Playful Pet or Killer? Experts Study Zoo Bear

Summer Appears to Change Nature of the Beast Into Dangerous Animal.

CHICAGO.-What is it about summertime that turns the friendly bear into a growling killer is perplexing the minds of zoo officials here, says the Herald American.

They were trying to probe into the "personality" of the beast to see whether it was fundamentally a fun-

loving pet or a dangerous animal.

A big, lumbering clown of the animal kingdom, a Tibetan bear, has proved that in the hot weather it is more treacherous than a snake, more ferocious than a tiger, and not to be trusted even by the keeper who has fed and kept it for many

In its cage at Lincoln Park zoo it went berserk, mangling and chewing the arms of a veteran attendant, Anton Rauch, 59, who had entered the cage to clean it. Rauch later died

hospital. Rauch's screams attracted Park Policeman John Lanning, who entered the barred enclosure armed with a sawed-off shotgun. The big bear dropped the limp form of Rauch and lunged for the policeman only to be felled by three shots. Both Rauch's arms had been chewed and the right one had been torn into

No Difficulty Before. In 30 years at the zoo, Rauch had never had the slightest difficulty with the animals, and had come to trust many of the inmates of the which Rauch had helped

build himself. Rauch's experience emphasizes that the bear is even more of a potential killer than the tiger or lion.
It also serves as a warning that the summer season, which means increased attendance at zoos and circuses, is always a bad time to let down the bars of safety when it comes to dealing with them.

In a search through newspaper files of several years, it was found that the increased excitement of crowds seems to irritate the big animals and change their normal de-sire for fun into a mad fury of

It was on July 17, 1944, when Catherine Searles, 25, a New York socialite and daughter of a wealthy zinc manufacturer, went to see the bears at Central Park zoo following

a night club party.

According to the police, Miss
Searles climbed over a three-foot
guard rail and waved a handkerchief through the steel bars of a
cage. The beast grabbed her arm and gnawed it from finger tips to

Bear Breaks Loose.

It was on August 5, some years ago, when a ferocious grizzly broke from a steel-barred cage in Highland Park zoo in Pittsburgh and spread terror through the adjoining residential district, before being shot and killed.

She attacked Zoo Superintendent Arnold Schaummann on sight. Schaummann, armed with a shotgun, shot the beast as it roared at him, dropping the animal eight feet away.

In almost exactly similar circum-

stances as the Lincoln Park mauling, Thomas Earl, 56, keeper at Cleveland's Brookside zoo, was ripped to death on July 8, 1932.

Earl, unarmed, went into the bearpen with a breakfast of raw meat, bread and carrots for "Sun-shine," a 900-pound beast named for

his usually even temper.

The animal rose up suddenly, encircled Earl's shoulders with one paw and began clawing at him with

beast off by poking at him with rakes, and it finally took 10 rifle shots to kill him. Earl was dead.

Turtle Has Neck Trouble: Operation Yields Cyst

SAN FRANCISCO. - Napoleon, the turtle, stuck his neck out here for a tonsillectomy.

There was danger that the big green reptile at San Francisco's Steinhart aquarium would become but a hollow shell, for every time he stuck his neck out he got a lump in it and couldn't eat.

He shriveled up between decks to a scant 58 pounds, so Dr. Wilbert Chapman, curator of fishes for the California Academy of Sciences, or-

California Academy of Sciences, or-dered an operation.

A few swift incisions, a tied ar-tery and the whole thing was over in 15 minutes. Napoleon showed signs of immediate recovery.

The tonsillectomy, not the turtle, was mock. The "surgeons" got cred-

it for a cyst.

Private Soldier Wins

Pass and a Promotion SHEPPARD FIELD, TEXAS. -

SHEPPARD FIELD, TEXAS.—
Pfc. Robert L. Hall, Memphis, Tenn.,
was booked for a three-day pass
—and wound up with a promotion.
It all happened because the private was tempted by the suggestion
of a three-day pass for ideas in a
conservation program while stationed at Craig field, Selma, Ala.
Hall submitted a device for prevention of battery acid overflow.

Now a letter has arrived from
Washington headquarters granting
authority to promote the aviation
student to corporal.

\$1,920 Is Found in

Home Laundry Chute KANSAS CITY. — A laundry chute loosed a shower of \$20, \$50 and \$100 bills along with the soiled clothes when Mrs. Cleota Atwood pulled open the chute outlet in her basement. The money

\$_\$1,920\$ of it—had disappeared from a strongbox belonging to a guest of the Atwoods. Now everyone is a lot happier.

Society Wakes Up; Wrong Is Righted

Debt to Cripple to Be Paid; Builds Him Home.

ST. LOUIS .- Theodore Harris, 43year-old cripple who has been living in an abandoned double-decker bus, soon will move into a dream house of his own—complete with shrub-bery and a vine-covered fence.

Harris' plight came to the public attention recently when he was charged with violating the zoning ordinance. Alderman Vernon G. Riehl, who served as provisional city judge in the cripple's case, dis-missed the charge and said:

"Society owes you an apology for singling you out and bringing you into court on a charge when there is so much wrong in the world." Society is going to add action to

kind words. Twenty sympathetic St. Louisans are banding together to help in the house-raising. They have bought a lot on which the home is to be built. It will be held in trust for Harris, and later it will be turned over to

a charitable institution.

Doors, windows, roofing material and paint will be donated by firms dealing in such commodities.

The cripple, who makes a meager living repairing clocks and old-fashioned music boxes, said he had acquired a gift of 240 feet of wooden handrails from the old excursion steamer Capital, now being scrapped. "I'm going to make a fence out of that," he said, "with vines."

There will be a special ramp into the house to facilitate Harris' entrance on his motor-propelled threewheeled car.

The move in his behalf, he said, was started by three persons who appeared as character witnesses in

his case.
"I've already got a name for my home," Harris said. "I'm going to call it "The Little Ranch House on the Hill."

Physician's Trust Fund

Helps 12,519 Students MARSHALL, MO. — The quinine pills of Dr. John Sappington, pioneer Missouri physician, have helped 12,519 Saline county boys and girls get an education at a total cost of \$211,803, the annual report of the Sappington school fund discloses.

The fund dates back to 1857 when Dr. Sappington, one of the state's first physicians, set up a \$20,000 trust, the income from which was to be used in giving common school education to deserving, needy children. This was before public schools had been established.

The proud and whimsical "Old Doc" was the first to use quinine extensively for malaria and made a fortune selling the drug to malaria sufferers of the Missouri and Mississippi valleys.

With the advent of public school systems, proceeds of the fund were directed toward aiding boys and girls of high school and college ages, with a big share of the money going to the latter group. Beneficiaries of the fund are required to maintain good scholastic standing.

The original \$20,000 has carred

The original \$20,000 has earned nearly \$300,000. The fund has a current balance of \$82,500.

The colorful Sappington family

figured prominently in early Missouri history.

Selling Restrictions

On Domestic Wool Relax WASHINGTON, D. C. — The government recently lifted restrictions on the sale of domestic wool which made the Commodity Credit corporation the sole legal buyer.

Growers may sell to any one, but Growers may sell to any one, but under present market conditions little wool is expected to go to any one except the CCC. The agency is committed to buy all wool offered it at ceiling prices until June 30, 1946. The ceiling is about 2 per cent above the price of foreign wools readily available to manufacturers.

The department of agriculture is considering a proposal to cut the price of government-owned domestic wool to levels competitive with for-

Hear Better in Noisy

Spot With Plugged Ears SCHENECTADY, N. Y. — If you have difficulty hearing an ordinary conversation above the din of a machine shop or a busy street corner, try putting your fingers in your

ears.

Dr. Edwin G. Boring, Harvard university psychologist, said that when noise is extremely loud, the ear loses its ability to discriminate differences in sound such as

when the mass of the sound is blocked out, the ear can distinguish voice tones and other sounds above the loud poise, he said.

Softly Draped Handbags Tuned to Stunning Fall and Winter Costumes



DESIGNERS are on the qui vive this season to create handsome handbags that will measure up to the fashion glory and the new ele-gance of the stunning costumes which go to make up the fall and winter style picture.

winter style picture.

In assembling your fall-winter wardrobe, keep in mind that this year your costume will be only as smart as the handbag you carry with it. That's how important handbags really are. You will have no trouble in fading to the contraction of the second of the seco trouble in finding as handsome hand-bags and as versatile as ever fancy

bags and as versatile as ever fancy might picture. Be sure to make your selection with meticulous care, for this year's handbags make a decided departure from the stereotyped styles of yore.

The three voguish Jenny handbags shown in the illustration are typical of the new movement toward the feminine look, achieved through soft draping. These bags are styled as American women prefer them, with elegance and stark clean lines, and in fabrics that mean fashion and in fabrics that mean fashion and

wearability.

With your perfect dawn-to-dusk trotteur, the bag to the left will be ideal. It is spiced with the new soft look via uniquely quilted and gathered supple goatskin. You'll take real pleasure in this bag because it is so roomly built to take care of your feminine possessions, and it sure is a winner in "looks."

Simple enough for tailored casuals, feminine enough for all your trills is the handbag centered above. It tells you that the under-arm bag has lost its strictly tailored look, has been lifted out of it this season with soft pleats and deft

draping, as you see. The supple goatskin that fashions this bag is most attractive not only to the eye but to the touch. The mock torbut to the touch. The mock tor-toise that makes such a good-look-ing trim is outstanding in the news when it comes to adding the touch that tells to this season's smartest handbags.

Sleek, smooth, quality-kind broad cloth, the fabric that fraternizes with most every costume, makes the good-looking bag to the right. In this instance, the designer takes the ever-popular underarm handle hag and artfully drapes a pleated flange through a graceful span of mock tor-

Speaking in general of what's what in new handbag fashions, the most exciting innovation in many a season is the advent of little bulbous pouch bags done in eye-catching silhouettes. These pouch bags certainly have cunning ways and they are staging a display of breathtaking novelty. Made of practical broadcloth, faille and various wearshle media they carry on in able media, they carry on in a modest way by day. When it comes to the dressy cocktail party and gala after-five occasion, however, the little pouch bag puts on a spectacu-lar display that fairly bubbles over with all the glitter and intriguing fussiness imagination can devise.

Just now it's the whimsical pouch bag of black satin that holds forth in the fashion spotlight. Women are buying these bags to go with the satin hat and with the all-satin gown that is so style-important this fall.
These black satin bags are perfect
with afternoon and evening clothes.
The party bags fairly scintillate
with the glitter of sequins or tiny
steel or jet beads. Most of the box
have strang to allow over the bags have straps to sling over the arm. The newsiest news of all is the little shoulder strap bags that become a decorative part of the frock when dancing.

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Blouse Favorites



Sheer lingerie blouses of loveliest texture, and exquisitely detailed with lace register as topflight fashion with the young set this fall to wear with the dress-up suit. Shown at the top is a charming "come hither" blouse in batiste by Judy Bond, a young college girl and stylist who is combining a career and schooling with high success. The other blouse in judiana rayon crepe is the wanted kind for college wear. Its highspot style details are the triple-stitched convertible V-neck, closely set pearl buttons and french cuffs. Comes in white and voguish colors. Sheer lingerie blouses of lovelies

Furred Cloth Coats Make Fashion News

The short cloth coat with intriguing fur trim is taking over in a tremendous way for fall. The top news is luxurious gorgeous borders that either trim the flare hemline or are applied in a tuxedo manner down the front. Important is the style message of fur-sleeves in cloth coats, such as the belted wool shortles in neutral shades that are fashioned with waist deep sleeves of black Persian. Interesting also is the cloth coat with a fur yoke. Contrasting the voluptu-ous fur trims is the use of fur in discreet ways, as for instance, the cloth coat that is bound all around the edges with Persian or beaver or other smooth peltry. There is also indication that one type fur will trim another. Designers are doing wonderful things with fur, not only in trimming but in accessories, and fur hats are being turned out in end-

Color Contrast Extended To New Evening Dresses

The idea of color contrast is associated in our minds for the most part in connection with sports clothes and daytime dresses. It's interesting to note that this color technique is carrying on in the realm of formal evening gowns. In one instance a noted designer intro-duces a panel that extends from the right shoulder to the floor hemline of the dress. The panel is made up of lime and red, flashed against a

Sequin Ornaments on Combs Sequin flower motifs on comb are among the hair ornaments that are best sellers. Some are designed especially for top hairdress and oth-ers for top-knot hair-do.

Evening Sweater Has New Style Features

Shorter Lengths and Molded Lines Are Bewitching.

By CHERIE NICHOLAS

Cheerio! Evening sweaters have returned to the fashion picture in all their glory and then some. And you will yield to temptation and buy one at first sight. Just can't resist their charm and their fashion ap-

When you buy one of these bewitch ing knitted fantasies, the style de-tails to keep in mind are shorter lengths (that is if you are looking for "last minute" chic), molded lines, mandarin or off - shoulder necklines and ladylike glitter rather than a flamboyant display of dazzle-dazzle. Remember too the style-importance of black. However, later on the supremacy of black will be challenged by many a beguiling sweater in white or a delec-table color.

The new arrivals in black are very exciting, some of them looking more like dressmaker bodice tops, they fit so snugly, and those that stop at the waist are ever so smart. One perky little black chenille-knit model with glitter accent is a slen-der fitted type that has a portrait look with its voguish boat neckline that is so low cut it looks like a picturesque drop-shoulder decolletage. The drooping shoulders achieve a cap sleeve effect. Glitter is seen in the tiny jeweled-button fastening, together with delicate sprays embroidered from shoulder across the front neckline, the design punctuat-

ed with dainty sequin accents.

Close-fitting necklines of Chinese inspiration are also high style. The front of this type evening sweater is emblazoned with a gorgeous emblem or a heraldic design that looks very distinguished.

Decidedly new and good looking is

the black cocktail sweater with a glittering necklace treatment. This charming sweater which already has become a success fashion has a peplum flare and is dressy enough for evening wear as well as after-noon. It is available in dark and light colors as well as white. Gilt or jet sequins and beads form the em-broidered necklace. College girls who are growing

more and more fashion-conscious regarding clothes for date wear have discovered that a modish black sweater can be accessorized with sequin-type necklaces, glitter pins, jeweled clips, up to any degree of formality wanted. In this way they can have all the glamour of the evening sweater which is back again in a big way. Then too, the girl who can sew is doing a lot of glitter embroidering of her own to give the

High-Style Slacks



This distinctive-looking slack suit measures up a thoroughbred on ev-ery count. The materials are suery count. The materials are su-perfine wool, there is an air of aris-tocracy in its impeccable tailoring, the use of check with plain tunes definitely to last-minute styling and its color theme, chocolate brown with brown and white check, gives it ultra-modish accent. It's smart in black with black and white check. too. It is one of those goodlooking wearable types that can go places with perfect propriety because of its conservative styling.

Style Notes

American claret is a smart new ccessory color.

Jacket tops of rich brocade are on the dress-up list.

Evening sweaters have returned in all their glory.

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Heating Safety One of the most notable

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Lucky Stones

Emeralds were once believed to be beneficial to the eyes and amo-thysts were thought to prevent drunkenness, according to Encyclepsedia Britannica. The belief in lucky stones still exists,

According to etymologists, the English word "bath" comes indirectly from a Greek word meaning 'to drive sadness from the mi which goes to prove again that the classic Greeks were a modern people and that they knew the full value of bodily cleansing. Bathe frequently and thoroughly, and thus "drive sadness from the mind."

If the man of the house has been accustomed to taking his daily shower in the morning, reserve this time for him. The children might bathe in the evening, alloting the time se-cording to their ages and when they go to bed, The younger children might be bathed before dinner, older children later, Plan your own bath for whichever hour will give you the most relaxation.

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