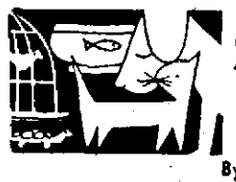

SPEAKING of PETS

By H. H. MILLER

Fancy Mice Raised

Have you a house for a mouse? It may come as a surprise to those whose idea of a mouse is something you catch in a trap, but there is a large cult of hobbyists who raise fancy mice.

At the close of the ninth century, the breeding and raising of different varieties of fancy mice had gained enough prominence for a National Mouse Club to be organized in England. Since that time the mouse fancy was able to develop over sixty different colors and varieties. There is an American Mouse Club which recognizes over 30 colors and varieties and has set up a standard describing the ideal mouse. And these mice are shown in competitive mouse shows.

If you would be a "mouser," the name by which mouse fanciers call themselves, either in line with raising them for show or just keeping a few as pets, the best way to begin the hobby is to start with a book.

THE BUILDING OR AREA housing mice is called a mousery or mouse house. The principal requirement is to build it so there are no drafts or dampness; that combination will kill more mice than disease ever will.

Feeding is no problem. Although mice are omnivorous, the recommended diet is high grade mouse pellets or biscuits or the consistent use of whole oats, hay and cubes of stale bread soaked in water with treats of millet or canary or parakeet seeds. Drinking water must be supplied and the best method is by the familiar bottle with tube extending into the cage or "house."

Fancy varieties of mice are not just to look at. They make interesting, affectionate and intelligent pets. When they are settled and sure of their owner and surroundings, they can be taught to do charming tricks. Very sure-footed, a mouse can learn to climb a tiny ladder (starting it from halfway up is advised) and to walk a tightrope. The rope should not be more than a few inches from the table or floor, so if he slips he won't injure himself. Mice are easily injured if they fall or are dropped any distance.

SEVERAL MICE can be grouped together for a race toward a goal with narrow strips of cardboard separating them on the track. Obviously, training a mouse to race consists of practice sessions with a tidbit reward at the goal.

Mice have several advantages as pets. They take up very little space, exercise themselves, and are not costly to buy or keep. For the person who favors the unusual in pets but not so unusual as to need great care and attention, a house mouse can well be the answer.

Drugs, Diets, Vitamins Help Prop Old Dogs

(Continued from Page Five)

of food if medication were required to keep the dog active?

The veterinarian considers the age of the people, the size of the dog; if the family lives in the city or in the country; if the people are lonely and need the dog for companionship; if the dog is still happy and keeps the people happy.

OUR DOG, "Scoop," a parti-colored cocker, had almost every problem in the book—arthritis, urinary troubles, skin tumors, worms, glaucoma in one eye and deafness in both ears.

Each day, he took two pink pills (a B-12 and an acidifier) and a green cortisone capsule in his food. He even became very clever at removing them from his food, storing them in his mouth and depositing them under the bed or behind the sofa.

But, when he had these pills, he could go many hours without an accident and often was lively as a puppy. In the spring, he still plucked apples from the tree and rolled on them. He waited eagerly for a stick to be tossed even though he sometimes brought back the wrong stick or landed on his nose. He maintained a life-long hunger for every kind of food, except lettuce. And most of all, he kept that look of love and that wagging tail even when he no longer could hear what was being said to him.

He was a happy dog and we were happy with him. He lived to be 14 and we never regretted a moment the care of keeping him active.

NET FARM INCOME

COLUMBUS, Ohio—(AP) Ohio State University extension economists report the net income per farm in Ohio averaged $2,713 in 1961.

Stamps in the News

—by Syd Kronish

Four new stamps depicting Red Sea fish will be issued by Israel before the end of the year. All four species are found in the vicinity of the Bay of Eilat (part of the Red Sea) and touches Israel's southern coast, reports the Israel Philatelic Agency in America.

The 3 agorot features the Pennant Coral Fish. The 6 agorot shows the Butterfly Fish. The 8 agorot illustrates the Winged Fire Fish which hides in caves

during the day, but swims out into the open waters every sundown. The 12 agorot depicts the Imperial Angel Fish. These stamps will be available at your local and coin departments.

FIJI HAS issued seven stamps changing old values and designs in their regular postal series. The three lower values are similar to the old set except that the word FIGI has been changed and the designs vary slightly. The four higher values have new designs—portrait of Queen Elizabeth Trooping the Color — 180° Meridian and International Dateline — White Orchid — Orange Dove. Each stamp also includes a portrait of the Queen with the St. Edward's Crown.

THE CANADIAN Postal Administration has announced that in September of 1963 it will issue a new stamp showing four Canadian geese in flight. The release of this stamp will mean that two Canadian stamps will have geese in their designs. The single goose now appears on the 7c stamp, but this is being redesigned for release in 1964.

JAPAN HAS issued a new stamp showing Japanese children of various ages praying for their unhindered growth to adulthood. This procedure is part of a festival celebration in Japan whereby parents take their children to shrines for praying. Another festival stamp issued by Japan showed children in gala dress.

SWEDEN HAS issued two new stamps commemorating the 80th birthday of King Gustav VI. The 20 plus 10 Ore and 35 plus 10 Ore show a portrait of the King. The additional values on these stamps go to the King's 80th Anniversary Foundation for Swedish Cultural Activities.

THE FIRST commemorative stamp of 1963 to be issued by the United Nations will be in February, when the subject will be the United Nations' role in the "Development Through Science and Technology." The second United Nations commemorative to be issued in March will feature "Freedom from Hunger."

(AP Newsfeatures)

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NOTES FROM THE PUZZLE EDITOR

There was no jingling of simoleons to blend their music with St. Nick's sleighbells—but there's just a chance that a package tagged for a Sunday Post puzzler got mislaid and will be delivered a little late . . . How Puzzle 448, down below, is wrapped up will determine whether or not there will be a $425 postscript to the Yule holiday.

The puzzle-pouch brought an avalanche of greetings and good wishes, for which your P.E. herewith extends heartfelt thanks . . . One or two of the messages seemed somewhat special, and so we are taking the liberty of sharing them . . . as for instance this card from G.E.H., of Bridgeport, which reads:

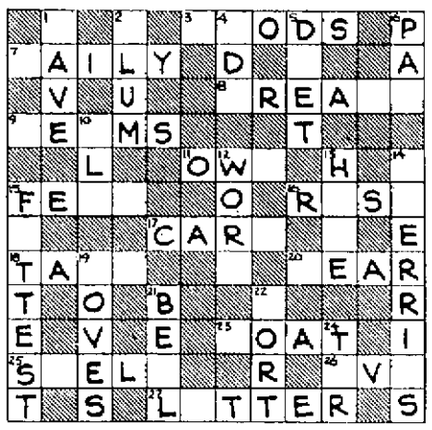
"Greetings, Dear Lady Luck.
I've reached the age of ninety-five,
Grateful am I to be alive:
Old friends to greet, new friends to meet,
To one and all, my Christmas card to send:
Merry Christmas and Happy New Year."

And then there is the note from D.B.D., of Bethel:
"A habit's hard to break or lose—
I've got the "Sunday Puzzle Blues."
I did send answers all the time
But couldn't find the heart to rhyme.
Yet ring I now a tiny bell—
To you, a gay, joyous Noel."

To C.W.G.—Do you sign your initials, lady? We don't remember receiving mail before—we like to keep in touch with our puzzle-pals . . . No, K.S.H., we do NOT think you should give up trying, even when P.M. is at his trickiest . . . puzzles should be evaluated in terms of fun, not brains—else we'd all be in the booby-hatch! . . .

Our wish, ere the puzzle prize zooms out of sight:
Merry Christmas to all—and put up a good fight!

Sunday Post Puzzle No. 448



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CROSSWORD CLUES

CLUES ACROSS:

3. There's much more demand for certain —— in the period just before Christmas.
7. How carols may be sung.
8. Such music is hardly suitable for a rollicking party.
9. Having ordered a small number of ——, a man certainly doesn't expect short delivery.
11. Nocturnal bird.
15. If you eat too much at Christmas, you may not —— well for a few days afterwards.
16. Too hasty or reckless.
17. Find fault unfairly.
18. A —— about the origin of St. Nicholas would be seasonal.
20. One may —— odd things at Bohemian parties.
23. Only an extremely handy man could turn one out for himself.
25. It would quite likely give you a clue as to what dish was being prepared.
26. "—— Maria."
27. A lazy man may well do nothing about it until finally he feels obliged to.

CLUES DOWN:

1. There might well be absolute quiet in one.
2. One can imagine how a lovely Christmas tree could brighten the eyes of —— children.
4. The opposite of "even."
5. At a jollification, certain liberties might be taken with it.
6. Money received for work.
10. A kind of beer.
12. Showing the effects of use.
13. At a party, a shy person may —— to talk to strangers.
14. Some, of course, are sweeter than others.
15. In fun, men might possibly argue as to who was the ——.
19. Enjoys very much indeed.
21. A Christmas decoration could take this form.
22. You expect it to be fairly strong, of course.
24. A black substance.

This list contains, among others, the correct words for the prize crossword puzzle 448.

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AVE	FITTEST	OIL
BEAMS	FOODS	PAY
BELL	FORT	PORT
BOAT	GAILY	RASH
CARP	GLUM	REAMS
CAVE	GOODS	SHELL
CHERRIES	HATE	SHERRIES
COAT	HAVE	SLUM
DAILY	HEAR	SMELL
DIET	HOODS	TALE
DREAMY	LETTER	TALK
DREARY	LITTER	TAR
DUET	LOVES	TEAMS
FATTEST	MOODS	TEAM
FEAR	NAVE	WEAR
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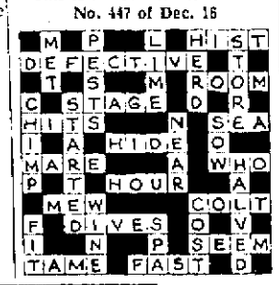
This is the solution to Puzzle No. 447 of Dec. 16



HERE ARE THE RULES . . .

SOLVE the clues just as you would in any other crossword puzzle.
CHOOSE from each printed clue the word that BEST fits the clue definition.
WRITE the answers in the blank spaces provided in each Puzzle until all have been filled in.
SUBMIT your answer to Puzzle Editor, P. O. Box, 68, Bridgeport, Conn.

Entries must be made in Crossword Puzzle form. They may be on the form printed here for your convenience, or on a hand-drawn reasonable facsimile of the same size.

All entries on mechanical duplications of the form will be disregarded.

Anyone may enter except employees of The Post-Telegram, Sunday Post or the Puzzle Syndicate and immediate members of their families.

No person may submit more than five solutions. Any person sending in more than five will be disqualified.

Mail all entries to Puzzle Editor, P.O. Box 68, Bridgeport, 1, Connecticut, or deliver them in person to the Post-Telegram Office, 410 State street, by midnight Tuesday. If you mail your entries they must be postmarked no later than midnight Tuesday, and in the office of the Post Publishing Company by midnight of Wednesday preceding publication of the correct solution. No puzzle entry postmarked later than Tuesday midnight will be considered.

A cash prize of $25 weekly goes into the puzzle jackpot. If more than one correct solution is received the prize will be divided equally among the winners. If no correct solution is received, the jackpot becomes $25 richer for next week's contest.

Remember, there is but one correct solution. There is only one word for each space that in the decision of the puzzle-maker is best. The decision of the judges will be final. And all contestants taking part agree to accept their decisions as a condition of entry.

The correct solution and winners for each puzzle, will be announced in The Telegram and The Post each Friday, following the Sunday of publication.

Do not mail the entire page or the entire article. Your answer must be similar to the form, clipped along the edge of the puzzle form itself; your name and address printed in the appropriate space in order for your entry to be eligible.

Only one solution may be placed on one sheet of paper. All facsimiles must be the same size as the original puzzle reproduced herewith. It is suggested you paste or copy your entry on the back of a three-cent U. S. post card. This will be a great aid to the judges.

Today's Sunday Post Quiz

—By HASKIN

(A reader can get an answer, by mail, to any question of fact by writing The Bridgeport Sunday Post Information bureau, 635 F street, N. W., Washington 4, D. C. Please enclose return postage or self-addressed stamped envelope.)

SUET: Q. Please give a recipe for a home-made suet cake for feeding wild birds. F.N.

A. Melt one pound of beef suet over a low heat, and after it is all melted blend in 12 ounces of crunchy peanut butter. Then add two cups mixed bird seed, one-half cup cornmeal, one cup raisins and stir well. This suet cake can be frozen or refrigerated if you do not wish to use it all at one time.

BROWNING: Q. How old was Robert Browning when he married Elizabeth Barrett? D.L.

A. Robert Browning was 34 years old; Elizabeth Barrett was 40. They were married at Marylebone church, London on Sept. 12, 1846. Both Brownings were noted poets. Among their more popular poems are "Pippa Passes" by Robert Browning and "Sonnets from the Portuguese" by Elizabeth Barrett Browning.

MEAT: Q. Is liverwurst different from braunschweiger? C.J.

A. There is a slight difference. Liverwurst contains pork liver and pork meats as major ingredients and is cooked but usually not smoked. Braunschweiger is a liver sausage that is cooked and smoked or has smoked meat, such as bacon, added to give a smoked flavor. The two words often are used interchangeably despite the difference in the products.

MAP: Q. What is a paleogeographic map? E.R.

A. Paleogeography means "ancient geography," and a paleogeographic map is therefore one which shows geographic conditions of the earth during geologic time. The map-maker tries to show the relations of lands and waters, location of highlands or mountains, etc. Such maps are generalized, because they refer to long periods of time rather than a specific date.

INAUGURATIONS: Q. When was the old Pension Office Building in Washington, D.C. built? I.W.

A. This huge red-brick Victorian building at Fifth and G streets, N. W., was built in 1883 for $900,000 as a memorial to veterans of the Civil War. An enormous inner hall, more than 75 feet high, was the scene of the inaugural balls of President Cleveland, Benjamin Harrison, McKinley, Theodore Roosevelt, and Taft. So splendid was one of the later balls, that the newspapers claimed that "never in the history of the New World" had a social event equalled this. Eighteen thousand people attended the last ball in 1909. The Bureau of Pensions occupied the building from 1885-1926; the U.S. General Accounting Office from 1926-1951; and since 1951, the overflow of numerous federal agencies, among them the Civil Service commission. The building was designed by General M. C. Meigs and constructed with 15 thousand bricks.

REDUCING: Q. How fast can one reduce without risking injury to his health? S.A.

A. Doctors recommend that persons following a diet lose not more than two pounds a week.

STRAIT: Q. Why is the Fury and Hecla Strait in the Arctic so named? P.W.

A. This strait was named in 1823 by Sir William Edward Parry, the Arctic explorer who discovered it, in honor of the ships Fury and Hecla in which his second attempt to discover a Northwest Passage was made. The Fury and Hecla Strait lies in the Northwest Territory of Canada and connects the Gulf of Boothia on the west with Foxe Channel on the east, and separates Cockburn Land (on Baffin Island) from Melville Peninsula on the south.

PROPOSALS: Q. Were Leap Year proposals by women ever recognized by law? T.H.

A. Yes; such laws existed in medieval times in several places —France, Scotland, and several Italian city-states. One law enacted in Scotland in 1288 provided that in Leap Year each "mayden ladye shall hae liberte to bespeke ye man she likes." If he refused, the law said he should "be mulcted in ye sum" of a pound or less, according to the size of his estate, unless he could "make it appeare" that he was betrothed to another woman.

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News of the Granges

The National Grange has taken a stand on many issues which are not primarily agricultural. Under the general heading of national welfare—the Grange takes the stand that the fundamental nature of the resources problem demands an effective over-all coordination of resources programs and positive leadership in relating the national resources effort to the nation's requirements, both present and future. . . This policy should include safeguarding of our inter-related resources of water, soil, forest, wildlife and recreational values from exploitation or unnecessary depletion. . . Coordination of private, local, state and federal resources development activities to promote attainment of those general objectives should be planned.

LAND USE—The Grange favors a program of multiple use of land and water in the public interest, with primary emphasis on private development and management.

WILDERNESS AREAS — The Grange opposes further extension of the so-called wilderness areas through condemnation of privately owned lands.

WATER DEVELOPMENT—The federal government should not engage in water development projects where the total benefits do not clearly exceed the cost of construction and replacement of facilities, the loss of production potentials, and the public costs and losses incident to displaced populations.

PUBLIC POWER—Sharing of oportunity for hydroelectric power development with states and private corporations of co-operatives should be recognized Federal policy.

WATER LIMITATION—Re-affirmed support of the 160-acre limitation on agricultural use of water in the National Reclamation act.

LABOR—Favored compulsory arbitration as a last resort for settlement of disputes that threaten the public interest, health and safety.

Mrs. Alta F. Peck, of Litchfield, has again been appointed to head the National Home Economics committee as chairman.

STATE NEWS—Everyone will be glad to know that Rev. Albert S. Woodworth, of Rockfall, chaplain of the State Grange, is recuperating at home following a brief illness. Mr. Woodworth is also chaplain of Central Pomona No. 1.

Mrs. Evelyn Normand of Fairfield, secretary of the New England Leaders conference, has announced that arrangements have been made to hold the 1963 conference at the Grantmoor Motor lodge, on the Berlin turnpike, Jan. 11-12. Mr. Beckwith is president of the conference, and will be host to more than 100 state officers and committee members from the six New England states, as well as the National Grange officers. The opening remarks at 3 p.m., the 11th, will be given by Mrs. Alta F. Peck, of Litchfield, who is national home economics chairman. Other national officers who will speak are Herschel D. Newsom, national master, William J. Brake of Michigan, national lecturer, E. Carroll Bean of Maine, high priest of Demeter; and Wib Justi, national youth director.

FAIRFIELD COUNTY POMONA—Mr. and Mrs. Russell C. Mitchell of New Canaan, attended the school for deputies last Saturday where plans were made for the coming year. Mr. Mitchell has announced that the school of instruction for subordinate officers in the granges of Fairfield County Pomona will be held on Jan. 18, at New Canaan Grange.

At a recent meeting of Fairfield county Pomona, Charles Normand, of Fairfield, announced that the organization meeting of the new Past Masters and Past Lecturers association will take place Jan. 30 at a place to be announced. Any past master or past lecturer, and all present masters and present lecturers in Fairfield County Pomona and Pioneer Pomona are eligible for membership, with their respective wives or husbands. The association is intended to be a working group which may include drill teams, degree teams, lecturer programs and pageants.

POKONO—Guests were present at the recent "Neighbors Night" from Redding, Pohtatuck, and Metichewan Granges. Also, Philip E. Bergquist, master of Fairfield county Pomona, attended.

Pokono Grange had its annual Christmas party for the Brownie troop No. 421, which it sponsors last week. Mrs. Alfree Hantsch is the leader. Children of Grange members also attended this party arranged by Mrs. Philip Burr, Mrs. Clifford Richmond, Mrs. Karl Elmer and Mrs. William Thornhill.

REDDING — Redding Grange #15 held a Christmas program directed by Mrs. Marie Williams, lecturer, and her assistant Mrs. Florence Burritt.

Kenneth Goodall was elected to serve as chairman of the executive committee for the unexpired term of one year, left vacant by the resignation of Mrs. Ann Turner. It was voted to deliver five cartons of toys, repaired and refinished by Mrs. Turner and her son, Oakie, to the local Salvation Army unit for distribution. A check will be sent to the Pediatric Play Therapy group at Danbury hospital for the purchase of craft material in the children's ward.

The Dec. 24 meeting has been canceled and the next meeting will be held Jan. 14.

POHTATUCK—The next meeting will be Jan. 8 at the Masonic temple in Sandy Hook, with the theme "Great Oaks from Little Acorns Grow."

DANBURY—Approximately 100 members and guests were entertained at a Christmas program at Grange hall presented by Miss Bonnie Lou Muliolis, lecturer.

During the business session conducted by Edward Mortimer, master, the charter was draped in memory of Charles Nilson. The ceremony was conducted by Mrs. Frank Perry, chaplain, Mrs. Samuel Moody, Ceres, and Mrs. Anthony Carrara, soloist, accompanied by Mrs. George Barnum.

Mrs. Perry was presented with the third prize ribbon in the National Booster Night contest for 1962 and the state award by Mrs. Evelyn Normand, state lecturer.

Resurgence In Stained Glass Noted

(Continued from Page Three)

Book-of-the-Month club and other art work.

His entry into the stained glass window field happened almost by chance.

"It was a pure accident," he says.

An architect friend asked him to do the design for a stained glass window for a church. While Mr. Jonynas received no monetary return for his labor, when the workman who was to produce the stained glass window proved incapable of doing the job, the artist felt his prestige was involved. He took over and, without pay, did the same 40 windows himself.

"From that moment, I've done all the work myself," the artist said.

And since that time, he has made his perhaps greatest contribution to the art of this country—in playing an important role in the renaissance of stained glass widows, through his mastery of an almost lost art.

Donated Collections

CLIFTON, N. J.—(AP) A collection of the signatures of all 34 Presidents is now displayed in the executive wing of the White House, because Martin Weiner doesn't believe in selling such a valuable item.

Weiner, who has completed nine such signature collections, says: "I never sell any of my documents. If I think they would be useful to a person or institution, I donate them."

He's working on another collection now, and is considering giving it to the United States Embassy in Moscow "so that it could be displayed as a reminder of the perpetuity of our democracy."

CLAY'S GRANDSONS

LEXINGTON, Ky.—(AP) Henry Clay was known as the Great Composer, largely for his efforts to avert the Civil War. But when the showdown came, seven of his grandsons took definite sides. Four were Confederate soldiers and three were Union soldiers.

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