## He's an old pussy cat

Cleveland Amory, an expert on en-ingered species, was introduced to

dangered species, was introduced to yet another endangered species last week when he was the guest speaker at the Troy Town Hall. According to Anna Mae Burdi, of the Troy School District, the series, which is facing financial difficulties, will not see another season if the sale of season tickets for this year's series does not price up.

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Amory, a master of tongue-in-cheek delivery, treated his listeners at the San Marino Club to an autobiographical sketch, some humorous observations on our times, and a thought-pro-voking look at the mistreatment of ani-

"Usually, the shows you liked were replaced with something that not only wasn't any better, it wasn't as good. Each one is just one step worse than the one hefore"

Each one is just one step worse than the one before. His all-time least favorite television show, Amory confided, was "Queen For A Day." He described the show as one where women contestants were encouraged to concoct the smat "miserable story" they could think of.

The sagas, he said, usually included a runaway hasband, incorrigible children, financial ruin, and terminal illnesses. Nonetheless, he said, contestants were urged "to keep it light" while they recited their list of woes for prizes.

WITH THESE REMARKS Amory was off and running with his own list of things and persons worthy of verbal badinage.

things and persons wormy or versions abdainage. Harold Robbins, whose novels have been dramatized on television, "is a writer in the sense that Woody Woodpecker is a carpenter," Amory declared. Concerning television soap operas, Amory said, "Men have come a long way. We get equal pay, get to make minor decisions around the house, but we

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He told his amused listeners what to do should husbands start watching one of these shows. "It's your duty to sit besideh him. He will have questions and you can give him the answers."
However, he deems public television worthy of praise. "Masterpiece These ater" and "Upstairs Downstairs" prowed what could be done with TV drama." The virtue of the later series was that it did not try to stay on the air as long as possible.
"The characterization was so facaring, CBS tried to do the same thing with Beacon Hill. They simply couldn't be the same thing with Beacon Hill. They simply couldn't be the same thing the

with Beacon Hill. They simply couldn't do it."

Amory couldn't resist mischievously tweaking the noses of his predominately female audience. His opinion of women in sports, particularly boxing led him to "Let me ask you simply. Do you want your brother to marry one?" Children, Amory said, "should be seen and not heard. We may have to have them on TV, but there's no place for them on radio."

IN A MORE serious vein, he answered a mother concerned with what television offers her children. "You can be there and at a certain point you have to turn it off," he said firmly.

Author of "The Proper Bostonians," "The Last Resorts," and "Who Killed Society," his latest book is titled "The Trouble With Nowadays." He describes it as "the most satirical I have ever written."

As his lecture drew to a close, one listener asked "What do you have to say on the slaughter of the seals?" All last Amory had an opportunity to speak on a subject he feels most strongly about.

The president of the Fund For Animals said he is very concerned about law suits which are pending due to the

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Members of the Fund For Animals, who painted more than 1,000 baby seals with organic dye last year, will stand trial in Canada in November. They painted the seals, he explained, to protect them from being slaughtered by hunters seeking their skins.

"These kids face a \$5,000 fine for being within a nautical mile of a seal and not killing it, and a \$200 fine for resisting arrest. Ironically, all these charges have been brought under the Seal Protection Act."

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He not only supports the defendants in the case, but will be present for the trial.

BECAUSE "no one ever made a liv-ing out of Fund For Animals," Amory uses income from radio, books, and lec-tures to help finance his involvement

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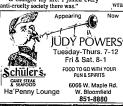
He became involved initially, he said, after watching a bull fight in Mexico almost 20 years ago.

"It changed my life. I joined every anti-cruelty society there was."



For years he was the irrascible critic for TV Guide, but today Cleveland Amory is saving his wrath for adversaries of his Fund for Animals. Be-

hind his verbal badinage there is a good deal of common sense. (Staff photo by Dwight Cendrowski)



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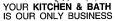
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