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Class of 1929

Robert B. Mericle: is retired and living at 771 28th Street, West Des Moines, IA 50265. Dr. Mericle’s career has been with the USDA where he developed the Ready to Cook Poultry Program in 1936. He was one of the first recipients of the Stange Award in 1970, and is a sustaining member of the Veterinary Quadrangle. Since retiring, Dr. Mericle has been active in the Men’s Garden Club of America and the Iowa Arboretum and Horticultural Society. He and his wife, Olga, have three sons: Dale, an MD, Kent, a vice president of Northwest Banks in Des Moines, and Bruce, a professor of mathematics.

Class of 1939

Lucien P. Bailey: is active in a small animal practice in Bluefield, Virginia. He is a gold star member of the AVMA and an honor roll member of the VVMA. In 1946 he was discharged from the army as a captain. Dr. Bailey and wife, Sadie, have four children: Ovid, Carol, Darrell, and Connie Lyn.

M. Lois Calhoun: retired as head of the Department of Veterinary Anatomy at Michigan State University. Dr. Calhoun obtained her BS, MS, DVM and PhD from Iowa State University. She is currently living in Muscatine, Iowa, and can be reached through her nephew, Mr. Joe Wright, 515 Woodland Way, Muscatine, Iowa 52761.

I.C. Fredrickson: was in practice with Dr. C.E. Dee (ISU ’39) in Hollywood, Florida, until his retirement. Dr. Fredrickson and his wife, Dorothy, have three daughters and one son.

E.E. Kelsey: is retired and living at 302 N. Fayette, El Paso, IL 61238. Dr. Kelsey and his wife, Betty, have a son, John, who is an associate professor at Bates College, Lewiston, Maine.

George A. Leonard: is currently a half time employee with the Milwaukee Health Department inspecting and licensing kennels, pet shops, and grooming shops, giving direction to sanitarians engaged in retail poultry and meat inspection, and working in rabies control. From 1939 to 1941 Dr. Leonard worked in a farm practice in Nebraska. Following that, he was in the army from 1941 to 1945 when he was discharged a captain. After a year of practice in Marengo, Iowa, he spent three years as a veterinary meat inspector with the California Department of Agriculture. From 1949 to 1964 Dr. Leonard was again in the military, finally retiring as a colonel. Until 1973 he was with the Milwaukee Health Department as an area coordinator of Wisconsin state meat inspection. Dr. Leonard is an honor roll member of the AVMA, has earned the Army Commendation Medal, and is active in the Guideons International. He and his wife, Olive, are looking forward to their 50th wedding anniversary in 1990. They have four children: Orth (Baptist minister), George (computer programmer), Richard (chemist), and Maureen.

Howard Meyers: is currently with the US Government as Deputy Director, Division of Surveillance, for the Center for Veterinary Medicine. He was in general practice in Minnesota from 1939 to 1943, in the US Army until 1946, practice again in Minnesota from 1946 to 1969, and has been with the FDA to the present. Dr. Meyers and his wife, Ethel, have three children: Jean, Kari, and Raye.

Alpheus Seeley: died November 14, 1988. Any persons interested in information should contact his sister, Nona Seeley Gilman, 100 Thorndale Dr., Unit 117, San Rafael, CA 94903.

Carl Laurel Telleen: is retired from active practice. He practiced in Gowrie, Iowa for 21 years and
from 1960 to retirement was a USDA meat inspector. Dr. Telleen is a member of the National Association of Federal Veterinarians. He and his wife, Opal, have five children: James, Nancy, Steven, Jane, and Richard.

Class of 1949

Stanley C. Benbrook: retired from the Army Veterinary Corps in 1971 and did relief work at a small animal clinic in Buchanan Dam, Texas. Before entering the army, Dr. Benbrook was a faculty member at the University of Missouri School of Veterinary Medicine. While in the army he received the Meritorious Service Medal. He and his wife, Jane, have one daughter, Susan, and two grandsons.

R.R. Biller: is retired from the Wisconsin State Department of Agriculture for whom he worked from 1964 to 1985. Previous to that, he was in a practice following graduation from veterinary school. He and his wife, Aria, live in Balsam Lake, Wisconsin and have one son, Mark. Dr. Biller is a member of the NW Wisconsin VMA and the WVMA.

Paul K. Dougan: is retired from the USDA meat and poultry inspection service. Prior to that, he had practiced in Ankeny, Iowa. Dr. Dougan and his wife, Ida Mae, have three daughters: Marlene, Kathleen, and Gracia, and three grandchildren.

Stewart Ellis: is active in a six man practice in Cold Springs, Minnesota. Dr. Ellis established a solo practice in Cold Springs in 1951 following two years in the Army Veterinary Corps. He and his wife, Tilde, have three sons: Walter, Martin and John.

Wayne L. Emerson: is active in a large animal practice with his partner Ron C. Emerson (ISU ’73). Dr. Emerson is active on the city council, community development commission, chamber of commerce, and received the Stange Award in 1987. He and his wife, Mary, have two children: Ron and Robyn.

J.W. Erickson: is retired from private practice. He has practiced in Sioux City, Iowa and Cullom, Illinois, and served as Veterinary Medical Officer for the USDA MPI for 21 years. He is a charter member of the Kankakee Valley VMA, a member of the Eastern South Dakota VMA and the NAPH. He and his wife, Helen, have five children: Carol, Kristi, Mark, David, and Cynthia.

Guy N. Flater: died on August sixth, 1987. Dr. Flater is survived by his wife, Mary Lou, and five children: Steve, Judy, Mike, Jim, and Jeff.

R.E. Garvin: is active in a mixed practice in Akron, Iowa.

William R. Hunter: is active in a large animal practice in Alexis, Illinois where he works with Dr. H. Peterson (ISU ’54). Dr. Hunter has had an active involvement in farming, both livestock and grain, as well as the raising of standardbred horses. He and his wife, Janet, have six children: Jane, Betsy, Thomas, Laura, Martha, and Carrie.

Leo L. Lemonds: is retired from practice in Hastings, Nebraska. Dr. Lemonds was active in numerous community affairs such as scouting, the chamber of commerce, church and 4-H. He is a member of the AVMA, started and served as president of the South Central Nebraska VMA, and is a life member of the NVMA where he has served on several committees. The NVMA awarded Dr. Lemonds its “Veterinarian of the Year” award in 1982. In 1982 Dr. Lemonds also wrote and published A Century of Veterinary Medicine in Nebraska and in 1987 wrote and published Doc — Can You Come Out?, a book of light, humorous, and true stories of his 34 years in practice.

Anthony W.R. Lichter: is retired from general practice and currently living in Algona, Iowa. He is not married.

W. Eugene Lloyd: is the president of Vet-A-Mix, Inc., a veterinary pharmaceuticals company in Shenandoah, Iowa. He has been president of the American Academy of Veterinary Comparative Toxicology, the American Board of Veterinary Toxicology, and the president of the ISU alumni association. Dr. Lloyd has a son, Thomas.

E.E. Maxwell: is active in a mixed animal practice in Moville, Iowa with his son, Dr. Steven Logan Maxwell (ISU ’78). Dr. Maxwell has been president of the Interstate VMA, has received Scouting’s Order of the Knoll, and is active in scouts, church, and soil conservation. He and his wife, Helen, parents of the year in 1977, have four children: Stee, Tad, Reed, and Chantry.

Quentin F. McDonald: is retired and lives with his wife, Marie, in Royers, Arizona. Dr. McDonald formerly practiced with his father, Dr. C.F. McDonald (CVC ’12). He was a clinical researcher with Pfizer for 5 years, was with Schering for 3½ years, and was veterinary medical director at Hills for 10 years. Dr. McDonald was also the director of veterinary affairs for the USDA in Basel, Switzerland for 7½ years.

Iowa State University Veterinarian
Paul A. Pinkett: is retired from general practice and federal and state service as a foreign animal disease diagnostician. He currently resides in Madison, Wisconsin. Dr. Pinkett is involved in various church and community activities. He and his wife, Elinor, have three children: Ted, Tom, and Teresa.

William E. Ribelin: is currently engaged in industrial research in toxicologic pathology. Since graduation he has received an MS in pathology from Washington State, and a PhD in pathology from the University of Wisconsin. Additionally, he spent two years in USDA Foot and Mouth Research in Amsterdam. Dr. Ribelin has taught pathology at Washington State, Auburn, and Wisconsin. He and his wife, Frankie, reside in Creve Coeur, MO. They have one son, Robert.

Paul L. Thompson: is retired from large animal practice in Argyle, Wisconsin. He is a privileged member of the WVMV and a member of the AVMA. He served as president of the Argyle Education Board for nine years and as treasurer of the Argyle Lutheran Church for 37 years. He and his wife, Gloria, have one daughter, Sara Jo, and two grandchildren.

James O. Thone: is retired and living in Blair, Nebraska with his wife, Leona. They have five children: John, Brent, Dennis, Sarah, and Lisa. He is a member of the AVMA, the NVMA, and former director of the state association. Dr. Thone is very active in his community and has served in various positions in such organizations as the Masonic Temple, Mo-Ri Shrine Club, and his church.

John R. Tillie: is active in a general practice in Muscatine, Iowa with his partner, Dr. Ralph T. Weiss (UI ’77). Dr. Tillie is a member of the AVMA, AAHA, IVMA, ELVMA, MVVMA, American Legion, VFW, Masons, Rotarians, and the IEHA. He has served on the city council for a year, the school board for 15 years (president for 5), on the Commission on Aging, Salvation Army, and is a deacon in the 1st Baptist Church and Guideons. Since 1967 he has been city health officer. He and his wife, Juanita, have two sons, five foster children, and nine grandchildren.

Donald O. Wiersig: is retired from teaching and resides in Bryan, Texas. Dr. Wiersig practiced in Colby, Wisconsin for 9½ years and taught at the University of Maryland for 4 years. After earning his PhD at ISU, he taught pharmacology and toxicology at Texas A&M for 18 years, and taught at Ross University, St. Kitts, West Indies for two years. He and his wife, Bonita, have three children: Jon, Jean, and Jeremy.

Richard C. Williams: is retired from general practice and now serves as a racing official (track veterinarian) at Quad City Downs, Illinois. He is a life member of the Illinois VMA and served as president of that organization in 1969. He is involved in local veterinary organizations and is a member of the AVMA. His associate before retirement was Dr. James E. Young (ISU ’54). He and his wife, Phyllis, have three children: Barbara, John and Jody. His hobby is preservation of bluebirds and their habitat.

Sandford B. Wilson: is active in a solo mixed practice in Starbuck, Minnesota. He was named the Minnesota Veterinarian of the Year in 1978, has served as mayor of Starbuck, is a member of the hospital board, school board, and president of the trustee of Minnesota VMA. Dr. Wilson and his wife, Jean, have three children: Joanna, Kristine, and Steven, and seven grandchildren.

Raymond T. Abel: is active in a mixed animal practice in Mediapolis, Iowa, with his partner, Dr. Hal Minnick (ISU ’68). He and his wife, Pat, have three sons: Dr. Steve Abel, Dr. John Abel, and Jim. Dr. Abel is a member of the SE Iowa Veterinary Medical Association, IVMA, AVMA and ELVMA.

Class of 1959

William D. Blohm: is active in a general practice with four other ISU graduates: Michael Davis (’71), Duane Streit (’80), Craig Rowles (’82), and Melissa Fleck (’86). He and his wife, Joan, are involved in numerous community organizations and committees in Carroll, Iowa. They have three children: Debra, Diane, and Beth. Dr. Blohm is currently on the IVMA legislative committee and was IVMA president in 1978. He is also a member of the AVMA, AASP and AABP.

Donald J. Casey: is currently practicing at the Animal Clinic Del Rancho in Scottsdale, Arizona. He is a member of the AVMA, IVMA, Arizona VMA (president in 1981), and AAHA. Dr. Casey
Janice, Diane, Donna, and Mark.

Dale I. Drum: is an active practitioner in Remson, Iowa, with Dr. Duane Drum (ISU ’59) and Dr. Edwin Henrich (ISU ’56). He and his wife, Mazilyn, have three children: Steve, Cheri and Dan. Dr. Drum is a member of the AVMA and IVMA. He has been on the Board of Education in Remson for 18 years and is a member of the Development Corporation and Lions Club.

Duane M. Drum: is active in a predominantly large animal practice with Dale Drum (ISU ’59) and Ed Henrich (ISU ’56) in Remson, Iowa. He and his wife, Judi, have five children: Debra, Pam, Doug, Shawn, and Lisa. Dr. Drum is a member of his church council and the Lions Club. He has served as President for the Iowa and American Veterinary Medical Associations.

James W. Dunn: has been inactive in Veterinary Medicine since 1978. He and his associate, B.W. Kramer (ISU ’49) practiced in Fullerton, Nebraska from 1959 to 1961. Dr. Dunn worked with the University of Nebraska Medical Center Swine Program from 1961-75 and was head of Microbiology at Texas A&M Veterinary Medical Diagnostic Lab from 1975-77. He and his wife, Lucille, have three children: Kathryn, David, and Dana James.

Phillip G. Finney: is active in a small animal practice, the Fairview Hospital for Animals. He and his wife, Karen, live in Decatur, Illinois. Dr. Finney is a member of the Illinois Veterinary Medical Association, Greater Macon County Association, Ansar Temple Shrine, Elks Club and is an associate member of the AAHA.

Dean Frey: is operating a small animal practice with his associate, Dr. Barbara Krauss (ISU ’86), in Cedar Rapids, Iowa. He and his wife, Rita, have two daughters: Deanna and Sheryl, and three grandchildren. In 1985, Dr. Frey was Diplomate for the American Board of Veterinary Practitioners and in 1986 was on the Iowa Board of Veterinary Examiners. He is also a member of the ISU Veterinary Alumni Board. Dr. Frey is a past president of the Linn County VMA and Eastern Iowa VMA. He is a member of the AVMA and is the District 14 Representative to the Executive Board of IVMA.

Donovan E. Gordon: is active as a pathologist in private practice in Highland Park, Illinois. He was a member of the Army Veterinary Corps from 1959-61, worked in general practice in Oregon, Illinois from 1961-63 and was later staff pathologist at Abbott Labs in Chicago, Illinois. He was also Director of Pathology at Bio-Test Labs in Northbrook, Illinois from 1971-84. Dr. Gordon is a Diplomate of the American College of Veterinary Pathologists. He and his wife, Sandra, have two children: Kendrick and Kyle.

Carl H. Graham: is a Veterinary Consultant for the Feed Division of Farmland Industries in Kansas City, Missouri. He formerly practiced for 1 ½ years in Sterling, Illinois and followed this with industrial work at Jensen-Salsbery Lab, Phillips Roxane Labs and Veterinary Medicine Publishing Co. Dr. Graham is active in several organizations. He and his wife, Louise, have four children: Robert, Mark, Reid, and Carla.

Roger A. Green: is currently engaged in a large animal practice with associates Dr. Al Batchelder (MN ’57), Dr. Robert Wesvold (MN ’69), Dr. Marvin Tranden (MN ’72) and Dr. Dale Jansen (MN ’85) at Faribault, MN. He has been involved with hockey and golf associations and is a member of the MVMA and AVMA. Dr. Green and his wife, Patricia, have four children: Allen, Tami, Blayne (14), and Carmen (9).

Charles W. Howe, Jr.: is privately employed as a poultry breeder. He and his wife, Donna Rae, have six children: Charles, Susan, Heather, Eric (17), Margaret (11), and Marjory (7). Dr. Howe has been a member of the AVMA, AABP and the General Conference Committee, National Poultry Improvement Plan. He is mayor of Waukee, Iowa, is a 32° Mason, and Eastern Star Shrinier.

Duane G. Jacobson: is active as a meat inspector for the USDA. Prior to this he was active for 25½ years in a mixed practice with L.V. Johnson (ISU ’43). He is involved in various organizations. He and his wife, Marcia, have three children: Todd, and twins Paul and Pamela.

Kenneth G. Jennett: has been owner-operator of a hog operation near Bedford, Iowa since 1970. Prior to that time, he was in general practice at Wilton for one year and Durant for 10 years. Dr. Jennett and his wife, Evonne, have four children: David, Gary, Ron, and Steve.

Lowell B. Johnson: was engaged in a mixed practice in Garner, Iowa from 1961-82. From 1983 to the present, he has been employed by the USDA. He spent four years in Washington, D.C., in the Food Safety Inspection Service and is now in the North Central Regional Office as Regional Residue Officer. He and his wife, Jean, currently reside in Johnston, Iowa and have two children: Kent and Jay. Dr. Johnson has been involved in both church and community activities, including the school board, local, state and national veteri-
anky associations and the Rotary.

Orville M. Juhler: is currently involved with industry. He and his wife, Judith, live in Harlan, Iowa and have three children: Gregory, Cynthia, and Jennifer. Dr. Juhler has been active with the AVMA, IVMA, SW Iowa VMA Board, Harlan Community School Board and the Shelby County Fair Board. He has also served as Home Federal Savings and Loan director and was president of the Shelby County Pork Producers.

Robert H. Keith: is currently president of the Monroe Veterinary Service in Monroe, Wisconsin. He has been in this mixed, predominantly dairy, practice since 1959 with six associates: Stanley Oxenreider (ISU ’70), Gary Kleppe (ISU ’73), Henry Keller (Purdue ’79), Steve Trost (U.I. ’79), William Stone (UW ’87), and Patricia Connors (UW ’87). Dr. Keith has been president of the AABP, and was named “Veterinarian of the Year” of the WVMA in 1983. He served on the AVMA Council of Veterinary Service from 1983-89 and is currently representing the AABP in the AVMA House of Delegates. Dr. Keith and his wife, Careen, have four children: Aileen, David, Linda, and Brian, and three grandchildren.

Robert L. Maahs: is a small animal Practitioner in Cathedral City, California. He and his wife, Rosemary, have two children: David and Diane. Dr. Maahs has been involved in numerous community groups, including the Rotary. Additionally, he won the Vet Economics Hospital of the Year in 1974 for San Carlos Pet Hospital.

Millard J. Maxted: is currently a Veterinary Medical Officer with the USDA. Previous to this, he spent 29 years in a small animal practice and is now leasing his small animal hospital to Dennis Drager (ISU ’83) who bought the practice in 1988. He and his wife, Jody, have four children: Justin, Mitchell, Martha, and Melanie (deceased). Dr. Maxted is a member of the IVMA, AVMA, and AAHA. He resides in Marshalltown, Iowa.

Calvan H. Pals: is currently active in Federal Meat and Poultry Inspection. His career in the field began in 1959 as a federal meat inspector, shortly after which he entered the Army Veterinary Corps. In 1961, he returned to meat inspection. Since 1965, he has been at the main meat inspection headquarters in Washington, D.C. Dr. Pals and his wife, Lois, reside in Bowie, MD, and have two children: Charles and Jon.

W.C. Pewsey: is involved in a mixed animal practice in Storm Lake, Iowa with his partner Dr. S.J. Mead (ISU ’69). Dr. Pewsey is a member of the Rotary, officer of the Coon Valley Veterinary Association and a member of the IVMA and AVMA. He and his wife, Barbara, have four children: William, Charles, Jennifer, and Melissa.

Donald L. Sime: is active in a small animal practice in Roseville, Minnesota, with associates Ian Shaw (MN ’67), Vaiva Keehn (ISU ’87), Doreen Dingle (MN ’83), and Gerald Ohlund (MN ’83). He and his wife, Elrine, have two children: Kara (17) and Michael (15).

William D. Speer: is active in a mixed animal practice in DeWitt, Iowa, with his partner, Dr. Mark Hilton (Purdue ’83). Dr. Speer and his wife, Norma, have three children: Jennifer, Matthew and Amy.

Richard M. Swasand: is active in a practice in Ackley, Iowa, with his partner, Dr. Robert Thompson (ISU ’81). Dr. Swasand and his wife, Mary, have three children: Flint, Berri and Brad.

Bud Vagts: is active in a large animal practice with associates Arlan Paulson (MN ’70) and Art Behrens (ISU ’78) in Ossian, Iowa. He and his wife, Judy, have four children and seven grandchildren. Dr. Vagts has served on the county board of health, is the past president of the Ossian Lutheran Church and is presently on the Executive Board of IVMA and Board of Ossian Senior Hospice.

Vernon J. Walsh: is currently a circuit supervisor for the USDA in meat and poultry inspection. Previous to this, he was in a large animal practice from 1959-76. Dr. Walsh and his wife, Mary Lou, have four children: Cindy, David, Philip, and Nancy. Dr. Walsh was an active member of the ISU Veterinarian all four years of veterinary school.