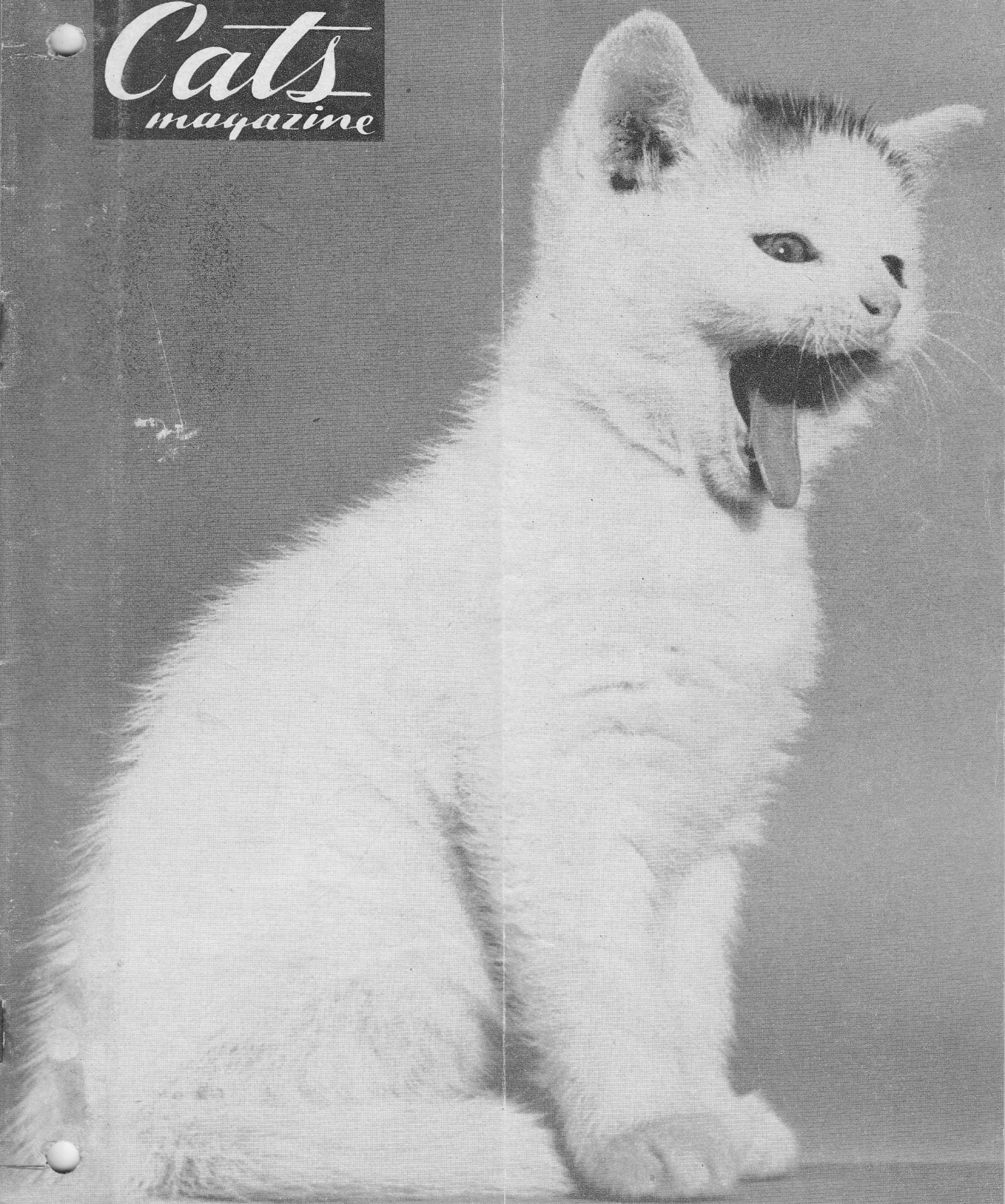


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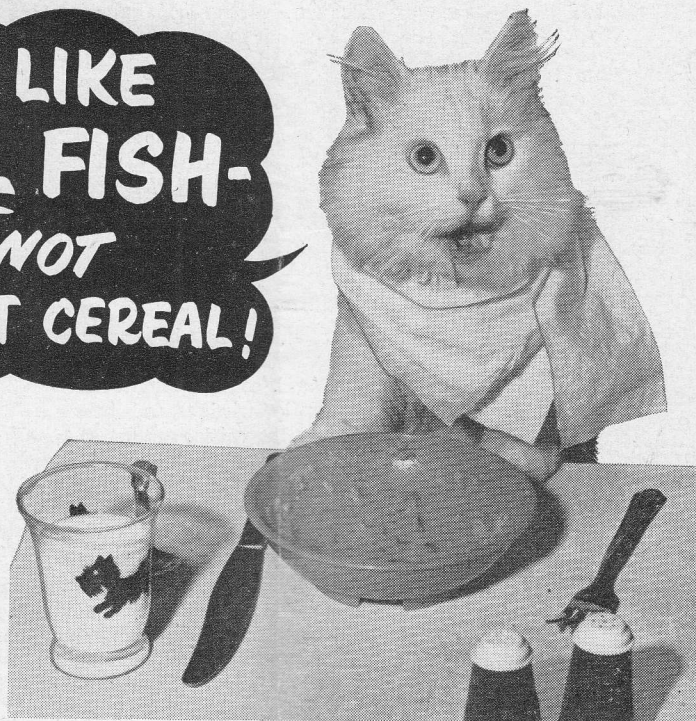
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"THUMB-SUCKING" HABIT

Dear Editors:

I have read of so many cute tricks and seen so many cute pictures of cats in your magazine that I thought I would write and tell you about mine.

I have a five months old Shaded Silver male kitten (son of Sari's Beau Geste—All-Eastern Shaded Silver 1954) who actually sucks his thumb. No one will believe me when I tell them this. They all think I am exaggerating until they see for themselves. Whenever I sit down he climbs into my lap, curls up and as soon as I start to pet him he sucks his toe on his left foot, just like a baby sucking its thumb, and goes to sleep. If something disturbs him and he awakens he starts to suck his "thumb" again to go back to sleep. He really makes quite a noise sucking. It is the cutest thing.

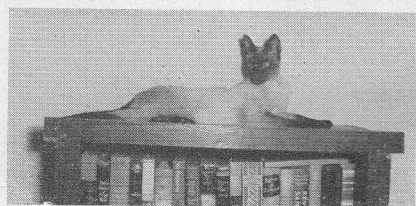
His sister also has a cute trick, sometimes when she lays on the floor she stretches her hind legs out on the side and is flat on her stomach looking like a leopard skin rug.

I was wondering if these could be habits they might have inherited from some ancestor or are they just something of their own. A friend of mine who breeds cats told me she had never seen one suck its thumb before or even heard of it, but that she did know that the grandfather of the kittens laid like a rug and everyone remarked about it.

It would be interesting to hear if anyone else had ever had this happen.

I also would like to tell you that my fifteen year old daughter who loves cats read about the English girl who also loves them and is going to write to her.

(Mrs.) Jennie C. Saunders
50 E. Merchant St.,
Audubon, N. J.



THANKS FOR HELP

Dear Editors:

As a relative new comer to the Cat Fancy, you might want to read my "two cents worth." First of all, I'd like to express my unending gratitude to the many breeders who have gone out of their way time and again to help me and advise me, doing it just out of kindness and expecting nothing in return. Everyone of them is extremely busy, but yet they are always ready to offer their hard-earned knowledge to someone who is sincerely interested.

Two years ago I had my first experience in exhibiting at the Eureka, California, show. While my own beloved Siamese didn't make much of a showing (none at all, in fact), I have never be-

fore or since enjoyed myself quite so much. Breeders, judges, everyone there, were wonderful and explained all that went on to me and other total strangers. Because of the marvelous help and encouragement I received, I think I may have a better chance this year. (I'm enclosing a picture of one of the young Siamese males I plan to show. I am very proud of him for I raised him myself.)

But, whether my cats are in the running or not, I look forward to a most pleasant time attending the show and assisting in any way that I can. Only after taking part oneself, can a person realize the hard work, knowledge, and heartache that go into the raising of fine cats of any breed, and the feeling of well-earned triumph when finally a cat or kitten does take the winner's ribbon.

My advice to the beginner is this: Don't go shopping for bargains! Do look up a reliable breeder and trust that breeder's judgment. Keep an open mind and don't expect an easy win—work for it! Don't think, though, that a cattery must take all of your time. Many breeders work for a living, and I have four small children which are rather time-consuming, too.

(Mrs.) Rose Peck

335 Maple Ave.
Monteca, Calif.

SIAMESE HOOKED RUG?

Dear Editors:

We enjoy everything about CATS magazine very much. I have sent for many articles through the magazine that I would have been unable to get anywhere else.

One thing I would like to have, and perhaps one of my fellow-subscribers can help me, is a pattern of a hooked rug with a Siamese mother and kittens. I'd greatly appreciate learning if anything of this kind is made.

Betty Marquis

2954 Hope St.
Huntington Park, Calif.

BOUQUET FOR BLANCHE

Dear Editors:

For the "Oldie" breeders, let me say that we, too, thoroughly enjoy the writings of Blanche Wolfram. I am sure that they are most enlightening to the Novices, and if we are truly cat minded, we will all be open to any worthwhile new methods. It must take courage to write for a national magazine like CATS, and one must take the bull by the horns to do it.

Mrs. Wolfram's title does give her a little leeway in case all breeders do not completely agree with her, but it is my opinion that novices and seniors alike will well stand to profit from her writings.

Yours in the Fancy
(Mrs.) Naomi Favors

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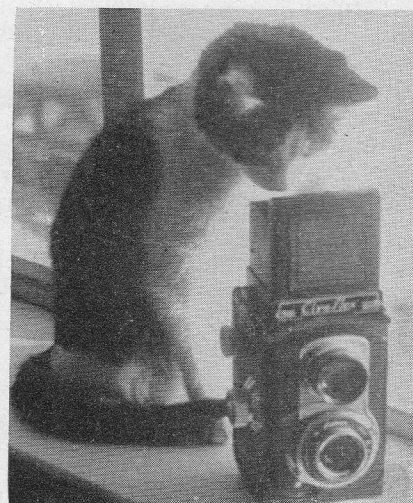
COVER—OCTOBER P.O.M.

What a beautiful set of tonsils! But then this kit is pretty cute all over. At least that's what the judges thought in giving this month's \$25.00 U.S. Bond to Mrs. H. Wehrich of 275 Davidson Avenue, Buffalo 15, N.Y., and the Editors of CATS and Mrs. Wehrich, herself, of course, thoroughly agree.

This carefully posed and accurately timed photo was taken with Mrs. Wehrich's new Hasselblad, a fine Swedish camera which is rapidly gaining popularity, and it's the fifth of this year's ten prize-winners to go to a feminine photographer.

The Picture of the Month contest, sponsored by the makers of Three Little Kittens Cat Food and CATS Magazine is open to every photographer, but time for the 1954 series is short with entry deadline set at December 1st. All pictures should be mailed in promptly to be sure of consideration for the 1954 Cat of the Year \$100 Bond Grand Prize.

FELINE FOTOGRAFER



Dear Editors:

All cats are curious, of course, but our Cozy is right at the top in the snapping class. Here we've caught her waving us through the ground class of our reflex camera.

Dr. Solomon Goldhirsch

71-11 Austin Street
Forest Hills, N. Y.

N.Y.'S ORPHANS GET A BREAK

by Jeannette and Louis Bailey

Cats very seldom meet with a lukewarm reception. They are either loved or loathed; but they really got a break 14 years ago when Miss Alice Manchester established the country's first and still its only chartered kitten orphanage in New York's Greenwich Village. The orphanage is an off-shoot of the Greenwich Village Humane League which Miss Manchester also founded and the interest she has aroused is such that the kittens are supported by no less illustrious patrons than Faye Emerson, Jimmy Durante, Margaret Truman, the James Masons, and the vice-president of the League—Gypsy Rose Lee.

The gaily decorated bright green orphanage is fronted by a plate glass window. Each day dozens of passers-by stop to watch the kittens cavorting in their house. Small fry use a ladder to gaze at the kittens crashing up and down the stairs, playing hide-and-seek, peering out of the windows, or swinging in the pink and blue swings and rockers before the house.

In a corner of the window is a small slot for donations which vary from 38c to \$4.00 a day, and these kittens eat! Last year an average of 50 kittens cared for weekly by the orphanage gobbled up \$780 worth of food.

Miss Manchester's main interest is in seeing that the right kittens and people get together. She will not allow kittens for adoption by business girls, single men, working couples or children younger than five. Children always have to demonstrate to Miss Manchester that they know how to handle young animals.

In return, prospective owners are assured of a healthy, well-adjusted pet, and if he has been a denizen of the kitten haven long, he will be paper-trained. What's more, an orphanage kitten will receive free medical care at the orphanage for life.

There are a few people who don't like the rules for adoption like the man who brought in a burlap sack and demanded nine kittens. Miss Manchester verbally threw him out.

Sometimes parents cause Miss Manchester dismay like the woman who wanted a kitten for the summer which she planned to abandon when the family went away in the fall. Miss Manchester refused and the woman asked, "Who will my children play with during vacation?" "Play with them yourself," retorted Miss Manchester.

To date the 68-year-old benefactress estimates that 1400 kittens have received proper homes, and interest in her work is becoming international. Recently, Miss Manchester received a letter from Berlin, Germany, from a group of citizens who wanted her advice on setting up a similar orphanage in their city.

Miss Manchester welcomes new arrival with family of eight.



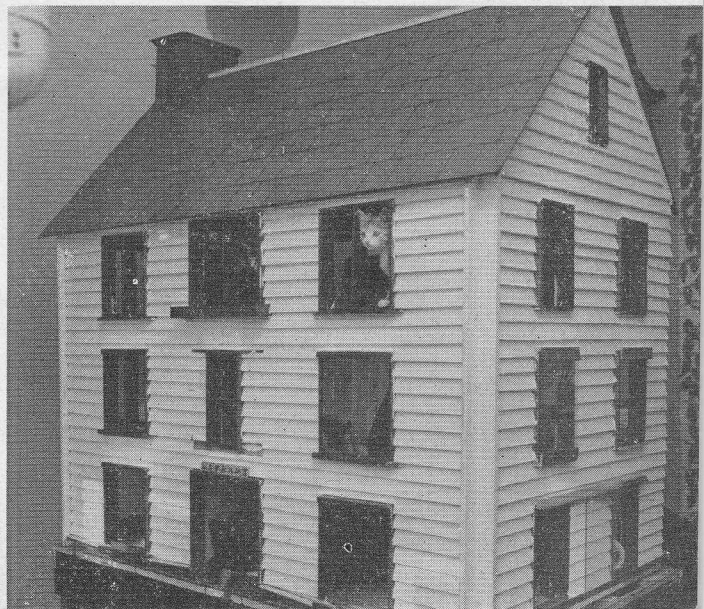
A prospective group of foster parents observe their future charges through the window. Slot for donations is on right.

Below: Closer view of the playskool—one of many quiet corners provided for play and rest.



Kitten enjoys toy swing. Coins are donations from passers-by.

Dollhouse below was contributed by a wealthy patron. Worth \$500, it contains furniture built to scale—even a miniature piano for "hep" cats.



FEWLINES 'BOUT FELINES

Collected by ANNE METCALF

GOLDEN CAT

Plume curled over his tawny head,
Paws tucked, so demure;
When he sleeps in the garden bed
One never can be quite sure
If it is Omar, overcome
By ennui — or a chrysanthemum,
Till bending, ever so cautiously,
One hears the sound of his purr—
The rumble of organ music in
A ball of yellow fur!

—Marion Doyle

PROGRESS IS SLOW

I am much concerned about the way
the ordinary family cat is treated. In
too many households the cat is releg-
ated to the shed and yards, or, if al-
lowed in the home at all, is never fed
or petted, and is railed against as a
thief. Worse yet are those homes where
growing children are allowed to abuse
and torment the cat for amusement.

Concerning Cats, by Helen M.
Winslow, published 1900.

FEIGNING FLUFFY

Cradled in the bend of my arm like a
baby,

Fluffy lies fast asleep,
Her tail like a plume spread over her
stomach

And her breathing even and deep.
I can't resist touching her little fore-
paws,

So soft and folded so neatly;
But she only flickers her closed eyelids
And twitches her feelers discreetly.
Sometimes I'm suspicious that Fluffy
feigns sleep

To win some extra affection,
But I love her the more for wanting
my love—

Although it be won by deception.

—Bessie Gladding

A beautiful cat is a very beautiful
animal. Anatomists tell us that no ani-
mal possesses a body better fitted for
its special purpose or with greater
strength in proportion to its weight. To
bring such a creature to its highest
state of physical beauty is therefore a
worthy object.

Concerning Cats

HALLOWE'EN CAT

Where are you going, Hallowe'en Cat?
Creeping along so sleek and fat,
In the hedge's shadow you crouch to
wait

Still as a pebble while the night grows
late.

(Hallowe'en Cat, do you wait her call
The Witch on her broomstick, skinny
and tall)

Eyes as bright as a candle flame
In your soot-black face. Will she call
your name?

Will she take you up on her stubby
broom,

Over the housetops mount and zoom?
(Over the housetops ride all night
Bringing you back with the day's first
light?)

—Luella Bender Carr

NO MOUSER, MAX

Our cat gives us a yellow stare
As he comes from the yard,
Just when our ice-box would be bare
And we caught off our guard.
We try to coax his appetite
With margarine and bread,
But Max won't eat a single bite,
He wants his meat instead.
The rain beats on our cozy house,
The weather makes us shiver—
But Max has never caught a mouse,
So, out we go for liver!

—Orian DePledge

KITTEN AND THE TYPEWRITER

By Lorraine Good

The kitten helped me type today
By stepping on the keys,
And in her own sweet, little way
She tried her best to please.
At first, she simply watched awhile
With sharp, observing eyes,
And then she smiled a wicked smile
Some mischief to devise.
With curiosity and pride
She peered at the machine,
Her whiskers bobbed on either side
As she reviewed the scene.
And then, quite daintily she placed
Two paws upon the keys,
She tapped a few, and quickly spaced,
Then took time out to sneeze.
The pounding on the paper had
Intrigued her without doubt,
And when the keys piled up like mad,
She poked her nose right out
Because she simply had to see
Exactly how it goes,
But gee! Was she surprised to be
Typewritten on her nose!

TO A BELOVED SIAMESE CAT

Sometime . . . when I can trust my
heart to beauty,
I'll pen a sonnet to your heavenly
eyes,
That I have matched against the
deepest sapphires,
And bluebird wings, and fair October
skies.

Sometime . . . when I can look be-
yond these teardrops,
I'll see you bounding toward me,
down the lane;
And though it be your shadowy self,
I'll hurry

To catch you close and warm my
breast again.

Sometime . . . sometime, I'll smile as
I remember

That funny purr I loved—but not
today!

It is too soon . . . a ball of yarn, un-
ravelled . . .

Just give me time—a little time, I
pray.

—M. Kathleen Haley

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TOMMY CAT SPEAKS

On Sunday

The family went to church. Since I'm
Opposed to dogmatism,
I'll cuddle on this brand new couch
And purr my catechism.

—Roberta Stiles Davieau

TO A CAT AT NIGHT

Why did you stand and stare, just now,
At the darkened square the window made
Before I stirred the lagging fire
And shivered as I drew the shade?
Was it only the witches making tea
In the window there, on their borrowed
flame

Or was it something that rode the wind
And whispered to you its goblin name?
Fold your paws on the firelit hearth;
There's nothing there in the draughty
hall.

The wind and the rain are shut outside—
Nothing stirred—nothing at all.
The birch log crackles and burns apace
The bark curls over, the long flames
rise.

What do you hear in the windy flue?
What do you see with your jewel eyes?

—Silence Buck Bellows,
contributed by Guy Bogart

MY CAT

What hunter shot my calico?
In fright she stumbled home to me
With halting movement pained and slow,
Her eyes beseeching sympathy.
No friendly soul could help but see
Her velvet paws, her coat aglow
With colors meant for pageantry,
Why did he shoot my calico?

—Mary Hickman

GLOBAL PROBLEMS

Swirl and Swish
Were our goldfish.
Mitty was our kitty.
They met.
She et.

From the Chicago Tribune,
contributed by Robert Veitch

CATastrophe

Timid, he shuns the day—
To sleep in his favorite chair;
Then, with a roguish air,
He scampers his dark way
Trusting perception's lack,
Himself so black;
But he cannot vision
How the gleam of his great eyes brights
The road—like auto lights
Fronting the late pedestrian
Imbued with superstition
Vain for cat or man!
Rudely disturbed in mind,
One strides on noisily,
The other stealthily
Pads a sure path to find
His own diminutive door
And safe bed once more.

—Bessie Pryor Palmer

TIPS TO THE NOVICE FROM A NOVICE

Kitten Care from Birth to Weaning — by Blanche Wolfram

Raising kittens is fun. What can be more appealing than a little powder puff of fur with two bright shining eyes and a pert little nose. The cute tiny mouth seems to be always laughing and there is a tinkle in its voice. The joy and excitement created by kittens at play adds much pleasure to a home on long evenings. Hour after hour can be spent joining in their games, for, who can resist a kitten's invitation to play; and all they ask of us is that we keep them healthy and happy. It is the hope of this writer that the present article will, in some small way, help provide for them the best of care.

The July issue of CATS Magazine carried under the heading "*Tips to the Novice From a Novice*", information on being a "midwife to your cat." This article is intended to carry on from the place where that discussion ended.

A mother cat will probably do a good job of rearing her babies. However, there are several things which you will be required to do. When a cat becomes a mother for the first time she is apt to be awkward about certain things and must be given greater attention to insure adequate care for the new kits; but as she grows older and has succeeding litters her knowledge will be increased and the extra care you afforded her the first time will always be remembered.

Be especially careful that the nipples of the new mother are all cleared of hair and clean, this is of extra importance in long-haired cats. The fur around the breasts should be trimmed so that the kittens can easily find the nipples to suckle on. Also, if the fur should mat it could easily cause a bealing breast. Gentle squeezing of the nipples will cause the milk to flow and this will enable you to know that the mother is able to nurse her kittens. Generally speaking, a nursing mother is well able to feed her kittens, but if you should notice that one is not gaining weight as rapidly as the others you can make sure it is fed more often by the mother or you can supplement its nursing by giving it a freshly prepared solution of Olac, a commercial product for infant feeding. In this instance, mix one level tablespoon of Olac with one and one-half ounces of warm water. Feed this slowly by means of a medicine dropper using your judgment as to how much the kitten is able to take. Be sure to hold the kit in a position so that the liquid does not enter the lungs and cause strangulation—allow it to lie in its normal feeding position.

Every now and then an orphan kitten comes along either because its mother has died or has had no milk with which to feed it. Here again the Olac mixture can readily be used with favorable results. This becomes a tough assignment for the youngster must be fed every two hours both day and night, but for anyone who loves their cats it is easy to adapt one-

self to the rigid schedule and full reward comes when the kitten assumes a regular solid diet and takes its place along with the other kittens in the cattery.

During the time the mother is nursing the kittens, extra attention should be given to her diet to insure that she has enough milk for those ever-hungry "younguns" and yet maintains the status of a healthy cat.

Kittens are a tremendous drain on a mother's physical resources, so extra nourishment must be supplied. To your present basic food—raw or cooked horse-meat, or canned fish-base or meat-base cat food—should be added small amounts of cereal supplements such as Pabulum Mixed Cereal, Instant Ralston or Shredded Wheat. To top off the meal, add extra Vitamins and Minerals such as Pervinal, Vionate or Shur-Gain. Any of the preparations advertised in CATS are outstanding—use the ones your cat likes best, following directions as given by the manufacturer. If you feed raw fresh-frozen horse meat, which is this writer's choice, be sure that it is thawed out before being offered to your mother cat. (Never feed anything cold, for it will cause the cat to regurgitate its food; have it at least at room temperature.) Never feed raw fish—use canned fish or fish products, or see to it that fresh fish if given is thoroughly cooked.

Whatever your basic food, remember that cats, like people, appreciate variety in the taste of their regular diet. This can easily be achieved by substituting canned foods for horsemeat occasionally, or horsemeat for canned foods, as the case may be, or by once in a while adding a tablespoon of ground liver or kidney to the regular food. Many cats like Brewers yeast; sprinkle from a shaker finely ground yeast into the food mix. This adds zest to the food. Powdered bone meal (such as Upjohn Bone Phosphate-Purified) is rich in calcium and phosphorous and may also be added to the food. This too can be sprinkled on it from a shaker. Some vegetable greens that have been cooked and mashed can be added. Cats cannot digest starches too well so vegetables must be prepared in this manner to make them easily digestible. Never give raw vegetables or pork. This is a well balanced diet and the meals can be greatly varied from all this and it will make your cat very happy. The little mother will need lots of water for milk so see that fresh water is always available to her. If the cat is used to milk, she can be given this between meals, not with meals. Be sure to feed her at least three times a day as much as she wants to eat, and, remember, the larger the family the more she will need.

Next to the feeding of the kittens in importance comes the matter of waste elimination. As the kits are happily sucking away you have often noticed that the mother is busily cleaning them and

especially the rear portion of them more than any other part. She does not necessarily think that the kittens are dirty and thus are in need of a bath, she is doing important work because the excretory organs function only when they are stimulated. This is a function that the kittens cannot do for themselves and if it is neglected they will soon die. If the mother does not know how to do this (especially new mothers), take a small piece of cotton and rub the organs gently. A small discharge will appear. When you see this, place the part of the kitten to the mother's nose and her instinctive nature of cleaning or stimulating this area will take hold. In this way the mother is taught or instinct is aroused as to how to take care of the kits and she will do so from then on. If the kittens are left motherless you will have to take it upon yourself to see that they are not only fed regularly but that this little chore of excretory stimulation is done at least three times a day, or after each feeding.

We in the human world take great sport in kidding one another about being clumsy or awkward at various times. Well, in this respect, cats are no different. With this in mind, another thing to watch for is that a mother cat does not suddenly take a notion to use a little kitten for a pillow or back support of some kind. This occasionally happens and when it does the kitten will surely let everybody know about it. Help the kitten out of this precarious predicament and in a few days the mother will learn how to curl up around her charges without smothering them with her frame. Then, too, a kitten sometimes get that wandering itch early in life and finds itself far away from the mother on the other side of the cage. When this happens just send the little one home with stern words not to try his wings at this early age.

The eyelids of the kitten will be closed at birth and will not open until about nine days have passed. This is entirely natural so do not attempt to see what is under them until nature has taken its course and they open on their own account. If at ten days they are not altogether open, some help can be afforded by taking a piece of cotton, wetting it in warm water that has previously been boiled, and moistening the eyelids. Then gently massage them with your clean fingers and try spreading them carefully. They will open and the kitten will see for the first time. With another piece of dry cotton remove the excess water. For several days following their initial opening the eyelids may have a tendency to stick together at different times. If this should happen to one of your kits, add a little boric powder to the water and open them again. If infection should set in and pus form, your Veterinarian can give you a prescription for Veterinarian Aureomycin for udder infusion by Lederle Laboratories. This comes in a

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HIS EXCELLENCY, THE CAT OF DAPURI

During my thirty-five years in the Indian Army I heard many strange stories, natural and supernatural. Of them all my favourite is the one about the Governor and the Cat. Here it is — told straight, for it needs no embellishment.

Sir Robert Grant, Governor of Bombay under the East India Company, died of apoplexy in his official residence, Government House at Dapuri, near Poona the summer capital of his province, on July 9, 1838. Twenty-five years later another expatriate Scot, a Colonel Gordon, was serving on the army staff at Poona. Another forty years after that, as General Sir Thomas E. Gordon, he published his autobiography and in it he told the following tale.

As brigade-major it came to Gordon's

notice that throughout the previous quarter century the written orders for the military guard at Government House had been supplemented by a verbal clause which had been regularly handed on from one guard to another, on relief, to the effect that any cat passing out of the front door after dark was to be regarded as His Excellency the Governor, and must be saluted accordingly—that is, the sentry on duty must "present arms".

Inquiry revealed an extraordinary tradition. On the evening that Sir Robert Grant died a cat was seen to leave the house and walk up and down a particular pathway in the garden, in exactly the manner and on the identical spot where Grant had been in the habit of strolling to take the air after the hot sun had set

and his labours were done. An Indian sepoy on sentry-go saw the animal and told his comrades. Discussing it, one of them raised the topic of transmigration of souls—a belief widely held in the orient—and after due debate the soldiers on guard came to the conclusion that it was a clear case of "Governor into Cat."

But the rambling mansion with its labyrinth of outhouses and servants' quarters gave shelter to a whole host of cats, and no one could be sure exactly which one of the feline multitude had walked out of the front door on the crucial evening. So to be on the safe side it was decided by the conference that every cat coming out of the main entrance after sunset was (in Gordon's words) "to be regarded as the tabernacle of the Governor's soul, and to be treated with due respect and all proper honours." This convention was accepted and obeyed by every sentry with the same faithfulness as were official written orders.

When in 1863 the practice came to the ears of the English officers, the guard was supplied in alternate weeks by each of the two sepoy battalions of the Poona garrison. Gordon brought his discovery to the notice or the two battalion commanders, more as a quaint survival than as a matter of military import. One of the colonels, a man "of sympathetic temperament and calm judgment," said he would laugh his men out of the custom. The other, "impetuous and arbitrary, a rigid disciplinarian and a severe commander," intimated that he would order his troops to desist from such folly. Parading his subedars (native lieutenants) he told them they must refuse to recognize and pass on the Cat Order, on pain of court-martial.

But as soon as the guard from the martinet's battalion returned from its next turn of duty at Government House, the subedar in command of the guard had to admit that he had too much respect for the Cat to fail to have it paid the time-honoured compliments, even though he jeopardised his commission and his pension by disobeying his colonel's command. The subedar was placed in arrest and the colonel asked for a court-martial on him; but the brigadier-general intervened, ordered the subedar's release, and counselled the colonel to bear "more patiently and gently with simple superstition."

Two years later a new Government House on a different site replaced the Dapuri mansion, but until the glory departed the Cat doubtless continued to receive full gubernatorial recognition.

by
Brigadier Humphry Bullock

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WITCHES' NIGHT

by Elizabeth Dengel

Sammy hurried along the darkened street, glancing furtively from left to right. The autumn wind scattered dying leaves in all directions. Night had just fallen. Sounds of voices were caught up in the air and carried along on the current of the breeze. The street lights threw ghostly shadows across deserted lawns, but Sammy found some comfort in keeping within their dim glow. With pounding heart he darted from one light to another, stopping for rest under each lamp post and listening with bated breath to banshee wails and running feet. Somewhere nearby a door slammed and shouts and cries now filled the air. Sammy ran faster, but hurrying footsteps seemed to follow him. He darted in back of a big syringa bush to hide until the footsteps passed. This was no night for a five-year-old to be out alone.

Not too far away there was the sound of breaking glass. Sammy longed to investigate but decided against it when he heard angry voices and thudding feet. Better keep away from trouble tonight! Some impulse urged him homeward. Besides, Sammy was getting hungry. He knew there would be fried chicken for supper. Anticipation quickened his pace along the sparsely settled street. He raced for two whole blocks and then had to stop for breath. The houses with their lighted windows resembled grotesque, grinning giants, ready to gobble him up. Sammy was glad that he was nearly home.

He started on again. The empty feeling in his stomach grew more intense with each step and his legs ached with the effort of hurrying. Worst of all was the solid blackness of the night. If only there were a friendly moon to wink at him he would have felt some comfort. He took a backward glance and saw only the grinning giants and a few moving shapes. Instinct again told him to hurry.

Sammy was not usually timid. He had been out alone at night many times before. However, there was something about this night that terrified him. Somewhere in the distance he heard the howling of a dog. Prickles stole up and down his spine. Suddenly, he stopped short. Something cold and wet had hit him on the nose. He shivered. It was a few seconds before he realized that it was only a drop of rain.

Sammy started on again as fast as his little legs could carry him. Now he was abreast of Baker's cornfield. Here the street lights were very weak. The wind swirled the leaves all about him. The drying corn stalks shook and rattled as he passed. Sammy caught his breath. Had the scarecrow in the cornfield come to life? It waved at him with a very human gesture and even seemed to tip its hat and bow. Sammy didn't wait to exchange greetings but scampered on toward home and safety. Just as he was crossing the dimly lighted street something shadowy scurried across his path and pulled him

up short. It was seconds before he realized that it was only Baker's tom cat. Sammy's breath exploded in a great sigh of relief. He was not afraid of Baker's Tom. He even called out to it, but the cat slunk swiftly into the shadows. With the welcome lights of home confronting him now, Sammy made a mad dash for his own back porch and called loudly for someone to open the door.

As Sammy entered the cozy, warm kitchen and smelled the savory, frying

chicken, he thanked his lucky star that he had made it safely. Now it came to him why this night had seemed so terrifying, so different from the others. This was the night when ghosts came to life and banshees wailed. This was the night when witches went abroad, riding their broomsticks through the thick, black air, searching for owls and little black cats. This was the night he should have stayed at home. For this was Halloween, and Sammy himself was a little, black cat.

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A HELPFUL CLERKING SYSTEM FOR CAT SHOWS

by

Bonnie and Dick Birkett

Now that our modern shows have grown so large, clerking has become even more important than in the past. Efficient clerking can do much to speed up a lagging show—bungling the job can add hours to the judging. Even the finest judges sometimes become so wrapped up in their judging that they forget momentarily just which class is coming next. An efficient clerk should be ready at all times to furnish any mechanical information desired by the judge, such as—is there a Blue Eyed White female champion present, or is the judge now ready to pick her Best of Color.

A clerk must never become so engrossed in marking catalogs or dating ribbons that she loses track of where the judge is mechanically. Rosettes, trophies and ribbons should be arranged beforehand if possible so that awards for each class are ready and waiting for the judge's signature—not in her way, but where she can easily reach them.

In trying to speed up our large Western Shows where the entry for an All Breed is usually from 200 to 300 and sometimes more, we have evolved a chart system which has proved itself a great help in actual practice. A clerk needs only a rudimentary knowledge of show procedure to use this chart, and when it is completed, it tells both the clerk and the judge at a glance which cats are eligible to be called back for Divisional and Final Awards.

The need for such a clerking chart became apparent to us while clerking

COLOR CLASS	KITTEN		NOVICE		OPEN		CHAMPION		BEST OF COLOR		BEST OF COLOR, OPP.	
	M	F	M	F	M	F	M	F	M	F	M	F
SOLID COLORS												
BLUE EYED WHITE	2				51		51A	52A	51		52	
GOLDEN EYED WHITE	3				52				52			
CREAM	12				57	98			98		97	
BLACK	8				67	75			76		67	
BLUE	10				80	92			85	95	85	92
RED	14				106	108			109		106	
PEKE FACE RED					110	111			110		111	
SILVERS												
SILVER	5				65		56	59	56		59	
SHADED SILVER	7				61	65	63	66	66		63	
SILVER TABBY					99	100	105	105A	100		99	
SMOKE					102	101			101		102	
TABBY & TORTIE							111A	111B	111B		111A	
RED TABBY					113				111			
TORTOISESHELL	16				114				115			
BLUE CREAM	19											
SHORT HAIRS					117				118			
DOM. BLACK					120		120		120			
DOM. SILVER TABBY					121				121			
DOM. SMOKE	21		122		124		123		123		124	
DOM. BROWN TABBY			125									
DOM. TORTOISESHELL												
MANX. CREAM					130				130			
BLACK					126	128			126		128	
BLUE							129					
RED TABBY					131				131			
BROWN TABBY							132					
PARTICOLOR							134					
ODD EYED WHITE					135				135			
BLUF MACKERAL					133				123			
SIAMESE, BLUE PT.	22	23	136	137	137	154	146	160	146		160	
SEAL PT.	32	37	166	179	169	200	176	202	200		176	
CHOC PT.	44	47	205	217	214	221		225	221		214	
							229		229			
ABYSSINIAN					230	231		234	231		230	
BURMESE					236	238	236		236			238
RUSSIAN BLUE												

the San Francisco Show in February 1953. This chart was first tested by Mrs. Ruth A. Fisher when she judged the Silver Gate All Breed Show at San Diego in November 1953. With some improvements it was used at the San Francisco Cat Club Show at Napa February 1954. All three shows used the charts and the clerks, both experienced and novice, encountered no difficulties and the judges had nothing but praise for the system. At the conclusion of the judging of all color classes it gives an accurate picture of those cats involved in the finals by simply referring to one sheet of paper.

A chart for any given show should be prepared in advance of the show date with separate charts for All Breed and any Specialty Shows to be given in conjunction with it. The first step is to set up the columns and headings across the top of the chart. As can be seen, these are: kittens, novice, open (if there are to be awards for open cats only), champion, best of color and best of color opposite sex. Under each of these headings we have separate columns for male and female. This is to help the judge mechanically and to aid the steward in benching the cats in the finals. (As everyone knows, it helps to keep the males quiet to space an empty cage between them and bench them away from females if possible.)

The next step is to fill in the horizontal headings. These headings are the class names, i.e., Blue Eyed White, Silver Tabby, Seal Point Siamese, etc. The chart illustrated assumes that the show in question is using a Long Hair Division and a Short Hair Division, i.e., within the Solid Color Division for example, only Long Hairs are competing. On this chart Domestic and Manx regardless of color, and also Burmese, compete only in the Short Hair Division.

Do NOT fill in these headings until the entries are closed and preferably not until the catalogue is back from the printers. Then fill in your headings covering only those color classes to be present at your show.

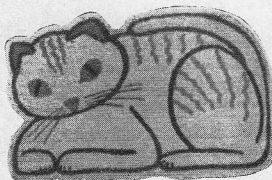
After completing this step, block out lightly with a pencil all such squares as are not applicable. For instance, if there are no Silver male novices entered in the show, put a pencil cross blocking this square. Do NOT fill this in heavily as there may be transfers made at the last minute that necessitate the use of a square blocked out.

Now you are ready for the show. Your first run through with the kittens will give you the feel of the chart. As each blue ribbon goes up, enter the number of that kit in the correct square. As the judge completes the judging of the color classes of kits present at your show, you will have a complete list of numbers covering those kits eligible to compete for Best Kitten.

Similarly at the completion of the adult cats, you will have all the numbers of the cats necessary to call back for Best Novice, Best Open, Best Champion, Best Foreign Short Hair, etc., right up to Best Cat in Show.

We have not carried the chart up to the point where it lists all the major awards as these vary from show to show and can be noted on a tear sheet from the front of the catalogue where they are already printed. To have them on the chart is merely a duplication.

The main purpose of the chart is to group vital information on one sheet of paper where it is readily available. It also eliminates confusion when clerks are relieved. It is not presented as infallible or inflexible, merely as a workable suggestion that may help you and your club. Yours for smoother running shows.



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Cats Question Box

Conducted by E. A. Renaux, D. V. M.

We have a Black Longhair cat approximately three years old, and when he was seven months old we had him neutered by a veterinarian. He has been O.K. until a month or two ago when he started to spray in the house.

Our veterinarian told us that it was an unusual condition which might be cured by some hormone injections. He admitted that he didn't know how these shots would work and said that he would try female hormones first, and then male shots if the first didn't work. The first shot stopped the cat from spraying for about one day. After four days we took him to the vet again and he again gave him a shot, but this, too, didn't do anything to him except to make him very loggy. We haven't taken him back, as we don't feel that we want him to be experimented on. Is there anything that can be done?

—D.C.G., Sterling Ill.

Why the cat would begin to spray after this much time from the date of being operated is a difficult question. Assuming that both testicles have been completely removed, there should be no reason why this is occurring. I, too, would have suggested a series of treatments for the cat. Don't feel as though your cat is a guinea pig for an untried therapy. The treatment is rational and successful in many cases.

How can one best treat chronic conjunctivitis?

—Mrs. S. L. P., Eugene, Ore.

Chronic conjunctivitis or any chronic condition is difficult to treat because it seldom will ever become cured. And many times a treatment will be effective for a period of time and then be valueless and something else must be tried. Most cases are a result of a chronic or persistent irritation such as wind, dust, bright light and sometimes a condition where the eyelid is rolled outward (ectropion). When treating try to eliminate as best possible any source of irritation first. For direct application to the eyes methylene blue or Metaphen drops may be helpful. The anesthetized everted lids can be scrubbed with a 0.5% silver nitrate solution. A 0.2% solution of zinc sulfate may be helpful. The latter two treatments should be done under the supervision of a veterinarian.

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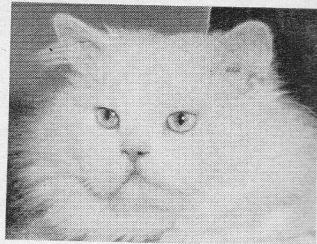
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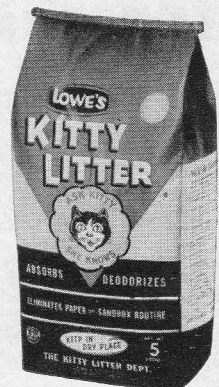
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That summer we had range shelters and brooders all over the farm. One in particular was at a great distance from our house. Each range was thoroughly fenced in against predators, and this one was no exception.

One day, while checking range #12, I noticed how frightened the half-grown chicks acted, with the majority having run under the coop.

That night after double-checking, I discovered to my dismay that a good number were missing. Checking the fence gave me no clue to the cause; the fence was of small mesh type, and nothing bigger than a mouse could get through. Because of the pressing spring work, I could not stay there and watch so I came up with what seemed to me, then, a brilliant idea; I decided to place Tiger in the enclosure with the chicks. He had been around chickens so long, I knew he wouldn't hurt these.

At first the chicks were frightened, but as the cat followed me about as I did my chores, in a day or two quieted down. After checking the number of chicks several days later, I felt better, for no more were missing. Each evening, after the chores, and sometimes even while doing them on the distant ranges, I would take my shotgun along, just in case.

One evening while near range #12, I saw the chicks scoot for shelter, frightened at something. I looked around, but saw only the cat, Tiger, as he strutted slowly across the flat field. Then I looked up, and saw a huge goshawk circling overhead, directly over the two-acre range. Lower and lower he circled, while I waited tensely, cradling my gun in the crook of my arm, waiting for him to get within range.

Then suddenly I saw the hawk dive. I wondered what it was the bird was after, for not a chick was in sight; they had either sought shelter under the coop, or were huddled inside. It happened so quickly and unexpectedly, that I had no

time to get in a telling shot. Following his plummeting, I instantly knew the bird had mistaken the cat for a rabbit.

As I watched, the cat seemed to be totally unaware of his imminent danger. Not until the huge bird's talons were within a few feet of him, did the cat look up, and then it was too late for him to escape. I stood rooted, frozen to the spot. I felt I should kill this predator now, before it was too late for poor Tiger, but I was surprised, and every thing happened so quickly, it was all over before I could think rationally.

As the fierce hawk pounced on Tiger's back, the astonished tabby let out a desperate scream, wriggling out of the bird's claws as only a cat can do. I witnessed an epic struggle there for a tense moment. There were seconds the broad wings of the hawk entirely hid the cat from my view, and I was tempted to shoot . . . but then Tiger would get out from under, and then the feathers flew.

But the winged predator was not to be balked from his prey. He had found the chicks easy pickings so far, and had without a doubt fed on many a rabbit. The cat seemed no match for his sharp claws, but Tiger was desperate. Finally, endeavoring to avoid those talons, Tiger leaped on the bird's back, his back arched, spitting in a frenzy.

The hawk, confused at such stragety, hopped around for a few seconds, then spreading his large wings, he took off. Gosh, I thought, what I wouldn't give for a camera just then! There was tabby, his claws holding on for dear life, meowing for someone to save him, while the hawk, confused and undoubtedly as frightened as the cat, stepped on the gas . . . then the hemlock grove hid them from view.

That evening nobody would believe my story. But there was the scene of battle, strewn with feathers and fur. It was two nights later that we heard a peculiar scratching at the kitchen door, and what was our surprise to see Tiger back!

But O, what a pitiful sight! One ear was torn to shreds, one leg seemed to be badly injured or broken, one eye was missing, and half of his fur was gone. As he limped through the opened door, we heard his purring. Think of it, a friendly purring in such a sad state! We watched him lap up a big bowl of warm milk; he was starved. I doubt whether that hawk will ever again pay a visit to range #12.

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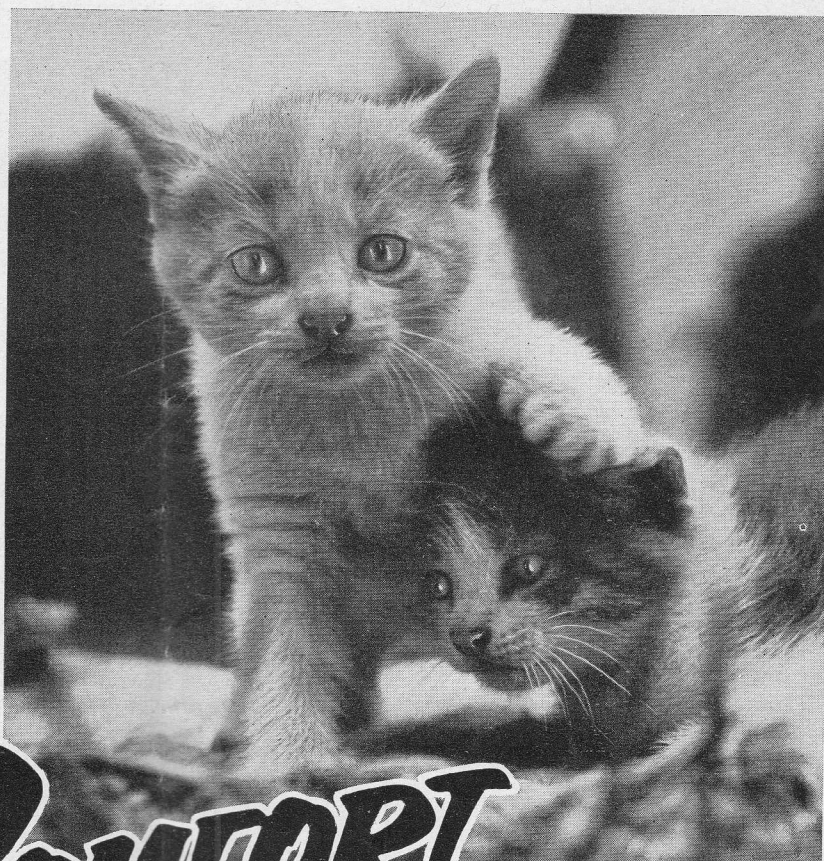
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RECOGNITION OF FROST POINT SIAMESE

The question of championship recognition for Frost Point and Lilac Point Siamese came up at the CFA annual meeting this year. It was referred to the board but with the belief that Frost Point and Lilac Point Siamese are two different colors!

People who are very interested in dilution Siamese know that there are dark Chocolate Points and light Chocolate Points and that there are Chocolate Points which show a great deal more or a great deal less red than other Chocolate Points. For convenience sake, and because there is no evidence as yet that these vary genetically (and it is my guess they do not), we lump them all together as Chocolate Points. It seems likely that they vary no more than light blue long hairs vary from darker blue long hairs and not as much as some of the darker and lighter shades of red long hairs.

People who are interested in dilution Siamese also see differences in the cats which are variously described as "Frost Point", "Lilac Point", and "Lavender Point" Siamese. Some seem to have a definite shade of pale but distinct blue in the points with no silver and no blood tone showing through the pale blue. They are so exceedingly pale blue as to be easily discernible from blue points and their nearly white body color, plus diluted coloring in the pads and nose leather, leaves no doubt that they are dilution siamese. Specimens I have seen of this description occur in LaVona Wright's Ta-Lee-Ho Cats (which may derive their dilution factor from the old "Casa Gatos" strain). A clear example is the female, Fro-Toi, bred by Elwood Graham from two Ta-Lee-Ho cats and now owned by Mrs. W. E. Sexton.

I saw, years ago, a dilute from Polly Jones' line, a litter brother of the famous dark chocolate point, Ch. Lamar's Toto. In all honesty, I don't have a clear memory of him, but I remember the discussion at the time which was to the effect that, although he was bluish, he was not a blue point. Perhaps the breeder could tell us if he was the blue sort of dilution siamese or not. He and his brother, Toto, received the dilution on one side through their sire, Satyr of the Dark Gauntlets, a direct descendant of the dark chocolate point, Alastor of the Dark Gauntlets. The dilution factor on the other side is harder to trace, but possibly it came from the Casa Gatos line, since their dam was sired by Ch. Lom Konga II de Casa Gatos.

The strains in San Francisco which are more often referred to as "Lilac" or "Lavender" Point are of the sort showing more of the blood tone through the color of the hair on the points. It looks like a very pinkish silver to me—still very pale. These are mainly descended from Ruth Fisher's stock, of which the most well-known cat is the lighter chocolate, Mau Tien's Ailourous. (Ailourous, fourteen years old this month, is still active in show competition!)

Some of the cats of this sort are descended from a combination of Fisher and Jones stock.

There are also the Forrests' Bograe dilutes which are from the Amdos and Rasna lines but bred entirely from blue points with no chocolate present and with the seal quite a way back. These are similar to the San Francisco dilutes

in color and are called all of the common names—frost, lavender, or lilac—from time to time.

Apparently the dilutes bred by Mrs. Boothby in Washington State are of this sort.

One also sees a dilution Siamese with pale silver points which show no blue and no blood tone through the hair color. Off hand I can't think of a current example of this sort.

The trouble is that the majority of dilution Siamese (Frost-Lavender-Lilac) are not clearly one shade or the other and they vary less than the ruddy and silver abyssinians and far less than the chinchilla and shaded silver do. It is often difficult to impossible to fit them into one color pattern or another, even though they do seem to have as close a relationship to each other as the shades of Chocolate Point Siamese have to each other.

While it is possible that their genetic make-up differs slightly from one to another, it seems more likely that they are genetically the same and should be considered *one* color with *one* name and *one* more desirable shade stated. Seal Points vary tremendously in color and blue points can vary a great deal also. Therefore, why be surprised when the dilution colors vary so?

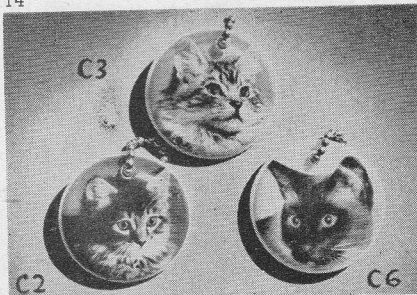
Actually, at this point, the shade of Frost-Lilac-Lavender Points is not as important as championship recognition and breeding for type.

Here I would like to refer to the Second Edition of Vera Nelson's *Siamese Cat Book* (All-Pets Books, Inc., Fond du Lac, Wisc., 1953) which describes "lavender pointed" Siamese as being darker than a blue point and not as dark as a seal point. It is supposed to be warmer than the blue and "almost seems as if the blue point and seal point were mixed together."

This description is something new to me. It is *not* what is being exhibited on the west coast as "Lavender Point." Lavender Points shown here are far paler than Blue Points or Chocolate Points and have little or no warmth in the hair color of the points. Sometimes the blood tone shows through the pale color, especially on the pads and nose leather, giving a warmth or pinkish tone to the points. Certainly these two descriptions cannot be applied to the same cat? Is there a cat on the east coast which fits this description?

I understand that it is generally accepted on the west coast that the names "Frost Point", "Lavender Point" and "Lilac Point" are used to designate the same cat but that one breeder may prefer one name, and the next breeder will prefer another.

At the Fifth Annual Pacific Cat Fanciers Show in Los Angeles, in October of last year, there were seven cats and kittens of this color entered and the classes were headed, "Frost or Lavender Point Siamese." The catalog went on to describe them as follows: "Not Recognized in any Association. Points: These cats are to the Blue Point Siamese what Chocolate Points are to the Seal Point Siamese, but all are pure bred Siamese. Their point color is a frosty light blue gray. Body color, white, older cats sometimes have the shading of points in body color. Pads on paws pink. China blue



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color." Note, too, that at least one other show there were also as many as seven cats and kittens of this color entered (The Santa Clara Valley show—CFF). In just four California shows last season, I count fifteen different Frost-Lilac-Lavender Points entered, and they are by no means all the existent cats of that color in this state.

This apparent controversy over the name for the color brings to mind the time before the English recognized Chocolate Points with that name. In those days, here, we called them anything from "Tan Points" to "Cinnamon Point" and many just classed them as "spoiled Seals." I still feel that "Sepia Point" would have been a more descriptive name than "Chocolate Point," but, as the English fancy recognized them first, our country accepted their choice of name. We shall probably recognize the other dilutes first since I understand they have not as yet occurred in England. We shall have the privilege of naming them — so, what shall it be, "Frost," "Lavender" or "Lilac"?

CFF and ACA have recognized dilution Blue Points as Frost Points since this article was written. The Short Hair Society, CFA affiliate, has been working for CFA recognition with no success. This club has circulated much information including a proposed standard (written in the style of the present CFA Siamese standard) to the CFA member clubs, CFA officers and Board members before the annual meeting last spring. The question of recognition for Frost Points was referred to the Board by the delegates to that meeting. Having seen or heard nothing further, the secretary of The Short Hair Society wrote to the CFA secretary and received the following reply:

"Yes, Frost Points were discussed and it was the general opinion that the breed has not been sufficiently established to recognize them at this time. The Board is just as anxious to see new breeds established as individuals, but until there are sufficient numbers of those breeds throughout the country, we do not deem it advisable to set up a standard for them in CFA shows." (This is the complete text of that portion of the letter having to do with Frost Points.)

The Short Hair Society instructed their secretary to write and send the following letter to the CFA Board of Directors:

"In reply to a recent inquiry as to the disposition of the Frost Point matter, I received a letter containing the following paragraph: (quoted above).

On Tuesday night last, August third, I read this to the members of The Short Hair Society at our quarterly meeting. They asked me (voted that I write this letter) to call to the attention of the secretary and the Board certain facts about Frost Point Siamese. If the (CFA secretary's) paragraph is intentionally so worded and is the accurate representation of the feelings of the members of the Board, it appears that there has been some misunderstanding over the position of the Frost Point Siamese. Please note that:

1. Frost Point Siamese is not a Breed. It is a color of an old and well-established breed—Siamese.
2. Frost Point Siamese cats are a color of Siamese but are not a new color of Siamese. They are a color which has been apparent for approximately as long as Chocolate Point Siamese (which may well be as long as Siamese have been known), but which, like Chocolate Points before their recognition, were sold as pets, described as sub-standard Blue Points, neutered or even destroyed. Correspondence from all over the country indicates that they have been known for years. They are not as clearly another color as Chocolates and many Siamese owners were not well enough informed to realize they had a different color.
3. Frost Points, as I pointed out to Mrs. Shipe, were present in shows in the last two seasons in the west coast. There were seven in each of two shows and at least fifteen different Frost Points in only four

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by Viahnett Martin

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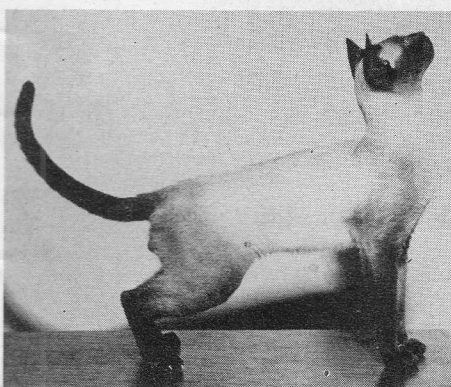
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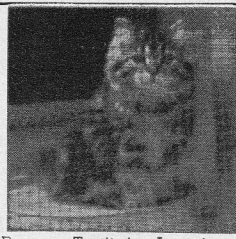
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TIME: January 29-30, 1955

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Silver—Tabby & Tortie—Solid Color Specialties—Mrs. Dorothy Hunt
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8th Championship Cat Show

January 22-23, 1955

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ALL BREED SHOW

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INTERNATIONAL SOLID COLOR SPECIALTY

Judge: Miss Kay M. Thoma, Bay Village, Ohio

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Judge: Miss Thoma

Premium List Closes November 29

Entries Close January 3

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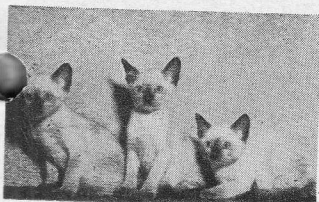
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Cats Show Calendar

This Calendar will be kept up to date and will be published month throughout the Cat Show Season. Further information will be found in the individual club ads in this issue and subsequent issues of CATS.

- October
- 3—Miami, Fla.—Poinciana Shorthair Club (CFA). Shorthair Specialty (Dr. C. Evans Sawyer).
- 9-10—Milwaukee, Wisc.—Milwaukee Cat Club, Inc. (CFA). All Breed (Mrs. J. H. Revington); Central States Solid Color Specialty and Great Lakes Shorthair Specialty (Mrs. L. D. Sample).
- 15-16—
- 17—New Orleans, La.—Cat Fanciers of New Orleans, Inc. (ACA). All Breed (Mrs. Charles Kleim—Alternate, Mrs. Jesse Adair); Longhair Specialty and Shorthair Specialty (Mrs. T. J. McNaughtan).
- 16-17—Eureka, Calif.—Redwood Cat Fanciers (CFA). All Breed (Mrs. Marguerite Goforth); Shorthair Society Specialty (Mrs. Isabel Meader).
- 16-17—Rochester, N. Y.—Genesee Cat Fanciers Club, Inc. (CFA). All Breed (Anthony DeSantis); International Solid Color Specialty and Great Lakes Shorthair Specialty (Mrs. Walter Limpert).
- 23-24—Chicago, Ill.—North Short Cat Club (CFA). All Breed (Mrs. Frances Kosierowski); Solid Color and Shorthair Specialties (Mrs. Dorothy Keller).
- 23-24—Los Angeles, Calif.—Pacific Cat Fanciers (CFF). All Breed (Miss Ruth Fisher); Longhair Specialty (John Konkel); Shorthair Specialty (Charles Williams).
- 27-28—Philadelphia, Pa.—Penn State Cat Club (CFF). All Breed (Mrs. J. I. Small); Domestic and Foreign Shorthair Specialty (Mrs. Doris O'Connell); National Tabby & Tortie Specialty (Mrs. Silas Andrews); CFF Solid Color Specialty (Mrs. Helen Hildebrand).
- 30-31—Fort Monroe, Va.—Norfolk Cat Fanciers, Inc. (CFA). All Breed (Mr. Anthony DeSantis); National Siamese Specialty (Sven S. Nelson); Solid Color Club of the South Specialty, Eastern Tabby & Tortie Specialty, and American Silver Fanciers Specialty (Mrs. Lawrence Pelton).
- 30-31—San Rafael, Calif.—Marin County Cat Club (ACA). All Breed (Mrs. Edith Schulte); Longhair Specialty (Mrs. Rosemund Flynn); Shorthair Specialty (Howard Casassa).
- 30-31—Seattle, Washington—Seattle Cat Club (ACA). Shows and judges to be announced).
- November
- 6-7—San Diego, Calif.—Silvergate Cat Club (ACA). All Breed (Miss Lucy Clingan); Shorthair Specialty and Longhair Specialty (Miss Ruth Lentz).
- 6-7—Buffalo, N. Y.—Queen City Cat Club Inc. (ACA).
- 6-7—Cleveland, Ohio—Cleveland Persian Society (CFA). All Breed (Anthony DeSantis); Windsor Solid Color Specialty, Great Lakes Shorthair Specialty and American Silver Specialty (Mrs. Frances Kosierowski).
- 7—St. Petersburg, Fla.—Gulfshore Cat Fanciers (CFA). All Breed (Mrs. Dorothy Keller); Solid Color Club of the South Specialty and Tabby & Tortie Specialty (Mrs. Louise Heron); Poinciana Shorthair Specialty (Mrs. Laura Graham).
- 12-13—Boston, Mass.—Boston Cat Club, Inc. (CFA)—All Breed (Miss Kay Thoma); New England Shorthair Specialty (Mr. Anthony DeSantis); Solid Color Club of the East (Mr. Robert E. Martin).
- 13-14—Columbus, Ohio—Ohio State Persian Club, Inc. (CFA). All Breed (Mrs. John Hunter); American Tabby & Tortie Specialty; Windsor Solid Color Specialty (Mrs. Carl Johnson).
- 13-14—Denver, Colorado—Colorado Cat Fanciers, Inc. (CFA). All Breed (Mrs. Frances Kosierowski); Siamese Cat Club Specialty (Mrs. R. G. Wolfgang).
- 13-14—Stockton, Calif.—San Joaquin Cat Fanciers (CFF). All Breed (Mr. B. W. Wilson); Longhair Specialty (Rosemund Flynn); Shorthair Specialty (Dr. Fern Smith).
- 13-14—Spokane, Wash.—Inland Empire Cat Club (ACA). All Breed; Specialties. (Type and Judges to be announced).
- 13-14—Milwaukee, Wisc.—Midwest Feline Fanciers (CFF). All Breed (Miss Doris Hobbs); Longhair Specialty and Shorthair Specialty (Mrs. James Small).
- 20-21—Long Beach, Calif.—Long Beach Cat Fanciers (ACA). All Breed Specialties. (Type and Judges to be announced).
- 20-21—St. Louis, Mo.—Greater St. Louis Cat Club (CFA). All Breed (Mrs. Lester O'Neill); Central States Solid Color Specialty and Great Lakes Shorthair Specialty (Miss Kay M. Thoma).
- 20-21—Atlanta, Georgia—Cotton States Cat Club (CFA). All Breed (Mrs. Walter Limpert); Solid Color of the South Specialty (Mrs. Frances Herms); Eastern Tabby and Tortie Specialty (Mrs. Herms).
- 27-28—Louisville, Ky.—Kentucky Cat Club (CFA). All Breed (Miss Kay Thoma); Silver, Tabby & Tortie, and Solid Color Specialties (Mrs. Dorothy C. Hunt).
- 27-28—Sacramento, Calif.—Sacramento Valley Cat Fanciers (CFA). All Breed (Mrs. C. F. Rotter); Shorthair Specialty (Mr. Roy Easterly).
- December

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West Texas Short Hair

Premium List Closes November 10, 1954

Entries Close December 10, 1954

Show Secretary—MRS. H. C. ULLMANN

3925 Kenwick Drive, Dayton 9, Ohio

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TRIPLE CHAMPIONSHIP SHOW

December 4-5, 1954

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All Breed Judge: Mrs. Frances Kosierowski

Twin City Solid Color and Great Lakes Short Hair

Judge: Mr. Robert E. Martin

Premium List closes October 10th.

Entries close November 10th.

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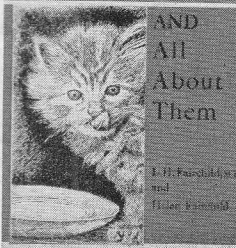
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Short Hair Specialty	Mrs. Dorothy Richard

ENTRIES CLOSE DECEMBER 10, 1954

For information write

JO RICHARDSON, Entry Clerk

P.O. Box 4006

North Hollywood, Calif.

Garden State Cat Club of New Jersey, Inc.

16th ANNUAL ALL BREED SHOW

C.F.A. RULES

WIDEWAY HALL - NEWARK, NEW JERSEY

DECEMBER 1st and 2nd, 1954

Judges for the All Breed Show will be
Mrs. Mary Carroll—All Longhairs and Shorthairs
except Siamese

Dr. Evans Sawyer—Siamese

The Club has again been fortunate in securing the services of
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Club (England) who will judge

The National Siamese Cat Club Specialty

Premium List Closes Sept. 18th. Dead line for advertising copy
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November 20-21, 1954

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Color Club

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Show Secretary—Mrs. Willard Shy

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ENTRIES CLOSE OCTOBER 30, 1954

COTTON STATES CAT CLUB

Presents

16th Annual Championship TRIPLE SHOW

CFA RULES

NOVEMBER 20-21, 1954

(Note Date Change)

Municipal Auditorium

30 Courtland St., N.E. — Atlanta, Ga.

All Breed Judge: Mrs. Walter Limpert

Solid Color Club of the South

Eastern Tabby and Tortie Society

Specialty Judge: Mrs. Frances Herms

Premium List Closes — October 2, 1954

Entries Close — October 30, 1954

For Entry Blanks and Information write

MRS. DOROTHY D. OTTEN, Show Sec'y.

Route #1, Box 234

Jonesboro, Ga.

Cats Show Calendar

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- December**
- 2-Newark, N. J.—Garden State Cat Club of New Jersey, Inc. (CFA). All Breed (Judge of All Longhairs and Shorthairs except Siamese—Mrs. Mary Carroll; Siamese Judge Dr. C. Evans Sawyer; Referee Judge if required—Miss Kathleen Yorke); Solid Color Club of the East Specialty, Silver Cat Club of the West Specialty and Eastern Tabbie and Tortie Specialty (Miss Kathleen Yorke); National Siamese Cat Club Specialty (Mr. Brian Sterling Webb).
- 4-5-New Orleans, La.—Dixie Cat Club (CFA). All Breed (Anthony DeSantis); West Texas Shorthair Specialty (Mrs. Dorothy Keller); Southern Longhair Club Specialty (Mrs. Keller).
- 4-5-Des Moines, Iowa—Hawkeye State Cat Club (CFA). All Breed (Mrs. Frances Kosierowski); Twin City Solid Color Specialty and Great Lakes Shorthair Specialty (Mr. Robert E. Martin).
- 4-5-Chico, Calif.—Tri-County Cat Club (ACA).
- 11-12-Portland, Oregon—Rose City Cat Club, Inc. (ACA). All Breed (Mrs. Ruth Fisher); Longhair Specialty and Shorthair Specialty (Mrs. Ruth Lentz).
- 11-12-Cincinnati, Ohio—Cincinnati Cat Club, Inc. (CFA)—All Breed (Mrs. C. D. Carroll); Windsor Solid Color Specialty and Great Lakes Shorthair Specialty (Robert E. Martin).
- January**
- 7-8-New York, N. Y.—Atlantic Cat Club (CFF). All Breed (Mr. H. B. Zieses); All Shorthair Specialty (Mrs. Doris O'Connell); Silver Specialty (Mrs. Christine Hartman); Solid Color Specialty (Mrs. Hartman).
- 8-9-North Hollywood, Calif.—San Fernando Valley Cat Club (ACA). All Breed (Miss Doris Hobbs); Longhair Specialty (Miss Floy McGill); Shorthair Specialty (Mrs. Dorothy Richard).
- 15-16-Dayton, Ohio—Dayton Cat Fanciers (CFA). All Breed (Mrs. Ralph T. Mabie); Windsor Solid Color Specialty and West Texas Shorthair Specialty (Miss Kay M. Thoma).
- 15-16-Long Beach, Calif.—West Short Cat Club (CFA). All Breed (Mrs. C. C. Strange).
- 22-23-Buffalo, N. Y.—Buffalo Cat Fanciers, Inc. (CFA). All Breed (Mrs. C. D. Carroll); International Solid Color Specialty and Great Lakes Shorthair Specialty (Miss Kay Thoma).
- 22-23-San Jose, Calif.—Santa Clara Valley Cat Fanciers (CFF). All Breed; Longhair Specialty; Shorthair Specialty. (Judges to be announced).
- 29-30-Kansas City, Mo.—Mo-Kan Cat Club (CFA). All Breed (Mrs. Hunter); Shorthair Specialty and Solid Color Specialty (Mrs. Frances Herms).
- 29-30-San Diego, Calif.—San Diego Cat Fanciers, Inc. (CFA). All Breed (Anthony DeSantis); Shorthair Society of So. Calif. Specialty (Mrs. Helen Etherton).
- February**
- 3-4-New York, N. Y.—Empire Cat Club (CFA). All Breed (Mrs. Henry Herms); Solid Color of the East Specialty (Mrs. John Swenson); National Siamese Cat Club (Mr. Sven S. Nelson); All Shorthair (except Siamese) Specialty (Dr. C. Evans Sawyer).
- 5-Minneapolis, Minn.—Minneapolis Persian Cat Club (ACA). All Breed (Mrs. A. O. Wagoner); Longhair Specialty and Shorthair Specialty (Mrs. S. G. Miles).
- 6-Minneapolis, Minn.—Land O'Lakes Cat Club (CFF). All Breed (Mrs. J. J. Small); Specialties (Mrs. Ella Conroy).
- 5-6-St. Petersburg, Fla.—Sunshine City Cat Club of Florida (ACA). All Breed (Mrs. Gertrude Hamaker); Longhair Specialty and Shorthair Specialty (Mr. Dimas Bianco).
- 5-6-Phoenix, Arizona—Canyon State Cat Club (ACA).
- 5-6-Dallas, Texas—North Texas Cat Club (CFA). All Breed (Mrs. Walter E. Limpert); Hawthorne Silver Specialty (Mrs. Richard O'Donovan); Midwest Shorthair Specialty (Siamese: Mrs. R. G. Wolfgang; All other breeds: Mrs. O'Donovan).
- 12-13-Hollywood, Calif.—California Cat Club (CFA). All Breed (Mrs. Lester O'Neill).
- 19-20-San Francisco, Calif.—San Francisco Cat Club (ACA). All Breed (Mrs. Tillie Oken); Longhair Specialty (Mrs. Ruth Fisher); Shorthair Specialty (Mrs. LaVona Wright).
- 19-20-Houston, Texas—Houston Cat Club (CFA). All Breed (Mrs. C. F. Rotter); Shorthair Specialty (Mr. David Deans-Henderson); (one additional Specialty to be announced).
- 26-27-Detroit, Mich.—Detroit Persian Society, Inc. (CFA). All Breed (Mrs. J. H. Revington); Windsor Solid Color Specialty (Miss Kay M. Thoma).
- March**
- 5-6-Hyattsville, Md.—Cat Fanciers of Washington, Inc. (CFA). All Breed (Mrs. C. F. Rotter).
- 5-6-Oakland, Calif.—Golden Gate Cat Club, Inc. (CFA). All Breed (Mr. Charles G. Victor).

Boston Cat Club, Inc.

C.F.A. RULES

49th Championship All Breed Show and Two Specialties

November 12 and 13, 1954

HORTICULTURAL HALL BOSTON, MASS.

Show Managers: Mr. and Mrs. Ralph T. Mabie

Boston Cat Club, Inc.—All Breed Show

Judge: Miss Kay Thoma

Solid Color Club of the East Specialty Show

Judge: Mr. Robert E. Martin

Short Hair Club of New England Specialty Show

Judge: Mr. Anthony DeSantis

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ENTRIES CLOSE OCTOBER 20, 1954

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SILVERGATE CAT CLUB SHOW — ACA

All Breed Judge ----- Miss Lucy Clingan
Long and Short Hair Specialties Judge -- Mrs. Ruth Lentz

Electric Building, Balboa Park, San Diego, Calif.

NOVEMBER 6-7, 1954

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ENTRIES CLOSE OCTOBER 10

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SACRAMENTO, CALIFORNIA

Judge: Mrs. C. F. Rotter, Minneapolis, Minn.

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Cats Club and Show Reporter

Fifty Years For Boston Cat Club, Inc. 1904-1954

On September 8th the Boston Cat Club, Inc. celebrated its 50th Anniversary at a Birthday Party at the YWCA in Boston. A history of the Club was read, which told of the Club's yearly successful shows and the proceeds given to many worthy charities. The party concluded with the singing of Happy Birthday and the hope that the Boston Cat Club will have a 100th Anniversary.

—M. S. Mabie, Pres.

U.C.F. Meeting and Election

At the annual meeting of the United Cat Federation Incorporated held September 5 in the City of Pasadena, California, the following people were elected to office for the coming fiscal year:

President, Mr. Earle M. Philips of Pasadena; 1st Vice-Pres., Mrs. Dorothy Denning of Castro Valley; 2nd Vice-Pres., Miss Lucy Clingan of Los Angeles; Recorder, Mrs. Ethel Maule of Tajuanga; Treasurer, Mr. Earle M. Philips of Pasadena; Secretary, Mr. W. Jack Wedel of San Anselmo, and additional members of the Board of Directors: Dr. Fern Smith, Robert Forrest and Katherine Beswick.

With the new, wider representation from all parts of the state it was felt that the special advantages of the Federation could be presented to more potential affiliates than previously and that the new season should see many more shows benched under United Cat Federation rules than heretofore.

The presentation of the Treasurer's report showing a sizeable balance in the Treasury increased the feeling of optimism that followed the Recorder's report on Stud Book activity for the year just completed.

It was regrettably acknowledged that the resignations of Zelma Philips and Ethel Garson from active participation in the affairs of

the Federation would perforce be accepted as ill health prevented their further assistance in capacities other than advisory.

The business of the Federation was concluded with the recognition of the Frost Point Siamese; the inclusion of the name of Dorothy Denning in the list of approved judges; provision for the registration of litters and the issuance of litter numbers therefor; and the appointment of a committee to study the Federation's Standard with a view toward revision and clarification.

—W. Wedel, Secretary

Long Island Cat Breeders' Elect

New officers elected by the Long Island Cat Breeders' Club at their last meeting are: President, Mrs. Helen Koerner; Vice President, Mrs. Nancy Harom; Secretary, Miss Agnes F. Rand; Treasurer, Mrs. Aline Walrath.

New Sunshine City C.C. Bulletin

Another lively club bulletin has been instituted by the Sunshine City Cat Club of Florida, Inc. (St. Petersburg). Edited by J. J. Cruise, it gives sprightly reports on happenings in the club and to club members and their cats. Priced at \$1.00 per year, subscriptions should be sent to Mae G. Robertson, Business Manager, 1956 Coffee Pot Drive, St. Petersburg, Fla.

A-S and A-A Corrections

We are sorry that in All-Southern listing in the August CATS we neglected to include CH. CHARMING POLLY, owned by Mr. Albert Carter. Ch. Polly was 1954 All-Southern Silver Tabby Female. We also apologize for the omission among the ten runner-up American Cats in the article on page five in September of the name of GR. CH. DIXILAND REBEL. Gr. Ch. Rebel, owned by Mrs. Paul Swan, was tied with Ch. Ta-Lee-Ho-Ena for tenth spot.

Champion Telot Cable

Friends of Mr. and Mrs. R. A. Cable, Blawnox, Pa., are sympathizing with them in the loss of their famed Champion Telot Cable, Blue Point Siamese. Telot was the first of the Cable's cats to win high honors in show competition, and at the Canadian National Cat Show in 1949 was Best Short Hair Cat and Best Cat from the United States. The same season she gained Best Cat at the Queen City Siamese Specialty and made other high wins throughout the East and Midwest, earning her the All-Eastern title. Readers of CATS will also remember her for the charming mother and daughter photo with her Nicolette, by Mr. Cable, which appeared on the September 1949 cover. In disposition, as well as in show qualities, she rated high in the royalty of catdom.

—N.M.C.

Champion Dazzler Moire of Merza

It is with deep regret that cat fanciers will hear of the death of the famous Ch. Dazzler Moire of Merza. This outstanding Silver Tabby would have been seventeen years old on October 15th. The sire and ancestor of some of the most outstanding Silver Tabbies of today and years past, he was bred and owned by Mrs. M. E. Sheehy, Merza Cattery, Dayton, Ohio.

—M.C.D.

Judge Change at Boston

Word has just been received that Kathleen Williams of England will be unable to fill her Short Hair Club of New England judging assignment at the Boston Cat Club, November 12-13. The club is happy to announce that Anthony DeSantis has kindly agreed to officiate. Show Managers at Boston this year are Mr. and Mrs. Ralph T. Mabie, to whom we apologize for omitting their names from the club advertisement last month.

Nikki's Great Grandchildren (Corrected)

Our apologies, too, to Mrs. Leone Rystedt, owner of Ch. Wallman's Princess Tee Kee, and to Mrs. Nikki Horner, owner of Ch. Shawnee Sarazan, whose names as owners were omitted from the listing of great granddaughters in Imp. Ch. Oriental Nanki Pooh of Newton's sixteenth birthday announcement in the September CATS.

LUCILLE PURNELL

Many cat lovers and friends will be saddened to learn of the death of Mrs. Lucille Purnell of Saint Cloud, Florida, on July 17. Mrs. Purnell will be remembered for her Rosebank Cattery. Until these past few years, she was well known as an active cat fanciers in the East. In addition to her love for our furred friends, she had an even greater love for humanity. It is said of her that she could teach one how to live and taught many how to die.

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Quotes from the Shows

By BILLIE BANCROFT

Kitten—Willowood Henri. Br. Owner Mrs. G. W. Rose.
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Best Long Hair—Willowood Henry.
Best Longhair Opp. Sex—Birdville Maribeau, Blue Persian. Br-Owner Mr. and Mrs. Robert Bird.

The Garden State All Breed Kitten Match With The National Siamese Specialty, Aug. 14, 1954 Ridgewood, New Jersey.

"I believe the All Breed Kitten Match with the Affiliated Siamese Cat Club Specialty, was a very successful experiment. This was a fine opportunity for exhibitors to preview the entries for later Shows throughout the coming season, and I hope that this combination will continue for years to come. The two amateur Judges seemed to like the opportunity afforded them for experience, and the crowd seemed well pleased with the selections they made."

—Bill Thompson, Sec'y. and Treasurer of the National Siamese Cat Club. (CFA)

"Mrs. Bellham's home was a perfect setting for our Kitten Show. Even the weatherman gave us a beautiful day. The Show was well managed."

—Dick Gebhardt, President of Garden State Cat Club.

"This Show was much better than even we expected!"

—Miss Elsie Hyden, 139 Central Ave., Bogota, New Jersey.

"This has been a lovely Show. We are really so very thankful for the nice weather."

—Mrs. Marion Bellham, 389 Spring Ave., Ridgewood, New Jersey.

"Lovely kittens, fine Show, a very happy day."

—Mrs. Margaret Lovett, Beach Haven, New Jersey.

"This is the best planned, best attended Kitten Show I ever attended. All of the kittens I saw were 'tops'—!"

—Mrs. Lois Bode, Massapequa, L. I., New York.

"If the kittens here are an indication, 'tis going to be a red letter year in the Siamese World—and a very hard one for the Judges. Mrs. Thompson's first judging assignment proves her to be a 'Natural' at it—Good luck to her."

—Mrs. Alexander Pinney, 22 Wayside Lane, Scarsdale, New York.

"A well organized Show — they should charge more for the catalogue."

—C. W. Webster, Mar-Web Cattery.

"A perfect day in a perfect setting with some of the finest kittens resulted in the BEST kitten Match I have ever seen."

—Henry Bode, Massapequa, Long Island, New York.

"The trip from Washington, D. C. was well worth it for we witnessed a well judged Show, a job well done by all concerned. Dick Gebhardt should be commended for his judging of the Long Hairs."

—Mr. and Mrs. Lester G. Thomas, Hyattsville, Maryland.

"Beautiful day, lovely people, good eats, swell kittens."

—John Hunter, Mt. Vernon, New York.

"Good, well managed, everything ran along smoothly."

—A. Ayta, Manhasset, New York.

"Best bunch of Siamese kittens I have ever seen."

—W. R. Roose, Conn.

"Very nice Show."

—Frances Young, 104 E. 56 St., New York City.

"I enjoyed the kittens very much, the Show and the contests were very interesting. However, I do think everything would be more enjoyable as well as enlightening if the Judges explained what they were doing as they did the judging. I hope to come again next year."

—Eugene Popay, Spring Valley, New York.

"I have never seen so many feline beauties in one assembly, this is my first Kitten Show and I think that the Garden State Cat Club Kitten Show should be an annual affair."

—Yvonne J. Kuchar, Montvale, New Jersey.

"This is a fine Show and I was very pleased that our little Bleu Bi-Bitte was best in the Tabby-Tortie Division. Mrs. Young raised her practically by hand, I am glad for her sake that Bi-Bitte won. The Bellhams have a lovely home for this Show, the sun was hot but we had plenty of chairs and shade too. Richard Gebhardt will make a good Judge, he is extremely gentle."

—Joey Parsell, Green Farms, Conn.

"By all means have another Kitten Show, I have enjoyed every minute. I do believe the Catalogues should be higher priced, at least twenty-five cents. The Judges, took plenty of time and were very efficient."

—Mrs. Marion Webster.

"The management is to be congratulated on the smooth operation, they thought of everything for the exhibitors, it's a beautiful day, a lovely place, exceptional looking 'gals' and the 'cream of the crop' kittens. I have never seen a Siamese class where every entry is worthy of the coveted BLUE RIBBON, and the Longhairs are just as outstanding."

—Mrs. Julia Hunter, Mt. Vernon, New York.

"I think there are some very beautiful Longhair kittens here, Mr. Gebhardt is doing a wonderful job judging, it was worth the long ride from Washington, D. C., the people are so very nice and friendly."

—Ethel Glassman, Washington, D. C.

"This is the most novel Cat Show I ever attended and it is indeed an experience, the Longhaired cats I believe are my favorites."

—Ruth L. Kuchar, Montvale, New Jersey.

"Nice Show, good kittens, well attended."

—Mrs. Evelyn Thompson, Allenhurst, New Jersey.

Billie Bancroft Comments:

This really was a good Show. Breeders from Virginia, Washington, D. C., Conn., Maryland and several other states were present. This is one time when the masculine attendance outnumbered the ladies. This gathering could well have been called the "Rendezvous of the Judges"—There was Julia Hunter, loved and honored all over America. Francis Herms, looking very charming in gray, with a gray poodle on leash to compliment her costume. Miss Elsie Hyden, Anthony DeSantis, all CFA, Lillian Pedulla from Philadelphia, late of CFF. Doris O'Connell just home from California, CFF and ACA. Betty Youngman, President of Penn State, CFF, a Novice Judge. Helenjean Hildebrand, Novice CFF. Richard Gebhardt, the All Breed Longhair Judge, Novice CFA. Mrs. Evelyn Thompson, Siamese Specialty Judge, Novice CFA. I had a nice talk with Judge Dr. Evans Sawyer, Monson, Mass., and I find he loves horses as well as Siamese—we had a lot in common to talk about. Now I know why his friends swear by his decisions. Probably the most exciting conversation topic was the lovely little Frost Point Siamese with its delicate pink pads and lovely pastel coloring—I truly fell in love with it.

Some of the members turned in their quotes without signing them—to name a few: Robert Bruce, Anthony DeSantis, John Machoka and several that I did not even know—Bruce, DeSantis and Machoka, I know are hard workers, one hundred percent there when it comes to doing anything for their Club—I feel that their comments were good but I could not tell which was which.

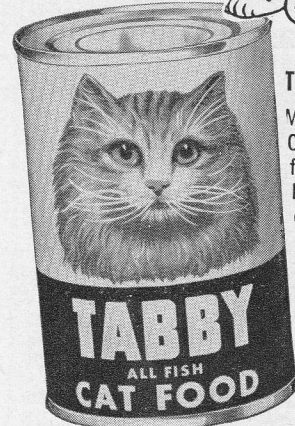
Lois and Henry Bode collected some 'tops' on the entry of their two shorthair kits, a brown tabby female and a blue-cream male. The Bodes are owners of Cherubino Cattery and have established a reputation for integrity in The Fancy. Marion and Billie Bellham turned their beautiful home and grounds over CFA to hold this Garden Party. I very much doubt if a more gracious couple could be found anywhere at any time. I personally feel grateful to them for this favor—as I too, and CFA.

The only gripes I heard — was that the public in general thought that they should have charged more admission and more for the catalogue. This truly is a record of some kind or other. Even the gripes were a compliment.



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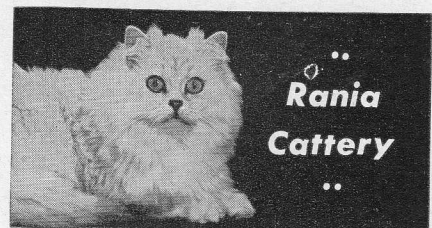
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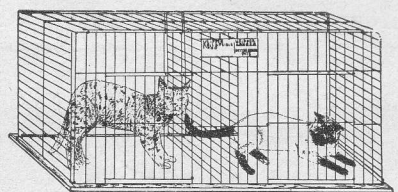
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Mews and Views from the West

My conviction as I start to recopy my first version of this is—I need less cats around—especially kittens, and an enthusiastic Abyssinian, my Zara. I looked for the first page, finally found it in the kitchen. She carries and hides most things important for me to have. Please give me the address of a cat psychologist.

I am in receipt of a note from the Los Angeles Society for the Prevention of Cruelty to Animals stating they are having their Second Annual Bazaar for the benefit of animals cared for by this organization. It is to be held November 4-5 from 10 A.M. to 10 P.M. each day. It will be held at the lovely Hollywood Roosevelt Hotel, Hollywood Boulevard, in the Blossom Room. The notice states they need handiwork, books, art objects, jewelry, pet supplies, ceramics, new clothing, housewares, jellies, and home made candies. They further state antiques sell best of all.

I talked with George M. Crosier, General Manager of S. P. C. A., and he informed me that from the proceeds of their last year's Bazaar, for the benefit of cats, their organization was able to purchase new cages, have the ones they were using repaired; the cats' quarters remodeled throughout; purchase new equipment to be used by their rescue wagon for the purpose of retrieving owners' cats from our California Palm trees, and other almost inaccessible heights the cats seek through fright—usually caused by neighbors' dogs (pardon the expression, but it has happened to me) who have not been taught cats are to be loved and made friends of and not hated. Most cat owners are not lucky enough to have what Kiva has, an adorable English Bull Dog, who loves each and every cat, helps to raise the kittens, and would I feel quite sure chew another dog in pieces who would attempt to molest a cat. This rescue wagon, with its wonderful equipment is available to all cat owners with a "Tree Cat" at all times, free of charge, a service invaluable.

Mr. Crosier also stated the S. P. C. A. has set aside a sum of money to be used for printing a brochure, giving complete care of cats and kittens, which this organization presents to each new owner of an adopted new pet. Now don't you agree this is a fine work, and I hope you readers will assist in every way, send something if you can, and if not—attend and buy something. Mrs. Bess Morse, President of the California Cat Club (CFA) is Co-Chairman of this Bazaar.

August 15 found me attending the 7th Annual Short Hair show, put on by the Southern California Short Hair Breeders, (ACA). It was held at the V. F. W. Hall on Firestone Boulevard in south Los Angeles. Frankly, I can't say too much for the show room, but I realize it is difficult to find adequate quarters in this part of the country for Cat Shows. While the weather was warm, electric fans provided some measure of comfort. I did feel sorry for the Judges with the inadequate lighting provided. The show was well attended with 192 exhibits. I was informed that the show was paid for before the doors opened—fine! Dr. Fern Smith, show manager, can always stay calm regardless of disgruntled exhibitors—we need that in the Cat Fancy.

The All Breed was judged by Mr. June Williams. I heard many comments from the exhibitors expressing the desire to see Judge Williams handle the cats more. I myself felt that she could have—I may be wrong—but it seems to me to detect the good points as well as the faults, the cat must be gone over quite thoroughly. I am very sure June, with her experience in breeding short hairs, is not afraid of them, but she did give this impression, and while it is not my wish or desire to criticize in an unfriendly manner, I loathe to see a Judge carry a Siamese kitten, or any kitten, from the judging table to the benching cage only by the nape of the neck, with no other support. Kittens thusly handled remember, and later become difficult as an adult in a show room. Please all judges—treat kittens as you yourself wish to be treated—kindly and gently.

Judge Williams best cat was Beaver's Di va Tu-EE, Seal Point female, and the judge remarked about the lovely close lying coat of this fine cat, and congratulations to her owner, Mrs. H. T. Beaver. Her sire is Tr. Ch. Ta-Lee-Ho's Chip-EE de Beaver x Mandarin's Lady Godiva de Beaver, who has been a much admired S. P. female.

Her Best Opp. Sex, as well as Best Reserve was Ta-Lee-Ho's Manki, Blue Point male, and the best Champion, Ta-Lee-Ho's Al-La-Bi, litter brother of Manki—consistent judging. When I watched these two cats being judged I remarked "they look alike"—they did. Both quite dark, typey blue points, one almost hooded, nice wedge heads, good eye slant.

I believe every lover of a Siamese kit had a pocket ready to tuck away Judge Williams best kit—Lamar's Lynda, Blue Point female. Typey, dainty, nice color, whip tail, just plain good. Sire: High Barbaree's Muchacho of Lamar x Dbl. Ch. Lamar's Satyra. Best Kit in the Specialty was also a Lamar kit—Lamar's Pepper, C. P. female—sire Dbl. Ch. Lamar's Rocco, C. P. x Dbl. Ch. Lamar's Marina, S. P. These kits were bred and owned by Polly Jones of Coronado, California.

The Foreign Short Hair Specialty of this show was judged by Mrs. Elsie Quinn. I am sorry to say I did not watch too much of this judging, because there was not a chair available for more comfort, as my leg is still in a brace, and to stand too long was impossible. Much favorable comment circulated about the show room regarding her handling of the cats. Decisions were not the same as her Best Cat and Best Ch. was Ch. Tempurra's Yours Truly, B. P. male, in excellent condition, and a consistent winner, owned by Dick and Bonnie Burkett, who drove the long distance from San Francisco to make this one day show. Best Cat Opp. Sex went to Ch. Bograe's Naith, Abyssinian female, Sire, Tr. Ch. Casa Gatos Aboue of Bograe x Casa Gatos Somia of Bogra. Mrs. Grace Forrest, owner, also drove a long distance from Del Paso Heights, California, for this show, and I congratulated her on the wins and for staying until the end of the show—past 2:00 A.M.—which is more than this writer did.

Also from San Francisco exhibiting were Mrs. Miriam B. Williams and her

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TO THE NOVICE (from page 7)

Small tube with a fine spout on the end making it easy to apply. Just place about one-quarter inch of the salve as it comes out of the tube on the eye, close the eyelid and gently massage. This should clear up the trouble in two applications. If the infection continues, take the kitten to your local Vet for a more thorough diagnosis.

In a previous article mention was made of a maternity cage. It is a good idea to allow the cat and her kittens to remain in this cage for at least ten days. The reason for this is that it keeps both the kittens and the mother together in a minimum of space, allowing them to find each other more easily, and yet allowing plenty of room for a sanitary pan, water dish, and food tray. The floor of the cage should be covered with a lint-free cloth of some kind—a bed sheet in summer and rug in winter. This enables the kittens to get a good foothold when it's chow time, for they need a firm grip to hold themselves against the mother when suckling. And when it comes time for them to walk, a cloth will aid their confidence. Such a cloth will also aid greatly in keeping the cage clean and cleanliness is imperative in this stage of a cat's life.

The new family should be kept out of drafts at all times. Too, keep them away from bright lights or bright sunshine. Even after their eyes are open, it will take several days before they will be able to take more light.

In about ten days or two weeks the family should be moved into larger quarters. A cage six feet long, two feet wide, and two feet high with a one by two wire mesh covering, having a hinged door in the front center, has been used by the writer with great success. It is at this point in the game that the training of the kittens' toilet begins. A large pan for the mother and a smaller pan for the kits is used. Use a porcelain pan with one of the commercial products like Kitty-Litter or Cat Comfort, grease absorbent, paper (cut-up) or just plain earth. Porcelain is easy to keep clean and sanitary. In about three weeks after birth the mother will direct the kits to the pan and soon they will begin to use it by themselves. In this way the kittens become housebroken, so to speak, to the pan and will always use it. To the little kitten, the first time in the pan is like the little boy getting his first pair of long trousers. He hops in and gives a little cry calling everyone's attention; and if he could speak he'd say, "See, I'm being a good little kitty—I'm usin' the pan."

When the kittens are four weeks old you can begin teaching them how to eat apart from their mother. A mixture of one part canned milk to one part of *Armed Cereal* added is very good for a beginning. Place this in a shallow dish and gather the kits around it. They will not know what to do with it at first so put some of the mixture on your finger

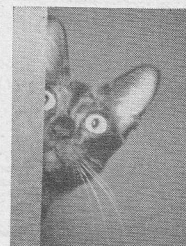
tip and put it on their little mouths. Pretty soon they will discover that it tastes mighty good and want more. Their suckling nature will cause them to first bite the edge of the dish but soon they will learn to move in closer. They may put their little noses in it and start sneezing but they will soon learn to lap the milk by themselves. It is not a good policy to force them to eat by submerging their nose in the liquid for they can easily be frightened by doing such.

When five weeks old, the kits are ready to start trying more solid food. Start them out with strained canned baby meats such as Swift's beef, heart or liver. Add a little water to the meat so that it can be lapped up. Then in a few days introduce them to fresh horse meat that has been finely ground. They will relish this and it is really amusing to watch their antics as they try out this style of eating. Once they have mastered the problem of eating they are ready to be weaned and can be given the same diet as mentioned before in this article. This is very important for in about six weeks after the kittens are born a change takes place in the mother cat. If she is really healthy she may come in season about this time, and, even though it may be of a short duration, she may rough up her kittens. When this happens take the kittens away from their mother until the period is over and she may again want her kittens. If she will take them again give them to her for it will do no harm.

When the cats are weaned let the milk of the mother dry up in the breasts. Be sure that no complications set in to hinder this process, otherwise, there is nothing required on your part.

One can never stop marveling as to how the mother cat knows you are helping her and she gives a little purr as if she were thanking you. After a cat has had several litters she learns exactly how to care for them. Even though instinct is great in animals, they can always use a little extra help. Mention of the flea problem again can be considered for fleas can be carriers of disease. A good flea powder is the commercial product Hilo or if a bath is preferred, Labco Pet Shampoo. Help can be given the mother in cleaning the kittens by making sure that they are combed each day. This will train them to like the comb and they will get used to it more easily. Keep the kits ears clean by using a piece of cotton dipped in baby oil and wipe any dirt or wax that may have collected. Do not allow the mother to have ear mites for she will pass them on to the kits and it is a difficult task to remove them from little kittens.

If you have brought your kittens this far, their chances of survival are very good. However, many complications could possibly set in and they will be considered in a later article. Look in the next issue of *Cats Magazine* for a discussion on "The Care and Training of Kittens After Weaning," under the title of "Tips to the Novice From a Novice."



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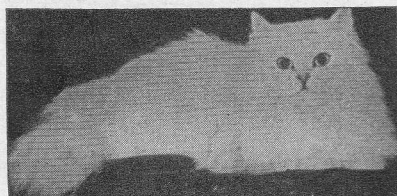


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FROST POINTS (from page 15)

shows—this without championship recognition! I would like to further note that a conservative estimate would indicate that these fifteen are less than one-half of the existing Frost Points in California alone. I can see no reason why California should be unusual in this respect. Our Frost Points are merely brought out into the open because we understand them.

4. Frost Points here occur in strains bred from Cuthpa, Amdos, Siam, Rasna and other well-known eastern stock. Chirn Sahai and Shawnee, probably Vee Roi also, have produced Frost Points. There is an additional separate strain in Washington. In California, also, are several separate western strains producing Frost Points. Any line combining Chocolate (for dilute) and Blue (for coloring) will ultimately produce Frost Points from genes already present in the Siamese breed.

5. If color-bred, Frost Point Siamese can produce nothing but Frost Point Siamese—by their very genetic nature. Few people are color breeding them at this point because of the lack of recognition up to this point and because they are exceedingly valuable for producing Chocolate Points which are recognized and which do sell well both for pets and show.

6. One other group has just realized that it is a matter of recognizing a color always present—not of requiring proof of establishment of a new color (not breed)—and I hear unofficially that two of the other associations have recognized Frost Points. Thus the items I am pointing out to you will soon become more than apparent—why not give loyal CFA members and exhibitors the same cooperation in recognizing a long-established color of an old and honorable breed?

7. Unless color-bred, by the nature of their double-recessiveness, Frost Point Siamese will remain in small proportion to other Siamese. Even in this small proportion, there are more Frost Point Siamese exhibited than Brown Tabby, Silver Tabby, Tortie, Blue-Cream or Odd-Eyed White Longhairs and usually more Frosts than Abyss, Russian Blues or Burmese—although these colors and breeds enjoy the recognition denied Frosts.

Please note that Frost Point Siamese are recessive in color to Chocolate Points and in saturation to Blue Points—doubly recessive, therefore to Seal Point Siamese. If two Seal Points carrying the necessary genes are mated, expectations for Frosts are one in sixteen!

We further request that this letter in its entirety be read to the Board and that the members thereof review the material we sent them prior to the annual, including a standard written in the pattern of the Siamese standard used by CFA and then seriously reconsider the matter. It might help if fanciers interested in Frost Point Siamese brought up the matter in the various CFA clubs and if owners of Frost Points in states other than California (where their number has been well-established) were careful to exhibit them at every opportunity during the coming season.

MEWS & VIEWS (from page 24)

husband, folks I always enjoy visiting with—such good sports. Watch their cats this season, some lovely Chocolate Points, plus Seal Points.

A most welcome visitor to this show was Mrs. Pauline Cuthbertson of Lufkin, Texas. I didn't have half enough time to visit with her, because she was so in demand, and does she know her Siamese, having some of the best. Would we had more like her in the Cat Fancy—need 'em we do.

Mr. and Mrs. Howard Warren (Casa Gatos) were there with their lovely Burmese; their beautiful female Casa Gatos Tana was Best Burmese in the All Breed show, sire: So-Wat of Forbidden City x Gresdales Mizzana, bred by Mrs. Lee Harris. I am looking forward to my invited visit to their cattery, they're such a great couple. I must confess besides anticipating enjoying their hospitality,

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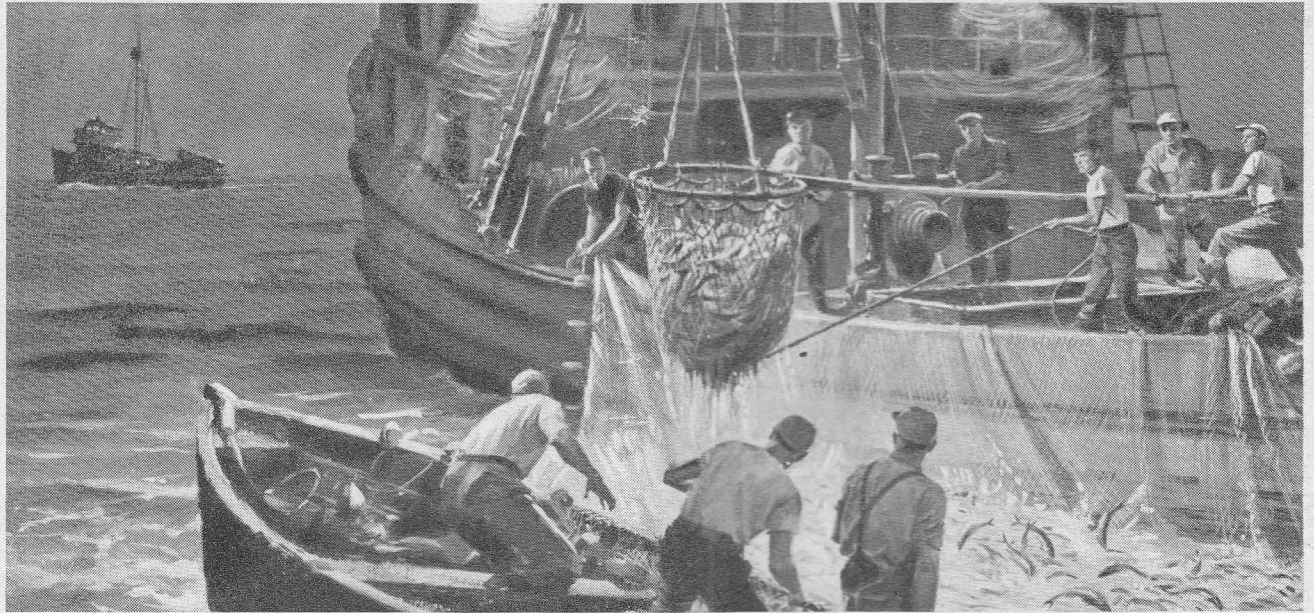
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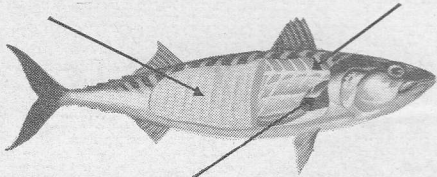
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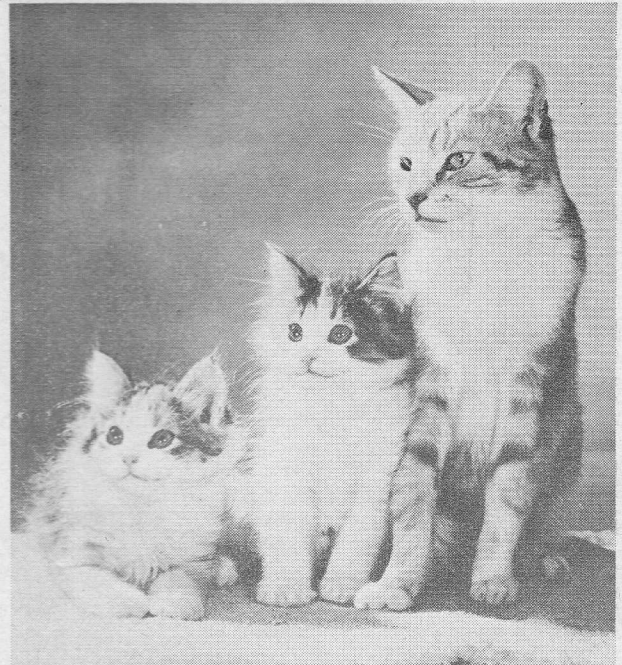
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