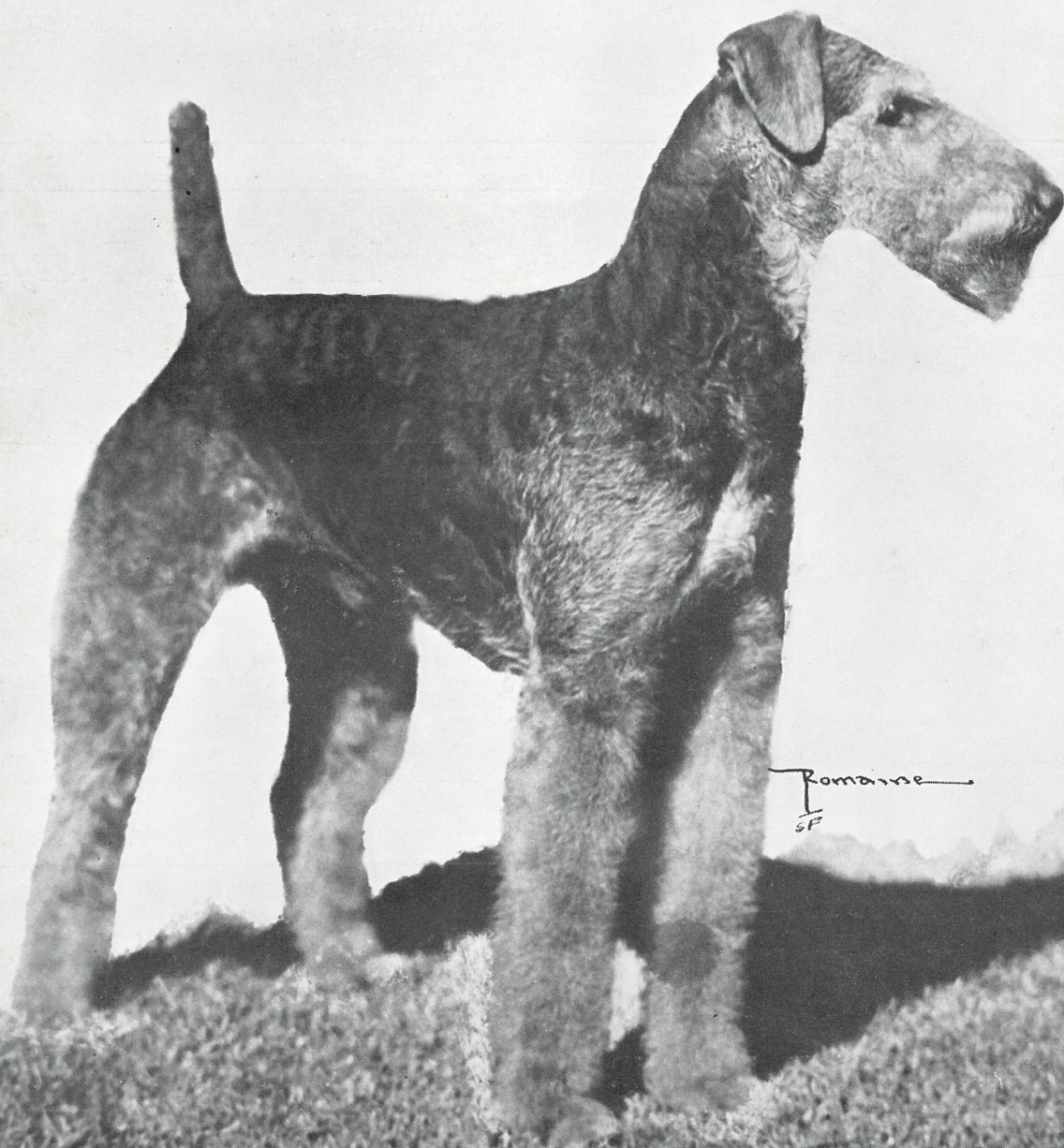


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SAMOYEDS

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Another big show—this time, the Golden Gate Kennel Club show, has come and gone, and with it a scarcity of Samoyede entries, yes, my own among the absentees, I must admit. But, may we ask, "where were all those southern California Samoyedes we've heard so much about?" Surely, we weren't expecting too much in hoping for a delegation of them—especially those younger ones.

The two entries were Mrs. Waldo J. Marra's three year old bitch, Lady Stara and Mr. Mel Harris' young eighteen month old dog, Maelchek.

Lady Stara went best of winners and best of breed under Judge Pym, who credited her with having the better coat and being the better type for pulling a sled. Evidently there are some that like them fat and plenty fat. This, we understand was Lady Stara's first ringside appearance, and we hope to see her benched again, especially when some of our other Sams come out as well.

It is with sorrow that the writer reports the recent passing of Mr. Richard K. Ham of Piedmont, who formerly owned Laddie of Piedmont, the handsome son of Ch. Brunoff ex Nannuk, who at the age of five years, fell victim of a dog poisoner a year or so ago.

We extend our sincere sympathy to Mrs. Ham and other members of the family.

We recall a certain Sunday afternoon several years ago, while out walking with a sister and three Sammies, Nannuk and her two young sons, Laddie and Tippy. A car drew up to the curb, conversation ensued. The occupants of the car, Mr. Ham and his family, were returning from a visit to the Oakland show, where they saw their first Sammy. Interest in the breed raised at that time, resulted in desire for ownership of one of its kind—resulted further in the immediate sale of "Laddie" which possession the next day. Surely no dog ever fared better than did Laddie in his new home.

Mr. Ham, a genuine lover of dogs, wrote later: "He is the most lovable and faithful dog I have ever known."

And so it is with Sammy puppies. They are invariably sold on sight.

Our picture this month, one of the most fascinating puppy pictures yet, is of a six weeks old puppy, son of Mr. R. E. Brott's must be remembered, was one of the last Vodka, and sired by Sam III. Vodka, it litter of seven sired by Mrs. Horace Mann's late Ch. Gorka, out of her White Sprite of the Arctic.

We are indebted to Mr. Brott for this delightful picture and for the following letter and several pictures of Vodka and Icy King's Siberian Stara. The letter follows:

Dear Miss Lawrence:

I have received several issues of Western Kennel World and find your column the most

interesting yet. We need more columns like it, and the entries at your shows, show the results of your hard work.



I purchased Vodka last spring from Mrs. Mann. She is the daughter of Ch. Gorka and White Sprite. She was bred to Sam III, owned by Mr. Dewey of Willoughby, Ohio. Sam is a son of Oleg and Ch. Samco Powder Puff. Sam was bred at Mrs. Lewis' kennels at Long Island, N. Y. I purchased him for Mr. Dewey two years ago when at the Morris and Essex Show. He is a good dog with excellent harsh coat.

Voddy whelped five puppies on October 13th, 1934. Two males and three females. They have all been sold except a male and female now just six months old. The male looks outstanding. He has jet black points, dark eyes, good head, tremendous bone, good legs, in fact, I cannot find any faults with him yet. Several weeks ago he was weighed and weighed 46 lbs. I am sending you a Christmas card, taken when he was six weeks old, under separate cover.

Voddy was winners bitch at Cleveland and won four points and an attractive cigarette case given by Mrs. McDowell.

I have Icy King's Siberian Stara in my kennels also. She is a daughter of Ch. Icy King and Ch. Stara. She is a large dog with about the finest legs and body I have seen. Stara has six points toward her championship. I have a female puppy I am keeping that looks very good, and her sire is also Sam III. This puppy is five and a half months old.

Chito, a son of Samco Pavlowa of Norka and Tangara is about 13 months old now—won the puppy class at Canton with four dogs entered.

This is all the dogs I have at present. I have kept as high as 20 to 25 dogs and puppies, but have decided to increase the quality and decrease the quantity. I am not going to raise any more puppies until next Christmas. I intend to breed Voddy to an outstanding champion, possibly Norka's Lev, Ch. Moguiski or Miss Elizabeth Hudson's Ch. Storm Cloud. Stara will probably be bred to the son of Voddy's that I am keeping, if he turns out as good as I expect.

We have several live wire new fanciers, P. D. Roach of Canton, Ohio, Mrs. O. Coughenour of Bedford, Ohio, who owns Samco Pavlowa of Norka formerly owned by me, and a son of Pavlowa's. She also has a litter of puppies about six weeks old now, from another bitch of Valeska's Brue breeding. As you probably know, Mrs. A. M. MacBain of Cleveland, Hghts, Ohio, is working hard for the breed.

I just received a letter from Miss Luella Goff of San Francisco, Calif., asking for full information on Samoyedes and prices. I have written her, giving your name and address. I do not have anything to sell at present.

Hoping I may have the pleasure of hearing from you again, I remain, R. E. Brott.

We are grateful to Mr. Brott and all our other interested Samoyede owners who give us such splendid help and co-operation, thus making it possible to carry on our page in the interests of the Samoyede breed.

We have received a letter recently from Mr. P. D. Lawrason of Downer's Grove, Ill., saying: "Many thanks for your letter of the 10th. It was very kind of you indeed to write me the informative letter you did about the Samoyedes. I knew nothing of the breed except that they looked so much like the dog we lost last month. I have written to the persons whose addresses you gave and we may soon have a Sammy. I am returning the picture of your beautiful pet, and thank you again.—Very sincerely yours, P. D. Lawrason.

And so it goes—once a Sam owner, always a Sam owner.

And now for some more news from the East—from Mrs. Helen S. Harris of Philadelphia comes the following delightful letter. My dear Miss Lawrence:

I was just thrilled to see the picture of my "boys" in this month's Western Kennel World! It looks lovely, and we feel very much honored to be in your excellent magazine with our picture and letter! You have a splendid Samoyede page, and it must entail a great deal of work to get it un, and to make it so newsy and attractive every month. It is a delightful magazine all the way thru and I am happy to know of it. I should like to buy five more copies of the March number to send to friends who are interested in the breed, but couldn't find any for sale here.

Yesterday was a "red letter day" in our kennels, when our first litter arrived! Starshaya is the proud and happy mother of four gorgeous chubby puppies, "two boys and two girls" and I think she is just about as much thrilled with her children as we are, with this first litter for our kennel, which is saying a lot!

She is such a fine little mother, a real lesson to us all, in her quiet courage and gentle devotion. She has marvelous health and strength and the youngsters are amazingly vigorous. It will be a joy to watch them grow during the coming weeks and you would think it was the very first litter in all the world, the way we stand around and admire them!

Thank you so much for your interest in my "family"—I always have a real feeling of fellowship for those who love and understand this enchanting breed. With kindest regards, I am—Helen S. Harris.

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