

ALUMNI FUND

Veterinary medicine alumni and students are playing an integral role in the Alumni Achievement Fund program. Last year 161 alumni from the division contributed to the objectives of the Alumni Fund. These contributors were not all "40-year men;" recent graduates helped considerably. The classes of 1872 to 1911 included 23 donors; 1912 to 1927 classes had 30 contributors; 1928 to 1943 alumni totaled 66 supporters and 1944 to 1952 graduates numbered 42.

In the current campaign, 43 alumni, from practically all graduating classes of the division, are serving as either class agents or assistants. They handle the field activities contacting fellow classmates.

These veterinary medicine alumni are joining ranks with alumni from all divisions who plan, guide and make the Alumni Achievement Fund successful. Two successful campaigns have been completed since its establishment in 1950. The Fund received almost \$82,000 during the 1952 campaign. This is a 70 percent increase over the \$48,000 collected during the previous year's campaign.

The participation by alumni is only half the story — helping Iowa State College attain greatness by providing facilities to meet needs which are not satisfied through regular appropriations is the more important phase. One of every five students on the campus has received direct financial support through the Alumni Achievement Fund. Indirectly, every Iowa State student is benefitting because of the completion of one or several of the objectives of the Fund.

The objectives for the present year are under three general catagories:

Student Aids

Over \$30,000, for approximately 417 undergraduate scholarships, has been awarded to 242 worthy students for this school year. In addition to merit awards and out-of-state athletic scholarships, many other designated undergraduate awards are provided.

Approximately 45 veterinary medicine students have received short-term loans this past year. Altogether 928 students were included in 1216 short-term loan transactions involving \$60,750.

Monies donated during the current campaign will also help to support such student activities as the judging teams, musical organizations and campus YWCA.

General Projects

The President's and Dean's Emergency Funds have provided opportunities to meet numerous requests for which budgeted funds are not always available. Dean Merchant has been able to utilize part of this fund to strengthen the Veterinary Medicine alumni group which will house the class pictures of practically all graduates from 1906 on. Honor dinners for outstanding dignitaries and faculty members are another outlet utilized to strengthen the division.

Other projects include graduate fellowships, purchasing native experimental areas and alumni services.

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Research Projects

The third category is providing general research grants and distinguished professorships which are meant to help Iowa State College remain one of America's foremost colleges of sciene and technology.

Professors M. A. Emmerson, O. W. Whitcomb and E. A. Benbrook served on the Division of Veterinary Medicine committee to recommend these objectives for the Alumni Fund.

James D. Francis, senior, and Robert Van Ryzin, junior, are currently representing the Veterinary Division on the Alumni Fund Student Advisory Council.

GENERAL NEWS

Divisional officers of the Iowa State Student Chapter of the American Veterinary Medical Association are as follows. President, Robert J. Nelson (Sr.); President-Elect, Bill Thomas (Jr.); Vice- President, Bill Rugger (Sr.); Secretary, Dennis Carr (Soph.); Treasurer, Dick Collison, (Jr.); and Critic, Roderick Zachary.

The recently formed Society of Veterinary Cadets held their election in October, and the following men were selected: Advisor, Capt. Samuel Thompson; Commander, Barrie Watson (Sr.); Deputy Commander, Bob Watson, (Jr.); 1st Vice Commander, Leo Slife (Soph.); 2nd Vice Commander, James Carberry (Fr.); Ass't. Adjutant, Dave VanSickle (Fr.); Custodian of the Unit Fund, George Beran (Sr.); and Ass't Custodian of the Unit Fund, John Lessin (Soph.).

This year's Freshman Class consists of 66 members, of which 40 are Iowa residents and 26, non-residents representing 11 states. Fourteen are married. Thirtythree have had two years of college, 17 have had three years, four have gone four years without receiving degrees, 12 have B.S. degrees and one has an M.S. degree. The average age is 22.4, the oldest freshman being 34 years old and the youngest 19.

Class officers for the present term are as follows. Freshmen: Tom Spencer, Representative; Stanley Held, Secretary-Treasurer. Sophomores: Robert Gray, Representative; Carl Reschly, Secretary-Treasurer. Juniors: Jim Yoder, Representative; Dick Baum, Secretary-Treasurer. Seniors: Gene Jordahl, Representative; John Bush, Secretary-Treasurer.

MARRIAGES

Miss JoAnn Long and **Keith Johnson** were married August 9, in the Methodist Church in Knoxville, Iowa. Mr. Johnson is a third-year student.

Miss Ruth A. Keplinger and Nevin McKay were married September 4, in the Evangelical Reformed Church at Cambridge, Mass. Mr. McKay is a third-year student.

Miss Aurelia Osterman and John Conley were married September 6, in the Methodist Church at Grand Junction, Iowa. Mr. Conley is a third-year student.

Miss Olive Curtin and Jack Crawley were married September 5, in the Sacred Heart Catholic Church in Reedsburg, Wis. Mr. Crawley is a third-year student.

Miss Mary Wilken and Quenten D. Sundberg were married August 22, in the First Lutheran Church at Sioux Rapids; Iowa. Mr. Sundberg is a thirdyear student.

Miss Lois Dickson and John H. Post were married August 22, in the Presbyterian Church in Hunter, N. D. Mr. Post is a third-year student.

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Miss Patricia Ruth Patterson and Edward Jerome Murphy were married on December 29, in the Corpus Christi Catholic Church, Fort Dodge, Iowa. Mr. Murphy is a fourth-year student.

Miss Pauline Drommer and Vincent Votteler were married on December 26, in Fort Dodge, Iowa. Mr. Votteler is a fourth-year student.

Miss Shirley Bruckner and William O. Reece were married in the St. Thomas Aquinas Catholic Church in Ames, Iowa, on December 26. Mr. Reece is a fourthyear student.

Miss Jane Payseur and **Robert Glotfelty** were married in Evanston, Ill., on July 11. Mr. Glotfelty is a fourth-year student.

BIRTHS

A son, David H., to **Mr. and Mrs. Dick Baum**, born July 30, in Burlington, Iowa. Mr. Baum is a third-year student.

A son, Timothy John, to Mr. and Mrs. Jack Coyne on September 28, in Ames. Mr. Coyne is a fourth-year student.

A son, Jeffrey James, to Mr. and Mrs. Howard Bayles on May 27, in Ames. Mr. Bayles is a fourth-year student.

A girl, Alett Kay, to Mr. and Mrs. Kenneth Turner on July 11, in Ames. Mr. Turner is a fourth-year student.

RABIES

Although six New England states and six northwestern states reported no rabies during 1952, 8,453 cases of the disease were reported in the United States for the year. Figures compiled by the U.S.D.A. revealed 5261 cases in dogs, 916 in cattle, 486 cats, 38 horses, 31 swine, 26 sheep or goats and 21 in humans. Of the 1,674 miscellaneous cases, many were in foxes, skunks and raccoons.

Texas had one-fourth of the cases, of which 1,000 were in dogs. New York led in cattle cases with 174, followed by Pennsylvania with 81; Iowa, 66; Georgia, 62; and Virginia, 60. Iowa led in swine cases with eight, and Pennsylvania in sheep cases with seven.

America's dog population now stands at 22,500,000 in comparison to the 20,000,000 figure determined in 1947. The survey was completed recently by Gaines Dog Research Center. The report also showed that 40 percent of America's homes have one or more dogs, that the South leads the country in the number of dog-owning families, as well as in the average number of dogs per family; and that families in the lowest income bracket own dogs in slightly above average proportions and also own a larger number of dogs than other families.

Approximately one thousand veterinary students are being graduated each year by the nineteen approved colleges in the United States and Canada.

The virus of psittacosis has been isolated in turkeys for the first time. The strain is said to be highly virulent and infectious.

A daughter, Cheryl Jo, to **Mr. and Mrs. Jim Francis** at Ottumwa, Iowa, on September 5. Mr. Francis is a fourth-year student.

A daughter, Mary Patricia, to **Mr. and Mrs. Leo Schmall** on December 1. Mr. Schmall is a fourth-year student.

Vesicular exanthema was reported for the first time in Montana by the U.S.B.A.I. in August. Other states with one or more counties under quarantine are Connecticut, Maine, Massachusetts, New Jersey, New York, Ohio, Texas, Pennsylvania and California.