Then and Now
Top: Veterinary school library between 1907 and 1913; Old Quadrangle Building. Left: Early operating arena. Bottom: The renovated Student Surgery Suite in the Ryan Veterinary Hospital; 2006. The suite is an integral part of the school’s Shelter Animal Medicine Program, which includes the spaying and neutering of homeless animals from the city’s shelters to make them more adoptable.
Top, right: Ambulance for small animals outside the hospital in Philadelphia, 1909. Bottom: Steven W. Atwood Library and Information Commons, Hill Pavilion; 2008. The library includes an electronic classroom with 16 workstations. Bottom, right: The Animal Bloodmobile, which is used for canine blood drives organized by individuals, breeders, dog clubs and veterinarians. In 2002 the school acquired an updated model (pictured here). Since the Penn Animal Blood Bank began in 1987, more than 6,000 dogs have participated in the blood-donor program. Currently, close to 1,000 dogs are active donors, making it the largest voluntary canine blood-donor program in the nation.