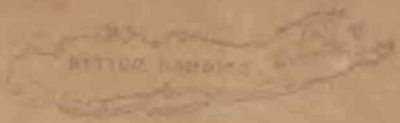
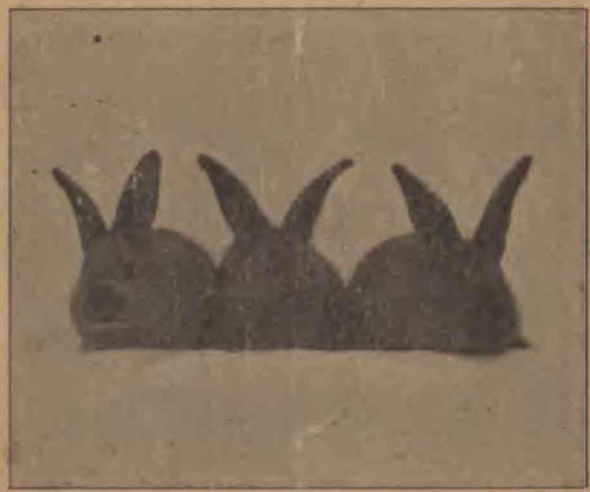


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YEAR BOOK

OF AMERICAN
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ASSOCIATION



❁ 1913 ❁

The publishing of the year book this year has taken up a great deal of time, caused by the delay in getting promised pictures, cuts adds. But we are pleased to be able, at last to publish a book, that we will not only introduce you to all the officers, who have kindly assisted us by lending us their photos, but will bring you in touch with fancy in general. We here offer our grateful thanks to all who have rendered us any assistance. This volume not only introduces you to all the officers but to all the sister and brother fanciers as well and gives you the necessary information on all official shows, A. F. F. A. specials and all other specials up to the time of printing, which alone is worth the small price paid for it.

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FINANCIAL REPORT FOR 1910, 1911, 1912

Report from statement of July, cash in treasury		\$32 44
Dues from 33 members for 1910	\$24 00	
Dues from 8 members for 1911	5 00	
Dues from 1 member for 1912	50	
	29 50	61 94
Expenses from July 1, 1910		
(A) Silver medals	7 01	
(B) Printing in Advocate	4 40	
(C) Stamped envelopes for Sec.	5 62	
(D) Postage, post card, stationery for Treas.	5 78	
	22 81	
Balance in Treasury for 1911		39 13



MISS ABBIE E. C. LATHROP,

Chairman of the fancy Mouse Club, who has been a fancier of Mice, Cavies and Rabbits for the past 10 years, but her favorite is the Mouse, having perfected some remarkable specimens in the Dutch marked and has bred as many more of good ones in all of the other varieties. Miss Lathrop is one who is always willing to give a helping hand toward advancement of the Mouse fancy.



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RESUME.

It is the third year since we published our last year book. During this time some progress and some retrogression has occurred, the fancy has not proved spirited enough to support a journal. The introduction of much raking and truthless scancal broke the journal that pretended to specialize for our fancy. If the fancy learns from these things progress will be made and it is due to the steadfast and stalwart uprightiness and faith of our old fanciers that our Association has not been wrecked. In no combination of individuals can all see things exactly alike nor can all feel that every policy is as he individually would have it but all can be loyal and sports manlike enough to abide by what the majority seems for the best. In spite of hindrance we have progressed. An association founded on such lines as this is bound to stand as there are true sports, manlike fanciers. The shows during these three years has gone up and down. The fancier personal has changed. The younger fanciers have left and those in the fancy several years ago are back. Due to this and the conditions voted in the opening paragraph the entries were this past year low but I believe another year will see a healthy reaction and the results of the efforts of the old fanciers will be rewarded by a really large season of quality and volume in the showroom. But to accomplish this there must be more enthusiastic support accorded each official show and each fancier should make an effort to have some stock in shape for each.

C. H. ELLARD, SECRETARY.



GIBSON BROS. WITH THEIR WINNING BELGIAN

HOW TO FEED AND CARE FOR MICE.

Feed your mice twice a day, if possible: oats in the morning, and in the evening bread and milk and canary seed. They may have finely chopped cooked meat, carrots and hemp seed occasionally, and crackers, etc., are good for a change. If any become too fat, give them canary seed alone for a week or two. Mice should always have plenty of water. A good watering device is a wide mouth (1 inch) bottle with a rubber cork through which is run a glass tube (about 12 mm.) diameter. When the bottle is inverted there is always a drop of water at the end of the tube, and the bottle requires filling only twice a week. Soft hay, alone or mixed with cotton or paper, is the best bedding. It should be changed once a week, and the sawdust or bran used in the cage should be changed daily. Scrub the cage once a month using a little crude 'Santas', or some similar preparation, in the water. Zinc trays make a very good flooring. Don't crowd a cage, 8x16 will do nicely for a pair, and 12x18 is a good size for about half a dozen adults. Don't put more than a dozen young mice in one cage. If you are raising show animals, three or four to a litter is quite sufficient for the doe to raise. They may be taken from her at the end of from four to six weeks, and the sexes should then be separated. Mice are sexually matured from five to ten weeks, but it is better not to try to breed from them until they are at least twelve weeks old. The doe goes with young from eighteen to twenty two days and the buck should be removed as early as possible. Keep your cages clean, give your mice plenty of food and fresh water, and don't crowd, and you may pretty certain of success.

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The breeding of our Fur-bearing pets is an interesting study, delighting the hearts of young and old alike. The boy who possesses his first pair of covies or rabbits at the age of five or six, is very apt to be found in the ranks of the Fanciers at fifty or sixty. The question then arises, why the interest? Where lies the charm that that seems to literally draw us to these little four footed friends? Is it, because we like the labor, incidental to the possession of them or for the love of spending our money for feed and other accessories? Surely, if there were no other side to the question of possession the ranks of Pet stock owners would most likely be rather slim and isolated. But here we arrive at the same landmark and read that other fanciers, pigeon, chicken, cat, dog, etc. have long travelled and pointed the way for us to follow, the Show Room. Here we expect to be rewarded for any extra care or effort we have bestowed upon our wards; also, here is the place where any laxity, either in care or breeding is very forcibly brought to our notice, spurring us on for renewed energy, to attain the same level as our next door exhibitor. However, when all is said and done, it is but a weary road to travel alone. For this reason the American Fur Fanciers Association was called into being, some half dozen years ago, to further the interest of all time fanciers, but not alone in the show room, but to work for the uplift of the fancy and the stock as well, by offering special tokens of merit for prime specimens, when ever shown, and by co-operation as a unit, get better and more liberal treatment and consideration at the hands of the show Associations. Here the fellow fancier is the incentive, to throw your lot in with ours, by joining our Association, especially when you consider the very nominal cost of \$1.00 a year per CLUB of which there are six, Viz: Belgian Hare, Fancy Rabbit, Cavy and Fancy Mouse Club. Join either one or all you like, but remember in is strength. Any other information will be cheerfully furnished by any member of the Association or by writing our secretary, enclosing stamp for reply. Yours for a better fancy American Fur Fanciers Association. G. D. Tietjen.

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