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By Wendy Thomson

Our Number Two cat is called "Little Cat" not so much because she is little but because she gives the impression of being small, helpless, and frightened. I make an extra-special fuss over her to try to build up her confidence to the point where she won't turn tail and run whenever someone makes a move in her direction.

She was born six years ago and from the very first had a dreadfully worried expression. I kept her, as I was sure that no-one would choose her to take home from the Animal Shelter. Also, she was like her mother in coloring—an odd black, orange and tan fleck that was also the color of the very first things Little Cat did was to get run over, and perhaps this was the cause of her behaviour, after. If there is such a thing as a neurotic cat, she's it.

Little Cat looks odd to begin with. Her face looks like a cross between an inebriated owl and a proboscis monkey, but with a shorter nose. Sideways, it's obvious that her hind legs are longer than her front ones, giving her the appearance of going downhill all the time. From the rear, she's slightly knock-kneed, and runs everywhere with quick, short steps in a worried sort of a way. She reminds me of the white rabbit in Alice in Wonderland—you know, "I'm late, I'm late, for a very important date!" She's the only cat I know who, when indulging in the cat thing about sitting in a bag, will sit with her head inside and her bottom hanging half out.

Little Cat and her mother, Cock-eyed Cat, have a marvelous nursery system going. They manage to have their litters within a week of one another, and if one of C. Cat's kits starts crying, L. Cat will rush over, carry it back to her own litter to nurse it quiet and vice versa. By the end of the day, there's no telling what belongs to who, so we just put them all in one big purry pile. The mothers have worked out a shift system where one will take care of all the kittens for four hours while the other mother goes hunting, then almost four hours to the minute later, the hunter will take her place as mother. The touch noses and make a few cat-type noises, and you can almost hear the question "How did things go?" and the answer "Well, I fed the three orange, the two grey and the black. They're all washed except for the striped and he wouldn't let me do his paws. Oh—and the black ate too fast and hasn't burped."

At six o'clock, they both lie down, cheek to cheek with their front paws entwined and their bodies stretched out in a long 16 faucet line, for the kittens to have a good feed, a good wash, and then a good sleep while the mothers both go out for the night.

They're both due before too long, again, and I'll have to be thinking about what to do with all the kittens. It's too bad that they never need anything like that at the school, since Beth is always on one committee or other to take things to the class. For Valentine's Day I was going to give her Crispy Cookies, since they're easy to make and fairly inexpensive, but Beth wanted to make fudge. I knew she'd never get very far with the beating bit, and we compromised with Sponge Taffy, from an old recipe of my mother's. I hadn't made it before, but it looked about Beth's speed, a "summer



GREEK DANCERS who changed the Mexican mood of the operetta included Dabra Hall, Dianne Timbers and Margaret Frizzell. (Staff Photo).

Free Press Women's Page

Acton industries topic at Dublin W.I. meeting

A spell of beautiful winter weather enabled the ladies of Dublin Women's Institute to have a largely attended meeting at the home of Mrs. Chris Britton, Nassagaweya. After opening exercises the roll call, name an Acton industry and its location, brought many interesting replies.

Letters of thanks from folks who had been remembered by Dublin Institute were read and commented upon. An invitation from a sister Institute which is celebrating an anniversary was left for answering until next month.

A new president was welcomed in the person of Mrs. Austin Zoeller whose many activities give renewed interest and zest. The music festival was given the usual donation. Two members attended a meeting at Milton and brought back new



TEACHER LINDA Braida pins rosette on Norm Thornhill to prepare him for his operetta performance. (Staff Photo).



ALL HAIL PEDRO (Peter Bristow) who discovered the hidden treasure, making him wealthy enough to court the ambassador's daughter (Bonnie Bristow). It's another scene from the Robert Little operetta. (Staff Photo).

Tapes, donations aid retarded workshop

The monthly meeting of the L'Arche Auxiliary was held on February 10 at the home of Mrs. J. Conroy.

The tapes donated by the public at the I. G. A. were used to purchase an industrial bucket and mop for the A.R.C. Workshop (formerly known as H.O.P.E.).

The local Lions club donated a cheque which was used to purchase an industrial vacuum cleaner. H. Isham, manager at A.R.C. has expressed thanks to the public and the local Lions club for their support.

The next meeting of the L'Arche Auxiliary will be held at the home of Mrs. L. Dupuis, 181 Elmwood Drive, on Wednesday, February 26. Future meetings

will be held on the last Wednesday of the month. Anyone interested in joining in the work to help the mentally retarded is very welcome at any of the meetings.

Any used stamps would be very useful for a future project and any one having stamps they do not require, is asked to contact Mrs. J. Kuiken at 853-1175.

The Spring Dance is on March 7 at the Legion Hall with Jack Reeves providing the music. Anyone who would like a ticket is asked to phone Mrs. J. Price, 853-1467.

The Fashion Show presented by Walkers of Guelph will be held on March 20 at the Robert Little auditorium. Mrs. J. Conroy 853-2063, or Mrs. L. Dupuis 853-1703 have information.

The meeting was adjourned and Mrs. J. Conroy served coffee and cakes.



CHARLENE MCGINNIS had a big smile for the audience. She's in Mrs. Gamble's grade one class. (Staff Photo).

The Bible today...

Translation of the Scriptures is not just a matter of words and dictionaries. It is fundamentally a matter of conveying the right message so that those accepting it as the true basis of living may ultimately mature as responsible human beings.

Richard W. F. Wootton, a translator, recalls one Easter campaign some years ago in the Punjab. Several churches and Christian bodies divided a large city into areas, and volunteers delivered leaflets telling the passion and resurrection according to St. Luke to every home where someone could read.

It caused quite a stir; and sermons were preached in the mosques against the New Testament, and a feeling of bitterness was created which the Christians tried to overcome.

"I used to hate the Muslims," said one Christian afterwards.

"But through doing this work I have come to love them."

"This," says Wootton, "is the real reward of Bible translation."



TEACHER RICK Coe led Mrs. White's grade 5 choir while the rest of the class performed a spirited dance. (Staff Photo).

Doris Black 4-H president

Dublin West 4-H started a new club, Cottons May Be Smart, on Feb. 18 at the home of Mrs. Douglas.

Leader is Mrs. Lasby and the assistant leader is Mrs. Martin. The members are Karyn Maner, Marg Frizzell, Doris Black, Karen Pearce, Marilyn Barber, Cathy Lasby and Diane Timbers. President is Doris Black; vice-president, Marilyn Barber; treasurer, Cathy Lasby; secretary, Karen Pearce; press reporter, Dianne Timbers.

The next meeting will be held on March 1 at the home of Mrs. Lasby.

Dublin East officers named

Fourteen girls met at the home of Mrs. Douglas on February 18 with leaders Mrs. McCarron, Mrs. Douglas, Mrs. Lasby and Mrs. Martin, to organize for the club Cottons May Be Smart. They split into two groups.

The Dublin East Cotton Cuties under the guidance of Mrs. Douglas and Mrs. McCarron elected officers as follows: president-Laurene Rennick; vice-president Cathy Hinton; secretary, Johanne Anker, and press reporter, Bonnie Armstrong. Mrs. Douglas read notes on the "Planning of the Dress" with some handy tips on choosing patterns and material.

After enjoying a lunch of cake and tea, they adjourned to meet again on March 1.

Reports, budget, elections at Knox church annual meeting

A pot luck supper preceded the annual meeting of Knox Presbyterian church congregation this year and apparently resulted in improved attendance.

Mimeographed reports of various groups were distributed and approved.

A budget of \$23,700 for 1969 was passed.

The renovation fund indebtedness was reduced during the past year from \$2,300 to \$700 and it is hoped this indebtedness will be wiped out by June.

The building fund has \$24,200 invested in Canada Trust debentures and certificates and the managers are administering legacy funds in the amount of \$12,065 for capital improvements and special projects.

Elected to serve on the board of managers for the next three years were Grant Allan, Ronald Guest, Helen Jocque, Doug

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"NAVAJO ADVENTURE"

"FRANK DUCK" (Cartoon)

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"LOST CONTINENT" - Color (Recommended as Adult Entertainment)

THURS. - FRI. - SAT. MARCH 6-7-8

"FOR THE LOVE OF IVY" - Color (Recommended as Adult Entertainment) SIDNEY POITIER, ABBEY LINCOLN

"THE EXPERT"

"SOLITARY REFINEMENT" - Cartoon

MATINEE 2 p.m. SAT., MARCH 8

"TICKLE ME" - Color ELVIS PRESLEY

HONOR PATROLS

More than 90,000 youngsters in Canada are the guardians of school children crossing streets on the way to or from school, according to the Hamilton Automobile Club. AAA and its clubs play an influential role in the work of the school Safety Patrols. Organized within and by the schools with the assistance and advice of CAA Clubs and police departments, patrols receive national recognition EACH year at the Jamboree held in Ottawa.

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