

show was held for the purpose of raising money for the Marketing Committee Fund, and one third of all entry money went to this purpose. Mrs. Knickrehm enclosed a money order for \$18.20, and we wish to thank the breeders for this fine donation.

TREASURER VISITS CHICAGO: A. R. & C. B. A. Treasurer R. J. Bernhardt, who is also a judge, visited Chicago between trains, September 21st and we were sorry he could not have been with us longer. He judged the Rockford Rabbit Show the day before and was on his way to California, where he was scheduled to judge The Los Angeles Co. Fair, Pomona, Calif., September 21st to 29th. Dick has judged several shows the past year, but on account of his work, he has been compelled to turn down many shows recently. He states he is kept quite busy. He will be at Grand Rapids, Mich. to judge New Zealand Whites.

JIMMY BLYTH: Judge Blyth, who became seriously ill at the Reading, Penna. Fair had been confined to the hospital at Pittsburgh, but he is now at home, and we hope on the road to rapid recovery. Because of this he could not fill his appointment to judge at Freeport, Ill. and Trenton, N. J. He advises he is still very weak but hopes to be at The Convention, where he is booked as one of the judges.

JUDGE GREEN: Judge Geo. Green, Los Angeles, Calif., who has been one of our active judges and registrars since October 1926, and whose health has not been so good, was granted an honorary life membership and judge's license upon recommendation by the board of directors. Judge Green well deserves this honor, and we hope his health allows him to be with us many more years.

MEMBER FROM AFRICA: Received a membership application from Jacob A. Reis, Jr., Kribi, Cameroun, West Africa. Membership and Guide Book have been mailed to him. Mr. Reis was formerly from Wooster, Ohio, and is a Missionary under The Presbyterian Board of Foreign Missions. He states there are several in that section of West Africa interested in producing rabbits for meat, and they have requested him to give us some information relative to our industry in this far off country.

LARGE RABBITRIES BUILT: During the past several years many of the large rabbitries thru-out the country were forced out of business on the account of low meat prices, poor management, etc. Therefore, the industry of late years has been made up largely of many small rabbitries thru-out the country, consisting of from 50 to 300 breeding does. However, during the last few months I have received letters from breeders in various sections of the country inquiring about present conditions, and the possibility of making a success with domestic rabbits on a large scale. Many are taking up Angoras on a large scale, and we already have quite a large number of large cavarries in various sections. While the supply of cavy has exceeded the demand in some sections, this over-supply is gradually decreasing, and we look forward to a great improvement in the cavy industry within the next few months.

ROY L. SMITH PASSES: We are sorry indeed to hear of the death of Roy L. Smith, Los Angeles, Calif., who passed away August 22nd after a brief illness. Last year, while attending the A. R. & C. B. A. Convention at Pasadena, the delegate's trip one day included a visit to The Angora State Project at Los Angeles, under Mr. Smith's supervision, and all visitors found this project interesting and doing much good, not only for the State but the Angora industry as well. We hope California will find a man to carry on the good work that Mr. Smith had so successfully accomplished. Mr. Smith was in good standing as a member of The A. R. & C. B. A. and in his passing, we have lost a good member and staunch supporter.

HARRY G. HERRLEIN: I was surprised and much pleased to have a call from Harry G. Herrlein, New City, N. Y., Sept. 30th. Mr. Herrlein was in the City looking after his interest in his feed business and he advised business was good with him.

CHICAGO SHOW: "Nick" Kahler who put on the International Sportsman's Show at the International Amphitheatre last February was in Chicago recently

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FANCY MICE



EVEN MARKED MICE

THE following suggested standard of perfection for Even Marked Fancy Mice is from English "Fur and Feather." Since there is no fancy mouse organization in this country, fanciers must rely on standards adopted by their British cousins, at least until such a time as when American standards are drawn up by the fancy through a national organization—something which is sadly lacking in the fancy. ALL-PETS will endeavor to keep interest in mice at a high pitch and will aid any group interested in forming a Fancy Mouse Club that will register and hold shows for the members and breeders.

EVEN MARKED MICE

Suggestions

(1) The standard should contain a set pattern with a diagram.

A standard should state clearly what is required. In the case of a marked variety it should define the markings, their position and size, and be accompanied by a diagram as a definite guide to both breeders and judges.

If the position and number of markings are left to the breeders, many patterns will be produced. Then again will be experienced the varying preferences of judges. This also applies to having more than one set pattern included in the standard. With one pattern only, everyone will know what is required; judges will keep to that guide and breeders will at last get a square deal.

(2) Markings must be sufficiently removed from those of any existing marked standard.

This is necessary if only to rescue the variety from the stigma of mis-marked Broken or Dutch. Although the proposed new variety may be made from existing stock, it will certainly be a distinct variety.

(3) Markings must be such that they can be produced from existing stock.

It is quite easy to think of many unusual patterns, but we must have one which is capable of being produced from existing stock. It should not be all spots in case it should look like an Even Broken; neither should it be Dutch with a few extra patches.

(4) Present studs of Evens should not be rendered useless.

The present Broken type of Evens mostly have the nose and ear spots. The Dutch Evens have the body patches and it will not be difficult to split the saddle to obtain the loin patches.

(5) The new markings should be as equally removed as possible from the present studs.

Those who wish to start from the beginning can produce the markings from Dutch and Broken and they will be little further handicapped than present Even breeders.

(6) New marking neither too easy nor more difficult than others.

It will be realized that any of the markings are quite easy to obtain. The difficulty will be in getting them of good shape and color. An easy standard is not desired, but this one is no more difficult than other marked standards.

(7) Markings should appeal to the eye for evenness.

The nose and ear spots are considered by many to be the foundation of an Even.

The sizeable body markings, called for by those who appreciate solid colored patches, make it quite a new variety. Last, and by no means least, it will look well even in those show specimens which fall somewhat short of the ideal.

SUGGESTIONS

The Even-marked mouse should have seven patches, a clean-cut centrally placed Himalayan nose spot extending halfway towards the eyes, two circular ear spots, no larger than is necessary completely to enclose each ear, two half-inch square body patches placed just behind, but free from the fore legs, having their outer sides on the flank lines, two loin patches which are separated by the width of the tail at its root, and which extend in a curve upwards and outwards no farther than is necessary to include the hips and outer sides of the hind legs to the hocks. Insides of hind legs and underparts of the body to be free from color. Any standard color recognized with ears to match. Eye black.

SUGGESTED POINTS

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| Correct number and position of markings | 20 |
| Correct shape and size of markings | 20 |
| Color, free from brindling | 15 |
| Condition | 15 |
| Type, with size | 10 |
| Ears | 5 |
| Eyes | 5 |
| Muzzle | 5 |
| Tail | 5 |

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The next issue of ALL-PETS MAGAZINE will be the annual Christmas Edition, and will usher in the holiday buying season for 1940 in the pet trade. Breeders and dealers and fanciers should take advantage of this issue and advertise their small animal stock.

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