

# Kanine Korner

By Francis X. Lohmann

No investment pays such large and constant dividends as the purchase of a dog. In service and companionship, the dog is constantly repaying his original investment over a period of years.

On the average, a dog for seven to ten years pays daily dividends in loyalty, love, alertness, and unadulterated service.

There is still another important consideration to this investment: there is no depreciation. In fact, the investment increases in intrinsic value until the day of his death. His heart remains ever young, however grey his muzzle or slow his step. The dog is the only instance where money can buy true love.

You may own a dog but in actuality the dog owns you. He places his investment of devotion in you, as his master. It is sometimes uncertain if you or your dog is the master, for he often gets exactly what he wants even against your will. Often one is heard to say, "I own this dog." Perhaps it would be more proper to say, "This dog owns me!"

IN A DOG cemetery just outside of Baltimore, Md., appears this epitaph on a little dog's tombstone: "Dear Master, I'd rather stay here, outside of the pearly gates. I'll not be a nuisance, I'll not even bark. I'll be very patient and bide my time. I'll just lie here and chew a celestial bone, no matter how long you may be. I miss you so much. If I entered alone, it wouldn't be heaven for me."

And from Greek literature, dated about 350 B.C., comes this fetching epitaph on another favorite dog. "Thou who passeth on this path, if by chance thou dost mark this monument, laugh not, I pray thee, though it is a dog's grave. Tears fell for me and the dust was heaped above me by my master's hands, who also engraved this paragraph on my tomb." Dogs, man's best friends, have been loved and endeared down through the ages. And that's for dog-gone sure!

DOGS ARE permitted in French restaurants and are fed expensive foods selected by their owners directly from the menu. French dog owners think our custom of prohibiting dogs is barbarous. I couldn't agree more!

France and England certainly equal and at times surpass our regard for the faithful, loving and noble dog. Dog lovers overseas would be shocked at the attitude voiced by far too many city and county anti-dog ordinances.

However, the resulting tax money extracted painfully

## Used Car Manager Appointed

Bill Schroeder has been appointed sales manager of the used car department at Vel's Ford, according to an announcement by Jack Clark, general sales manager.

Schroeder, a native of North Dakota, lives in Redondo Beach with his wife, Natalie, and two teenage children.

Prior to his appointment at Vel's Ford, Schroeder was in the finance business and owned his own auto sales firm.

from dog owners for bow-wow licenses in the municipal coffers is mighty welcome and that's for dog-gone sure! Yet little is ever done by our elected officials to benefit man's best friend.

As a dog-loving owner, I for one am fed up with NO DOGS ALLOWED signs en masse, especially in public, tax-paid-for areas.

**BARKS AND YAPS**—Clyde Ottenberg of Los Angeles is one mailman who doesn't have to worry about being bitten by dogs. Three dogs belonging to residents along his delivery route have "adopted" him and escort him daily on his appointed rounds. If an unfriendly dog appears, Ottenberg's canine pals chase him away. . . . Quantas Airlines is now using the Silky Terrier breed in their advertising.

Lawrence Harvey is an avid Golden Retriever fancier, Guy Lombardo goes for the poodle, and James Arness favors the German Shepherd.

THERE IS a definite difference between clipping and stripping a dog. Clipping is cutting the hair with clippers or scissors. Stripping is done with a special grooming instrument which removes dead hair and shortens and evens the remaining coat. . . . Charles Darwin once said, "Dogs possess something very much like a conscience."

Many veterinarians now believe that certain respiratory ailments can be transmitted to dogs by their human masters. It is generally a sound idea to be ever so careful not to cough or sneeze in your dog's face should you be suffering with the sniffles. . . . Did you hear the one about the newly made millionaires who thought so much of his dog that he bought him a boy for Christmas.

**BREED OF THE WEEK**—Borzoi . . . Although the name of the breed has officially been Borzoi since 1936, the tall, regal-looking hound from the land of the Moscovites is still called the Russian Wolfhound by ever so many unknowing folks.

Embodiment as he does all the extravagant magnificence and color of Czarist Russia, the Borzoi seems almost a museum piece, a survivor of glories past, and a manner of life now obsolete.

His long legs, arched loin, and finely chiseled head shows the Borzoi's relationship to the other sight hounds, the Greyhound, Saluki and the Afghan Hound, animals built along streamline measures, which hunt by following their game with their eyes rather than using their scenting powers.

IT IS believed that the Borzoi was developed in the early years of the 17th century by crossing a short-haired Greyhound-like breed of Asiatic derivation with a heavy-coated native Russian dog which looked something like a long-legged Collie.

This blending of breeds produced hounds which had amazing speed and staying power and carried the thick coat necessary for standing the terrible cold of the Russian climate.

The Borzoi tips the scales at about 90 pounds and in height is 30 inches.

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# County to Seek Federal Aid in Welfare Program

A five-point program aimed at lifting an "unfair" tax burden from county taxpayers by increasing federal participation in welfare financing has been adopted by Los Angeles County supervisors.

Supervisor Kenneth Hahn said present restrictive provisions are forcing county government to finance millions of dollars of welfare costs which should be the responsibility of the federal government.

"The little homeowners in Los Angeles County are being asked to shoulder an unfair

burden of taxation because of the present legislation," declared Hahn. "Our congressional representatives are being asked to give their immediate attention to correcting this."

## THE FIVE-POINT federal legislative program proposed by the county calls for:

- Increasing Federal participation for the support of dependent children placed in foster care facilities.
- Removal of limitation of federal participation in the AFDC (Aid to Families with

Dependent Children) program.

• Elimination of the limitation of federal participation in the AFDC - Unemployed Parents Program.

• Establishment of flexible regulations and standards for the administration of welfare programs.

• Liberalization of the federal Aid to Disabled program to include temporarily disabled persons now aided through county general relief.

Federal participation in the various public welfare programs, Hahn pointed out, is

either non-existent or scarcely noticeable.

HE CITED these reasons for the need to correct each of the five categories of inequity:

• The number of dependent children in out-of-home placement has increased by 341 per cent, and foster care payments have increased by 628 per cent in Los Angeles County in the last 10 years.

• In the case of the AFDC program, recently enacted legislation places a ceiling on the number of Federally eligi-

ble cases and will cause the County to lose federal participation for an estimated 30,000 children by July 1.

• In the AFDC-Unemployed Parents program, the entire burden of this cost has been shifted to state and county taxpayers because of the lack of federal reimbursement.

• A rigid caseload standard imposed by existing federal legislation with respect to administration of welfare — a standard requiring a limit of 60 cases for each welfare worker and a 5-to-1 worker-to supervisor ratio — has

caused the county to lose federal reimbursement in many cases where the limits were exceeded by only one case or one worker.

Seaman Robert L. Pollard, USNR, son of Mr. and Mrs. Everett Pollard of 1943 W. 254th St., Lomita, and husband of the former Miss Gail A. Fenner of 2802 Faber St., Redondo Beach, is serving aboard the heavy guided missile cruiser USS Canberra in the Gulf of Tonkin off the coast of North Vietnam.

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