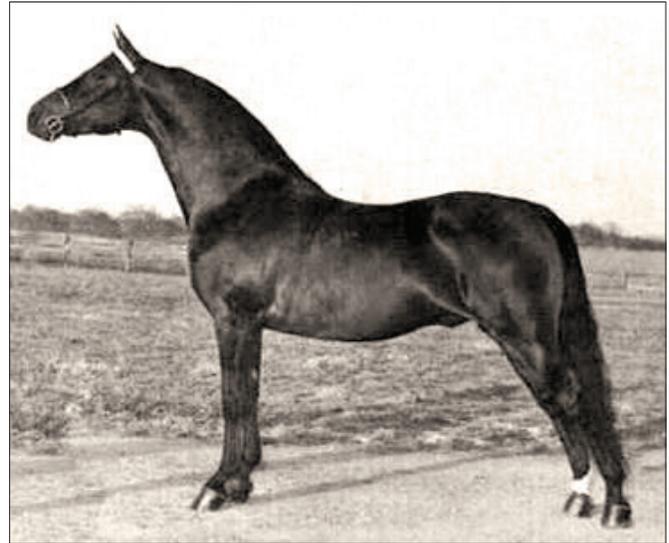
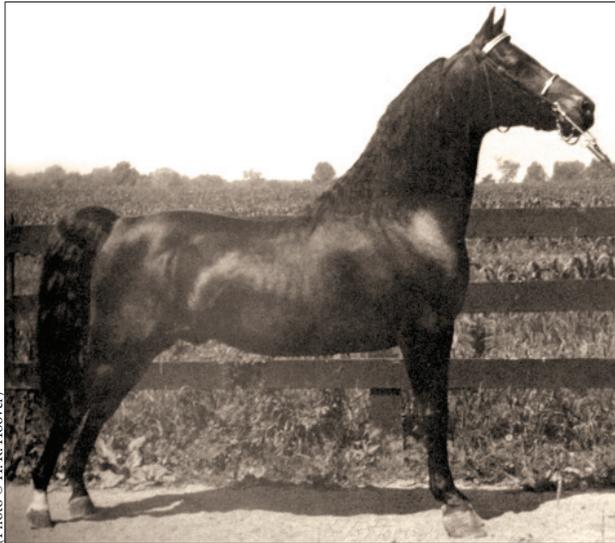




Kingston

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Kingston 11906

(Upwey Ben Don [Upwey King Benn x Quietude] x Junefield [Mentor x Ambition])

Bay, right hind pastern white.

Foaled June 6, 1957, Red Hook, NY.

Bred by Gordon Voorhis.

Progeny: 151 colts, 147 fillies.

Died January 1980, Delaware, Ohio.

Kingston was a perfect example of line-breeding; Quietude, dam of both his sire and his dam's dam, was one of the most influential daughters of that great broodmare sire, Troubadour Of Willowmoor. Crossed with government mares, this three-quarter government-bred stallion proved incredibly prepotent, producing high-quality, accomplished offspring that resembled their sire both physically and in the breeding shed.

For more than 15 years, from the mid-1950s through 1970, Gordon Voorhis' Applevale Farm was respected for the excellent, quality show Morgans it produced—among the first was Kingston. (Until 1961, when he registered the Applevale prefix, Voorhis named his foals for towns in upstate New York.) Jeanne Mellin Herrick, wife of Voorhis' trainer Fred, recalled "Kingston was a very enjoyable horse to train and ride. He had a playful, rambunctious nature and enjoyed any challenge." Although a consistent performer in-hand, as well as in park harness and park saddle, Kingston was retired from the show ring as a four-year-old to begin his breeding career for Applevale Farm. When Applevale dispersed, in 1970, Kingston was purchased by William P. Cashman of Delaware, Ohio, where he produced 75 percent of his 298 registered offspring, breeding an average of nearly 30 mares per year during his final decade.

His many champion offspring who contributed outstandingly

to the modern Morgan included: park saddle, park harness and in-hand champion Applevale Boy King [x LedgeWood Pecora] – 229 registered offspring; park saddle and harness champion Applevale Encore [x LedgeWood Pecora] – 67 registered offspring; park saddle and in-hand champion Applevale Storm King [x Arabesque] – 160 registered offspring; pleasure driving champion Casland Bumble Bee [x Gra-Vand Rozrice] – six registered offspring; park harness champion Casland El King [x Gra-Vand Del Roz] – 44 registered offspring; park saddle, park harness & in-hand champion Casland Fast Time [x Cap's Shadow] – 78 registered offspring; park harness champion Casland Fel King [x Gra-Vand Del Roz] – 48 registered offspring; park saddle and in-hand champion Mr. R's Gipsie Lee [x Devan Tipdelle] – seven registered offspring; pleasure & park saddle champion Triton Tally Ho [x Townshend Tally] – 10 registered offspring; park saddle champion Wawayanda Jessica [x Applevale Lyric] – one registered offspring; and park harness champion Wawayanda Wallington [x Applevale Lyric] – 53 registered offspring.

Jeanne Mellin Herrick described the historic significance of the typey, good-tempered bay stallion in the August 1982 Kingston issue of *TMH*: "Kingston was definitely a result of planned parenthood. He was bred to be a sire, and it was as a breeding horse that he was really important." ■