



Bob Ballard, who hails from Bridgeton and graduated from New Bern High, is getting quite a reputation on Washington's WITN as Cowboy Bob.

Billed as a sure enough son of the golden West, Ballard looks the part, talks like a real cowpuncher, and has a way with the small fry who visit him on his television program that makes for good juvenile entertainment.

We hate to think what would happen to Bob if somebody threw him into a trance, put him on a horse, and then woke him up. Be that as it may, he happens to be just as authentic as a lot of other television cowboys, and we're in his rooting section.

Interviewing kids has its problems, however. For instance, Bob

was talking to several small, gum-chewing boys on his program the other day, and one of them was wearing a baseball cap.

"I see you've got a baseball cap on," Bob drawled in true Texas fashion. "Are you wearing it because the World Series is going on now?"

"Naw," the kid replied, "I'm wearing it 'cause it's raining."

That was a good reason, of course, but Bob wasn't expecting it, and it made him lose his trend of thought momentarily. He did manage to get back to the subject of the World Series after awhile, and the little boy proved to be a Milwaukee fan.

In fact, he launched into a flowing condemnation of the Yankees that threatened to become a bit too vivid for the propriety of television, so Bob switched the conversation to something else and picked out another little boy to talk to.

So you see, being a cowboy has its hazards, even on television. Indians and rustlers don't have a thing on kids. They all bear watching.



KEEPS 'EM CLEAN—It gives us pleasure to introduce you to Puffy, the stray cat that took up at the Billy Benners home, and set a new standard of sanitation for the entire neighborhood.

Not content with washing herself constantly—stopping only to eat and sleep, the fastidious feline surveyed the situation and decided to clean up every kid in sight.

Children love her, and get a large charge out of her persistent scrubbings. If you see it in *The Mirror*, it's bound to be so. Here before your eyes is Puffy in action, giving Billy Benners, Jr. the once-over while he gets the latest low-down from his favorite funny-book.

answer to our child-like faith in the Lord Jesus. Show us increasingly what sonship and daughterhood in Thy Family means, and lead us in this Way everlasting. Through Jesus Christ, our Lord. Amen.

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CLEANING OUTDOOR FURNITURE—Wood, canvas, plastic and cord webbing can be kept clean with warm soapsuds and brisk scrubbing. Always rinse well and wipe off excess water. Glass and tile table tops need frequent wash-

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Copper: Wash in warm soapy water; add a little household ammonia to remove spots caused by corrosion. Rinse, dry, and apply a good metal polish.
Pewter: Use warm soapsuds. Rinse and polish with a soft cloth. For heavily tarnished pewter, first cover with silver polish; then, while still wet, apply soap lather. Rinse in hot water and dry thoroughly.
Stainless Steel: Deposits of all kinds come off easily, while fresh and soft, so wash promptly with hot soapsuds; use a sponge, fiber brush, or cloth.

A Weekend Prayer

Our Father which art in heaven, Thou hast bidden us to "come boldly unto the throne of grace, that we may obtain mercy, and may find grace to help in time of need." We thank Thee, Lord, for that amazing invitation, and we take Thee at Thy word by coming in full assurance that even now our needs are being met.

At this rendezvous of prayer we behold the matchless life of Jesus Christ, Who came "in the fullness of time" for our salvation. As we look upon His purity in life, His compassion in death, and His victory in resurrection, our hearts are overwhelmed within us. It is plain to us, Father, that in the Lord Jesus Thou hast loveliness and joy unspeakable to give us. Why are we so slow to receive all that Thou hast to offer? Why do we postpone, from day to day, enjoyment of the heavenly riches? Create within us a receptive heart, at this very moment, and keep us aware that as many as receive the Lord Jesus, to them He gives "the power to become sons of God."

Thank you, Lord, for sonship and daughterhood within Thy Family. What an inestimable privilege this is! We never could have attained

it in a million years; it has come from Thee as an infinite gift, in

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