Alumni News
As a continuing Alumni Feature, the ISU Veterinarian is, in this issue, featuring the graduation class of 1949.

We have received replies from 23 of the 64 members of this graduating class. Of these, 14 are in large animal practice and 2 are in small animal practice, 2 are involved in Regulatory Medicine, 2 are involved in instruction and research, 2 are employed as diagnostic veterinarians, and one is in the Army Veterinary Corps.

As before, we are still interested in receiving replies from the remaining graduates of all classes featured in this and past issues. If for some reason you did not receive a questionnaire, feel free to send us a brief resume of your activities since graduation. All replies will be printed in a future issue.

Dr. John L. Neely lives in Newman Grove, Nebraska where he is involved in a primarily large animal practice. He and his wife, Mary Lou, have three children, Sandra, 16; Jay, 14; and Teri, 13. He is a member of local, state, and national Veterinary Medical Associations.

Dr. E. E. Maxwell is now in a general practice in Moville, Iowa. He is active in state and local Veterinary Medical Associations. He is the financial chairman in his church, chairman of a local Boy Scout troop, member of the Chamber of Commerce, past president of Siouxland Veterinary Association, and is owner and manager of Maxwell Farms. He and his wife, Helen (ISU 1951), have 4 children: Stee, 17; Chantry, 15; Tad, 13; and Reed, 11.

Dr. R. T. Coffland resides in Fresno, California, where he is employed by the California Department of Agriculture as a Laboratory Diagnostician. He and his wife, Mary, have 2 children, Robert, 19; and Linda, 17. Dr. Coffland spent 20 years in livestock and poultry diagnostic labs and has been associated with Drs. G. N. Lukas (ISU '50) and K. G. Palmer (Minn. '51).

Dr. Paul L. Thompson is now in a large animal practice dealing mainly with dairy cattle and hogs in Argyle, Wisconsin. He has been there since 1951. From 1949–51 he was associated with Drs. Turner and Held in Freeport, Illinois. He is a member of the Wisconsin VMA, AVMA, and Southwest Wisconsin VMA. He served as president of the Argyle Board of Education for nine years, and has been the treasurer of the Argyle Lutheran Church for twenty years. His wife is Gloria Thompson and
their daughter, Sara Jo, 21, is a senior in sociology at the University of Wisconsin at Madison.

Dr. Sanford Wilson practices alone in Starbuck, Minnesota. His practice is mainly large animal. He is a three-term village mayor from 1953–59, member of MVMA, AVMA, American Legion, VFW, and Shrine. Dr. Wilson is a past member of the Board of Trustees of the Minnesota Veterinary Medical Association from 1965–69. He was a member of the State Board of Veterinary Examiners under Gov. Elmer L. Anderson. He and his wife, Jean, have three children: Joanna, 20; Kristine, 18; and Steven, 15.

Dr. W. E. Ribelin resides in Madison, Wisconsin, and is involved with graduate teaching, research in Pathology and Toxicology, and diseases of fish and laboratory animals. He is a Professor Veterinary Pathology at the University of Wisconsin. From 1949–52 he was an Instructor in Pathology at Washington State University. From 1952–54 he was a USDA Research Veterinarian on a Foot and Mouth disease project in Amsterdam, Holland. From 1954–56 he was an AVMA Research fellow at the University of Wisconsin where he received a Ph.D. degree. Dr. Ribelin was a Professor of Pathology at Auburn University from 1956–58. For the next three years he was head of Pathology investigations at the USDA Pharmacology Laboratories in Albany, California. From 1962–67 he was Senior Scientist for the American Cyanamide Company Environmental Health Laboratories in Princeton, New Jersey. He is a member of the AVMA, American College of Veterinary Pathologists, Society Toxicology, American Association Adv. Science, Soc. Exp. Path., International Acad. Path., American Association lab animal Science, and is presently chairman of a committee to determine whether or not Wisconsin develops a veterinary school. Odds are against it, he reports. He and his wife, Shirley (ISU '46), have a son, Robert, who will graduate from the University of Wisconsin in 1975.

Dr. Paul A. Pinkert presently is engaged as the Stockyard Veterinarian at the Sioux Falls Public Stockyards in Sioux Falls, South Dakota. The work is regulatory and involves inspection, certification and supervision. Before coming to Sioux Falls, Dr. Pinkert held a similar position in St. Paul, Minnesota, and Pipestone, Minnesota. Prior to that Dr. Pinkert was in a mixed practice in Minnesota. Outside interests include canoeing, golfing, and skiing. Dr. Pinkert and his wife, Elinor, have three children; Teressa, a 10th grader, and Ted and Tom—both in college.

Dr. E. P. Pope is active as Senior Veterinarian, Diagnostic Services, Animal Health Division, National Animal Disease Lab, Ames, Iowa. Dr. Pope's wife's name is Irene and they have a son, David, age 12, and another son, Scott, age 10. Since graduating, Dr. Pope has involved himself in several positions, from a mixed practice in Wisconsin to Field Veterinarian for the State of Wisconsin, Supervisor of Brucellosis Ring test labs in Madison, to collaborator to the Veterinary Science Department, University of Wisconsin, to his present positions at NADL. He also has been a member of the National Academy of Science, Animal Health Committee Specialist team, for developing a national disease-reporting system. Dr. Pope is a member of the AVMA, Wisconsin VMA, United States Animal Health Association, American Association of Veterinary Laboratory Diagnosticians and the Wildlife Disease Association to name only a few. In 1965 Dr. Pope was presented the Wisconsin VMA Meritorious Service Award. In 1970 Dr. Pope received the High Quality Service Award, Animal Health Division, USDA.

Dr. R. C. Williams resides in Moline, Illinois, where he is Secretary of the Oak Knoll Animal Hospital, Ltd. The hospital serves primarily small animal and equine clients. Dr. Williams and his wife, Phyllis, have three children. They are: Barbara, married and a graduate of Augustana College, Rock Island; John, a junior at ISU in Zoology who is planning a trip to Japan with the SPAN program; Jody, a junior at Moline High School. Last year she traveled in Europe as a People-to-People High School Ambassador. Dr. Williams is a member of Quad Cities VMA, Mississippi VMA, Midwest Small Animal Association,
Illinois State VMA, Arkansas VMA, AAHA and UVMA. He is an active Methodist and is involved with the Moline Scottish Rite.

Dr. Frances M. Armstrong has a mixed practice in Vermillion, South Dakota. He and his wife, June, have ten children: Kathleen, Linda, Frances, Deidre, Patricia, David, Ruby, Robin, Sheila, and Doyle. Their ages range from 5–23 years old. Dr. Armstrong has served the governor's Public Health Advisory Committee and has served as city meat inspector. For a hobby Dr. Armstrong enjoys farming.

Dr. Stanley C. Benbrook is a lieutenant colonel in the Army Veterinary Corps. He is now serving as Pathologist for the Middle America Research Unit, Balboa Canal Zone. The research unit has a professional staff of 15, including Veterinarians, Physicinans, Parasitologists, Virologists, and Entomologists. Work is focused on human and zoonotic virus and protozoan diseases of central and northern South America. Dr. Benbrook's wife's name is Jan. Following graduation, Dr. Benbrook was on the staff of the Missouri School of Veterinary Medicine for three years. He then joined the Veterinary Corps and has completed several medical research assignments plus serving with the Military Dog Program in Viet Nam, the Armed Forces Institute of Pathology, and the Naval Aerospace Medical Institute.

Dr. Tillie is active in a general practice and agri-business concerns in Muscatine, Iowa. He entered the practice of his father, R. S. Tillie, upon graduation in 1949. He has been active in Muscatine city and county activities and this year is the Muscatine County Health Inspector. He is a member of IVMA, AVMA, MVMA, First Baptist Church, Gideons International, Masonic Lodge, Legion, Elks, and Muscatine Club. He and his wife, Juanita, have two children, Roy, 20; and Paul, 19.

Dr. A. J. Neumann is the owner of Sioux Veterinary Clinic in Orange City, Iowa. His practice covers all phases of Veterinary Medicine and his clinic is equipped with modern facilities. He believes his practice is one of the largest in the state of Iowa. Dr. Neumann specializes in equine medicine and surgery and is planning a new equine clinic. He raises and trains his own purebred Belgian horses. He also has a collection of old horse-powered machinery in perfect running condition that he exhibits at various places throughout the year. He and his wife, Virginia, have three children: Linda, 19; David, 15; and Penny Jo, 13.

Dr. LeRoy E. Nelson is a general practitioner at Bricelyn, Minnesota. His partner is Dr. Jack Peterson (Oklahoma '58). He has been president of the Minnesota South Central Veterinary Association and president of the Southern Minnesota North Iowa Association. He has also been president of the Bricelyn Commercial Clubs and Bricelyn Lutheran Church, and clerk of the school board for six years. He and his wife, Jeanne, have three children: Julie, 20; Paul, 16; and Nancy, 14.

Dr. H. B. Hunter has been a large animal practitioner at Coggon, Iowa, since June of 1950. He practiced with Dr. G. W. Cornwell at Boone, Iowa, for one year after graduation. Past associates at Coggon include Dr. J. B. Doudna from 1955–58. He has employed several students in his practice. His wife is Evelyn Hunter and they have five children: Hollis, Jr., 24, a senior at ISU; Stephanie, 22; Barbara, 20, a sophomore at ISU; Terese, 17; and Peter, 12.

Dr. Guy N. Flater is associated with a mixed practice in Galesburg, Illinois, but does only small animal work. His two partners, Dr. Ralph Vinson and Dr. Ben Allen are both 1957 Illinois graduates. He has been in Galesburg since graduation, associated with Dr. R. J. Kirkpatrick until 1964. Dr. Flater is active in professional associations, Rotary Club, Country Club, and is a trustee of First United Methodist Church. He was one of the last in the class of 1949 to get married, doing so in 1954. He and his wife, Mary Lou, have five children: Stephen, 15; Jody, 14; Mike, 13; Jim, 11; and Jeffrey, 8.

Dr. William R. Hunter is active in a large animal practice at Alexis, Illinois. His partner is Dr. H. A. Peterson (ISU '54). He is active in local and district associations and is presently a member of the board of the Mississippi Valley Veterinary
Medical Association. He is serving AVMA Ad Hoc Hog Cholera Eradication Committee and the Illinois State Hog Cholera Eradication Committee. He is chairman of the Church Building Committee of the Alexis United Presbyterian Church. He and his wife, Janet (ISU '45), have six children: Jane, 21; Betsy, 19; Tom, 17; Laura, 15; Carrie, 12; and Martha, 10.

Dr. J. O. Thone has been in Blair Nebraska, since graduation. He operates a mixed practice with Dr. D. C. Stresemann, a 1953 Minnesota graduate. Formerly, he was associated with Dr. R. E. Tilden until his death in 1953. He and his wife, Leona, have four children: John, 19; Brent, 16; Dennis, 13; and Sarah, 9.

Dr. David R. Bromwell is the Resident Veterinarian for Standardbred Breeding Farm in Sherman, Illinois. He also works for the State of Illinois, dealing with licensing and inspection of pet shops, rendering plants, slaughter houses, etc. He was in a small animal practice for one year after graduation in Cedar Rapids, Iowa. He was in a partnership with Dr. O. W. Whitcomb (ISU '48) until 1960. He now lives in Springfield, Illinois. He is a member of AVMA, IVMA, and AAEP. His wife is Norma Jean Bromwell and they have one son, Quentin, 19.

Dr. S. C. Ellis, Cold Spring, Minnesota, established the Cold Spring Veterinary Clinic in 1951, after serving two years in the Army Veterinary Corps. Dr. G. W. Nehon is associated with the clinic and the two doctors are planning a new clinic this spring. Dr. Ellis and his wife, Mechthild, have three children: Walter, 8; Martin, 6; and John, 4. Dr. Ellis has been very busy the last 21 years with his work, but also has been very active with his local school board.

Following graduation, Dr. Raymond Biller went into practice with his classmate, Dr. E. S. Scobell, in Balsom, Wisconsin. In 1964, Dr. Biller went to work for the Division of Animal Health, Wisconsin Department of Agriculture, where he is presently employed. Dr. Biller's wife's name is Arla and they have one son, Mark, 16. Dr. Biller is a member of the Wisconsin Veterinary Medical Association and is a past president of the Wisconsin Valley Veterinary Medical Association.

Dr. Jack Scamman is in a mixed practice in Rock Port, Missouri where he has been since graduation. Dr. Scamman and his wife, Beverly, have three children, Tony, 6; Todd, 2; and Jill, 7. Dr. Scamman is a member of the IVMA, MVMA, and the AVMA. Dr. Scamman is past president of the Rotary Club of Rock Port and has been active in the Chamber of Commerce progress committee which started the Missouri Beef Packers Company.

Dr. W. J. Kilpatrick is presently teaching and is an Associate Professor, Department of Medicine and Surgery, Texas A & M University. Dr. Kilpatrick was in general practice from 1949 to 1967. In 1967-68 Dr. Kilpatrick was associated with the College of Veterinary Medicine, Michigan State University. In 1968 Dr. Kilpatrick went to College Station and Texas A & M. Dr. Kilpatrick and his wife, Esther, have five children: James, 24, U.S. Army; Mrs. Linda McCormally, 22; Robert, 20, University of Texas; Mary, 18, University of Texas; and John, 16, still in high school. Dr. Kilpatrick is a member of the AVMA, Texas VMA, and from 1954-59 a member of the AVMA Veterinary Service Committee and chairman in 1958.

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Dr. Clarence H. Y. Ching has had a mixed practice under the name of Maui Veterinary Clinic located in Kahului, Maui, Hawaii, since 1958. In addition to conducting his private practice he has also worked for the State of Hawaii the past twelve years. He did Animal Disease control work for about eight years, and at present, is supervising the State Meat Inspection program for the County of Maui. Due to his increases in private practice and in his state government work load, he recently hired an associate, Dr. W. T. Cleghorn, a 1966 graduate of Colorado State University. From 1965 to 1958 he worked for various veterinarians in Honolulu, Oahu, Hawaii. These included: Dr. John M. Gooch (ISU '44), Dr. N. Y. Chung (ISU '53)

Iowa State University Veterinarian
and Dr. Ernest Willers (Washington State). Dr. Ching belongs to the Hawaii Veterinary Medical Association and is at present serving on the executive board as the representative from Maui County. He is a member of the Honolulu Veterinary Society and the AVMA. His wife, Leilani (“Dolly”) is active in his practice as office manager and accountant. The rest of his family includes two daughters, Karen, a sophomore in high school, and Lee Ann, a fifth grader.

Dr. R. E. Arneson has had his 80% large animal practice in Owen, Wisconsin, since July of 1955. He took a partner in December, 1959, Arthur A Jarvis (MSU ’57), and built Dairyland Clinic in 1961. Dr. Arneson belongs to the Owen Masonic Lodge 317 AF&AM, is a past Master of the lodge, 32nd degree Mason, Eau Claire Consistory. He was elected Mayor of Owen in 1967 and re-elected in 1969. He is a past president of Wisconsin Central Veterinary Medical Association, has belonged to Kiwanis Club, is a past chairman of Owen Junior Fair, is past president of Owen-Withee Development Corporation, is a class A voting stockholder in Right Way Corporation which manufactures rough terrain vehicles and camping accessories, has perfected liver biopsy technique on the canine for Wedges Creek Research Farm at Neillsville, Wisconsin, is a member of Phi Zeta and Gamma Sigma Delta, and is a member of Central Wisconsin Veterinary Medical Association, Wisconsin Veterinary Medical Association, and AVMA. Dr. Arneson and his wife, Jeannine Allyce, have two daughters: Kris Lee, 19; and Allyce Sue, 14; and two sons, Jeff Eugene, 16; and Gene David, 7.

Dr. Roderick D. Zachary is now engaged in a dairy practice in partnership with Dr. Gary Higgins (Minnesota 1958) at Barron, Wisconsin. This is his longest stay in one place. After graduation, the Army took two years. Then he was off to Sacred Heart, Minnesota for two and a half years; Mitchell, S.D., for two and a half years; Osseo, Wisconsin, two and a half years; LaCrosse, Wisconsin, one and a half years; Melrose, Minnesota, two years, and now soon will pass the two and a half year mark at Barron. Dr. Roderick and his wife, Ann (Marti), class of 1955 in Home Economics Education, have three children: Mark, 14; Marilou, 11; and Eric, 4.

Dr. George W. Hausman has a mixed practice in Grundy Center, Iowa, in partnership with Dr. D. A. Buchanan (ISU ’52). Dr. Hausman and his wife, Ann, have three children: Debby, 15; Sharae, 12; and Carrie, 11. He is a past member of the executive board of IVMA, chairman of Church Council, member of Grundy Center City Council, and has been nominated for Who’s Who in the Midwest, United States, and Canada.

Dr. R. W. Collison founded Carroll Veterinary Clinic, July, 1955, in Carroll, Iowa. It is an 80% large and 20% small animal practice. In 1959 Dr. Don Casey and Dr. Wm. Blohm (both ISU ’59) joined the practice. Dr. Leon Wernimont (ISU ’65) was added in 1965. Later, Dr. Darrell Eich (ISU ’69) joined the practice. In 1965 Dr. Collison retired from active practice and has since engaged in the formation and management of Mid States Financial Corporation and Mid-States Leasing Corporation. The latter provides nationwide leasing programs to veterinarians in forty states. Items including Bowie Mobile Vet units, trucks, hospital equipment, and allied practice needs are available in this program. Dr. Collison has served Mid-States Financial Corporations as their President and Chairman of the Board.

Current business activities, in addition to the above, include the presidencies of the following: Elanon, Inc.; Carroll Turkey Farms, Inc.; Bowen International, Inc.; and Continental Western Insurance Co.

Dr. Collins has memberships in AVMA, IVMA, Rotary, Elks, K.C.’s, Legion, VFW, ICFA, along with church and community activities. He and his wife, Maxine, have a family of nine: Barbara, 21; Cheryl, 20; Mark, 17; Del, 16; Joan, 12; Richard, 11; Nancy, 7; Alan, 5; and Tracy, 4.

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