

MOBILE PETS' CLINIC.

It's the finest mobile animal clinic in the world - and it's just starting work in London. In fact, the Blue Cross organisation that runs it claims it's the only one of its kind in the world. In the next five years, the Blue Cross plans to put a whole fleet of them in operation, gradually replacing static clinics. Air-conditioned throughout, the handsomely-designed trailer includes a surgery, portable anaesthetic equipment, and a waiting room for the pet-owners.

Each of these mobile clinics will carry a veterinary surgeon and a crew of three - two nurses and a driver. This first unit will tour the Blackheath, Elephant and Castle, Plaistow, and Camden Town areas. Later, as the London Fleet gets into its stride, the Blue Cross hopes there will be enough money to provide mobile clinics for the new towns. Voluntary contributions are making the whole scheme possible. We can tell you now that one of the pet-owners you saw in the queue donated twenty thousand pounds - but we would not name her because, like many such bene factors, she prefers to remain anonymous. Mobile surgeries (the Blue Cross believes) are more useful than static ones - whose sites, in any case, are urgently needed for housing. So there's a double advantage in this great new scheme to bring vet to his patients.