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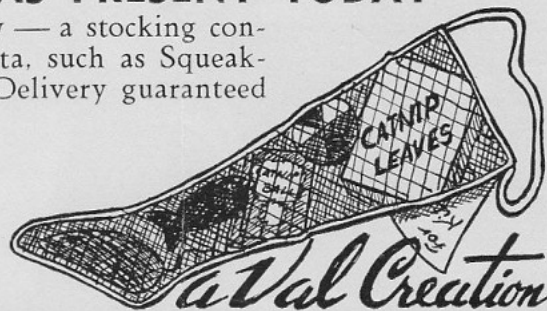
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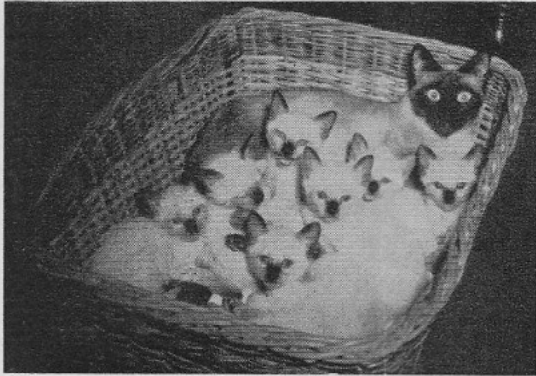
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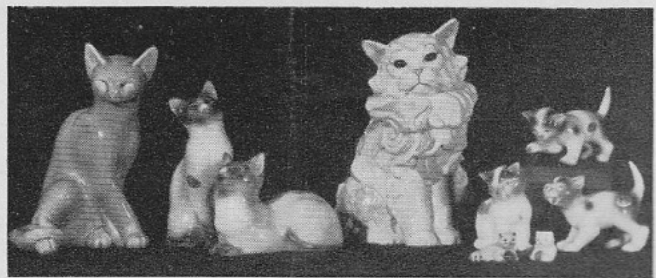
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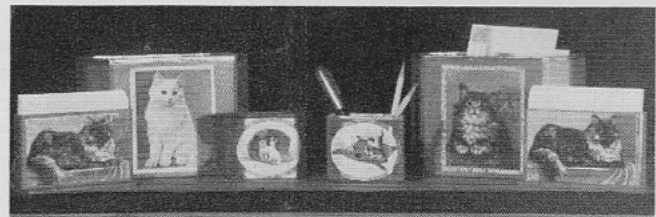
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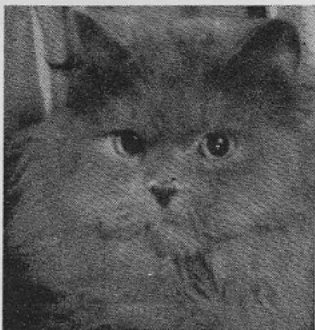


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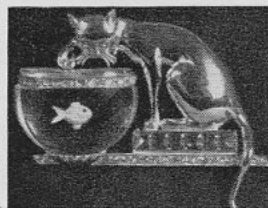


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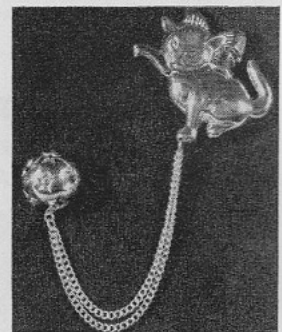
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2. Q. My cat is registered G.C.C.F. If I register it in America will it have greater value? R.L., Tedburn, Essex, England.
 - A. No.
3. Q. What is a chinchilla cat? T.T., Miles City, Mont.
 - A. A color class of Persian with the undercoat pure white, the coat back, flanks, head and tail sufficiently tipped with black to give it a sparkling silver appearance. Legs usually are slightly shaded with the tipping, but chin, ear, stomach and chest pure white. Eyes green. Rim of eyes, lips and nose outlined with black. Center of nose brick red.
4. Q. Where can I purchase a Russian Blue? G.A.C., Buda, Texas.
 - A. Probably only on import from England. Best substitute appears to be a blue domestic.
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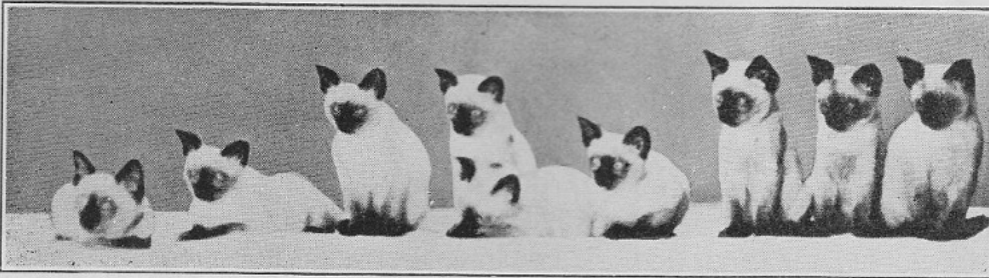


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Cats Magazine hereby announces the establishment of the All-America Cattery, consisting of what it believes to be the outstanding male and the outstanding female in America in each of the classifications recognized by each or all three of the fancy's associations.

The All-America Cattery will be selected similarly to the collegiate All-American football teams, with the basis of choice resting in the competition provided by the shows from coast to coast. A point system has been devised with stress placed upon candidates competing against their own colors in each show beginning with the 1946-47 season. Titles and past performances mean nothing. The cat with the greatest number of points will be selected as Cat of the Year with a Best Opposite Sex Cat of the Year. The All-America Cattery, therefore, is a mythical cattery created for your interest, enjoyment and argument.

Success of the All-America Cattery depends, for the most part, on the co-operation of the show managers and secretaries. *Cats Magazine*, therefore, requests that a completely marked catalog, lining out all entries listed as absent from competition, be furnished at the earliest possible date. This includes shows that have already been staged. All 1946-47 shows will be included in this year's rankings. In order to provide for a bumper crop of entries in NEXT YEAR'S shows as well as for this year where the closing date of entry is still open, clubs are urged to request inclusion in the All-America Cattery Show Listings for National and Sectional eligibility. Club NOT wishing All-America rating should indicate same in writing. Failure of a reply indicates NO RATING desired. The Listing will be made sufficiently in advance for the information and interest of all breeders and exhibitors concerned. Clubs not staging shows need not respond. What club will be the FIRST to request All-America rating?

The following classifications will carry All-America ratings: White, blue-eyed; White, orange-eyed; Black, Blue, Red, Cream, Chinchilla, Shaded Silver, Silver Tabby, Smoke, Masked Silver, Brown Tabby, Red Tabby, Tortoiseshell, Blue Cream (or Blue Tortoise), Siamese, blue-point; Siamese, seal-point; Burmese, Abyssinian, Manx, and Domestic Shorthairs (these are the shorthaired cats which follow absolutely the long hair colors. No part-colors

permitted).

In addition to the national ratings in the All-America Cattery, the following sectional rankings will also be made: East, South, Midwest and Far West. This year Canada, with one show, will be included in the East selections, while Hawaii, with one show, will be listed with the Far West.

It is planned to announce the Eastern and Southern sectional All-America rankings in March, with the Midwest and Far West selections in April, pending receipt of catalogs from show secretaries of late or newly scheduled exhibitions after February 2. The grand international All-America selections are planned for publication in the issue dated May 1947. This schedule is dependent on the cooperation received from the individual show secretaries or club officials.

Of course such selections cannot be without critical comment from every section of the country. Every cat cannot be a winner; every exhibitor cannot attend every show. *Cats Magazine* conscientiously states that every attempt will be made to select cats in the sectional and national listings without favoritism or loyalty to individuals.

Cats Magazine can, however, make this positive statement now: Every exhibitor, whether he or she will admit it or not, will be happy to have his or her favorite selected as an All-America cat.

Instead of planning to exhibit only one or two cats at the next show, why not raise the number to five? There may be a "sleeper" among the lads and lassies you left behind.

Will you be the breeder or owner of the All-America black or the All-Amer-

ica masked silver female? Will you take honors of owning the All-Southern female cream or the All-Western male blue-point Siamese? What will be the name of the All-America male blue-eyed white this year? Who is certain to have the All-Eastern blue domestic short-hair? Will Midwest blue be the All-America Cat of the Year?

Show secretaries, managers and publicity committees, desiring to use "The _____ Cat Club Show is an official All-America Cattery Show and winning entries are eligible for selection to places in the All-America Cattery and the All-_____ sectional cattery," or wording to that effect, are welcome to do so. This may provide an added sparkle in the show's publicity. It is hoped that if used, *Cats Magazine* will be so informed in order to add impetus to the publicity.

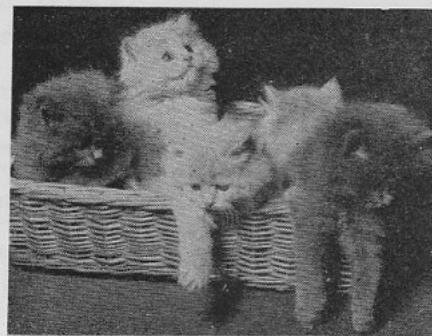
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HALIFAX, NOVA SCOTIA

Those interested in these cities, are urged to communicate with *Cats Magazine* immediately. Last month's selections were Buffalo, N.Y., Houston, Texas and Tucson, Arizona.

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Five years ago this month, December 7, 1941, Japan struck at Pearl Harbor. Remember? Remember Pearl Harbor?

We look back from this anniversary that plunged America into World War II, to Hawaii and learn that it may be one of the world's great Cat Centers. With the aid of Mrs. Mildred A. Joseph, Nani Lei Kattery, 5998 Strobridge Avenue, Hayward, Calif., *Cats Magazine* is in a position to bring to its readers the story of Cats in Hawaii, and in doing so, introduce several personalities, their cats and interesting bits of information to prove that Hawaii, our great State (?), is rapidly forging to the front rank of world catdom.

Mrs. Joseph has recently returned from Hawaii after residing there for 23 years. She has brought with her many of her famed felines that excel with the sterling bloodlines of Dixiland, Barbe Bleue, Inverness, Viking and many others. While in Hawaii she shipped her stock to every section of America.

The Hawaiian publication, *The Sales Builder* (April, 1939) refers to Mrs. Joseph as the "Dean of Cat Breeders" in Hawaii. She is credited with introducing much of the silver, smoke and blue Persian stock in the islands, and this is the progeny of her female champion silver, Boneta Boots of Rob Roy, which accompanied her to Hawaii in 1924. And it is her Nani Lei Kattery (Beautiful Garland) that is responsible for the development of the "Hawaiian Blue" (silvers and blues).

Fortunately, the Jap attack on Pearl Harbor, neither killed any breeders nor cats, although both owner and pets were extremely frightened by the infamous act. Mrs. Joseph writes that during the attack, her cats scrambled madly in the cattery — darting here and there — in an effort to find a place to hide.

The Pearl Harbor disaster put an end to cat fancy activities in Hawaii. Scheduled shows were canceled and the club meetings were called off for the duration. Hawaii was in the midst of the war, and cats were definitely out of the picture! Food proved to be a serious problem, not only for civilian consumption but for the cats as well. While fish and horsemeat, for the most part, were a preserver for cats in wartime United States and Canada, Hawaii did not have such "delicacies." It was a ter-

Mrs. Mildred A. Joseph with Rosette (left) and Purette, chinchillas, in Hawaii, shortly before Pearl Harbor. The chins made cat history in the Islands.



rific ordeal particularly for those with a cattery to maintain.

But the war clouds have passed, and sleepy Hawaii, the Land of the Lei, has once more returned to the peaceful pursuits it enjoyed before the War. Cats have come into their own again, and January 18-19, the first postwar show will be held in Honolulu.

When one thinks of Hawaii and the Cat Fancy, the name of Mrs. May H. Rothwell comes to mind. This lady conducts a column for cats each Saturday in the *Honolulu Star-Bulletin* under the heading of "Popoki Patter" (Cat Patter), and without doubt the column has not only provided much interest among the rapidly growing cat fancy in the Mid-Pacific, but has done much to popularize the hobby among the Islanders. Mrs. Rothwell knows her cats, make no mistake about that. She is secretary of the Honolulu Cat Club and operates the Maunalani (Heavenly Sanctuary) Cattery, specializing in silver tabby and smokes, stock originally procured from Mrs. Joseph and Mrs. Arthur Hale.

Mrs. Hale arrived in the Islands from California in 1924 and introduced the first silver Persians ever seen there, with her Silver Lionei, daughter of Ch. Ver-

dugo Northern Silver Lion, undefeated international champion. Silver Lionei was mated to Ch. Romeo Silver Dyke, six-time champion of Long Beach, Calif., before coming to Hawaii. Progeny of the union has enriched cat blood in Hawaii and many grandsons and granddaughters are still lording it over Honolulu households. Mrs. Hale has retired from active cat interests and after a recent visit to the United States, has returned to Hawaii.

An outstanding personality who favors Siamese is the famous singer, Mme. Ululani Robertson, who introduced a pair of French imports in 1931. These are Handsome and Poupoule. An early breeder of Siamese was Miss Lelia M. Volk, who has since returned to the mainland.

To Mr. and Mrs. William H. Brazil, now of Chicago, goes the distinction of attempting to develop a pure "Hawaiian" type cat. However the "project" was discontinued, when the couple returned to the United States. The "Hawaiian" would have been a "criss-cross" of black-and-white Manx and bob-tailed felines.

Although Mrs. Joseph and Mrs. Hale are regarded as the first to launch

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By RITA SWENSON

The new show season is on, and I'll wager in every cattery exhibitors are working overtime in an effort to make some especial favorite just a little more beautiful. This year there is good reason for working "on the double." The fancy is teeming with novices, many of whom will exhibit their prized possessions for the first time. Competition is bound to be exciting, perhaps even a little nerve-wracking, but this makes the wheels go round, and without it, the entire spirit of fancying would be destroyed.

Exhibiting isn't the complex business some would have you believe. True, there are rules to be followed, but these are simple and even the beginner cannot fail to understand them. For advance information on show dates write the secretary of the CFA, the CFF, or the ACA, who will arrange for an entry form and premium list to be mailed at the proper time. Once you are known as an exhibitor, forms are mailed automatically.

Entry fee for a registered cat or kitten is usually from \$1 to \$1.50. Unregistered exhibits must also pay a "listing fee" (25 to 50 cents). Only pure bred cats are eligible to compete in championship classes; cats and kittens of mixed ancestry, known as household pets or A.O.C.'s, may win 1st, 2nd, and 3rd prizes in their own special classes but may not win points toward a title.

Cat shows are usually two-day affairs during the cold months of the year. During the breeding and shedding season cats are definitely not at their best, but when cold weather arrives, both the long and short haired varieties acquire the bloom that sets off their natural loveliness so perfectly.

The novice exhibiting for the first time may find the show room a hub-bub of activity, none of which she understands. When you arrive at the show, an official will hand you a card, on which is written the name of the exhibit and a cage number. After the veterinarian has examined the exhibit and found it healthy, the cat will be assigned a cage to remain on exhibition for the duration of the show. Before "benching" your cat, it is advisable to wipe the bars and solid sections of the cage with Clorox or alcohol. This will assure you of having a clean and germ-free cage. Assuming the cat has been given a thorough grooming, it now awaits the important event of the day — *the judging.*

Cats, unlike dogs, are not shown on leashes. They are carried from the exhibition cages to the judging cases. When a number is posted in the judging area, signifying the judge is ready for that particular exhibit, an appointed steward removes the cat from the exhibition cage bearing that number, and places it in the proper cage in the judging area. Some owners steward their own cats. This is permissible. You should not speak to the judge. Place the cat in the cage then withdraw to watch the judging. Many judges explain their awards. This clarifies the finer points of judging and adds to the enjoyment of the gallery.

For purposes of judging, cats are divided into two broad classes — long-haired and short. The longhair or Solid Color Division include the blue-eyed whites, blacks, blues, reds and creams. Chinchillas, shaded silvers, silver tabbies and smokes belong to the Silver Division. In addition, there is the Tabby and Tortie Division including the red tabby, brown tabby, tortoiseshell and blue cream. The shorthairs are the Blue and Seal point Siamese, the Burmese, Manx, Abyssinian, and Domestic Shorthairs.

For each championship color there are several classes — grand champion, champion, open, novice, kitten, neuter and spay, and these classes are further divided into males and females. The neuter and spay classes are for altered males and females which are not eligible to compete against unaltered cats. However, they compete against each other for Best Neuter in Show.

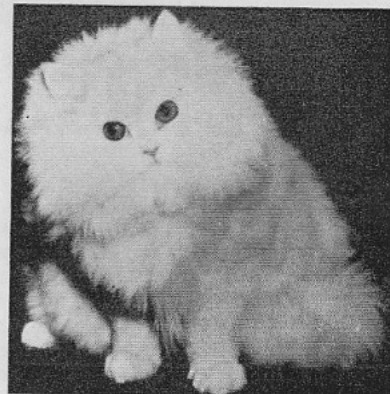
Grand Champions and Champions compete in their own classes but do not compete for "winners." They do, however, compete for best of color, best in

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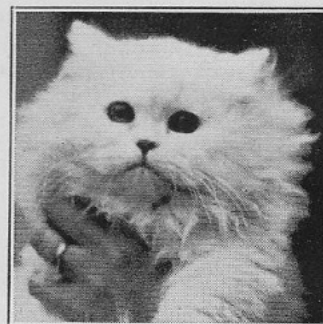
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CREAMS

By D. DEANS-HENDERSON

It is a curious observation that there is apparently less controversy at shows over awards made in the cream classes than in any other. Perhaps the reasons lie in the vague wording of the standards and the interpretation placed on them by the exhibitors as to what a "cream" really should be. No one exhibitor being quite sure, concludes that the judge must be right in whatever award is made.

The A. C. A. standard states: "CREAM: A uniform shade of cream, or fawn throughout, either paler or darker. No Tabby markings." The C. F. A. rules: "CREAM: Free from shading or markings. Eyes copper or deep orange."

In my opinion the words, "or fawn," should be eliminated from the first statement. The latter rule could be more descriptive.

During the past few years, creams have improved greatly. No longer do we see dull fawn cats entered in this class. Exhibits today approach the ideal standard: A rich, warm, sparkling, deep cream tone.

To illustrate this statement, we mention three outstanding cream males that have taken their places at one time or another over all other colors. These are Ch. Cameo Harvest Moon, a renowned cat of very fine type and even color; the late Ch. Rosedere Buff of equal merit; and Ch. Daybreak of Plumfield, who registered outstanding wins last season. Others include Lavender Victory, showing great promise as a novice, now a champion; Rosedere Sunlight of Nigrette; and Collinsdale Apollo Victory. All are winners in their classes, and they do not have the tendency of what I consider "fawn."

There may be many others, but those mentioned, with the exception of Apollo Victory, I have seen.

From personal observation, cream females have not so far equalled the quality of males in general, but a female of the type of Ch. Coralmer's Dawn of Wychiffe should indeed be a treasure to her owner.

The true cream is unmistakable. It has a warm rich color with neither red nor dull fawn shading, and, of course, no tabby markings. A cream, richer on back and sides than the rest of the body is not objectionable, yet not desirable. A too-light cream, presenting a washed-out appearance, even if solid in color, is not as true to the idea of the Fancy as a slightly deeper color with sparkle in the coat.

In spite of what has been written by many breeding authorities of the class, a surprisingly good cream may come

from the most unexpected mating. However, there are many excellent rules to observe preparing good foundation for cream stock.

First, presuming that there is no cream available to the breeder, a tortoiseshell mated to a light blue will in all probability, produce one cream male. A blue cream as a mate for the cream male will make the foundation for cream stock. However, there are many ramifications to this. Also, a light blue female mated to a good cream will produce desired results.

Tabby markings in creams usually are the result of a red tabby influence in the pedigree. If red is necessary to give the rich cream tone, use a solid red of a pale shade, in fact, one too pale for showing. Once a cream strain is established, it is best to stay away from reds. Blues also should be used sparingly and with discretion. Too many blue crosses will produce a dullness and a smudgy look in the cream.

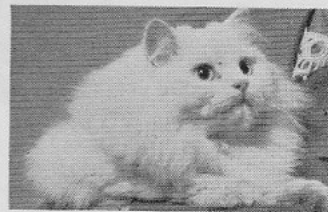
Many good creams sometimes are pale around the eyes and nose. This fault may be remedied by mating to a cat of deeper tone, lacking the pale-faced look. A tortoiseshell makes a good introduction if the pale-face is a male. In breeding for cream color-bred stock, there is tendency for color to lighten, and it is the wise fancier who has available a tortoiseshell or a blue cream while experimenting for good creams. The sire and dam of the tortoiseshell should be investigated to prevent tabby markings from appearing. If studied and used judiciously, best cross for the improvement in creams is a light blue female mated to a good cream. This cross should prove the most satisfactory. But as previously stated, one never knows where a good cream will appear.

First requisite in a solid color, is evenness of coat. No matter how excellent the type nor how deep the eye color, if the coat is flakey, ticked or tabbie, the cat will compete with a handicap in a solid color class. For this reason the

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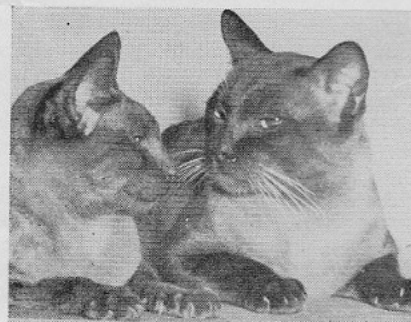
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Developing NEW VARIETIES OF *Siamese*

By **CLYDE E. KEELER**

Fancy color varieties of animals are, with very few exceptions, pure breeding combinations of simple mendelian genes. In some cases they contain but one pair of mutated or altered genes that produce the bizarre color by which the breed is characterized. These sports or mutations arise spontaneously and unpredictably, but once they have arisen, we may use them in combination for synthesizing new and attractive pure breeding varieties. We may select them with ease because these sports are inherited according to the simple laws of Mendel.

In some animal species, mutations altering the conformity of the body have been selected according to man's whim. Man does not care what weird shape his dog may have, but cat fanciers have not gone in for unusual shapes in general, and so most breeds of cats look like cats, although, if man did not have such a stereotyped idea of what a fancy cat should look like, he could twist this creature by means of genetics into a number of bizarre forms as he has done with the dog.

For example, I once had given to me a Manx cat with double paws on all four feet. Starting with this I could have created a new breed, and I could have added other characters to it such as hereditary lack of canine teeth and Siamese voice.

Some of the fancy varieties of cats have been shown by genetic analysis to have resulted from the selection of a single gene, mutation or natural sport affecting the coat that breeds true.

An example of this is the color bred Brown Tabby Persian Cat that differs from the short-haired tabby merely in respect to one simple, recessive, mendelizing unit-character, namely, long hair. More often, however, our domestic varieties have been synthesized by combining a number of true breeding gene mutations in the same fancy stock. Thus, the Blue-Point Siamese Cat is a combination of (1) the non-tabby ticking pattern plus (2) Maltese-Blue dilution of pigment plus (3) the Siamese pattern of albinistic pigment development.

Occasionally combinations are fancied that will never breed true. A good example is that of the Tortoiseshell Cat. A White-Faced Blue-Buff-and-White tricolor Cat can never become a true breeding variety. In the first place, the white face pattern is a hybrid-pattern, its true breeding form placing white on belly, sides, shoulders and most of the head except the ears. In the second place, red and black pigments are determined by genes in the X or sex determining chromosome. Females only carry two of these X chromosomes, males carry but one. Hence, no male with normal sex determination will ever bear both red and black pigmentation. Blue-and-Buff cats are merely Black-and-Red-Tortoiseshells which are also pure bred from Maltese Blue, and hence there may never be a normal Blue-and-Buff male. Occasionally a Tortoise male is reported, but also invariably they are abnormal sexually, and possibly in some cases represent transformed females.

Many cat fanciers abhor the idea of synthesizing beautiful new varieties by combining the pure breed characters already known. But someone will produce these new varieties either by accident or by intent and as soon as their hybrid origin is forgotten, they will become accepted varieties and prizes will be awarded to these cats in the shows.

A decade ago there was but one variety of rex-rabbit, the gray, then called Castorrex (Latin for Beaver King), by Fr. Gillet, the French priest who developed it. All possible combinations of this short hair character with other rabbit colors were made at Harvard for a study of the genetics of the rex short hair. Many of these discards of the scientific laboratory were disposed of at a quarter apiece. Some were given away. Now many of these combinations produced by hybridization have been established from Harvard discards and are now

accepted breeds, pedigree conscious and winners of many ribbons. Even individuals bred in our laboratory have been placed in shows and have won first prize. In Germany, France and England some of the same crosses were made and some of the same varieties were synthesized just as they were produced at Harvard.

The Reserve Best Siamese Kitten in the show in London, in 1934, was a Blue Point Siamese. Tradition still tells us of the origin of Smoke Persians in England following the hybridization of a Silver Persian with a Black Persian.

The original Siamese cat was a short-haired tabby. No fancier ever cared for anything so common! Fanciers take a fiendish delight in calling short-haired tabbies, "alley-cats." Then came the albinistic mutations that we call Siamese. They had streaky tabby markings. The Siamese pattern was something striking! Another mutation, non-tabby, changed some tabbies to black. Those who fancied the Siamese pattern prized more highly the combination of Siamese and non-tabby because they found that Siamese clear of coat and tips were much more attractive than those streaked with the tabby markings. Those of us who have seen Tabby Siamese feel the same way about the matter. Although occasionally a few Siamese showing tabby markings get into the shows, they are seldom, if ever, awarded prizes today. Thus, the Seal Point Siamese came into being as the result of the hybridization of Tabby Siamese with Black or non-tabby.

We have already stated that Blue Point Siamese is the combination of (1) non-tabby (black) plus (2) Maltese-Blue plus (3) the Siamese grade of albinism.

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By M. E. THORNE

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Since the airline companies began accepting animals for shipment a great many persons have taken advantage of this modern means of transporting valuable livestock to distant points. However, there are those who hesitate to use this method because they prefer to let someone else do the pioneering before trusting their beloved pets to travel "up above the world so high."

It is principally to these people that I wish to tell of some experiences with shipping cats both by rail and plane so they may compare, and conclude why shipping by air, especially long trips, is preferable.

During the war a breeder in Seattle purchased a kitten. As air express was out for the duration I was obliged to ship by rail. How I dreaded sending that dear, helpless little furry ball on such a long journey! I kept him until

Mrs. Jack Gordon, ACA Director, Dies on West Coast

The Pacific Cat Club mourns the loss of Mrs. Jack Gordon, honorary president and past president, who passed away in San Francisco, October 4. Mrs. Gordon was a native of England and a noted breeder there, carrying off Bests on the London show benches.

Leaving England with her daughters, Mrs. Gordon settled in San Francisco, where she resumed her activities by importing some gorgeous blues that swept the boards where shown. Many fanciers will remember her famous Ch. Neila Bille III.

She was a director of the American Cat Association on the Pacific Coast and one of its outstanding judges. In 1915 she was elected and acted as show manager for the Pacific Cat Club's Show benched at the Panama-Pacific Exposition. For her splendid efforts and excellent management in benching this outstanding exhibition, officials of the Panama-Pacific presented her with a scroll.

Mrs. Gordon brought to Pacific a fine Challenge Cup with the seal of San Francisco. She was an international authority on breeding, judging, grooming and general care of exhibition stock. She was active in the S.P.C.A. and spent much time judging the pets of the youngsters and helping them with good advice as to their care.

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slightly over five months old. Then on a Sunday night at 11:30, I started him on his way, trusting he would be fed and watered as directed.

He reached his destination the following Thursday morning at 6:30 after traveling almost 80 hours. In all fairness to the Railway Express Company the purchaser and I feel he was given excellent care because he arrived in good condition. The breeder phoned the express company, and was informed he would arrive on the early morning train. The Company had wired ahead to the Seattle office that the cat was coming on that particular train. Shipping charges, including insurance, amounted to \$7.50 from Detroit.

Now compare this experience with that of a full-grown male shipped early this spring by plane to San Francisco. He left the Detroit airport at 3:15 P.M. Tuesday and arrived at noon the following day, after a three-hour delay because of stormy weather. This cat was insured for more than the rail-shipped kit and since he was heavier the cost totalled six dollars more. Yet nearly 55 hours traveling time was saved. Something to consider, is it not?

Likewise, a kitten shipped to San Antonio by rail spent over 50 hours enroute, while one sent by plane to Jackson, Miss., was in the air only 10 hours. There was no great difference in the charges due to the type of crates required.

Much time in travel can be saved by the combination of plane and rail shipping. Such was the case when I shipped a kitten to a small town in New Jersey. Philadelphia was the nearest city with an airport having a direct route from Detroit. The kitten left Detroit by

plane at 6:00 P.M. and reached Philadelphia two hours and 40 minutes later. It then completed the journey by rail. Due to time lost in the transfer from air to rail, she did not complete her trip until late the next morning. Even so, this bettered by nearly 42 hours a previous trip to the same place by rail alone.

When shipping by air one does not estimate travel time in *days*, but in the number of *hours*. Traveling is a strain on an animal's nervous system and if the period can be shortened, the easier it will overcome the effects of nervousness. This varies in different animals. One breeder tells of receiving word that her kitten was purring when it was taken from the crate, while another relates of her kitten crying under similar conditions.

Breeders should welcome the convenience of shipping cats and kittens by air express because of the shortening travelling time required. Kittens may be shipped 6 or 8 weeks younger (about 3 months of age). This is better for the kitten, too. Most will agree that younger cats travel easier and adjust themselves to a new environment much quicker.

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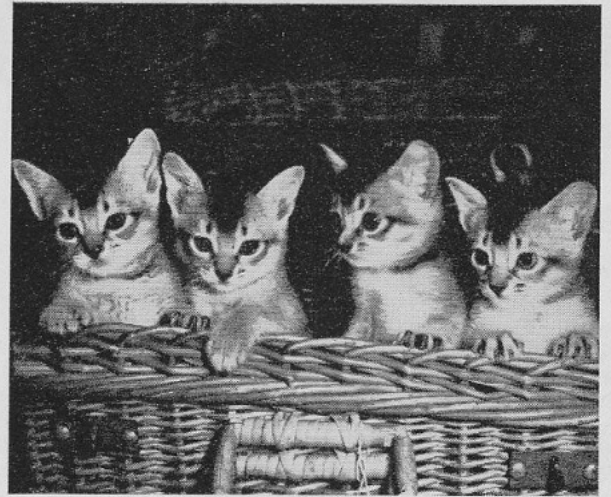
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THUMBNAIL HISTORY OF THE ABYSSINIAN IN AMERICA

By HELEN G. FAIRCHILD



A "huge" litter of four Abys, raised by the Robert Richardsons of Tucson, Arizona

While checking over some old files I came across a very interesting newspaper pictorial page which Mrs. Virginia Cobb of Newton, Mass., sent to me about 8 years ago when I purchased my first Abyssinian cats. This was an entire page of prize winning cats of all breeds. Of course, she mailed me the paper because of the pictures of two Abyssinians. "Woodroofe Ena," captions *The Boston Post* of January 5, 1936, "imported last year, mother of the kitty at right, one of the only pair in America, belongs to Mrs. Cobb. The other, 'Woodroofe Anthony,' is owned by Mrs. Fiske of Boston. The Abyssinian is very friendly, gentle, mild and interesting. It has a voice that is a tiny chirp like a bird; ideal for apartment where catawauling is tabu."

That does sum up an "Aby" in a newspaper-like nutshell! The kitty at right in the Boston paper is named "Addis Ababa" and the paper states, "Young Lady Cat born July 7, 1935 first Abyssinian kitten ever born in the United States. This 'good will ambassador,' owned by Mrs. Gardiner Fisk, will undoubtedly be the foundation of the cat Abyssinian dynasty in America. She has two brothers, 'Hailie' and 'Selassie.'"

This newspaper story should be interesting to the Abyssinian fancy because this lovable breed is becoming so popular and many are writing me to obtain more of its history. "Addis Ababa died as a kitten, but her mother, 'Woodroofe Ena,' indeed, did begin the Abyssinian dynasty in America. Soon after these Boston pictures were published, Mrs. Metcalf and Miss Mary Hantzmon, saw Woodroofe Ena (or "Judy" as they called her) at a cat show. Enamoured with her, they persuaded Mrs. Cobb to sell. Then they imported a fine male, "Woodroofe Ras Seyum" for her mate. Thus, the Abyssinian department of "Djer-Mer" cattery was born.

They imported several other outstanding Abys before selling the cattery complete with name to Mr. Charles Johnson of Philadelphia.

Miss Lillian Goodwin, secretary of C.F.A., and Mrs. Stanley Gibson, secretary of the A.C.A., are owners and great admirers of the breed. They acquired their first Abys about the time Miss Hantzmon sold her cats.

About this same time I purchased my first pair. Dbl. Ch. Djer-Mer's Croham Isana was my first queen, imported by Miss Hantzmon. Ch. Djer-Mer's Deru ("Rudy" to his friends) was bred by Miss Hantzmon to become Isana's mate. Mr. Johnson imported three Abys from England just before we entered the War, and, as far as I know, those are the last to arrive in the United States. They were "Ch. Croham Mene-lick," "Woodroofe Moya," and "Woodroofe Mira."

The two largest Abyssinian catteries in England practically discontinued due to the war and the deaths of Major Woodiwiss and Mrs. Clare Basnett. They were untiring workers in the Abyssinian Cat Club and did much to improve the breed. It is my belief that our "American Abyssinians" are from either the Croham cattery, owned by Mrs. Basnett, or from the Woodroofe cattery owned by Major Woodiwiss. We received many interesting letters from Mrs. Basnett during the war. In one, she wrote that it was perfectly amazing how the Abyssinians took the terrific noise and bombings. She stated the cats were calmer than their owners and took everything in stride.

According to H. C. Brook in his book, "The Abyssinian Cat," these "Bunny Cats" as they were sometimes called because of the likeness of their coat to that of the English wild hare, were first brought to England about 1882. As their name implies, they originated in Abyssinia and many zoologists believe them to be more closely related to the "sacred" Egyptian cat than any other modern breed.

It was stated by C. H. Ross in his "Book of Cats" (1867), "In Abyssinia cats are so valuable that a marriageable girl who is likely to come in for a cat is looked upon as quite an heiress."

The same, possibly, could be said of an American girl — if her boy friend happened to like cats — because Abys are very rare. They are slow to mature and when kittens arrive we are happy if it is a large litter of three, and wild with joy if a "huge" litter of four appears. One or two to the litter is usual. Occasionally, a kitten will throw back to its jungle ancestors, resulting in either a mackerel tabby or a perfectly marked brown tabby. These can only be sold as pets without pedigree or given to good homes.

The show-type Aby must have the characteristic "ticked" coat. Eight years ago I totaled about 15 Abyssinians in the United States. Today there may be 50 specimens, including kittens.

We love these cats so much we want others to know and enjoy them as we do. So we try to sell kittens as pairs in order to increase the Abyssinian population although it usually takes two years to complete the order. And then almost without exception the buyer writes and wants to be placed on our list for another female!

Now, since that long ago day in 1935 when there was only one breeding pair in Boston there are Abys spotted in all parts of the United States. Miss Winifred Porter has some fine ones in New Orleans, as has Mr. Johnson, who saved our breeding schedule by letting us have a vigorous breeding male (which was an outcross to our stock) when we needed him most; otherwise, there would not be as many Abys as there are now.

Mrs. Gibson has three. I hope Mrs. Mock's Ch. Zennobe is still living, but she would be well up in years now. The Robert Richardsons of Tucson, Ariz., have a pair, and have successfully raised several nice litters. Mr. G. A. Comhaire of Buda, Texas, is a new Abyssinian enthusiast as is Mr. Charles A. Knight of Oswego, Oregon. Of course, there are others who have bought one kitten for a pet and much of my interesting mail is from those

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TEXAS' TWO-FACED CAT

RED PERSIAN LIVES 5½ DAYS; TO BE MUSEUM EXHIBIT

The Fancy's greatest freak of nature was born and died in El Paso, Texas in September 1946. It was a two-faced red Persian male kitten of a litter owned by Mrs. E. W. Crumlett of Shalimar Cattery.

The twin-headed feline lived from Saturday, September 7 until the following Thursday. One of the tiny heads was busy feeding as its mother, Shalimar's Sharon of Just-A-Mere, tenderly washed the other. Its two brothers, lay blindly in the warmth of the mother's body, but they knew something was wrong — particularly from a kitten that whimpered from two mouths.

Mrs. Crumlett who named the little fellow "Jack and Double-Jack," was on hand and watched the tiny kitten die.

Jack had two ears, but otherwise had a complete double set of features, angling out each side of the head. According to Science Service, "the two-headed condition appears to be varied though not frequent among back-boned animals. Two-headed fish, snakes, turtles sometimes live to maturity, but two-faced animals seldom survive long. Two headedness is simply partial incomplete phase of process that when complete, results in identical twins. Splitting of embryo in very early stage of growth, produces identical twins. Partial splitting produces Siamese twins: splitting of just the tip produces two-

headed or two-faced animals. Sometimes splitting of posterior end, produces animals with one head and two forelegs, but four hind legs. Such freaks invariably die."

It is therefore, remarkable that Jack lived for 5½ days.

Commenting on the kitten's death, Mrs. Crumlett states, "When the kitten died, the mother continued to wash its little body, although a mother cat will ordinarily have nothing to do with her young when dead. We removed the kitten, and for more than an hour the mother cried and called about the pen, searching everywhere, in the houses and corners. Finally she lay down and wailed with an almost human grief. It was weird and unnatural, as much so as the strange birth."

The kitten has been prepared and mounted by a taxidermist with arrangement for sale. He is now slightly larger than when he died, and his eyes have been opened, which, according to Mrs. Crumlett, makes him "rather weird."

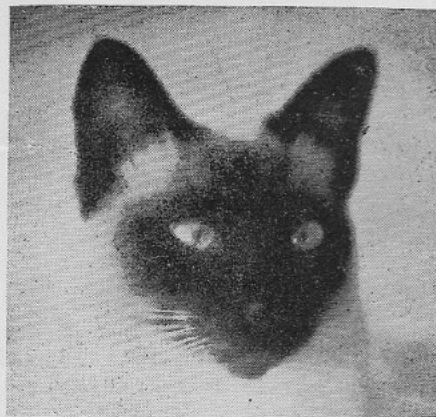
The taxidermist reported that in the dissecting of Jack, it showed that he distinctly had two throats, culminating in one alimentary canal.

Mrs. Crumlett has received a number of cash offers for the two-faced kitten and by the time this report appears in print, Jack and Double-Jack will probably be gracing a pedestal of a museum

somewhere in the United States.

Although a photo was made of the kitten, the negative was destroyed in developing, and the picture as published in *The El Paso Times* (September 12, 1946), was the story by-lined by Mr. Art Leibson, cannot be successfully reproduced on the coated stock of *Cats Magazine*.

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National Siamese Club Organizes; Meets Next Month

The National Siamese Cat Club has been organized to advance the interests of breeders and owners of Siamese cats. It is a member of CFA.

Mrs. Gertrude E. Taylor of Detroit, who organized the first Siamese cat society in this country, is a charter member of the new group and has been named honorary president. Miss Muriel Glanz and Mrs. Karl B. Norton are president and vice-president respectively while other well-known fanciers are on the board of directors. Miss L. M. Goodwin, 88 Walnut St., Teaneck, N. J., is the secretary.

The club will hold an annual specialty show in New York. It is also planned to sponsor specialty shows in conjunction with CFA clubs in territory where there is a National Siamese Cat Club membership and where no local Siamese club now exists. Other plans for future activities will be developed at the annual meeting in January.

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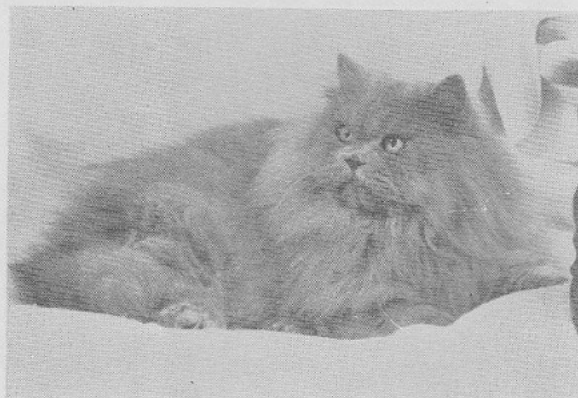
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Silver Moth's Dixi-Land Emblem, blue male, who made his bow successfully at Jacksonville last winter

The raising of pedigree Persian cats is big business at Bradenton, Florida, where Mrs. Florence Kemmer's Silver Moth Cattery, R.F.D. 1, is located. The business is now reaching such scope that shipments of kittens to countries of Latin America no longer is novelty.

America — North and South — are going in for pedigree cats in a big way, and Silver Moth is riding on the crest of the wave! The future is even brighter, so much so, that Fay, Mrs. Kemmer's daughter, is now enrolled at the Alabama Polytechnic Institute Auburn, Alabama, studying for a veterinarian degree. So serious is the youngster taking her course that a letter from the Dean of Women, Katharine Cater, to Mrs. Kemmer, states in part "... I find that Fay has made an A average. This places her among the top ranking members of her class."

The story of Silver Moth Cattery can best be told in the words of Mrs. Kemmer:

"Silver Moth Cattery came into existence without rhyme or reason in 1935 when two people who had pet Persians heard that I would like to have a longhaired cat. The only claim to fame that these old ladies of the cat world had, was a pedigree — so called. The next thing I found — and it impressed me forcibly — was that I would have to secure the help of a male member of their family. I spent weeks looking for a male that actually had papers. Then I bought a silver from Rockmore and Capensis bloodlines. His name was 'Silver Moth' and it was in honor of him that my cattery bears that name.

"The kittens produced by these cats (two silvers and a white) were sold and better stock purchased. A pair of blacks next came to our cattery to live. Barbe Bleue Wolof's Emperor Jones and Princess Black Beauty who boasted of 'The Patent Leather Kid' as grandsire. Princess is fifteen years old now, but still produces one litter a year of strong, healthy kittens. Imagine my surprise when this lovely pair of blacks produced two equally lovely kittens along with three black babies in their first litter! To me, at this time, something was wrong, but I soon found that blacks and blues are bred together so that the

black is improved by the type of the blue.

"I was getting Emperor ready for the show season when disaster struck. He developed bladder trouble and was beyond help before I knew he was really sick. He left behind three litters of kittens. Two from black mothers and one from 'The Lady in Red,' my oldest red cat. Emperor's War Admiral, the blue; Emperor's Adorable Daughter, a black; Dbl. Ch. Emperor's Sally Odette and Ch. Emperor's Tortie Kat were the prize-winning progeny he left behind. It was because of War Admiral that I raised blues.

"Sally Odette was one of the most famous tortoiseshells of her time. She was Best Tortoiseshell 13 out of 14, shown in heavy competition. She was Best Champion once and Best Opposite Sex Champion once, an almost unheard of honor for a three-colored cat. She had five sons and three daughters and several grandchildren that have been winners from Best Kitten on up in the Final Awards. She was defeated only once — by her Little Sister, Ch. Tortie Kat.

"Dbl. Ch. Charrito Del Norte now appeared on the scene as a small kitten that had travelled all the way from Texas to start a line of red cats in Florida that would win from coast-to-coast. Later with the help of 'The Lady in Red,' her two daughters, Sally and Tortie, and one other red female, Little Sister, from a cattery in Nebraska, he produced winners from Best Kitten to Best Cat missing nothing except Best Opposite Sex. He has produced winners now even to the fourth generation, and each generation of kittens gets better.

Each year new queens have been added so that, at one time or another, we have had breeders from all the leading red catteries in the United States.

"New stock and new colors have been added. Imported bloodlines and outcrosses to imported bloodlines. Last year, we had winners in whites, blues, creams, reds, peke-faced reds, chinchillas and tortoiseshells. Best Novice in Show was won by Charrito's Daughter; Best Red Cat by his granddaughter; Best Red Peke by a linebred grandson. This boy had eight points toward his championship at eight months of age! Best Opposite Sex Red Peke was won by his daughter and Best Tortoiseshell by his daughter out of a blue cross. This year we were lucky enough to win Best Cat once, Second Best Cat twice, Best Novice once, and Best Kitten twice. Charrito has children, grandchildren and great grandchildren in 25 of the 48 states, in Canada and in South America!

"Silver Moth Cattery has grown from a tiny cage that housed two cats to a vine-covered cattery, 12 by 20 feet. Now we have two units of a five-unit concrete block cattery completed, and from Florida this is highly satisfactory. The new cattery when completed will be around four sides of a 100 by 50 foot lot. The center is to be grass and flowers where the cats and kittens can exercise to their hearts' content. There are two trees already in this space for shade as well as sunshine. The maternity ward, however, is off to itself so the little mothers can raise their families in peace and quiet."

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DECEMBER SHOWS CENTER IN 5 CITIES, COAST-TO-COAST

First two weeks of the month complete the show activity for December with exhibitions carded from coast to coast. There will be the Christmas holiday lull, with the season resuming early in January.

Much interest is centered on the events in New York, Chicago and Portland, Ore., where last year, out-of-state entries carried off Best Cat awards. In Detroit and Long Beach double shows are slated with the latter city staging its first exhibition.

At Portland, the Rose City Cat Club bowed to the out-of-state blue male, Nicholas of Wayside Blues, owned by Mrs. W. K. Whitaker of Kent, Wash., with Ch. Rio Casa's Narcissus, a chinchilla, owned by Irma Seigle of Portland, Best Opposite. Best Siamese in that event was Knight's Cissie, seal point, owned by Mrs. C. A. Knight of Oswego, Ore. This is particularly important because this year's show will carry a Siamese specialty for the first time and will mark the debut of Helen Fairchild, nationally famed feline writer and a *Cats Magazine* editor, as judge. The show, ACA will have Hal Jacobs as judge of the All-Breed. The event, the third annual, will be staged at the Portland Public Auditorium Dec. 7-8 with Charles A. Knight, show manager.

The Cleveland Persian Society closes out its two-day exhibit at the Cleveland Auditorium, Dec. 1, and it will be at this point that many exhibitors will head East to New York's Empire Show or to Chicago's Beresford classic.

The Empire Show will be staged in the Crystal Room of the McAlpin Hotel, 34th at Broadway, New York City Dec. 5-6. The 34th annual Empire event with Mrs. Frances M. Hermes of Tarrytown, N.Y., as manager, is hoping for a New York cat to capture the best award. Last year, Ch. Rosegate's Daybreak of Plumfield, owned by Mrs. T. E. Lafayette of Arlington Heights, Mass., was victor, and Ch. Arlington Sea Foam, a silver, owned by Mrs. O. H. Stewart of Washington, D.C., Best Opposite.

At Chicago, the Beresford Club will stage its 36th annual show in the Mid-

land Hotel, 172 W. Adams Street, to mark its 45th anniversary. The Beresford Cat Club is the oldest in America and was named in honor of Lady Beresford, the first president of the National Cat Club of England, founded in 1887. The exhibition is listed for Dec. 7-8 with Mrs. Silas Andrews of New York, judge, and Mrs. Stanley Gibson, show manager. Last year the out-of-state red tabby male, Erdmore's Thunderbolt, owned by Mrs. Mabel S. Erdmore of Lebanon, Pa., captured top award, and Milwaukee's Dixi-Land's First Lady of Pets Beautiful, owned by Mrs. Helen Mackiewicz, Best Opposite.

Detroit will have its second show of the season Dec. 14-15 when the Detroit Persian Society holds forth with its 25th Championship All-Breed at the Ballroom of the Hotel Detroiter, Woodward at Adelaide, supported by the American Tabby and Tortie Specialty. Last year the Tabby-Tortie show was held in conjunction with the Ohio State Persian Club at Columbus. Mrs. James W. Partlan and Mrs. Etta Connery are the show managers. The event is expected to draw heavily from Canada where interest has been revived since the war by the successful Royal Canadian show at Toronto last month. Last year, Mrs. Partlan's male blue, Ch. Beau Barry II, winner of the C.F.A. award for Best Cat the greatest number of times in 1945-46, was judged the tops and many interested observers are predicting a repeat this year.

With Long Beach staging its first show Dec. 14-15, it is being backed up by the Foreign Domestic Short Hair specialty. Miss Alice G. Phillips is judge. The show is scheduled for the Masonic Temple, 835 Locust (between Pine Ave. and American). Mr. Howard Warren of Bellflower is show manager.

The Minneapolis Persian Cat Club show, originally scheduled for Dec. 14-15 has been canceled through sale of the Andrews Hotel, only available site large enough for such an event. The hotel is in process of remodeling, but it is expected that a show will be held there next year.

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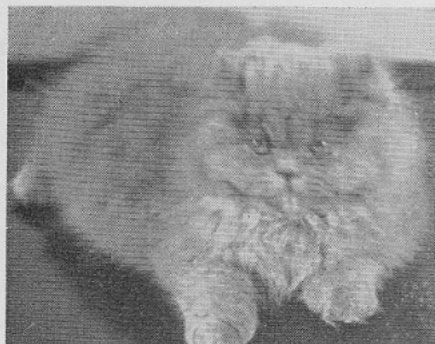
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Dec. 5-6—Empire Cat Club, New York, N.Y. (CFA).
Dec. 7-8—Rose City Cat Club, Portland, Ore. (ACA).
Dec. 7-8—Beresford Cat Club, Chicago, Ill. (ACA).
Dec. 14-15—Detroit Persian Society, Detroit, Mich. (CFA).
Dec. 14-15—American Tabby & Tortie Club, Detroit, Mich. (CFA).
Dec. 14-15—Long Beach Cat Club, Long Beach, Calif. (CFA).
Dec. 14-15—Foreign Domestic Short-hair Society, Long Beach, Calif. (CFA).
Jan. 4-5—Los Angeles All Breed, Los Angeles, Calif. (ACA).
Jan. 8-9—Atlantic Cat Club, New York, N.Y. (CFF).
Jan. 9-10—Norfolk Cat Fanciers, Norfolk, Va. (CFA).
Jan. 11-12—California Cat Club, Hollywood, Calif. (CFA).
Jan. 11-12—Evergreen State Cat Club, Seattle, Wash. (CFA).
Jan. 17-18—St. Petersburg Cat Club, St. Petersburg, Fla. (ACA).
Jan. 18-19—Ohio State Persian Club, Columbus, Ohio (CFA).

Jan. 18-19—Honolulu Cat Club, Honolulu, T.H.
Jan. 21-22—Solid Color Club of the East, Boston, Mass.
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Pearly Dew Bear, a blue female, owned and bred by Mrs. T. R. James, Minneapolis, won the Best Cat award in both the Milwaukee Cat Club and the Central States Solid Color Club shows held at Milwaukee, November 2-3. The events were 4-point CFA shows. Briargate's Dion of West Allis, blue, owned by Mrs. Lester O'Neill, was Best Opposite, judged by D. Deans-Henderson, while Black Knight, black male, owned by Mrs. H. Millbeck, took Opposite in the Solid Color Specialty, judged by Mrs. C. F. Rotter.

Other winners in the All-Breed competition follow:

Best Novice — San Merkey's Blue Buddy of Paw Paw, blue male. Mrs. W. Yeager.

Best Novice, O.S. — Fernwood's Little Beauty, sh. silver female. Mrs. O. Simble.

Best Champion — Ch. Shy's Castle Bing Crosby, sh. silver male. Mrs. Willard Shy.

Best Champion, O.S. — Ch. Dixi-Land's First Lady of Pets Beautiful, o.e. white. Mrs. C. Mackiewicz.

Best Kitten — Wycliffe's Chelsea, blue male. Mrs. L. P. Pelton.

Best Kitten, O.S. — West Allis Mearl, red female. Mrs. L. O'Neill.

Best Domestic, S.H. — Ch. Torchlight's Sappy of Himaphan, silv. tabby female. Mrs. Stanley Gibson.

Best Foreign, S.H. — Ba Ba, s.p. Siamese female. Mrs. Larry Thurman.

Best Neuter — Mickey, red tabby. Mrs. Emma Brown.

Other winners in the Solid Color Specialty:

Best Champion — Ch. Dixi-Land's First Lady of Pets Beautiful.

Best Champion, O.S. — Ch. Paddy of West Allis, red male. Mrs. L. O'Neill.

Best Novice — Pearly Dew Bear.

Best Novice, O.S. — Calico Tiny Tableau, white male. Mrs. H. O. Johnson.

Best Kitten — Wycliffe's Chelsea.

Best Kitten, O.S. — West Allis Mearl.

Best Domestic, S.H. — Duncanshire's Lucky Strike, red male. Mrs. E. B. Wittlake.

Best Neuter — Macca's Jester, red. Mrs. James McCain.

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show, etc. The best champion in the show is awarded points toward his gr. championship, the highest achievement possible under any association's rules.

The kitten class is for kittens not less than four nor more than eight months old on the opening day of the show. All kittens' classes are judged first and the Best Kitten in Show selected before the adult classes are started. Kittens are not obliged to be exhibited the second day of the show.

The novice class is reserved for cats over eight months old that have never won a blue ribbon or that have never previously been shown as adults. The open class is for cats that have won blue ribbons in novice classes but have not won sufficient points to be known as champions. In allotting points for championships, the first prize winner in novice class competes with the first prize winner in open and the better of the two is awarded the "winners" ribbon, the number of points being determined by the number of counters in the show. Ten points are required for a championship. In judging Best of Color, the winners male, the winners female, the first prize champion and gr. champion compete. The best in the group is awarded a special ribbon or rosette.

This method of judging is carried out for all ch. colors and breeds. On the second day of the show, the various bests of color and breed compete against each other for highest honors — Best Cat, Best Opposite Sex (meaning best cat of opp. sex to the best cat), Best Gr. Champ., Best Champion, Best Novice, Best Kitten, Best Shorthair, Best Foreign Shorthair and Best Neuter.

When a Specialty Show is benched with an All Breed Show, the specialty is judged first and the first prize novice winners are transferred to open class before they are judged in the All Breed Show.

The novice exhibitor may not at first understand the judging procedure but if she consults her show catalogue frequently as the classes are judged, she cannot fail to comprehend the routine.

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KEELER: (From Page 10)

Both the Seal Point and Blue Point Siamese may be re-synthesized at any time by the geneticist because he has by his analysis learned the structural design, the building blocks (genetic characters) and how they may be combined in the fewest possible number of generations.

But the treasure of any science is its predictive value; the power to imagine new things unknown and often undreamed of, combined with the power to provide the quickest and most accurate method of producing those new combinations. Thus, in 1935, we predicted the appearance of new varieties namely, White-face Siamese, Chinese White Siamese, Piebald Siamese, Red Point Siamese, Siamese-Persian.

At that time we said that in fifteen years Siamese-Persians and Red Point Siamese would be winning prizes.

We said that Dr. Thompson's Burmese would become well known and popular.

Eleven years have passed. I do not like to pose as a clairvoyant; but Siamese Persians *have* appeared in the shows; Dr. Thompson's Burmese *is* a registered breed, and are found in many shows. Red Point Siamese are developed in San Francisco unless they have been disposed of, because Dr. Thompson had a San Francisco veterinarian working on the production of them in 1936 when I visited him.

White-face Siamese could be a splendid, weird breed with the suggestion of the badger in its face and bearing a kinky tail. I would like to see it established, and a stock inbred through four generations so that fanciers would have to

accept it. Of course, it would vary in coat pattern somewhat and only about a quarter of the kittens would have good markings for some time, because the ordinary white face characteristic is produced by a white-face gene plus a solid-color gene and hence all well marked white-face cats are hybrids.

Piebald Siamese will crop out in White-face Siamese stock. Nobody will want them save the wise White-face Siamese breeder. He will keep Piebald Siamese females that are not attractive and mate them to Seal Point Siamese males. The results should be 100% White-face Siamese kittens.

Chinese White has not come on the market. It is raised exclusively by a few elite Chinese families that are jealous of their monopoly. I visited Peking in 1936 and learned that they have a slightly yellowish coat with pink eyes. If they ever get into the fancy, I predict that somebody will make a very beautiful breed by combining the Chinese white gene with Brown tabby.

Our Blue Point Siamese was probably created from selection following a cross of Siamese to Russian Blue in England. The making of these other breeds I have mentioned is just as simple, save for Red Point Siamese in which sex-linked characters are involved.

I would be happy to hear from anybody who has obtained any of these combinations with Siamese that I have described, or any other.

There is no reason why Siamese lovers should not exploit the possibility of using the Siamese coat pattern in combination with other genes to create new, lovely and interesting Cats of the Future.

SEAL POINT COMPETITION STRONG IN ALL-AMERICA CATTERY RACE

Selecting the pair of seal point Siamese to win the two coveted spots on *Cats Magazine's* First Annual All American Cattery, presents one of the biggest problems in this initial selection. Outstanding cats of this breed are present in every section of the nation since well known bloodlines no longer are centered in any one locale.

Feature of the All American is the fact that past performances and titles mean nothing. All selections are based on the performances and showings for the season of 1946-47 inclusive. A novice, therefore, has equal chance as a double or triple champion. Consequently, surprises will be the rule in sectional as well as national rankings.

The Eastern and Southern All American rankings are scheduled for March with the Midwest and Far West in April. This brings forward the national rankings in May. Canada will be represented this year in the Eastern group since there is only the one show. Hawaii will be included with the Western Division for the same reason.

Based on 1945-46 results, no one section has a monopoly on the nation's outstanding seal points. They are found everywhere. Whether the following named cats will be candidates for the All American depends on the activity of their owners and if the cat has been sold or retired from competition.

Without guide of present show reports, among the most likely candidates in the Midwest are the male, Lamar's Prajadhikok, and the females, Ch. Vee Roi's Donna Dee, Sang Wa of Himophan and Ch. Newton's Anina of Mah Neb. Of course there are many others but these furnish an illustration as to the problems of selecting the top male and female, even in one section of the country.

The South has been coming rapidly to the fore with splendid Siamese, from the far-west tip of Texas to the northern boundaries of Virginia. The well-known Valhalla and Purple Sage catteries furnish Texas with excellent posi-

tions for sectional and national awards. And Florida and Virginia are right up there with North Carolina and Georgia. Imports of famous Eastern and Far Western bloodlines to the South has been pronounced just since the war.

Then there is the famed Rosedere cattery of Virginia which has supplied many stand-out seals in the Capitol from where they have been shipped to all sections of the country. Much interest therefore will be centered on the Siamese at the shows to be staged at Norfolk and Jacksonville next month. A likely contender appears to be the Eastern-born, Amdos Imperator, now in Houston, Texas.

The Far West is expected to offer a serious challenge to the best in the nation. Such strong catteries as Fairchild, Knight, Mei Li, Kerry Lu, Casa Gatos and San Gabriel, to mention a few, will furnish keen competition not only in its own section but in the national as well. Therefore, the Pacific Coast shows, beginning this month will bear considerable watching. A cat's whisker separates the standing of such strong contenders as the females, Ch. Nyima, Kerry Lu's Tzu-An and Knight's Cissie. Observers should keep an eye, too, on Ch. Sam Peng of San Gabriel, the classic male.

Back to the East, the New England influence of Newton may have some bearing on sectional as well as national ratings. The East therefore provides a careful check with Purachatr and Amdos, although the former runs closely with blues. A few of the standouts of last year include such males as Amdos Yankee, Newton's Devi-shah, Newton's Pen-Co, Ed Ru Pei-King and Ching. Of the opposite sex put down Precious Bit of Kno'em Lov'em, Petita of Ebon Mask, Wee Wun of Ebon Mask and Jay Tee. The list is long and an easy argument can be given for the placing one cat above the other.

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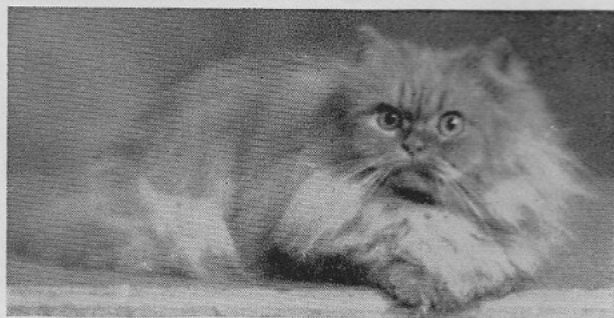
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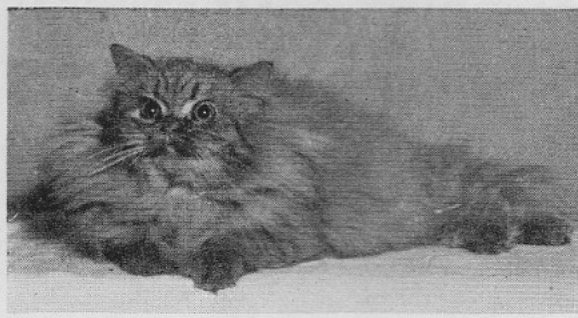
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KEMMER: (From Page 14)

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HAWAII: (From Page 7)

the interest of cats in Hawaii to the high plane it now has achieved by their advent in 1924, the first known personality to introduce fancy breeds was Mrs. Samuel Carter, who brought a white Persian in 1887. The first known professional breeder appeared in Manoa in 1890. She was Mrs. R. I. Lillie, who imported, raised and sold white Persians. In 1900 Mrs. Edward M. Quinn established a cattery of tortoiseshells, blues and smokes and carried on for 12 years. Later a pair of blue Persians was brought by Mrs. Charles J. McDonald from Seattle, Wash., in 1920.

In August 1933, the first cat club was organized with Mrs. Joseph as president. It affiliated with ACA and transferred to CFA in January 1938. The Hawaii Cat Association was formed in 1937 and affiliated with the then active United Cat Clubs Association. In September 1938, the Honolulu Cat Fanciers Club affiliated with ACA.

First show in Hawaii was staged February 1934 and had, in addition to 50 entries representing 32 owners, "special features, including a baby mountain lion, bob-tailed Manx, cross-eyed cat, and freak cat with eight paws." Mr. Julius Joseph was the manager of the exhibition.

First sanctioned show was held in January 1935 under ACA rules. Judge was Mrs. Arthur E. Hale. Handsome,

CREAMS: (From Page 9)

novice fancier should take care in selecting foundation stock. This applies not only with creams but all classes in the solid color division.

It is encouraging to observe the interest that is now being shown in creams and blue-creams, but there is room for more at our shows. We have come a long way during the past decade improving our creams. As classes improve in quality and near the desired standard, judges allow less latitude in making awards.

Therefore, to the exhibitor who shows a good cream that loses to a better one, I would offer her the encouragement in the knowledge that basically, she is, as well as the winner, the foundation of the Fancy.

Mrs. Robertson's Siamese male import, was judged Best Cat.

First known cats in Hawaii are recorded by Don Manuel Quimper Benitez del Pino, a Spanish naval officer, who wrote:

"The commandant of the brig made them a present of a ——— tom cat and two females."

As the vessel called a brig was by other records, the sloop, *Princess Royal*, seized from the British, the first cats in Hawaii may have been either British or Spanish.

ABYS: (From Page 12)

who have a single Aby and make it "one of the family." We have 14 Abyssinians at the present time and as long as I have cats I shall continue to strive for better specimens.

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COLOR AND TYPE: Ruddy brown, ticked with black or dark brown, double or treble ticking — i. e., two or three bands of color on each hair preferably to single ticking; no bars or other markings except that a dark spine line will not militate against an otherwise good specimen. Inside of fore-legs and belly should be of a tint to harmonize well with the main color, the preference being given to orange-brown; no white markings permissible.

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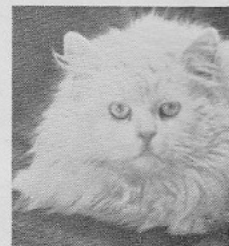
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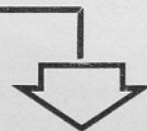


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