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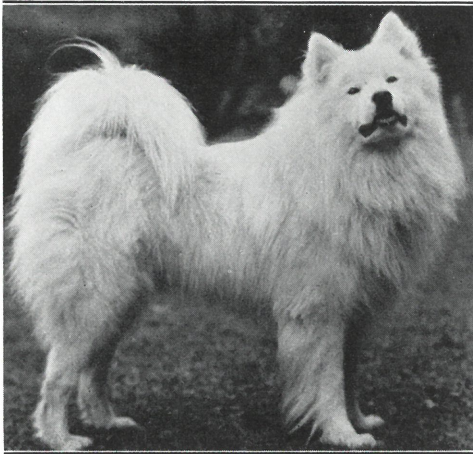


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# SAMOYEDS

## NORTHERN NOTES By Miss Vera Lawrence

In accordance with our efforts to bring to our readers, pictures and news of some of the most outstanding of our Samoyede fancy, past and present, we publish here a picture of Mrs. Horace Mann's late Champion Gorka.



CH. GORKA

There are no doubt many who will welcome the following tribute to Gorka which was published shortly after his death, by the Samoyede Club of America, under the title "The Pasing of Our Greatest American Bred, Champion Gorka."

"The news from Trenton of the death of Ch. Gorka on April 25, 1933, from an undetermined cause, is a great blow to the Samoyede breed. The majestic white dog, always the most superbly coated dog in the show ring, with a personality which attracted many, many friends, was well known to the show-going public. He had a gallery which believed him America's greatest Samoyede, and nothing could shake that belief, and it cannot be gainsaid that he had achieved victory beyond the breed as yet unequalled by any dog of his breed, and had contributed heavily to the educational work of necessity done by Samoyedes themselves in teaching the uninitiated of the breed.

Born July 15, 1927, out of Nona of Donerna by Ch. Yukon Mit, Gorka was always

the especial pet and pride of his breeder, Mrs. Horace Mann. Privately owned, the show ring was not considered until to help swell the entries of her local show, Mrs. Mann entered Gorka, not quite seventeen months old, in the Trenton show of Dec. 7-8, 1928, and the novice only, went best of breed, and beyond that to first in the Working Group—that group consisting among others of dogs of the caliber of the Doberman, Big Boy of White Gate; the Collie Laund Lady Gay of Bellhaven; the German Shepherd, Pia von Haus Schutting, and others of equal magnitude in the dog world. One of these dogs was a few weeks later to be best of all breeds at the Baltimore show, but there at Trenton, the son of Mit and the grandson of Barin, carrying in his bearing a semblance of each, was first, and overnight caught the fancy of many well known dog lovers. Among others, Freeman Lloyd, our Edwin C. Hill, wrote thus in Popular Dogs on May 4, 1929—"A really splendid and highly typical white Samoyede dog is Mrs. Horace Mann's Gorka. Gorka must be about the biggest and best furnished of the Samoyedes every benched in this country. I predict a great future for Mrs. Mann's highly representative Samoyede. A big dog, perfectly formed and one that carries a lot of coat of the right texture."

Mr. Lloyd's prediction was carried out, easily to his championship went Gorka. Picture after picture, unsolicited by his owner, was published of the "lily-white son of Yukon Mit and Nona of Donerna" and one of

these a great English judge and breeder stated that judging from picture solely, Gorka appeared the finest Samoyede abroad."

A big dog, with style, coat, dark expressive eye, and above all personality, Gorka, a big, petted, loved, spoiled puppy, was admired everywhere, and it is a loss to the breed from every point of view that this great dog should go from us at so early an age. Every one of us sympathize with the Manns, and we know no dog can ever replace Gorka—yet we wish for them another big winner to in a measure carry on the prestige of the beautiful dog asleep in in the Trenton Pet Cemetery among flowers and birds and beautiful things, and somewhere—we know there is a Valhalla of such stalwart "dumb animals". We all admired Gorka, and we—many of us—loved him for attributes greater than type or beauty or conformity—for that something different which was Gorka, the Magnificent Samoyede.

News of the Far Hills, N. J. show report five Sammy entries—Mr. and Mrs. F. B. Eddy having one, Mrs. Horace Mann two and Mr. S. H. Sutton, two.

Suinu, (Sonny), belonging to Mrs. Mann, went best American-bred with Mr. Sutton's young dog going second, this was the only class having any competition. Yorza, a full brother to Suinu, though younger, went best of winners, taking four points. Suinu, while considered a handsomer dog, did not show the marvelous gait and good ring manners as did his brother Yorza.

Mr. Sutton's splendid bitch, Gorka's Sneg, (out of Orka of Farningham by Ch. Gorka) went best of breed, earning 4 points.

It might be said here, that both Yorza and Gorka's Sneg have each thirteen points toward championship.

Louis Smirnow was to have judged, but at the last minute could not come, so Mr. Glebe, another judge who really knows Sammies", judged, to the satisfaction of all.

Mrs. Mann reports that of the recent litter of six, out of her Imported White Sprite of the Arctic, and sired by Imported Ch. Hudson of Syracuse—only one remains and Storm Cloud, owned by Miss Elizabeth Hudson of Syracuse—only one remains and that one is expected to be taken immediately.

The writer has in her possession a gorgeous picture of that splendid dog, Imported Ch. Storm Cloud, owned by Miss Elizabeth  
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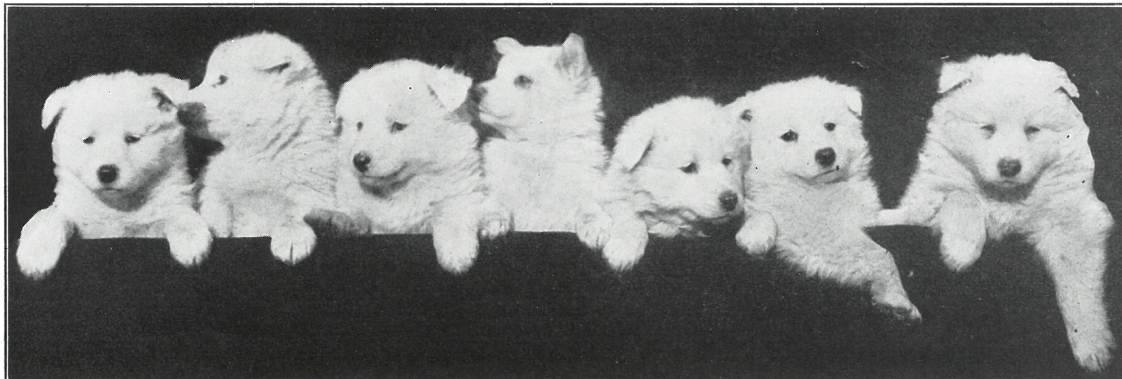
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