

# 1935 WORLDS OLDEST CHOW

MONDAY, OCTOBER 8, 1934.

## Oldest Dog in United States



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## CAR SHOOTS INTO SEATTLE HOME

SEATTLE, Oct. 8. (AP)—Leaping a three-foot terrace after a desperate effort to avoid another car, an automobile driven by George Gertsen 41, ended a meteoric dash in the living room of a house early Sunday.

The car smashed through the corner of the home of A. B. Chappel and came to rest after wrecking a chair in which Mrs. Chappel had been sitting a short time before. Gertsen told police he lost control of the machine after swerving it sharply when he encountered another car while rounding a corner. He suffered a gashed forehead.

## Death Is Penalty for Debaucheries

TASHKENT, Russia, Oct. 8. (AP)—A court trial revealing oriental debaucheries of a shocking character in the Kanvichsk agricultural school ended Sunday in death sentences for two former communist party leaders and a former teacher.

Eight others were given long prison sentences.

The trial, lasting 15 days, disclosed that directors of the school held intoxicated revelries with students and assumed the attitude of medieval potentates, forcing girl students to dance and sing before them.

The specific crime for which sentences were passed was an assault upon a girl communist student.

I am the proud owner of the "the worlds oldest chow!! Here is another treasure that makes you stop and think...hmmmmm how long did the average chow live back then.

I found this newspaper article some time ago and recently acquired the original photo used for the article... A real piece of chow collector history!. This could possibly be a smooth but it is hard to tell laying down. The head looks very smoothie in coat texture. .

See the original press photo featuring the front and back of the image from the newspaper archives

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This is the original photo in our personal collection. 8x10 press photo. This image was used nation wide in a number of major cities' publications

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## PRIDE OF OWNERSHIP

(By Doreen Grant)



Once you own a Chow-chow, you will never buy another breed. They are very long lived — only maturing between the ages of four and five years. Their usual span of existence is 17-18 years.

The Chow-chow has many characteristics not shared by other members of the canine world.

Firstly, the Polar bear and the Chow are the only four-footed animals with a black tongue. Frequently when out with one or other of our pets people ask whether they have been injected with blue for billary.

Secondly, their back legs are remarkable for their double-jointedness, and their lack of hock. Their stifles have to be very stiff — this gives them a mincing gait when seen from the rear and the prowl of a lion from the front.

Thirdly, the scowl. This is caused through the light and dark shades in the furrows on the face between the eyes. The deeper the scowl, the more "chow-y" they look.

Their coats are beautiful — very dense and thick. The red chow is often mistaken for a lion, and natives scatter on sight. They stand about 24 inches, and their coat makes them look very much larger. They are not voracious eaters, and are inclined to be finicky. With children the Chow is in its element, as it loves to romp and play. A one-man dog, it loves and obeys only the family to which it belongs.

You can get Chow-chows in red, blue, black and cream, but they must be whole-coloured. The red Chow has light shadings bordering on white at the tail and under the chest usually. They are very clean dogs, requiring practically no training in this respect.

A Chow only barks when it is essential to do so.

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Circa 1929 newspaper article cites the longevity of the chow breed during that era,

Describing a visit to the 60 chow El Cher Kennels with dogs up to 17 years of age as well as a bitch whelping a litter at 10 years old

Only last week a visit was paid to the El Cher Kennels in that neighborhood. There were seen 60 beautiful and healthy Chow Chow dogs, bitches and young stock. The oldest was the red-colored Chinese Jade, 17 years old, slightly deaf, but with good sight and fair activity. Relatively, a year of a dog's life is supposed to equal ten years of the human existence. So Chinese Jade's age might be compared with the 170 years of a man or woman. Another quite hale and healthy Chow at the Hugo Prinz place was Heathen Princess, 13 years old. Three years ago Princess produced her last litter, one of which was to become the famous Champion Ching Li of El Cher, the property of Mrs. Walter Gaston, Buffalo, N. Y.

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