

Biographical Sketches of the Class of 1941

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*Arthur M. Orum, DVM ***



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Last spring, the Class of 1941 held a 55-year reunion at Iowa State University, originally known as Iowa State College. Dr. Charles Murry, pictured above, was Dean of the Division of Veterinary Medicine at that time. The next few pages are biographical sketches of living graduates of the class.

Collins W. Anderson and his wife Jean live at 1708 Providence, Mexico, Mo. Anderson retired from practice in 1976. He was in

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World War II from December, 1942 to January, 1946. He was in small animal practice in Milwaukee, Wis. from 1946 to 1976. He and Jean have two children, Ronald and Kathy.

John P. Arnold and his wife Margaret live at 5406 E. Bald Eagle Blvd, White Bear Lake, Minn., 55110. Arnold started in general practice for seven years. Then he returned to ISU for a MS degree and was on staff for a year. From 1950 to 1976 he was at the University of Minnesota Veterinary College. He earned his PhD in 1956, and became head of surgery & radiology. Last year he finished writing a book on the history of veterinary medicine in Minnesota. He and Margaret have two children, Phillip and Mary. They have five grandchildren.

Frank E. Bartley and his wife Jen live at HCR 78 Box 13, Deer Run Estates, Fredericktown, Mo., 65645.

Melvin R. Beemer and his wife Marney live at Rural Route 3, Box 16, Corning, Iowa, 50841. They spend seven months of the year in Iowa and the rest on the Oregon coast and in Maui, Hawaii. They travel extensively visiting their children, Barbara in Australia, Lynne in California, Gayle in Germany, Scott in Hawaii and Polly in Colorado. They have eight grandchildren.

Robert L. Campbell and his wife Mary live in St. Catherine, Mo., 64677. Campbell married Mary Harris in 1944, and they have four children and nine grandchildren.

John W. Carey and his wife Dorothy live at

120 W. Maxson Ave., West Liberty, Iowa, 52776. Carey is one of four classmates that have been awarded the prestigious Stange Award, which he received in 1984. He and Dorothy have four children, Connie, Thomas, Rebecca and James. They have six grandchildren.

Earl L. Cook and his wife Ruth live at 705 Oak St, Farmington, Minn., 55024, and at Unit 2177, 17031 E. El Lago Dr., Fountain Hills, AZ 85268. Cook practiced 25 years in Farmington and was a federal meat inspector in South St. Paul for 20 years. He retired in 1985 and loves to play golf. He and Ruth have three children, Thomas, Lawrence and Mary. They have seven grandchildren.

Gerald W. Cornwell and his wife Phyllis live at 417 McPherson St., Boone, Iowa, 50036. Cornwell was a small animal instructor at Iowa State from June 1941 to September 1942. He started mixed practice in Boone, after leaving Iowa State, and married Phyllis in the Summer of 1943. He retired from his practice, which had become a partnership, in 1973. He was Chairman of the Boone County Health Board for 10 years. He is a life member of the IVMA and AVMA, and is a 50 year member of the Masonic Lodge the Elks.

Frank W. Failing and his wife Mildred live at 100 James Blvd., Apt. N211, Signal Mountain, Tenn., 37377. He and Mildred have four children: F. Cort, George, Hugh and R. Kent. They have four grandchildren, two step grandchildren and one step great-grandchild.

Lawrence M. Forland and his wife Val live at 201 12th St. S., Northwood, Iowa, 50459. Forland retired in 1986 from 45 years of mixed practice in Northwood. He has been an officer in the Upper Iowa VMA and an executive board member of the IVMA District #3. He is an AVMA Honor Roll Member. For six years he served on the Northwood School and is a member of the Masons and

the Shriners. He and Val have four children, Barbara, LaVonne, Steven and Christine. They have seven grandchildren.

Arvid. H. Gaffin and his wife Helen live at 1397 Sylvaner Ave., St. Helena, Calif., 94574. Gaffin was in a mixed practice at Clinton, Ill., for 20 years with four years out, serving in the U. S. Army Veterinary Corps. Leaving Illinois, he spent four years managing the Flying W. Ranch at Columbia, Mo., specializing in the breeding and promoting of purebred Angus cattle. At a small animal practice in Burlingame, Calif., he worked 10 years in the treatment of birds. Gaffin retired from practice in 1976 and they moved to Napa Valley at St. Helena. They go traveling, do gardening, go boating and play golf. Gaffin is a past president of the Central Illinois VMA and an honor roll member of AVMA. He and Helen have three children, Arthur, Anne and Douglas. They have four grandchildren.

William J. Hayden and his wife Mick live at RFD#4, Marshall, Mo., 65340. Hayden was in general practice for 30 years and then was with the U.S. Department of Agriculture for nine years. He later served 25 years as health officer for Marshall. He and Mick have two sons, John and Bill. At last word, Hayden is still optimistic — buying green bananas.

Raymond J. Helvig and his wife Elizabeth live at 715 Maiden Choice, CR417, Baltimore, Md., 21228. In 1941, Helvig started private practice but joined the U. S. Public Health Service a few months later. He began work in milk and food sanitation and by the time he retired in 1976, he was working in the National Institute of Health's Research Grants Administration. He received his MPH in 1948 from the University of Michigan. He has received the U.S. PHS Commendation Medal and the 1972 ISU Stange Award. He and Elizabeth are active in church, community activities, and volunteer work in subsidized housing for the low income elderly. They have five children,

John, Stephen, Paul, Elizabeth and Mark. They also have eight grandchildren.

Charles D. Hertich and his wife Florence live at 15 Knollwood Court, Chester, Ill., 62233-1416. Hertich was in mixed practice from 1941 to 1959, and then worked for the Illinois Department of Agriculture from 1959 to 1983. He and Florence have five children: Charlotte, Linda, Charles, Cindthia and Christi. They have 12 grandchildren.

Harlan E. Jensen and his wife Naomi live at 82 Legend Road Circle, Fort Worth, Tx., 76132-1024. Jensen was the class valedictorian, and has continued to win many awards since then. Some of them include the 1982 ISU Stange Award and the 1973 AVMA Gaines Fido Award. He had a 26-year career in private practice, first in Galesburg, Ill., then in small animal practices in New Brunswick, N.J.; Cleveland, Ohio; San Diego, Calif., and Houston, Tex. He received his Ph.D. in 1971 from the University of Missouri, where he had joined the staff in 1967. He designed and patented the Jensen ear trimmer in 1948. In 1970, he became a charter diplomate in the American College of Veterinary Ophthalmologists, and is one of the "founding fathers" of this specialty. He has lectured on this speciality all over the world, and his publication credits are numerous. He and Naomi have three children, Kendra, Doris and Richard. They have three grandchildren.

Max W. Jones and his wife Ellen live at 1367 N. 75th W., Centerville, Utah, 84014-3301. The Joneses retired from California to Utah. They have four children, Marilyn, Lorraine, Charles and Marvin. They have nineteen grandchildren.

Norman K. Kinney lives at 604 Court St., Ida Grove, Iowa, 51445. Kinney was in mixed practice at Ida Grove for 25 years when he started work as a state veterinarian. A state veterinarian for one year, he spent the next 17 years as a field veterinarian with APHIS, VS, USDA. His wife Audrey, who was an

Iowa Stater as well, died on June 23, 1995. He has three children, Michael, Kathy and Robert. He has six grandchildren.

Francis W. Knoop and his wife Regina live at 330 Hwy. 246 West #187, Buellton, Calif., 93427. Knoop had a small animal practice in Santa Barbara, Calif., until his retirement in 1976. He and Regina have three children, William, Betty and Tim. They have two grandchildren.

Samuel D. Linn and his wife Erma live at 108 N. 3rd Street, Humbolt, Iowa, 50548. He is a life member of the IVMA and the AVMA. In 1982, he won the ISU Stange Award. His leisure time is spent woodworking and travelling. Linn is a 50-year member of the Masons and Lions. He and Erma have five children, Bill, Julie, Doug, David and Don. They have seven grandchildren.

Lew D. Llewellyn lives at 5975 Lights Ferry Rd., Lot 50, Flowery Branch, Ga., 30542-3210. Lew is about blind, but still does some work, like mare pregnancy exams. He is not able to drive or read, but with help occasionally flies, the most recent flight was to Canada for his granddaughter's wedding. Llewellyn practiced in Knoxville and Shelbyville, Tenn., before entering the service in World War II. After his service, he joined the staff at Auburn University Veterinary School for eight years. He then joined the federal meat inspection service. Semi-retired since the 1970s, he and has done limited equine practice. He has two children: Jim and Jerry. He has four grandchildren.

Merthyr L. Miner lives at 771 E. San Simeon Way, Bountiful, Utah, 84010. His wife, Norma, died in 1994. He has four children, Thomas, Susan, Hunt and David. He has 15 grandchildren and three great-grandchildren.

William Q. Nelson and his wife Eldene live at 20407 N. Meadowood Dr., Sun City West, Ariz., 85375. Nelson started with the U.S. Department Agriculture from 1941 to 1943

in serum-virus inspection service. He then went to practice at Inwood, Iowa, until 1962. He joined USDA work again, this time on area Brucellosis in Alabama. He was later transferred to Baltimore, where he was in charge of port until 1968. He then worked in Brownsville, Tex., (Aphis from then on), Salem, Ore.; Panama and Washington, D.C. He retired in 1981 to California. His first wife, Viola, died in 1984. He then moved to Palm Desert, Calif., and married Eldene in 1988. They moved to Sun City West in 1990.

Arthur M. Orum and his wife Margaret live at 13419 Bolero Dr., Sun City West, Ariz., 85375-4705. Orum started in a mixed practice at Carthage, Ill., in 1941. He worked there until his retirement in 1978. In 1945, he initiated the idea of building a human hospital in Carthage and was one of the ten incorporating directors. In 1970, he witnessed the opening of a nursing home for which he helped raise funds. He served as a president in both institutions: hospital director for 27 years and nursing home director for 5 years. He was an AVMA representative of the National Brucellosis Committee in the late 1940s thru 1950. He is a life member of the ISUVMA, the Illinois VMA and the AVMA. He has held the office of Trustee, Deacon and Elder in the Presbyterian Church. He and Margaret have three children, Judy, Chip and Peg. They have five grandchildren.

Raymond D. Read and his wife Angie live at Box 158, Ronan, Mont., 59864. Read built a large and small animal hospital, which he sold in November, 1986. Raymond spends his free time fishing and flying. Angie is active in clubs and bowling. They have five children, Raymond, Patricia, Mike, Tim and Joe. They have 13 grandchildren.

Calvin D. Sours and his wife Carol live at 1616 S. Pennsylvania, Mason City, Iowa, 50401. Sours had a large animal practice at Nora Springs and Rockford, IA, from which he retired in June, 1982. He was in the U.S. Army Veterinary Corps from 1943 to 1946. He is a life member of the IVMA and AVMA.

He participates in a Harvard Medical School research project for MDs, DDSs, and DVMs. He is presently the administrator of his wife's business, Carol's Health And Home Care, a provider of services to the elderly at St. Paul, Minn. He and Carol have two children: Carol and Roy. They have four grandchildren.

Jerome C. Speltz and his wife Laurine live at 1852 Edgewood Rd., Winona, Minn., 55987-2147. He retired from a mostly dairy large animal practice 14 years ago, but continued small animal practice until five years ago. Since then, he has taken up golfing and is now, in his own words, "a golfing nut". He and Laurine have eight children, Laurine, Ann, Paula, Jerome, Louis, Joseph, John and Michael. They have seven grandchildren.

Nathaniel R. Waggoner and his wife Glenda live at 1400 Parkside Ave., Unit 140, Morton, Ill., 61550. Waggoner retired from practice in 1975. He is a life member of the IVMA, Illinois VMA and AVMA. He and Glenda have three children, Gary, Curtiss and Dennis. They have six grandchildren.

James L. Welch and his wife Ruth live at 3538 Rudolph Rd., Eau Claire, WI, 54701-7742. Welch was in food animal practice. He and Ruth volunteer at the Green Lake Conference Center, Green Lake, Wis. They have three children: Mark, Craig and Ann. They have five grandchildren. **V**

Corrections

There were three errors in the previous issue, Vol. 58, No. 1, much to our embarrassment.

First, an error of omission, credit should have been given to the source of the cover photo: Iowa State University Library, University Archives Department.

Second, in the article, "Animal Rights Philosophy Versus Biological Reality," incorrect credit was given to the author, Adrian R. Morrison, DVM, PhD. He is not a senior research fellow at the University of Pennsylvania College of Veterinary Medicine but is a senior research fellow at the Center on Neuroscience, Medical Progress and Society at the George Washington University Medical Center.

Third, a word in the title of the above mentioned article was spelled incorrectly. Originally, the word "versus" was spelled "verses."