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LIFE COVER



ON THE LAWN AT FIVE MILE KENNELS MARION FLORSHEIM ACQUAINTS TWO YOUNG AFGHANS WITH RING MANNERS OF INTERNATIONAL CHAMPION RUDIKI (LEFT)

AFGHAN HOUNDS

Afghanistan's ancient aristocrats
are newly popular in this country

The Afghan hound was first known to the Western world as a monkeylike dog whose picture was found carved on the ancient tombs in the valley of the Nile. These dogs were so curious and unlike any known breed that they were believed to be imaginary. Years later the actual dog was found living in the hill country of Afghanistan and it was established that the Afghan had been in Egypt as far back as 4000 B.C. The Afghan has probably existed in its present state longer than any other dog. The first Afghan to leave the

East came to England in 1907, and the first one was registered in this country in 1926.

Today in the U.S. the Afghan has become popular and a consistent winner at all dog shows. Best show Afghan in the U.S. is Rudiki (see cover), whose owner, Marion Florsheim of Darien, Conn., is a foremost Afghan breeder. A quiet dog, the Afghan seldom barks and, though affectionate, is never demonstrative. It has an aristocratic character and elegant manners and, because of its speed and grace, is beautiful to watch.

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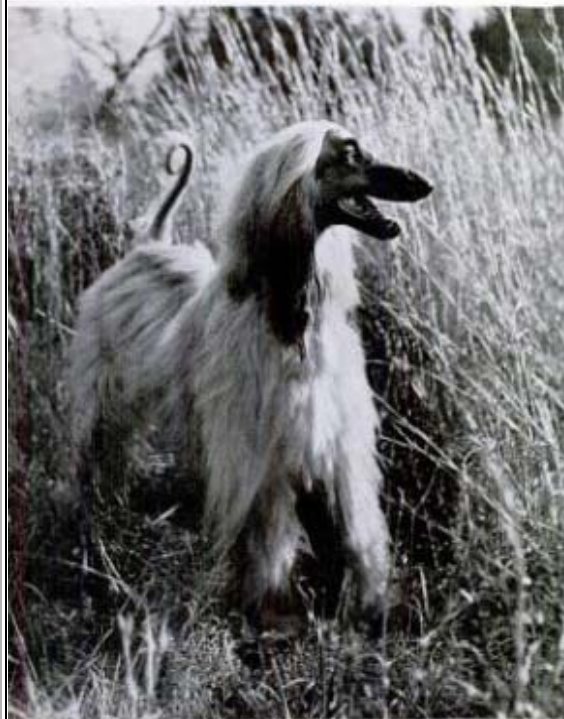
A THREE-MONTH-OLD AFGHAN PUPPY GETS ACQUAINTED WITH GROWN



Champion Afghan Rudiki stands ready for a dog show, groomed so that every hair is in place. An Afghan's coat is very soft and silky and needs brushing at least three times a week. The Afghan hound is a pure breed and not related to any other dog.



AFGHANS. ITS LONG HAIR WILL START TO GROW IN ANOTHER MONTH



In the field the Afghan's tail is carried high. In Afghanistan the Afghan is used for hunting, and the tail, bobbing above the grass, enables hunters to follow. Afghan is fast enough to catch deer but kills prey, so is unlawful for hunting in the U. S.

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Afghan Hounds CONTINUED



Shew-dog grooming has to be done every day. A good Afghan has a narrow, powerful head set on a long neck. His body should be strong and the hair on his head should be combed into a topknot. As a pet, the Afghan is at home in city or country.



Afghan's hindquarters are covered with long hair and look somewhat like a monkey's hindquarters. Pedigreed Afghan puppies for pets cost from \$100 to \$250. Show puppies sell from \$300 to \$1,500, slightly higher than for other pedigreed dogs.