Faculty News
Dr. H. D. Bergman, for 33 years head of the Department of Veterinary Physiology and Pharmacology at Iowa State College, was named dean of the Division of Veterinary Medicine and director of the Veterinary Research Institute in 1943.

A native Iowan, he was born in Newton in Nov., 1886. In 1910 he received his Doctor of Veterinary Medicine degree from Iowa State College, and that same year he accepted a position as assistant in Veterinary Medicine at Iowa State.

Dr. Bergman did graduate work at the University of Chicago in 1911 but was called back to the college to organize the Department of Veterinary Physiology and Pharmacology where he was given the rank of assistant professor. In 1913 he was made an associate professor, and in 1916, full professor and head of the department.

Dr. Bergman has always been active in both state and national veterinary medical association activities. He is past-president and served as secretary of the Iowa Veterinary Medical Association and is an honorary member of the Eastern Iowa Veterinary Medical Association.

Dr. Bergman was also president of the American Veterinary Medical Association and of the Association of Deans of the American Colleges of Veterinary Medicine. A fellow of the American Association for the advancement of Science, he belongs to the United States Livestock Sanitary Association and the Research Workers in Animal Diseases of North America. He is now serving as Chairman of the Division of Veterinary Medicine of the Association of Land-Grant Colleges and Universities and is a member of the Senate of that organization, and is also serving as the official representative of the American Veterinary Medical Association in the Division of Medical Sciences of the National Research Council.

Other organizations of which Dr. Bergman is a member include Sigma Xi, Phi Kappa Phi, Phi Lambda Upsilon, Phi Zeta, Gamma Sigma Delta, Cardinal Key and the Iowa Academy of Science.

Aside from his veterinary activities he found time to serve Iowa State as faculty representative to the Big Seven Conference for many years and was a member of the executive committee of the Athletic Council and also president of the Memorial Union Corporation.

Dr. Bergman has written a laboratory
Manual for Experimental Physiology and is a contributor of papers and articles to leading veterinary medical journals. He has appeared as speaker on many occasions before professional veterinary medical organizations.

Dr. Bergman is married and has one daughter.

He has devoted his entire professional career to veterinary medical education and research at Iowa State and to state and national veterinary organization work. Dr. Bergman is listed in Who's Who in America and American Men of Science.

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GENERAL

Dr. D. A. Smith of the Department of Medicine attended the American Animal Hospital Association convention in Denver April 24-27 where he presented a paper entitled "Procaine Used Intravenously for Surgical Analgesia." Movies showing demonstrations with the use of procaine were shown. Dr. Smith is the Iowa State College faculty representative to the American Animal Hospital Association and for the past year has been active on the Research Committee.

Dr. C. H. Covault, Head of the Department of Medicine has been on a lecture tour to various high schools throughout the state where he described the field of Veterinary Medicine to the students.

Dr. George Fowler, Head of the Department of Surgery, will attend the National Am. Vet. Med. Assn. meeting to be held at Miami, Fla. Aug. 21-24. He will present a paper on "Anesthesia in the Bovine."

Dr. H. L. Foust, Head of the Department of Anatomy, attended the meeting of the American Association of Anatomists at the Medical School of Louisiana State University, New Orleans, April 5-7. One of the outstanding features of the meeting was an exhibit of tissue demonstrating the use of the phase and electron microscope.

Veterinary Public Relations

Another new idea in veterinary public relations is being introduced in newspapers, coast to coast, this month by the American Foundation for Animal Health, sponsored by Associated Serum Producers.

Under the title "Farmer's Question Corner," the new feature furnishes to newspapers timely discussions of animal disease problems, in question and answer form. The series is being provided currently to over 1,800 newspapers throughout the country. The questions and answers in each instance bring out the dangers of certain animal diseases, discuss causes and effects, and point out the wisdom of relying upon the veterinarian's professional skill in coping with such problems.

The initial series includes such topics as hog cholera, shipping fever, mastitis, swine erysipelas, anaplasmosis and swine brucellosis. This new program is in addition to the other established phases of the Associated Serum Producers' campaign on behalf of the profession, including radio broadcasts, news releases, farm paper advertising, motion pictures, cartoons and illustrated feature articles.

In many herds the answer to the calf mortality problem may be found in the nutrition and management program during late gestation.

Pentothal sodium was the drug of choice as an anesthetic in 41.5 percent of the operations performed at the Mayo Clinic in 1948.

It is doubtful that the so-called hardpad disease in dogs is a specific entity; it seems to bear some relationship to canine distemper.

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