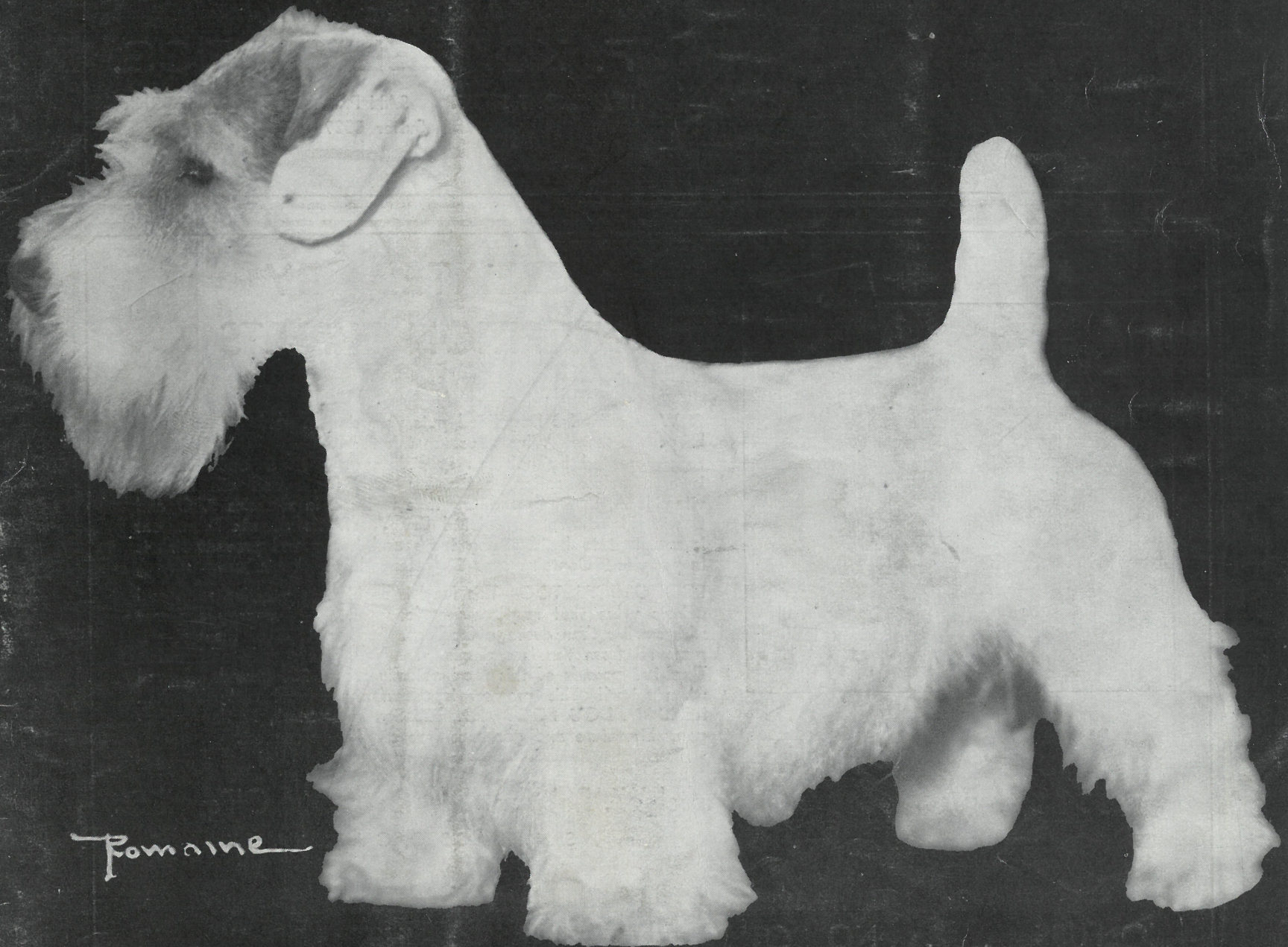


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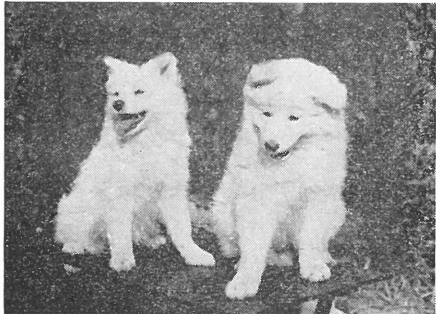
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SAMOYEDES

By Miss Vera H. Lawrence

Continuing our story of last month regarding Ch. Sabarka of Farningham, we quote from Mrs. Helen Harris' letter; we took 'Barka with us to the mountains this year as usual and though there was not any snow until just before we left, there was lots of ice and it was a sight to see 'Barka race up and down the steep icy paths and climb the icy rocks. I was much interested in watching his feet, and the remarkable way he would spread out each toe and each nail and really grip the ice as tho he had cleats on his feet! He stayed at the hotel with us and made many friends and was much loved by all, for tho well mannered and obedient, he is so enthusiastic and always ready to oblige with the many tricks Faith has taught him. When he first meets anyone, Faith tells him to "make a bow." He promptly goes down on his front legs and puts his head to the ground in the position a dog often takes when he stretches. It always delights a new acquaintance. Then he shakes hands of course, and when Faith tells him to, he 'rolls over and claps his hands," "speaks," up to five times and and knows the difference between the different numbers she gives. Then he catches objects and carries them when told to, and if she wants him to jump anything, she only has to say "jump," and over he goes. These are just simple amusing things that Faith has taught him, and he even 'yawns' when she tells him to!

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such as how to open bureau drawers! His ball is kept in a drawer in her room, and in hunting it, he puts his nails in the crack, stand-

A record entry of 12 Sammies appeared to be judged by the Hon. Marples at Oakland, March 6 and 7. Eight males and four females. As



CH. JACK FROST OF SACRAMENTO

Owned by Mr. and Mrs. E. L. McCleary

ing on his legs to reach it, and then found that if he walked backwards and pulled with his claws in the crack, the drawer opened. Now we have only to say "open the drawer" and he knows what to do. They play the game of "hide the ball," and after Faith has hidden it several times and 'Barka has had the pleasure of finding it, she goes out of the room and 'Barka hides it for her to find! He puts it in one of the places she has previously hidden it, such as the scrap basket or a pigeon hole in the desk, and if she is not quick to find it, he stands near the place and nudges it to give her a hint! These are self taught things, all the more delightful in that they show a dog's ability to think things out for himself."

Since receiving the above letter, we have learned through the Sam Club Bulletin that this splendid dog, Ch. Sabarka of Farningham of Snowland has passed on to the great beyond—leaving a heart broken family who feel his loss most keenly. His death came suddenly just a week before his scheduled appearance at the Westminster Show. It is a sad loss to the breed as well as to Mrs. Harris who had brought him over from England to form the nucleus of her Snowland Kennels. He was also the leader of her sled team, and was a perfect "lead dog" — seeming to understand instinctively his duties as leader of the team.

Our sincere sympathy goes to his sorrowing owner.

usual there was always crowd around this bench who claimed in no uncertain terms—"these are the loveliest dogs in the entire show." Many visitors returned again and again to pet and admire the dogs. A new champion claimed his title at this show, so northern California now claims as its own Ch. Jack Frost of Sacramento—who is owned by Mr. and Mrs. E. L. McCleary of Sacramento. Mr. McCleary tells the story that when "Frost" was in line to be judged, an exhibitor of another breed suddenly placed her tiny dog on the floor nearby, "Frost" spied it, mistook it for a cat, stood poised as tho for a dash for it and just at that moment the Judge approached—and lo! a new champion came into his own!

We present a picture of Ch. Jack Frost of Sacramento who we understand is soon to be advertised as a stud dog.

Among the visitors to the bench were Mr. and Mrs. Chas. Whitehead of Menlo Park, who owned, until his sudden death, Dobre Suda, known as Judge. There, they saw Sonny, registered as Silvertip Savera. Sonny's appeal and appearance were so remindful of his brother, Judge that Mr. Whitehead could not resist the appeal and acquired him on the spot. We feel justified in saying that though there will be an empty spot at his former home, Sonny will never suffer in any way through the change—that thought is the one consolation that makes such a deal possible.

There was a splendid benching of Samoyedes, at Oakland show and though the results of the judging might not have been what was agreeable to all parties, their owners felt that their dogs had received a fair judging, and so decided to hope for better luck next time.



Miss Mason of Sacramento with the Samoyede, Petrof Lebanov

The important wins were: Best of winners and best of breed, Jack Frost of Sacramento, (Mr. and Mrs. E. L. McCleary; reserve, Petrof Lebanov (a junior puppy owned by Mrs. A. E. Mason of Sacramento); best opposite sex, Empress Zita (Mr. and Mrs. P. A. Stang).

This month we submit a picture of that gorgeous young pup, Petrof Lebanov, who at the age of 6½ months weighed 55 pounds, and who went to reserve in this, his first show.

This pup is sired by Mrs. Mason's splendid stud, Czar Nicholas Lebanov and whelped by her Dascha of Laika, who was imported from California from the famous Laika Kennels in Massachusetts.

Petrof shows the Donerna's Barin ancestry in his splendid coat and carriage and the short ears inherited from his mother. We are expecting this young Sammy to make a show record of which to be proud.

Mrs. Mason tells us some interesting stories about Nick, who is a most intelligent Sammy.

"One trick causes some concern occasionally because he has learned how to unlatch any hook or latch on the doors in the house or the gates in the yard. If it's a hook, he just nudges it with his nose; if a latch, he uses his paw. His intelligence is a convenience at times, as he has nudged the hook up to open the door for us. This particular door has a hook and latch, so when we turn the latch combination, he could walk out when he desired. We wonder if anyone else has ever had their dog go to the neighbors and let their dog out.

Nick has a particular Airedale lady friend he likes to play with—and as soon as he is let out he immediately goes over there. If he can't open the back door he goes to the front. Mrs. Shower, the neighbor said she wondered how Duchess, the Airedale, was getting out—until she caught Nick in the act of letting her

out. He enjoys playing hide and seek with the children. His wagon is a constant joy and we hope to get all three in harness before the winter is over. We had hoped to get them harnessed to my father's sled he used in Alaska."

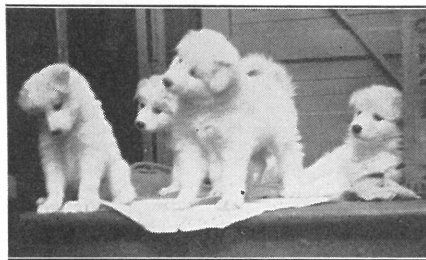
In closing, Mrs. Mason made a suggestion which we submit to our readers and hope they will tell us their reaction to the idea. Her suggestion is a Question Box for Sammy readers saying: "I know of so many things I would like to have answered regarding the average weight of puppies at birth; natural weekly gain; when ears come up, when eyes turn dark, etc."

It was brought to our attention at the recent show how very little is known about the Samoyedes in their native lands, even by our esteemed announcer during the "Lady and Her Dog" Pageant.

Mrs. Mason was costumed in the typical native Samoyede dress, made after careful research in her city library—and her appearance was announced as an Eskimo lady with a Samoyede dog! We wonder if our readers would be interested in having a bit of information regarding the native Samoyedes of the Siberian tundra regions? Any suggestion would be welcome.

News of the recent Westminster show so kindly sent us by Mrs. Catherine Quereaux will appear in a coming issue.

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Bullterriers

Elmer Elson, our friend of the Bullterrier leanings took time out to drop us a line about the breed: "Southern California accounted for three of the four Bullterriers passed upon at Oakland by Mr. Marples. Two dogs and two bitches, Platinum Lord Bill, bred and owned by Harold Shumate refused to show to advantage and lost to Elmer Elson's Elsonia Gamester.

In bitches Dr. Bonneville's Platinum Lady Priscilla won over Mr. and Mrs. W. M. Houghton's Budson Barbara and avenged Bill's defeat, by beating Gamester for best of breed. The unanimous opinion of the exhibitors was that "the little man from Manchester" not only knows Bullterriers but also knows how to judge them—which is something else again.



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