

What Do You Know About DOGS?

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1. What dogs native to a country in Europe are noted for saving the lives of travelers?
2. When a dog howls at night, does this foretell someone's death or is there a more practical explanation?
3. As a jumper, how does the dog differ from the horse?
4. How are dogs used in modern warfare?
5. What is said to be the favorite breed of Queen Elizabeth of England?
6. What early American pig-dent imported dogs from England? Why? What breed?
7. Can dogs hear sounds inaudible to human beings?
8. Is it true that people dogs don't like will bear watching?
9. Is the dog of mixed breed healthier or more intelligent than the pedigreed dog?
10. What does A.K.C. mean for pedigreed dogs?
11. What is the swiftest breed of dogs?
12. Name three different varieties of Setters.

ANSWERS

1. The St. Bernard.
2. The howling is an outcropping of instinct. Long ago when deer ran wild, the howl roused the pack for hunting.
3. The dog is a natural jumper. The horse has to be taught.
4. For messenger, sentry and rescue work.
5. The Welsh Corgi, a short-legged, fox-like little dog.
6. George Washington was an ardent fox-hunter and imported English foxhounds to his estate.
7. Yes. Their ears take in sounds pitched higher than human beings can hear.
8. No. Many dogs will take a dislike to trustworthy persons for no apparent reason other than sheer whim.
9. No. The odds favor the pedigreed dog.
10. A.K.C. are the initials of the American Kennel Club, governing body for pedigreed dogs.
11. The Greyhound.
12. The Irish Setter, the English Setter, and the Gordon Setter.

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It is believed that a scarcity of small mammals, such as rats, mice and lemmings in the Arctic is the cause of the flight of large numbers of snowy owls to Eastern Canada and New England.

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Poultry Improvement Shows Way to Increased Egg Return

By HARRY H. STONE, Instructor, Vocational Agriculture, Torrance High School

A flock of Rhode Island Red pullets laid an average of 240 eggs during their pullet year, and not one was broody during the three years they were kept. Crossbred White Leghorns in the same flock laid three dozen fewer eggs each, and some went broody four times that year.

Barred Plymouth Rocks have topped Reds and White Leghorns in several egg-laying contests in the United States. Some New Hampshires have also done well, as have Australorps.

So if you want a backyard flock for eggs and you don't like flighty, light-weight leghorns, you still don't have to put up with broody, low producing heavy birds. Choose the breed you like, within limits, but also choose your breeder.

For more than 50 years poultry improvement has been attempted by selection of high producers. That procedure helped. A large number of records of over 300 eggs a year have been made. But still the average egg production of the United States is only about 100 eggs a year.

Complete Records Vital
The California average is about 150. There are some large commercial flocks in Los Angeles county and elsewhere which now average over 200 eggs per year, but these are the result of newer breeding procedures — progeny and sib-testing.

A 300-egg hen may have a fine looking pedigree. Her trapped ancestors may include several high-producing birds. On the other hand, some of her daughters may lay less than 100 eggs a year. In progeny testing a complete record is kept of all her daughters — not the high producing pullets only.

By this means hens are identified who are able to pass on to all their daughters the ability to lay an increased number of eggs. High producing families are secured. By the same plan improvement has been achieved in egg size, quality both of egg shell and interior, liveability, resistance to disease, and now researchers are reducing the tendency to cannibalism.

Cockrels who have this ability to pass on high production to their daughters are needed to head the breeding flocks. They can only be proved through their daughters, so they are three years old before their value can be positively determined. But as their full sisters' production does indicate value earlier sib-testing (Sisters and Brothers) is important.

High Prices No Guarantee
All this record keeping is expensive. Universities and experiment stations pioneered these methods but now a number of breeders are working along these lines. Farm magazines carry advertisements of several poultrymen in California, some in Los Angeles county, who have done much to improve the

breeds of their choice.

Top quality chicks cost more money, of course. The Reds mentioned in the first paragraph cost 20 cents a chick while the White crosses cost 11 cents. But three dozen extra eggs returned the difference of 18 cents the pullets and males plus a goodly margin.

High prices do not necessarily guarantee high quality chicks. Nor is it necessary for the average buyer to pay the Dollar per chick which it would be advisable for breeders to pay for foundation stock. An average of 39 poultrymen in Los Angeles county show profits to those who paid between 15 and 20 cents per chick greater than to those who paid 10 or 12 cents per chick.

Some Guiding Suggestions
The war presents several stimuli for increasing and improving backyard and small farm home flocks. Eggs are valuable as protein in the diet, and are rich in minerals and vitamins. The price of poultry products has been guaranteed to be maintained above a set minimum for a year. Los Angeles county has been asked to increase poultry production 19 percent. Taxes up to 50 percent of the national income will make necessary every saving or added income possible to the average family. But to be sure of satisfaction with poultry the following ideas are suggested:

1. Are the breeding birds tested regularly for Pullorum, and are diseased birds removed? (Poultry disease will be discussed next week).
2. Are the breeding birds from high producing families, with low producing families removed?
3. Who are some satisfied customers?
4. Order early, and be ready for the chicks when delivered.
5. You can't expect to get the best at cheapest prices, but high priced chicks may be frauds; investigate before you invest.

Public Needs New Nose For Propaganda

LOS ANGELES — Here are a few current definitions of propaganda.

"Velled promotion."—Lumley.
"A method of manipulating public opinion."—Laswell.
"The employment of non-logical, or affective appeals in the public dissemination and modification of ideas, attitudes and beliefs."—Doob.
"Rabble rousing."
"Sinister publicity."
"Any method of influencing mass attitude or behavior for good or ill."

"Propaganda is an expression of opinion or action by individuals or groups deliberately designed to influence opinions or actions of other individuals or groups with reference to predetermined ends."

—Institute of Propaganda Analysis.
There is too much confusion about the nature and functions of propaganda, believes Dr. Franklin Fearing, professor of psychology on the Los Angeles campus of the University of California, who declares that in a democracy it is dangerous to limit it.

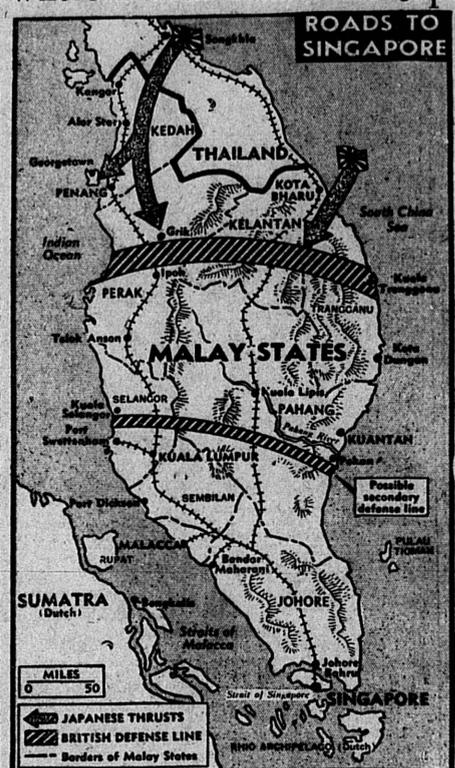
"Some of the questions Mr. Citizen should ask himself at least when under the influence of public appeal are, according to Dr. Fearing: Who is paying for it? What is it for? Is it sincere? Who is against it and why? Is it too vague or too specific or too emotional or too well-timed?"

J. C. Smith Heads Local Realty Board

The Torrance-Lomita Realty Board met Tuesday night at the Edith Smith Realty office in Lomita and elected officers for the year. Preceding the election B. C. Buxton of Torrance paid a high tribute to Miss Edith S. Smith, who for the past two years has served as president of the group.

J. C. Smith was elected president, B. C. Buxton, vice president and G. H. Bradford, secretary. C. L. Slivis of Harbor City was received as a new member of the group.

Where British Must Hold Japs



On this map is shown Britain's most crucial battleground of the Far East—the fight in the Malay states for strategic Singapore. Japanese troops, finished with Hongkong, poured into Malaya to increase pressure on British. If Singapore falls, Dutch East Indies and Australia are gravely periled, and Japs gain access to oil and other materials for long war.

STORKatorials

New arrivals-of-the-week at Torrance Memorial hospital were:

JUDITH MARIE DENNEY ... was born to Mr. and Mrs. Elmer Denney of Gardena, Jan. 13 at 3:31 a. m. She weighed 7 pounds 3 ounces and has three sisters, Barbara Ruth, 6; Nancy Jean, 4; and Shirley May, 15 months. Her father is a rubber plant and her mother is the former Elsie Hoff. The grandparents are Mr. and Mrs. P. A. Hoff and Lee Denney, all of Gardena.

KENNETH DARREL McNEES ... was welcomed by Mr. and Mrs. Albert McNeess of 1007 Cota ave., Jan. 10 at 8:10 a. m. Their first child, she weighed 8 pounds 10 ounces. Her father is a steel worker in Los Angeles and her mother is the former Cleora Mangold. The grandparents are Mr. and Mrs. Ira Mangold of Vassar, Kansas, and Mrs. Hattie McNeess of 1007 Cota ave.

THOMAS BLAIR STEWART ... was greeted by Mr. and Mrs. Thomas R. Stewart of Gardena Jan. 8 at 2:46 p. m. Their first child, he weighed 9 pounds 1 ounce. His father is an electrician and his mother is the former Kathryn Doner. The grandparents are Mr. and Mrs. M. P. Doner of Gardena.

WILLIAM MICHAEL RUSSELL ... was born to Mr. and Mrs. Frank W. Russell of 1003 Cota ave., Jan. 8 at 7:10 a. m. Their first child, he weighed 8 pounds 12 ounces. His father is the foreman at the Rubbercraft plant and his mother is the former Essa Palmer. The grandparents are Mrs. E. Myrtle Palmer of Torrance and Mrs. Retta Russell of San Pedro.

DOLORES ROSE MAXWELL ... arrived to Mr. and Mrs. D. C. Maxwell of 2121 Andros ave., Jan. 9 at 4:56 p. m. Their first child she weighed 6 pounds and 5 ounces. Her father is employed at the California Shipyards and her mother is the former Rose Helena Hill. The grandparents are Zoelah M. Paul of Indianapolis and Mr. and Mrs. C. E. Maxwell of Crawfordsville, Ind., while Mr. Lafayette, Ind., are great-grandparents.

AXLMAR RUEL KEAN ... was welcomed by Mr. and Mrs. A. R. Kean of Redondo Beach Jan. 12 at 12:02 p. m. Their first child, he weighed 9 pounds 9 ounces. His father is engaged in national defense vocational training and his mother is the former Helen Moss.

DUANE ALVIN SPENST ... was born to Mr. and Mrs. Alvin Spenst of Harbor City Jan. 9 at 8:20 p. m. Their first child, he weighed 5 pounds 4 ounces. His father is employed at California Shipyard and his mother is the former Ann Mary Schneider. The grandparents are Mr. and Mrs. John Schneider and Mr. and Mrs. Henry Spenst of Minot, North Dakota.

TIMOTHY PAUL SMITH ... was welcomed by Mr. and Mrs. Benjamin D. Smith of 1507 Crenshaw blvd., Jan. 11 at 4:11 a. m. He weighed 7 pounds 6 ounces and has a sister, Claudia, aged 16 months. His father is a welder at Northrup Aircraft and his mother is the former Helen Smith. The grandparents are Mr. and Mrs. Leon M. Smith of 1823 Arlington ave., and Mr. and Mrs. Wade Smith of 1869 Abalone st.

Follow These Rules To Guard Your Tires

Watch out for tire thieves or you might have to walk to work!

Already tire thefts have jumped 30 per cent in Los Angeles city, 10 per cent in Los Angeles county, and all parts of the nation report alarming increases in this type of robbery since tire rationing went into effect.

1. Motorists are cautioned that if they once lose their tires they will find great difficulty in replacing them because many retreading establishments are refusing to sell tires unless the motorist is able to offer a good tire carcass in exchange. Retreaders point out that they would soon be out of business unless this exchange is made.
2. It is imperative, therefore, that motorists take the following simple precautions:
 1. Never leave your car parked on a dark street for any length of time. If you are going to a show, park in a lot or garage.
 2. If this is not possible, park on a well-lighted or heavily-traveled street. When visiting friends park in their driveway or back yard.
 3. When at home always put your car in the garage and lock the garage door.
 4. Note carefully the closing hour of parking lots. Never leave your car in a lot after attendants are off duty.
 5. When possible, provide a lock for the spare tire.
 6. Write down the serial numbers of your tires and keep the record handy. These numbers are the only identification of your tire. Police often recover stolen tires but you cannot reclaim your stolen tires unless you know the serial numbers.

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