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Kindness To A Motherless Baby Squirrel Brought Our Family Much Pleasure

"Snookie," our pet squirrel is gone and the sight of the empty basket gives us feelings of sorrow—part of the joy of the home has gone out. Like all wildlife, it was destined to meet a violent end. Untrained to fear it was an easy victim of a dog. "Snookie" enjoyed every member of the family and every member enjoyed "Snookie."

In our youthful life we wanted a pet squirrel but did not get one. Then, last fall four motherless baby squirrels came to us. Weak from waiting in vain for mother squirrel to return because some boys had killed her, they dropped from their nest in the big sycamore tree. They were the last of many generations back from that nest. Three of them died of pneumonia because we did not know to keep them extra warm. "Snookie" lived and was finally weaned from a medicine dropper to a diet of nuts.

No little animal ever paid better for having its life saved than did our Snookie by furnishing us entertainment and a most interesting study of squirrel life. The death of the three sent us to zoology to study about squirrels and their nature. We sought but found no information that would help us to care for a squirrel. From experience we can now write a chapter for that zoology on the habits of gray squirrels, how to treat them and how they are as pets. The book only described the looks of many varieties. We can recommend a squirrel as a satisfactory pet. Our "Snookie" received training and soon learned permissible things it might do and what was not permissible. It was permissible to go in our pockets or stand on top of our bald head, but not permissible to go up on the lace curtains. Nuts are greasy and could not be eaten on the rug but when a piece of red tissue paper was thrown to the center of the room for use as a lunch cloth, "Snookie" taught to do so, would bound to it and start eating.

Occasionally "Snookie" would like a child, disobey rules and had to be scolded by our wife. An interesting thing about how it took its scoldings was that the little creature would at once go to her and rub its face on her cheek as to say, "I am sorry."

It was brought into the living room for display of its stunts consisting of bucking, bounding and somersaulting; it expected undivided attention. It would not permit any one to read a newspaper; it would stop short such a breach of manners by running up on the reader and interrupting his holding the paper. It liked to romp; to be chased with a small broom was fun to it. When tired out it would terminate the romp by turning and bounding up on your shoulder. Its actions sometimes were as plain as words. When it wanted to go back to its cage it would stand up at the door as much as to say: "Want to go back to my basket and blankets."

As tame as it was there was one thing you could not do, and that was to stick your hand in the cage when it was eating. That food must be protected is a recognized duty of a squirrel. At other times you were permitted to open its mouth and look at its sharp teeth.

If you are wondering why we are writing so much about a dead squirrel we will tell you. It is to create in you an interest in squirrels as pets to the end you will not permit anyone to destroy one of the town's most charming citizens of the trees that are giving so many persons pleasure in watching their playful acts and graceful movements.

Their husbandry we have watched with interest. Always laying up for a rainy day. Squirrels through their habits of storing nuts in the ground for their future use at the same time become our chief foragers. To the squirrel we are indebted for much of our shade we enjoy under nut bearing trees.

Parents, won't you teach your children not to make targets of squirrels; to be good sports and shoot at marks.

Vigilance Committees Forming To Put An End To Annoying Pilfering

Lax law enforcement and heretofore easy access to pardons have emboldened those who are tempted to lay hands on other folks' property. Conditions have come to such a pass over the state that farmers are forming vigilance committees. One has been formed in this county.

The committee is composed of high-toned citizens. While in no sense will they take the law into their own hands they are going to make it hot for those who violate the law. Suspects will have a strict set of books kept on them—stricter books than any merchant ever kept. Every hour will be clocked on them. In a month from now the committees report and memorandum will be more reliable than the thieves' own memory.

It seems that the committee is making use of some of the G-men's system. It will not be safe for thieves as long as the committee is on guard. One well-known thief was shadowed all the way to a Lexington "fence" place but he was not observed to leave any loot. He was probably arranging a sale for some article that was hoped could be stolen. For some reason he has not gone down on anything yet. It may be he got wise to being shadowed. Thieves, like rats, are skittish.

One section of the county has been very aggressive in bringing thieves to court. The Perryville pike farmers and those nearby are determined to keep up their work in this line.

At one time, in one section, a local set of thieves got so bad that they actually had the people so bulldozed they feared not only to protect their property but to prosecute offenders. But one courageous man took the lead and rallied the neighborhood against the scoundrels.

We have often been told that in the period following the Civil War thieves got so bad citizens were stirred to action. Committees formed, did such effective work that thieves, wife beaters and drunkards got so impressed that it became safe to leave smokehouses unlocked without fear of something being stolen. Wife-beating and drunkenness ceased.

If law abiding and law enforcing committee can do so much good in a community it would not be out of place to organize a large group. We believe it would not be hard to secure a band of one thousand men and women in a committee to abate some of the flagrant violations of our laws every day. If every one was haled into court and fined for the numerous violations of law in Harrodsburg daily, no tax need be collected for a year so great would mount the fines.

There are violations of liquor laws daily in selling liquor to minors; selling powerful drink-making beer, in lewdness and profane swearing on our streets, in the disgraceful violation of parking laws and operating cars. Then there comes the nuisance using streets as a merchandising mart. To this list could be added many other disconcerting things at which the law abiding citizen is aggrieved.

The Woman's Club Is The "Mother of Clubs"

The Herald hangs out "our flag" and salutes the delegates to the State Federation of Women's Clubs in session here this week. You come from every section of the Commonwealth; you are the most representative women of your respective sections and you come from clubs, we dare say, that are the motivating force for the advancement of culture and the better things for your community.

The Woman's Club is a remarkable institution. It has given birth to many worthwhile organizations; has nurtured them until they could set up housekeeping for themselves and sent them forth with a mother's pride to bless the world.

You can as clubs point with pride to such children as the Garden Club, the Music Club, the Parent-Teachers Association, and others. And we might add, you are the Mother of our Men's Luncheon Clubs, though these husky boys will deny it, on their part, and you may blush, to admit it, on your part—but they had to have a Mother.

In the early years, of the clubs, they were the clearing houses for every ambitious idea for a community. The Club was called on to sponsor every good movement. You have dreamed dreams in your communities and in turn you have made your dreams come true. You have been builders and often built better than you knew.

The Harrodsburg Woman's Club has had an honorable career, as the files of the Herald will bear witness. Much of its early activity was not shared with any other force in the community. Standing alone in her early years as a pioneer much of her work was, of necessity, reform crusade. Public nuisances challenged her on all sides. Filth, unsanitary markets, files, and dirty streets were a condition to call for education of the public to a point where it would be willing to abate such nuisances. The Woman's Club gave our county its hospital and its Public Library. It has heartily backed and contributed to Pioneer Memorial Association in its work of securing Pioneer Park. Besides these things, it has much other noble work to its credit.

Your clubs are progressive in character. They have always called to their leadership, women worthy to be its statesmen. In the future as well as in the past the Women's Clubs will be leaders—pioneers. While the Woman's Club at all times has enjoyed its social and cultural side of life it has seen the practical side. Seeing the practical it has led her out in many new fields where need existed for education. That she will be active in the future you may depend, but it would be difficult to predict what may be her objectives in the years to come.

DEATHS.

HOLBROOK
Thomas J. Holbrook, the bright five-year-old son of Mr. and Mrs. E. Holbrook died at the family home in Corinth May 8, 1936, after an illness of two weeks from mastoid trouble. Mrs. Holbrook was formerly Miss Madge Norton, of Harrodsburg. The child was brought here for burial and a short service at the grave in Spring Hill cemetery was conducted by Rev. G. R. Tomlin, pastor of the Methodist church, on Sunday afternoon.

Surviving are the parents, Mr. and Mrs. Holbrook, a brother, Franklin, and grandparents, Mr. and Mrs. A. K. Norton, of Harrodsburg.

SPOONAMORE

The sudden passing of James Armstrong Spoonamore, 51, on May 11th, 1936, brought sorrow to his family, relatives and many friends. He was young in years and younger in spirit, a sunny, joyful disposition. A member of the Methodist Episcopal church, South, since early boyhood, his Bible was his favorite book. His beautiful Christian character leaves sweet memories to all. Funeral services were at the residence 701½ W. University avenue, Urbana, Ill.

Besides his wife, two daughters, one son, four grandchildren, he leaves one brother, Hollie Crow Spoonamore, Nicholasville; two sisters, Mrs. John Johnson, Norwood, Ohio, and Mrs. William Hudson Johnson, Harrodsburg and other relatives in Boyle, Lincoln, Garrard and Mercer counties.

BRUMMETT

W. R. Brummett, 81 died, Friday, May 8, 1936, at the home of a son, W. A. Brummett, 1422 E. Sixth Street, Tulsa, Oklahoma. Mr. Brummett was a native of Monticello, Ky., and for a long time a resident of Harrodsburg. He was the son of William Mike Brummett, an old settler in Wayne county. He went West from here and made his home for some years at Sapulpa, Oklahoma, prior to going to Tulsa in 1917 to make his home with his son. The funeral was from the Baptist church at Sapulpa on May 11 and burial followed in the cemetery there.

He was married to Mary Rogers, of Boyle county, who died six years ago and of this union ten boys and four girls were born. Those surviving are Mrs. Ella Reynolds, Mrs. Gustava Karpis, both of Akron, O.; R. P. Brummett, W. A. Brummett, Tulsa, Oklahoma; Joe Brummett, deputy jailer of Harrodsburg and Marshall Brummett, Stanford, and Mrs. Sallie Hurst, Harrodsburg.

KABLER

Mrs. William T. Kabler, 75 years old, died at the home of her daughter, Mrs. H. B. Anderson, on the Louisville road, May 7, 1936, the end coming after a long period of declining health. Mrs. Kabler was a native of Flemingsburg, the daughter of John and Mary Jordan James. She had lived in Mercer county for eleven years, coming here from Newport, Ky. She was a splendid type of Christian and was much loved by those who knew her in this community. She is survived by her daughter, Mrs. Anderson, and two sons, Earl Kabler, of Cincinnati, and William L. Kabler, of McAfee, and eleven grandchildren. Her husband died some years ago.

She was a member of Providence Presbyterian church, and her funeral was conducted by her pastor, Rev. George B. Thompson, last Saturday at the Anderson home. The burial

was in Providence cemetery, the bearers being members of her family. Those from a distance attending the funeral were her brother, Mr. Birk James; two nephews, Clarence James and Charles Vance, all of Flemingsburg; Miss Margaret McKinney, of Cincinnati; Mrs. Charles Kabler and Mrs. Lemuel Kabler, of Mt. Olivet.

ST. JOHN

Mr. W. E. St. John, 69, former resident of Harrodsburg, died at the home of his sister, Mrs. D. S. Ferry, in Missouri at 6 p. m. Tuesday, May 12, 1936. He was the son of Benjamin F. and Nancy St. John. He spent his early boyhood in Missouri but, several years after marrying Virginia Crews, who lived near Salvisa, he moved to Harrodsburg in 1911. He lived here about twenty-three years at 552-Cane Run avenue. His wife died in 1930.

Because of failing health, Mr. St. John returned to Missouri in 1934, where he died. He is survived by two brothers, A. O. St. John, Dallas,

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