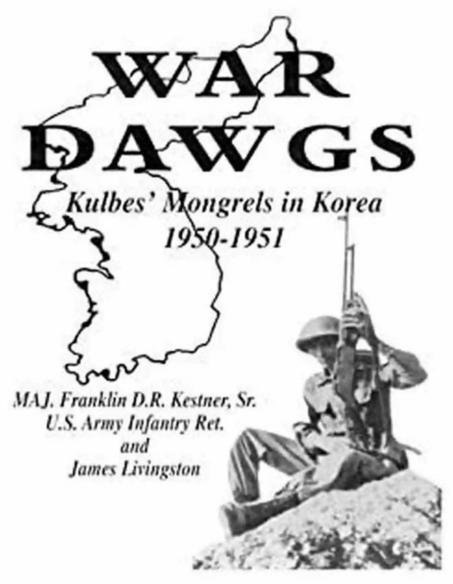
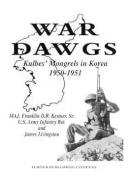
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When it comes to military working dogs, few stories are as remarkable and inspiring as that of the War Dawgs, known as the Kulbes Mongrels in Korea between 1950 and 1951.

These courageous canine companions played a crucial role during the Korean War, serving alongside soldiers in various capacities. From bomb detection and guarding to tracking down enemies and providing valuable emotional support to troops, these loyal and fearless dogs were an indispensable asset in the harsh conditions of war.



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The Kulbes Mongrels were a unique group of dogs, specially trained for the challenging terrain and frigid temperatures of the Korean Peninsula. These brave warriors were primarily German Shepherds, Belgian Malinois, and Doberman Pinschers, known for their agility, intelligence, and endurance.

The Rough Beginnings

It was in the early years of the Korean War that the idea of utilizing military dogs was embraced by the American forces. The views about the role of dogs in warfare were shifting, recognizing their remarkable potential and capabilities. As the conflict intensified, the need for loyal and highly trained dogs became evident. The War Dawgs, or Kulbes Mongrels as they were called, were handpicked and sent through rigorous training programs to prepare them for the demands of the battlefield.

Under the guidance of skilled trainers, these dogs learned various skills, including bomb detection, scouting, sentry duties, and even engaging in combat when necessary. Many handlers developed a strong bond with their dogs, relying on them for their own safety and the success of their missions.

Invaluable Contributions

The tasks assigned to the War Dawgs were diverse and critical. Their keen sense of smell and hearing made them excellent bomb-sniffers, which ensured the safety of soldiers and civilians alike. Their speed and agility allowed them to track down hidden enemies and provide early warnings, saving countless lives in the process.

These loyal canines also played an important role in battlefield medicine. They were trained to locate and assist wounded soldiers, providing a lifeline in the chaos of war, often leading medics to injured personnel who would have otherwise gone unnoticed.

Perhaps equally notable was the emotional support these dogs offered. They became companions to the soldiers, offering solace and a much-needed respite from the horrors of war. The bond formed between soldiers and their War Dawgs often provided a source of comfort during the darkest of times.

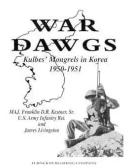
A Legacy of Courage

The efforts and sacrifices of the War Dawgs during the Korean War did not go unnoticed. These remarkable creatures became symbols of courage and loyalty, inspiring both troops and the nation back home.

Many of these heroic dogs were awarded medals for their distinguished service. Their achievements helped solidify the belief in the importance of military working dogs, leading to further advancements in their training and utilization in future conflicts.

Today, the legacy of the War Dawgs lives on. Military working dogs continue to serve side by side with soldiers, protecting and serving with unwavering loyalty. The courage and dedication of the Kulbes Mongrels in Korea serve as a reminder of the incredible bond that can be formed between humans and animals under the most challenging circumstances.

So, the next time you see a military working dog, remember the Kulbes Mongrels who paved the way for their indispensable role in protecting our brave soldiers.



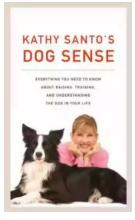
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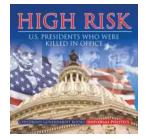


War Dawgs is a compelling, coming-of-age story written by retired Army Major Franklin D. Kestner, Sr. and James Livingston. It provides an incredible picture of army life in Korea from a veteran survivor of Chosin Reservoir Battle at 17 years old, a squad leader at 18 years old, and a 19-year-old Sergeant among Kulbes' Mongrels, D Company, 10th Engineer Combat Battalion. Dozens of photographs compliment this book written by the same authors of To the Last Man! Kulbes Mongrels at the Chosin.



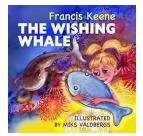
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