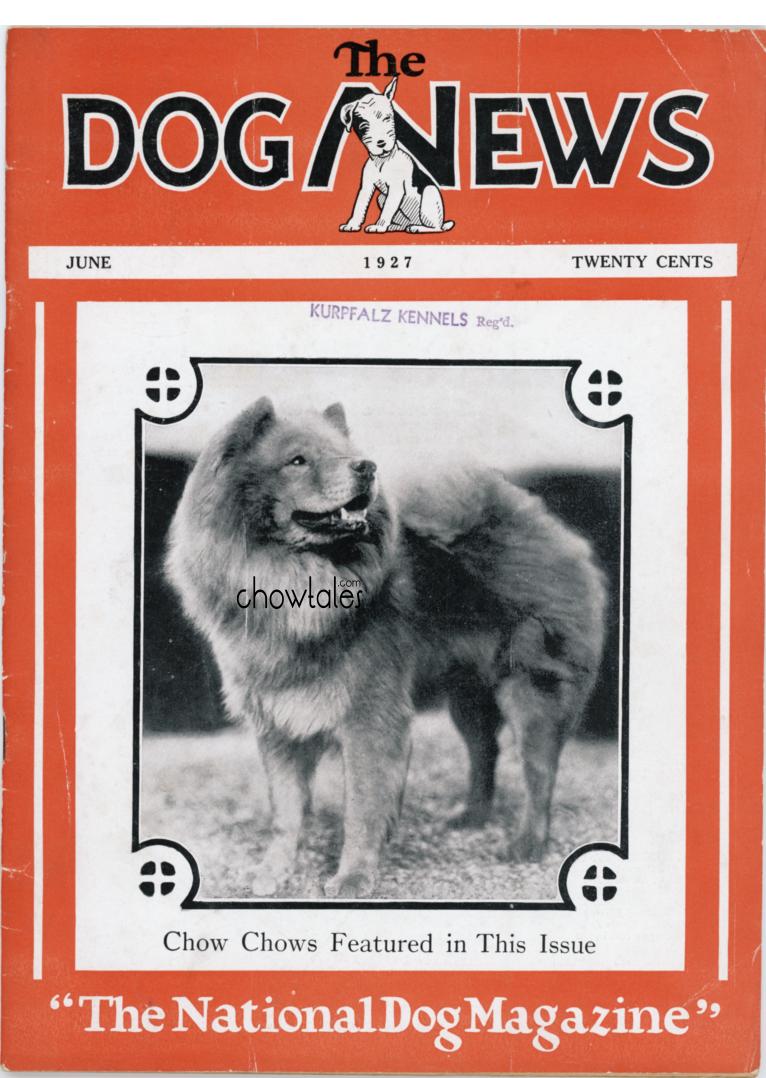
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"A Poor Quality Bitch is a Bad Investment"

An article for the novice Chow Chow Breeder by Mary Jane Sexton.

Written especially for the Dog News

Mrs. Sexton is probably America's most respected and successful Chow Chow breeder. Her suggestions carry real weight and worth to all Chow Chow fanciers.

THE novice in Chows, as in numerous other breeds, frequently thinks that to begin breeding properly he must have a male and a female puppy, or older dogs as the case may be. This is usually a mistake. In my opinion after years of experience and observation, it is much better to be absolutely certain, or as nearly certain as possible, that you are buying a puppy or bitch of great quality, and the best obtainable in blood lines, as it is a well-known fact that the strength of any kennel likes in its brood matrons.

Naturally, an exceptional bitch puppy cannot be purchased for fifty dollars. When one sets out to buy the proper combination of type and blood lines, one must expect to go a bit higher than the fifty dollar variety, which are usually the products of kennels that are breeding on quantity production, regardless of quality or the culls of litters that are otherwise good. A poor quality

bitch is a poor investment, as no matter how good the stud dog may be, her outstanding faults will be certain to crop out in her offspring.

So when you have decided to start breeding Chows, the first thing to look for is a good bitch puppy, preferably about three months of age. Look for a puppy with a short, broad muzzle, no suggestion of tapering to a point, a broad skull with plenty of scowl, short back,

round, husky body, heavy bone, and round feet. Sometimes a puppy of this age hasn't really straight legs and later is all right, but don't consider a puppy that is bowlegged or cow-hocked, as that type rarely improves. The eyes and ears are very important from a breeding standpoint. Look for a small dark eye, as nearly dark chocolate in color as possible, as a light eye is usually a fixture and will show up generation after generation. I am speaking generally of reds and blacks, as the blue Chow usually

has a light-colored eye, and it is permissable in that color. A large ear is another point that is very, very hard to breed out, and is very unsightly.

Now, we will suppose you have located the particular puppy that meets your idea of all that a bitch puppy should be. It is much better to pay considerably over one hundred dollars for one good bitch puppy, than to buy several of the fifty dollar variety. Care should be taken in bringing up your puppy in that she shall be properly fed so as to add to her good qualities of bone and substance, and meat, vegetables, and raw eggs are very essential. The reputable breeder will always be glad to supply you with proper feeding directions when you purchase your puppy, as he or she is just as anxious as you are for the puppy to develop into the best possible.

Never let anyone induce you to breed your puppy her first season. She is only a baby when this occurs, usually

but six or seven months of age, and needs a great deal more time to grow up. In requiring a bitch of six or seven months of age to produce a litter of puppies she is heavily handicapped; many a very promising show bitch has been totally, ruined both for show and breeding by being bred too young. Let her go to her second season, which usually occurs at eleven or twelve months, and if she is still immature, it would be well to let her go

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until her third season before mating.

Now we are at the point of selecting the proper mate for the young bitch. My point at the beginning of this article in advising the beginner to invest in good bitches rather than spreading his capital out to include a male, is that good stud dogs are always available, and a selection can be made of a type suitable for the bitch, whereas if you buy the stud dog he might at maturity be an unsuitable mate for your particular bitch. In selecting the (Continued on page 318)

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The Chow Chow Standard

Head

Large and massive, with broad, flat skull, well filled under the eyes, moderate stop, proudly carried, with characteristic scowl.

Muzzle

Short in comparison to length of skull; broad from eyes to end of nose, and of great depth. The lips should be full and overhanging.

Teeth

Strong and level.

Nose

Large, broad, and black in color.

Tongue

A blue-black. The inside of the mouth should be of the same color.

Eyes

Dark, deep set, of moderate size and almond shaped.

Ears

Small, pointed, stiffly carried. They should be placed wide apart on top of skull, and set with a slight forward tilt.

Body

Short, compact, well ribbed up, and let down in the flank.

Neck

Strong, full, set well on the shoulders.

Shoulders

Muscular, slightly sloping.

Chest

Broad, deep and muscular.

Back

Short, straight and strong.

Loins

Broad, deep and powerful.

Tail

Tail set well up and carried closely to back, following line of spine at start.

Fore-legs

Perfectly straight, with heavy bone and upright pasterns.

Hind-legs

Straight hocked, muscular and heavy boned.

Feet

Compact, round and cat-like.

Coat

Abundant, dense, straight and outstanding; rather coarse in texture, with a soft, woolly undercoat. In the smooth-coated variety the top coat should be of about one and a half inches in length.

Color

Any clear color, solid throughout, or with lighter shadings on ruff, tail and breeching.

Size

Chows should be massive and well proportioned.

General Appearance

Lion-headed, scowling, compact, muscular, short-coupled, dignified,

and powerful, with heavy off-stand-ing coat.

Disqualifying Points

Drop ears, tongue red, pink or obviously spotted. Nose spotted or distinctly other color than black, except in blue colored Chows, which may have solid blue or slate-colored noses.



THE CHOW CHOW, COASSOCK'S LING A cream, fourteen-months-old, bred by Mrs. Grace Neyhart

There is no doubt that Mrs. Grace Neyhart, of Framingham Center, Mass., is the most devoted breeder and Chow lover in the entire fancy, and in fact it may be added that she is as good as the best fancier of any breed that is popular in America. Her Chows are housed, cared for, and fed as if they were her personal friends, and an unhappy dog is never seen at Coassock. In many years of exhibition her dogs are famous for their heavy coats, substance, size, and tremendous bone, and their reputation never diminishes, which is most unusual in any kennel. Most emphatically they are happy dogs, which is proven when they are exhibited, for Chow nerves are easily detected in the ring. A dog out of condition is never shown by this fancier.

Mrs. Neyhart has remained true to the Chow love for a great many years, and nothing that occurs seems to change her steadfastness. Her record in exhibiting only home-breds has not been equalled in Chows, as she owned and bred the Champions Yuey, Chinese Lily, Hop Toy and Wing Toi VI (the last two being litter brother and sister, and the first two also, so twin Champion Chows are not a rarity as some believe). She also bred the Champions Pu Yi, Tang Hua Ki II, Sunny Jim II.

Her dogs still account for the leading honors when shown. The Coassock Kennels are headed at present by Hong, a full brother to the late Champion Yuey, now in his fifteenth year and in glorious condition, a record that all Chow owners should strive to emulate. Most of us are not so kind to old favorites. Hong is by Champion Fee Cum ex Champion Carissa, one of the greatest Chow bitches of all times.

The death of Yuey was deeply deplored by all, as he was Mrs. Neyhart's faithful friend and constant companion. A big, sturdy, red dog, with huge bone and tremendous body. When carrying his very heavy coat he was a stately picture to be remembered by all who saw him. Mrs. Neyhart is an expert showman, and the beautiful handling of her dogs is known and commented upon by all dog

Foxie and Mumsee

Two of America's Most Renowned Chow Bitches

THERE is a most interesting red Chow bitch living on Long Island in the kennel of Mrs. Wm. Fitzgerald, an eleven-year-old with good bone, deep barrel body and straight legs. She is the grandmother of the collection of Champions that this good fancier has bred. The list contains Oolong Roly Poly and Puggins,

Mah Jong Min T'sing, Sun Fire of C., Tuthy Ame of El Cher, Geisha of El Cher, Tuthy Anky of El Cher.

In Foxie's first litter of seven there was born a very excellent red bitch named Mumsee who took it upon her broad shoulders to continue the family glory, and she became the best-known brood bitch in the American fancy. She was the dam of at least five of the above Champions, and was a house dog and pal, having the deepest devotion and affection for

Mrs. Fitzgerald has bred Chows exclusively for many years and is a popular and respected judge. Her theory

her owners.

of breeding has been to study the appearance and blood lines of a female and then select the male she thought most suitable. It is not as easy to do as it sounds, and obtain the results that she has, so try it yourself.

Her puppies are fed four times a day up to three months, and after that age three times daily until they

are one year old. In order to make sure of good dispositions she allows her youngsters to be handled a lot by friends and visitors. Ch. Puggins was raised in the kennel instead of the house, and it has caused her to be

temperamental, as she refuses to be handled in the ring. Mrs. Fitzgerald also advances the interesting idea that puppies should not be permitted to get too tired, and hers are always shut up for a time in the morning and afternoon. They become so used to thier siesta that they almost beg for it. These are very practical suggestions coming from this source, since her dogs are noted for their bone and substance.



FOXIE, THE GRANDMOTHER OF MANY CHAMPIONS Shown with Mrs. Wm. Fitzgerald and the famous Mumsee

fanciers. She has also judged innumerable times and always draws a host of entries.

Last fall she returned from England with a young Chow puppy, by Long Acre Nephos ex Long Acre Yolanda. He has evidently taken kindly to his beautiful home and affectionate owner, and fulfilled all puppy promise, as he is named Long Acre Fortune of Coassock.

There is a great lesson to be learned from this kennel, for nothing is done by halves. Determination and loyalty to the breed, and concentration on ideals, has made for constant progress, and the consideration and care of the dogs is a sermon in itself.

Southern Chow Chow Show

The Southern Chow Chow Club Show was held at the Maryland Country Club, at Baltimore, Maryland, on May 24th, with Mrs. David Wagstaff, of Tuxedo Park, New York, judging.

Full particulars of this event will be noted in the Chow Chow section for July.

Chow Awards at Philadelphia

A good entry greeted the judge, Mrs. A. M. Andrade on Many 7th.

Best of Breed was awarded to Heathen Chee-Kee, owned by Mrs. W. S. Mears, and bred by the Misses Gannon, while Winners Bitch went to Greenacre Blue Periwinkle of Kang Shi. The latter is a new importation, and obtained her Championship in short order. She was recently Best of Breed at the Pasadena show.

The Month For Chow Lovers

By the Associate Editor, Mrs. Claire Knapp Penney

THE Editor of THE Dog News no doubt decided that it was about time the Tong Wars ended, for he has given all Chow lovers the opportunity to contribute to a column which will be helpful and interesting to the novice fancier, but which they must themselves help to build up. He promises a very liberal amount of space and I hope all Chow owners will avail themselves of it without too much hounding, as I am rather busy between boiling up an infant every twenty-four hours, having her X-rayed in search of missing buttons, when I have been busy on THE Dog News, and getting the latest reports on

the weakfish in Peconic Bay. No news invidious to the welfare of the breed will be used, so let's bury the instruments of destruction.

The Chow Chow Club of America will hold its annual show on Nov. 11, 1927, in New York City. George F. Foley will manage the show, and there are fervent hopes that every one owning a Chow will arrive by aeroplane or on foot. Mrs. L. W. Bonney has been elected third Vice-President, owing to the resignation of Mrs. Baer, and has also been chosen as a member of the Bench Show Committee. A splendid suggestion made of offering liberal prize money in all classes, alto-

gether dispensing with a number of specials. This is a real move forward, and we hope all fanciers will respond if called upon.

Our tribe seems to have the wanderlust this season. Mr. and Mrs. Fitzgerald are leaving for the Coast this month, and Mrs. Prinz may flit at any time. Well, the lure of California is a mighty one, and from all reports Chows are booming, bristling and growling in that section.

The Westerners are the live wires of the breed at present, and the latest "importation" is Lui Song of El Cher by Mr. and Mrs. Frank Isbell, of Van Nuys, who also own Ch. Yuan Chu of El Cher. The latter youngster has a splendid Eastern record, and has simply Hooverized the rings in Califor-

ting the latest reports on coat in a wonderful way, s

THE CHOW CHOW CHAMPION MOOSILAUKE PAO TANG

Owned by the Moosilauke Kennels, Baltimore, Md.

Champion Moosilauke Pao Tang is a red son of Champion Pao Yun, out of a Champion Hildewell Ba Tang bitch.

He is now just over three years old, and was first shown at Philadelphia in 1925, as a puppy under Miss Claire Knapp Penney. He was also shown at Washington, Buffalo, Atlantic City, and the Specialty Club the same year. He won a five point show and Reserve Winners on another occassion.

In all, Pao Tang has been shown eleven times since, and has taken the Winners every time, and Best of Breed except at the Specialty Show in Boston, when his kennel mate Champion Little Orb of Tien H'Sia was awarded Best of Breed.

Pao Tang has been judged by such specialists as Mrs. Neyhart, Mrs. H. Earl Hoover, Dr. DeMund, Dr. Ford, Eugene Byfield, Mr. Libby, Alva Rosenberg, etc., etc.

nia, also having a tremendous future as a sire. Lui Song won her classes at fourteen shows, and we should say the Isbells have drawn a full house.

The recent Western circuit of shows, and especially those of the aptly-named Windy City, being too full of paprika for my delicate pen, I will pass hastily to visions of Scranton, where under J. K. White, the ever-popular judge, Mrs. Baer again took Winners and Best with Ch. Moosilauke Pao Tang. This Chow must hold his form and coat in a wonderful way, since his winning is phenomenal,

and he repeated at Buffalo, where there was unfortunately a poor entry. Lui Song received the honors in bitches here, while Mr. McFarland won at Scranton. El Cher won Best of Breed at Utica with Kemal Siddy, and Chang of Kank Shi, of the Barihill Kennels in Battle Creek, took Best at Rochester and Syracuse.

We are about to insert a classified inquiry concerning the resting place of Greenacre Jim. He has surely become a screen actor for all we get is a hasty flash of him between California and England, with an occasional stop for Winners bitches with the new blue.

In England the great dog Ch. Lenning recently met a most horrible death by falling from the cliffs at the shore while chasing a sea gull. Lenning was in his prime and in wonderful form. Mrs. Jane Sexton's Chinee, a well-loved friend, and a bitch with a great record, is also dead.

The Ledgeland's dogs are in great condition for the season, as they still carry enormous coats. Sancho and Solo Chink are in full bloom, and that means more hirsute adornment than many Chows see in a lifetime. In justice to Solo Chink at Baltimore, he was perforce kenneled over night in a dusty loft, and when his condition was discovered in the morning, not any one would have dared to wash the dog before the show, since

his coat is huge and would never have been dry in time. He was criticized by the judge in her Baltimore report because he had not received a bath. His handler, Ernest Wells, is a master in the art of conditioning and showing dogs and Solo Chink has scored big wins, and best of all, can reproduce. A real blue by him will soon be seen, and a son of Sancho's at Ledgelands is an eye-full.

It is a pity that the action of the Chow is not fully described in the Standard, for it is one of the most distinctive features of the breed and should certainly count in the general summing up. Until the true trot is more generally seen, we think Chow waddles and sprawls should be frowned upon.

"Where is the Fairness and Sportsmanship?"

A few of the fanciers who are now using the sash weights and picture wire on Ch. Choonam Brilliantine considered him to be the finest Chow in the country when he first arrived. We fail to see how he could have so changed in a short length of time, from a dog universally admired and put up to the highest honors by leading judges. He is now described in a Western paper as follows: "His head seems a bit small for his height and length, and he has a distinct case of inverted eye-lids; his legs are long and his chest is narrow; his body is too shelly, no roundness or spring of rib, and his hind legs show a tendency to elbows, like a terrier's hind legs, and not straight like a Chow's should be." To quote from the same paper, Brilliantine, in spite of these alleged imperfections, remains "a fine

If all these things are true, on what points did the dog win his international Championships and go to Best in Show against the stiffest competition, under the greatest judges? Should the opinions of two or three judges count so heavily against the overwhelming mass of other opinions? Should the single opinion of one fancier force Brilliantine into the position of "being the most over-rated Chow dog in this country?"

Where is the fairness and good sportsmanship lurking in the Chow fancy? Where is the strong desire to protect the breed which is displayed by other fanciers? Mud, foul names and indiscriminate knocking will not strengthen our breed or bring Chows to the shows .- Claire K. Penney.

Chow Awards at Providence

Judge CARL STURGIS

WINNERS DOG—Greenacre The Crimson Kid (Champion Greenacre Li Ping Tow ex Bainbridge Lady Carneta), owned by Greenacre Kennels, Fairfield, Conn.

RESERVE WINNERS DOG—Moji of Kang Shi (Ashvale Wu Ling ex Sen Yan of Chuan Yan), owned by Greenacre Kennels, Fair-field, Conn.

WINNERS BITCH—Blue Periwinkle of Kang Shi (Blue Kim ex Blue Sheba of Kang Shi), owned by Greenacre Kennels, Fair-field, Conn.

RESERVE WINNERS BITCH—Ken Lu
Pao Tao (Champion Moosilauke Pao Tang
ex Ken-Lu Ho-Han), owned by Ken Lu Kennels, Wrentham, Mass.

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A MAN who thoroughly understands his dogs is George M. Benner, owner with Mrs. Schieffelin of the Maxwell Kennels on Long Island, situated on the Merrick Road and easy of access. Here are housed some good Chows, and the geniality of the owners is worthy of note.

One is impressed by the flashing

red color of the Chows when viewing them, for they are particularly strong in this respect, and are an even wellbalanced lot. The good type of the leading dog, Cheng How of Maxwell is not to be disputed, for he is a cobby rich red, with good bone and possesses a very impressive head. The dog is also a sire of great merit, and has taken Winners and Best of Breed at Queensboro, and other important shows. Cheng has a distinctly interesting personality, being full of vitality and very active, is affectionate and friendly, and the old Chow trait of curiosity

and inquisitiveness, is out in full

force.

Benner's dogs show evidence of great care and splendid treatment. They are housed in a new kennel which he has just completed, which is 42-feet by 10-feet, and houses fourteen dogs. This is divided into seven stalls or sleeping quarters 6-feet by 6-feet, with a passage way running the entire length of the kennel, and there is a window in every stall which assures plenty of light and ventilation. The runs are 36-feet by 6-feet at present, and each is occupied by two dogs, generally mother and daughter or two little sisters, but as Benner prefers long runs, he will soon lengthen these to 50-feet by 6feet. He believes in plenty of exercise, and has found that his dogs will race the entire length of The wire fencing is seven feet high of nine gauge wire and two inch link mesh, and is certainly well adapted to the needs of Chows. The dogs have to be confined at night to their stalls, because of the busy motorists who believe he is providing free parking space, and naturally the best watch dogs on earth have to have their say in the matter. Benner however believes with others in perfect freedom for the Chow, day and night.

He feeds his grown dogs once daily, at one P. M. on a mash composed mainly of soup, crackers and vegetables with an equal part of ground boiled beef. This is varied occasionally by raw chopped beef or canned salmon. To keep their appetites keen, he allows thirty minutes to clean up, and then removes all food and feeds nothing until the following day at same time. His puppies, nurs-

CHENG HOW OF MAXWELL
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CHENG HOW OF MAXWELL Note Lovely Coat and Impressive Head.

ing bitches, and bitches in whelp, are fed three meals daily, usually starting the morning meal with cereal and milk.

Grooming is naturally a very important item in any dog's ilfe, and he has tried to acquaint them with the idea that a walk will reward them for good behaviour while enduring grooming or posing, as good ring manners are so essential. His dogs have responded quickly and are on their toes when they see the brushes and collar

On the breeding question Benner is quite explicit, stating that too much should not be expected from the stud, as he has found it takes two good dogs to produce good puppies, but he does believe that the qualities the bitch lacks should be sought in the stud, so as to correct them as much as possible.

Hats off to a man who really loves his breed, has studied their comfort, produces good Chows and is quite reticent on the subject.

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The Blue Chow

By JOHN RICHARDSON

Written especially for the Dog News

THE blue Chows are becoming more popular, as some importations from England during the last two years of good blue males and females have given breeders an outcross, and the results have been very gratifying.

The blues on an average carry a heavier coat than the other colors. Our blues were lighter boned than the reds and blacks, therefore were at a disadvantage in the show ring. The out-cross with the imported blues has helped to correct this fault.

A good many of the blues are too dark in color, and the remedy for this is to breed a cream female with blue blood lines to a good blue sire. The offspring will be a good solid blue. A cream or a light red female without blue blood lines, if mated to a blue sire, will produce a good rich black offspring.

There is nothing handsomer in Chows than a litter of blue puppies at the age of two months. They are a very light blue in color then, but they get several shades darker as they grow older.

Enlarges Chow Kennels

Mrs. Portia Kellogg, owner of Kelbro Kennels, Hamilton, Ohio, writes that they are just putting the finishing touches on a new kennel house. Kelbro Chows are increasing, and their quarters must keep the pace. Each dog will have large, comfortable quarters in the kennel, and a goodsized, shady run opening out from the kennel. At one end is a big exercising run for all dogs. The kennel includes a maternity ward and a kitchenette. Mrs. Kellogg says the kennel will be large enough to board a



A Blue Chow Puppy Above is pictured a snapshot of a ten-months-old Blue male Chow Chow. Note good ruff and dense coat. Puppy sired by Little Boy Blue.

Our Cover

This famous dog was whelped December 6, 1920, and is by Ch. Sum Sultan ex Kiyodai, and thus Sancho is the only Chow at stud today carry-

ing the Ch. Chelsea Pensioner blood. He is a cobby red dog of intense type, has lots of substance and a great head, muzzle and scowl. His coat is enormous, and of late years is the most profuse we have seen.

His wins are too numerous to detail, but he defeated all comers for several years as best American-bred Chow and best by exhibitor. He has been most successful also at stud, as he is the sire of Ch. Yuan Chu of El Cher and Ledgeland's Solo Chink, a dog well on his way to his Championship and probably the best cream Chow ever bred. His picture adorns the cover of this month's Dog News. There is not another cream Champion in this country, and we believe there is none in England, so when Chink goes over the top he will have achieved a unique distinction.

Sancho transmits his lovely type and his get is known for good coat and good heads, so he is a very valuable stud force.



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very few healthy Chows for the sum- care that her own receive, and that is, every food and attention to make a better dog.

Dog Show at Hamilton, Ohio

The American Legion Kennel Club of Hamilton, Ohio, has been organized recently with a large list of members, and officers as follows:

Leroy Brown, President; Freeman Robinson, First Vice-President; Harry Slarb, Second Vice-President; H. T. Edmonds, Secretary; Roy Georgenson, Treasurer.

Their first dog show, a two day open air event in a comfortable pavilion, will be held June 24th and 25th, at the Butler County Fair Grounds, Hamilton, Ohio. An excellent trophy list has been prepared, and high class judges secured. Hamilton is twenty-five miles from Cincinnati, and since shows are scarce in the Middle-West at this time of the year, it is expected that a nice entry will be on hand, as many fanciers will no doubt motor to the event with their dogs.

Dr. Henry Martin is Secretary and Superintendent.

Additional particulars will be found in our advertising columns.

Chow Wins Best in Show at Danville, Ill.

The Chow Chow, Paddy Nee Toi of Fan Shu, owned and shown by his breeder, Miss Frances H. Schuler, of Eldorado, Ill., won the President's cup for Best Dog in the Show, in very keen competition, at Danville recently.

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