grooming for when not, it is necessary to hold the cat and the perspiration from one's hand discolors the growing coat. It is therefore advisable for Black breeders to start grooming their kittens early and to encourage in them a willingness to go through their grooming paces without undue handling. In the show room do not allow friends to handle your Black if you plan to enter it in future shows. From the time the new coat begins to appear, up to the end of the show season, Black Long Hairs should be handled as little as possible if

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Cats Question Box

Please tell me how to get my Siamese to eat something besides kidney. Shall I starve her until she will take some meat or canned cat food? It is safe to just feed kidneys?

—M. T., Shamrock, Texas

Most authorities recommend against ever feeding cats kidneys or liver except as special treats, since once cats acquire a taste for them it is almost impossible to break them of it. You might try grinding the kidney and mixing steadily decreasing amounts of it in the food you wish to change to until you can eliminate it entirely. While some cats do live their entire lives on kidneys, your cat will look better and be healthier on a more balanced diet.

How much should I pay for a pure-bred kitten?

—Mrs. F. W. S., Norfolk, Va.

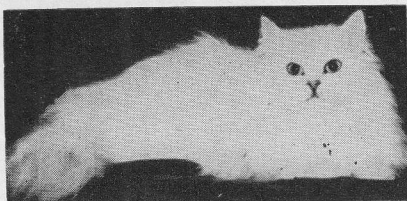
In cats, as in most other things, one usually gets about what he pays for. A reputable breeder generally sets his prices based on the show prospects of the kittens. Those who show promise will sell for as much as \$50.00 to \$150.00 and occasionally even higher, depending on bloodlines and other factors. However, one can not be too definite, for we all know of "give-away" kittens who have gone on to win show honors, but these are the rare exception. If you do not plan to exhibit your kitten, but wish it for a pet only, you can secure lovely specimens of most breeds for considerably less than is asked for the show prospects.

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Mews and Views from the West

Yes I certainly enjoyed my two days in Southern California, where Mrs. Bjerring and I were delightfully entertained by Helen Van Zele (Casa Contenta). We were greeted at the gates of this famous cattery by a two months old **BLUE CHIN**. So little, yet imbued with all of the hospitality he is surrounded with. A loud meow from a "Stout little fellow" and we were ushered into the house and served a very tasty "brunch"—at eleven in the morning it was a banquet but two hungry gals did justice to it. Then we had the privilege of inspecting the cattery and grounds. Mrs. Van Zele has a long stick to which is attached a string, and at the end of the string is a butterfly, and as she swings the "play top" she simultaneously blows a whistle. The whistle and toy to the cats represents either *food* or *play*, so she never has trouble getting them in in the evening. Helen says when she ships a kitten one of these play toys always goes with the kit.

Casa Contenta to me is Cats Paradise—I could go on and on about it; such cleanliness, such love and attention given to each cat and kitten. While we were there someone brought in a boarder, a few of which Mrs. Van Zele is accepting so that the revenue from these boarders can go to Cat Haven, to help feed some homeless cat. As we departed "Stout Fellow" waddled again to the gates to meow his Adios.

I am sure typewriters are humming, entry blanks are running up electric light bills—all in preparation for the forthcoming Cat Shows. I have had several letters asking that I comment on trophies and fund offered to the clubs for the shows. These letters state many times the person offering trophy or donation, does not come through with the trophy. This is of course embarrassing for the Club because they then have to put up the money for the trophy. Please keep a note of the trophies you offer and see that they are sent to the club in time for the show.

And speaking of shows—how about hearing a few more *congratulations* to the winners. Only one can get the top win, and it is so nice to see good sportsmanship evidenced at the shows. Give a novice exhibitor a nice send off by con-

gratulating them should they make a win with their cats, and encouragement to keep on breeding finer cats. Also I personally like to see the second, third and fourth ribbons hanging on the outside of the cages, and not tucked away because it wasn't a first. In large classes these are nice wins and represents much thought on the part of the judges.

Be sure to keep up your daily grooming so that the cats can be in the best of condition when taken to the shows, watch that stud oil on the males—Fuller's Earth dusted in every few days and brushed out should take care of this.

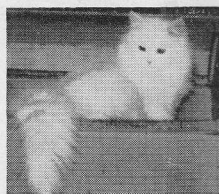
I have a note from Maida K. Pinkston stating that a new ACA club had been formed in Chico, California to be known as Tri-County Cat Club with Mrs. Robert Hare of Paradise, California, President; Mrs. Joseph Weber of Live Oak, Vice President; and Maida K. Pinkston, Secretary, and they are planning on having a show January 3-4 a show dates. She also states that Ch. Little Boy Blue Too sired some beautiful blue kitten by Ch. Rosegate's Rosabella, and that Harwood's Leilani's Desire will soon present Rosegate with some kits from Boy Blue.

Mrs. Chris M. Wilkie of Phoenix, Arizona writes asking if the Siamese Breeders in Florida have trouble with the points not darkening as they should because of the heat. Arizona folks have long been confronted with this trouble and wished they knew what they could do about it. Can anyone suggest something helpful?

A hurried note from Mr. and Mrs. Walter Krampert on their way to the Eastern shows, their first stop to be Fort Monroe, Virginia. They were happy to report Dbl. Ch. Kewalo Lei Krampert has started this year's show career early by being Best Short Hair at the Vancouver ACA show. I would certainly like to have been at the Chamberlin Hotel in Fort Monroe with them, as the invitation sent out by Mr. Brindley looked most inviting.

A note from Coreen H. Petta advising that her beautiful Chinchilla female, Imported Melanie of Allington has gone to reside with Mrs. Helen Mueller of Flagstone Cattery in San Antonio, Texas. From the picture of Melanie I am sure Mrs. Mueller will be proud of this new addition, as I myself would certainly be proud to own her.

In talking with Mrs. Lois Day I was sorry to hear of her ill health and her necessity of giving up some of her fine Siamese; however, she told me she was going to keep her lively Byne's Wu Ling of Su hi (Imp)—Sire Seal Point Petit Gitto and dam Oriental Jont. Mrs. Day states that Wu Ling is prepotent and also his dam was judged Best Vex Siamese in 1951 and given a special recognition as the Siamese with the lightest coat for age in show. Wu Ling



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affected by the personality of its owner. This is more true of cats than it is with other types of domestic pets. A cat is a sensitive and responsive creature, which will reflect more of the attention given it than will a dog. Until just a few years ago, they were regarded even by cat lovers as an aloof and independent type of pet, but since they have achieved their present popularity, all owners know that if they love their cat, their cat loves them.

We have now been able to teach Tu-Chen to roll over and to fetch, which feats she obligingly performs whenever we have company. She will bring us a ball or a rolled up bit of cellophane and drop it into our laps. She rolls over on command or whenever she thinks that it will merit her something in the way of a treat.

My husband says that she talks to him. Which peculiarity is more to be found in this breed than any other, as Siamese have a characteristic grunting noise that they make when they are either inordinately pleased, or puzzled. It is a hard sound to describe, as it is somewhat between a meow, and a purr. We fondly assure him that she speaks, and we sort of hope too, that perhaps she does. I know that if she could, and could express her wishes, we would surely grant them, because she has been a source of pleasure to all of us. We love her, and wish that

every pet owner could feel the little tugging at their heart strings that we feel at her little black nose peering into the bed in the morning. Or the joy out of knowing that she does not want us separated. She simply cannot understand my husband going into his basement work-shop, and my remaining upstairs. She travels between the upper and lower floors mewing until we are both either upstairs or in the basement. If one of us is out for the evening, she is unhappy, but however if both of us are out she seems to feel that we are together, and our baby sitter tell us that she listens whenever a car passes the house to see if it turns in at the drive. When we do arrive home she greets us as effusively as any dog I have ever known.

I think that when I first saw Tu-Chen, I almost visualized the reward that we would receive for wanting her and loving her. My only wish is that all cat lovers will receive the same reward for the care and kind treatment that they lavish on their cats, be they Russian Blue, Persian, Siamese, Manx, Burmese, Abyssinian, or just plain Puss. We love 'em. Don't you??

CATS GEOGRAPHY

<i>Blue Point, N. Y.</i>	<i>Mousie, Ky.</i>
<i>Cat Spring, Texas</i>	<i>Paw Paw, Mich.</i>
<i>Chinchilla, Pa.</i>	<i>Sand Patch, Pa.</i>
<i>Kitsap, Wash.</i>	<i>Toms River, N. J.</i>

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CAT TAILS

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Lorane has a beautiful Blue Point Siamese named Annabelle Lee, Bobby her brother has an Airdale that he calls Buckshot. When Annabelle Lee has a litter of kittens, she will carry them outside to Buckie's house, and he will admire them to her hearts content—but only for so long. Then he will help her carry them back to their proper box on the back porch. Annabelle Lee will let him help take them back but Bucky takes the whole head of the kitten in his mouth when he carries them—(my goodness what would happen if he decided to bite!!!)

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IN KOREA My schedule did not permit me to examine the 28 orphanages in which CCF assist Korean children. There is only ugliness and misery in Korea. Wandering refugees, little ragged children, destroyed homes. There is hardly a family broken, fathers taken prisoner or shot, mothers abused and carried off or left dead behind a broken wall. A destroyed country of rubble, rags, disease, hunger and human misery.

IN JAPAN in the Elizabeth Saunders Home for GI babies, deserted by their Ameri-

can fathers, and 18 other CCF orphanages, all overcrowded.

IN GERMANY where I saw some of the several million people who are refugees in their own country. Those who escaped from East Germany won their freedom at great cost. Few families escaped intact. Children, parents, wives and husbands shot down or dragged off to labor camps. Those who escaped are destitute. They can't find work and have inadequate food and shelter. The sick little children of India, the wandering orphans of Korea, that flaxen haired German miss, who saw her father killed, does God charge me with their plight? I have returned from overseas with the realization that the Communists care enough to make very successful capital of democracy's failures and with the strong conviction that we Americans can not close our eyes or stop our ears to the cry of a hungry child anywhere in the world—black, brown, yellow or white. The hungry children of the world are more dangerous to us than the atom bomb.

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In Barcelona, Spain, recently, a cat climbed in a mail bag for a snooze, and woke up in Gibraltar—625 miles away—rested, no doubt, but a little bewildered. And in Cleveland, Ohio, the Railway Express night dispatcher, John Patrick, thought he was dreaming when he saw the bill of lading on a shipment from Watertown, N. Y., to Los Angeles, Calif. It called for one large brown cat (value \$50.00) and one small mouse (no value)! But a look inside the box proved he was awake; there were cat and mouse friendly as can be. Mr. Patrick is sure they were both in the cage when they got to Frank R. Sungo to whom they were addressed, but he can't help wondering if the mouse was still riding outside or whether the cat had provided him snugger quarters on the way. "The cat didn't look too awfully hungry," said Mr. Patrick, "but I gave him an extra can of cat food just in case."

Mrs. Charney's pen's been pretty active again we see from clippings that have arrived from all over the country. A man who refused to give the citizens of Illinois the privilege of shooting any and all cats found at large, hardly can be trusted to crack down on the self-seeking cat lovers of America who are (so Charney says) ruining the country by letting each of their cats eat one thousand dollars' worth (Gertie's figure) of birds per year. Why we wonder, do editors print such rubbish. It looks harmless, of course, but California and Illinois show how dangerous such crooked thinking can be. A few more fanatics—a less objective-minded governor—and to dart into the streets or fields of Illinois might today be sure death to cats while their owners sat helpless and while mice and rats bred uncontrolled by what has always been their great natural deterrent. Individual opinions of individual readers fit rightly, we think, in a local newspaper's *Letters to the Editor* column, but we question the propriety of any editor's giving such valuable space free to organized propaganda sent out on a wholesale basis by any partisan group.

While we're on politics, here's a note from Mrs. Martha Schmelter, cat lover of Milwaukee, Wisconsin, who tells us that her handsome husband Paul (his

picture was enclosed) is running as Congressman from the 4th Congressional District. Mr. Schmelter is a Republican. He agrees to fight for world peace and good government, and although his card doesn't say so, we think we can count on his vote, too, in case those Charney forces do get out of control.

Too late last month, we noticed that Mrs. Miles' signature had been left off "Mews and Views". Our old readers, we know, recognized her just the same, but we're sorry if we left any of you newcomers wondering just whose leg that was "*Hasta-ing La Vista!*"

Best wishes to T. F. Wright who tells us that his pet remedy laboratory has just moved into its own brand new building in Ramona, California. More and more people he says are finding out "you can't go wrong with Wright".

Perhaps some of you other readers will want to add to the *Cats Geography*, page 25, that Roger Goldworthy sent in.

Minnie, a nicely marked gray and white cat made the front page of the New York Herald Tribune (with a three column picture, too) on August 10th. Why? Why for simply following the very sensible course of walking, when her kittens were due to be born, into the emergency room of the big Roosevelt Hospital on Ninth Avenue and 59th street. "Minnie," the HT says, "walked resolutely in the room. She paused at the admitting desk, returned the stares of several inquisitive attendants, circled the room to a spot in front of the emergency nurses' station and gave birth to quintuplets. 'She made a beautiful delivery', the hospital announced reserving a bow for Dr. William Close and Nurse Betty Linden who remained in attendance."

Minnie lived at the Cozy Corner Food Shop across the street from the Hospital, and when her owner, Mildred Pierce, came to call her, the hospital night staff could not let her go—pleading lack of discharge papers. Worried, Mrs. Pierce secured a summons to force her release and that of the kittens. It all ended happily, though—the hospital saying it was all a misunderstanding, and Minnie is back home now with her family enjoying an uneventful convalescence.

MEWS & VIEWS

was imported from Mrs. Phyllis Gill of Suffolk, England.

I received a phone call recently from Donald Mushalko of McKeesport, Pennsylvania while he was visiting out here, and I was sorry that he did not have the time to visit with me. He stated he enjoyed this column very much. Donald is attending Carnegie Tech in Pittsburgh. Before he left Los Angeles he purchased a black kitten TONTO, breeder (Whittier (ACA Judge) which later

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Best Opp. Black kitten in Long Beach show in August, and TONTO will be introduced to Donald's Seal Point family when he gets home.

Good luck to all in the shows this year.

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