

RUSSIAN LION TAMER.

Russian animal-tamer Irina Bugromiva visits school children in the Latvian capital of Riga - and they introduce her to some of their pets. Everything from monkeys to man-eaters - Irina takes them all in her stride; but it's her own big cats - of various ages - who steal the show. She invites her young friends to a circus performance, where she demonstrates that lions are the friendliest creatures on earth, if you only take the trouble to get to know them.

Even the sound engineer is enthralled - and he decides its about time he get a personal interview with one of Irina's charges.

Well, on second thoughts....

So Irina takes the mike to ask the lion his views on the present international situation.

But thank you very much he's staying inside, it's much safer. It may look risky, but he's well fed and no one can say the cage isn't big enough. You can see for yourself - there's plenty of room to swing a cat".