

'Wherefore Art Thou, Romeo'

By MARY TINLEY DALY

Our house has been home — or zoo if you will — in its time to animals that bark, swim, much, sither, fly, but never to one that purrs or growls.

In other words, we have had dogs, fish, rabbits, lizards of all sorts, birds — but no cats.

One reason for the absence of felines is that, no matter what others of the animal kingdom inhabit the premises, we've always had dogs.

"Dogs and cats" we may have in the stock market, but not literally dogs and cats. They have had Eileen — had her up until the time she married, that is.

And Eileen has always been to a cat what the devil is to holy water.

Unfortunately, however, we've felt feelings seem completely oblivious toward this antagonism, for if there is a cat anywhere in the vicinity, it makes for Eileen as though she were wearing a corset of catnip.

THE CAT'S neck hair bristles, Eileen sprouts goose-pimples. They are like the Democrat donkey vs. the Republican elephant.

"Wasn't over that when Eileen was little, she would burst into tears, flap her skirt at an oncoming cat and say desperately, 'Shoo, kitty, shoo, kitty!' Then, going along with the theory of getting more felines with sugar than with vinegar, she would give a flip, 'Shoo, nice kitty!' and run as fast as her legs could carry her in the opposite direction.

During growing-up days needless to say, grade school boys had a penchant for putting

a cat on Eileen's shoulders, just to get an even greater reaction than they got from other girls when they uncloaked a mouse in the schoolroom.

"This is a silly thing," Eileen told us when she was a teen-ager. "Goodness knows, I don't want to develop a phobia about cats. But I love dogs and just don't like cats." (That's an understatement.)

For many years thence, cats were out of the realm of Eileen's consciousness. None lived here at our house, nor were there any around the dorm where she stayed while in college.

She and "nice kitty" had no further truck, one with the other.

Several years passed.

AFTER MARRIAGE, Eileen and Tony, her husband, lived down south where their four children were born. Recently, they moved back to our vicinity.

A few nights ago, all of us were sitting in their back yard, enjoying a pleasant after-dinner talk as darkness descended, the children playing around.

"C'me here, kitty," whispereed Eileen's eldest, six-year-old Mary. She rubbed her cheek against the furry gray kitten and brought it over to her mother.

"Isn't she sweet, Mommy?" Mary asked. "Her name is Romeo. C'me we keep her?"

With that, she gently laid the little kitten in Eileen's lap, perching herself on the arm of Eileen's chair.

Cat's bristles arose slightly, also Eileen's goose-pimples.

"Oh, we gasped. 'Don't give that cat to your mother, Mary!'"

"Why not, Grammy?" from a somewhat irate granddaughter.

Mary had one arm round her mother, the other hand petting the kitten. "Romeo is nice, we all love her, the boys and me and even Baby."

"Nice kitty," Eileen murmured, with just an involuntary shudder. "You're Mary's kitten, aren't you, Romeo? Mary will give you some milk."

Looks as though, until Romeo finds greater pastures elsewhere, he/she — will, according to the popular song.

"Consider yourself at home," "Consider yourself part of the family."

New Hospital Pace Lags

Washington — (RNS) — The value of hospital construction started during the first six months of 1964 was 39 per cent ahead of the comparable period in 1963, but the value of construction begun by church-related hospitals was 5 per cent below the figure for the previous year.

According to the U.S. Bureau of the Census, the total value of all construction started on hospitals this year, through June, reached \$242 million, compared with \$260 million in 1963, a gain of \$282 million.

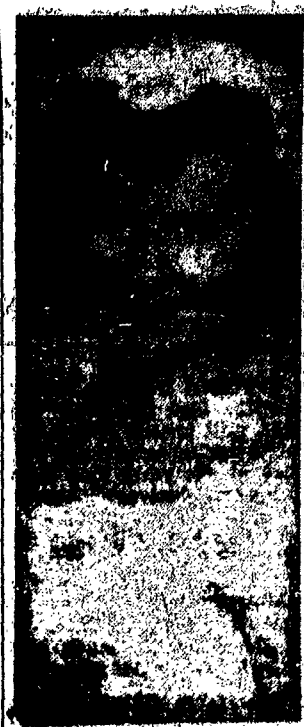
For religious-oriented hospital facilities, the half-year figure stood at \$450 million, a drop of \$23 million.

Officials at the Department of Commerce could not readily give an explanation of the boom in the overall construction picture, nor of the apparent lag in church-related institutions.

Expected to brighten the picture, however, is the bill passed by the House which would provide funds for training facilities for more nurses. Nearly \$300 million was earmarked for this purpose.

TV 'Clean Up' London — (NC) — Lord Normanbrook, chairman of the governors of the British Broadcasting Corporation, refused a request to meet leaders of the interdenominational "Clean Up TV" campaign here.

Vows Join Area Couples



MRS. CHARLES ZICARI

Miss Kathleen J. Boyle, daughter of Mrs. Joseph B. Boyle of Netherlon Rd. and the late Mr. Boyle, and Charles M. Zicari, son of Mr. and Mrs. Charles S. Zicari of Laurelton Rd., were joined in marriage at St. Ambrose Church June 27. The Rev. Thomas G. Lenhard officiated. The bride was assisted by Mrs. Eileen and Rev. Raymond Wood. The bride was given in marriage by a family friend, Harold J. Roszter.

The bride's sister, Mrs. James Owens was matron of honor and bridesmaids were Mrs. Bernadette Zicari, Miss Jane Zicari and Miss Rita Roszter.

Best man was Ernest Curran and ushers were Daniel O'Leary, Michael Fitzpatrick and Glenn Weaver.



MRS. DAVID DUNHAM

Auburn — Miss Joyce Ann Schott, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. George W. Schott of Town Hall Rd., was married July 25, to David W. Dunham, son of Mr. and Mrs. Harold P. Dunham of Norwood Dr., at Sacred Heart Church. The Rev. Albert Cason officiated.

Maid of honor was Miss Margaret A. Dunham and bridesmaids were Miss Betty Lou Zentner and Mrs. Mary Sollars. Jerry P. Dunham was best man and ushers were Robert Dunham and Bruce E. Richards. Edward Hawkins.

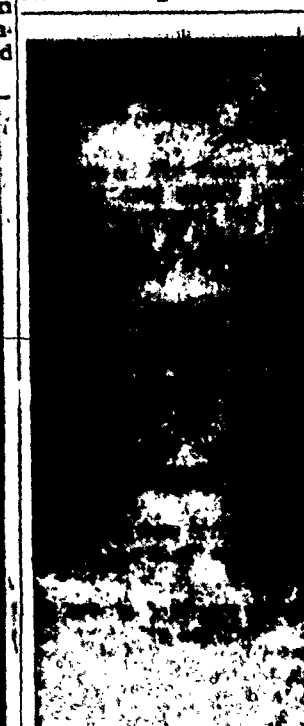


MRS. WILLIAM REEVES JR.

Miss Kathleen Ann Murphy, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. John E. Murphy of Ridgeman Rd., and William D. Reeves Jr., son of Mr. and Mrs. William D. Reeves of Blacyn Dr., were married July 25, at St. John the Evangelist Church, Greece. The Rev. William Shannon officiated.

Mrs. Beverly Wilkins was her sister's matron of honor and bridesmaids were Mrs. Eileen Wilkin and Jane Reeves.

Richard Reeves was best man and ushers were Gary Clark, John Murphy and Ray Zollo. The bride is a graduate of Nazareth College and the groom of Hobart College.



MRS. LEWIS BIANCHI

Miss Lydia Ann Schaffard, daughter of Mrs. Henrietta Schaffard of Colonial Rd., became the bride of Lewis N. Bianchi, son of Mr. and Mrs. Andrew Bianchi of Canton St., July 25 at St. James Church. The Rev. Francis M. Feeney officiated.

Miss Dianne Hampson was maid of honor and bridesmaids were Miss Mary Jane Hampson and Miss Sandra Cernak.

Joseph Proia was best man and ushers were Ronald Bianchi, Donald Young, James Birt and Edward Hawkins.

Old-Fashioned

By ANNE CULVIN

Dear Miss Calkin: Are all mothers of old-fashioned? I am sure that you are, for you are the mother of a girl who is old-fashioned. I am sure that you are, for you are the mother of a girl who is old-fashioned.

My mother has always taught me that if a teacher goes to a blackboard, you should offer to do it for her. Every time I do, some of the kids look at me as if I were doing something wrong or trying to apply pollen to the teacher. What should I say to them, because I think I'm right?

Dear Eleanor: And you are right so, therefore, nothing need be said to your friends in words as long as you continue to give these little instructions by example. One upward expression of respect to teachers can be manifested in many tangible ways. The blackboard erasing is certainly one of them, as is holding of doors for them or carrying of their books. Mothers need not be old-fashioned. Mothers need to teach their children what is as old as time and more modern than tomorrow morning's newspaper.—COURTESY.

Dear Miss Calkin: Will you please tell girls who invite boys to school dances and buy the tickets that they are supposed to give the tickets to the boy before leaving for the dance. Maybe it will save some poor guy the embarrassment and anger I had a few weeks ago. We arrived at the home and checked our coats, started to go through the door into the dance when my little friend suddenly remembered that she had left the tickets home.

Do you know how many miles we had to ride to get them? Not at all! All she did was give the tickets to me. Some joke, huh?

Dear Morris: No joke at all! And probably no one realized this more than you. "Little friend" remember, Morris, while it is true that girls "give" when they are amused, it is also true that they often have the silly habit of doing the same when they are embarrassed or nervous. But I am indeed pleased to repeat your advice. Girls, please give the tickets to the boy before leaving your home. Don't wait until your arrival at the dance. To present them to him in public will call for a gesture that is most awkward.

Dear Miss Calkin: At the time of President Kennedy's death, I read where Mrs. Kennedy was going to wear mourning clothes for a year. Now I read where she wore white. Do you know if this is true?

Dear B. F.: I don't know, but I do know that the wearing of white is in keeping with a period of mourning as is black.

Dear Miss Calkin: Please wait to the proper way for a girl of sixteen to be in all right so cross the knees if you are wearing shorts? Trying to be Right Dear Evelyn:

There is a proper way of sitting, and it is simply this: women wait to the chair, feet the back of it with the calf of one leg, then bend and use her knees to lower her into the chair. She does not fall into the chair, she comes herself into it. If her knees are doing the work, she has perfect balance at all times.

If someone were to try half the could stop in mid-air without falling to the chair. Once in the chair, the lady-like posture is to arrange the legs in a modest and attractive position. This will be accomplished if the legs are placed side by side and slightly to the right or to the left. The feet are on the ground; that is, the feet and toe. Conscious of good posture, her head is held erect.

The shorter woman might well find that it is difficult for her feet to reach the floor. It is, therefore, suggested that she sit close to the edge of the chair. This will better enable her feet to touch the floor. As for an engaging the knees when wearing shorts, the position looks nothing to enhance the appearance.

Dear Miss Calkin: When a boy comes to a girl's home without telling her, should she tell him something to ease it so, what do you do if you don't have anything good in the house to eat? Also, when a boy comes to visit, it is polite to have a radio playing while talking? This makes me feel more at ease.

Dear Bea: It makes no difference whether the boy comes to your home invited or uninvited, the serving of food is not a must. Therefore, if at that time there is

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New Churches

Washington — (RNS) — Church construction in the U.S. for the first half of 1964 is only slightly behind the volume for the first half of 1963. Figures obtained from the Bureau of the Census indicate.

If the present trend is maintained, the total for all church construction exclusive of hospitals, colleges and other facilities — should come close to or exceed the billion dollar mark for the year. In 1963, the total was approximately \$10 billion over a billion.

Approximately \$488 million in church construction was started during the January-June period, compared to \$478 million last year.

The Census Bureau does not break down the statistics according to faith represented or denomination. The figures are for all religious groups in the country, including those outside the Judeo-Christian tradition.

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