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Unique Class of 1950

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What's so distinctive about the class of 1950 of the Division of Veterinary Medicine at Iowa State College?

Well, they've set a batch of records in various fields not connected with veterinary medicine. These records will probably never be topped in normal times. Robert Moore, Dunlap, a member of the graduating class, appointed himself class historian of sorts. Here are the facts and records for what they are worth:

Graduating seniors number 67. The largest class up to this year was in 1949 when 65 graduated. Of the 67 graduating seniors, 55 of them are married. Veterans number 62, which means that only five of the class members were not in one of the military branches during the years of World War II.

Adding up the time that all of these 67 men have gone to school to train for their profession, veterinary medicine, Moore came up with an astounding total
of 423.65 years. In view of this, the average school years per man totals 6.33 years.

Taking the total months of service in the armed forces for the graduating class, it amounted to 204 years, or an average of 39.6 months for each man. Actually, the shortest time served in the armed forces was 10 months and the longest was 72 months.

Average age of the class of 1950 is 28.7 years. The youngest member of the class is Anthony Riepma, Spencer, who is 21 and unmarried. Oldest member is C. J. PfoW, Mason City, who is 40.

In the 55 married students' families there are 60 children. Five of the families have three children each, Twelve of the families have 2 children each, and 21 families of the class have one child. Seventeen of the married students have no children. Twelve bachelors round out the class of 67.

John G. Killian, Burlington, has the
distinction of serving the longest time in the armed forces. He has 72 months of service. He has attended college for 7 years. At 30 years of age, he is married and has three children. He will practice veterinary medicine in Stacyville, Iowa.

Looking back over the classes of veterinary medicine since 1920, this is the largest to graduate with 67, as was stated in the first of the facts that Moore compiled. Smallest class was in 1948 when graduates numbered two. That was a wartime class and of necessity a small one.

The class of 1950 assembled in April for a picture of the graduates, their wives and children. Total number in the picture was 167. One family traveled all the way from Manning to be in the picture. Influenza kept one wife and three children away and a number of the children were in school at the time the college photographer snapped the shutter at the group.

In view of the compiled evidence of the class of 1950 of the Division of Veterinary Medicine at Iowa State College, it appears to be one of the most unusual and probably will hold that record for posterity.

Every veterinary radiologist should have a periodic blood count to make sure the leucocyte count has not fallen to a dangerous level.

Until recently, most scientific studies of the soil were directed toward keeping it productive, and relatively few to keeping it in place.

A table scrap diet for the family pet may, at times, be too highly seasoned for proper assimilation by the dog and may lead to inflammation to such a degree as to produce inappetence and often serious gastroenteritis.

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