

Lore for Dog-Owners

By Albert Payson Terhune

A TRIBE OF WILD DOGS



At Last One of the Wild Dogs is Able to Come Alongside and Attack the Prey.

"IT IS true all dogs used to be wild, once," asked Harry Deitz, as he dropped into step alongside Old Man Nagley on the latter's morning walk up Vine street on his way to a day's work as neighborhood handy man. "I asked because at the New York zoo last week I saw a reddish short-haired dog about as big as a pointer, and the sign outside his cage said he was a 'Dingo; Australian Wild Dog!'"

"The dingo was a wild dog, once," answered Nagley, from his inexhaustible store of canine knowledge. "but he has been domesticated long ago, to a great extent, and he is used as a pet and for working purposes out in Australia. But, for all that, there are still a lot of wild dogs in different parts of the world; as wild and as savage as any wolf. They are a living answer to your question whether or not all dogs used to be wild."

"It's funny you should be asking that question just now, too. For a friend of mine dropped in on me one day last week and he was telling me about a long hunting trip he'd been on lately, in British East Africa, with some sportsmen who hired him to go along as cook and handy man. Last night at the public library I was looking up some of the things he had told me. Not that I doubted him, but to see if he was really right about all of them. He was."

"Out there in British East Africa, and in other parts of the dark continent, too, they have these big savage dogs, ranging in color from pale yellow to almost black. They are ferocious and they attack men as willingly as they attack deer."

"They hunt together in packs. Some of the packs contain more than a hundred dogs. Just figure for yourself what it means to have a bunch of 100 savage brutes like that charging down at you!"

"They attack leopards as gladly as they attack more gentle game. As a rule, you know, leopards love to kill dogs. It is their favorite meat. But a bunch of these African wild dogs kill leopards and even lions. They kill anything they can get."

"The odd thing is that they seldom eat more than a small part of the victim's body and never touch his head at all. More often they kill from wanton mischief, and never bother to eat a mouthful of their kill. They drive all the game out of any region they choose for a hunting ground, too—all that they don't manage to kill."

"My friend described to me the way a pack of them does when it starts in pursuit of a big antelope or other fast-running prey. He says one dog will run at top speed, as close behind the prey as he can keep up. The rest spread out in a sort of fan-formation; and they follow this leading dog at an easier pace, about a quarter of a mile or more behind."

"Then, if the prey tries to turn sharply to one side or the other, they can shift their own direction and follow so as to intercept him. If he keeps straight on, the first dog gets tired or winded, after a while, from his headlong pace. Then he drops back to the rest of the pack."

"At once one of the other dogs dashes ahead and takes the leader's place, close behind the prey. In this fashion, by relays, they run until they tire out the deer or other animal they are chasing and at last one of them is able to come alongside and attack him."

"If one of the wild dogs is hurt in the attack on the prey, all the rest turn on the wounded dog in a flash and kill him. I have read that some kinds of wolves do the same thing. That is a queer trait of animals and birds."

"The other day I saw a chicken hit by a motor car and disabled. Right away the other chickens rushed at him and tried to peck him to death. I don't know if all chickens do this but that's the second time I've seen it. It seems to be an inherited trait of the wild. I suppose originally all wild creatures were hungry and they made a meal of any one of their number that couldn't defend itself any longer."

"There's another odd trait of these British East African dogs I was telling you about. Their brood-nests are made in hollows in the earth, deep under ground. There's two or more females club together to occupy the same burrow and to bring up their pups together in it."

"That doesn't take after the ordinary dog or the wolf, but the fox. The dog and the wolf, in wild state, will make their brood-nest in a hollow tree or under a windfall or in a cave, but they won't usually go underground. The fox does this—usually stealing the use of some woodchuck's burrow. And the fox is only a very distant cousin to the dog or to the wolf. That's why it surprised me so to learn that the wild dogs out there dig burrows and bring up their babies underground, as no other dog will do if he can help it."

"Perhaps it's done for fear the lion or the leopard will try to get back at them by attacking the helpless pups if they are left exposed in an ordinary den above ground."

"But there are wild dogs in some wildernesses of the world that used to be tame dogs. A friend of mine who spent a year with a surveying party in the black mountains of Hawaii told me about a strange tribe of wild dogs that live there—dogs that live on the wild goats and other game they can catch among the volcanic mountain ranges. He saw only three of them, he says, for they are crafty and elusive."

"He made inquiries about them and he found they are all descended from two or three collies that were brought over from the United States many years ago by immigrants. They were tame collies and clever."

"Their masters died or else moved back to the States and deserted their dogs. The collies had to starve or else revert to the wild. They went to the inaccessible mountains and there made their living easily by running down goats and deer. They multiplied and in a few generations they were a tribe of dogs as wild as those in British East Africa. Do you blame them? I do not. Put a bunch of humans on a desert island and leave them there for a few generations, and you'd find they had reverted to savagery. It's happened once or twice, so a college professor told me."

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Science Has Revealed Wonders of Universe

The things we view in life are affected by the kind of glasses we wear, consequently the accuracy of our knowledge in this world may be twisted and hindered by present environment, education or experience. The ancients saw the same sky as we do, but they did not have the same revelation, says the New York World. They did not know the stars were other worlds. They thought they were only specks of light. We know that what we are seeing is world upon world innumerable, right away into infinity.

Some of those wisps that we can hardly see, except with the most powerful telescope—the light has taken 100,000 years to come; the light that we now see started before the pyramids were thought of. It is a wonderful universe! You may say, "But that is seen." Yes, it is seen, but a very little would have stopped us seeing it. The air might have been permanently opaque; we should not have known a thing about all those worlds. We should have thought this world was all and any being better informed than we would have said, "What a miserable idea of existence those people have down there!"

Mercerization of Cotton

Mercerization is the treatment of the cotton fabric with caustic soda, potash, or some similar chemical, so as to increase the color-absorbing qualities of the cotton. It also gives it a silky gloss. The process derived its name from the inventor, John Mercer, an Englishman who died in 1820.

NOTICE OF ELECTION

At the regular meeting of the Mayor and Board of Commissioners of the Town of Murphy on Thursday April 7th, at which the Mayor and all members of the Board of Commissioners were present, it was ordered by motion duly made, seconded and unanimously carried that the regular annual election for the election of a Mayor and Board of six Commissioners of the Town of Murphy be held on Tuesday, May the Carnegie Library in the manner and during the hours provided by law according to the Australian system of balloting.

For the purpose of holding said election, Wilson Elliott is hereby appointed Registrar and ordered to keep the registration books open for the purpose of registering all persons entitled to vote and who were not registered and did not vote in the last annual municipal election at the store of W. B. Diekey & Sons during the legal hours from Saturday, April 17 to Saturday April 24th, both inclusive, and Sidney Pendley and J. W. Lovinwood are hereby appointed judges of said election.

It is further ordered that all candidates for the offices of Mayor and Board of Commissioners must hand their names to the undersigned Clerk of the said Board of Commissioners by six o'clock Thursday evening April 29th, in order for their names to appear on the regular ballot.

By order of the Mayor and Board of Commissioners,
B. W. SIPE, Clerk and Treasurer,
Board of Commissioners,
Town of Murphy.

NOTICE

All persons subject to taxation are required to furnish a list of their real and personal property to the List Taker of the township in which they reside, or the township in which the property is located, during the month of May; and at the same time all farmers are required to furnish an account of the number of acres in their farm, and the number of crops for the current year, etc., etc.

The law provides that non-residents, women, and invalids may list their taxes by an agent, all others must furnish their lists and verify the same. It is just as important that all real estate be listed as that the personal property should be listed.

A failure to list your taxes is a misdemeanor, and also renders the delinquent subject to an additional tax on the property not listed.

For the purpose of receiving your tax lists for the year 1926 the undersigned List Taker for Murphy Township will be at the following places on dates indicated. Come and list your taxes at one of these places and thus expedite the business, and also save expenses to the public and extra cost to you.

Martins Creek, at Crisp Store May 4th; Brasstown, May 5th; Peachtree, May 6 and 7th; Tomotla, May 8th; Bolling Springs, May 10th; Hangingdog, May 11th; Dockery Schoolhouse, May 12th; Grape Creek, May 13th; Murphy, 14th to 22nd.

Very respectfully,
W. B. RAFFER,
W. T. LOVINGOOD,
List Takers.

(37-4t-60)

NORTH CAROLINA, CHEROKEE COUNTY.

To A. M. Simonds
Entry Taker for Cherokee County:
The undersigned W. F. Krickhan of Buncombe County, North Carolina, enters and lays claim to the following described piece or parcel of land in Beaverdam Township, Cherokee County, State of North Carolina, the same being vacant and unappropriated land, and subject to entry, viz:

On the waters of the Hiwassee River in District No. 5 of Cherokee County, North Carolina.
BEGINNING on a stake, the Northwest corner of Tract No. 76, and in the line of Entry No. 945, Grant No. 10271, and runs with said line of Entry No. 945, Grant No. 10271 North 3 30' East 145.5 feet to a stake, the Northeast corner of said No., and the Southwest corner of Entry No. Grant No. 7569; thence with the line of Entry No. 66, Grant No. 7569 South 86 48' East 2095.5 feet to a stake, the Southeast corner of said No., thence South 46 25' East 259.5 feet to a stake in the line of Tract No. 76; thence with the line North 85 31' West 615.5 feet to a stake, the Northwest corner of said No., and the Northeast corner of Tract No. 76; thence with the line of Tract No. 76 North 86 30' West 1678.5 feet to the beginning containing by estimation 7.66 acres.

(Signed) W. F. KRICKHAN,
Entered this 24th day of April 1926.

Notice is hereby given that a warrant of survey will be issued for the

above described land on or after the 25th day of May, 1926, if there is no protest filed in this office.

This April 24th, 1926.

A. M. SIMONDS,

Entry Taker Ex-Office for Cherokee County,
(38-4t-K)

NORTH CAROLINA, CHEROKEE COUNTY.

To A. M. Simonds

Entry Taker for Cherokee County:
The undersigned W. F. Krickhan of Buncombe County, North Carolina, enters and lays claim to the following described piece or parcel of land in Beaverdam Township, Cherokee County, State of North Carolina, the same being vacant and unappropriated land, and subject to entry, viz:

On the waters of Hiwassee River in District No. 5, of Cherokee County, N. C. BEGINNING on a stooping bolly on the North bank of the Hiwassee River, the corner of Pre-emption No. 273, and runs with the line of said No. North 7 630' East 1893.5 feet to a stake in said line, and in the line of Entry No. 945 Grant No. 10271; thence with said line of Entry No. 945, Grant No. 10271 North 3 30' E. 1489.5 ft. to a stake the North or Northwest corner of said No., and in the line of Entry No. Grant No. 7569; thence with said line North 46 25' West 942.5 feet to a Post Oak snag, the Northwest corner of said No., and the North east corner of entry No. 2412, Grant No. 2923; thence with lines of Entry No. 2412 Grant No. 2923 South 2 56' West 612.5 feet to a small sourwood the Southeast corner of said No., thence South 77 24 West 197.0 feet to a stake in the line of Entry No. 2412, Grant No. 2923, and in the line of Tract No. 143, Grant No. 1,224; thence with the line of tract No. 143, Grant No. 1,224 South 48 20' West 1,345.5 feet to a stake in said line the Northwest corner of Entry No. 334, Grant No. 79; thence with line of said Entry No. 334, Grant No. 79 South 46 40' East 683.0 feet to a stake the North east corner of said No.; thence South 48 20' West 235.0 ft to a stake in said line, in the middle or thread of the Hiwassee River; thence with the middle or thread of the said Hiwassee River South 61 42' East 479.0 feet to a point in the middle or thread of said river the North west corner of Pre-emption No. 273; thence with line of said entry No. 273 North 76 30' East 198.0 feet to the beginning, containing by estimation 92.84 acres.

(Signed) W. F. KRICKHAN,
Entered this the 24th day of April, 1926.

Notice is hereby given that a warrant of survey will be issued for the above described land on the 25th day of May 1926, if there is no protest filed in this office against said entry.

This the 24th day of April, 1926.
A. M. SIMONDS,
Entry Taker for Cherokee County, North Carolina.
(38-4t-k)

NORTH CAROLINA, CHEROKEE COUNTY.
To A. M. Simonds,
Entry Taker for Cherokee County:
The undersigned W. F. Krickhan of Buncombe County, North Carolina, enters and lays claim to the following described piece of parcel land in Beaverdam Township, Cherokee County, State of North Carolina the same being vacant unappropriated land, and subject to entry, viz:

On the waters of Hiwassee River in District No. 5 of Cherokee County, North Carolina.
BEGINNING on a stake, the southwest corner of Tract No. 76; the Northwest corner of Tract No. 77; the Northeast corner of Pre-emption No. 274 and the southeast corner of Entry No. 946, Grant, No. 10,271, and runs with the line of the last named tract North 46 25' west 289.0 feet to a stake in said line, and in the line of pre-emption No. 273; thence with the line of pre-emption No. 273 South 11 30' East 2385.5 feet to a stake the Southeast corner of said No., and corner of Pre-emption No. 274; thence with the line of said Pre-emption No. 274 North 77 59' East 1,655.0 feet to the Beginning, containing by estimation 45.31 acres.

(Signed) W. F. KRICKHAN,
Entered this 24th day of April 1926.

Notice is hereby given that a warrant of survey will be issued for the above described land on or after the 25th day of May, 1926 if there is no protest filed in this office.

This April 24th, 1926.
A. M. SIMONDS,
Entry Taker,
(38-4t-k)

NORTH CAROLINA, CHEROKEE COUNTY.

To A. M. Simonds

Entry Taker for Cherokee County:
The undersigned Mary H. Brown, of Cherokee County, North Carolina enters and lays claim to the following described piece or parcel of land in Beaverdam Township, Cherokee County, North Carolina, the same being vacant and unappropriated land, and subject to entry, viz:

BEGINNING on a Chestnut oak on the line of No. 236 and runs North 41 degrees west 693.7 feet to a large chestnut oak on the side of the mountain corner of No. 4814; thence North 74 degrees West 661 ft to a stone in the line of No. 522; thence with the line of No. 522 South 9 degrees and 15' East about 800 feet to the corner of No. 236; then with the line of said No. 889 feet to the beginning containing by estimation 8 acres more or less.

(Signed) MARY H. BROWN,
Entered this 27th day of April, 1926.

North Carolina, Cherokee County.
Notice is hereby given that on or after the 27th day of May 1926 a warrant of survey will be issued for the above described land if there is no protest filed in this office on or before said date.

This the 27th day of April 1926.
A. M. SIMONDS,
By W. A. ADAMS,
Entry Taker for Cherokee County, North Carolina.
(38-4t-A)

NORTH CAROLINA, CHEROKEE COUNTY.

To A. M. Simonds

Entry Taker for Cherokee County:
The undersigned Mary H. Brown of Cherokee County, North Carolina, enters and lays claim to the following described piece or parcel of land in Beaverdam Township, Cherokee County, State of North Carolina the same being vacant and unappropriated land and subject to entry, viz:

BEGINNING on a stake and pine in the line of No. 522 and runs with the line of said No. South 80 degrees 70 poles to a stake and white oak corner of No. 4813; then with the line of No. 4813 North 39 degrees 4' East 28 1/3 poles to a stake in said line and corner of 4,814; then South 76 East 50 1/2 poles to the beginning, containing by estimation 5 acres more or less.

(Signed) MARY H. BROWN,
By W. A. ADAMS,
Entered this 27th day of April 1926.

Notice is hereby given that a warrant of survey will be issued to the above named Mary H. Brown for the above described land on or after the 27th day of May, 1926, if there is no protest filed in this office.

This 27th day of April 1926.
A. M. SIMONDS,
Entry Taker for Cherokee County, (38-4t-A)

NORTH CAROLINA, CHEROKEE COUNTY.

In The Superior Court.

H. E. HYDE,

vs.

Hattie Hyde.

NOTICE

The defendant in the above entitled action will take notice that an actor, as above entitled has been commenced in the Superior Court of Cherokee County by the plaintiff against the defendant for a divorce from the bonds of matrimony upon the grounds of a separation of the plaintiff and the defendant for a period of more than five years.

And the defendant will further take notice that she is required to appear before the Clerk of the Superior Court of Cherokee County on the 30th day of May, 1926, and answer or demur to the complaint of the plaintiff of file in the Clerk's office or the plaintiff will apply to the court for the relief demanded in said complaint.

E. E. DAVIS,
Clerk Superior Court,
Cherokee County.
(38-4t-pd)

APPLICATION FOR PARDON

of Willie Lovinwood

Application will be made to the Governor of North Carolina for the pardon of Willie Lovinwood convicted at the January term of the Superior Court of Cherokee County, 1925, for the crime of Bigamy.

All persons who oppose the granting of said pardon are invited to forward their protest to the Governor without delay.

This the 22nd day of April 1926.
SAMUEL H. BEAVER.

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Editor and General Manager WILL ROGERS



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Congress No. 2

Statistics have proven that only one-half of one per cent of the speeches made in Congress are listened to. A great many Congressmen speak IN, but not TO, Congress. But every speech is published in the record. They send the records back home to show "What they told 'em up there in Washington." Now the people back home think Congress heard their "Lem" tell 'em this.

Now, here is my scheme to stop speech making. A Bill reading as follows: "Congressional Record must not only contain speech, but number of members, and names who listened to speech, and why." For instance: "Congressman Post Hole arose to a point of information and spoke at length on 'Is Locarno a town, or is it a Treaty?' Length of speech, without waiting for applause, four hours, thirty-six minutes; attendance, Gout (Rep. N. Y.); 'Unable to get out.' Sixty-fourty (Dem. N. J.); 'Case of reciprocity, he listened to mine.' Lowbrow (Rep. Mass.); 'I was asleep, even the good speakers haven't woke me up.'"

Now I claim that will stop some speech making. The minute it gets back home that "Lemmie" is talking to himself up there, "Lemmie" will stop talking.

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Will Rogers
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