

The History of the Dog

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The Saluki or Gazelle Hound is the oldest pure breed in the world, though the origin of this graceful animal is unknown. The antiquity that is attached to the breed is not imagined, as might be thought, but can be proved by many reports brought back by many explorers, students of art, literature, and archaeology, whose path lead them to little frequented corners of the earth where domestic life is still today very much the same as it was thousands of years ago and where even the animals have undergone slight changes.

According to tradition, the Saluki came with the horses from Syria; the Arabs claim to have introduced it into Egypt through their trade with that country. In confirmation of this, some of the earliest records of the breed come from Egypt. The word *slugh* is from the colloquial Arabic, while it is *saluki* in classical Arabic. To the native Arab it means "hound" or "greyhound," and not a "kelb," which represents the despised dog of Islam. The Arabs have it that the name is derived from Saluk, a vanished town in Southern Arabia, once famous for the character of its armour and its hounds, or from "Seleukia," of the Green Empire in Syria. The word *slugh* represents the male, *slughiyah* the female, while the classical *saluki* and *salukia* mean the male and female respectively, the plural being *slugs*.

The Bedawin have carefully bred Salukis for hundreds of years and hold great love for them, the only canines to enjoy this affection from their masters. They are given very poetic names. In certain districts one color will predominate, but since Arabs are a roving people and are constantly on the move, one particular color is more apt to be associated with a certain tribe than with a given area. Several colors may be found, that of "ripe-corn," gold-

en, blacks, always having the same tan markings, whites, and multi-colored.

When a bitch has puppies, the litter is never lost sight of for an instant. Visitors arrive in droves to inspect the newcomers and offer the owner presents, and a loss of one of these puppies is considered a catastrophe. Training starts at the age of three months, though the dog is not allowed to hunt for its master until better than fifteen months of age, and is not considered fully qualified until it is two years old.

The Saluki was introduced into England in 1895 when a ten months old pair was brought over from Egypt and it was from these two that the entire stock of English Salukis has descended. In 1922 a class was established for this breed, and its popularity has been growing slowly since that time.

Afghan Hounds
Information as to the earlier history of this member of the greyhound family is very rare. The "dogs of Afghanistan" were mentioned in 1815 in an account by the Hon. Monstuart Elphinstone, who stated that they were bred in great numbers, particularly among the pastoral tribes, who are very fond of hunting. The hound is distinctly of the Eastern group of the greyhound family, though heavier and somewhat altered. The young puppies show no signs of the fleecy, heavy coat of the adult.

This dog was first exhibited at Cruft's show in 1910, in the "foreign and other variety" class, and as far as can be ascertained the present-day type shows no alteration from the first members of the breed. The male stands about 28 inches high at the shoulder, the bitch 26 inches, while the average weight of the male runs close to 65 pounds. The color is brindle, fawn, red, a cream, white, and mixed. Black muzzles and black tips are quite common.

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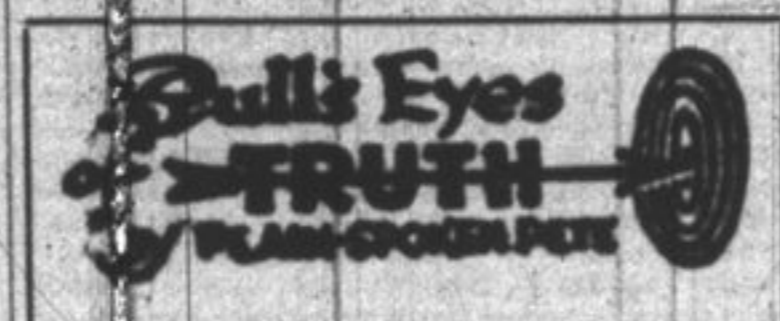
According to an article appearing in a recent issue of the newspapers, civic, business, and military leaders on the West Coast have joined forces with the movement to secure another "West Point" for the Middle West, and another "Annapolis" for the West Coast. In summarizing their attitude they said: "We need another Annapolis on the West Coast, another West Point in the Middle West, for efficiency, development of an adequate national defense, and stimulation of patriotism throughout the nation." Col. John F. Upham, chairman

University of California military science department, sums up the situation thusly: "We recognize what the two academies have accomplished, and certainly would welcome additional units in the Middle West and the Pacific Coast to demonstrate their value to the public."

For each city dweller in the United States, farmers raise an average annual crop of quarter acre of wheat, one-eighth acre of cotton, and three-fourth acre of corn.

Not including children under 13, there are 50,000,000 members of the various churches in the United States. This is an increase of 10,000,000 within a 10-year period.

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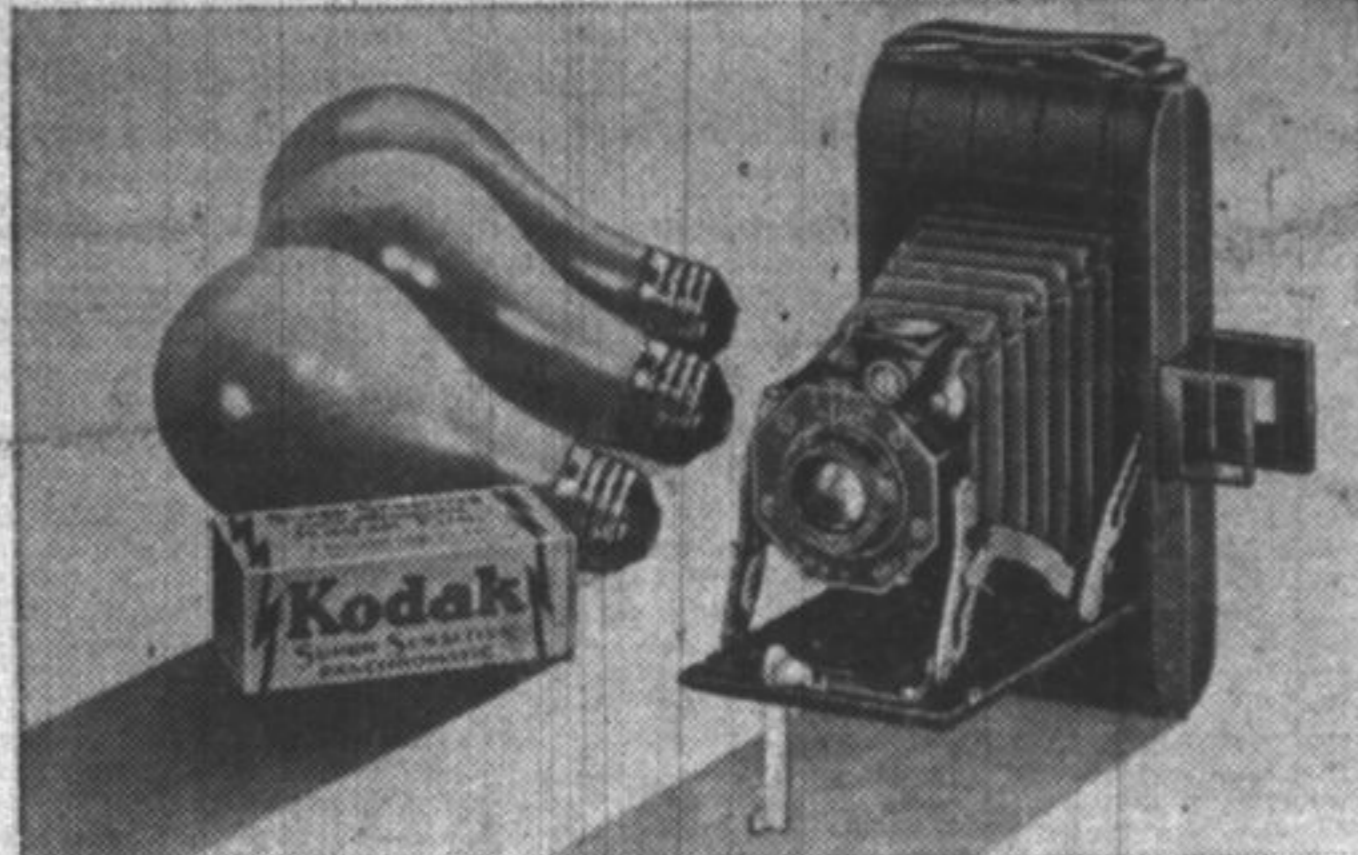


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Deerfield Unit Sponsor Poppy Poster Contest

A Poppy Poster contest will again be sponsored by the American Legion Auxiliary, Deerfield unit for the Wilmet, Bannockburn, and Deerfield school children in 6th, 7th, and 8th grades. The contest will close on Saturday, May 9.

A medal will be awarded the winner and ribbons with the Legion emblem will be given the contestants receiving honorable mention.

Nation-wide observance of Poppy Day will be on Saturday, May 23, when memorial poppies to be worn in honor of the World war dead will be distributed by Deerfield unit. The preparations for this day are under the leadership of Miss Louise Huhn, Poppy Day chairman.

The poppies, made of paper by disabled veterans, will be offered on the streets in the business district throughout the day. Contributions for the welfare of the disabled veterans and needy families will be asked in exchange for the flowers.

Wearing the poppy is a personal tribute to the men who gave their lives in the country's service. By having a poppy on the coat on Poppy Day, all can show that they

still remember and honor the sacrifices made for America during the World war. The poppy is the flower which bloomed on the battle fields where they fell and on Poppy Day it blooms again over the patriotic hearts where they are remembered. Wearing the poppy also gives the wearer a part in the vast work carried out by the American Legion and Auxiliary for the war's living victims. Every penny contributed for a poppy goes to the support of this work, the bulk of the money being used here in Deerfield in the welfare activities of the local Legion post and Auxiliary unit.

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