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— Terriers are born with about four times as much original sin in them as other dogs.—Jerome K. Jerome

OUR PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

This is the first issue of the Norwich Terrier News. A landmark in the record of our Club's activities. I expect the News to have very much the quality of the Norwich Terrier himself. Informal, engaging, sociable, full of character and variety, full of spice and life. To be as useful and successful as it should be, it will need the support of all of us. We owe a great debt of thanks to Mrs. Sterling Larrabee, who has offered to be its Editor. In her hands, and with our cooperation, a steady supply of facts and of anecdotes should be available to our members in the future. - Mrs. Stevens Baird

NORWICH TERRIERS 1936 - All Norwich breeders are indebted to Mr. Gordon Massey, the first person to register a Norwich Terrier with the American Kennel Club in 1936. Mr. & Mrs. Massey and their Norwich Terriers live at Howell's Point, Trappe, on the Eastern Shore of Maryland. Your Editor has the most happy memory of Mr. Massey descending his staircase, accompanied by an absolute avalanche of Norwich Terriers. Among them were Wise Child, March Hare, Copper Coin and Lucky Penny. Mr. Massey writes:- "The first Norwich Terrier to be registered in the A.K.C. Stud Book, on 20th February, 1936, was Witherslack Sport No. A 58858, whelped 24 February, 1934. I saw him the year before at the Old Crystal Palace Show and bought him from Lady Maureen Stanley who bred him. Later I sent his English K. C. papers to the A.K.C. secretary, asking what chance there was in having the breed recognized over here. Luckily Harry Bixby (Henry D. Bixby, then Executive Vice-president of the A.K.C.) had become interested and imported "Merry of Beaufin" from Mrs. Mainwaring, whose family had bred them for years. She became the first American Champion. Otherwise I doubt if all would have gone off so smoothly."