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of facilities for teaching and research, he was soon disheartened.

Returning to private general veterinary practice in Glasgow, he somehow, miraculously, managed to carry out some important investigations on bone-pinning techniques and on virus diseases of dogs. Recognition came quickly; he was soon perceived by his colleagues as the nation's leading small animal practitioner and surgeon. In 1950, the opportunity came to take responsibility for veterinary education and Sir William was appointed as the first Director of Veterinary Education within the University of Glasgow's Medical Faculty. There followed then a period of intense activity during which, in a few years' time, the old Glasgow Veterinary College, an intellectually and physically impoverished institution, was transformed into a leading veterinary school in Great Britain and subsequently in the world. Sir William assembled a scholarly faculty of eager, active, innovative personalities whose contributions to veterinary medical science are now universally acclaimed.

Sir William took a global view of his activities, devoting much time and energy to committees and councils at home and abroad. And during his stewardship, the veterinary schools at Glasgow and Pennsylvania developed strong ties based on remarkably similar research interests and educational philosophies.

Scientist, educator and administrator, a generous and warm-hearted man whose powerful example and personality transformed the educational fabric of British veterinary education, Sir William is a man for all seasons.

Elected to the Royal Society of Edinburgh in 1953, to Fellowship in the Royal College of Veterinary Surgeons in 1959, he was knighted by Queen Elizabeth II in 1966. To these well-deserved accolades, Sir William's friends at the University of Pennsylvania now join in honoring a revered colleague by asking him to accept the Centennial Medal of the School of Veterinary Medicine.

EVENTS

DECEMBER

- 8 *Centennial Award of Merit ceremony, University Museum, Philadelphia*
- 19 *Centennial Distinguished Service Award Ceremony, Faculty Club*

JANUARY

- 5 *Sports Day, Philadelphia*
- 14 *Alumni reception, Eastern States Meeting, Orlando, FL*
- 26 *Fifteenth Annual Canine Symposium, Philadelphia*
- 30-31 *Penn Annual Conference, Adam's Mark Hotel, Philadelphia*

FEBRUARY

- 11-12 *Westminster K.C. dog show, New York, N.Y.*

MARCH

- 25 *Alumni Reception at AAHA meeting, Orlando, FL*
- 30 *Feline Symposium, Philadelphia*

ALUMNI AND CONTINUING EDUCATION CORNER

Plans for 1985 are in progress—and we hope you will join us at these upcoming events:

WEDNESDAY, JANUARY 30 and THURSDAY, JANUARY 31, 1985: THE PENN ANNUAL CONFERENCE. THE 1985 PENN ANNUAL CONFERENCE WILL BE HELD AT THE ADAM'S MARK HOTEL (City Line Avenue and Monument Road, Philadelphia). Speakers include Dr. Gary Carlson, University of California, Davis, lecturing on Fluid Therapy in the Horse; Dr. Sheila McGuirk, University of Wisconsin, lecturing on Pharmacology for the Bovine Practitioners, and Dr. Danny Scott, Cornell University, lecturing on Small Animal Dermatology. On Thursday, January 31, a full day seminar will be devoted to: Computers in Veterinary Medicine. This is a four part lecture series, proceeding from basic to complex, on the selection and use of computers for the veterinary practitioner. Brian R. Smith, president of B. R. Smith and Associates, will present the seminar.

SATURDAY, MAY 18, 1985: ALUMNI DAY—NEW BOLTON CENTER Whether you are celebrating a formal reunion (years ending in five and zero), or just want to get together with a few of your classmates, join us at New Bolton Center for a picnic lunch, a continuing education program, or a special tour of the Brandywine area. A dinner and dance will be held on Saturday, May 18, at the Wilmington Hilton Hotel (approximately twenty minutes from New Bolton Center) for our reunion and non-reunion graduates. The evening begins with a reception at 6 p.m. hosted by Dean Robert R. Marshak, followed by dinner at 7 p.m. Festivities will conclude with dancing until midnight. The Wilmington Hilton is offering a special rate of \$64/night for a double room.

For those who could not attend the Centennial Scientific Conference on Oct. 15, 16, 17, 1984 at the Bellevue Stratford, Philadelphia, Audio-Stats Educational Services has recorded nineteen of the twenty-four lectures presented at the conference. You will be receiving information in the mail about the cost of these tapes.

The first University of Pennsylvania School of Veterinary Medicine Alumni Directory will be available in January of 1985. If you wish to purchase a copy of the Directory, and have not been contacted by the Harris Publication Company, please call the Alumni Office and we will take your order.

The full day continuing education seminars sponsored by the School will resume in February 1985. Watch your mail for the Spring 1985 brochure.

The Dean and the Veterinary Medical Alumni Society will host the first alumni reception of the year at the Eastern States Meeting on Monday, January 14, 1985 in Orlando, Florida. All alumni and faculty of the School are cordially invited to attend the reception.

Please contact the Alumni Office at 898-4234 if you have questions regarding any of the above events.



Dr. Alfam congratulates Robert I. Smith



Dr. von Engelhardt presents a proclamation from the Veterinary School, Hannover, Germany, to Dr. Marshak



Sir William Weipers receives the medal



Dr. and Mrs. Jack K. Robbins of Pasadena, CA (left) with Dean and Mrs. Robert R. Marshak at Santa Anita Park. Dr. and Mrs. Robbins gave a "birthday lunch" for California alumni and friends in the Director's Room in honor of the Veterinary School's Centennial.