

In Memoriam



ADOLPH F. KRAMER

Although it was known that Adolph F. Kramer had been under doctor's care for a heart ailment, news of his death in Presbyterian Hospital, Chicago, Sunday, October 15, still came as a shock to his many friends. He was not only one of the foremost figures in the world of pure-bred dogs but one of the best loved as well. His election to the Board of Directors of the AKC, Class of 1948, in March, 1944, was a bright mark in more than half a century of effort devoted to many sides of the sport. Since 1890, when he registered his first dog, a St. Bernard, Mr. Kramer's interest had never diminished. In 1898 he made a start in Bulldogs, the breed that became his constant favorite. Long ago he was granted a license to judge the "sourmugs," and he had placed them in most of the outstanding shows, including Westminster, Morris and Essex, Pacific Coast Bulldog Club, Bulldog Club of Canada, and the AKC's Sesquicentennial Show. Granted the kennel name "Glorious," May 18, 1920, the three outstanding Bulldogs he owned were Ch. Glorious Soubriquet, Ch. Silent White Redcap, and Ch. Markham Tommy. Mr. Kramer was born in Chicago, Ill., October 11, 1870. He was president of Draper and Kramer, Inc., a real estate firm he founded in 1893; past president Chicago Real Estate Board; president and treasurer Western Specialty Clubs; vice-president Bulldog Club of America; past president Chicago Bulldog Club, of which he was the delegate; and chairman for two decades of the Chicago Trial Board of The American Kennel Club.