BIRD-RAISING PROVES FASCINATING PASTIME

By GEORGE BUTLER One hundred pets is nothing un. profit. usual for a Fayetteville couple.

talk, sing and do acrobats : . a fascinating hobby for Mr. and Mrs. L. D. Hockaday of 606 Mc-Pherson Ave.

canaries and cockatiels-a small well screened to keep out cats and demand for the birds and Hocka- matic feeders and waterers.

| raises them as a hobby, not for

He points out, however, that it Pets in assorted colors, pets that can be turned into a lucrative business. A bird-raiser in Texas That is what makes bird-raising makes a tidy \$50,000 each year on his birds, after starting out with a "nest egg" of \$20.

Hockaday has constructed modern, sanitary pens in the backyard A clerk in the postoffice here, of his home and raises the feath-Hockaday spends a good part of ered creatures in scientific fashion. his sparetime raising lovebirds, The pens have concrete floors, are Australian parrot. There is a keen other intruders, and have auto-

day occasionally sells one, but he Hockaday has been interested



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in birds most of his life. As a youth in Angier, he worked in his father's combination postoffice and

floor. During the past 30 years he

has raised nearly every kind of pet bird, but right now is con-

centrating on lovebirds, cockateils

depends upon the color. These

bright colored birds came from mating a wild siskin with a canary.

The ones Hockaday possesses are mixed in color and not too

valuable. But he is hoping to ac-

quire birds of an all-over red or deep orange. Then he will mate

the red and orange and see what happens. Colors of the red factor canaries never fade, he explains, which makes them valuable.

The parakeets or love birds also

offer an interesting study in color. Hockaday's original pair of love

birds were green and their off-

Some of the red canaries fetch from \$100 to \$250 each, he said, and Hockkaday hopes to breed some of this quality. The price, it seems,

and red factor canaries.

true for the cockateil.

The female lovebird lays an egg

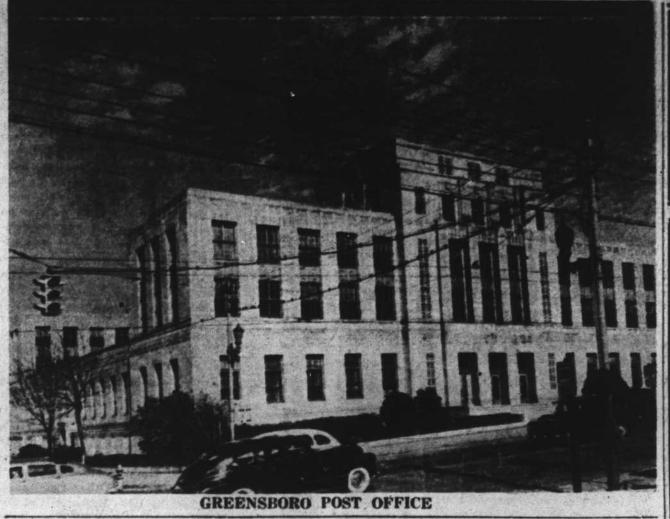
each day and will spend most of

her lifetime nesting, if nests are

available. The male is a dutiful

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spring have been white, green, blue, the young ones. and yellow. "There's no telling The baby love

and yellow. "There's no telling what color you'll get in a lovebird."

The first bluel ovebirds were raised in China, he said, and brought \$4,000 a pair. They have become quite common now, but are still in high demand as pets.

In addition to their color, lovebirds make interesting pets because of the young. These stripes disbirds make interesting pets because of the young. These stripes disof their loving natiure, their talent appear as the bird gets older.

in whistling and talking, and their Sex of the lovebird can be deacrobatics. "Just like little mon-termined by a small spot above more new air-conditioned Silver keys," Hockaday declares. "They the bill. If the spot is blue, it's a Liner busses to leave Fayetteville climb and suspend themselves by male; if brown, a female.

trinkets, and have a lot of fun. just another song for the Hocka- throughout the state and as soon If raised by hand, the male days. There is a lot of truth in as all replies are in, a route will lovebird can be taught to talk. For some reason, the female never acquires this ability. The same holds an educational and interesting points. The busses will run straight pastime-this job of raising birds. through to Cleveland with rest -Fayetteville Observer.

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