

# Kanine Korner

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From the dawn of history whenever man looked for new endeavors to conquer he usually took his dog along for company. The Spanish brought their dogs when they came seeking gold in this hemisphere. English settlers came with their hounds and terriers to the American colonies. When pioneer families set out for their cross-country adventure, the family dog jumped into the covered wagons, too. Even Admiral Byrd took his dog, Igloo to the Antarctic.

Is it so hard then to imagine in our mind's eye that someday a dog will add to his species' long history as man's best

friend by being the first pet on the moon or perhaps some other plane?

**THE TERM "lucky dog"** has many connotations and is applied to various and sundry of the animal kingdom, man included, in accordance with the breaks received. Few people have ever given much thought to just how perfectly this term befits the ever-loving dog, himself. A dog is loved and housed, fed and exercised, bathed and trimmed, loved and cherished and protected.

Can any living creature ask for more? Perhaps someone to pay the taxes, you ask? The

dog, alone, among all animals has even this done for him. Can any of our readers give me a valid reason that the dog shouldn't be called lucky?

IT IS with deep regret that I must report the untimely death of Jimmy Saleme. For many years, Jimmy was a familiar sight at dog shows all over the Southland where he represented the nationally circulated Dog World Magazine.

He was beloved by all who were fortunate to really know him. With the passing of Jimmy Saleme, a bright light has been extinguished in the universe of dogdom. This reporter will always miss him deeply.

My deepest sympathy to the Saleme family.

**BOWSER BROWINGS** — Recently, I spotted this fond epitaph on a dog's tomb stone — "Major, Born a Dog, Died a Gentleman. . . ." My treasur-

ed friend, Carl Spitz, completely recovered after his recent knee surgery, back in the judge's squared circle. Carl is the undisputed dean of obedience judges. God love him.

Twelve Bloodhounds were part of a gift from Queen Elizabeth I to James I, son of Mary, Queen of Scots. . . . A Santa Barbara Springer Spaniel dives from his master's boat to romp with a wild sea lion. . . . Believe it or not, there's an English Setter in Italy who writes three and four letter words, from dictation, on a modified electric typewriter. How about that?

Hayden H. Martin, Dr. Edward N. Gregg, and Lucille Mortenson shared the judges' spotlight at the recent Gateway Cities English Springer Spaniel Association's 17th annual Specialty and Obedience Trial held at the Orange Empire Dog Clubhouse in Fon-

tana, California. A gala canine event, indeed!

**BREED OF THE WEEK** — Kuvasz. . . . The Kuvasz is a native of Hungary. Many Kuvasz experts are of the opinion that their breed is directly descended from dogs brought from the continent of Asia by the invading Magyar Tribes who devastated most of central Europe in the 9th Century. His name Kuvasz is derived from Turkish extraction, the literal translation meaning armed guard.

King Matthias, who ruled Hungary from 1458 to 1490, had a Kuvasz and his personal bodyguard, and maintained a huge kennel of the breed at one of his country estates. For many hundreds of years the handsome Kuvasz has been in service in his homeland as a protector of sheep and cattle flocks.

Strangely, the Kuvasz is the

most popular native breed in his country and yet the Kuvasz is practically unknown in such dog loving countries as England and the USA.

**THE KUVASZ** is a most impressive looking dog. His white coat is eye-catching, his conformation displays a blueprint of light-footed, balanced strength and stamina coupled with good locks. His guarding instinct is one of his prime features. Another is his loving, protective and gentle attitude toward children.

A home-loving dog, the Kuvasz tips the scales at about 70 pounds and in height 26 inches. The Kuvasz Club of America is a strong influence in bringing the breed to the attention of dog lovers. Locally, Dani Alvi of 9741 Blantyre Drive, Beverly Hills can supply additional information.

# Welfare Tackled

Social agencies must stop treating the symptoms and start wiping out the disease, if there is to be progress in the field of social welfare.

That was the challenge made by Richard P. Cooley, president, chief executive officer and director of Wells Fargo Bank, San Francisco, in an address before a packed audience of volunteers at the annual meeting of United Way, Inc., at the Sheraton-Universal Hotel.

To achieve that goal social agencies must continue to update themselves and keep up with the changes of our times, he emphasized. "With the millions of dollars being spent, we

are not overcoming our problems but only can see some progress in service activities. "Old conclusions must be re-examined because the situation has changed so markedly that the premise on which we based earlier judgments may no longer be valid," Cooley pointed out.

Victor M. Carter, who was installed as president of United Way, Inc., for a second term, reviewed activities of the organization in 1968, pointing out the development of an Ad Hoc committee on urban needs, financing of the Greater Los Angeles Urban Coalition and the funding of a research program in the South Central Los Angeles area.



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