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PETS STEAL THE PICTURE

Belle Vue, Manchester, had its happiest gathering for a long time. 250 animals in the limelight, taking part in the National Pets Club Show, organised by the Daily Mirror. Pets were divided into ten classes, each with a first prize of £3., and what a variety the 3,000 spectators saw for their money. The People's Dispensary for Sick Animals provided the judges. Up and down the country there are 70,000 members of the National Pets Club. For a shilling they're made life members and can get advice about their pets at any time. One little girl had a pet rat and got 3rd prize for it. An alligator won for its young owner the prize for the most unusual pet. The judge didn't ask if he could keep the nice little thing.