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## **President's Ninetieth Anniversary Message**

In 1872, when the first classes in Veterinary Medicine at the Iowa State College were opened to students it was recognized as a pioneering, and to some extent a daring, venture into the educational future. Nevertheless, the intelligent and courageous men who taught those early classes undoubtedly were able to envision Iowa as the center of a great livestock industry.

The advances of the past 75 years have more than fulfilled their expectations and their dreams. Today the Division of Veterinary Medicine at the Iowa State College ranks among the foremost in the nation—and, in fact, in the world. The staff and equipment are excellent, and both are being constantly strengthened. The faculty has always taken the lead in new advances in the field of Veterinary Medicine. The graduates of this division are to be found on the staffs of practically all the other Veterinary Colleges of the country, as well as in responsible professional positions.

High standards and high quality of work have always characterized the work of students and staff alike. Veterinary Medicine at the Iowa State College long ago attained high educational status and the respect and admiration of educational and scientific colleagues throughout the nation.

The century ahead of us will inevitably provide even greater opportunity for service and for development in this vital area of the nation's agricultural and livestock economy; and the Veterinary Division of the Iowa State College will make every effort to continue in the forefront of the advance that will come in the future.