

Kanine Korner

By Francis X. Lohmann

Such excitement! You have finally picked out that lovable little ball of fur and he is in his new home for the first time. The puppy doesn't know he is only six or ten weeks of age but on the other paw he does know he is in a strange place, with new friends, a bit nervous and awfully scared. His God-given canine intuition will tell him you may be new at this sort of thing, too.

I suggest that you let your brand new little bow-wow view his new home from a box just his size. Allow the pup outdoors only long enough to answer the call of nature. Treat him gently, talk to him in a soothingly low voice and let him get to know the family in his own time. Speak quietly and gain his trust and calm his fears and above all guard against tiring the little fellow. Refrain from too many corrections as they come much easier as he progresses in puppyhood.

I CAN well remember my first night away from home. It was a frightening experience. Every noise was exaggerated. Most of us have run this gauntlet in our lives. Dogs are no exception. I strongly recommend keeping the puppy's bed close by your own so that you can place a reassuring hand in the box when he becomes afraid.

The puppy's been used to his mother's warmth and the companionship of his sisters and brothers, so he will be more content if you place a hot water bottle in his box and perhaps one of your shoes or a Nylabone. A ticking clock will give him additional consolation.

Give your new friend a dish that will be his very own and one he is comfortable eating from and yet will not spill easily such as a Dr. Keene's water and food server, available at many of the better pet shops. Give your newly acquired little furry ball of

love his first meal "tid-bit" fashion. Gradually he will learn to eat on his own. Never rush him, have lots of patience and above all, give him lots of love. The pup of your dreams will reciprocate a hundred fold.

BOWSER BROWSINGS — Dog tattooing has come to Southern California. As a tremendous step forward in solving the problem of lost or stolen dogs and to implement the recently enacted Federal Animal Welfare Act intended to safeguard pets from ending up in research laboratories, dog tattoo service is now being offered by many veterinarians in Los Angeles and Orange counties. Additionally, Animal Identification Service, Inc., 722 S. Vermont Ave., Los Angeles, has begun operations in providing dog tattoo service to the dog-loving populace.

Initial dog tattoo service in behalf of dog owners starts this upcoming Saturday at the SPCA shelter located at 5025 W. Jefferson St., Los Angeles. If you love and value your dog I strongly recommend dog tattooing for Bowser. It could some day save the life of your canine companion. My Lady Heather will be first in line.

For further information call 388-3421. Dr. Wesley A. Young, former director of the Los Angeles Zoo, and Harry Miller, formerly director of Gaines Dog Research Center, New York City, are president and vice president, respectively, of the Animal Identification Service.

God made man and then seeing man's loneliness, gave him the dog. . . . One of my favorite actors, Luther Adler, is an avid Pug fancier. As a matter of fact, he owns three of the breed. Ted Mack is an avid English Setter fancier. Art Linkletter goes for the Yorkshire Terrier and Don Knotts goes for the German Shepherd.

Dogs in New York City apartments are now outnumbering the tenants. How about that? . . . California Dog Fanciers Association, headed by Edith Izant, meets today at 8 p.m. at the Coast Federal Savings and Loan Association, Eastland Shopping Center, West Covina. The public is invited. I urgently urge dog owners, breeders and exhibitors to attend and pit their voices against several slates of unfair, anti-doggie legislation some of our so-called publicly elected servants would

like to perpetrate on their unsuspecting dog-loving constituents. . . . There are big ships and little ships but the best ships of all are the friendships of our beloved dogs.

BREED OF THE WEEK — Of the 115 recognized AKC breeds, the Afghan Hound is by far the most striking in appearance. Once you have feasted your eyes on this picturesque pure bred from ancient times, he will not soon be forgotten. The Afghan is also one of the oldest breeds, dating back 50 to 60 centuries, vieing only with the Saluki for longevity.

First recorded mention of the Afghan Hound is in a papyrus dating between 4000 and 3000 B. C. From this plus additional evidence it appears that the breed originated near Jebel Musa on the Sinai Peninsula, where Jehovah delivered the Ten Commandments to Moses. From there the Afghan Hound spread throughout Asia.

JUST WHEN he became established in the hill country of Northern Afghanistan from whence comes his name is still shrouded in mystery. The high elevation

of Afghanistan is responsible for the breed's luxurious coat for it needed that stand-off covering of silky, thick hair to withstand the severe cold in winter and the extreme heat of the summer.

Another distinguishing feature of the Afghan Hound is his unique assembly of hipbones. The hips are set much higher and farther apart than in the ordinary dog. This biblical contribution to dogdom is freedom-loving, independent and distinctly aristocratic.

County Assumes Drain Control

County Supervisors have accepted a city of Carson storm drain project for future operation and maintenance by the Flood Control District, Supervisor Burton W. Chace said today.

The half-mile drain is on the north side of Del Amo Boulevard, near Central Avenue.

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Vietnam Vets Will Receive Attention

Since the United States Veterans Assistance Center (USVAC) program began four months ago, more than 25,000 recently discharged Vietnam era veterans have received the "personal attention and counsel" on veterans benefits called for in President Johnson's directive establishing the program, Administrator of Veterans Affairs William J. Driver reported today.

More than 3,600 newly discharged veterans have been given this special service at the Los Angeles Veterans Assistance Center since it opened Feb. 19 of this year. The local center is located at 101 Willowbrook Boulevard in Compton.

NEARLY 6,200 of the veterans seen nationally have been assisted in obtaining education and training benefits, the head of the Veterans Administration said in summarizing the activities through May 31

in major cities throughout the country.

Additionally, jobs in both government and private industry have been found for nearly 3,000 of the interviewed veterans who specifically sought employment assistance, Driver said.

APPROXIMATELY 7,000 applications for home loans, compensation and pensions, hospital benefits have been handled.

Driver emphasized that while there is not a USVAC in every major city offering multi-agency, one-step service on veteran benefits, the Veterans Administration has installations in every state.

"VA representatives at these installations have been trained and are now ready to provide returning Vietnam era veterans with the personal attention and counsel on all of their veteran benefits which the President wants for all veterans," Driver concluded. of the first USVACs operat-

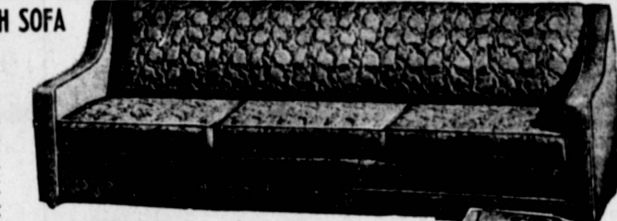


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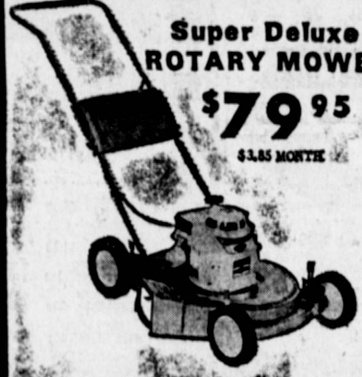
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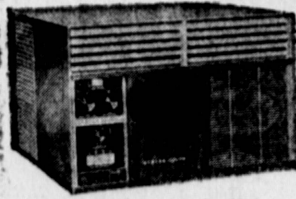
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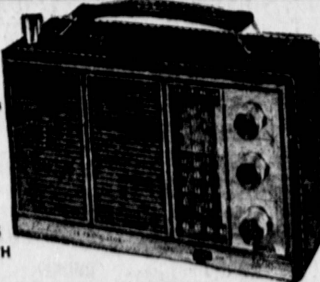


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