contest is closed, we must still keep up the good work, and while our membership is increasing, there is still room for improvement and we need more breeders and more rabbits to establish markets and keep them supplied.

W. F. DODGE PASSES ON: C. E. Levi, Seattle, Wash., passed away, December 10, 1940. We are sorry indeed to hear of this as Mr. Dodge was one of our good workers in the Northwest. He was a gentleman, a breeder of character and highly respected by all who knew him, and a judge and registrar for the A.B.&C.B.A. for years and devoted much of his time to our Industry. We extend our sincere sympathies to Mrs. Dodge.

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N. E. WILCOX PASSES ON: Gust Forester, Sec'y. of The American Checker Giant Club and now one of our directors, advises that N. E. Wilcox, Minneapolis, Minn., passed away December 22, 1940. Mr. Wilcox was a breeder of Checker Giants and was very active. He was a member of the A. R. &C.B.A., also a director of The American Checker Giant Club. We are sorry to hear of Mr. Wilcox's death and extend to his family our sincere sympathy.

CHICAGO SHOW: The Chicago Rabbit & Cavy Breeders will hold its Annual Show at the Stock Yards Amphi-Theatre, Chicago, February 22nd to March 2nd, in connection with The International Sportsmans Show again this year, and it promises to be much more successful than last year. Over 300,000 people passed through the gates of this show last year and nearly all were interested more or less in the rabbit exhibition. We get real publicity at shows of this kind and our rabbits are viewed by the public in general, many of them, learning for the first time that domestic rabbits are raised for the fine quality of meat produced, plus skins, wool, etc. Jimmy Blyth will place the awards this year.

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1941 LOOKS PROMISING: Prospects for our industry for 1941 look very promising and already in some sections buyers are finding it rather difficult to secure enough rabbits to fill their laboratory orders. I say laboratory orders for we have not had enough production in many sections of the country to even try to re-establish meat markets. However, production is increasing and some sections are again enjoying a good meat trade. I speak only of the Central and Eastern states as California held to her meat trade very well during the depression, although at times their prices became very low. Skins are in good demand at better prices than for sometime, and Angora Wool is in good demand and bringing good prices. Because of the war in Europe and the Far East, all rabbit products should continue in good demand with good prices, I look forward to a great improvement in our industry this present year. Our great need now is more production, more rabbit breeders; so do not hesitate to try and interest your friends to start raising domestic rabbits.

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NORFOLK R. & C.B.: M. V. Renn, Sec'y. of The Norfolk R.&C.B.A. stated that the Association is going strong and all are working hard to make it 100% American and will soon complete the job. This is encouraging and we hope other chartered locals will follow The Norfolk Club's example and also make their club 100% American.

CHARTERED LOCALS, ATTENTION: I wish to call attention to all chartered locals to the resolution passed at Grand Rapids, Mich., Convention. This Resolution states that no charter can be renewed unless The Local Ass'n. applying for renewal has five or more members in good standing in their local, who are members of The A.R.&C.B.A. Please keep this in mind, and when you apply for your renewal list, send the names of five members of The A.R.&C.B.A. belonging to your local. This will save delay and extra correspondence.

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# **FANCY MICE**



# FUNCTIONS OF A MOUSE CLUB

Points I Believe Are Essential to Such a Club By C. Frank Fayne, Shaker Heights, Ohio

WHAT should be the duties of a well run mouse club? Every prospective member should ask himself this question before he invests any of his time or money.

First, I feel that a good club will see that their hobby gets all the publicity possible in the newspapers and magazines. The officials of the club must see to it that stimulating news and articles are kept before the public at all times. Publicity brings new members and sales, both of which are vital in keeping an organization to-

Second, the management must see to it that enough shows are promoted to keep up interest in breeding show animals and bringing these finer animals before the public. Most people have never seen or even heard of a mouse show or a really fine show mouse. Without enough shows, breeders are raising their mice for pet sale only.

Third, the secretary of the club should see that a list is made of all members and the varieties they breed. He should see that a monthly report of the activities of the more prominent members and the officials is circulated to all members so they will know what is going on. There can be no unity without intra-club correspondence.

Fourth, a complete standard of perfection should be made up and sold to all members. Judges at all mouse shows should be compelled to issue a report to the general public, as well as the members, thru a good source of publicity such as ALL-PETS. This report should state what progress has been made in the various varieties.

Fifth, it should be the goal of the management of the club to publish a year book which would contain good articles by prominent members, stud records and pedigree sheets; this publication to be supported by ads from members and merchants who supply fanciers with cages, food, etc.

Finally, a well-run mouse club must have at its head those who are running it for the love of the mouse fancy itself and no personal gain. If the leaders are devoted to their task,

they can soon enlist others and the club will thrive. In closing, I might add that a newly formed mouse club establish a precedent and issue a financial report every six months to the members. If those who enlist in the newly formed club will keep these points in mind and insist upon their application, the mouse fancy will soon be on a par with other fancies, as it should be.

## The American Mouse and Rat Fanciers' Association NEWS — NOTES

The support from the mouse and rat fanciers in organizing the American Mouse & Rat Fanciers' Association is most encouraging.

From Mrs. Bird, East Rockaway, L. I., N. Y., comes promise of support as well as publicity for our club. She writes a syndicated pet column for newspapers and her notes on mice and rats have appeared in 1,400 daily newspapers throughout the country.

Everett Caster, Savannah, N. Y., is another new member, and he not only breeds Pink-Eyed Whites and Black-Eyed Whites, but has some of the colored varieties also. Brother Caster had a bad accident last May and has not been able to do a day's work since, but his letter reflects a great enthusiasm for fancy mice and rats as well as other fancy stock.

Howard Jones, Manatee Mousery, Palmetto, Florida, puts out a nice

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# MANATEE MOUSERY

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Make fine pets. Need little care and feed.

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Black-eyed White Self Mouse.

#### AR&CBA NEWS

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RABBIT FEED PUBLICITY: I am afraid many of our breeders do not take into consideration the good work the various feed mills are doing along the line of furnishing publicity for our industry. Some, no doubt, do more than others, but as a whole, it all helps to boost our industry and give us more publicity. One large concern is publishing a quarterly magazine and also publishes a beautiful edition giving the highlights of our Grand Rapid Convention. This and other literature by these concerns are sent out by the hundreds and given to their dealers in quantities. This literature gets in the hands of breeders, who along with beginners and others have never been fortunate enough to receive any literature on domestic rabbits before. Salesmen are out daily sell.ng feed and are happy to recommend the nearest local to a new breeder in his vicinity. They have experts working at all times trying to improve their feed and give the breeders the highest quality of a balanced ration, enabling them to produce youngsters of high quality and quick maturity, which means much to the breeder financially. Remember your feed dealer, and also remember that poor feed is expensive at any price. Decide on a good balanced feed and stick to it, even if the cost is a trifle more than the straight grain and hay ration.

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NATIONAL RABBIT WEEK: According to Resolution #11, passed at the Annual Convention at New Haven, Conn., December 1935, the week preceding Easter Sunday each year is to be designated as National Rabbit Week and all members and local Associations should use their efforts to advertise this week as National Rabbit Week. This year Easter falls on April 13th, and this would make National Rabbit Week. April 7th to 13th. However, a large feed concern is going to considerable expense to make the preceeding week April st to 7th National Rabbit Week and have requested us to cooperate with them and make this a Real National Rabbit Week. I think this is a good suggestion and have taken it up with our Board and Marketing Committee and hope to have final plans all ready to report to you in my March news.

ADVERTISING CAMPAIGN: Our adventising comments is a son in any next and approach and approach

you in my March news.

ADVERTISING CAMPAIGN: Our advertising campaign is on in earnest and we are getting quite a number of individual requests for the booklets, but very few of the locals so far have taken quantities of these booklets as suggested by Pres. Fehr in his letter to all Secretaries. Sheboygan R.&C.B.A., Tippecanoe Ca. R.B.A., Lorain Ca. R.B.A., The Ogle Ca. R.B.A., The Long Island R.B.A., The Chicago R. & C.B.A., and The Waterloo Rabbit & Cavy Breeders Ass'n, are the locals to take quantities, and I hope to have more to add to the list in March. These books are waiting for you. Please help us to dispose of them.

REX RABBIT FEDERATION: Carl F.

REX RABBIT FEDERATION: Carl F. Schultz has been elected Secretary-Treasurer of The Rex Rabbit Federa-tion and has already issued a real "snappy" bulletin for The Rex Club. We wish Mr. Schultz success with his new position.

REGISTRATIONS: Registrations for 1940 showed a gain over 1939, but there is still plenty of room for improvement. Registration #8971-72-73-74-and 74-V covered five Flemish registered by Mr. Holtzinger, and were shipped to Ber-

muda. I will start next month giving the report of all breeds registered since January 1st. 1941. GRAND CHAMPIONSHIPS: The fol-

January 1st, 1941.

GRAND CHAMPIONSHIPS: The following grand championship certificates have been issued since my last report: Raritan Artistocrat Baron, #7867-V, Chinchilla Buck, owned by H. C. Finger, Somerville, N. J. Valley's Sensation, #7866-V., Black Checkered Bk., Earl Waddell, Lucasville, Ohio. Hillside Envoy, #6203-V., Chin. Buck, owned by Bernard Hough, Salmon Falls, N. H. Leonard's White Empress #7455-V., Flemish Doe, owned by Jack Leonard, White Lake, N. Y. Flash, #8221-V. Lynx Rex Bk., owned by Palatine Rabbitry, Palatine, Ill. Smith's White Lady, #6685-V., N. Z. White Doe, owned by Palatine Rabbitry, Palatine, Ill.

OFFICIAL SHOWS: Following chartered locals have been granted permission to hold their Show as an official A.R.&B.C.A. show since my last report: April 25-27, 1941, Waterloo, Iowa. April 16-19, 1941, Mich. State R.&C.B. A., East Lansing, Mich. Oct. 9-12, 1941, Lima R.&C.B.A., Lima, Ohio. September 10-14, 1941, Rockford R.&

Ohio.

September 10-14, 1941, Rockford R.& Fur Animal Ass'n., Rockford, Ill. (Fair).

Oct. 22-25, 1941, Eastern R.&C.A., Pittsburgh, Penna.

Nov. 24-29- 1941, A.R.&C.B.A. Convention Show, Fort Wayne, Ind.

March 5-9, 1941, St. Joe Valley Club, So. Bend, Ind. in connection with Greater Outdoor Boat Show.

May 30, 1941, Freeport Rabbit & Fur Breeders Ass'n., Freeport, Ill.

#### ILL.-IND. CHECKER GIANT CLUB

The following members have been elected as Officers of our Club for the year 1941: Orest Biagini, Pres.; Frank Paymaster, Vice Pres.; Mike Migas, Treas.; Nick Migas, Sec'y.; The following were elected as Directors: L. C. Wells, Dewey Sliger, Art Schultz, I. R. Holmes, Louis Trese, R. A. Bruce and L. L. Biskie.

Our annual meeting and banquet was a success with over 30 present, thanks to the ladies who cooked. They sure did a swell job, but there was so much we couldn't eat it all—believe me there were plenty of well-cooked rabbit. Mr. Bocknor was the guest of the meeting, sorry he was sick, but he said it was the best rabbit gathering he ever attended. Mr. & Mrs. Biskie of Joliet also were present, sorry space does not allow me to name all who were there.

Soon you will have a copy of the constitution, by-laws and membership list, so, breeders in Ill.-Ind. who do not belong, better get in on this, and be listed. Our membership now stands at 30 paid-up members. Come on boys, let's have those pledges for the National Checkered Giant Specialty Show May 2-3-4. We now have \$36.50. Next month I hope to be able to announce the judge's name for the show.

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be able to announce the Judge's name for the show.

Next month's meeting will be held at my home, and at this meeting a Ladies Auxiliary will be formed, so, all ladies whose husbands are members, be out for this meeting.—I. R. Holmes, Pub. Dir., 432 Pulaski Rd., Calumet City, III.

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4c per word per month, 3 times.
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WANTED ADS: 2c per word, 1 time.
3 times for the price of two.
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(Forms close on the 15th of the month preceding issue.)

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ANGORA WOOL WANTED. WE PAY cash at highest prices for all grades in any quantity. Our woolers produce the type of wool in demand by the mills.—Wildhorse Angora Colonies, Simpson, Montana.

#### WANTED (Cont'd.)

WANTED: MEAT RABBITS AND virgin does, 3½ to 5½ pounds.—Burrell Berrie, 160 Deer St., off Newport Ave., Rumford. Rhode Island. ma1241

WANTED — RABBIT SKINS, ALL colors, any quantity. Best market prices paid promptly year 'round. We sell direct to trade, you get the benefit in higher returns. Send for shipping tags and price list. If east of Mississippi River ship to our eastern home—148 West 28th St., New York; west of Mississippi ship to 2209 Whittier Blvd., Montebello, California. Reliable Fur Industries, my1241

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### GENERAL ADVERTISING

SNAKES WANTED: WE BUY NONpoisonous Snakes, Turtles, Frogs, Toads, Lizards, from all localities. Let us know what you have.—Don's Reptile Exchange, 3400 Third Ave., New York, New York. ap341

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WANTED: ALL TYPES OF PETS, birds, reptiles, etc.—Jack Halpin, Garden City, Long Island, New York. ma341

BEAUTIFUL HIGH TONE BLOWING Horns, 16", \$2.50; 18", \$3.00; Beautiful Goat Blowing Horns, 14", \$2.00.—Special Products Company, Laredo, Texas. fe41

\$1.00 EACH—250 LETTERHEADS, ENvelopes. statements, cards. 1000 6x9 Handbills, \$1.50. — Stumpprint, South Whitley, Indiana.

PASTEL PORTRAITS:— SPECIAL price on head studies painted from photographs or life.—Marjorie Walker, West Stockbridge, Massachusetts. no1241

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FOR SALE: FINE, HEALTHY RHEsus Monkeys. Hand raised in cool climate. —Olympic Game Farm, Grand Junction, Colorado.

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FOR SALE: WILD ANIMALS, LIONS, Bears, Leopards, Monkeys, Deer, Foxes, Wild Cats, Coyotes, Owls, Fitch, Coati-Mundis, Eagles, Squirrels, Pheasants, Fancy Waterfowl, various other animals and birds.—Chase Wild Animal Farm, Egypt, Massachusetts.

RACCOONS, SKUNKS. DOMESTIcated. Improved strains. Wonderful pets. Bred females. Instructive, interesting catalog, 10c.—Schaddy Fur Farm, Springfield, Minnesota. ma341

FINE DARK EASTERN AND YUKON Mink. Bred females.—Julian Ward, Rte. 3, Marietta, Ohio. ap341

YOUNG BOTTLE RAISED WHITE-tailed and Japanese Sika Deer, Tame as a dog. Price reasonable.—August Lindemann, Route I, Catskill, New York. fe41

FOR SALE: BEARS, MONKEYS, Foxes, Squirrels, Kinkajous, Coatis, Armadillos, Pacas, Fancy Fowls, Pheasants, Pigeons. Pups a specialty. We buy and exchange.—Puppyland, 3330 W. Lafayette, Detroit, Michigan. ma341

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#### AMERICAN MOUSE FANCIERS

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little illustrated circular on fancy mice which should be of interest to readers of ALL-PETS who are interested in mice.

F. E. Conley, Sterling, Ill., is interested in Blacks and Waltzers. Wm. A. Coone, Elgin, Ill., rat and mouse breeding cages as well as show cages. His new "Maxie" show cages for rats and mice are standard exhibition equipment for our Association.

Joe Loos, Quincy, Ill., is among those writing in who is looking for a market for mice of laboratory value. It is up to the club to find markets for these fanciers. Harry Ralph of the Research White Rat Colony, Chicago, Ill., is interested in our Association from the standpoint of a commercial breeder of quality white rats. He wishes to establish the quality of his animals and we are going to try to help him find an outlet for his surplus. Mr. Ralph further co-operates by mailing us a list of his fellow-fanciers, which we will appreciate from others as well.

Norman C. Wheeler, West Lafayette, Ind., joins the club and says, "I'm for the organization 100%." He is breeding commercial white mice. Wallace Wohlenberg, Valparaiso, Ind., wishes to hear from fanciers of both rats and mice, as he is interested in getting into the breeding of fancy stock. Mrs. F. M. Stofer, Kalamazoo, Mich., is interested in obtaining rare colors of rats. Mrs. Carl Wittmer, Hillside, Mich., is interested in laboratory mice.

The largest supply of valuable information, lists of breeders, and interesting articles comes from C. Frank Fayne, Shaker Heights, Ohio. Mr. Fayne sent us the British Standards for all colors of rats and mice, which we will use as our own standard and which we will publish for use of breeders and judges of mice and rats.

Stanley Wise, Lewisburg, Ohio, suggests a handbook on raising mice and rats to be distributed gratis to all who are interested in them. This, I believe, will be a splendid help to beginners and a great method of educating the public to the virtues of fancy rats and mice as a hobby. Clarence V. Cisler, Manitowoc, Wis., sent on a large number of addresses and we believe he will help greatly in enlarging the club thru his contacts with the fanciers. Mr. Cook, Joplin, Mo., writes that he is heartily

in accord with our views. We hope to have more members in his vicinity later on.

We want to hear from the rest of the mouse and rat fanciers. What have you to say?—Gerald Franklin Wright, Sec'y., 915 South Farwell St., Eau Claire, Wis.

#### STOVE CONTROL

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selves fit into sockets in the back of the box as shown in the side view.

The two measurements need not be exactly as indicated in the drawing, but we find the ratio of 1 to 16 to be very satisfactory. It would probably be just as well to lower the hooks a little and make the arm proportionately longer. There is, after all, very little movement required of the device. The draft door usually stands open about one-sixteenth of an inch, and need never open more than one-half inch. The cord attached to the back of the control arm is simply a safety feature to prevent injury to the wafers if the coal gas should explode as it does occasionally. It should be so adjusted as to permit the door to open about three-fourths of an inch.

In your enthusiasm over the making and installing of this control don't forget that it must be possible to clean out the ashes sometimes, so hooks are better than permanently attached wires. It will be necessary to detach them and swing the draft door wide open unless the draft door is separate from the clean-out door in your stove.

We find that in any ordinary weather a hodful of coal dumped into the stove will maintain an even temperature for twenty-four hours without any attention whatever — an impossibility when we tried to control the temperature by hand. It is a simple little device, but it has been worth many dollars to us.

#### We're All for You

California—Permit me, on behalf of the Western Magpie Club to thank you for the excellent showing you gave to our favored breed in your last issue of All-Pets. Your generous attitude in the matter of space, which we know must be at a premium, has been the theme for general satisfaction among those of the members I have contacted, and all are assured that through your splendid medium, our cause, which is to stimulate the popularity of the Magpie pigeon, will be enormously enhanced. — Don H. Andrews, Sec'y.