



## Staff Appointments



**Dr. Gratzek**

Dr. John B. Gratzek received his B.S. from St. Marys College, Winona, Minnesota in 1952, his D.V.M. from Minnesota in 1956, and his M.S. and PhD from the University of Wisconsin.

Dr. Gratzek spent five years with the Department of Veterinary Science at the University of Wisconsin doing research on the virus diseases of cattle. His interest lies in virology and at present he is doing research on the virus host cell reaction of virus diarrhea complex.

Dr. Gratzek is married and has two children, ages two and four.

Dr. D. Dale Gillette has joined the staff of Veterinary Physiology and Pharmacology.

After graduating in 1953 from Iowa State he entered a mixed practice in association with Dr. L. Trumpeter of Rapid City, South Dakota. He then moved to California where he was engaged in meat inspection for the state. From January 1955 to August 1958 Dr. Gillette was Assistant Professor of Veterinary Science at California State Polytechnic College at San Luis Obispo. He completed a PhD in physiology at the University of California,



**Dr. Gillette**

*Iowa State University Veterinarian*

Davis, with a thesis on the mechanisms of parturition in cattle. During graduate work Dr. Gillette worked on a field evaluation of the brucellosis whey test and post graduate work included cardiac output research in farm animals. His outside interests include chess, skin diving, and back packing.



**Dr. Kaeberle**

Dr. Merlin L. Kaeberle was born in Vermillion, South Dakota and received his A.B. from the University of South Dakota in 1950, his B.S. from Colorado State University in 1952, his D.V.M. as a large animal clinician at Kansas State. He then spent two years with the U.S. Public Health Service. He was assigned to the New York State Department of Health in rabies vaccine evaluation and served as acting veterinary consultant to the health department. He then spent two years in the large animal clinics at the University of Illinois.

In 1959 Dr. Kaeberle accepted a research fellowship from the Illinois Veterinary Medical Association and is working toward his PhD. His interests lie in the mechanisms of antibody formation and field of immunology and he is working on hypersensitivity reactions.

Dr. Kaeberle and his wife have two boys, ages two and four.



**Dr. Reece**

Dr. William Reece has joined the Department of Veterinary Physiology and Pharmacology as a Research Associate on the toxicity of rare earth elements for the Atomic Energy Commission.

Dr. Reece graduated from Iowa State in 1954 with a DVM. He became associated with L. J. Larson, DVM at Galesville, Wisconsin as a practitioner. In May of 1955 Dr. Reece moved to the Veterinary Division Research Lab of Swift in Chicago, Illinois. Dr. and Mrs. Reece have four daughters.

Dr. Chester D. Lee participated in the annual meeting of the Iowa Veterinary Medical Association held in Des Moines January 16-18, where he served in his capacity as chairman of the Public Relations Committee. At the meeting, Dr. Lee was also elected as Iowa's delegate to the American Veterinary Medical Association Meeting. On February 13 and 14, Dr. Lee will speak at a meeting of the Nebraska Turkey Federation in Grand Island, Nebraska. His speech topic will be "Who is Responsible for Disease Control in Turkeys."

Dr. M. A. Emmerson has recently been elected to the Board of Directors of the National Animal Care Panel. He will be representing the midwest branch of the animal care panel.

Dr. Richard Lundvall attended the IVMA meeting in Des Moines, January 17, where he presented a talk on "Surgery for Practitioners."

**Dr. John Herrick** attended the Kansas State Veterinary Medical Association meeting on January 29 and 30. He appeared as a speaker on their program.

On February 5 and 6, Dr. Herrick attended the Ohio VMA meeting at Columbus as a speaker on their program.

Dr. Herrick was a speaker at the Illinois VHA meeting at Springfield on February 19 and 20.

He was appointed committee member of the National Mastitis Council at the conference of Research Workers and Research Concerning Bovine Mastitis in Chicago, Illinois, November 26 and 28.

He was also re-elected committee member of the National Cattle Grub Committee.

He attended the National Feeder Lamb Association in Omaha, Nebraska December 7 and was a speaker on the program.

Dr. Herrick attended the Iowa VMA meeting in Des Moines in January where he was elected president-elect of the association.

**Drs. L. H. Schwarte, J. C. Picken, W. P. Switzer and Conrad L'Ecuyer** of Veterinary Medical Research Institute attended the Conference of Research Workers in Animal Diseases in Chicago, November 26th and 27th, 1961.

**Dr. Harry W. Yoder Jr.**, of Veterinary Medical Research Institute reported research on "The Control of Infectious Sinusitis in Turkeys" at the annual meeting of the National Turkey Federation in Dallas, Texas, January 10, 1962.

**Dr. M. S. Hofstad** of Veterinary Medical Research Institute attended a meeting and an executive committee meeting of the NC-6 Technical Committee on Respiratory Diseases of Poultry and also the Conference of Research Workers in Animal Diseases held in Chicago, November 25-27, 1961.

A joint paper written by **Drs. Bernard H. Skold and Robert Getty** entitled "Spontaneous Atherosclerosis in the Coronary Arteries of Swine" was presented by Dr. Skold at the annual meeting of the Research

Workers of North America, in Chicago on November 27.

A paper on applied anatomy entitled "Anatomy of Reproduction" was presented by Dr. R. Getty at the Annual Convention of the Iowa Veterinary Medical Association which was held in Des Moines, January 16-18.

**Dean Merchant** participated in the annual meeting of the Iowa Veterinary Medical Association held in Des Moines, Jan. 16-18, as chairman of the Advisory Committee. In his capacity as past president he also extended the Executive Board meeting which was held on January 15.

On February 18, **Dean I. A. Merchant** attended a meeting of the Advisory Board on Veterinary Specialities, American Veterinary Medical Association, at Chicago, Illinois.

**Dr. W. J. Zimmermann** of Veterinary Medical Research Institute presented a paper, "A Review of the Trichiniasis Problem in the United States, with Particular Emphasis on Iowa" at the annual meeting of the United States Livestock Sanitary Association November 3-4, 1961, in Minneapolis. Co-authors of the paper are **Drs. E. D. Hubbard, L. H. Schwarte and H. E. Biester**.

**Dr. L. H. Schwarte** of the Veterinary Medical Research Institute presented a paper, "Field Strains of Hog Cholera Virus," at the Symposium on Hog Cholera at the University of Minnesota, October 29th and 30th. He also attended the annual meeting of the United States Livestock Sanitary Association, Minneapolis, October 31-November 3.

**Dr. Melvin J. Swenson** was in New York City, January 8 representing physiology at the National Board of Veterinary Medical Examiners meeting.

**Dr. Victor W. Bolie** served as a biomedical engineering consultant for the National Institute of Health in Philadelphia on January 10 and 11 and at Raleigh, North Carolina on January 18.

Dr. Bolie is presenting a paper entitled "An Electromagnetochemical Theory of Rapid Biological Transients" at the annual

meeting of the American Institute of Electrical Engineers in New York February 1.

**Dr. Fred C. Davison** and **Dr. William O. Recce** of the Veterinary Physiology and Pharmacology Department attended the Periodical meeting of the Atomic Energy Commission contract holders doing toxicity studies for the Division of Biology and Medicine being held January 26-28 at the Lovelace Foundation, 4800 Gibson Boulevard S.E., Albuquerque, New Mexico.

**Dr. Durwood L. Baker** attended the Wisconsin Veterinary Medical Association annual meeting at Milwaukee, Wisconsin, January 15 and 16 to present two papers "Hemograms in Small Animal Diseases" and "Clinical Diagnosis of Internal Disorders in Small Animals." On January 5, 1962, Dr. Baker attended the Greater St. Louis Veterinary Medical Association meeting where he presented a paper entitled "Clinical Diagnosis of Internal Disorders in Small Animals."

**Dr. L. N. Brown** has left the staff of the Veterinary Hygiene Department to pursue work toward his Ph.D. at Ohio State University, Columbus, Ohio.

**Dr. J. B. Gratzek** attended the 42nd Annual Meeting of Research Workers in Animal Diseases in Chicago, Illinois, November 26 and 27 where he presented a paper entitled, "Quantitative Plating of Single Bovine Cells and its Application to the Study of Virus Diarrhea Virus Infected Cells."

**Dr. M. L. Kaeberle** attended the 42nd Annual Meeting of Research Workers in Animal Diseases in Chicago, Illinois, November 26 and 27 where he presented a paper entitled "Absorption and Persistence of Antibodies in the Newborn Pig."

**Dr. R. A. Packer** attended the conference of Research Workers and Research Concerning Bovine Mastitis in Chicago, Illinois, November 26-28.

On January 19, 1962, Dr. Packer was a speaker at the Dairy Fieldman's Conference in Columbia, Missouri. He also gave a talk concerning microbiology to a high school science seminar at Burlington High School.

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## Class of '65

**Jim Gray** announced his engagement to Miss Karen Bonnette, E. & S. II at Iowa State.

**Victor Aguilar** announced his engagement to Miss Idalia Viso who is a sophomore in Social Work at Ottumwa Heights College.

**Mylon Filkins** announced his engagement to Miss Patricia Tyler who is attending the University of Nebraska.

A daughter, Dianne, was born to Mr. and Mrs. George Stott on November 23, 1961.

## Annual Christmas Party

The student AVMA annual Christmas party was held on December 13, 1961 at 7:30 in the Great Hall of the Memorial Union. Ray Belding served as Master of Ceremonies with a total of 450 adults and children in attendance. Dean I. A. Merchant started the program with holiday greetings to all. Denny Williams and a group of the children led the singing of Christmas Carols and other songs of the season. A pantomime on Santa at the North Pole was then presented by the wives of the junior class members. Next on the program was the drawing for the more than eighty prizes, donated by Ames merchants and drug companies. At the same time the children decorated Christmas trees.

The evening was climaxed by the appearance of Santa Claus, portrayed by Morgan Nederhiser, who gave candy to the children. Coffee and donuts were served to the adults. The extra candy was given to the Lutheran Children's Home.

The party was planned under the direction of Sidney Davis and Denny Williams, Co-chairmen.

The laboratory animal industry is valued at \$250 million. An estimated 37 million small animals, including poultry and other birds, are used in the United States each year for research, laboratory instruction, and testing. The U.S. Government spends \$13 million annually on veterinary medical research.