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"A Community Conscience"

Everybody has a conscience.

You know what your conscience is, don't you? Perhaps your teacher or your parents have told you that it is the little voice within you which tells you, "No," when you are getting your school clothes dirty by playing on your way home or when you go out to play instead of doing your homework.

Some people say that The Toledo Humane Society is the "community's conscience".

By that they mean that The Toledo Humane Society reminds thoughtless people that carelessness often causes suffering for dumb animals. Our motto is: "No Animal Need Suffer."

Sometimes children also suffer when older people get mixed up and The Toledo Humane Society also helps them.

The Humane Society wants you to know about its work. We also want you to know how to take care of your pets. That's why we are sending you this newspaper through your school.

We thank the school officials who let us send you Humane Life and we hope you enjoy it. We hope, too, you will take your copy home with you and show it to your Mother and Dad. That way they, too, will learn about The Toledo Humane Society.

OTTO H. SPENGLER, *President*

Keep Your Pets Off Neighbors' Lawns

Fertilizers May Poison Them

This is the time of year when many people get their lawns and gardens ready for winter.

Sometimes they put things in the ground to help get it ready to grow plants the next year—things like fertilizers and chemicals. If dogs or cats walk on a lawn or garden where these things have been put, it may hurt them.

These things on the ground may stick to the animal's paws



"Leaving a dog out in the rain is no way to give him a bath!"

Mumps For Rover!

Often pets can get the same sicknesses as people. And people can get sick from what makes their pets sick, too.

If Johnny catches mumps, his puppy can catch them, too. Doctors found out that dogs have mumps the same way people do, with their throats swelled up and hurting when touched.

Both cats and dogs can catch skin diseases from their masters, or can give the sicknesses to their masters. The skin diseases are boils, carbuncles and sores. There are other, but more rare, sicknesses of the skin that can be caught by either humans or animals, too.

Just as the doctor is called when you are sick, pets need check-ups and doctors, too. If your pet acts strange or ill, take him to a vet right away.

and burn him. Then the animal licks his paws and may even get poisoned.

The best way to keep this from happening is for a pet owner to see that his pets are kept away from places where these things are put on the ground. If they put things on their lawns themselves, they should put signs up warning of the danger to pets.

Cats Bathe Themselves But They Need Your Care And Attention Too

Cats need a lot of care, even though it looks like they take care of themselves.

Keeping them fed seems to be the only thing they need help with, because they keep themselves clean and are always licking their coats. But the cat's coat should be brushed often.

Cat hair is often loose and will come out on furniture or will stick to a cat's tongue when he licks himself. Many times a cat will swallow hair and later be very uncomfortable. The hair will "ball up" in a cat's stomach and may

make him sick.

A cat should eat a diet with a lot of meat in it. Beef or liver, either raw or cooked, is good, together with canned or cooked fish. Green vegetables, cereals, bread and milk should also be a part of a cat's diet. The important thing to remember is that a cat has tastes just like a human being and likes a large number of things. Feeding just one thing, such as fish, doesn't keep the cat happiest and isn't the best thing for the cat.

If too much red tuna is fed a cat, without other foods, the animal may get sick and even die. Red tuna doesn't have enough vitamin "E" and should only be fed once in a while. Sometimes people can buy red tuna that has vitamin "E" added to it, but even so just tuna for food isn't enough.

A cat needs something to sharpen his claws on. If he doesn't have a special post, he may scratch the furniture. Often, the cat will sharpen his claws on trees outside.

A cat may have trouble with his teeth and some people say that a veterinarian should check and clean a cat's teeth twice a year.

One of the best things for a cat is one of the things a cat likes the most—catnip. A good supply of catnip is a must for cat owners. It will keep the cat happy and it will help the cat to stay healthy.

Bad Dog Picks Pocket But Returns His Loot

Texas police thought they were hearing a fairy tale when an 82-year-old man said a dog jumped up to the seat of his horse-drawn ice cream wagon and took his wallet containing \$855—his life's savings. They checked the neighborhood for a dog like the one he described and when they didn't find any, they were about to leave. They were satisfied that it was a "fib." Just then, a dog ran onto the man's lawn, dropped the wallet from its mouth at the feet of a policeman and ran away. The money was still in the wallet. (Guess the dog couldn't find any place to spend it!)

How Old Do Animals Get?

Many animals do not get old the same way as people do. Some animals are very, very old at what is a young age to people. And some animals live more than twice as long as most people.

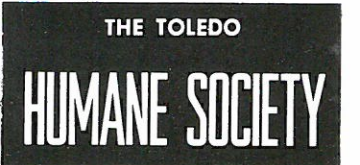
Here's a list of the oldest that animals generally live to be:

Animal	Years
Giant Tortoise	152
Box Turtle	123
Swan	102
Parrot	80
Elephant	69
Great Horned Owl	68
Alligator	68
Snapping Turtle	57
Eagle	55
Giant Salamander	55
Horse	50
Hippopotamus	49
Chimpanzee	40
Toad	36
Wizzly Bear	32

Bison	30
Lion	30
Bullfrog	30
Cobra	28
Tiger	25
English Sparrow	23
Elk	22
Cottonmouth	21
Mountain Lion	20
Parakeet	20
Beaver	19
Cat	17
Dog	17
Squirrel	16
Wolf	16
Chipmunk	12
Common Hamster	2



76th ANNUAL REPORT



This is a picture of the cover of The Toledo Humane Society's 76th Annual Report. Tell your parents they can get a copy by calling CH 4-7441 or by writing to The Toledo Humane Society, P. O. Box 885, Toledo, Ohio.

Is Your Pet Set For Winter?

When summer begins to come to a close, your Mom and Dad begin to prepare your house for winter. The furnace is checked and cleaned. Maybe storm windows are taken out of storage and repaired.

This is a good time for pet owners to check up, too.

Dogs kept outside should have a house which keeps out the cold wind, rain and snow. If the yard isn't fenced and the dog is chained, it should be attached with a swivel that turns in all directions—or is free to slide along a wire so the dog won't get tangled up with trees or posts.

A good rule to remember is: Things a boy or girl shouldn't do in cold weather because they might catch a cold also should be avoided for a dog. If they are not good for children, they usually aren't good for a pet!

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"No Animal Need Suffer"—For Emergency Aid Or Pet Information—Day Or Night—Call The Toledo Humane Society Animal Shelter—CH 3-5269

PET TALES

The Toledo Humane Society gets some strange telephone calls. One day a little girl called and said her dog, Friskie, was lost and asked The Humane Society to find him.

"We'll try," we said. "We'll check our Animal Shelter first. What's Friskie's dog license number and what kind of a dog is he?"

"He's cute and very good except when he gets out the screen door—and we had a license but it's lost," cried the little girl.

We asked: How big is Friskie? And, what color is he? The little girl sobbed: "He's kind of small and he's got lots of colors!"

Well, we found Friskie all right. Our attendant went out into the Animal Shelter and called, "Friskie!" One dog yelped and tried to get out of the cage. The little girl came to the Shelter and it was her Friskie.

If you have a dog, however, it would be a good idea to take a good look at him so you can describe him. Also be sure you have a license because that will help us know your dog and return him to you if we find him.

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A man rode his horse into Fulton, Mississippi, and tied it to a parking meter. When he came back he found a parking ticket tucked under the horse's harness between his ears.

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In Dallas, Texas, a man had a special door put on his garage. It opened when he beeped his car horn or blew his whistle. A few days later, his wife found out that a mocking bird came every day and perched above the door and had a lot of fun opening and closing the door by imitating the man's whistle.

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Men collecting fees from people crossing a bridge between the states of Pennsylvania and New Jersey were so surprised when they saw a black bear cross the bridge one morning that they didn't charge the bear any toll!

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Michigan police answered a call to rescue a boy in a Davy Crockett hat from a tree recently, but when they got there all they could see was an angry raccoon.

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A Memphis woman telephoned a radio station there to thank them for broadcasting baseball games. "You understand," she told the announcer, "I don't like baseball myself, but my cat does." (Wonder if the cat is a Tiger fan?)

You Are Back In School, But What Is Your Dog Doing?

Now that you are back to school, there are many things you ought to do if you have a dog.

Your pet runs and plays with you. But he can't do it all day, now. You have to be in school part of the day. When you are in school, your dog misses you, because he wants to play with you.

Your dog may get lonely and try to follow you to school. But he should stay at home, because dogs aren't supposed to go to school.

If a dog is running around with no one to watch him, he may get hurt or cause damage. So he must be kept in a house or in a yard where he won't get into trouble.

A dog running around outside can be hit by a car. Or he can be hurt in fights with other dogs. He might dig up someone's lawn or garden, and then people would be angry. He might eat from garbage cans and get sick. Someone might even take your dog and keep him.

In fact, you ought to remember that Toledo has a law to protect dogs and keep them from getting into trouble. It is called the "Leash Law" and The Toledo Humane Society, under orders from the city, picks up loose dogs and takes them to the Shelter where they are held until their owners claim them.

Dogs must be kept in a house or yard

Pets Like To Eat, Feed Them Wisely And Keep Them Healthy, Happy

Dogs and cats don't know about diets. They know what they like to eat. But they don't know which foods are best to help keep them healthy. That is why pet owners must be like mothers. Both pet owners and mothers see that the right food is eaten.

What is fed a pet is very important. There are two special holidays coming soon, Thanksgiving and Christmas. And they will be good or bad for pets because of what is fed to them. If a pet gets scraps of left-over food from the table, the food should be mixed in with the animals regular meal.

That way the pet doesn't become spoiled and will keep on eating his regular food.

and when they are walked, they have to be kept on a leash. Be sure your dog is safe at home when you are in school, or on a leash when you are walking him.

HUMANE QUIZ ANSWERS

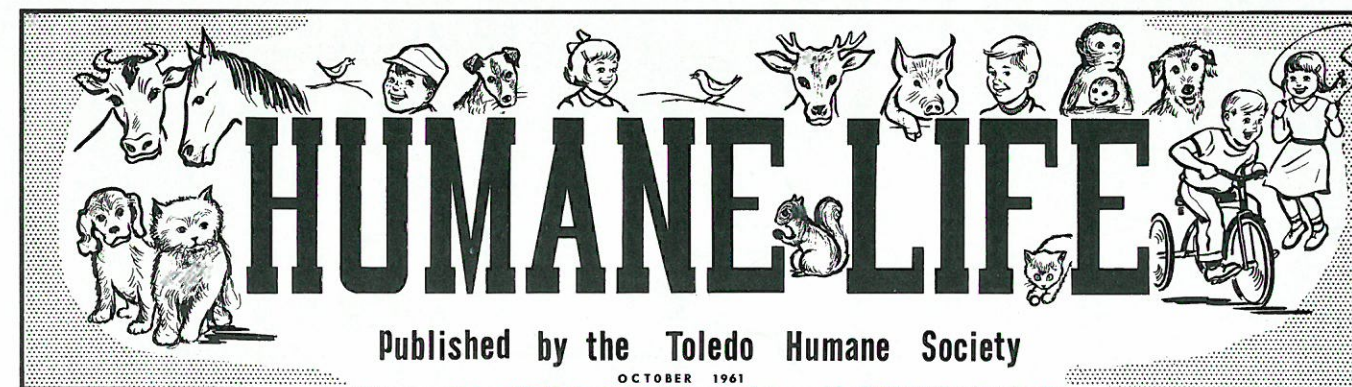
1. 6,511; 2. 1,090; 3. 1,567; 4. Dogs, Horses, Cows, Hogs, Sheep; 5. 220.

(NOTE: All of the information about The Toledo Humane Society's activities during 1960 can be found in The Society's annual report. If your parents would like a copy, tell them to call The Toledo Humane Society, CH 4-7441, or write: Executive Secretary Sidney G. Douglas, P. O. Box 885, Toledo, Ohio).

Does It Measure Cats?

A California family thought a cat was trapped in the walls of its new \$20,000 house. The howling cries kept them awake at night. They ripped open parts of the walls looking for the cat, but didn't find it. Then they discovered that the cat was really a meowing water meter.

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The Toledo Humane Society's Animal Shelter staff is ready to help animals in trouble 24 hours a day. Here they are with the Shelter's fleet of trucks and the special animal rescue station wagon. From left to right: Mary Steusloff, Dolores Mlynarek, Norman Easley and Roland Hine, behind the station wagon, and Jim Seabert, Chester Nowak, Ed Steusloff and Alvin Updegraff, in front of the station wagon.

Humane Society Is 76 Years Old; Protects Animals From Suffering

When you see one of the trucks or station wagons pictured above going down the street, you are seeing one kind of job that The Toledo Humane Society does for our city and county.

The Toledo Humane Society is more than 76 years old—that means The Society was helping our community probably even before your grandpa was born. In addition to helping animals, The Society also helps little children but it is best known for its work with animals.

The Humane Society even has its own radio station KQ954. The radio station is used to talk from the Shelter to men in the trucks or station wagons. That way help can be sent quickly if an animal is injured.

The Society always reminds people that no animal needs to suffer. Last spring many school children helped out by entering The Humane Society's first annual poster contest. The winners were announced during "Be Kind to Animals Week." There were 525 children who sent in posters.

The Humane Society works closely with the City of Toledo Health Department, the Street, Fire, Police and Forestry Divisions of the City as well as the

Lucas County Commissioners, the County Auditor, the Sheriff and Dog Wardens.

Last year 960 dogs were returned to their owners and 1,090 were adopted by new owners at The Society's Animal Shelter. There were 220 cats given to new owners.

The Society workers spend much time inspecting animals and where they live to make sure that they are healthy and are not abused.

Pet Praise Pays

Just as you like to be told you have done a job well for your teacher or your Mom and Dad, your dog likes to be praised, too, when he is learning tricks or just how to behave.

Some dogs will not learn if they are scolded or abused.

Dogs like to please their masters. When you are teaching your dog a trick, stop often and pet him. Even if he doesn't do the trick just right, pet him and speak pleasantly to him.

Then make him practice again—and he'll try even harder because he wants to be petted.

Humane Life Takes A Bow

This New Paper Is Just For You

This is the first edition of Humane Life, a new service of The Toledo Humane Society.

Third and fourth graders in Toledo's public and parochial school systems are receiving this newspaper from The Humane Society. The Toledo Board of Education and the Toledo Catholic School Office have approved it and are cooperating fully.

"We are sending out about 21,000 copies," says Otto H. Spengler, president of The Humane Society. "We hope you youngsters will enjoy reading it and will take it home to your parents so they can read it, too."

In Humane Life you will learn how to care for your pets and how you can make sure that you never do anything to make animals suffer. You and your parents also will learn what The Toledo Humane Society is and what it does.

That is why The Society is sending Humane Life to you through your school. We hope you find many interesting things in it.

HUMANE QUIZ

Q. 1. How many dogs were taken to the Animal Shelter during 1960?

Q. 2. How many dogs and puppies were adopted at The Toledo Humane Society Animal Shelter during 1960?

Q. 3. How many dog licenses were sold by The Toledo Humane Society last year?

Q. 4. Name five kinds of animals which were inspected by The Toledo Humane Society last year.

Q. 5. How many cats were adopted last year at The Toledo Humane Society Animal Shelter?

(Answers on Page 4)