

**C.P.L.**

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**HOMES WANTED**

VERY KIND HOME wanted for young neutered male cat. Black with white points including tip of tail.—Mrs. Howatson, 13, Clabon Mews, S.W.1. Ken. 0944.

**HOMES WANTED**

The cats listed below are being looked after by the London Committee or by London members. They are all young, healthy, house-trained and neutered when old enough.

1. a baby tiger, very fierce though very small.
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12. a lap-cat, the perfect pet.

Further particulars (first enquiries by letter with stamp, please) from Mrs. de Clifford, 12, The Close, New Malden, Surrey.

**TAILWAVERS' CORNER OF REMEMBRANCE**

In memory of our beautiful Tambulaine, who fell asleep Christmas 1959. Also dear Sandy, New Year 1957, and Nikkie and Tab.—R.K. & J.

Mary Dear Webster, T.W. 331, December 29th 1956. 14 years 4 months. Mother loves you so very much, my own dear. God keep you always, Sweetheart.—G.M.W., Vancouver, B.C.

Beloved Pixie, T.W. 1309, passed on 10th January 1958, after 14½ years' companionship. Also dear little Timmy, aged 6½ months, a traffic victim, 22nd January 1960. Loved and mourned, but they await us.—J. & G.R.

Peter, T.W. 1154. January 10th, 1950. Ten years of loving memory.—E.R.R-T., E.M.P.

In grateful memory of Bobby, for fourteen years the only little pal of a very lonely old man.—G.D.U., Meopham, Kent.

Our dear Nimbus, a loving friend and companion, who was put to rest on January 14th 1949.—Miss D. Ware.

My very dear Fizaro, died 6th January 1955. 4 years 2 months.—V.H.

Dear old Nig, who went to his long rest on January 18th 1949, aged 14 years. "Sleep peacefully, old pal. You will always be remembered."—L. & H. Kayes.

Little Cleo, 4½ years. Put to rest January 1954. "Deeply loved, greatly missed and always remembered."—I.L.

Tommy Two, T.W. 1416, 6th January 1954, aged 5½ years. Our cherished pet for four years. "Au revoir, dear little friend."—K.M.T.

Titus, loved and missed. January 4th 1950.—T.C.R.

**WE ALWAYS NEED AT HEADQUARTERS** Clean Blankets and white linen pieces, and newspapers for use in the Clinic; odd pieces of wool for making cat blankets; used foolscap envelopes with flaps intact; Foreign and Colonial stamps.

Please send us your unwanted birthday and Christmas presents, wool and material to make up into garments, and anything saleable for our Bazaar.

*Will you have a Collecting Box to help our funds? Obtainable on application to the Secretary.*

# THE CAT

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## "OUR LOT"

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### THE LEAGUE IN THE ISLE OF WIGHT

Some years ago, many of you will remember, the sum of £15,000 was left to the League to found a clinic in the Isle of Wight for the care of cats. For years the Trustees have tried to find suitable premises approved by the town and planning committee. This proved a frustrating task, and we had to be content with doing whatever could be done for the strays on the island, without a headquarters. The island committee under the very able leadership of Mrs. Elsie Kent has done admirable work under difficult conditions. Now at last we can report some real progress. We have found and bought a bungalow at Newport, where Miss Tahourdin has for some time been boarding cats. She will stay on and take charge of what will now at long last, be the desired refuge for strays on the island wanting homes. The property belongs to the League, being bought with the League's money. It will be run chiefly, we hope, by the interest from the original legacy.

This matter has been hanging fire for so long that it is an untold relief to have it settled at last. No doubt there will necessarily be additions to be made to the existing accommodation; there is plenty of room. But there is the start made, and I am sure you will all wish the best of luck and great success to the hard working committee in the Island.

### ULSTER

I know the committee will join me in wishing Mr. Shearman a good recovery from his injuries and in congratulating him upon his wonderful escape. I am sure that the Ulster Branch will be waiting eagerly for his return.

### THE EDITOR.

141, Upton Road, Slough.



## OUR MEMBERS' CORNER

*The opinions expressed are not necessarily those of the C.P.L.*

### SOME LETTERS

I am going to make only one new year's resolution, it's the only one I am likely to keep, namely, to put aside those three-penny bits again!

E. A. Farmar

Parkstone, Dorset

Please accept enclosed cheque which is the result of enforced contributions by people given lifts in my car during the year—

B. Teale

Ripley, Surrey.



PRUDENCE, ONE OF 'OUR LOT'

*(see next page)*

A four-year-old long-haired light tabby and white. Specializes in getting soaking wet and paddling in pools of water. Came to us when a few months old, had been abandoned and was going to be put to sleep.

Tolerates our other cats—her "juniors" (she is top cat) wonderfully well.

Her powerful paws and light frame enables her to sauce dogs when the mood takes her, as her speed leaves them standing. Has a tail like a squirrel which floats behind her as she turns. Meets "the boss" home from work every night and dribbles with joy all over his shoulder!

VALE KO-KO  
 No torn sheets  
 No threadbare rug  
 No clawed cushions  
 No scratched tables  
 No fish to cook  
 No dish to fill  
 No pan to empty

No velvet paws  
 No fragrant fur  
 No prickly whiskers  
 No pebbly tongues  
 No kinky tail  
 No soft wet nose  
 No wise blue eyes

No haughty sniff  
 No piercing waowow  
 No gentle kneading  
 No bunts or nuzzles  
 No purry kisses  
 No Prince of Siam  
 No living Ko-Ko

Only two sad hearts.

Iris Evans

Tuckahoe, U.S.A.

## "OUR LOT"

by Mr. and Mrs. A. J. Brain

We live very close to two large schools and since they opened a few years ago our one cat has grown to *eight* cats. No, not Kittens but children on their way to school picking up a young cat and then abandoning it at the school gates, quite lost. All our cats have known what it is like to be lost, hungry, and some of them desperately ill. Do teach your children not to do this, and explain that their warm-heartedness can mean weeks of suffering to a little animal.

As each one turned up, we advertised it in the press, and shop windows, but never with any success—finally we nursed it back to health, had it neutered, and adopted it.

"This one is definitely the last." How many times have we said that. We wouldn't be without any of them now—eight pitiful little objects are now eight magnificent cats called Pru - Sput - Omo - Vern - Tab - Sandy - Leonard and Peter (5 ladies and 3 gents). We can't ever have a holiday but then we have our cats 52 weeks of the year to compensate. Fortunately we have a garden and trees, and back on to a huge playing field, so our cats have plenty of scope without being a nuisance to anyone. If any more do turn up in the future, we shall take them at

once to the local Cats' and Dogs' Home and advertise where they are in the Press.

Discipline has to be firm with so many, but they too have their own discipline. For instance, if any cat commits the "crime" of jumping up when a meal is being prepared, and is put down, two or three of the others nearest to him will box his ears they know he is delaying "serving-up" time!

We have cat-flaps on the kitchen window and on one inside door and these are worth their weight in gold to us, and give our cats free access, in or out, without letting any prowling toms in.

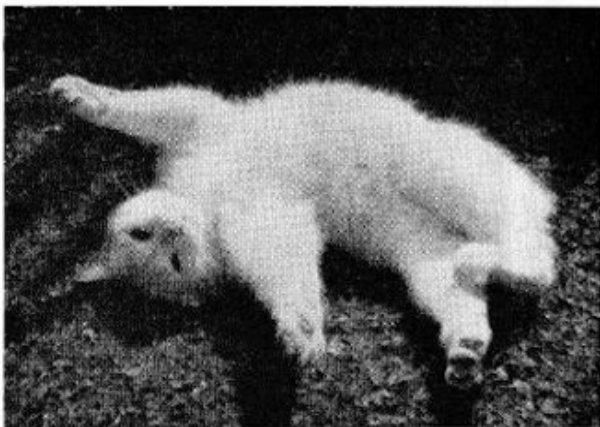
We could write a book of cat stories—and accept the fact that most people think we must be mad to have so many cats. It's surprising how many "critics" have come and gone away as "supporters", when they find immaculate, orderly animals in a very normal house.

Just one small story. We found later that the night before our Sandy (Number 6) joined us at Christmas 1958, that he had spent the night in the local church, asleep with His Lord in the crib that was the centre-piece of the Nativity scene—bless him!

### OMO, ANOTHER OF 'OUR LOT'

Another "Omo" from Bristol—three years old (we thought she was the only "Omo" until we saw last month's *The Cat*). Very affectionate and the biggest "licker" in the business!

Very nervous disposition dating back to the months she was living wild, before we adopted her as a young cat. This is one of her "relaxed" days!



## Tailwaver Section

(CHAD'S COLUMN)

President Miss F. L. PERRY



### CHAD'S COLUMN

#### WELCOME 1961

Chad and I extend to cat lovers in general and our readers in particular every good wish for 1961 and our sincere and grateful thanks to all who have so very generously supported the work of the League during 1960. What has been accomplished during the past year will have been dealt with through our little magazine or will be recorded in the next issue of the Annual Report. We hope that what we have done during the past twelve months will be as satisfactory to you as it has been to us.

Hope springs eternal in the human breast and we feel justified in hoping that 1961 will see the fulfilment of many things started or contemplated in 1960. We look back on our successes with satisfaction and our failures, if any, with profound regret but with the knowledge that failures often promote greater efforts.

#### THE CHRISTMAS SPIRIT

Some things give a pleasing feeling of achievement and create a sense of satisfaction where gloom tends to set over one's world. It is often the little things that count and change the outlook. We want you to share some very pleasing incidents of our Christmas at Cats' Protection League's Headquarters.

On the 21st of December, a parcel of envelopes and other items asked for in our appeals was delivered to 29, Church Street, by a lady aged 77 who cycled all the way from Chertsey, Surrey, in order to do her little bit to help. It was not that she preferred cycling, but it was much cheaper than the bus. With a cheerful salutation she left us to cycle all the way back. On the 22nd of December we had a letter from Kenneth, aged six, and Annette, aged four, which read "Dear Sir,—Thank you very much for helping our cat, Friskey. My sister and I love him very much. His eye is all better now. Thank you very much. Love—"and a line of kisses." We had been able to arrange for this children's pet to have an operation which was very successfully performed by the local veterinary surgeon. The children's mother also sent a letter thanking us for what we had done. On the 24th of December we received a parcel of cat food from Janice Turnbull. She wrote "Dear Sir,—I am a member of the Chad's Club and my number is 440. I am sending this cat food for those poor cats that have no homes and that you look after. I shall be sending more things for the cats later on."

From America we had illustrated greetings from Alica, Andrea and Jack. According to their message, which was all the same, they like cats. There was to us in those messages a simple but deep expression of appreciation for what was being done by The Cats' Protection League. The

children may not altogether have understood what is involved in the work that we do at Headquarters and up and down the country, but what appealed to us most was that their greetings and their thanks arrived at the time when we all should be imbued with a Christian spirit which must always include the needs of the animal world.

Many members contributed to the League's funds to make the season a festive one for the unfortunates. All donations will have been acknowledged by the time this appears in print. It would perhaps be a little embarrassing to thank everyone by name, so we will just say thank you, all of you, who remembered that at Christmas time there is a greater need for good will between men and animals. I think I should conclude by recording the inmates' appreciation of the huge chunk of liver that was delivered at Headquarters about 7.30 on Christmas Eve.

We feel certain that you will have been as cheered by reading this as we were at the time. We feel certain too that we may look forward to your continued support whether it be financial, physical or moral. We may need more of all three in the future but that is another story.

#### CHAD

Not a great deal has been said about Chad and his activities, but the fact remains that through him, but with the help of his supporters of course, a great deal of good work has been done since the beginning of this year. He is, as I expect you know, the League's mascot but above all the emblem under which The Cats' Protection League works in the field of welfare for cats and kittens. He is the silent salesman who proffers help to the needy without charge. Many hundreds of operations are done at the League's expense. Innumerable cats and kittens have had the edge taken off their hunger at least, through the League's voucher scheme. These things and others of less importance, but necessary just the same, have been done through the medium of The Cats' Protection League's Tailwaver Fund, of which Chad is the official sponsor. Those who have joined Chad's Club, whether they be senior or junior or who have given to Tailwavers via Chad's Appeal, which incidentally is a permanent one, have enabled us to feel that sense of achievement to which I referred earlier on.

#### DEMOLITION AND BOMB SITE RESCUE, ETC.

During the past two or three months, we have given very serious attention to a problem about which I have written quite a lot in the past. The feeding of cats and kittens on bomb sites, in derelict premises and the removal of these unfortunate creatures when their lives are in danger, would appear to be one of those ordinary jobs which one more or less takes in one's stride. It is, however, nothing of the sort. Cats that have been abandoned or that have reverted to the wild or partially so for obscure reasons, have a tendency to move into the most inaccessible places. Some of course will respond to coaxing with food and some that are more or less known to be owned cats are usually easier to handle. One has to remember that on all sites where cats tend to congregate, one is almost certain to find the one from across the street or round the corner that

cannot resist the opportunity of getting "a little extra." Armed with this knowledge, we are very careful not to take away what could be somebody's pet. Nevertheless, there have been a great many instances where "operation rescue" has been justified.

In my previous comments on this problem, I have said that there are difficulties to be overcome and this was no mean statement. Emergencies can crop up at any moment, only to end in not being an emergency at all. Many hours can be spent searching and seeking, watching and waiting and a great deal of time can be taken up in ensuring that the cats and/or kittens on this or that site are being cared for. Requests to remove or do something about cats and kittens that are presumed to be abandoned are frequent and time consuming.

To say too much at this stage would probably result in receipt of many more requests than could possibly be handled. There are severe limits in both time and staff, but having once set our hands to the plough, we hope to be able to complete the furrow. The going will be hard and I have no doubt that we shall often be "stuck", but if the flesh is as strong as the spirit is willing, we should achieve something commendable before the end of 1961.

For all that you have done and for what I am sure you will continue to do, we thank you.

CHAD & A. A. STEWARD.

### Public Relations and Appeals

A very happy New Year to one and all. The National Cat Club Show held on Dec. 3rd was an all time record, £47 7s. 2d. At this show also Mrs. Sherratt drew the winning ticket for "Bubble's Booze" and the winner a lady from Hampstead received her prize on Sunday morning, Dec. 4th. This lucky draw brought in another £5 9s. 0d., good total. On December 9th Mr. Pepper and Mrs. Mayo worked like Trojans to get our stall up for the *Daily Mirror* Show. The National Pets' Club Show, and what a show it was! I was the envy of many of my colleagues from other societies, as I can proudly state that every member of the Executive Committee of the C.P.L. came to Olympia on one or more of the days to help on the stall. I am deeply grateful to them for their great kindness in this way. Bubble came on Thursday afternoon, and on Saturday afternoon, Nelson in his "Bar" was there every day, and ended up by winning the *Daily Mirror* blue rosette for the second best cat. Congratulations, and many thanks to Mr. and Mrs. Colville for their great help in making the stall such a success. Mrs. Walledge and Sabrina caused great interest,

and Sabrina, photographed with film stars, took everything in her stride with the utmost calm. Altogether the sum of just over £40 was collected, several new members made, and a great demand for our literature. Miss Avery, our rescue officer, helped in fetching and carrying the goods from Slough and helped out throughout the show, and my debt of gratitude to Miss Blanchard and Mr. Faulkner is getting quite colossal. They were there every day and on Saturday afternoon Mr. Faulkner acted as S.M., steering the crowd into orderly lines as they queued up to see Bubble.

The last show of the old year was again at the Central Hall, when Bubble took home £11 11s. 0d.

The sack of stamps was duly despatched and the sum of £10 4s. 0d. came back. Another sack is on the way to filling so please don't forget all those stamps off the Christmas Cards. Several dollar notes have arrived from U.S.A. and at the end of 1960 thanks to all you kind people the Bubble Fund stands at £1,683 6s. 4d.

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## NEWS FROM OTHER CENTRES

### MANCHESTER

At the time of writing, we much regret to hear of the death of Walter, the pet of the Manchester Press Club, and a frequent visitor at the Manchester Town Hall, where he was in the habit of summoning the lift, to take him up to a certain floor where he had a keen admirer and friend, who, we suspect, used to give him tit-tibs.

I myself have seen him walk into the empty standing lift on the ground floor, and sit majestically until the lift attendant left his office and took him up; not waiting, of course, for other passengers.

He will be greatly missed by the personnel at both the Club and the Town Hall. He was 15 years old.

### BRADFORD

The Branch is at present re-organising its arrangements for cat-cages, and it is hoped that the new scheme, which will enable us to take in more emergency cases than at present, will be completed in good time for the severe weather of January and February.

We are also hoping that by the time this report appears in *The Cat*, our Chairman, Mrs. Heaton, will have fully recovered and will be getting about again as usual. All of us have been most grateful to the many friends who, hearing of her serious accident, made special efforts to help us in connection with the recent Tailwavers' At-Home: donations totalled almost £25, and this meant that in spite of the last-minute change of venue and the really shocking weather (it poured down with heavy rain every moment of the day!) the At-Home realised more than £50 nett. Our grateful thanks also to Miss Hornung, who supplemented the At-Home by an Afternoon Tea in her own house, thus increasing the total to nearly £60.

Christmas cards are now rolling in, and our Chairman was delighted to receive one marked with the paw-mark of "Rusty" from Nottingham. Rusty was a poor little scrap rescued by the Shipley Police and brought to Mrs. Heaton's house some months ago. Careful nursing and loving attention soon transformed him into a shining happy little cat, and a Nottingham visitor offered him a home. There he now is, an immense success and Mrs. Heaton is glad to have such a pleasant remembrance from him!

We are at present in the happy position of having a list of good homes awaiting cats and kittens: West Riding cats engaged in house-

hunting, please apply before the vacancies are filled!

A problem-case at Roundhay Park in Leeds has been causing us a certain amount of anxiety, where several unwanted stray cats are facing the severity of the winter. This is a case where we have asked for the co-operation of the Bradford R.S.P.C.A., who are now making the necessary arrangements with Leeds friends to have these poor creatures collected.

Once again we should like to express the Branch's appreciation of our happy relations with the R.S.P.C.A., and also with the local press, particularly the *Bradford Telegraph and Argus*.

West Riding cats and kittens in many walks of life join the members of the Bradford Branch in wishes for a truly happy 1961 to all cat-lovers everywhere.

### WEST CORNWALL

Christmas is always a somewhat sad time for us. Although we always put on a wonderful feast for the strays, in our hearts we know that cats need more than food. They desire love and a human to call their own, a fireside and a lap, but alas we have not enough laps to go around.

We now face the New Year, and we resolve to make even greater attempts to persuade people to have their cats neutered, not to keep unwanted kittens, and to feed their farm cats. During 1960 we found homes for almost a hundred adult cats, perhaps 1961 will find the numbers decreasing, we can but hope.

Yum-Yum was indeed grateful for the thoughts which showered upon her at Christmas. She thanks her fans deeply for so many lovely cards, letters and parcels, and joins us all here in wishing you all a Very Happy New Year.

### NORTH LONDON

We combined our Annual General Meeting with a Christmas Social Evening on Dec. 13th, and were pleased to see a good number of members in spite of the weather.

The Secretary's Report gave us some amusing instances of the various kinds of help that the Shelter and its supporters find themselves asked for. There were the tiny kittens rescued from inefficient drowning, and in need of food "little and often"; the beautiful rabbit and the charming hamster. At the Caledonian Road Tube Station one of

the station staff, at the risk of his own life, rescued a beautiful ginger long-haired cat who mysteriously arrived on the platform and fled into the train tunnel; the cat's tail was injured by a train and has been amputated. The cat, now flourishing, is at the Shelter hoping for a new home. A nearby Vicar has a Siamese who was temporarily unable to feed her kittens, so the Vicar came in for Cow & Gate Milk and a lesson on its use; favourable bulletins on mother and kits have since been received.

The Branch Committee was re-appointed with a very serious exception; Miss Marie Grimsey, who has been our Treasurer from the start and whose skill and unremitting zeal have been invaluable, is giving up the Treasurership for reasons of health, though she will remain on the Committee. In paying tribute to Miss Grimsey's services the Chairman recalled how generously she helps in so many ways—turns of duty at the Shelter, organisation of sales and other functions, not forgetting the delicious home-made jam and cakes she produces. A vote of thanks to Miss Grimsey was carried by acclamation.

### ULSTER

I am starting this report with some bad news. Our Chairman, Mr. Hugh Shearman, was involved in a motor smash in the recent frosty weather, and has unfortunately been in hospital with a broken neck. He, however, wrote me a cheerful letter, and Mrs. Shearman tells me that he is getting along nicely. We all wish him a speedy recovery, and hope he will soon be with us again. His place in the meantime will be taken by Mr. McClay, our Vice-Chairman.

We had a very interesting meeting in the Ulster Teachers' Union Hall, Cathedral Buildings, on Dec. 1st, when a lecture was given us by Mr. R. W. Carlisle, of the British Association for the Advancement of Science, on "Animals at home". Showing us lantern slides, and specimens of beetles, bats, etc. It is a pity that so few people were present. Tea was provided by Mrs. Keep.

We hope to arrange a "brains trust" for Tuesday, Jan. 31st, which should be interesting, and we do hope it will be well attended.

I need milk bottle tops, please, and don't forget Mrs. Wilson. She should receive a bumper number of stamps after Christmas! May we here wish all cats and their owners a very happy and prosperous New Year.

### SOUTHAMPTON

On Saturday, November 19th, our Annual

Christmas Bazaar and Draw took place at the Oddfellows Hall, Woolston, when we were most pleased to welcome Miss Wilson once again.

Our most grateful thanks to all members and friends who helped to fill our various stalls with so many lovely things. Their kindness is greatly appreciated by all of us, especially the waifs and strays in this area.

We were pleased to renew many acquaintances during the afternoon, and hope to see even more friends and members next year.

For several months Committee members have been assisting at Bingo Drives being run for us by the management of a local entertainment organisation. At the Bazaar a cheque for £100 was presented to Miss Wilson for this branch.

The proceeds of the Bazaar and Draw raised £163 and this means that for once we shall be able to start off the New Year with a good bank balance. Our work here as everywhere else is governed by the funds at our disposal.

We are able to save so many more lives and find many more homes by offering assistance with the spaying and neutering.

May we take this opportunity of wishing all of our friends a very Happy New Year, and trust that the work of the C.P.L. will extend even further in 1961.

### LONDON COMMITTEE

Our Carol Party was a very happy occasion. More friends than ever before came to sing carols and enjoy the party. Once again our own Carol of the Cat was sung and I think we all felt glad we had heard it. We must thank Miss Carter and her bother, Mr. Donald Carter, very much indeed for the charming afternoon.

We do want the help of all our London members to ensure the success of our Whist Drives. These are a new venture for us. The next will be on Tuesday, 31st January, at St. Mary Abbots Church Hall, Kensington. The hall is not very easy to find. I will be glad to send a map to anyone who would like it. We need helpers as well as players to serve refreshments and—I have to mention it—wash-up, such a dull job! Play starts at 7.30, and the evening is complete by about 10 o'clock. Do come if you can.

On Saturday, 28th January, at St. Andrew's Hall, Carlisle Place, Victoria, S.W.1, we have our New Year Party, starting at 2.30. There will be Bring and Buy Stalls, Tea, and for those who are interested, a

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9th, Seymour Hall, Southern Counties Show Bubble will be at both of these. On Sat., 25th Feb., our Coventry Branch will have a stall at the Coventry and Leicester Show.

On Christmas Eve another lovely parcel arrived from our good friend Doris Woods from Hong Kong. She is out of hospital but still, alas, far from well. May 1961 bring her complete recovery. I have been given a really lovely box of chocolates (2 lb.) to raise money for the Bubble Fund. Any suggestions, please?

Miss Cozens and I are crying out for stamps, foreign and Colonial. I am sure with the number of members we have overseas we ought not to have any difficulty in sufficing our stamp hunger. Please remember us when you open your letters.

Kit Wilson.

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report on our Save-a-Stray effort. Do come, bring friends or, if you cannot come, send us something to 12, The Close, New Malden, Surrey.

Help is still wanted for mother cats. Our "Cats Cradle" organisation has been of great use during the past year, and we managed to save many mothers who would otherwise have been put to sleep, but we would like to expand. Would anyone come in and help, not necessarily by donations of money, but also by donations of the ever-precious time, which is so valuable? We have jobs for everyone who wants to work.

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There are a few dates for your diary. Jan., 28th, Epsom Baths Hall, and Feb.

## WAYS AND MEANS OF HELPING THE C.P.L.

**Astrological analysis of character.** Send letter with date of birth and stamped addressed envelope and donation which will be given to the C.P.L. to Mr. Curtler, 5, Hill Avenue, Worcester.

**Graphology** (Character from handwriting) in exchange for a donation for my C.P.L. collecting box. Send letter with signature and stamped addressed envelope to Miss E. M. Jackson, 160a, Trinity Road, London, S.W.17.

**The Tailwavers' Fund** will benefit if you buy your hand-knitted DISHCLOTHS from Mrs. Peggie Ives, 38 High Street, Oakham, Rutland. Price 1/3d. including postage.

**Cat Collars, Harness, etc.** Details and prices from Messrs. Collier & Collier, "Cats' Valley," Tibbury, Salisbury, Wilts.

**Hand Painted Roses** made to order in natural colourings, life like imitations at 2/-d. each plus packing and postage. Profits for my C.P.L. collecting box. Mrs. V. G. Nims, 16, Clarendon Park, Clacton-on-Sea, Essex.

**C. H. Bromley, A.B.W.S.,** has removed from Derby to Holmcroft, Blackfield Road Fawley, Southampton, and will continue to make "portraits of cats" at his new address. Anthing from a guinea.

**Experienced "Cat Caretakers"** wanted for short or long vacations. Name and address and terms to Secretary, C.P.L., 29, Church Street, Slough, Bucks.

**Water Colour Portraits of Pets** from a clear Snapshot . . . . . 10/6 each  
Please give description. Money for C.P.L. Dorothy Hall, 40, Sinclair Avenue, Banbury, Oxon.

**Members of the Doll Club of Great Britain** are always interested in buying dolls, specially old ones, and bits of dolls and dolls' clothes, and for any items bought through the C.P.L. a donation of a further 10% will be given to the C.P.L. Address—The Doll Club, 3 Holland Park Avenue, London, W.11

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