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Under the old Veterinary Act (No. 16 of 1933) the names of all living veterinarians in South Africa were listed in the current register and were available for all to see. Only the names of those who had passed away were deleted from subsequent registers.

When I started writing this "list" it was my intention to record details of all the veterinarians who had served in South Africa and whose names were no longer in the register. In other words, those persons who by implication had passed away and were likely to be forgotten with the passage of time.

Unfortunately, the inclusion of a veterinarian's name in the professional register under the current Veterinary and Para Veterinary Profession Act 1982 (No. 19 of 1982) is dependent upon the payment of an annual registration fee so that not only are the names of those who pass away removed from the register, but also the names of those who for various reasons fail to pay the prescribed fee. In this way it is now possible for veterinarians not to have their names in the register even while they are still alive.

Hopefully what has been recorded here will stimulate the interest of younger members of the profession to carry out further investigation into the lives of these veterinarians.

I wish to dedicate this work to the memory of that great veterinary historian, H H Curson FRCVS Dr. Med. Vet. without whose writings it would not have been possible even to commence this task.

I have for obvious reasons, included in this list the name of one Medic viz. Dr Arthur Edington and for humanitarian reasons the name of one veterinary student, R P Williams who was killed in action in South Africa on the 24th of August 1900.

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T F Adelaar obtained his matric in 1926 at the Hoogere Oost-eind School in Pretoria and his BVSc degree at the Faculty of Veterinary Science, Onderstepoort in 1932. In 1933 he joined the Division of Veterinary Services as a State Veterinarian and saw service at Potgietersrus until 1938 and Armoedsvlakte until 1942 when he was transferred to the Virology section at Onderstepoort. In 1947 he succeeded Dr D G Steyn as senior lecturer and head of the Toxicology section at Onderstepoort. He continued in this work and was solely responsible for the training of veterinary students in Toxicology for the next 26 years (1947 - 1973). He retired from the service on 31/3/1974 aged 65 years and died in Pretoria on 4/12/1980.

AGGIO, CUSELLA (- 26/3/1934)

He qualified MRCVS (New Edinburgh) on 28/4/1886. During the Boer War he saw service in South Africa for an unknown period of time as a Civil Veterinary Surgeon attached to the Army Veterinary Department. After the war he returned to England where he practiced at Otley until 1907 when he moved to Malton, Yorks. He retired from practice in 1920. He died on 26/3/1934 age unknown.

AITCHISON, DAVID A D (- 4/10/1965)

He qualified MRCVS (London) on 12/7/1900 and came to South Africa as a Civil Veterinary Surgeon (C.V.S.) attached to the Army Veterinary Department (A.V.D.) during the Boer War. In 1903 he was serving as a District Veterinary Officer in the Orange Free State. He was subsequently Principal of the Government Veterinary College, Madras, India. He died in England on 4/10/1965.

AITKEN, JOHN JAMES C.M.G. D.S.O. (- 15/4/1946)

He qualified MRCVS (Glasgow) on 7/7/1899 and saw service with the A.V.D. in South Africa from 13/4/1901 to 28/10/1902. After the war he returned to England. He spent a second tour of duty in South Africa from 1/1/1910 to 19/9/1914. During his first tour he commenced service as a Civil Veterinary Surgeon before transferring to the A.V.D. He died on 15/4/1946.

ALEXANDER, RAYMOND ALBERT (1899 - 1965)

Born in Benoni in 1899 he took a one year Agric. Diploma course at the Potchefstroom College of Agriculture and then subsequently qualified BVSc (Agric) 1922 and BVSc (S.A.) at Onderstepoort in 1925. After qualifying, he joined the Division of Veterinary Services on 4/2/1926 and had an illustrious career. He obtained the DSc degree in 1935 for his work on the neurotropic virus of Horsesickness. He was appointed Director of Veterinary Services in 1950 and professor of infectious diseases at the veterinary faculty in 1958.
He was awarded an Honorary D.Sc by the University of Cape Town in 1955 and made an Honorary Professor of the University of Madrid and Honorary member of the Medical Association of South Africa as well as an Honorary member of the Section of Comparative Medicine of the Royal Society of Medicine. He retired on pension in 1961 and became advisor to the Council for Scientific and Industrial Research. He died at Pretoria on the 8th of July 1965 at the age of 66 years. The list of his scientific publications is too long to record.

ALLCHURCH, WILLIAM BARON (11/12/1902 - 2/10/1979)

Born in Cape Town on 11/12/1902 he obtained his BVSc degree at the Veterinary Faculty, Onderstepoort in December 1925. After qualifying as a veterinarian he joined the Division of Veterinary Services on 4/2/1926 and served as Government Veterinary Officer at Umtata (4/2/1926), Butterworth (19/4/1926), Port St Johns, Ixopo (14/9/1928), Allerton Laboratory, Mafeking (from September 1933), Vryburg (from January 1934), East London (from March 1939) and Port Elizabeth (from March 1942). In November 1944 he resigned from the service and went into practice with E T Clemow who had resigned as G.V.O. Port Elizabeth just prior to Allchurch's posting there. He remained in practice in Port Elizabeth until May 1973 when he retired. He died in Port Elizabeth on 2/10/1979. In 1934 he married Miss Elizabeth Adelaide Gibson and they had 3 children - Janet Elizabeth (born 5/10/1936) who married Dr Andre Brink, Bridget Adelaide (born 4/5/1938) and William Staten who married Miss Rosemary Glendinning.

During his service in Vryburg he was involved in a Dourine eradication campaign and in 1937 also dealt with a campaign to keep Foot and Mouth disease from entering his area from the Bechuanaland Protectorate. When 130 head of cattle crossed the Molopo River into South Africa he had to supervise their destruction. He never got over this experience. During World War II, while he was stationed at East London, two French ships from the East were intercepted by the Royal Navy and escorted into East London harbour. On board these ships were hundreds of passengers with their pets and sufficient fowls, goats, cattle and sheep to feed them on their voyage to France. Due to the danger of these animal introducing disease into South Africa, Allchurch had to supervise their destruction and the disposal of their carcases. This he did by dumping them at sea in the Benguella Current. Much to his horror these carcases washed up on Haga Beach two days later and had to be finally disposed of by burial. When he commenced practice in Port Elizabeth in 1944 there was only one other veterinarian (Dunning) in the area besides his partner. Thirty years later there were ten practices in Port Elizabeth.

ALLEN, HENRY O.B.E. (1877 - 23/7/1952)

He qualified MRCVS (London) on 12/12/1899 and was a member of the Army Veterinary Service in South Africa after the Boer War from 16/5/1903 to 21/12/1903. In 1903 he joined the Transvaal Veterinary Medical Association. He could however, not attend the inaugural meeting of this association held at Long's Hotel,
Johannesburg on 16/2/1903, but the minutes of the meeting record that he sent his good wishes to the association. Nothing further is known of Allen except that he returned to England after his short tour of duty in South Africa and died on 23/7/1952 at Sidcup, Kent aged 75 years.

AMOS, SYDNEY THOMAS ARUNDELL (3/3/1876 - 31/7/1948)

Born at Clevedon, Somerset on 3/3/1876, he qualified MRCVS (London) on 14/7/1898 and came to Natal as one of a party of 8 veterinarians (Cordy, Byrne, Harber, Woollatt, Hutchinson, Ashe) employed by the Natal Civil Veterinary Department to combat Rinderpest. He saw active service in the Boer War (Siege of Ladysmith and Battle of Elandslaagte) and the 1906 Zulu rebellion. In 1902 he married Miss Jane Alberta Martin of London. In 1909 he resigned from the Natal Civil Veterinary Department (C.V.D.). He took his FRGY! the same year, the subject of his thesis being "East Coast Fever". He then practiced in Durban until the outbreak of World War I when he saw service in the South West Africa Campaign. After the war he continued to practice in Durban. He was appointed veterinarian to the Durban Turf Club in 1911 and veterinarian to the Clairwood Turf Club in 1921. He served in both capacities until his death. He was President of the South African Veterinary Medical Association for a record of 9 consecutive years from 1936 to 1945. His wife died on 25/2/1937. He was a member of the Transvaal Veterinary Medical Association from 1908 and a founder member of the Natal Veterinary Medical Association from its inception on 19/11/1909. In 1947 he sold his practice to his son-in-law, L R Morford MRCVS and his daughter Vera, also a MRCVS. Two of his grandsons also became veterinarians viz. M D Morford (BVSc Pretoria 1970) and R A Morford (BVSc Pretoria 1972).

His signature (Sid T Amos Vety Lieut) appears on a desk presently in the Talana Museum, which was presented by the officers of the Natal Volunteer Composite Regiment in August 1902 to Mrs Evans, wife of L-Colonel R W Evans N.M.R. who was killed in action near Vryheid on 20/2/1902.

AMOS, VERA JEAN EVELYN (16/2/1908 - 10/4/1988)

Born in Durban on 16/2/1908 she qualified MRCVS (London) in 1934. Thereafter she saw mixed practice for a short while in Yorkshire before returning to her father's (S T A Amos) practice the same year in Durban.

In 1937 she married Leonard Rippon Morford MRCVS who predeceased her on 26/6/1964. Two of her sons M D and R A Morford also qualified as veterinarians. She died in Durban on 10/4/1988 aged 79 years. Throughout her married life she retained her maiden name of Amos.

He qualified MRCVS (Glasgow on 18/12/1897. During the Boer War he saw service in South Africa for an unknown period of time as a C.V.S. attached to the A.V.D. After the war he returned to England. He sailed to South Africa from Liverpool aboard the SS Helopies on 27 April 1900. In the Veterinary Record on 10/2/1906 he published an article entitled "The Civil Veterinary Surgeon on Active Service".

ANDERSON, THOMAS A J O.B.E. (27/1/1936)

He qualified MRCVS (New Edinburgh) on 17/12/1885 and served in South Africa during the Boer War as a C.V.S. in the A.V.D. He died on 27/1/1936.

ANDREWS, JOHN OWEN D.S.O. (4/7/1972)

He qualified MRCVS (London) on 16 December 1905 and saw service in South Africa in the A.V.D./A.V.C. from 1/7/1907 to 9/3/1911. He was commissioned on 3/2/1906 and served at Pretoria, Mooi River, Potchefstroom and Cape Town. He was at Curragh when war was declared and accompanied the B.E.F. to France in August 1914. In 1920 he proceeded to India and was stationed at Jubbulpore. He was subsequently stationed at the Equitation School, Weedon for two years. In 1929 he again proceeded to India as Dep. Asst. D.V.S. Deccan district and later Asst. D.V.S. Northern Command. He returned to England in 1934, but went to India for a final tour of duty in 1936 as Deputy D.V.S. Northern Command. He retired from the Army on 18/1/1940 after 34 years services. He died on 4/7/1972.

ANDREWS, WILLIAM HORNER (22/6/1887 - 17/3/1953)

Born on 22/6/1887 at Southsea, Hamps, he qualified BSc and MRCVS (London) on 17 July 1908. In 1910 he joined Sir Arnold Theiler's team of research workers at the Veterinary Research Institute, Onderstepoort until the outbreak of World War I. In 1914-1915 he undertook military service in the South West Africa Campaign. In 1918 he took charge of Allerton Laboratory and while there obtained his DSc degree on the study of Matricaria poisoning. In 1921 he was appointed Professor of Pathology at the newly established Veterinary Faculty at Onderstepoort.

He left South Africa in May 1924 for the United Kingdom where he worked in McFadyean's Laboratory at the Royal Veterinary College, London.

In 1927 he was appointed Director of Weybridge. He served in this position until 1941 when he transferred to the U.K. Veterinary field staff. He retired in 1947 and returned to South Africa as a guest worker at Onderstepoort. He joined the Transvaal Veterinary Medical Association in 1910. In 1923 he acted as intermediary between the veterinary faculty and the first 3 courses of students.
when they went on strike for higher salaries in the State Service. As a result of this strike the salary scale for the strikers only was raised from £240 - £450 p.a. to £450 - £800 p.a. for field staff and £500 - £850 p.a. for research staff. All previous and subsequent appointees were paid on the old scale. This led to a situation where newly graduated veterinarians were in many instances receiving higher salaries than their lecturers. He died in South Africa on 17/3/1953.

ANTHONY, H L ( - 2/5/1917)

He qualified MRCVS (London) in 1901. During the Boer War he saw service in South Africa for an unknown period of time as a Civil Veterinary Surgeon attached to the Army Veterinary Department. After the war he returned to England. He was killed during World War I in an enemy air raid in France on 2/5/1917.

ANTHONY, W S C.M.G. ( - 15/11/1943)


APPLETON, ARTHUR FREDERICK ( - 1942)

He qualified MRCVS (New Edinburgh) on 26/4/1881 and as a regular officer of the A.V.D. he saw service in South Africa as Principal V.O. (A.V.D.) with the rank of Vety Lieut Colonel (Transvaal) in Pretoria from 1909 to 1913 in succession to Col. L J Blenkinsop. He was subsequently succeeded as P.V.O. (A.V.D.) Transvaal by C F Nuthall when he was transferred to Cape Town as P.V.O. (Cape).

While stationed in Pretoria he took an active interest in welfare matters and was responsible for the establishment of the Pretoria Society for the Prevention of Cruelty to Animals. He was also responsible for the compilation of a booklet entitled "The Management of Horses, Mules, Dogs, Cats and Poultry" which was issued to members of the public by this society.

He is recorded as being the last A.V.S. (previously A.V.D.) officer to leave South Africa. His last official act in South Africa took place in October 1914 when he handed over the office of S.V.O. of the A.V.S. to Captain J W Crowhurst of the S.A.V.C. This ended an era of British Army Veterinary presence in South Africa which commenced with Thomas Burrows in 1799 and ended with Appleton in 1914.

His son F E H Appleton, a Veterinary Technician at Onderstepoort and Allerton Laboratories, played an important role as Regimental Sergeant Major in the S.A.V.C. before World War II and can be seen on many of the S.A.V.C. photographs of that period.
ARGYLE, EDWARD PERCY D.S.O. (1875 - 26/7/1935)

He qualified MRCVS (London) on 16/7/1901 and saw service as a regular A.V.D. officer with the Army Veterinary Department in South Africa during the Boer War. After the war he returned to England. He died on 26/7/1935 at St Paul's Hospital, London. After service in South Africa he was commissioned in the R.A.V.C. During World War I he served in France for the first nine months of the war and was then posted to Egypt and served in the Gallipoli Campaign of 1915. He was awarded the D.S.O. and Croix de Guerre in 1917. After the war he served in India until he retired in 1930.

ARKCOLL, WILLIAM JAMES ( - 4/2/1921)

He qualified MRCVS (London) on 15/4/1872. During the Boer War he saw service in South Africa for an unknown period of time as a C.V.S. attached to the Army Veterinary Department. After the war he returned to England. He died on 14 February 1921.

ARMSTRONG, HARRY TENNISON (1868 - 1905)

The only record of this man is that he was a Veterinary Surgeon in the Cape Colony. It is recorded that he qualified MRCVS (London) on 15/5/1890. Thelma Gutsche in her book "There was a Man" mentions that Armstrong was loaned to G Lagden, Resident Commissioner of Basutoland by Duncan Hutcheon in 1897/98. He died in 1905 aged 37 years. On 1/10/1896 he was appointed Assistant Veterinary Surgeon to the Cape of Good Hope Government and appears to have served in that capacity until his death.

ARMSTRONG, R ( - 13/2/1902)

He qualified MRCVS (Glasgow) in 1895 and during the Boer War saw service in South Africa for an unknown period of time as a Civil Veterinary Surgeon attached to the Army Veterinary Department... He died at Wynberg (Cape) on 13/2/1902 and is buried in the Cotton Road Cemetery in a common grave with W Kidd MRCVS and 28 others.

ARNOLD, THOMAS FREDERICK ( - 6/7/1975)

He qualified MRCVS (London) on 11/7/1917 and died on 6/7/1975. During his lifetime he was registered in South Africa, but nothing else is known about him.


He qualified MRCVS (London) on 7/7/1885 and was a member of the Transvaal V.M.A. Nothing more is known about him. He died at Bideford, Devon on 25/6/1955 aged 91.
ASHE, JAMES W.H. (- 12/2/1900)

Born in County Cork, Ireland he qualified MRCVS (New Edinburgh) on 1/7/1881. In October 1898 he was appointed to the Natal Civil Veterinary Department together with Amos, Byrne, Cordy, Harber, Woollatt and Hutchinson and was posted as District Veterinary Surgeon (D.V.S.) to Umzinto in succession to J. P. Byrne. He remained there until July 1899 when he was succeeded by W. M. Power. It is possible that he was then transferred to Pietermaritzburg, because at that time his address is recorded as being Rosedale, Pietermaritzburg. He subsequently served as a Trooper in the Border Mounted Rifles during the Siege of Ladysmith (October 1899 - March 1900) and H. Watkins-Pitchford in his book "Besieged at Ladysmith" records on Page 99 that he died in Ladysmith on Monday the 12th of February 1900 from Dysentry. He was buried in the Intombi camp (site of the hospital) cemetery outside the present township of Ladysmith. His grave can still be seen in this cemetery.

ASHWORTH, ERNEST (1879 - 29/7/1911)

He qualified MRCVS (New Edinburgh) on 24 May 1900. During the Boer War he saw service in South Africa for an unknown period of time as a Civil Veterinary Surgeon attached to the Army Veterinary Department. After the war he returned to England. He died on 29/7/1911 aged 32.

AUDAS, ROBERT S. M.C. (- 5/1/1966)

He qualified MRCVS (London) on 14/7/1905 and saw service in South Africa in the A.V.D./A.V.C. from 27/11/1907 to 5/10/1909. He subsequently became Assistant Director D.V.S. Sudan Veterinary Department. He died on 5/1/1966.

AULTON, WILLIAM THOMAS (1868 - 22/1/1911)

He qualified MRCVS (Edinburgh) on 16/11/1896 and served in South Africa during the Boer War as a C.V.S. in the A.V.D. He died on 22/1/1911 aged 43 years.

BADENHORST, JACOBUS ALBERTUS

He qualified BVSc at the Veterinary Faculty, Onderstepoort in 1937. After qualifying he joined the Division of Veterinary Services and saw duty as G.V.O. at Umtata, Flagstaff, Keetmanshoop, De Aar and Standerton. After his resignation from the service in ± 1960 he proceeded to Bulawayo. He subsequently returned to South Africa and practiced at De Aar, in Swaziland and the Western Cape. After 1969 his name no longer appeared in the list of registered veterinarians and it is presumed that he had died.
BALES, MAUD ( - 16/12/1947)

Born in Johannesburg she matriculated at the Parktown Girls' School. In December 1946 she obtained her BVSc degree at the Veterinary Faculty at Onderstepoort and after only a short while in practice she died suddenly on 16/12/1947. After her death her mother lodged a sum of £2 000 pounds in trust so that the interest accruing would be available as from 1950 for an annual bursary for veterinary students at Onderstepoort.

BALFOUR, GEORGE W

He qualified MRCVS (New Edinburgh) on 26/5/1893. During the Boer War he saw service in South Africa for an unknown period of time as a Civil Veterinary Surgeon attached to the Army Veterinary Department. After the war he returned to England. It is not known when he died.

BAMBETA, E

As a veterinary graduate of Melbourne Veterinary College in 1901 he saw service in South Africa during the Boer War with the New South Wales Imperial Bushmen and the 1st Commonwealth Horse Regiments.

BARKER, KENNETH (1879 - 1/2/1932)

He qualified MRCVS (Edinburgh) on 19/12/1901 and during the Boer War he saw service in South Africa for an unknown period of time as a Civil Veterinary Surgeon attached to the Army Veterinary Department. After the war he returned to England. He died on 1/2/1932 aged 53 years from "Tubercular caries of the spine".

BARNARD, LAWRENCE T

He qualified MRCVS (London) on 19/12/1895 and saw service as a regular A.V.D. officer with the Army Veterinary Department in South Africa during the Boer War. During 1900 he was attached to the Rhodesian Field Force. After the war he returned to England. It is not known when he died.


Born on 14/9/1907 at Lydenburg he obtained his BVSc degree at the Veterinary Faculty, Onderstepoort in June 1932. After qualifying as a veterinarian he joined the Division of Veterinary Services (24/6/1932) and for seven years was a Government Veterinary Officer in South Africa stationed mostly in East Griqualand.

In April 1939 he left South Africa and saw service as Principal Veterinary Officer in the High Commission Territory of Swaziland
BARNES, ALFRED WILLIAM (4/4/1942)

He qualified MRCVS (Edinburgh) on 22/1/1885 and during the Boer War saw service with the 2nd Queensland Mounted Infantry of the Australian forces. He died in England on 4/4/1942.

BARNES, MAJOR WILLIAM GORDON M.C. V.D. (16/2/1867 - 1/8/1939)

Born in the Highlands of Scotland on 16/2/1867, he obtained his MRCVS on 22/5/1888. His was a varied career. He served in the Indian Army, was a member of the Rough Riders during the Boer War and in World War I was again attached to the Indian Army. Prior to his arrival in South Africa he held the appointment of Superintendent of the City of London Abattoirs and Cattle Markets at Islington. For his services in London he was made a Freeman of the City in 1910. In 1913 he was appointed Director of the Municipal Abattoir and Transport Department of the Durban City Council, which post he held until 1932 when he was succeeded by W A Dykins. He died on 1/8/1939, 11 days after the death of his son, Harry Farquharson Barnes, on 21/7/1939. He was buried in the Stellawood Cemetery, Durban (Plot G852A) on the 2nd of August 1939 with full Military Honours. The tragedy of deaths in his family was continued by the death of his daughter, Jean on 24/9/1939 and his wife Isabella (born 2/3/1870) on 16/12/1940. All four members were buried in two adjoining graves (G852 and G852A). An elder son Capt. William James Gordon Barnes (born 17/12/1894) died on 27/2/1934. Major Barnes and his two sons were all recipients of the Military Cross.

BARNINGHAM, DARNLEY C (7/12/1900)

He qualified MRCVS (Edinburgh) on 21/12/1898 and served as Veterinary Surgeon with the 20th Batallion, Imperial Yeomanry during the Boer War. He is buried in the old Pretoria cemetery having died at Pretoria on 7/12/1900 of enteric fever. His gravestone is still in a good state of repair.

BARRASS, GEORGE (1876 - 12/11/1911)

He qualified MRCVS (New Edinburgh) on 29/5/1899. During the Boer War he saw service in South Africa for an unknown period of time as a C.V.S. attached to the A.V.D. After the war he returned to England. He died on 12/11/1911 aged 35 years of Phthisis.
BARTLETT, EDGAR BROWN (1874 - 3/8/1960)

He qualified MRCVS (London) on 23/7/1896 and saw service as a regular A.V.D. officer with the Army Veterinary Department in South Africa (Natal) from 8/4/1899 to 21/10/1902. During the Boer War he was besieged at Ladysmith. After service he returned to England. He died on 3/8/1960 aged 86 years.

BATE, ALFRED (1868 - 7/3/1949)

He qualified MRCVS (New Edinburgh) on 23/5/1888 and served in South Africa during the Boer War as a C.V.S. in the A.V.D. He died at Penstone, Gobowen, Shropshire on 7/3/1949 aged 81 years.

BATT, ARTHUR EDWARD GOLDSSTONE (1871 - 22/8/1939)

He qualified MRCVS (London) on 15/12/1892 and served in South Africa during the Boer War as a C.V.S. in the A.V.D. He subsequently served as a veterinary officer in Nigeria and died on 22/8/1939 aged 68 years.

BAULING, EDWARD CHRISTIAN ( - 12/12/1980)

He obtained his BVSc degree at the Veterinary Faculty, Onderstepoort in 1962. After qualifying as a veterinarian he joined the Division of Veterinary Services and was stationed as State Veterinarian at Ermelo when he was killed in a motor accident on 12/12/1980.

BAXTER, JAMES W ( - 11/1934)

He qualified MRCVS (London) on 13/12/1894. The only facts known about this man are that on 21/10/1896 he was appointed to the Natal Civil Veterinary Department as one of the four veterinarians appointed on the recommendation of the Stock Commission. The others were Stapley, Verney and J L Webb. He died in November 1934. He served in Durban up to October 1898 when he resigned from the Department.

BEATTIE, R S

During the Boer War he saw service in South Africa for an unknown period of time as a Civil Veterinary Surgeon attached to the Army Veterinary Department. After the war he returned to England.

BEATTY, PHILIP VANDELEUR ( - 1956)

He qualified MRCVS (London) on 12/7/1900 and saw service with the Army Veterinary Department in South Africa from 2/11/1901 to
3/11/1902. After the war he returned to England. He was awarded the Order of the Nile by the Sultan of Egypt. He probably died in 1956.

**BECKETT, ALFRED JAMES (1869 - 27/1/1959)**

He qualified MRCVS (Edinburgh) on 20/12/1893. He is recorded as having served in the Natal Volunteer Veterinary Corps from 24/4/1906 to 12/11/1907. He died in Liverpool on 27/1/1959 aged 90 years.

**BEECH, JOHN R D D.S.O. ( - 11/1915)**

He qualified MRCVS (Edinburgh) on 27/4/1881 and served as a Colonel in the Army Veterinary Department, but in September 1888 gave up his Veterinary Commission for a Combatant Commission as 2nd Lieut in the 21st Hussars. He returned from retirement to take part in the Boer War where he commanded a regiment of Scottish Horse. He died in November 1915.

**BEILBY, RICHARD E (1873 - 19/10/1939)**

He qualified MRCVS (Edinburgh) on 21/5/1894. During the Boer War he saw service in South Africa for an unknown period of time as a Civil Veterinary Surgeon attached to the A.V.D. After the war he returned to England. He died on 19/10/1938 aged 66 years.

**BEKKER, JOHAN GODFRIED (31/7/1900 - 12/10/1960)**

"Boet" Bekker was born at Aliwal North on 31/7/1900 and obtained his BSc (Agric) degree at the University of Stellenbosch in 1922 and his BVSc degree at the Veterinary Faculty, Onderstepoort in 1925. He saw service in the Department of Agriculture (from 4/2/1926) at Onderstepoort and Armoedsvlakte (from 3/8/1928). In 1933 he obtained his DVSc degree. Later he resigned from the service and joined Dr Kind in practice in Pretoria.

For many years he was the external examiner in medicine at the Veterinary Faculty at Onderstepoort. In 1930 he went overseas to study problems connected with wool research under Professor Barker of Leeds University and Dr Crew of Edinburgh. On his return to Onderstepoort he took charge of the wool research unit established there. He died on 12/10.1960.

**BELL, JOHN HENRY (19/3/1866 - 24/6/1913)**

Born Carlow, Ireland on 19/3/1866, he qualified MRCVS (London) in 1889. He came to South Africa in 1901 as a Civil Veterinary Surgeon attached to the A.V.D. During the period 20/6/1901 to 1/2/1905 he served as Veterinary Officer (Lieut) to the South
African Constabulary. From 6/9/1904 he served with the Transvaal Civil Veterinary Department until 31/5/1908 when he resigned because of ill health. He returned to Ireland and died in Dublin on 24/6/1913. He attended the inaugural meeting of the Transvaal Veterinary Medical Association held at Long's Hotel, Johannesburg on 16/2/1903.

BELL, JAMES P ( - 26/7/1921)
He qualified MRCVS (New Edinburgh) on 14/1/1887. During the Boer War he saw service in South Africa for an unknown period of time as a Civil Veterinary Surgeon attached to the A.V.D. After the war he returned to England. He died on 26/7/1921.

BERGER, JOHN ( - 20/4/1982)
He obtained his MRCVS on 10/12/1938 in London. After qualifying he worked in a practice in Cheshire, but in 1952 he moved to Kenya where he practiced in the Nanyuki and Nyeri districts. In 1962 he left practice and joined the Wellcome Research Laboratory in Kenya as a Veterinary Advisor. In 1975 he transferred to the Cooper's experimental farm Kwanyanga where he headed the Helminthology section. He officially retired in October 1981, but continued working at Kwanyanga until a few days before his death on 20/4/1982.

BERGH, MICHEL
He obtained his DVS degree with the first class to qualify at the Veterinary Faculty, Onderstepoort in 1924. He thereafter joined the Division of Veterinary Services and served as State Veterinarian at Piet Retief, Middelburg (Transvaal) (from 3/11/1927) Louis Trichardt, De Aar, Bethlehem and Johannesburg. During his service at Piet Retief he prosecuted the Minister of Agriculture under the East Coast Fever Regulations for failing to dip some heifers.

BERGMANN, JOACHIM HANS KARL PETER FRITZ ( - 25/12/1982)
He qualified Dr Med Vet (Leipzig) in 1942. Details of his life are still being traced. During his stay in South Africa he was employed as State Veterinarian solely in South West Africa where he died on 25/12/1982.

BERNE, JAMES COLEMAN (1843 - 19/3/1907)
He obtained his MRCVS (London) in 1867. During his military career he spent two tours of duty in Natal. The first tour lasted from 28/11/1884 to 28/10/1885. During his second tour in Natal (1891 to 1895) he was promoted to the post of Senior Veterinary Officer
(Vet’y Major) A.V.D. in succession to F F Crawford. This post he held from 1891 to 1895 when he in turn was succeeded as S.V.O. by R T Frost. As S.V.O./A.V.D. (Natal) he was stationed in Pietermaritzburg. He died on 19/3/1907 in London.

BEST, RICHARD HUGH (13/11/1983)

He qualified MRCVS (Edinburgh) in 1976 and at the time of his death on 13/11/1983 was attached to the Cape Veterinary Hospital, Milnerton, Cape. It is recorded that his death occurred through drowning when he and Miss Jennifer Millard went sailing in a Hobie Cat Catamaran off the coast at Milnerton. Miss Millard's body was recovered from the beach south of Bok Point two days later. The Catamaran was found adrift off Bok Point. Best's body was not recovered.

BEVAN, LLEWELLYN E W (1878 - 1957)

Born New Romney in 1878 he qualified MRCVS (London) on 12/7/1904. As a young man he had first studied medicine at Guys Hospital, but had to give up his studies on the death of his father. When loaned 100 pounds by an uncle he became a veterinarian. In 1904 he was appointed Govt. Bacteriologist to Southern Rhodesia (S.R.) where he spent most of his life doing Trypanosomiasis research. In 1921 he was appointed Director of Veterinary Research in Southern Rhodesia. It is recorded that he produced a Horsesickness vaccine which was attenuated by passage through dogs. This vaccine was used in S.R. until 1932. He retired to Pinelands, Cape (22 Camp Road) where he died on 17/3/1957.

BEZUIDENHOUT, REINIER JOHANNES (4/12/1936 - 12/6/1983)

Born on 4/12/1936 in the Germiston district he qualified BVSc at the veterinary Faculty, Onderstepoort in November 1958 at the age of 21 years.

On 10/3/1959 he was appointed State Veterinarian, Estcourt in the post vacated by S J van Rensburg. (His appointment salary scale was £750 x £50 - £900 x £60 - £1 560). However, he resigned shortly afterwards and left the service on 30/6/1959 to work for the S.P.C.A. On 1/8/1959 he rejoined the service and was once again posted to Estcourt. He remained there until he was transferred to Eshowe on 26/6/1961. (Salary on 1/12/1960 was R2 460). On 30/1/1962 he was transferred to Nongoma. On 14/11/1961 he was involved in the first of a series of road accidents when his car left the road between Eshowe and Empangeni and was seriously damaged. On 22/8/1962 he flew to South West Africa on special Foot and Mouth disease duties for three months. During this time he was also involved in an accident when he rose into the back of a stationary vehicle on a dusty road.

On 5/10/1963 he married Miss Dorothy Antoinette Christine Murphy in Durban. Two daughters and a son were born of this marriage. On 7/4/1964 he was again involved in an accident when his car collided
with a horse. On 24/2/1966 he was involved in a further accident when he overturned his vehicle on the Nongoma to Mkuze road. He was subsequently transferred to Vryburg where he remained until his death on 12/6/1983 in Bloemfontein when he once again rode into the back of a stationary vehicle on a dusty road. He was buried in Vryburg.

BICKFORD, W J (± 1920)
He qualified MRCVS (London) in April 1863 and saw service in South Africa during the Boer War with the 2nd Mounted Rifles and the 4th Imperial Bushmen (Australia).

BIGALKE, MICHAEL HERMANN (15/3/1959 - 20/4/1987)
Born in Kimberley on 15/3/1959 he qualified as a veterinarian at the Veterinary Faculty, Onderstepoort in 1982. After completing his two years National Service he joined Anglo American Co. as their veterinarian at Ogies in 1984. On the 1st July 1987 he was due to have taken up an appointment as senior lecturer in Animal Production Medicine at the Medical University of South Africa (MEDUNSA). He died as a result of an accidental gunshot wound on the 20th April 1987.

BIRD, JAMES EDMUND (26/6/1947 - 16/3/1977)
Born in Johannesburg on 26/6/1947 he qualified as a veterinarian at the Veterinary Faculty, Onderstepoort in 1970. Thereafter he went overseas for three months and on his return to South Africa he practiced on his father's farm in the Hekpoort Valley. He subsequently extended his practice to Krugersdorp. On 16/3/1977 he was killed in a motor accident near Zuurbekom on the Golden Highway while travelling to attend to a large animal case. He married a veterinarian Miss C C Dolman (BVSc 1970) who was a class mate of his at Onderstepoort.

BISHOP, GERHARDUS PETRUS (12/7/1917 - 4/1/1974)
"Bolly" was born on 12/7/1917 at Marydale, Cape Province. He qualified at Onderstepoort in 1940 and after joining the Veterinary Division was posted to Malmsbury as State Veterinarian. Thereafter he served at Allerton Laboratory and Dundee. In 1949 he joined the lecturing staff of the Faculty of Agriculture of the University of Natal in Pietermaritzburg where he spent the next 15 years. In 1965 he returned to Onderstepoort where he served until forced to retire due to ill health at the age of 55. On retirement he went to live in Pietermaritzburg where he suffered a severe stroke at the end of 1973. He died at the Hillcrest Hospital on 4/1/1974.
BISSCHOP, JOHN HENRI ROOSEGAARDE (20/12/1898 - 27/4/1984)

Born in Pretoria on the 20th December 1898 he attended the Oost Eind Skole where he matriculated. He subsequently obtained an Agric. Diploma (Cum Laude) at Elsenburg and a BSc (Agric) degree at the Transvaal University College. In 1924 he qualified as a veterinarian with the first group of eight students at the Veterinary Faculty, Onderstepoort. After qualifying he served for a while in the Department of Gynaecology/Surgery at Onderstepoort. In 1927 he took charge of the experimental station at Armoedsvlakte and although he returned to Onderstepoort on 11/8/1928 he remained in charge of this station until 1958. At Onderstepoort he became lecturer in Zootechnics which position he held from 1930 until his retirement in 1962. In 1936 he was appointed as Professor of Zootechnics. He led a very active life and was involved in many advisory activities viz. :-

1943 Seconded to Swaziland
1945 Seconded to Kenya
1946 Seconded to Bechuanaland
1949 Seconded to Uganda
1951 Seconded to Sudan
1952 Seconded to Basutoland
1953 Seconded to Nyasaland

1950 - 1955 he served on the "Tomlinson Commission". Prior to World War II he played an active role in the South African Veterinary Corps. He lived his retirement years in the Mt. Currie district where he died in his sleep on the night of 27th of April 1984 aged 85 years. His eldest son P J N R Bisschop qualified as a veterinarian at Onderstepoort in 1954, but was tragically killed in a motor accident outside Durban on 14/7/1973. His younger son G H R Bisschop (BVSc 1959) practices at Kokstad.

BISSCHOP, PHILLIPUS JOHANNES NEETHLING ROOSEGAARDE (26/5/1932 - 14/7/1973)

Born in Pretoria on 26/5/1932, the son of Professor J H R Bisschop of the Veterinary Faculty, Onderstepoort, he obtained his BVSc degree at Onderstepoort in December 1954. After qualifying as a veterinarian he proceeded to England where he practiced for a while and thence to Canada where he practiced in Edmonton, Alberta for 18 months. On his return to South Africa he practiced at various places before setting up his own practice in Northdene, Durban. He was killed in a motor accident while on duty on 14/7/1973. Besides having a father who was a veterinarian, his brother G H R Bisschop also qualified as a veterinarian at Onderstepoort in 1959.


He qualified MRCVS (London) on 28/3/1883 when he joined the A.V.D. Shortly afterwards he was appointed D.V.S. of the A.V.D. in India. From 1890 to 1893 he was veterinary advisor to the Punjab Government and the Province of Lahore Veterinary College. In 1898 he took part in the Nile expedition and the Battle of Khartoum. He arrived in South Africa on 1/11/1899 and stayed until 1.1.1903.
His second tour of duty in South Africa lasted from 4/8/1906 to 28/12/1909 when he served as P.V.O. (Vet'y Lieut Colonel) in charge of the A.V.D. in South Africa with headquarters at the Artillery Barracks in Pretoria in succession to J A Nunn.

On 12/1/1909 he attended the Pan African Congress held in Pretoria to correspond with the official opening of the Research Institute at Onderstepoort. When he transferred from South Africa he was succeeded as P.V.O. (A.V.D.) by Col. A F Appleton. He subsequently served as Director General of the A.V.D. from 1917 to 1921 when on his retirement he was awarded the K.C.B. On 22/6/1923 he unveiled the Role of Honour at the Royal College of Veterinary Surgeons. He died on 28/1/1942 aged 79 years.

BLOMEFIELD, LOFTUS CHARLES (26/5/1905 - 25/7/1974)

Born in Durban on 26/5/1905 he qualified BVSc at the Veterinary Faculty, Onderstepoort in 1928. After qualifying he joined the Division of Veterinary Services on 14/1/1929 as a G.V.O. and did duty at Umtata (to 8/6/1931), Port St Johns, Flagstaff, Greytown (up to October 1944) and East London. At East London he spent a number of years full time of tick research and carried out extensive dipping trials. He was subsequently invited by the Rhodesian Government to advise them on dipping matters.

In 1955 he was promoted to the post of Assistant Director of the Cape East and Transkei region in succession to C H Flight on his transfer to Cape Town. In 1960 he was transferred to Pietermaritzburg to take over control of the Natal Region from the retired L L Daly. He finally retired in 1965, but continued to carry out meat inspection at the whaling station in Durban. He died in Pietermaritzburg on 25/7/1974.


Born in Pretoria on 9/11/1910 he qualified BVSc (S.A.) at Onderstepoort in 1935. From 1936 until 1939 he worked for the South African Directorate of Veterinary Services and then resigned to join the Bechuanaland Protectorate Veterinary Department. Except for a brief period of service in Swaziland in 1954, Boardman served the Bechuanaland Protectorate Government continuously from 1939 until 1965. During his service in Bechuanaland he was stationed at Palapye, Lobatse, Mafeking and Ramathlabama. He was promoted to Senior Veterinary Officer in 1950 and to Director of Veterinary Services, Swaziland in 1954. Poor health however, forced him to return to Bechuanaland a few months later on demotion to Veterinary Officer.

Thereafter he actively withdrew from field duties and concentrated on training lay African inspectors at the Veterinary Training School at Ramathlabama - a task at which he excelled.

On his retirement on internal self government of Bechuanaland in 1965, he was Principal of the Veterinary Training School at Ramathlabama. After retirement he rejoined the South African Veterinary Service and was stationed at the old Johannesburg Municipal Abattoir. He died in Johannesburg on 5/5/1972.
BOASE, JOHN TREGORTH (1867 - 27/12/1948)

As an MRCVS (Edinburgh) 22/12/1890, he saw service in South Africa during the Boer War for an unknown period of time as a Veterinary Officer. At the time of being seconded into the Army he was in private practice in Cape Town. He died on 27/12/1948 aged 81 years.

BODILLY, WALTER (1860 - 21/4/1892)

As an assistant lieutenant (Veterinary Surgeon) to the Pioneer Column to Rhodesia, it is recorded that he died and was buried at Macloutsi (Fort Matlaputla) on 21/4/1892. In 1961 an expedition to the cemetery at Fort Matlaputla, lead by Col. A S Hickman (BSAP) recorded that of the 37 graves there, only 16 are of known persons, while only 5 are marked. Asst. Lt. Bodilly's grave is not on Hickman's list of the 16 known persons.

BOGUE, JAMES YULE

All that is known of this man is that he qualified MRCVS (Dublin) on 11/12/1908 and that he registered as a Veterinary Surgeon under Act 16 of 1933 at its implementation. At the time he was living at 389 Windermere Road, Durban. The RCVS records that his name was voluntarily removed from it's register.

BONE H M.C. ( - 5/12/1948)

He qualified MRCVS (London) on 21/12/1906 and saw service in South Africa in the A.V.D./A.V.C. from 1/2/1908 to 7/2/1913. He died on 5/12/1948 at Gullane, East Lothian.

BORTHWICK, JOHN DOWNT (31/10/1867 - 18/6/1936)

Born in Kirkliston, he was the son and brother of Veterinary Surgeons and qualified MRCVS (New Edinburgh) on 23/5/1888. He came to South Africa on 27 March 1889 as the first assistant to Duncan Hutcheon, Colonial Veterinary Surgeon to the Cape of Good Hope. In 1891 on the appointment of Alexander Edington as Colonial Bacteriologist in Grahamstown, Borthwick was seconded to assist him in his study of animal diseases. This he did from 1891 until 1893. Later he served as Assistant Veterinary Surgeon in various parts of the Cape Colony. He was subsequently (19/7/1906) promoted to the post of Chief Veterinary Surgeon vacated by Hutcheon when the latter was promoted to the post of Director of Agriculture on 17/7/1906. He then had 16 Assistant Veterinary Surgeons under his control in the Cape.

On 12/1/1909 he attended the Pan African Congress held in Pretoria to correspond with the official opening of the Research Institute at Onderstepoort. After Union was declared he became Assistant Principal Veterinary Officer, Pretoria with seniority from 1/1/1912. On Gray's retirement as Principal Veterinary Officer of
At the time of his retirement he had served 38 years which at that
time was the longest service record in the Department. He then
entered the service of the Imperial Cold Storage Co. as Veterinary
Advisor. In this capacity he visited the I.C.S. Ranch at Nuanetsi
regularly and interested himself in the transport of stock by rail.
He died at his Arcadia North home in Pretoria on 18/6/1936.

1. In 1895 he undertook an experiment at Witklei Rugge
(Alexandria) which demonstrated that bone-meal feeding is a sound
preventative against Lamsiekte.

2. Being very interested in animal husbandry he was twice sent
overseas to purchase improved stock. In 1903 he went to Spain and
selected 23 Catalonian Jacks for the breeding of improved mules.
In 1911 he purchased Hereford cattle and horses in England. These
animals subsequently took all the prizes at the shows in the Cape.

During his lifetime he related a story of his student days in
Edinburgh which went as follows:-

He and a friend were both boxing enthusiasts and considered
themselves very good fighters. So good in fact did they think they
were, that they challenged the local blacksmith to a bout of
fisticuffs. Although they had considered the challenge to be one
of single combat, the blacksmith took them both on together and in
a very short while rendered them unconscious.

BOSTOCK, ARTHUR ( 1/9/1924)

He qualified MRCVS (London) on 21/12/1874 and saw service as a
regular A.V.D. officer with the Army Veterinary Department in South
Africa from 1/6/1900 to 17/11/1902. After service he returned to

BOTES, HENDRIK JACOBUS WEIDEMAN

He qualified BVSc at the Veterinary Faculty, Onderstepoort in
December 1951. Thereafter he went into private practice for a
while until transferring to Onderstepoort where he developed a live
attenuated Salmonella vaccine for use in calves and poultry. He
was subsequently employed by Agricura Ltd. until his death. His
widow remarried and is not prepared to give the author details of
his life.

BOTHÁ, HERMANUS NICOLAAS (2/7/1923 - 26/6/1976)

Born on 2/7/1923 in Vrede O.F.S. he qualified as a veterinarian at
the Veterinary Faculty, Onderstepoort in 1945, when he was awarded
his BVSc with honours as well as being awarded the Theiler and
Clinical Medals. After qualifying he practiced at Springs and
Benoni until 1956 when he went farming at Kalverfontein in the
Vrede district. He died there on 26/6/1976.
BOWHAY, ALFRED B O.B.E. (1880 - 15/4/1952)

All that is known of this man is that he qualified MRCVS (London) on 19/7/1907 and practiced at 48 Osborn Road, Orange Grove, Johannesburg. In 1936 he was re-employed at Exeter by the RAVC from the temporary reserve of officers. In 1940 he was veterinarian to the SPCA in Johannesburg. He died on 15/4/1952.

BOWHILL, THOMAS M.B.E. (1857 - 1/9/1925)

He qualified MRCVS (New Edinburgh) on 28/4/1886 and appears to have come to South Africa as a Civil Veterinary Surgeon attached to the A.V.D. On 28/7/1902 he was appointed Assistant Veterinary Surgeon to the Cape of Good Hope Government. He subsequently took over (1/11/1905) from Dr Alexander Edington as Government Bacteriologist Grahamstown when the latter resigned on 30/6/1905. He is recorded to have written a standard work "Essential Bacteriology and Technique". He was one of those who expounded the theory that Botulism is caused by Pasteurella bovis. In 1921 he was employed as a Veterinary Officer in Kampala, Uganda. It is not known when he died in Durban, but he was buried on 28/8/1925 in Block H No. 84 of the Stellawood Cemetary. There is no gravestone on his grave. He was 68 years old when he died.

BRAND, JAMES (1867 - 25/7/1943)

He qualified MRCVS (New Edinburgh) on 22/12/1890. During the Boer War he saw service in South Africa as a temporary Civil practitioner. For one month (13/5/1902 to 13/6/1902) he served as V.O. to the S.A. Constabulary. He died on 25/7/1943 aged 76 years.

BRAND, F R ( - 2/3/1929)

He qualified MRCVS (London) in 1896 and served in South Africa during the Boer War as a C.V.S. in the A.V.D. In 1897 he also served in the Cape Civil Veterinary Division. In 1921 was employed as Chief Veterinary Officer of the Province of Zairi in Northern Nigeria. He died on 2/3/1929.

BRANDFORD, PROFESSOR WILLIAM CATTON

He qualified MRCVS (London) on 15/5/1857 and in 1869 succeeded Thomas Strangeways as Professor of Anatomy at the Royal (Dick) Veterinary College. On 6/10/1876 he arrived at the Cape to take up appointment as the first Colonial Veterinary Surgeon to the Government of the Cape Colony on a 3 year contract. Until D. Hutcheon's appointment on 2/3/1880 he was the only Veterinary Surgeon in the Colony.

He returned to England after serving his contract and in 1880 he was struck off the RCVS register for reasons of fraud and subsequent imprisonment. Overlooking his crime, it must be
remembered that his was a single handed mammoth task to visit and report on the Colony's livestock and to advise "the Government of its general health". He had to investigate mortality, ascertain its causes, take steps to remedy the problem and make suggestions to prevent it's recurrence - all this during very turbulent political times. Some of the conditions he encountered were known to him, others not, eg. Lungsickness, Tuberculosis, Glanders, Sheep Scab, Mange, etc. etc. Other diseases which he encountered had already been named by the farmers, but very little was known about them eg. Galsiekte, Lamsiekte, Vermeersiekte, Slak, Dikkop, "Meltziekte" and Hartwater.

He was extremely overworked even by modern standards eg. within 12 months of assuming duties he covered 3 000 - 4 000 miles. He travelled by rail, post cart and sometimes by steamer from Cape Town to Port Elizabeth. Hints on the treatment of Vermeersiekte handed to him by farmers consisted of remedies such as gunpowder, vinegar, tarwater, oil and epsom salts.

Recommendations which he made to his Government were:-

1. Destruction and burial of all Glanders cases.
2. A closed season for bird shooting be introduced.
3. The prohibition of veld burning.

In 1890 he successfully appealed to have his name restored to the RCVS register. Regrettably, no record can be found of this pioneer's birth or final resting place.

BRANDSEN, JOHANNES GERHARDUS (1892 - 1955)

He was born in 1892 and qualified as a veterinarian at Utrecht in 1918. He came to South Africa for a while, but then emigrated to Australia. He later returned to South Africa and worked for a Stock Feed Company until 1939. He served as veterinarian to the Bloemfontein Turf Club from 19/6/1922 to 1923. During World War II he served as a sergeant in the Medical Corps. After the war he set up practice in Ficksburg, O.F.S. where he died in 1955.

BRAY, CHARLES TREVINIA ( - 2/1/1943)

He qualified MRCVS (London) on 26/3/1886 and saw service during the Boer War as a Veterinary Officer with the South African Light Horse Regiment. He died on 2/1/1943.

BREYTENBACH, CONRAD MARNIWK ( - 24/11/1980)

He qualified BVSc at the Veterinary Faculty, Onderstepoort in December 1956. He subsequently worked for the State in Natal and the Transvaal, but it has not been possible for the author to obtain details of his life.
BRIGHT, WILFRED F L ( - 22/11/1921)
He qualified MRCVS (London) on 20/12/1907 and saw service in South Africa in the A.V.D./A.V.C. from 17/12/1910 to 18/3/1913. He died on 22/11/1921 in Indian.

BRITTON, THOMAS A
He qualified MRCVS (London) on 22/3/1886. A Rabies outbreak in Port Elizabeth in 1893 in an imported Airdale dog was diagnosed by Britton. This diagnosis was confirmed by Duncan Hutcheon. Together with A Theiler, E A Hollingham and James Richardson he was appointed Honorary Veterinary Surgeon to the 1st Johannesburg Agricultural Show held in March 1895.

BROGAN, EDWARD HENRY ( - 7/4/1932)
All that is known of this man is that he qualified MRCVS (London) on 6/1/1908 and served as a Captain in the SAVC during World War I. He died on 7/4/1932 at Vryburg.
He is also recorded as having been a Government Veterinary Officer at Choma, Northern Rhodesia (Zambia). The church register in Vryburg records that he was 38 years old at the time of his death. (This information is obviously incorrect as he could not have been 14 years old when he qualified MRCVS, so it is more likely that he was 44 years old at the time of his death). This register also records that his cause of death was "throat cut". The "Northern News", Vryburg of 8/4/1932 records that he was discovered with a cut throat in the toilet of a train passing through Vryburg to the south and when found he was still alive but died shortly afterwards. His body was removed from the train for burial purposes. Foul play was not suspected, so he had obviously committed suicide. It appears that he was on his way to Cape Town to take passage to England on the Edinburgh Castle.

He qualified MRCVS (London) on 14/7/1905 and saw service in South Africa in the A.V.D/A.V.C. from 10/9/1906 to 21/2/1908. He died on 5/8/1961 aged 83 years.

BROWN
He was in service with the A.V.D. in South Africa (Natal) from 1884. After service he returned to England. He also took part in the Bechuanaland Campaign of 1884-85 (Warren Expedition) together with Duck, Cox, Rangelly, Gentle and Rutherford. His christian names were unfortunately not recorded. He may have been one of the two Alexander Brown's who obtained their MRCVS (Glasgow) on 24/4/1883.
BROWN, EDWARD D.S.O. ( - 17/2/1969)

He qualified MRCVS (London) on 13/7/1898 and saw service as a regular A.V.D. officer with the Army Veterinary Department in South Africa from 3/11/1899 to 13/8/1902. After service he returned to England. He died on 17/2/1969.


Born at Trail in the province of British Columbia, Canada on 1/11/1916 he emigrated to South Africa with his parents in 1924. He attended St John's College, Johannesburg and subsequently qualified as a veterinarian at the Veterinary Faculty, Onderstepoort in December 1939. On the 28th of December of that year, he joined the Veterinary Division of the Department of Agriculture as State Veterinarian and was stationed at the following places:

1939 - 1940 Port Shepstone
1941 - 1942 Umtata
1943 (6 months) Bedford
1943 - 1945 Flagstaff
1946 - 1948 Aliwal North
1948 - 1951 Port Elizabeth

In March 1951 he transferred to the Colonial Service as Principal Veterinary Officer to the Basutoland Government. He was stationed at Maseru. Part of his duties was to improve livestock in that country. For his services in improving the Basuto pony he was presented with an Arab stallion "Silver Eagle" by the Basutoland Government. On the 16th of October 1963 he left Lesotho and practiced part time with Dr Sidney Turner at Port Shepstone until 1967. He died on the 8th of August 1978. On 6/3/1943 he married Miss Lindrea Swift Shone of Bedford, Cape. This marriage produced two daughters, viz. Pauline and Verral. In 1936 and 1938 he played first team cricket and hockey for the Universit of Pretoria.

BROWN, MAJOR HENRY VICTOR (2/5/1912 - 7/3/1955)

He was born in Salisbury, Rhodesia on 2/5/1912 and qualified BVSc at Onderstepoort in December 1931 (aged 19 years). He was appointed as Research Officer, Onderstepoort in 1931, but resigned in February 1936 to take up an appointment as Pathologist and Bacteriologist at Insein Veterinary Laboratory, Burma. After the completion of his term of contract he returned to South Africa. He then joined Dr J Boswell in practice in Johannesburg where he worked until his death on 7/3/1955.

BROWNLESS, J W ( - 26/5/1915)

He qualified MRCVS (Edinburgh) on 21/5/1897. During the Boer War he saw service in South Africa for an unknown period of time as a Civil Veterinary Surgeon attached to the Army Veterinary Department.
It is recorded that he, together with E T C Ensor and H Gamble were attached to the Royal Scots Greys as Veterinary Officers. After the war he returned to England. In 1897 he was awarded the 2nd Fitzwygram Prize, the 1st prize having been won by A F Harber and the 3rd prize by J F Thurston, all of whom came to South Africa. He died of wounds on 26/6/1915 following an active service in the Dardenelles during World War I.

BROWNRIGG, PERCY (24/4/1868 - 1901)

Born at West End, Durham on 24/4/1868, he qualified MRCVS (London) on 29/5/1894. During the Boer War he saw service in South Africa for an unknown period of time as a C.V.S. attached to the Army Veterinary Department. After the war he returned to England. He presumably died in 1907.


Born on the farm Douglas in the Barkly East district on 5/4/1889 he qualified as a veterinarian at the Veterinary Faculty of the University of Utrecht on the 27th of July 1915. In doing so he was probably the first South African to qualify as a veterinarian in Holland.

After qualifying he practiced in the South Eastern corner of Holland where he married the sister of the veterinarian for whom he worked. He subsequently returned to South Africa and on 3/1/1916 joined the Division of Veterinary Services. During his official service he was stationed at Durban (1916 - 1920), Vryheid (1929 to 28/6/1932), Kroonstad (1932 to 1948) and Eshowe. From 1920 to 1922 he was stationed at Pretoria, 1922 to 1925 Elliot, 1925 to 1929 Burgersdorp.

He retired from the service in 1948 and continued to practice in Kroonstad and Senekal until 1965. He died on 13/9/1981 aged 92 years. He was one of the leading characters in the well known book "Dutch Vet" in which his brother-in-law was the main character "Dr Vlimmen".

BUCK, JOSEPH (29/2/1872 - 1/9/1941)

Born Ragdale Hall, Leicestershire in 1872, he qualified MRCVS at the New Edinburgh College on 21/5/1895. During the Boer War he came to South Africa as a Civil Veterinary Surgeon attached to the Army Veterinary Department and served at Kimberley. It is recorded that he sailed for South Africa aboard the SS Montford on the 26th of April 1900. After the war he settled at Kimberley in private practice. Subsequently he served the de Beers Corporation, Kimberley Municipality and the Southern Rhodesian Government.

In 1923 he joined the South African Government Veterinary Service and retired on pension reaching the maximum age on 29/2/1932. After his retirement he returned to private practice until he died on 1/9/1941.

Born at Port Shepstone on 6/11/1922 he qualified BVSc at Onderstepoort in December 1945. On 4/6/1946 he joined the Veterinary Field Division of the Department of Agriculture and was stationed at the following places as Government Veterinary Officer viz. Umtata, Kokstad, Mafeking and from 1/1/1966 to 31/8/1968 Windhoek, South West Africa (salary R4 500 - R5 100). On 1/9/1968 he was promoted to the post of Assistant Director of Veterinary Services, Windhoek (salary R5 400), but on 20/9/1972 was transferred as Assistant Director to take charge of the Natal Region. This post he held until his death following a long illness on 25/8/1978. During the last years of his life he suffered greatly from ill health and was subjected to a series of operations, firstly for kidney stones (22/6/1976 - 6/8/1976) and later underwent a radical mastectomy (2/12/1977 - 9/1/1978), because he had developed cancer of the left breast. He finally died from cancer of the lungs. He is buried in the Lutheran Cemetery, Bishopstowe outside Pietermaritzburg.

BURNS, J L

As a veterinary graduate of Melbourne Veterinary College in 1890 he saw service in South Africa during the Boer War with the 3rd Bushmens Contingent.

BURRIDGE, T E

He qualified MRCVS (London) on 12/7/1904 and saw service in South Africa in the A.V.D/A.V.C. from 12/10/1905 to 3/1/1911. In 1910 he was the A.V.D. Officer stationed in the Cape Peninsula. His name was removed from the RCVS register at his own request on 15/8/1955. It is not known when he died.

BURROWS, THOMAS

He qualified MRCVS (London) on 30/3/1799. Immediately after qualifying he entered the British army and the same year joined his regiment (the 8th Light Dragoons) at the Cape of Good Hope where he was on garrison duty. When the 8th Dragoons subsequently proceeded to India, Burrows took part and distinguished himself in the battle of Laswari in the second Mahratta war of 1805. Thomas Burrows was the first veterinarian to set foot on South African soil - if only for a very brief period. The last British army veterinarians left South Africa at the end of October 1914.

BURT, WALTER (1839 - 22/9/1905)

Born in 1839 he qualified MRCVS (London) in 1860 and from 1879 to 1880 saw service with his regiment in Natal in the Zulu War of 1879. He arrived in Natal aboard the "Ontario" with 420 mules transported from New York. It is to his credit that only 11 of
them died on the voyage from America. He also served in the Aegyptian Campaign of 1882. He died at Eastbourne on 22/9/1905.


Born in Lazenby, Yorkshire on 11/4/1877 he qualified MRCVS (London) on 17/12/1902 and saw service in South Africa in the latter part of the Boer War with the Imperial Yeomanry. After the cessation of hostilities he went back to England, but returned to South Africa and joined the Transvaal Civil Veterinary Department on 16/3/1903. After serving as District Veterinarian, Krugersdorp (± 1910) and practicing in Kimberley (1912 - 1913) he was appointed Deputy Director of the South African Veterinary Corps in September 1914. He subsequently succeeded Col. Irvine-Smith as Director of the Corps (1/3/1916 to 28/3/1919 and 1/7/1921 to 1/5/1931). For his contribution to the war effort during World War I he was awarded the D.S.O. and 1914 - 1915 Star. On 1/5/1931 he retired from the army. During the period 29/3/1919 to 30/6/1921, J B Collyer was Director of the SAVC.

Col. Bush is included on a photograph of a group of District Veterinary Surgeons who visited Onderstepoort in 1910 and Curson records that at that time he was District Veterinary Surgeon, Krugersdorp and that his initials were W G. This latter fact is in doubt. He died on 1/3/1948.

BUTCHER, GEORGE HASTINGS ( - 14/6/1947)

He qualified MRCVS (London) on 16/12/1896. During the Boer War he saw service in South Africa for an unknown period of time as a Civil Veterinary Surgeon attached to the Army Veterinary Department. After the war he returned to England. He died on 14/6/1947.

BUTLER, MAJOR GEN. ERNEST RUBIN CHARLES C.B., C.M.G., D.S.O. (3/7/1864 - 16/6/1959)

Born Ballincollig, County Cork, Eire on 3/7/1864, he qualified MRCVS (London) on 5/7/1884 and obtained his FRCVS on 7/12/1893.

Most of his life was spent as a regular officer in the A.V.C. He played a major role in reforming the Veterinary Organisation of the British Army when in 1906 the Army Veterinary Department (A.V.D.) (comprising officers) and the Army Veterinary Corps (A.V.C.) (comprising NCO's and other ranks) were amalgamated under the Army Veterinary Corps. The reforms which he played a major role in introducing were the creation of veterinary hospitals, the training of personnel, the accumulation and mobilisation of reserve stores and the compilation of records and instructions eg. Standing Orders (1906), Animal Management (1907) and Veterinary War Manual (1914). He saw service during the Burma War and in World War I with Gen. Allenby in Egypt. Besides the D.S.O. he was also awarded a Serbian Military decoration and the Order of the Nile by the Sultan of Egypt.
In 1923 he settled in Kokstad and farmed there very successfully until his death on 16/6/1959. The Journal of the RAVC (Vol. 1 No. 4 August 1939) reports the death of his wife at Kokstad on 5/7/1939. They were married in Madras in 1891.

**BYRNE, JOHN PETER (1870 - 4/7/1902)**

Born in Cork, Ireland, he qualified MRCVS (Edinburgh) on 19 December 1894. In September 1898 (together with Cordy, Harber, Woollatt, Hutchinson, Ashe and Amos) he entered the Natal Civil Veterinary Department and also saw service in the Natal Volunteer Corps during the Boer War. He served throughout the Siege of Ladysmith (October 1899 - March 1900) together with Veterinary Surgeons H Watkins-Pitchford, W M Power and J W H Ashe. He served as District Veterinary Surgeon, Umzinto until October 1898 when he was transferred to Pietermaritzburg in succession to S B Woollatt. He served as District Veterinary Surgeon, Umzinto until October 1898 when he was transferred to Pietermaritzburg in succession to S B Woollatt. He was succeeded at Umzinto by J W H Ashe. He died at Richmond, Natal on 4/7/1902 aged 32 years and is buried in plot 20 of the Richmond (Natal) cemetery. A wrought iron railing around his grave carries the inscription "This railing was erected by his colleagues of the Government (Natal) Veterinary Department".

**CALDECOTT, THOMAS (16/7/1858 - 1891)**

Born 16/7/1858 he qualified MRCVS (Edinburgh) in April 1880 and saw service with his regiment in South Africa in 1881. He died in 1891.

**CAMERON, G T**

During the Boer War he saw service in South Africa for an unknown period of time as a Civil Veterinary Surgeon attached to the Army Veterinary Department. After the war he returned to England.

**CAMERON-DOW, GEORGE FRANCIS (17/5/1900 - 17/5/1969)**

Born in Colombo, Ceylon on 17/5/1900, he came to South Africa in 1907. He was a veterinarian by registration and it is not known where he acquired the knowledge to justify registration.

He practiced in Maitland, Cape. It is reported that as a child he suffered from TB of the bones and that he married 3 times. His first wife produced 7 children. He died at Seapoint on his 69th birthday on 17/5/1969.

**CAMMACK, JOHN ( - 9/2/1911)**

It would appear that Cammack was the first qualified Veterinary Surgeon to set up private practice in the Cape of Good Hope in that he is reported to have been in Kimberley 1878 - 1882 and to have
written an article published in the Veterinary Journal of August 1880 from Cape Town. The article referred to is entitled "Hydrate of Chloral in Veterinary Practice". It is also recorded that he qualified MRCVS at the Royal (Dick) Veterinary College on 18/4/1872 and died on 9/2/1911 in Johannesburg, where he had set up a veterinary hospital.

On 4/9/1890, S Wiltshire, P.V.S. Natal appointed him Deputy Inspector of cattle in Durban. In addition to his official pay he was allowed to accept fees. In Johannesburg he practiced in competition with A Theiler and the two of them vied to out do each other with the size and wording of their adverts in newspapers.

CAMPBELL, DUNCAN C (1874 - 27/12/1917)

He qualified MRCVS (Edinburgh) on 4/4/1895 and served in South Africa during the Boer War as a Civil Veterinary Surgeon attached to the Army Veterinary Department. He served with 2nd Brabant's Horse and was on active service from 1/1/1900 to 31/10/1900. It is possible that he remained in South Africa after the war. A D.C. Campbell (probably the same person) was employed as an Assistant Veterinary Surgeon by the Cape of Good Hope from 26/12/1896 to 14/5/1904. He died on 27/12/1917 aged 43 years.

CANHAM, ANTHONY SOUTH (1898 - 6/3/1968)

"Archy" or "Tony" Canham was born in Lincoln, England in 1898 and came to South Africa at an early age. He was educated at S.A.C.S. (South African College, School) in Cape Town and obtained his MRCVS at the Royal Veterinary College, London on 6/7/1920 and FRCVS 3/9/1926.

On his return to South Africa he was appointed as lecturer in Veterinary Science at Potchefstroom College of Agriculture where he served until 23/6/1927 when he was transferred to Bloemfontein. In Bloemfontein, Canham's duties were divided between lecturing on extension at Potchefstroom College of Agriculture and Veterinary Field duties in Bloemfontein.

In addition he commenced lecturing in Veterinary Science at Glen College of Agriculture in 1929. In 1931 he was transferred from Bloemfontein to Allerton to take charge of the laboratory. In 1934 Canham was appointed Senior Veterinary Officer, Cape Western Division to fill the vacancy created in that post by the departure of J Spreull on retirement. It appears that he was not completely happy being bound to purely administrative matters and in 1937 relinquished his post in order to return to research work at Onderstepoort. Back at Allerton in 1939 he served as officer in charge of the laboratory until his retirement in 1958 to Port Edward. He died at Port Edward after a brief illness on 6/3/1968.

During his lifetime Canham earned the Fellowship of the Royal College of Veterinary Surgeons (FRCVS) in 1926 for his thesis on "The Blood of Cattle". In 1942 he obtained the degree DVMSc from the University of Pretoria for a thesis on "The Tuberculin Test in Guinea Pigs and Cattle; The allergic response of animals to
extracts of non pathogenic acid - fast bacteria". His son, Ian South Canham qualified as a veterinarian (BVSc) at Pretoria University in December 1952. His wife Gladys Anne died in Durban on 16/2/1982.

CANNON, MAJOR G T (1867 - 8/10/1944)

Major Cannon qualified MRCVS (London) on 17/5/1889 and came to South Africa during the Boer War as a Civil Veterinary Surgeon attached to the Army Veterinary Department. After the Boer War he served as Government Veterinary Officer at Standerton until 1904 when he took up practice in Johannesburg. During World War I he saw service in the South West Africa and East Africa Campaign. Besides being a veterinarian, he also invented and patented the Cannon Automaticgrip release mechanism used on Coco pans. His wife died in 1932. It is recorded that he died in Bethal on 8/10/1944 at the age of 77 years.

CAREY, ERNEST GEORGE (12/9/1872 - 11/9/1956)

Born in Bath, England on 12/9/1872 he was first employed as a barber's lather boy until he became a farrier which eventually led to his establishment of a small "veterinary" practice. In 1909 he came to South Africa and continued his practice in Krugersdorp. His extra-professional and extra-marital activities however, soon landed him in trouble with his family. (He first indulged in alcohol and then cocaine, but he finally gave both of these up for the "ladies").

His son finally solved the embarrassment he was causing the family by paying him a regular allowance on condition he left South Africa and kept away from it. In this way he returned to England and was admitted to the supplementary register of the RCVS.

When in 1946, his family considered that old age had sufficiently dampened his amorous activities, he was allowed to return to Krugersdorp. His RCVS registration enabled him to practice in South Africa and for a few years he did so on a small scale at 5 Burger Street, Krugersdorp. He finally returned to Bath where he died. It is recorded that during his lifetime he loved becoming involved in litigation when he acted as his own lawyer. In spite of the fact that he always felt he was "in the right", the magistrates dealing with his cases seldom agreed with him. He died at Bath, Somerset on 11/9/1956 aged 83 years. His grandson P.W. Carey qualified as a veterinarian at the Veterinary Faculty, Onderstepoort in 1966.

CARLESS, FRANCIS JOHN ( - 26/4/1945)

He qualified MRCVS (London) on 16/5/1890 and came to South Africa during the Boer War as a Civil Veterinary Surgeon attached to the Army Veterinary Department. In South Africa he was posted to the Remount Depot at Mooi River where he served with G M Williams, H Durant and from 1900 with D Quinlan. In 1901 he was sent back to
CARPENTER, JAMES

He qualified MRCVS (New Edinburgh) on 30/5/1892. During the Boer War he saw service in South Africa for an unknown period of time as a Civil Veterinary Surgeon attached to the Army Veterinary Department. After the war he returned to England.

CARR, FULYSSES (1872 - 10/11/1917)

He qualified MRCVS (London) on 14/12/1893 and in 1895 was commissioned in the British Army when he served on the North West Frontier of India and took part in the Mohmand and Tirah expeditions in 1897/98.

He saw service in South Africa with the A.V.D. from 5/11/1899 to 1/11/1901 where he refused command of French's Scouts and a commission in the 10th Hussars and instead led a group of Native Scouts on intelligence collection. He was present at the Battle of Sannah's Post. From 1903 to 1906 he served in the West African Force in Nigeria. In 1908 he served in the army in Egypt and took part in the operations in Southern Kordofan in 1910.

During World War I he took part in the retreat from Mons and the battles of the Marne and Aisne. In October 1916 he took part in the operations at Darfur in the Sudan and in 1917 was appointed Director of the Veterinary Department in Sudan. He died in service in the Sudan on 10/11/1917.

CARRICK, CHARLES JAMES

He qualified MRCVS (Edinburgh) in June 1891. During the Boer War he saw service in South Africa for an unknown period of time as a Civil Veterinary Surgeon attached to the Army Veterinary Department. After the war he returned to England.

CHALMERS, JAMES (1875 - 2/11/1945)

Chalmers qualified MRCVS (London) on 13/7/1900 and in 1901 came to South Africa as a Civil Veterinary Surgeon attached to the Army Veterinary Department. After the Boer War he joined the Civil Veterinary Department of the Transvaal Government (6/3/1903) and later (1910) the Union of S.A. Veterinary Department. He retired from Government Service in December 1930 and took up practice in Johannesburg.
At the same time he served as Veterinary Officer to the South African Institute of Medical Research as well as Quarantine Officer for Rhodesia, S.W.A. and the High Commission territories of BechuanaLand, Swaziland and Basutoland. He died on Friday 2/11/1945 in Johannesburg aged 70 years.

It is recorded that after 1910 he was sent to Durban to Supervise meat exports. He appears on a photograph of a group of District Veterinary Surgeons who visited Onderstepoort in 1910. He was a member of the Transvaal Veterinary Medical Association and sent his good wishes to the inaugural meeting held at Long’s Hotel, Johannesburg on 16/2/1903.

CHASE, WILLIAM HENRY C.B.E. (10/11/1880 - 1/2/1965)

Born Triverton, Devon on 10/11/1880 he qualified MRCVS (London) on 10/11/1901 (he passed his exams earlier, but had to wait until the age of 21 before he could receive his MRCVS. This was granted to him on his 21st birthday).

After qualifying he came to South Africa and joined the Cape of Good Hope Veterinary Administration on 4/10/1902 together with A Goodall, J H L Lyons and R Paine. On 1/3/1905 he was transferred to the BechuanaLand Protectorate to prevent the spread of East Coast Fever into that country. His efforts were such that East Coast Fever never entered BechuanaLand and in addition he cleared that country of Lungsickness by 1922.

Between 1905 and 1908 Chase was the only Veterinary Surgeon in BechuanaLand. In the latter year, two Stock Inspectors, Messrs Hoyle and Betts were appointed to assist him.

On 12/1/1909 he attended the Pan African Veterinary Congress held in Pretoria to correspond with the official opening of the Research Institute at Onderstepoort.

In 1914 a second Veterinary Officer was appointed in BechuanaLand and by the time Chase retired in 1935 (Colonial retirement age of 55 years) he had six Veterinary Officers to assist him. In 1932 he was awarded the C.B.E. and in addition he was a life member of the Mafeking Club. After his retirement he returned to England and set up private practice but returned to BechuanaLand in 1952 and settled at Mahalapye in a thatched house on the banks of the Mahalapye river.

In the Foot and Mouth Disease outbreak in BechuanaLand in 1961 he returned to his old department to assist as a Headquarters Veterinary Officer for several months. He finally retired to Pretoria where he died on 1/2/1965. His first marriage was in 1906 and his second in 1959.

W H Chase attended many international conferences and his opinion was of much value in veterinary circles. He was a long standing personal friend of Khama the Great and much of the assistance he received from the Bamangwato in eliminating Lungsickness was due to the assistance he received from this powerful chief. He became FRCVS on 18/5/1907.
CHELLEW, S G (1877 - 11/6/1917)

He qualified MRCVS (London) on 13/8/1899. During the Boer War he saw service in South Africa for an unknown period of time as a Civil Veterinary Surgeon attached to the Army Veterinary Department. After the war he returned to England. He died on 11/6/1917 aged 40 years.

CHERRY, C C

As a veterinary graduate of Melbourne Veterinary College in 1898 he saw service in South Africa during the Boer War with the New South Wales Citizens Bushmen. He took part in the relief of Mafeking.

CHRISTY, JAMES McNAB (7/8/1868 - 29/6/1917)

Christy was born in County Limerick on 7/8/1868. After qualifying MRCVS at the Royal (Dick) Veterinary College, Edinburgh in 1889 he came to South Africa in May 1900 aboard the SS Hortensius as a Civil Veterinary Surgeon attached to the Army Veterinary Department. From 25/7/1901 to 30/4/1903 he served as Veterinary Officer to the S.A. Constabulary. On 1/5/1903 he joined the Transvaal Civil Veterinary Department as deputy to Stewart Stockman (Principal Veterinary Surgeon) and continued working in the Transvaal until the declaration of Union when he was appointed Senior Veterinary Officer, Transvaal. Unfortunately it must be recorded that he left the service because of ill health in 1916 and died in Pretoria on 29/6/1917.

During his lifetime he was a member of the Transvaal Veterinary Medical Association which was founded on 16/2/1903 and attended the inaugural meeting held at Long's Hotel, Johannesburg on that date. It is also recorded that he married Miss Beatrice Annie Headley in St Albans Cathedral, Pretoria on 14/8/1914.

CLAPHAM, LT. COL. WILLIAM STRATFORD BEVERLEY (14/6/1904 - 15/11/1943)

Clapham was born in Pretoria on 14/6/1904 and qualified BVSc at the Onderstepoort Faculty of Veterinary Science in mid 1932 having failed surgery together with L W Rossiter and W G Barnard at the end of 1931. After qualifying he joined the South African Veterinary Division (24/6/1932) and after serving a short while as research officer at Allerton he transferred to the Department of Defence as Veterinary Officer, but was subsequently transferred to the Aircraft Depot. The reason for this transfer may be that he qualified as a pilot while he was a student at Onderstepoort. From September 1933 to August 1934 he received military training in England.

On his return to South Africa he transferred to the S.A. Artillery and became a battery commander because of the lack of promotion possibilities for veterinary officers. Before World War II he resigned from the Defence Force and joined the Basutoland
Government Veterinary Department. During his stay in Basutoland he took up gliding and while on a flight was involved in a very bad accident at Quagga Poort. The injuries he received in this accident led eventually to poor health and finally to his death.

Clapham however, saw military service in World War II being appointed Officer Commanding (Major) Waterkloof Air Station in 1940. Subsequently he became Officer Commanding of the 6th Regiment, South African Artillery. He then went "North" with the 6th South African Armoured Division as a Lt. Colonel, but had to return to South Africa because of failing health.

He subsequently died on 15/11/1943. His cremation at Braamfontein Cemetery was conducted with full military honours. While in Basutoland he married Miss P B Luscombe of Maseru.

CLARK, CHARLES C (1860 - 26/4/1930)

He qualified MRCVS (New Edinburgh) on 1/4/1881 and during the Boer War saw service in South Africa for an unknown period of time as a Civil Veterinary Surgeon attached to the Army Veterinary Department. After the war he did not return to England, but stayed in South Africa. He served with the Government Relief Department (formerly Repatriation Department) until 31/4/1903 in the North Eastern districts of the Orange Free State. He died at Stalham, Norfolk on 26/4/1930 aged 70 years.

CLARK, RICHARD (13/2/1906 - 16/7/1977)

Born in Johannesburg on 13/2/1906 he, together with his three brothers (Marshall - General Manager S.A.R., Bernard - Secretary for Health and David - Architect) attended King Edward High School where he matriculated in 1932. He qualified as a veterinarian at the Veterinary Faculty, Onderstepoort at the end of 1928 and thereafter joined the Civil Service on 10/1/1929 being stationed as a Government Veterinary Officer at Allerton (1929), Nongoma (1930 - 28/6/1932), Ermelo, Allerton again, Bethlehem and Komatipoort.

In 1938 he was transferred to Onderstepoort to work in the Pathology Department where he remained until transferred to the Department of Physiology in 1942. In 1943 he was awarded the DVSc degree by the University of Pretoria. In 1950 on the appointment of J I Quinn to the post of Director of Veterinary Services he took Quinn's place as Professor of Physiology at the Veterinary Faculty. From 1950 he also served as external examiner in Physiology at the Medical Faculty of the University of Pretoria. His main forte as physiologist was the physiology of the rumen.

CLARKE, ANDREW ( - 1914)

The only record of this man is that he obtained his MRCVS (Glasgow) on 21/4/1877 and was a member of the Transvaal Veterinary Medical Association. He died in 1914 probably in South Africa as his death was reported in a letter dated 5/12/1914 by James McNab Christy who was then employed at Onderstepoort.
CLAY, SEPTIMUS O.B.E. ( - 26/10/1941)

He qualified MRCVS (Edinburgh) on 12/12/1895 and served in South Africa during the Boer War as a C.V.S. in the Army Veterinary Department.

CLAYTON, JOHN GREENWOOD (30/10/1865 - 23/1/1916)

He qualified MRCVS (Edinburgh) in 1888 and saw service in South Africa during the Boer War with the 8th New Zealand Contingent from 15/1/1902 to 2/8/1902. He returned to New Zealand.

CLAYTON, NEVILLE MORRISON ( - 20/9/1983)

All that is known of this man is that he obtained his MRCVS (Edinburgh) in 1921 and in 1930 was employed at the Municipal Abattoir in Bloemfontein. He served as veterinarian to the Bloemfontein Turf Club from 1930/31. In 1934 he was convicted on a criminal charge and sentenced to 12 months imprisonment. He was requested by the Veterinary Board to resign his registration as a veterinarian in South Africa and the RCVS was advised accordingly. The Veterinary Record of 15/10/1983 records his death at Merseyside on 20/9/1983. In 1935 the SAVMA voted an amount of 10 guineas to be presented to him for "assistance" on his release from prison.

CLEMOW, EDWARD TANTON (19/7/1880 - 25/11/1965)

Born Bideford U.K. on 19/7/1880 he qualified MRCVS (London) on 12/7/1904. The same year he sailed for Cape Town in the Braemar Castle to serve under Thomas Flintoff, Chief Veterinary Officer of the Orange Free State. For the next 14 years he remained in the O.F.S. serving in many districts. Rustenburg to Bloemfontein 2/11/1926, Bloemfontein to Bethlehem 19/10/1927, Bethlehem to Port Elizabeth 1/6/1928. He served as veterinarian to the Bloemfontein Turf Club in 1927. Whilst testing a horse for Glanders he was so badly kicked that he developed a diaphragmatic hernia and had to retire from the service due to ill health. However, when his condition improved, he returned to South Africa from England to resume duty. In addition to surviving this kick, he was also one of the few persons to survive an attack of Blackwater fever during World War I.

During his lifetime he saw service as Senior Veterinary Officer O.F.S. and Port Elizabeth where he retired in 1942. During World War I he saw service in the South West African Campaign. He died in Port Elizabeth on 25/11/1965 aged 84 years. Prior to his death he practiced in Port Elizabeth when he took over F J Dunning's practice. He in turn was joined by W B Allchurch after the latter's resignation as State Veterinarian in November 1944.
CLODE, EASON ERNEST (1872 - 29/9/1929)

He qualified MRCVS (London) on 9/5/1893. During the Boer War he saw service in South Africa for an unknown period of time as a Civil Veterinary Surgeon attached to the Army Veterinary Department. After the war he returned to England. He died on 29/9/1929 aged 57 years.

CLOETE, JACOB HENDRICK LORRIMER ( - 7/11/1940)

All that is recorded of this man is that he obtained his BVSc degree at the Veterinary Faculty, Onderstepoort in 1932. Thereafter he joined the Division of Veterinary Services and served as State Veterinarian at Rustenburg, Ermelo (succeeding R Clark there is 1936) and Onderstepoort. In 1939 he was awarded the DVSc degree for his thesis "The ageing of Merino Sheep Foetuses". He died on the 7th of November 1940. At Onderstepoort he was lecturer in anatomy.

COCHRANE, ROBERT CECIL C.B.E. (11/5/1871 - 23/10/1925)

He qualified MRCVS (London) on 14/12/1897 and came to South Africa during the Boer War as a regular officer in the Army Veterinary Department (Headquarters Staff, Glaster and Inniskillen Regiment, 23 Company and Balloon Section Royal Engineers). He served in South Africa (Natal) from 22/4/1899 to 7/12/1905. During 1900 he acted as s.v.o. of the A.V.D. During 1903-1904 he was seconded to the Transvaal Civil Veterinary Department for a year. Thereafter he returned to England. He died at Droitwich on 23/10/1925. In 1907 he was awarded the FRCVS for his thesis entitled "African Coast Fever".

COCKBURN, WILLIAM LAURENCE (1875 - 13/3/1940)

He qualified MRCVS (New Edinburgh) on 16/7/1896. During the Boer War he saw service in South Africa for an unknown period of time as a Civil Veterinary Surgeon attached to the Army Veterinary Department. After the war he returned to England. He died on 13/3/1940 aged 65 years.

COCKCROFT, JAMES EDWARD

He qualified MRCVS (Edinburgh) on 24/5/1900. During the Boer War he saw service in South Africa for an unknown period of time as a Civil Veterinary Surgeon attached to the Army Veterinary Department. After the war he returned to England.

COLES, JOHN DOUGLAS WALTERS ALLISTON (30/6/1905 - 14/3/1987)

Born in Durban on 30/6/1905 he obtained his BVSc degree at the Veterinary Faculty, Onderstepoort in December 1926.
Like all young veterinarians of his era he was sent for East Coast Fever control training to Allerton Laboratory (14/3/1927 to 9 July 1928). In 1931 he became the first lecturer in avian pathology at Onderstepoort. From 1934 - 1935 he proceeded to the Medical School of Washington University, St Louis, U.S.A., as a Commonwealth Fund Service fellow. On his return to Onderstepoort he was also requested to give lectures in dietetics and it was these lectures for a period of three years that ultimately got him involved in the whole field of dietetics which was to lead to his appointment to the National Nutrition Council and to South Africa being the first country to have balanced poultry rations.

Other firsts which can be attributed to J D W A Coles are:-

(a) First veterinarian to be awarded a Commonwealth Fund Fellowship.

(b) First to discover Psittacosis in the pigeon and the role that the pigeon plays as a reservoir of infection.

(c) First to demonstrate that Psittacosis produces eye lesions in birds.

(d) First to demonstrate that Ophthalimias in cattle, sheep, goats and poultry are caused by Rickettsias.

(e) First to demonstrate that "Hog Cholera inclusions" were a new species of Rickettsia and not connected with Hog Cholera.

(f) First to demonstrate a large and apparently harmless Rickettsia which invades conjunctival epithelial cells.

(g) First to prove that Osteopetrosis runs in poultry families as it does in man.

(h) First to demonstrate Argas paralysis in ducks and geese. Previously such cases were thought to be due to botulism.

(i) First to publish a complete description of Visceral gout.

Recognition for his contribution to the health of poultry came in the following forms:-

1. In 1952 he was invited to the United States by the New York Academy of Sciences to lecture on the classification and nomenclature of the Rickettsias pathogenic to vertebrates.

2. In 1955 he was invited to the United States by the National Academy of Sciences in recognition for his work on the standardisation of poultry "mashes".

3. In 1957 he was invited to Nyasaland by the administration of that country to advise on establishing a poultry industry commensurate with the facilities that the local Black people could provide.

4. In 1958 he was invited by the Portuguese to be a Rapporteur at the International Conference on Tropical Medicine in Lisbon.
In contrast, his own country did not show its appreciation of his contribution to the poultry industry, because he was overlooked for promotion on several occasions. Eventually he was left with no option but to resign from the service which he did in 1959 when he started his own poultry breeding operation at Pennington in Natal.

In his later years he served as a member of the Natal Parks Board, this time not as a first, but a very able "second" to the First Chairman of the Board who was also a veterinarian. When his membership of the Parks Board was withdrawn, he made it his life task to ensure that one member of the Board would always be a veterinarian. He was of the opinion that a veterinarian had more right to serving on the Board than a "run down retired politician". Unfortunately he died without this ambition being achieved.

Dougie's funeral service at St Patrick's church, Umzinto was attended by family, friends and old students - P C Wacher, BVSc 1948, R C Nixon, BVSc 1950, P J Posthumus, BVSc 1951 and G Bisschop BVSc 1959.

COLEY, JOHN THOMAS (17/6/1870 - 20/6/1906)

Born on 17/6/1870, he qualified MRCVS (London) in May 1895 and saw service as a regular A.V.D. officer with the Army Veterinary Department in South Africa from 15/5/1897 to 9/9/1901 and was besieged in Ladysmith. In 1897 he was stationed at Eshowe. After service he returned to England. In the Veterinary Record of 11/1/1902 he published an article entitled "South African Horsesickness". In this article he describes the symptoms and his unsuccessful attempts to cure the disease by the Intra-tracheal and Intravenous injection of Turpentine, Carbolic Acid, Potassium Iodide and Glycerine. He died in Rawalpindi on 20/6/1906 aged 36 years.

COLLINGS, REGINALD JOHN ( - July 1965)

He qualified MRCVS (London) on 13/7/1900 and saw service as a Civil Veterinary Surgeon with the Army Veterinary Department in South Africa from 2/11/1901 to 25/11/1902. After the war he returned to England. He was not commission. He died in July 1965.

COLLYER, JOHN BEDINGFIELD (1871 - 1946)

He qualified MRCVS (London) on 14/7/1897 and on 29/7/1901 took over from J F Thurston as Veterinary Officer to the Natal Police. In 1910 he was the only remaining person still holding such a position in a Colonial Police Force. After the establishment of Union he was transferred to Pretoria as Veterinary Officer to the 4th South African Mounted Rifles and in addition was in charge of all South African Mounted Rifles and South African Police training depot horses. In 1913 he was transferred to the U.D.F. permanent force staff. In order to better qualify for such a position, he underwent a course of training at Woolwich with the British A.V.C.
In March 1914 he was transferred to Tempe as O.C. Veterinary Training School. He subsequently served as a Major in the SAVC and from 29/3/1919 to 30/6/1921 he was its officer commanding. He was both preceded and succeeded in this post by Lieut. Colonel J G Bush. He died in 1946.

CONACHER, PETER (16/9/1954)

He qualified MRCVS (Edinburgh) on 28/5/1889 and came to South Africa during the Boer War as a Civil Veterinary Surgeon (C.V.S.) attached to the Army Veterinary Department (A.V.D.). His subsequent appointment as Government Veterinary Officer in Johannesburg on 13/3/1905 appears to have been the first such appointment in Johannesburg. Previously the Johannesburg district had been supervised by J P Dunphy MRCVS from his district Krugersdorp. He served as Government Veterinary Officer in the Transvaal from 13/11/1902. He subsequently left South Africa and is recorded as having become P.V.O. in Portuguese East Africa (Mozambique). On 12/1/1909 he and O W Barrett represented Portuguese East Africa at the Pan African Veterinary Conference held in Pretoria to correspond with the official opening of the Research Institute at Onderstepoort. He died in Johannesburg on 16/9/1954.

CONDER, GERALD D.S.O. (1870 - 10/7/1946)

He qualified MRCVS (London) on 16/12/1896 and saw service as a regular A.V.D. officer with the Army Veterinary Department in South Africa from 28/9/1899 to 28/3/1902. After service he returned to England. He died on 10/7/1946 aged 76 years.

CONISBEE, ALFRED (1859 - 6/9/1939)

He qualified MRCVS (New Edinburgh) on 24/4/1884. During the Boer War he saw service in South Africa for an unknown period of time as a Civil Veterinary Surgeon attached to the Army Veterinary Department. After the war he returned to England. He died on 6/9/1939 aged 80 years.

COOPER, JOHN (28/9/1925)

He qualified MRCVS (London) on 6/4/1876 and saw service as a regular A.V.D. officer with the Army Veterinary Department in South Africa from 24/10/1899 to 27/10/1901 at Rensburg with the 6th Dragoons. He died in Johannesburg on 28/9/1925.

COOPER, VINCENT (24/2/1897 - 30/3/1954)

Born on 24/1/1897 in Johannesburg he attended Jeppe Boy's High School where he matriculated at the end of 1916. Immediately
thereafter he joined the South African Artillary and saw service during the remainder of World War I in the East African Campaign. After the cessation of hostilities he returned to South Africa with a very severe attack of Malaria and spent some months on a farm in the Stutterheim district recuperating. In 1921 he commenced his studies and qualified as a veterinarian at the Veterinary Faculty, Onderstepoort at the end of 1925. On 4/2/1926 he joined the Division of Veterinary Services and served at the following centres as Government Veterinary Officer:-

Nongoma : 4/2/1926 - 21/10/1927
Eshowe : 21/10/1927 - 1930
Estcourt : 1930 - 1936
Johannesburg : 1936 - 30/4/1943
Pretoria : 1/5/1943 - 1944

On 27/11/1944 he was appointed Senior Veterinary Officer, Western Cape Region (headquarters Cape Town) in which capacity he served until his death in the service on 30/3/1954. It is recorded that on arrival at Nongoma he was issued with mules and a Cape cart for his official transport. He was appointed S.V.O. Western Cape Region is succession to J J G Keppel.

CORDY, CHARLES HEYHOE (27/7/1868 - 10/3/1959)

Born Norfolk, England on 27/7/1868 he qualified MRCVS (London) on 17/12/1890. He came to Natal in 1898 (together with Byrne, Harber, Woollatt, Amos, Ashe and Hutchinson) and served as a Civil Veterinary Surgeon attached to the Army Veterinary Department. He subsequently transferred to the Natal Volunteer Veterinary Corps and served with the Umvoti Mounted Rifles (UMR) and subsequently the Natal Mounted Rifles (NMR) as Veterinary Officer. It is recorded that he was besieged at Ladysmith together with colleagues W M Power, H Watkins-Pitchford, J P Byrne, W Pye and E A Hollingham. He was stationed as District Veterinary Surgeon in Eshowe up to April 1899 when he was transferred to Greytown in succession to A F Harber. He was succeeded by F A Verney in Eshowe. In 1907 he resigned his official post and settled in Pietermaritzburg where he practiced in Burger Street. During World War I he proceeded to Britain and served for the duration of hostilities in the RAVC. He died in Pietermaritzburg on 10/3/1959 and was cremated.

COWX, JOSEPH BRAITHWAITE (1873 - 11/3/1949)

He qualified MRCVS (New Edinburgh) on 30/3/1896. During the Boer War he saw service in South Africa for an unknown period of time as a Civil Veterinary Surgeon attached to the Army Veterinary Department. After the war he returned to England. He died on 11/3/1949 aged 76 years.

COX, JOHN HERBERT (1847 - 8/3/1891)

Born 1847 he qualified MRCVS (London) in 1867 and saw service with the Army Veterinary Department in South Africa (Natal) from
20/11/1884 to 28/10/1885. He took part in the Bechuanaland Campaign (Warren Expedition) of 1884/85. After service he returned to England. He died on 8/3/1891 at Umballa.

CRAWFORD, MAJOR FRANK FAIRBURN (1851 - 16/1/1900)

He obtained his MRCVS (London) in 1873. His career in South Africa commenced on 14/11/1884 when he was transferred as a regular A.V.D. officer from India to Pietermaritzburg to take over command of the newly established No. 6 Veterinary Field Force Hospital. He remained in Pietermaritzburg until 13/11/1890 and in 1886 was promoted to the post of Senior Veterinary Officer (A.V.D.) in succession to F Duck. His second tour of duty in Natal which commenced in 1899 was cut short by his death in Pietermaritzburg on 16/1/1900 at the age of 49 years. He is buried in the Fort Napier Military Cemetery in Pietermaritzburg, where his grave is still in a good condition. He is reported to have been an excellent cricketer.

CRAWFORD, J ( - 29/6/1917)

He qualified MRCVS (Glasgow in 1898 and during the Boer War saw service in South Africa for an unknown period of time as a Civil Veterinary Surgeon attached to the Army Veterinary Department. After the war he remained in South Africa for some time before returning to England.

CREAN, T J MRCVS

All that is known of this veterinarian is that on 2 January 1902, as a serving officer with the Imperial Light Horse regiment, he was considered to be "out of danger" in a military hospital in S.A.

CROLE, DAVID

He qualified MRCVS (London) on 12/12/1899 and served in South Africa during the Boer War as a Civil Veterinary Surgeon attached to the Army Veterinary Department. After the cessation of hostilities he served in the Natal Civil Veterinary Department.

CRONE, J R ( 30/12/1925)

He qualified MRCVS (Edinburgh) on 30/5/1891. During the Boer War he saw service in South Africa for an unknown period of time as a Civil Veterinary Surgeon attached to the Army Veterinary Department. After the war he returned to England. He died on 30/12/1925.

CROSBIE, ANDREW (10/11/1919 - 25/9/1989)

Crosbie was born in Beth, Scotland on 10/11/1919. He subsequently qualified MRCVS (Glasgow) in 1941 and thereafter practiced in
England until recruited to the Colonial Service in 1954 where he saw service in Northern Rhodesia until 1968. From 1969 to 1975 he was a Government Veterinary Officer in Malawi. He then moved to South Africa where he worked for the SPCA in Cape Town until his retirement in 1985. He died at Fish Hoek on 25/9/1989.

CROSS, ANGUS FRANK JOHN (12/9/1937 - 2/7/1986)

Born on 12/9/1937 on the outskirts of London he came to South Africa in 1947 and attended St Johns College in Johannesburg. He subsequently obtained his BVSc degree at the Veterinary Faculty, Onderstepoort at the end of 1960. After qualifying he served for a while as State Veterinarian in South West Africa, but in 1966 purchased Dr Thiel's practice in Durban where he remained until his death on 2/7/1986. He died from a heart attack while playing a game of squash. During his lifetime he married and was divorced three times, of these marriages 7 children were born.

CROSSLEY, FRED ( - April 1958)

He qualified MRCVS (London) on 13/7/1900. During the Boer War he saw service in South Africa for an unknown period of time as a Civil Veterinary Surgeon attached to the Army Veterinary Department. After the war he returned to England. He died in New Zealand in April 1958.

CROWE, W A ( - 8/12/1907)

He qualified MRCVS (London) in 1867 and saw service as a regular A.V.D. officer with the Army Veterinary Department in South Africa from 8/11/1899 to 27/8/1901 at Sterkstroom as S.V.O. 3rd Division. After service he returned to England. He died at Aldershot on 8/12/1907.

CROWHURST, JAMES WILLIAM ( - 19/9/1944)

With 14 relations who were all Veterinary Surgeons, he qualified MRCVS (London) on 21/12/1887 and obtained his FRCVS in 1892, without apparently submitting a thesis.

He came to the Cape in 1893 and served as Veterinary Officer to the Cape of Good Hope Veterinary Department. Thereafter he transferred to the College of Agriculture at Elsenburg where he lectured on animal diseases. He subsequently (1901) accepted the post of Veterinary Surgeon to the Table Bay Harbour Board in which capacity he served until World War I when he saw service as a Captain in the SAVC. In October 1914 the SVO'ship of the British Army Veterinary Service was handed over to him by Col. A F Appleton when the latter left South Africa on the departure of the AVS from South Africa. After the war he returned to Elsenburg College of Agriculture where he was in charge of the health of all college animals as well as lecturer in Veterinary Science.
He was one of 4 veterinarians appointed by the Cape of Good Hope Government on the request of Duncan Hutchence. They (Pattison, Dixon, Hutchence and Crowhurst) arrived in South Africa on 10/12/1893. He died on 19/9/1944.

CUNNINGHAM, JOHN ALEXANDER (7/9/1927)

He qualified MRCVS (Glasgow) on 29/4/1885. During the Boer War he saw service in South Africa for an unknown period of time as a Civil Veterinary Surgeon attached to the Army Veterinary Department. After the war he returned to England. He died on 7/9/1927.

CUNNINGHAM, MICHAEL (26/7/1959)

All that is known of this man is that he obtained his MRCVS (Dublin) on 24/7/1911 and appears to have come to South Africa to take up an appointment as Government Veterinary Officer. During World War I he was released from his official duties in order to serve in the SAVC. For his services he was mentioned in Despatches. He died on 26/7/1959.

CURSON, HERBERT HENRY (22/9/1892 - 15/1/1968)

"H.H." was born at Umzimkulu on 22/9/1892 and educated at Michaelhouse. On 9/7/1914 he graduated MRCVS (London) having obtained 14 college medals during his years of study. He joined the Veterinary Department in January 1915 and until March 1917 saw service as State Veterinarian Cape Town. In October 1918 he served as a member of the Inter-Colonial Veterinary Commission on Rinderpest. Thereafter he served as Veterinary Research Officer, Onderstepoort in charge of vaccine production until 1920. From 1920 to March 1921 he was in charge of the Veterinary Research Laboratory at Grahamstown. From Grahamstown he was transferred to Zululand to be in charge of the trypanosomiasis research station until March 1923. From Zululand he returned to Onderstepoort as Research Officer until September 1936. From Onderstepoort he was appointed Deputy Director of Native Agriculture until September 1952. In 1925 he took his Dr. Med. Vet. degree and on 2/1/1926 his FRCVS. At Onderstepoort he was lecturer in Animal Management and Hygiene for two years. Thereafter he occupied the chair of Anatomy from April 1926 to September 1936. During World War II he served (August 1940 to November 1943) with the rank of Captain and amongst other things was Officer Commanding the Cape Corps. On retirement in 1952 he worked in the Military Archives for 10 years. He died on 15/1/1968.

In his lifetime he wrote 175 scientific papers, a large number of them associated with Veterinary Military history in South Africa. The theme of his FRCVS thesis was "Some little known South African poisonous plants and their effects on stock". During the period 1/11/1930 to February 1931 he was on request of the Imperial Government sent on secondment to work in Ngamiland with Dr Hall Carpenter on Trypanosomiasis.
DALE, THOMAS HENRY (29/11/1868 - 15/7/1917)

Dale was born on 29/11/1868 in Manchester. He studied at the New Edinburgh Veterinary College and qualified there as MRCVS in December 1889. He immediately came to South Africa as a Civil Veterinary Surgeon (CVS) attached to the Army Veterinary Department (AVD). On 7/10/1903 he joined the Transvaal Civil Veterinary Department and is reported to have died in the service at Durban on 15/7/1917. Dale was one of the party of District Veterinarians who visited the Onderstepoort laboratory in July 1906. At that time he was District Veterinarian in charge of Potchefstroom, Wolmaransstad and Bloemhof. At the time of his death he was living at 197 Moor Road, Durban. He is buried in grave 198 Block E of the Stellawood Cemetery. His wife Florence Maud died on 21/12/1951 aged 74 years.

DALGLEISH, ALEXANDER J ( - 29/9/1944)

He qualified MRCVS (New Edinburgh) on 21/12/1891 and saw service with the Army Veterinary Department in South Africa from 13/4/1901 to 1/4/1903. After the war he returned to England. He completed a second tour of duty in South Africa from 28/10/1911 to 19/9/1914. This information supplied by H H Curson may not be altogether correct because the Vet Record of April 28, 1900 records that at the time he was convalescing from enteric fever in Pietermaritzburg. He died on 29/9/1944.

DALLING, JOHN TWEEDALE (11/2/1870 - 11/6/1935)

Born in England on 11/2/1870 he studied Veterinary Science, but did not qualify. For a time he assisted his brother T Dalling MRCVS in practice at Bathgate, Scotland until 1898 when he came to South Africa. For most of his life he practiced at Boksburg. He subsequently registered as a Veterinary Surgeon in terms of Section 12 of the Veterinary Act (no. 16 of 1933). His death took place at 57 Second Street, Boksburg on 11/6/1935.

DALY, LESLIE LOMBARD (15/10/1900 - 22/6/1965)

Born Kroonstad on 15/10/1900 he qualified BVSc at Onderstepoort in December 1925. He joined the Veterinary Field Division of the Department of Agriculture on 4/2/1926 and saw service at Nylstroom (4/2/1926 to 26/4/1926) and Barberton (27/4/1926 to 23/6/1926 and 26/6/1928 to 28/6/1928). He married Miss Dorothy Massam. During World War II he saw service from 1940 and rose to the rank of Major in the South African Veterinary Corps. In 1945 he was promoted to the post of Sub-Director in charge of Natal in place of A M Diesel who had held this post for the previous 11 years. Except for a year in the Eastern Cape he served as Sub-Director for Natal from 1945 until his retirement in 1960. He died in Pietermaritzburg on the 22nd of June 1965. His wife, Dorothy (nee Massam) died in Pietermaritzburg on 14/8/1984.
DALZELL, KENNETH (20/11/1920 - 21/10/1986)

Born in Belfast on 20/11/1920 he qualified MRCVS (Dublin) in 1943. He was immediately drafted into the RAVC and posted to Indian and Siam. After he was demobilised in 1945, he joined the Ministry of Agriculture in the U.K., but left soon after in favour of private practice in Durban with Messrs Amos, Morford and Cavanagh. He subsequently practiced on his own in Montclair. His wife Jill (nee Surgey) and one son were tragically killed in a motor accident. He died from a ruptured Aorta on 21/10/1986 and was cremated.

DAVIES, H E H ( - 10/4/1902)

He qualified MRCVS (Glasgow) in 1895 and during the Boer War saw service for an unknown period of time in South Africa as a Civil Veterinary Surgeon attached to the Army Veterinary Department. He died in South Africa at Deelfontein on 10/4/1902 and is buried in the Deelfontein Military Cemetery.

DAWKINS, THOMAS BUTCHER SCOTT (± 1851 - 1916)

Dawkins qualified MRCVS in London on 19/4/1872. It is recorded that he joined the Cape Mounted Riflemen as its first Veterinary Officer on 29/8/1879, possibly in time to see action in the Mairosi war that same year. From 29/8/1880 to his resignation in 1883 he served as Veterinary Officer to the Right Wing of the CMR whereas George Garnett served as V.O. to the Left Wing. He took part in the 5th Basuto War of 1881. He subsequently settled in Richmond (Natal) where he practiced from his home Hazeldene. He is recorded as being a founder member of the Richmond Golf Club which was inaugurated on the 13th of August 1893. He died in 1916 supposedly from a darning needle which had pierced his skin, circulating in his body and puncturing a vital organ.

DAY, EDMUND O.B.E. (1857 - 28/1/1930)

Born in 1857 he qualified MRCVS (Edinburgh) on 15/1/1879 and as a regular A.V.D. Officer saw service with the Army Veterinary Department in South Africa from 30/9/1899 to 28/1/1901 at Stellenbosch remount depot. After service he returned to England. He died at Reading on 28/2/1930.

DEACON, ALFRED FLOYD (1874 - 18/4/1949)

He qualified MRCVS (Glasgow) on 20/12/1898 and saw service with the Army Veterinary Department in South Africa from 13/4/1901 to 1/10/1903. After service he returned to England. He completed a second tour of duty in South Africa from 15/11/1913 to 30/10/1914. He died on 18/4/1949 aged 75 years.
De Bruyn, Ronald (23/10/1910 - 1973)

In spite of his name he was a born Londoner and obtained his MRCVS in his home town on 20/12/1934. He used to recall that as a means of earning money to further his veterinary education he drove a bus in London.

After qualifying he led a very adventurous life and amongst other things served as a Commercial Pilot, Locust Control Officer and film maker. In addition, he was an excellent pistol shot and claimed that his .38 police special had accounted for several Mau Mau terrorists in Kenya. He also carried a flick knife at all times for personal protection and this knife was specially honed for him "by a dago in a brothel in Trieste". During World War II he served with the British forces in Italy.

De Bruyn first made his appearance felt in Southern Africa in 1957 when he joined the Bechuanaland Protectorate Veterinary Department where he served in Maun (Ngamiland), Palapye and Molepolole. He subsequently moved to South Africa where he obtained employment with the South African Veterinary Division, but after being posted to Eskort Bacon Factory and Allerton Laboratory, he left the service. This time he moved to Australia where he died. During his lifetime he was a confirmed bachelor. He was an excellent horse clinician.

In his will he left his revolvers to a friend Allan Cusen whom he had known at Molepolole. The Australian authorities however, refused to allow the guns to come to Southern Africa as part of their arms boycott on South Africa.

De Kock, Gilles Van de Wall (1/12/1889 - 27/8/1973)

Born in Pretoria on 1/12/1889 he qualified MRCVS in London in 1913. He was one of the second group of two students sent to study Veterinary Science by the Transvaal Government in 1909.

In February 1914 he was appointed to the staff of Sir Arnold Theiler at the Onderstepoort Veterinary Laboratory and for a short time he was stationed at Armoedsvlakte. In 1919 he left South Africa to study medicine in London, but couldn't settle down and finally returned to South Africa in 1920 to take up a post as lecturer in the newly founded faculty of agriculture at Stellenbosch on the assumption that a veterinary faculty would be established there. (He was to be the future professor of Anatomy).

When the Veterinary Faculty was finally established at Onderstepoort instead, he transferred to Pretoria and was appointed professor of Anatomy. In 1923 he spent a year in Berne and obtained his Dr. Med. Vet. degree. Upon his return to South Africa in 1924 he assumed the chair of Pathology at Onderstepoort and in 1938 was appointed professor of comparative pathology which position he held until he retired in November 1949. Upon Sir Arnold Theiler's retirement in 1927 he took over P J du Toit's post as Sub-Director when the latter was promoted to Director in the vacancy created by Sir Arnold.

He studied extensively in Europe and America under Aschoff and
Alexis Carrel. He obtained the DSc degree at the University of the Witwatersrand in 1928 and in 1949 was awarded the medal and grant of the Association for the Advancement of Science, in which year he was the association's president. In 1933 he was awarded the Senior Captain Scott Medal by the South African Biological Society. After retirement from the service in 1949 de Kock settled in Cape Town where he worked as an Honorary Research Associate at the Liesbeek Cancer Clinic.

He died on 28/8/1973. He married Miss Myra Wahl (born 26/3/1889) in Pretoria in 1914. Mrs de Kock pre-deceased her husband on 1/5/1966. Both the de Kock's ashes are interred in the grave of their son, Gilles Alexius buried in the old Military Cemetary at Voortrekkerhoogte, who was killed in a motor accident in 1940 in Cape Town where he was serving as a Lieutenant in the South African Air Force.

DE LA HARPE, PIERRE (21/9/1913 - 27/1/1977)

Born on 21/9/1913 at Rosendal, Orange Free State, he obtained his BVSc degree at the Veterinary Faculty, Onderstepoort in 1944.

After qualifying he, together with C H Basson worked as Assistants to P J Robinson at the Blue Cross Veterinary Hospital, Newlands, Cape. In 1946 they purchased this practice and remained as partners until 1952 when he joined the Division of Veterinary Services as State Veterinarian at Vryheid. In July 1955 he transferred to Kroonstad and remained there until August 1956 when he once again transferred to Bethlehem until March 1963. On 1/4/1963 he transferred to Bloemfontein until February 1965 when he was transferred to the Director's office in Pretoria. He retired in September 1975 as Assistant Director. After retirement he settled in Wellington where he died on 27/1/1977.

DENT, GEORGE CLIFFORD (13/4/1923 - 30/5/1990)

Born on 13/4/1923 at Fort Hare where his father was a lecturer, he and his twin brother subsequently attended school at Kingswood College, Grahamstown. After matriculation in 1940, he and his brother both attended Fort Hare University as two of a total of only 6 white students ever to be admitted to that institution.

In August 1941 he joined the South African Air Force. After receiving his wings in September 1942, he flew spitfires in operations while based at Malta, Sicily and Italy. In April 1944 he returned to South Africa and for the rest of the war served as a flying instructor at Standerton.

In 1946 he continued with his studies at Rhodes University and in 1947 was admitted to the 2nd year veterinary course at Onderstepoort. When the Veterinary students went on strike in 1949 for higher wages for State Veterinarians, he was the only student not to strike.

On 3/1/1948 he married Joan Walker (MSc Entomology). He and Joan had 4 children born of their marriage. In 1950 he qualified as a
Veterinarian and thereafter served at the following places:—

1950 - 1953 : State Veterinarian Umtata
1954 - 1963 : Private practice Howick, Greytown and Ficksburg
1963 - 1974 : State Veterinarian Queenstown

In 1974 he transferred to Pretoria on promotion as Assistant Director in charge of animal imports as well as O.C. Tsetse Control and Co-ordinator with Black States. In 1984 he was awarded the Boswell Medal by the S.A.V.A. In June 1978 his wife Joan died. He remarried in December 1978, but his second wife also predeceased him. She died in March 1987. He retired from the State Service on 30/4/1988 and settled at Warner Beach in Natal. He died in Durban on 30/5/1990 from Metastatic Carcinomas after a short illness.

DEVENISH, LENNOX NICOALAAS (1890 - 10/4/1922)

Devenish was born at Wakkerstroom on 6/7/1890. He qualified MRCVS (London) on 19/12/1918 and almost immediately (28/8/1918) joined the Veterinary Division. While stationed as G.V.O. at Umzimkulu he contracted Enteric fever and died at Grey's Hospital, Pietermaritzburg on 10/4/1922. He was buried in the old Commercial Road Cemetery, Pietermaritzburg in grave no. 4486 (Dutch Reformed Section). His gravestone reads Lennox N Devenish, 10 April 1922 Died Grey's Hospital.

DE VILLIERS, PROF. OCKERT TOBIAS (20/1/1900 - 16/5/1988)

Born at Boshoff in the O.F.S. on 20/1/1900 he qualified MRCVS (Dublin) in 1923 and DVSc (University of S.A.) in 1937.

He was the last person to obtain a Government bursary to study Veterinary Science overseas. On his return to South Africa from Dublin, he served as Govt. Vet. Officer at Kroonstad as well as several other places and in 1930 did duty as lecturer in Vet. Science at the Grootfontein College of Agriculture. In 1934 he was appointed senior lecturer at the University of Stellenbosch and in 1953 he was promoted to Professorship. In 1963 he retired, but in 1964 was re-appointed for 3 years while his successor, Prof. C. van Niekerk was on study leave. In 1963 he was awarded an honorary diploma by the University of O.F.S. He died on 16/5/1988.

DE VILLIERS, SCHALK WILLEM (26/5/1896 - 1977)

He qualified MRCVS (Dublin) on 19/7/1921 and served as a Government Veterinary Officer at Butterworth, De Aar, Ermelo (from 1/6/1926), South West Africa, Pietersburg (31/10/1927 - 5/5/1931) and Bloemfontein. He is thought to have died at Somerset Strand at the age of 80 in ± 1977.
DE WET, GERRIT JACOBUS

He qualified MRCVS (London) on 22/12/1924 and was employed as a State Veterinarian all his life. His daughter failed to provide information on his life in spite of frequent requests to do so. It is recorded that he was transferred from Pietersburg to Louis Trichardt on 1/5/1926 and back again on 1/6/1926. On 12/11/1927 he was transferred from Pietersburg to Barberton and on 27/6/1928 he was transferred from Barberton to Frankfort.

DICKSON, CAMPBELL (1913 - 22/10/1965)

Born in Edinburgh in 1913 he qualified MRCVS at the Royal (Dick) Veterinary College, Edinburgh in 1934. After qualifying, he practiced in England until 1945 when he came to South Africa and joined Dr Jack Boswell in practice in Johannesburg. He died suddenly on 22/10/1965 while on holiday on the Wild Coast.

DICKSON, JOHN LISTON (1900 - 6/8/1973)

Dickson was born in Kimberley on 24/9/1900 and qualified BVSc at Onderstepoort in December 1926. He immediately joined the Veterinary Field Division of the Department of Agriculture and saw service as Government Veterinary Officer at Dundee, Nongoma (from 2/12/1927), Louis Trichardt and Piet Retief.

In World War II he enlisted in 1940 and saw service in the Madagascar Campaign. After the war he saw service at Bedford and Bloemfontein where he was promoted to Sub-Director of the Orange Free State and later of the Cape Western Region. He retired from Government Service in 1961.

After his retirement he joined the Department of Nature Conservation of the Cape Province as officer in charge of the Predator Control Research Station, Vrolijkheid, Robertson. This post he held until 1966 when he finally retired in Roberston. He died on 6/8/1973 after a prolonged period of ill health. In 1933 he married Miss Joan Turner.

He started his veterinary studies at the veterinary faculty of the Witwatersrand University, but when this closed down after a year, he transferred to the Faculty of Onderstepoort. As an amateur artist he designed the Onderstepoort Faculty badge after Sir Arnold Theiler had, during a clinical period, stated that in his early days in practice he had found the Bible, a corkscrew, a percussion hammer and a pleximeter to be the most essential items of his equipment.

DIESEL, ALEXANDER MACDONALD (3/9/1897 - 23/7/1965)

Born in Bloemfontein on 3/9/1897 he qualified MRCVS at the Royal Veterinary College, London in 1921. In May 1922 he joined the Veterinary Field Division of the Department of Agriculture and
served as Veterinary Officer for 11 years in Natal (Ladysmith to Bethlehem 9/7/1928) and the Transvaal. In July 1933 he was appointed Senior Veterinary Officer in Natal, a post which he held until transferred to Pretoria on promotion to Assistant Director of Veterinary Services in November 1944. In May 1947 he was further promoted to the post of Deputy Director of Veterinary Services (Field). This post he held until retirement in September 1958. After retirement he took up a temporary post at Onderstepoort until July 1961. For 13 years (1945 - 1958) he was in addition to his duties as Deputy Director, also Senior Lecturer in State Veterinary Medicine at the Veterinary Faculty.

During his term of office as Deputy Director, he was appointed Chairman of a ministerial committee of enquiry into the control of Foot and Mouth Disease. The report which he presented was quoted by the Minister of Agriculture as a "formidable task culminating in an admirable and well thought out report". His wife died on the 13th of July and he himself passed away 10 days later in Pretoria.

DIXON, ROWLAND W ( - 1948)

He qualified MRCVS (London) on 24/3/1886 and came to South Africa as one of four veterinarians appointed by the Cape Government on the request of Duncan Hutcheon. They arrived in South Africa on 10/12/1893 (the others were M A Hutchence, H A Pattison and J W Crowhurst). He is recorded as having served as subsequently promoted to the post of S.V.O. Cape Western Division and assistant P.V.O. of the Union of South Africa. In Cape Town (1910/11) he was earning 500 pounds p.a. A RCVS Voting Paper sent to his last address in 1948 was returned marked "deceased".

DIXON, W G ( - 8/12/1920)

He qualified MRCVS (London) in March 1875 and served in South Africa during the Boer War as a C.V.S. in the A.V.D. He died at St Helens in 1920 (death reported 1921 RCVS Register).

DODD, SYDNEY ( - 24/10/1926)

All that is known about this man is that he obtained his MRCVS (London) on 15/7/1902. Thereafter he served as a Demonstrator in Pathology and Bacteriology at the Royal College of Veterinary Surgeons. During the Boer War he came to South Africa with the 10th Hussars. He returned to England with his regiment at the end of the war, but subsequently (14/10/1905) was recruited by Sir Arnold Theiler to work at Daspoort, as Assistant Bacteriologist. In 1907 he contracted Enteric Fever, but recovered. C B Simpson the Entomologist at Daspoort died of Enteric Fever during the same outbreak. He died on 24/10/1926.
DONALDSON, JAMES (1875 - 27/3/1954)

He qualified MRCVS (Glasgow) on 18/12/1897. During the Boer War he saw service in South Africa for an unknown period of time as a Civil Veterinary Surgeon attached to the A.V.D. After the war he returned to England. He died at Wolverhampton, Staffs on 27/3/1954 aged 79.

DONALDSON, JOHN (1877 - 26/2/1935)

All that is recorded of Donaldson is that he qualified MRCVS (Edinburgh) on 23/12/1905 and served at one time as a G.V.O. at Ermelo and died there on 26/2/1935. He was born in Pietermaritzburg in 1877 and never married. He was an active Rand Club member. During World War I he served as a Captain in the SAVC.

DORÉ, ALAN RUSSEL (21/8/1917 - 2/10/1990)

Born on 21/8/1917 in Johannesburg he followed his brother Jim (James Lewis BVSc 1937) to Bishops and into the veterinary profession when he obtained his BVSc degree at the Veterinary Faculty, Onderstepoort at the end of 1947. However, before qualifying and while in his 4th study year, he joined the SAAF and served as a pilot for the remainder of the 2nd World War. He returned to his veterinary studies in 1946. He married while in the air force in 1943.

After qualifying he practiced at Ixopo from 1948 until he emigrated to Rhodesia in 1952. In Rhodesia he practiced at Umvukwes until arthritis of the spine caused him to convert to farming in 1970. In 1980 he returned to South Africa and settled in Kloof where he died on 2/10/1990.

DORÉ, JAMES LEWIS (25/6/1913 - 26/5/1989)

After being born at Koffiefontein on 25/6/1913, his family moved to Robertson where he received his early education (1920 - 1925). After matriculating at Bishops, Cape Town (1926 - 1931), he underwent veterinary training and received his BVSc degree at the Veterinary Faculty, Onderstepoort at the end of 1937. From 1932 to 1934 he studied industrial chemistry at UCT. Thereafter he joined the Veterinary Division in January 1938 and saw service as follows:
Allerton Laboratory
Tanganyika: May - October 1938 (seconded for Rinderpest duties)
Nongoma and Dundee: 1939 - November 1944.

He entered private practice in Durban in January 1945 and continued until 1978 when he retired to Margate to grow Anthiriums. He died there from a heart attack on 26/5/1989.

DOTCHIN, WILLIAM (1869 - 23/1/1951)

He qualified MRCVS (New. Edinburgh) on 16/12/1889 and served in South Africa during the Boer War as a C.V.S. in the A.V.D. He died on 23/1/1951 aged 82 years.

DOUGLAS, JAMES (- 7/6/1912)

He qualified MRCVS (Glasgow) on 22/12/1892 and during the Boer War saw service in South Africa for an unknown period of time as a Civil Veterinary Surgeon attached to the A.V.D. After the war he returned to England. He died on 7/6/1912.

DOUTHWAITE, FRED (1872 - 14/7/1934)

He qualified MRCVS (New Edinburgh) on 21/5/1895 and served in South Africa during the Boer War as a C.V.S. in the A.V.D. He died on 14/7/1934 aged 62 years from a ruptured Aortic Aneurysm.

DOYLE, THOMAS GEORGE (- 30/1/1953)

He qualified MRCVS (Edinburgh) on 21/12/1898. During the Boer War he saw service in South Africa for an unknown period of time as a Civil Veterinary Surgeon attached to the A.V.D. After the war he returned to England. He died in Australia on 30/1/1953.
DRABBLE, JOHN SAM (1876 - 1/12/1913)

He qualified MRCVS (New Edinburgh) on 26/5/1900. During the Boer War he saw service in South Africa for an unknown period of time as a Civil Veterinary Surgeon attached to the A.V.D. After the war he returned to England. He died on 1/12/1913 aged 37 years.

DRAGE, FRANCIS BINYOUN (1867 - 7/7/1935)

He qualified MRCVS (London) on 22/12/1887 and saw service as a regular A.V.D. officer with the Army Veterinary Department in South Africa from 29/11/1899 to 7/12/1900 with the Household Cavalry, Rensburg. After service he returned to England. He died at Brixworth, Northampton on 7/7/1935 aged 68 years.

DUCK, SIR FRANCIS (17/12/1845 - May 1934)

Born in Catherick on 17/12/1845 he qualified MRCVS (London) on 22/4/1867. In July of 1867 he joined the Royal Artillery and remained in this regiment until 1868 where he did transport duty for the Abassian Campaign.

He then spent six years in India before coming to the Cape in 1878, and serving in the Gaika and Galika wars (Frontier Light Horse) as well as the Zulu Rebellion of 1879. During the latter campaign (on 28/3/1879) he found himself on retreat with his regiment from Hlobane Hill and in order to assist with the withdrawal of his comrades he took a rifle from a dead soldier and acted as part of the rear guard.

He accounted so well for himself in this action that he was recommended for the immediate award of the Victoria Cross. This recommendation was turned down because in the words of his Commander "He had no right (as a veterinary surgeon) to be there". During the same operation he did a post mortem examination on a horse which died after breaking into the food store and eating a bag of tea. He was so carried away with this examination that he did not notice that the rest of his column had moved off. When his absence was observed several hours later, the entire force had to return to find him. General Buller was so annoyed at this delay that he warned Duck to keep out of his way in future. This tea poisoning post mortem was reported to and recorded in the Veterinary Record (Vol. IX, P. 430, 1879).
At the battle of Ulundi he took part in a follow up operation when the Zulus "broke". In the pursuit he downed a warrior with a revolver shot in the hip and then killed him in hand to hand combat with an assegai. After the Zulu Rebellion he went back to England and did not return to South Africa until 1881.

His second tour of duty in South Africa lasted until 1885 when he served as S.V.S. (later renamed P.V.O.) of the Army Veterinary Department with headquarters in Pietermaritzburg. In this position he took part in the Bechuanaland Campaign (Warren Expedition) of 1884/85 together with other Veterinary Surgeons viz. J H Cox, A H Gentle, C Rutherford and J A Woods. He succeeded J D Lambert as S.V.S. A.V.D. in 1882 and on his departure in 1885 was succeeded as S.V.S. by F F Crawford. During August 1883 to March 1884, he relieved Samuel Wiltshire as P.V.O. C.V.D. Natal when the latter proceeded to America to study Texas fever. On his return to England he wrote a report on the Warren Expedition at Aldershot which was subsequently published in the Veterinary Record of 7/1/1911.

From 1894 to 1897 he served as P.V.O. A.V.D. in India. In the latter year he was promoted to the post of Director General of the A.V.D. (again in succession to J D Lambert). He retained this post until 1902 when he retired and was awarded the Knighthood of the Bath. This was the first ever Knighthood bestowed upon a Veterinary Surgeon. After his retirement he settled in Arcturus in Southern Rhodesia where he died in May 1934.

DUFF, JAMES A (1864 - 16/7/1929)

He qualified MRCVS (Edinburgh) pm 21/12/1898. During the Boer War he saw service in South Africa for an unknown period of time as a Civil Veterinary Surgeon attached to the Army Veterinary Department. After the war he returned to England. He died on 16/7/1929 aged 65 years.

DUNNING, FRANCIS JOHNSON (5/9/1878 - 21/1/1948)

Born on 5/9/1878 he qualified MRCVS (New Edinburgh) on 19/12/1901 and obtained his FRCVS in 1911 for this thesis "East Coast Fever". He came to South Africa during the Boer War and served as a Civil Veterinary Surgeon attached to the A.V.D. until 1904. After his discharge from the army he remained in South Africa as a District Veterinary Surgeon in the Transvaal Civil Veterinary Department and subsequently in the Union of South Africa Veterinary Division from 1905 to 1934.
During World War I he served as a Captain in the S.A.V.C. and was attached to the 10th South African Horse Regiment in the East African Campaign. After his retirement from the Veterinary Division in 1934 he practiced in Port Elizabeth until the early 1940's when his practice was taken over by E T Clemow. He died at Port Elizabeth on 21/1/1948. It is recorded that in 1903 he sent a message of good wishes to the inaugural meeting of the Transvaal Veterinary Medical Association which was held at Long's Hotel in Johannesburg on 16/2/1903.

DUNPHY, JOHN PATRICK ( - 1954)

He qualified MRCVS (New Edinburgh) on 24/5/1900 and came to South Africa as a Civil Veterinary Surgeon attached to the A.V.D. during the Boer War. After his discharge from the British Army in 1903 he joined the Transvaal Civil Veterinary Department (12/3/1903) and for a while served as District Veterinary Surgeon at Krugersdorp. He appears on a photograph of a group of District Veterinary Surgeons who visited Onderstepoort in 1910 for a refresher course. He died in 1954.

DUPREEZ, GERT JOHANNES JURGENS

He qualified BVSc at the Veterinary Faculty, Onderstepoort in December 1945. Thereafter he served as a State Veterinarian and subsequently went farming in the Kimberley district. His death resulted from a shooting accident. His sister failed to provide details of his life in spite of frequent requests to do so.


He qualified BVSc at the Veterinary Faculty, Onderstepoort in December 1985. After completing his two years National Service he joined the Directorate of Veterinary Services on 31/3/1988 as State Veterinarian, Kroonstad. However, on 7/4/1988 he died from a self inflicted gunshot wound. No suicide note was found and the reason for his death cannot be explained.

DURRANT, G ( - 9/10/1902)

He qualified as a Veterinary Surgeon from Albert College of the University of Toronto in 1868 and saw service in South Africa with the Army Veterinary Department from 1881 to 1882. In South Africa he served in Natal as one of the seven Veterinary Surgeons under the control of P.V.S. J Lambert. The other Veterinary Surgeons were F Duck, J Reilly, W D Sartin, W Pallin, C Rutherford and T Caldecott. He died on 9/10/1902.
DURRANT, H M (1875 - 24/4/1925)

Born in 1875 he qualified MRCVS (London) on 16/12/1897 and saw service as a regular officer in the Army Veterinary Department in South Africa from 1/7/1899 to 25/4/1902. For the first three months of his service in South Africa prior to the outbreak of the Boer War on 10/10/1899 he was stationed in the Cape Colony, but after the commencement of hostilities he was transferred to the remount depot at Mooi River where he was a founder member of the staff together with F J Carless (CVS/AVD), G M Williams (AVD) and later D Quinlan (CVS/AVD). He returned to England on 25/4/1902 and died there on 24/4/1925.

DU TOIT, PETRUS JOHANN (16/3/1888 - 13/11/1967)

He was born at Somerset Strand on 16/3/1888 and took the degrees of PhD Zoology (Cum Laude) in Zurich and Dr. Med. Vet. (Cum Laude) in Berlin. During World War I he could not leave Germany at the end of his studies and utilised his time to produce, in collaboration with Professor Knuth, an outstanding book on Tropical Diseases which for many years served as a standard textbook.

He returned to South Africa after armistice in 1918 and was appointed Senior Research Officer, Onderstepoort. This post he occupied until 1927 when on the retirement of Sir Arnold Theiler, he succeeded him as Director of Onderstepoort and Dean of the Faculty of Veterinary Service. He held both these positions for a record period of 20 years. He had in the meantime also become professor of Tropical Diseases at the Veterinary Faculty in 1920 at the age of 32 years. His research is contained in 130 scientific publications. Honours bestowed upon him during his lifetime were:

1. President of the S.A. Association for the Advancement of Science.
8. 1926 and 1938 Medal of the German Society of Natural Sciences, Dusseldorf.
10. 1930 President of the British Association.
12. Medal of the British Association for the Advancement of Science, 1934.

He also had seven honorary Doctor's degrees conferred upon him.
DU TOIT, RENÉ MICHEL (2/3/1904 - 17/5/1988)

Born in Cape Town on 2/3/1904 he matriculated at Ermelo in 1922 and qualified as a veterinarian at Onderstepoort in December 1927. The following year (6/1/1928) he joined the Department of Agriculture being stationed as Vet. Research Officer at Allerton. In 1929 he was transferred to the Department of Entomology at Onderstepoort.

On 14/2/1931 he married Vivian Gertrude Mulder. In 1936/37 he studied at the University of Minnesota as Commonwealth Foundation Fellow and obtained his DVC degree in 1953, his thesis being "The Control of Tsetse Flies by Chemical Means". In 1930 he was officer in charge of Armoedsvlakte until 1931 when he returned to Onderstepoort. From 1939 - 1945 he researched the use of DDT and was to plan its use in the successful eradication of G. pallidipes in Zululand over an area of 7 000 square miles.

In 1961 he was appointed Prof. of Parasitology at Onderstepoort and in 1966 became the Dean of the Faculty of Veterinary Science. He retired in January 1969. At the Easter Show 1988 the Witwatersrand Agricultural Society made its annual award to him (collected by his son) for his contribution to agriculture.

He died in Cape Town on 17/5/1988. He always told his students that as dog owners tended to resemble their dogs, so professors tended to resemble their subject and he felt that as an Entomologist he resembled a tick - a well engorged tick!

DYKINS, WILLIAM ALFRED (4/8/1888 - 21/11/1948)

He was born at Holywell on 4/8/1888 and graduated MRCVS (Liverpool) on 16/7/1910. In the same year he was appointed as Government Veterinary Officer in the Civil Veterinary Department of the Union of South Africa and for the next 20 years saw service at seven centres throughout South Africa. In 1922 he was transferred to Durban and after serving there as Government Veterinary officer for ten years, he left the service and was appointed Veterinary Officer to the Durban Municipality on 15/3/1932.

Soon after his appointment as Municipal Veterinary Officer he was promoted (July 1932) to the post of Director of the "Durban Abattoir and Animal Transport" in succession to Major W G Barnes. His position as Veterinary Officer was taken over by A F Harber in 1938. During World War I he saw service in the South West Africa and East Africa Campaign as a Captain in the SAVC. In 1920 he married the daughter of Veterinary colleague Major G T Cannon. He held the post of Director of the Durban Abattoir for 16 years and died in harness on 21/11/1948.

DYSON, E M

During the Boer War he saw service in South Africa for an unknown period of time as a Civil:Veterinary Surgeon attached to the Army Veterinary Department. After the war he returned to England.
DYSON, CLEMENT (1857 - 3/3/1942)

He qualified MRCVS (New Edinburgh) on 22/4/1884. During the Boer War he saw service in South Africa for an unknown period of time as a Civil Veterinary Surgeon attached to the Army Veterinary Department. After the war he returned to England. He died on 3/3/1942 aged 85 years.

EASSIE, FITZPATRICK CB CMG DSO (1859 - 23/1/1943)

He qualified MRCVS (London) on 9/12/1885 and saw service as a regular A.V.D. officer with the Army Veterinary Department in South Africa from 11/10/1899 to 2/12/1904. After service he returned to England. While in South Africa he designed the ideal remount depot on Fisher's farm, Bloemfontein. It consisted of a circular track so arranged that each horse enclosure communicated with it by means of a large gate. On the gate being opened the occupants could be driven onto the track and after one or two lessons readily learned to trot steadily. By this method 500 horses could be exercised in a very short while. This method of exercise was subsequently used by the British Army during World War I on an extensive basis. He also took part in the Burma Campaign of 1885/86, the Manipur Campaign of 1891 and the Chitral Campaign of 1895. He died on 23/1/1943 aged 84 years.

EDGAR, JOHN INGRAM (16/5/1873 - 14/8/1951)

Born on 16/5/1873 he qualified MRCVS (Edinburgh) on 13/12/1895 and came to South Africa during the Boer War as a Civil Veterinary Surgeon attached to the Army Veterinary Department. After the cessation of hostilities he joined the Civil Veterinary Department of the Transvaal Government as a Govt. Veterinary Officer (13/11/1902) and remained in Government employ until he retired on 16/5/1928. For some time he was stationed at Pietersburg and was mainly responsible for the eradication of East Coast Fever in that area. He took the Diploma in Veterinary State Medicine (DVSM) on 24/6/1921. He died on 14/8/1951 at Forrest Gate, London.

EDGAR, PETER MAXWELL O.B.E. (20/5/1869 - 20/3/1930)

He qualified MRCVS (Edinburgh) on 13/12/1895 and joined the Cape C.V.D. during the Rinderpest epizootic. At the end of 1899 he left for New Zealand where he joined the Department of Agriculture. He accompanied the 4th New Zealand Contingent to South Africa during the Boer War in March 1900. He returned to New Zealand after the war. He died at Brighton on 20/3/1930 and was buried at Bedford.

EDINGTON, ALEXANDER (1860 - 16/7/1928)

After qualifying as a doctor he was subsequently (1888) appointed Professor of Surgery and Lecturer in Bacteriology at the Medical School Edinburgh and at the same time was Professor of Comparative
Pathology at the Royal (Dick) Veterinary College, Edinburgh.

On 23/10/1890 he applied for the post of Bacteriologist to the Cape of Good Hope Government and on 11/2/1891 was accepted. On 22/3/1891 he commenced duties in England and until May 1891 he visited the Pasteur Institute and Robert Koch and travelled to Jena to purchase microscopes for his future laboratory.

On 4/6/1891 he finally arrived at Cape Town from where he moved to Grahamstown and established himself in the buildings erected in 1838 in the Royal Engineers Yard. These buildings were destined to be used as a veterinary laboratory continuously from that date until 1972 when the new veterinary laboratory in Grahamstown was built. In 1892 he was joined in his laboratory by a former student of his at the Royal (Dick), John Downie Borthwick who was to serve as his assistant in his study of Animal Diseases until 1893 when he was succeeded by Thomas Bowhill.

In 1892 he made large quantities of Lungsickness vaccine which he sold at one shilling a dose. In 1893 he toured the Transvaal and Natal in search of cases of Horsesickness in order to further his knowledge of the disease. In the same year he also produced a vaccine against Smallpox which he preserved with glycerine and was thereby able to sell large quantities (9,375 tubes) of it to the Transvaal Government in order to combat an outbreak of the disease there. In 1894 he left his laboratory at Grahamstown for a period of six months in order to serve as Medical Officer of Health on the Leprosy Commission.

Thereafter he took six months leave while his laboratory manufactured a further 14,180 tubes of Smallpox vaccine for sale to the Transvaal Government. So lucrative was this trade in Smallpox vaccine that in 1894 he demanded a share of the profits from this vaccine as well as from the profits made from the sale of horsesickness vaccine. Edington felt he was entitled to this share in the profits because his medical colleagues were receiving 5% of the fees paid to the Government by Leper patients.

In 1896 Edington received instructions to cease his research on Horsesickness and to concentrate his efforts on a search for a cure for Rinderpest. In order to carry out this instruction he set himself up in a railway carriage converted into a laboratory at Taungs where he arrived on 11/10/1896. On 14/10/1896, J F Soga MRCVS and Veterinary Surgeon to the Cape of Good Hope Government brought him his first case of Rinderpest. On 3/11/1895 he informed the Government of the Cape of Good Hope by telegram that he had isolated the "microbe" causing Rinderpest. As a result of this discovery, Robert Koch visited Edington's railway laboratory and was presented with "cultures" of the newly isolated "microbe". Thereafter, he commenced manufacturing Rinderpest Glycerinated Bile vaccine according to Herbert Watkins-Pitchford's method.

On 8/11/1898 he informed his Government that he had attenuated Horsesickness virus. In 1899 he produced Locust "Fungus" for the control of locust invasions. In 1894 he dealt with an outbreak of Rabies in the Cape. On 30/6/1905 he resigned his post as Government Bacteriologist and entered private medical practice.
During World War I he served in a Military Hospital in Dar-es-salaam. After World War I (1918) he was appointed Director of Grey's Hospital, Pietermaritzburg. He served in this position until he took up a post on a labour ship transporting Indian labour to Natal. He subsequently established a medical practice in Greytown (Natal) where he died on 16/7/1928 aged 68 years.

EDWARDS, EDWARD REUBEN (13/10/1949)

He qualified MRCVS (London) on 20/12/1889. During the Boer War he saw service in South Africa for an unknown period of time as a Civil Veterinary Surgeon attached to the Army Veterinary Department. After the war he returned to England. On 13/12/1904 he was awarded the FRCVS for his thesis entitled "Rinderpest". He died on 13/10/1949.

EDWARDS, LESLIE THOMAS (14/7/1908 - 12/6/1985)

"Ted" was born at Cathcart on 14/7/1908 and was educated at the Cathcart High School (until 1923) and Victoria High School, Grahamstown where he matriculated in 1925. While studying at the Veterinary Faculty, Onderstepoort he was the only student in his second year. In his third year he was joined by C T Nilson when he had to repeat a year. He and Nilson should have qualified at the end of 1930, but both had to write supplementary examinations in 1931. It is therefore on record that no veterinary students qualified from Onderstepoort in 1930.

He joined the State Service as Government Veterinary Officer on 10/7/1931 and was posted to Allerton Laboratory for smear examination duties. On the 28th of June 1932 he was transferred to Umtata to carry out similar duties. In March 1933 he was posted to the Koedoesrand area of the Potgietersrus district on Foot and Mouth control duties. There he remained for nine months under conditions which in his own words "hardened" him for "future life as a State Veterinarian". Thereafter he did relief duties at Allerton and Mafeking until in March 1934 he was posted to Louis Trichardt for East Coast Fever control duties. In August 1936 he was transferred to Pietersburg where he conducted a slaughter out policy which was to end to incidence of E.C.F. in the area. During his time in this area he was also faced with the spread of Rabies from the north. Until Rabies vaccine was made available, the control consisted of the destruction of all dogs not kept under control. Thereafter, for many years he was involved in Foot and Mouth disease campaigns as follows:

1938/39 Pilgrimsrest area adjacent to the Kruger National Park
1944/45 Pilgrimsrest and Letaba
1950/51 Pilgrimsrest and Letaba
1950 Assisted with Foot and Mouth disease control in the Bechuanaaland Protectorate. Stationed at Palapye
1957 In charge of Foot and Mouth disease operations in the Mafeking and Marico districts
1959 On Foot and Mouth disease operations in the Hectorspruit and Komatipoort areas
1960 Testing out Foot and Mouth disease vaccines
In 1954 he was transferred from Pietersburg to Pietermaritzburg and while there was instrumental in bringing the 1954 E.C.F. outbreak in Manderston under control. In 1959 he transferred to Pretoria as subdirector for the Transvaal region. In 1961 he was promoted to the position of Deputy Director of Veterinary Services. He retired from the service on 14/7/1968 (60 years of age) and on 20/8/1968 took up an appointment with the Swaziland Government. During his service in Swaziland he was able to bring an outbreak of Foot and Mouth disease in the Seteki district under control within two months. He retired from the Swaziland Service on 20/8/1971 and settled at Umkomaas where died from a Carcinoma of the Pancreas on 13/6/1985. His body was cremated on 15/6/1985.

EDWARDS, ROBERT ALFRED (1879 - 16/9/1948)

He qualified MRCVS (Edinburgh) on 24/5/1900 and served in South Africa during the Boer War as a Civil Veterinary Surgeon in the Army Veterinary Department. He died on 16/9/1948 aged 69 years.

EDWARDS, WILFRED BOWES (1874 - 11/11/1946)

He qualified MRCVS (London) on 9/5/1893 and saw service as a regular A.V.D. officer with the Army Veterinary Department in South Africa from 16/5/1902 to 14/3/1903. After service he returned to England. He died on 11/11/1946 aged 72 years.

EDWARDS, WILLIAM WATKINS HERBERT (19/1/1936)

The only record of this man is that he qualified MRCVS (London) on 16/7/1901 and that he served as a V.O. (Lieut) to the S.A. Constabulary from 21/10/1901 to 1/1/1904. He sent his good wishes to the inaugural meeting of the Transvaal Veterinary Medical Association held at Long's Hotel, Johannesburg on 16/2/1903. He died on 19/1/1936.

ELDER, WILLIAM ALEXANDER (16/4/1946)

The only record of this man is that he qualified MRCVS on 21/5/1902 and FRCVS in 1914, his thesis being "East African Coast Fever". He was a member of the Transvaal Veterinary Medical Association founded on 16/2/1903. He attended the Pan African Veterinary Congress held in Pretoria to coincide with the official opening of Onderstepoort on 12/1/1909 as the official representative of the Swaziland Protectorate. He also attended the 1929 Pan African Veterinary Congress held in Pretoria in this capacity. (This Congress was held from 1 to 17 August 1929). He died in Swaziland on 16/4/1946.
ELLEY, STANLEY (17/2/1879 - 14/4/1941)

Born on 17/2/1879 at Walton, Berkshire, he qualified MRCVS (New Edinburgh) on 20/5/1903 and thereafter joined the Cape Civil Veterinary Department on 14/5/1904. In 1908 he was stationed at Oudtshoorn. However, he did not remain in the service, but went farming in the Oudtshoorn district where he married Magdalena Johanna Olivier (the daughter of a member of Parliament) in 1905.

In World War I he joined the SAVC and saw service in the S.W.A. and East Africa Campaign. On 5/4/1918 he was mentioned in Despatches. After the war he returned to farming. He died on 14 April 1941 at Oudtshoorn. As a student at the New Edinburgh Veterinary College he won the following academic medals:

1902 Gen. Pathology and Pathological Anatomy
1902 Materia Medica
1902 Hygiene
1903 Veterinary Surgery

He earned 350 pounds p.a. in State Service in 1910/11. He resigned after the establishment of Union. In August 1913 he published an illustrated article in the Veterinary Journal on the caponising of ostriches. This article was reproduced in full in Sir Frederick Hobday's book entitled "Castration (including cryptorchids and caponing) and Ovariotomy" which was published by W and A K Johnston in 1914. Possibly the dapper looking person appearing in one of the photographs is Elley himself.

ELLIS, GEORGE (1870 - 28/11/1934)

He qualified MRCVS (New Edinburgh) on 25/5/1893. During the Boer War he saw service in South Africa for an unknown period of time as a Civil Veterinary Surgeon attached to the Army Veterinary Department. After the war he returned to England. He died at Mottram-in Longdendale, Cheshire.

ELPHICK, CHARLES SELWYN ( - 20/6/1947)

He qualified MRCVS (Liverpool) on 19/12/1907 and on 30/5/1908 was stationed in Cape Town as an Assistant Veterinary Surgeon in the Cape of Good Hope Civil Veterinary Department. Prior to World War I he is reported as having been in charge of the Wynberg (Cape) Abattoir in Batt's Road. On the 10th of June 1911 he assisted Sir Arnold Theiler at a demonstration post mortem examination for the Vryburg Farmers Association on a Mr Masson's farm in that district. In 1912 he, together with Shilston and 46 other veterinarians and top staff resigned from the Department of Agriculture. During World War I he served as a Captain in the SAVC. He died on 20/6/1947.
ELPHICK, EDWIN ELI ( - 15/1/1945)

He qualified MRCVS (London) on 12/7/1904 and on 1/11/1904 was appointed as District Veterinary Officer in the Orange River Colony together with H Carslake Tasker. He resigned from this post on 31/7/1905 and returned to England. He died on 15/1/1945. His wife Jean died at Hastings, New Zealand on 24/4/1930.

ELPHICK, JAMES EDWARD ( - 21/11/1892)

He qualified MRCVS (London) in December 1866 and saw service with the Army Veterinary Department in South Africa (Natal) from 4/11/1884 to 21/12/1885. After service he returned to England. He died on 21/11/1892 in Singapore.

ENGLAND, ARTHUR (1869 - 31/1/1939)

He qualified MRCVS (London) on 23/5/1891 and came to South Africa as a regular officer in the A.V.D. for a tour of duty which lasted from 5/6/1893 to 9/3/1903. At the outbreak of the Boer War on 10/10/1899 he was stationed at the A.V.D. base at De Aar. From March to October 1896 he accompanied the 7th Hussars regiments when it took part in the Matabele Rebellion and in so doing was the first member of the A.V.D. to enter Southern Rhodesia, but not the first veterinarian to do so. He died on 31/1/1939 aged 70 years.

ENSOR, EDWARD THOMAS CHRISTIAN ( - 9/6/1900)

He qualified MRCVS (London) in July 1898 and came to South Africa during the Boer War as a Civil Veterinary Surgeon attached to the Army Veterinary Department. He was attached to the Royal Scot's Greys as Veterinary Surgeon together with J W Brownless and H Gamble. He died at Kroonstad on 9/6/1900 of Enteric Fever. His gravestone in the Kroonstad Cemetery incorrectly records his name as Ender and his date of death as 10/6/1900.

ERASMUS, ARNOLDUS STEPHANUS (20/2/1920 - 23/2/1979)

Born on 20/2/1920 at Bulgerivier in the Northern Transvaal, he obtained his BVSc degree at the Veterinary Faculty, Onderstepoort in December 1946 and thereafter immediately joined the Veterinary Department of the Bechuanaland Protectorate Government as Veterinary Officer in charge of the Palapye Veterinary district which in those days included the whole Ngwato Reserve as well as the Tuli Block. He was a brilliant Tswana linguist and was well liked by the tribesmen in his district. On 31/5/1952 he resigned his official post in favour of a post of Veterinarian/Cattle manager to a large business/farming operation in Bechuanaland known as R.A. Baily & Co. After working for this company for several years he returned to South Africa and served as State Veterinarian, Standerton (1965 - 1967) and Potchefstroom (1967 - 1971) before settling in Mafeking to work once again with the Tswana people.
He subsequently became Chief Veterinarian to the Bophuthatswana Government. He died whilst in Mafeking.

EVANS, SAMUEL ALBAN (12/12/1899 - 19/1/1974)

Born on 12/12/1899 he obtained his MRCVS at Dublin in 1920. He subsequently (1921) joined the Colonial Veterinary Service in which he served in Tanganyika until his retirement as Chief Veterinary Research Officer in 1945. In 1946 he proceeded to and worked for Coopers at Little Gaddesdel. In 1948 he proceeded to Kenya as Coopers Veterinary Advisor. In 1953 he joined the East African Veterinary Research Organisation (EAVRO) and was involved in Rinderpest vaccine production. He retired to Ireland in 1959 but was subsequently (1960) employed by the Food and Agricultural Organisation (FAO) to advise on Veterinary Laboratories in Sudan and Somalia. He retired in 1964 and died in Durban on 19/1/1974.

(Note by author: I record these details in case his grave is seen in Durban and if there is no record of him in this manuscript, someone might say that I had no knowledge of him.)

EVANS, WILLIAM GEORGE (9/4/1879 - 9/8/1965)

Born on 9/4/1879 he qualified MRCVS (London) on 16/12/1901 and came to South Africa during the Boer War as a Civil Veterinary Surgeon attached to the Army Veterinary Department. After the cessation of hostilities he joined the Transvaal Civil Veterinary Department on 1/2/1903 and continued to serve as a Government Veterinary Officer until 1914. On 7/12/1906 he joined the Active Citizen Force Western Rifles Regiment as a part time Veterinary Officer. He appears on various photographs taken at Onderstepoort between 1907 and 1910. On the latter date he is recorded as being the District Veterinary Surgeon for the Lichtenburg and Marico districts. He may have died on 9/8/1965.

EVERSHED, PERCY MAURICE ( - 4/8/1967)

He qualified MRCVS (London) on 14/7/1897. During the Boer War he saw service in South Africa for an unknown period of time as a Civil Veterinary Surgeon attached to the Army Veterinary Department. After the war he returned to England. He died on 4/8/1967.

EVERY, ROMYN (15/2/1927 - 13/4/1990)

Born in Durban on 15/2/1927, he qualified as a Veterinarian in December 1950, when he obtained his BVSc degree at the Veterinary Faculty, Onderstepoort. After qualifying he practiced in Pretoria with Prof. A D Thomas and then proceeded to practice in Pietermaritzburg, Richmond, Mooi River and subsequently Estcourt. He remained in practice in Estcourt until his death on 13/4/1990.
He married Helene, the elder daughter of Prof. S W J van Rensburg MRCVS, in Pretoria in 1951. Of this marriage, two daughters and a son were born.

EWING, SAMUEL HILL ( - 27/9/1938)

He qualified MRCVS (Dublin) on 22/7/1909 and joined the Union Veterinary Field Service of the Department of Agriculture in October 1910. He was first stationed in Zululand and later in all four provinces. Up to 1925 he was Government Veterinary Officer at Estcourt when he handed the district over to G Pfaff. In 1929 he was lecturing Veterinary Science to the students of Cedara while stationed at Pietermaritzburg. On 9/5/1932 he was transferred from Ladysmith (Natal) to Aliwal North. He did good work in the Transvaal with the eradication of Glanders and claimed that he used sweets to bribe the Boer children to influence their parents to destroy their infected horses. For a time he served in Durban and lived in the house at the quarantine station in Point Road. He married in June 1930 and died in his sleep on 27/9/1938.

FAIL, FREDERICK O.B.E. (1875 - 18/3/1950)

He qualified MRCVS (Edinburgh) on 21/5/1898 and served in South Africa for an unknown period of time with the Army Veterinary Department during the Boer War. He subsequently returned to South Africa for a second tour of duty from 16/5/1903 to 21/12/1903. He died on 18/3/1950.

FAIRCLOUGH, JAMES (1864 - 18/1/1940)

He qualified MRCVS (New Edinburgh) on 1/6/1899 and came to South Africa for an unknown period of time during the Boer War as a Civil Veterinary Surgeon attached to the Army Veterinary Department. He returned to England after his service. He died on 18/1/1940 aged 76 years.


He qualified MRCVS (Royal Dick) in 1952 having been in the British Army throughout the duration of World War II.

In 1954 he joined the Veterinary Department of the Bechuanaland Protectorate and rose to the rank of Senior Veterinary Officer in 1958 and Deputy Director in 1960. In 1962 with the death of K Unsworth, he was promoted to Director which post he held until his retirement in 1974. Thereafter until 1987 when he left Botswana he was Director of the foot and mouth disease vaccine factory in Gaborone. During the period 1960 to 1965 he was stationed in Mafeking and did a great deal of private practice there.

He died at Noordhoek, Cape on 24/1/1989.
FARRANT ANTONIS L (1868 - 7/1/1943)

He qualified MRCVS (London) on 20/12/1895. During the Boer War he saw service in South Africa for an unknown period of time as a Civil Veterinary Surgeon attached to the Army Veterinary Department. After the war he returned to England. He died on 7/1/1943 aged 75 years.

FARRAR, JOHN ROWBOTTOM ( - 4/2/1905)

He qualified MRCVS (Edinburgh) in December 1888. During the Boer War he saw service in South Africa for an unknown period of time as a Civil Veterinary Surgeon attached to the Army Veterinary Department. After the war he returned to England. He died on 4/2/1905 from Pneumonia.

FARREL, E O'CONNELL

He served as a Veterinary Lieutenant with the Pioneer Column to Mashonaland in 1890. However, his name could not be traced in the RCVS register.


Born in Cape Town on the 4th of August 1918 he received his education at the South African College School (S.A.C.S.). In 1940 he obtained his BVSc degree at the veterinary faculty, Onderstepoort and thereafter practiced in the southern suburbs of Cape Town all his life. He died on the 8th of August 1980.

FENNER, EDGAR ALFRED LOWDELL ( - 23/6/1900)

He qualified MRCVS (London) in July 1898 and as Veterinary Lieutenant serving with the 13th Battalion of the Imperial Yeomanry regiment was taken prisoner at Lindley (O.F.S.) and died at Vrede from Dysentry and Pneumonia. He was buried at Vrede on 28/6/1900 by his colleague Farrier-Sergeant R S Garraway MRCVS (Plot number 117). However, the inscription on the iron cross over his grave records his date of death as 23/6/1900.

FENTON, GERALD HERBERT (1852 - 2/10/1915)

Born in 1852 he qualified MRCVS (New Edinburgh) in 1874. In 1879 he served with his regiment in Natal in the Zulu War. He arrived with the reinforcement column which included 12 Veterinary Surgeons. He died on 2/10/1915.
FERN, EDWARD (16/7/1861 - January 1940)

Born on 16/7/1861 he qualified MRCVS (New Edinburgh) on 1/6/1891 and practiced in Port Elizabeth from 1895. During the Boer War he joined the Army Veterinary Department as a Civil Veterinary Surgeon while in South Africa. From 1900 to 1901 he served as Veterinary Officer to the Cape Mounted Riflemen (CMR). He also served as G.V.O. Cape Town and Bloemfontein where he left the service on 30/4/1926. He practiced in Cape Town 1925/26 where he did meat inspection duties at the Wynberg (Cape) abattoir in Batts Road. He is reported to have died in January 1940.

FERNANDES, HUBERT WILLIAMSON LUIS (1873 - 13/7/1912)

He qualified MRCVS (London) in 1889. During the Boer War he saw service in South Africa for an unknown period of time as a Civil Veterinary Surgeon attached to the Army Veterinary Department. After the war he returned to England. He died on 13/7/1912 aged 39 years.

FICK, JOHANNES FUCH (10/9/1914 - 26/6/1972)

Born on 10/9/1914 in Christiana (O.F.S.) he obtained the BVSc degree at the Veterinary Faculty, Onderstepoort in 1938. After qualifying as a veterinarian he served as a Government Veterinary Officer at East London and Umtata. In 1944 he joined the Colonial Service and served as a G.V.O. in Swaziland until 1958 when he was transferred to the Bechuanaland Protectorate. In Bechuanaland he was promoted to Divisional Veterinary Officer where he was first placed in charge of the Western Division being stationed at Maun and Lobatsi. He retired from the Colonial Service in 1962 and rejoined the South African service being stationed at Kokstad in 1962 and Umtata from 1963 to 1965. In the latter year he was transferred to East London where he died in the service on 26/6/1972.

FINDLAY, JAMES (- 1883)

He qualified MRCVS (Glasgow) in April 1870 and with his regiment saw service in South Africa in 1881. He died in 1883.

FINLAYSON, J (- 7/2/1898)

He qualified MRCVS (New Edinburgh) in 1882 and saw service with the Army Veterinary Department in South Africa (Natal) from 5/9/1884 to 9/11/1887. After service he returned to England. He died in Dublin on 7/2/1898.
FISHER, O SARONY O.B.E. ( - 25/7/1952)

He qualified MRCVS (London) on 12/12/1899 and saw service with the Army Veterinary Department in South Africa from 13/4/1901 to 1/4/1903. After service he returned to England. He died at Loudwater Village, Rickmansworth, Herts on 25/7/1952.

FLANAGAN, WILLIAM GEORGE (1879 - 13/3/1907)

He qualified MRCVS (London) in December 1901. During the Boer War he saw service in South Africa for an unknown period of time as a Civil Veterinary Surgeon attached the the Army Veterinary Department. After the war he returned to England. He died on 13/3/1907 aged 28 years as a result of accidental Streptococcus infection.

FLETCHER, STANLEY

He qualified as a veterinarian at Melbourne Veterinary College in 1895 and served as a Veterinary Officer to the West Australian Contingent (3rd Bushmen) during the Boer War. He was present at the Siege of Eland's River depot in August 1900. He continued to do voluntary military service with the Northern Rifles Regiment after the Boer War and was promoted to Lieutenant from the ranks on 10/3/1905, but resigned on 9/3/1906.

FLIGHT, CYRIL HENRY (8/7/1903 - 24/5/1985)

Born on 0/7/1903 at Somerset East he obtained the BVSc degree at the Veterinary Faculty of the University of South Africa in 1926. He joined the Division of Veterinary Services the following year on 2/4/1927 and served as State Veterinarian at Komga, Butterworth, Port Shepstone, Oudtshoorn and Cape Town. On 1/9/1947 he was promoted to the post of Assistant Director and was in this capacity stationed at East London, Cape Town and Bloemfontein. He officially retired from the service on 1/7/1964 and settled in East London. He died there at the Frere Hospital on 24/5/1985 and was cremated on 29/5/1985.

FLINTOFF, THOMAS D.S.O. (1852 - 24/8/1907)

He qualified MRCVS (New Edinburgh) in April 1875 and saw service as a regular Army Veterinary Department Officer attached to the Royal Artillery from 1875 to 1878. In the latter year he transferred to the 8th Hussars and saw service with that regiment throughout the Afghan War. On 13/10/1899 he arrived in South Africa with the 8th Hussars, but in 1900 he was attached to the 2nd Lifeguards Regiment. For his services during the Boer War he was awarded the D.S.O. On the 16th August 1903 he resigned from the Army Veterinary Department and was appointed as the first Principal Veterinary Officer of the Orange River Colony. At that time he had two Veterinary Officers in his department, viz. A G Grist and
D A D Aitchison. On 3/12/1903 he attended a conference on Rinderpest control in Bloemfontein which was also attended by delegates from the Cape Colony, Transvaal, Natal, Rhodesia, Basutoland, Bechuanaland, Portuguese East Africa and German South-West Africa. In May 1904 he attended a conference on East Coast Fever in Cape Town and in August that same year proceeded to England where for four months he attended a course held by Professor McFadyean at the Royal Veterinary College, London.

On 17/7/1905 he resigned his post as Principal Veterinary Officer of the Orange River Colony (he was succeeded by A G Grist) and returned to England. He died at Felixtowe on 24/8/1907.

FLORENS, FRANCOIS ALBERT

All that is known of this man is that he was a native of Mauritius and qualified MRCVS (London) in December 1867. He registered as a Veterinary Surgeon in Natal under Act 21 of 1899 in 1903/4. His name was removed from the register in 1908.

FOOTNER, WILLIAM EDWARD M.C. (1881 - 25/3/1939)

Born in London in 1881 he qualified MRCVS (London) on 17 July 1909. After qualifying he joined the RAVC where he attained the rank of Captain.

In World War I he served in France with the Cavalry Division and thereafter with the Guards Regiment. For his services he was awarded the M.C. and mentioned in Dispatches. After World War I he came to South Africa as a settler on the Sunday's River Irrigation Scheme, but in 1922 joined the Division of Veterinary Services. After serving in Bloemfontein, Pretoria, Port Shepstone and East London (from 2/2/1928) he transferred to Durban. In Vol. IV No. 1 P. 57 of the SAVMA Journal he published an article on "Electric Slaughter". His invention, the Footner Electric Collar was considered a great step forward in slaughter.

He died on 25/3/1939 and is buried in Site T 55 Stellawood Cemetery, Durban. A headstone over his grave records that it was erected by a number of his veterinary colleagues. His wife (Margaret) died on 4/1/1949.

FORREST, JOHN (6/10/1877 - 6/5/1946)

Born on 6/10/1877 he qualified MRCVS (Edinburgh) on 21/12/1900. It is not known when he came to South Africa, but it is recorded that he probably came during the Boer War as a Civil Veterinary Surgeon attached to the Army Veterinary Department. After the Boer War he practiced in Cape Town and on 1/7/1920 was appointed by the Municipality of Cape Town as full time controller of the Municipal Abattoir and meat market in Cape Town. During World War I he saw service as a Captain in the SAVC for 2 and a half years and for the remainder of the year in the RAVC. He retired from the Municipal service on 6/10/1937 and died on 6/5/1946. At the time of his
death he lived at "Fineview", Maitland Road, Mowbray. He was succeeded as Director of the Maitland Abattoir by E C Nelson.

FORSDYKE, FREDERICK WALEWSKI (1858 - 3/3/1941)

He qualified MRCVS (London) on 8/1/1878 and saw service as a regular A.V.D. officer with the Army Veterinary Department in South Africa from 24/10/1899 to 11/1/1903 at Naauwpoort at No. 2 Field Veterinary Hospital. After the war he returned to England. He died on 3/3/1941 aged 83 years.

FOUNTAIN, FREDERICK CHARLES

He qualified MRCVS (New Edinburgh) in July 1898. During the Boer War he saw service in South Africa for an unknown period of time as a Civil Veterinary Surgeon attached to the Army Veterinary Department. After the war he returned to England.

FOURIE, JOSET MARKUS (20/2/1908 - December 1976)

Born on 20/2/1908 at Philipstown, he obtained a BSc (Agric) degree Cum Laude at Stellenbosch University in 1930 and subsequently qualified as a veterinarian at the Veterinary Faculty, Onderstepoort in 1936. After qualifying he served as State Veterinarian at Pietermaritzburg, Hoopstad and Vryburg before commencing practice at Malmesbury in 1947. He died from a heart attack while still actively in practice in 1976. His youngest son, J F Fourie, also qualified as a veterinarian in 1977 and two of his four daughters married veterinarians (L F Naude, 1958 and J W S Liebenberg, 1967). A third daughter was married to D Scholtz who was killed in an air crash in his final study year at the Veterinary Faculty, Onderstepoort in 1978.

FOURIE, PHILLIPUS JACOBUS JOHANNES (24/9/1894 - 17/12/1982)

Born on 24/9/1894 on the farm Lubbeshoop in the Luckhoff (OFS) district, he was the son of Lourens Hermanus Fourie the Commandant of the Fauresmith Commando who was killed early in the Boer War (on 13/12/1899). Subsequently he and his mother and five other children were taken to a concentration camp where he probably owed his survival to the fact that his mother dosed him daily from a supply of codliver oil which she had taken with her. A younger sister died in the camp.

At the end of the war his mother sold their farm and sent the elder children to school in Paarl. When his turn came to be educated his mother was destitute, but with the help of General Hertzog he was educated at Grey College, Bloemfontein for two years prior to his matriculation in 1912. At this school he strongly advocated the use of both languages and when his turn came to say grace he did so in English and Afrikaans alternately. After matriculation, he joined the Civil Service and served as a Magistrate's clerk in
Vereeniging.

During the rebellion of 1914 he served with the Government forces and was wounded in the leg when he went to the aid of a comrade with a broken leg. For this injury he received a war pension. Back at civilian work at Vereeniging after the rebellion, he came across a notice calling for applicants to study Veterinary Science. His application was accepted and he subsequently travelled to Dublin where he obtained his MRCVS diploma on 12/7/1919. Fellow South Africans who studied with him at Dublin were M W Sheppard, C P Neser, M W Henning and B S Parkin. They were later joined by S W de Villiers and D D Morton.

After qualifying as a Veterinary Surgeon he returned to South Africa and saw service in the Veterinary Division as GVO at Grootfontein (1920 - 1921), Onderstepoort (1922 - 1923) and Vryburg (1924 - 1925). At the end of that year he returned to Onderstepoort where he progressed from Lecturer in Pharmacology in place of M W Sheppard who had died. He later became Lecturer in Pathology and Medicine and then Professor of Pathological Physiology in succession to C P Neser. He finally became professor of Meat and Milk Hygiene in which capacity he served for many years (until 1960).

Together with Revington he performed the original work on Pink tooth in cattle (Bovine Porphyriaemia). For many years he served also as dean of the Faculty of Veterinary Science. He finally retired in 1960 and died at his son's home in Pretoria on 17/12/1982.

FOWLER, A BOYD

He qualified MRCVS (New Edinburgh) in May 1895. During the Boer War he saw service in South Africa for an unknown period of time as a Civil Veterinary Surgeon attached to the Army Veterinary Department. After the war he returned to England.

FRANZ, HEINREICH GEORGE JOACHIM (4/9/1904 - 10/11/1947)

Born on 4/9/1904 at Blaauwberg, (Leipzig Mission) Pietersburg, he qualified BVSc at Onderstepoort at the end of 1927. On 1/5/1928 he was appointed as Government Veterinary Officer (Pretoria) and was thereafter stationed at Allerton (from 5/7/1928), Umtata (from 12/11/1928), Rustenburg and Estcourt. On 5/1/1930 he was placed in charge of Southern Zululand and stationed at Eshowe. In 1944 he was transferred to Greytown where he died of sunstroke on 30/11/1947. For many years after his death his widow served in the Division of Veterinary Services as a smear examiner at Greytown and Pietermaritzburg.

FREAN, JOHN ROBERT (7/5/1900 - 23/10/1976)

He was born at Ventersdorp on 7/5/1900 and was so small at the time of his birth that a British Tommy remarked that he was the size of
In 1917 he proceeded to England to join the Royal Flying Corps and had scarcely qualified when the war ended. He then enrolled at the Royal (Dick) Veterinary College, Edinburgh in 1919 and qualified in 1923. For a while thereafter he remained in England on Foot and Mouth disease control duties. He then returned to South Africa, but on arrival was placed under quarantine at Cape Town because he had contracted Foot and Mouth disease and was showing typical symptoms. He is one of the few humans to have contracted this disease.

In South Africa he joined the Veterinary Field Services and his first station was Vryburg where he met and married Miss Amalie Marie Meissner. Thereafter he was transferred to Sabie, Lydenburg (from 1/6/1927), Sabie (from 1/2/1926), Stellenbosch (from 7/10/1928), Dundee, Ixopo, Ladysmith (from 30/4/1932), Ermelo, Rustenburg, Potchefstroom (30/12/1944) and Robertson. His final posting was to Onderstepoort where he remained until he retired in 1969. He settled at Park Rynie in Natal where he established a small practice. He died there on 23/10/1976.

FREER, GEORGE WILLIAM (27/4/1873 - 21/3/1935)

He qualified MRCVS on 14/12/1894 and joined the Cape Government Service on 23/1/1897. He was immediately involved in Rinderpest eradication, eventually being stationed at Port Elizabeth where he inspected all remounts entering the port during the Boer War. Subsequently he was stationed at Uitenhage for 14 years. After acting as S.V.O. in South West Africa, the Orange Free State and Natal he was promoted to the post of Senior Veterinary Officer, Transkei with headquarters at Umtata on 18/4/1916. On the 2nd January 1928 with the incorporation of the Transkei into the Eastern Cape Division, his headquarters were moved to East London. He retired on 27/4/1933 and died from heart failure at Port Elizabeth on 21/3/1935.

FROOD, JOHN LAMB (1874 - 30/12/1937)

He qualified MRCVS (London) on 10/7/1899. During the Boer War he saw service in South Africa for an unknown period of time as a Civil Veterinary Surgeon attached to the Army Veterinary Department. After the war he returned to England. He died on 30/12/1937 aged 63 years at Devizes.

FROST, R F (1848 - 28/8/1909)

He obtained his MRCVS (London) in 1870. In South Africa he served in Pietermaritzburg from 20/9/1895 to 3/2/1896. In 1896 he was promoted to the post of S.V.O. (Vet'y Major) A.V.D. with headquarters at Pietermaritzburg, in succession to J C Berne. This post he held until succeeded by I Matthews on 3/2/1899. He died in Dublin on 28/8/1909.
FULLER, O S MRCVS

All that is known of this man is that in 1899 he was employed as a temporary Civil Practitioner by the British Army in South Africa. At that time he must have been practicing somewhere in South Africa.

FYRTH, WALTER (1873 - 23/4/1952)

He qualified MRCVS (London) on 29/5/1894 and probably came to South Africa during the Boer War as an Army Veterinary Surgeon in the A.V.D. From 1904 he served with the Natal Volunteer Veterinary Corps and was attached to the Zululand Mounted Rifles as Veterinary Surgeon to the regiment. He resigned from the army on 22/8/1905 and until 1906 served with the Natal Veterinary Department. In 1909 he was no longer in South Africa. He served in the British army during World War I and is reported to have been one of the first persons to land in France with the B.E.F.

He died on 23/4/1952 at Lymington, Hants. His signature (W Fyrth Vet Lt) appears on a desk, presently in the Talana Museum, which was presented by the officers of the Natal Volunteer Composite Regiment in August 1902 to Mrs Evans, wife of L-Colonel R W Evans who was killed in action near Vryheid on 20/2/1902.

GAMBLE, HENRY O.B.E. O du O.M.A.* ( - 3/2/1952)

He qualified MRCVS (London) on 12/12/1898 and saw service with the Army Veterinary Department in South Africa from 13/4/1901 to 21/9/1902, when, together with J. W Brownless and E T C Ensor he served as Veterinary Surgeon to the Royal Scots Greys. After the war he returned to England. He completed a second tour of duty in South Africa from 14/12/1910 to 2/5/1913. He died on 3/2/1952.

GARDEN, GEORGE ( - 20/12/1957)

He qualified MRCVS (Edinburgh) on 28/5/1900. During the Boer War he saw service in South Africa for an unknown period of time as a Civil Veterinary Surgeon attached to the Army Veterinary Department. After the war he served in the Transvaal Civil Veterinary Department and was stationed at Hlatikulu, Swaziland during the period 1904/1905. He died on 20/12/1957 at Sutton Coldfield, Warwicks.

GARDINER, BENJAMIN, CHANNING ROUSE (1824 - 30/9/1899)

Born in 1824 he qualified MRCVS (Edinburgh) in April 1843 and from then to 1848 saw service with the British Army (7th Dragoon Guards) at the Cape of Good Hope. He took part in the Frontier (Kaffir) war of 1846/47. He finally retired from the Army on 21/7/1879 and died on 30/9/1899 at Ilfracombe aged 75 years.
GARLAND, JOSEPH

He qualified MRCVS (New Edinburgh) on 18 December 1898. The only record of him is that he was a Veterinary Surgeon in the Cape Colony after 1896 (A M Diesel).

GARNETT, GEORGE ( - 6/4/1920)

Very little is known about this man other than that he qualified MRCVS (London) on 1/7/1875 and possibly took part in the 5th Basuto War of 1880 - 1881 as one of three Veterinary officers to the Cape Mounted Riflemen (CMR) from 7/5/1880 to 31/3/1882 (the others were T H Merrick and T B S Dawkins). He died on 6/4/1920 at Hove.

GARRAWAY, ROGER SUTTON (10/9/1876 - 29/9/1964)

Born in Waterford, Ireland on 10/9/1876, he qualified MRCVS (Edinburgh) on 29/5/1899 and came to South Africa during the Boer War, not as a Veterinary Surgeon, but as a Farrier Sergeant. In South Africa he served with the 13th Battalion of the Imperial Yeomanry and it is recorded that together with E A L Fenner the Veterinary Officer of his regiment, he was captured at Lindley (OFS). When Fenner subsequently died of dysentry and pneumonia while a prisoner of war he was buried by Garraway at Vrede (OFS) on 23/6/1900. From 14/7/1901 to 30/4/1903 he served as Veterinary Officer to the S.A. Constabulary. On 1/5/1903 he was appointed as a Government Veterinary Officer in the Transvaal Civil Veterinary Department. Most of his early service in this Department was in Pretoria where he played a particularly active part in the control of an outbreak of East Coast Fever which occurred in 1919. This outbreak was finally brought under control in 1922. In 1914 he married Miss Olive Sharp of Bloemfontein. In 1924 he was promoted to the post of Senior Veterinary Officer, South West Africa in succession to Major Alex Goodall. From South West Africa he was transferred to Bloemfontein as Senior Veterinary Officer (5/10/1927) and while there, retired from the service in September 1931. In 1928 he acted as Veterinarian to the Bloemfontein Turf Club. He was succeeded by J J G Keppel. After his retirement he set up practice in Pretoria where he practiced until 1961.

He died at 332 Prinsloo Street, Pretoria on 29/9/1964 at the age of 88 years.

GAULTON, IAN ( - 1977)

An Australian by birth he attained his BVSc degree from the University of Queensland in 1976. Shortly afterwards he came to South Africa and worked on contract as an assistant to Drs Baker and du Preez in Gilletts. When his contract was completed, the practice gave him an overseas trip rather than the usual cash bonus. It was while he was on this overseas trip at the end of 1977 that he disappeared while scuba diving off the Bahamas. It appears that a party of four were diving with an instructor. When
the divers got into difficulties the instructor managed to rescue two of them. One scuba pupil was found drowned whereas Gaulton's body was never recovered.

GAVIN, MAJOR FREDERICK CHARLES D.S.O. (February 1868 - 17/10/1950)

Born at Ayr in February 1868, Major Gavin graduated MRCVS (London) in 1889 and came to South Africa during the Boer War as a C.V.S. in the A.V.D., being attached to the 8th Hussars. In December 1902 he was appointed manager of the Sanitary Department of the Johannesburg Municipality and in this capacity he served until 31/12/1908. On 1/1/1909 he also took over the supervision of animal transport in the municipality and on 1/7/1911 he also assumed duty as Municipal Veterinary Surgeon. During World War I he saw active service in Belgium and France as a Major in the SAVC and was awarded the D.S.O. On the death of E Wilson on 6/6/1932 he succeeded him as Veterinarian to the Johannesburg Turf Club. It is also recorded that he took over Johnston's Veterinary Vaccine Agency in 1929. He retired to Swaziland, but finally settled in Kloof, Natal where he died on 17/10/1950. During his lifetime he was a member of the Transvaal Veterinary Medical Association and attended its inaugural meeting held at Long's Hotel, Johannesburg on 16/2/1903.

GENTLE, ALEXANDER HENDERSON (25/4/1851 - 11/5/1936)

Born on 25/4/1851 he qualified MRCVS (Edinburgh) on 15/4/1880. He appears to have joined the Cape Mounted Riflemen (CMR) as a trooper and to have arrived in South Africa on 27/4/1881. He disembarked at East London and was stationed at King Williamstown where on 6/10/1881 he was gazetted as Veterinary Surgeon to the CMR in place of George Garnett (retired). In 1884 he is recorded as having served with F Duck in Natal, being stationed at Pietermaritzburg. The same year he accompanied F Duck, Cox, Rangeley, Brown and Rutherford as a Veterinary Officer with the Warren Expedition but would appear to have remained behind at Taungs.

He left South Africa in 1885 and practiced at Otley, but shortly before his death he settled at Spondon where he died on 11/5/1936 aged 85 years.

GIBBS, HUGH EDWARD D.S.O. (1879 - 3/10/1962)

He qualified MRCVS (London) on 15/7/1902 and saw service in South Africa in the A.V.D./A.V.C. from 1903 to 21/1/1904. He died on 3/10/1962 aged 83 years.

GILLARD, CHARLES WHITNEY ( - 9/8/1905)

He qualified MRCVS (London) in 1871 and with his regiment (15th Hussars) saw service in South Africa from January to November 1881. He died on 19/8/1905 in Sidmouth.
GILLESPIE, SAMUEL DUFF (8/2/1849 - 19/2/1940)

Born at Ballymena on 8/2/1849 he qualified MRCVS (Glasgow) on 15 April 1874 and saw service as a regular A.V.D. officer with the Army Veterinary Department in South Africa from 13/10/1899 to 12/12/1902. After the war he returned to England. It is recorded that he also served in Indian where he took part in the Afghan War. During the Boer War he was for a time stationed in the Argentine where he supervised the embarkation of 25,000 horses to South Africa. He retired from the army in 1904 but was re-employed during World War I on embarkation duties at Dublin and Belfast. He married in 1892 and had one daughter. He died at Malahide, Dublin on 19/2/1940.

GILLET, EDWARD SCOTT C.I.E. (1877 - 4/3/1952)

He qualified MRCVS (London) on 13/7/1900 and saw service with the Army Veterinary Department in South Africa from 2/11/1901 to 20/10/1902. After the war he returned to England. From 1915-1920 he was deputy director of Remounts in India. He died in Tucson, Arizona on 4/3/1952 aged 75 years.

GLADSTONE, W (6/1/1850 - 13/10/1900)

Born on 6/1/1850 he qualified MRCVS (Edinburgh) in 1874 and saw service as a regular A.V.D. officer in South Africa on two occasions viz. 1879 and 1899-1900. The Vet Record of 28 April 1900 records that at the time he was on the sick list in hospital at Pietermaritzburg while serving as a Major (V) in the Royal 1st Dragoons. He died on 13/10/1900.

GLASSE, MAXWELL ST. GLASSE (1873 - 17/10/1940)

He qualified MRCVS (London) on 23/5/1898 and saw service with the A.V.D. in South Africa from 15/4/1902 and 13/10/1902. After the war he returned to England. He died on 17/10/1940 aged 67 years.

GLOVER, BENJAMIN LUCAS (21/12/1848 - 18/4/1904)

Born on 21/12/1848, he qualified MRCVS (London) in April 1870. He served with the A.V.D. in South Africa as a Veterinary Officer with F. Duck and was attached to the Royal Artillery from 1878 to 1879. During the former year he wrote a pamphlet entitled "Suggestions for the general management of horses and mules while on field service in Natal and the neighbouring countries, with notes concerning their more common ailments". He took part in the Frontier (Kaffir) war of 1877-78 as well as the Zulu War of 1879, the Transvaal war of 1881 and the Tirah Campaign of 1897/98. He and Duck travelled a great deal during the period 1878 to 1879 and their visits to the Orange River Republic, Basutoland and the Transvaal Republic probably made them the first Veterinary Surgeons to have entered those areas. He died on 18/4/1904.
GOLDEN, FRANCIS CHARLES ( 

He qualified MRCVS (New Edinburgh) on 23/4/1885. During the Boer War he saw service in South Africa for an unknown period of time as a Civil Veterinary Surgeon attached to the Army Veterinary Department. After the war he returned to England. He died on 13/9/1947.

GOODALL, MAJOR ALEXANDER (2/9/1879 - 6/4/1930)

Major Goodall was born on 2/9/1879 and educated at Charterhouse. He graduated MRCVS (London) on 15 July 1902 and on 4/10/1902 together with W H Chase, J H L Lyons and R Paine joined the Cape of Good Hope Veterinary Department. It is recorded that in 1908 he was stationed at Worcester (Cape) as Government Veterinary Officer. He took his FRCVS in 1921, his thesis being "The Anthrax problem in South Africa". After the formation of Union he transferred to the Union Veterinary Field Services and was promoted to Senior Veterinary Officer in charge of the Orange Free State on 15/4/1918. During World War I he served as a Captain in the SAVC. In 1920 he was transferred to South West Africa as Officer in Charge of Agriculture and Veterinary Services in succession to Col. G W Lee (MRCVS) the first Civil Director of the mandated territory. In December 1924 he was transferred to take charge of the Eastern Cape Division and was stationed at Queenstown. (He was succeeded in S.W.A. by R S Garraway.) After a few months he was promoted to the post of Assistant Principal Veterinary Officer, Pretoria and in 1927 he took over the post of Sub-Director and lecturer in Municipal Veterinary Hygiene at Onderstepoort. While proceeding on leave to Hermanus he died en route at Wolmaranstad on 6/4/1930 and was buried at Pretoria on 7/4/1930. In 1910/11 in Kokstad he was earning 350 pounds per annum.

GOODALL, FRANCIS WELBORN ( 

As a MRCVS (London) on 22/12/1923 he was registered as a Veterinary Surgeon in South Africa between 1926 and 1960. At the time he was living at 14 Fricker Road, Illovo, Johannesburg and 209 Eare Ridge Court, Central Avenue, Illovo, Johannesburg. Nothing more is known about him other than that he died in February 1966.

GOODLIFF, G (1865 - 1/5/1924)

All that is known of this man is that he was an MRCVS (London) 4/7/1887 and served as a Captain in the SAVC during World War I. He enlisted as a Sergeant and was only commissioned on 28/2/1915. He died on 1/5/1924 aged 59 years.
GOULE, ARTHUR (1873 - 12/9/1918)

He qualified MRCVS (London) in 1871 and came to South Africa as a Civil Veterinary Surgeon attached to the A.V.D. during the Boer War. Prior to this he was working at Melbourne Veterinary College, Australia. On 7/12/1905 he joined the Natal Civil Veterinary Department as was stationed at Allerton Laboratory until 1909. In 1916 he volunteered for service with the Royal Army Veterinary Corps and saw active service in France. On 12/9/1918 he was drowned at sea when the Galway Castle was torpedoed.

GOUNDRY, CHARLES (1874 - 26/8/1912)

Very little is known about this man other than that he was born in England in 1874 and graduated MRCVS from the Royal (Dick) Veterinary College, Edinburgh in 1897. He came to South Africa as a Civil Veterinary Surgeon attached to the Army Veterinary Department during the Boer War. On 25/10/1902 however, he joined the Cape Civil Veterinary Department. In 1908 he was stationed at Alibalo North as Government Veterinary Officer. He died at Malmesbury on 26/8/1912 while stationed there.

GRAF, HERMAN (23/8/1898 - 7/6/1960)

He was born on 23/8/1898 in Johannesburg, he obtained his BVSc degree at the Veterinary Faculty, Onderstepoort in 1925, having obtained the BSc degree (UP) in 1922. In 1932 he was awarded the degree of DVSc (UP).

On 4/2/1926 he took up an appointment as Veterinary Research Officer at Onderstepoort and from 1927 he served as Lecturer in Biochemistry and later (1929) in Chemical Pathology at the Veterinary Faculty. For the next 25 years he alone was responsible for the training of Veterinary Students in Chemical Pathology. On 3/11/1954 he was promoted to the post of Deputy Director of Veterinary Services and from January 1956, he took on the additional task as Dean of the Veterinary Faculty.

During World War II he was interned from 25/9/1941 to 11/12/1945. During his lifetime he was a member of the following scientific organisations:

1. South African Academy for the Advancement of Science (from 1926).
2. SAVMA (from 1926).
3. Foundation member of the Faculty of Science of the South African Academy.

He died of a heart attack while on duty on 7/6/1960.
GRAY, CHARLES ELIAS (10/4/1864 - 11/6/1937)

He was born on 10/4/1864 in England and as a Post Office telegraphist saw active service with the 24th Middelsex Regiment (P.O. Regiment) in the relief of Gordon of Kartoum. On his return from this campaign he attended the Royal (Dick) Veterinary College in Edinburgh and qualified MRCVS on 28/5/1890. He thereafter went to America to seek his fortune, but found employment very scarce. Later however, he found work as an assistant to an MRCVS colleague in Philadelphia, but after earning sufficient money to return home, he sailed for England.

After a three week visit to his family he set out for South Africa at the end of 1895 hoping to obtain work as a Veterinary Surgeon. Veterinary work was however, unobtainable so he reverted to his original training and became a telegraphist at Macloutsi on 1/1/1896. When Rinderpest broke out in Rhodesia two months later, the Rhodesian authorities approached Duncan Hutcheon, Chief Veterinary Officer of the Cape of Good Hope for assistance, but he referred them to Gray's presence in their country. Gray was requested to come to Bulawayo to take charge of the disease outbreak and in confirming the diagnosis, he was probably the first veterinarian to see Rinderpest south of the Zambesi River. He

GREATHEAD, MICHAEL MERRIMAN (17/10/1926 - 7/11/1990)

Born in Grahamstown on 17/10/1926, he was educated at St Andrew's College. At the end of 1948 he obtained his BVSc degree at the Veterinary Faculty, Onderstepoort. Thereafter he was employed as follows:

4. 1978 Rejoined Johannesburg Municipality Health Department.

Other achievements were:

1. 1972 obtained a B Comm degree through Unisa.
2. 1981 DVPH degree (University of Pretoria).
3. 30 years External examiner Veterinary Public Health (U.P.).
5. Part time lecturer Witwatersrand Medical School.
6. Part time lecturer Witwatersrand Technikon.
8. 1989 made Honorary Member of the Transvaal Consultative Association for Health Services.
10. Served on SPCA Liaison Committee.
11. Served on SABS Committees.
12. Committee Member of SAVA Public Health Group.

He died in Johannesburg on 7/11/1990 after a long illness.
immediately instituted a slaughter out policy with compensation as well as a permit system to control cattle movements. However, the eruption of the Matabele rebellion put a stop to his work and being unemployed once again he joined the army and was attached to C Selous H Troop of the Bulawayo Field Force. After the Matabele Rebellion, veterinary work was still unobtainable so he turned once more to telegraphy to earn a living. This time he was posted to various parts of Rhodesia, finally becoming Postmaster at Victoria. Gray was then appointed Government Veterinary Surgeon in Victoria and was sent to the Cape on secondment for 6 months for Rinderpest control duties in the Transkei. The years 1900 - 1905 were very trying for Gray, but on hearing of S Stockman's return to England at the end of 1904, he applied for his post as Principal Veterinary Officer, Transvaal and was accepted. On 12/1/1909 he attended the Pan African Congress held in Pretoria to correspond with the official opening of the Research Institute at Onderstepoort. He served as P.V.O. Transvaal until the declaration of Union in 1910 and then on 1/1/1911 was appointed as the first Principal Veterinary Surgeon of the Union of South Africa.

In this post he served until he retired from official duties on 9/5/1921. In 1917 he led a team of South African veterinarians to Tanganyika to combat Rinderpest. He settled in Jersey after his retirement and died at St Hellier on 11/6/1937.

GREEN, WALTER G (1874 - 22/6/1948)

He qualified MRCVS (London) on 21/5/1898. During the Boer War he saw service in South Africa for an unknown period of time as a Civil Veterinary Surgeon attached to the Army Veterinary Department. He sailed for Cape Town on 20/12/1899 via New York and New Orleans where a load of mules was collected for use in South Africa. After the war he returned to England. He died on 22/6/1948 aged 74 years.

GREEN, WILLIAM JOHN BURGER (27/5/1901 - 1/6/1936)

"Till" Green was born in Krugersdorp on 27/5/1901 and graduated BVSce from the Veterinary Faculty, Onderstepoort in December 1924. In 1925 he was appointed Veterinary Research Officer in the Department of Bacteriology at Onderstepoort Laboratory. From 5/11/1928 to 1930 he was in charge of Allerton Laboratory. In 1930 he returned to Onderstepoort but shortly afterwards undertook a three year Bovine T.B. survey in Durban. He returned to Allerton Laboratory in 1933 for a short while and finally returned to Onderstepoort in 1934. In 1930 he married Miss Little of Pietermaritzburg. He died in his sleep of heart failure (Myocardial Degeneration) on 1/6/1936 at his home at Onderstepoort.

GREENFIELD, HERBERT O.B.E. ( - 27/6/1963)

He qualified MRCVS (London) on 19/7/1901 and served in South Africa for an unknown period of time with the Army Veterinary Department during the Boer War. He subsequently returned to South Africa for a second tour of duty from 16/5/1903 to 21/12/1903.
GREGORY, FRANK ( - 21/2/1906)
He qualified MRCVS (London) in May 1890 and served with the 18th battalion of the Imperial Yeomanry (Rhodesian Field Force) during the Boer War. During the period 3/4/1901 - 17/11/1901 he also served as Veterinary Officer (Captain) to the South African Constabulary. From 1902 he served as a Captain in the Scottish Horse Regiment in South Africa. His place in the Scottish Horse was taken by E Kellett. After the Boer War he practiced in Johannesburg. He died on 21/2/1906 in Johannesburg.

GRESHAM, FRANCIS BAKER (1870 - 16/11/1954)
He qualified MRCVS (London) on 17/7/1897. During the Boer War he saw service in South Africa for an unknown period of time as a Civil Veterinary Surgeon attached to the Army Veterinary Department. After the war he returned to England. He died at Newark-on-Trent, Notts on 16/11/1954 aged 84 years.

GRIFFITH, JOHN JOSEPH D.S.O. (1871 - 23/7/1939)
He qualified MRCVS (Edinburgh) on 23/5/1893 and saw service as a regular A.V.D. Officer with the Army Veterinary Department in South Africa (Cape Colony) from 1/7/1899 to 12/2/1905. After service he returned to England. He died on 23/7/1939 aged 68 years.

GRIDLEY, WILLIAM B (1868 - 1/7/1910)
He qualified MRCVS (London) on 19/12/1889. During the Boer War he saw service in South Africa for an unknown period of time as a Civil Veterinary Surgeon attached to the Army Veterinary Department. After the war he returned to England. He died on 1/7/1910 aged 42 years.

GRIST, ALBERT GEORGE (26/3/1871 - 9/5/1962)
Grist was born in Torquay on 26/3/1871 and qualified MRCVS (London) on 15/12/1892. He came to South Africa as a Civil Veterinary Surgeon with the Army Veterinary Department during the Boer War. After the war (1903) with D Aitchison, he undertook official field
duties in the Orange Free State and in 1905 became Principal Veterinary Officer being stationed at Bloemfontein in succession to T Flintoff. He was Veterinarian to the Bloemfontein Turf Club from April 1918 - 8/5/1919 and again from 1923 - 1926. On 4/11/1926 he transferred to Queenstown. He retired from official duties on 31/1/1927 and went farming in the Dargle (Natal) district. In 1936 he took a post graduate course in London and in 1937 returned to the profession and started practice at Cowies Hill, Natal. He finally retired to England in 1959 and died in Devon on 9/5/1962 aged 91 years. He is reported to have been a magnificent horseman and at the age of 73 was still riding in gymkhanas. For some or other reason he referred to himself as Bertram Grist on his prescription pads in 1946.

On 12/1/1909 he attended the Pan African Veterinary Congress held at Pretoria to correspond with the official opening of the Research Institute at Onderstepoort.

GROBLER, JURIE HENDRIK (8/2/1944 - 14/12/1984)

Born on 8/2/1944 he obtained the BVSc degree at the University of Pretoria in December 1967. After qualifying as a veterinarian he was employed as follows:-

1. 1968 to 31/10/1969 - private practice on his own.
3. 1/11/70 - 31/5/1972 - assistant to Dr B F Rudolph, Kempton Park
4. 1/6/1972 - 31/5/1973 - assistant to Dr S L Snyders, Boksburg.
6. 1/6/1980 - 14/12/1984 - State Veterinarian, Meat Hygiene, Western Cape and the Stellenbosch Regional Veterinary Laboratory.

He committed suicide on 14/12/1984 at Stellenbosch by gassing himself in his motor car after writing several lengthy suicide notes. He was buried in Zeerust, Transvaal.

GUDGIN, TOM PARINDER (1831 - 1/5/1903)

Born in 1831 he qualified MRCVS (London) in 1850. During 1879 he saw service with the A.V.D. in Natal. In Natal he served as Principal Veterinary Surgeon in charge of Duck, Burt, Fenton, Glover, Haggar, Healy, Killick, Moore, Morgan, Phillips, Raymond, Walters, Longhurst and Lambert and possibly also Gladstone and Rayment. He remained P.V.S. of the Army Veterinary Department until the end of 1879 when he was succeeded by S Longhurst. It is also recorded that he saw service with the Cavalry in the Crimean war from 1855 to 1857 and also during the Indian Mutiny.

HAWDEN, S

As a veterinary graduate of McGill University where he qualified in 1902 he accompanied the 6th Canadian Mounted Rifles to South Africa during the Boer War, but arrived too late for action in May 1902. After the war he returned to Canada.
HAGGER, WILLIAM ROBERT  
( 2/12/1903)

The only information of this man is that he served as a Veterinary Surgeon (MRCVS London in March 1875) during the Zulu War of 1879. He arrived in Natal aboard the "Olympus" as one of 12 veterinary surgeons in the reinforcement column. He died in Bombay on 2/12/1903.

HAIG, DAVID ARTHUR O.B.E.  
(20/3/1913 - 21/2/1987)

Born in Johannesburg on 20/3/1913 he obtained his BVSc degree at the Veterinary Faculty, Onderstepoort in December 1936. Thereafter he spent 8 years in the field and at Allerton RVL working particularly on bacterial diseases of cattle and poultry. In 1945 he transferred to the Department of Virology at Onderstepoort where he developed a canine distemper vaccine which was to become standard throughout the world. After serving for a time at Kabete Veterinary Laboratory in Kenya (1959 - 1961) he transferred to the Agric. Research Council's (Compton) Field Station where he became the first head of the Virology Department. He did excellent research work on Scrapie. In 1967 he also took over as head of the Bacteriology Department at Compton.

As a child he contracted Polio which became complicated by Osteomyelitis. He officially retired in 1977. He died at Whitechurch, Reading, Berkshire on 21/2/1987 having left South Africa after a short holiday on 17/2/1987. An obituary notice to him was published in the Times of London on 5/3/1987 and in the Veterinary Record of 14/3/1987. It is believed that he lost a son from Rabies.

HALL, WILLIAM BURRAY  
(25/6/1849 - 1/7/1929)

As a veterinary graduate of McGill University he served with the Quebec Field Battery from 22/6/1877. On 29/1/1887 he was appointed to the Royal Canadian Artillery (Permanent Force) but transferred on 1/7/1893 to the Royal Canadian Dragoons. He accompanied this regiment to South Africa on 29/12/1899 and took part in operations in the Orange River Colony and Transvaal during 1900.

HAMilton, JAMES ROBERT ROE  
( 31/7/1939)

Born in Roscommon County in Ireland, he qualified MRCVS (New Edinburgh) on 19/12/1894 and came to South Africa as a Civil Veterinary Surgeon attached to the Army Veterinary Department towards the end of the Boer War. In 1903 he joined the Orange Free State Veterinary Department and was posted to Bloemfontein as District Veterinary Officer. In 1905 he became the first assistant to the Principal Veterinary Officer O.F.S. (A G Grist). He continued to serve in the O.F.S. until 1915 when he was transferred to Durban where he spent the last 9 years of his service before retirement in 1924. He died on 31/7/1939. It is recorded that he attended the inaugural meeting of the Transvaal Veterinary Medical Association held at Long's Hotel, Johannesburg on 16/2/1903.
HAMLYN, WILLIAM PETER (2/3/1962)

No record can be found of Hamlyn's date or place of birth. He qualified MRCVS (London) on 18/7/1912. Records show that he came to South Africa in 1913 and entered the Civil Veterinary Department in the Cape Colony. He was stationed as Government Veterinary Officer in Cape Town, East London, Umtata, Khomga (3/6/1927 to 16/7/1931) and Johannesburg after J Chalmers. In this latter post he retired from the service on 22/2/1937 after 23 years of service. (He was succeeded as G.V.O. Johannesburg by V Cooper from Estcourt). On retirement he settled at Umkomaas and set up a small private practice. He died there on 2/3/1962.

It is recorded that he was very deaf and for many years was in charge of the quarantine station in Durban. It is also recorded that on 11/2/1933 he diagnosed an outbreak of Foot and Mouth disease at Germiston. His diagnosis was confirmed by P S Snyman and E M Robinson.

HARBER, LIEUT. COL. AUGUSTUS FREDERICK DSO (2/11/1875 - 22/6/1966)

Born in Gloucestershire on 2/11/1875 he qualified MRCVS in London on 14/7/1897 amnd won the Fizzygram Prize of 50 pounds for that year as the student who obtained the highest marks at the Royal College of Veterinary Surgeons final examinations. It is recorded that he and two of his classmates were interviewed in England by Sir Arnold Theiler for appointment to the Civil Veterinary Department of the Natal Government. He served the Natal Government and subsequently the Veterinary Division of the Union of South Africa from 1898 (having been recruited together with Cordy, Byrne, Woollatt, Hutchinson, Amos and Ashe) to 1920 and was stationed at Darnall, Greytown, Pietermaritzburg and Durban. While at Pietermaritzburg he undertook the veterinary lectures to the Cedara students.

After his retirement from the Government Service he took up practice at Mool River and from 1938 to 1947 served the Municipality of Durban as veterinary officer (having taken over the post vacated by W A Dykins), and lecturer/demonstrator in meat inspection. He thereafter returned to practice until he finally retired in 1955. He died on 22/6/1966 and is buried in Durban.

Harber had a very distinguished military career. During the Boer War he served as a Lieutenant in the Imperial Light Horse and was awarded service bars for service in the Transvaal, the Relief of Ladysmith as well as the Relief of Mafeking. He also served in the Zulu Rebellion of 1906. During World War I he served as a Major in the SAVC and was mentioned in despatches by General Louis Botha. He was also awarded the Distinguished Service Order (D.S.O.).

During his lifetime he manufactured and distributed "Harber's Galssickness Antitoxin" which was popular from the Cape to Rhodesia. His stepdaughter who subsequently became his wife, helped him to prepare the patent "Antitoxin" and informed the writer on 2/2/1983 (when she was 70 years old) that it was prepared from bile collected from cattle from the Golel area when slaughtered at Durban, abattoir. This bile was then formalised and in order to mask its identity, was coloured with cochineal.
HARE, JOHN BERKELEY AGAR (10/4/1947)

Before qualifying as a Veterinary Surgeon MRCVS (London) on 21/12/1888 he (with E W Larnder) served as a trooper in Methuen's Horse and took part in the Bechuanaland Campaign (Warren Expedition) of 1884 - 1885. He recorded that this expedition reached Mafeking on 11/3/1885. He died on 10/4/1947.

HARGRAVE, WILLIAM (1781 - 2/5/1857)

He qualified MRCVS (London) in April 1804 and was Regimental Veterinary Surgeon to the 20th Light Dragoons which took part in the battle of Blouberg on 6-8 January 1806. After a very short stay at the Cape he departed with his regiment to take part in the Rio Plata expedition in August 1806. He died on 2/5/1857 aged 76 years.

HARRINGTON, A D

As a veterinary graduate of McGill University he accompanied the 4th Canadian Rifles to South Africa in May 1902 for service in the Boer War. He returned shortly afterwards with the cessation of hostilities.

HARRIS, CHARLES BERESFORD MAULE D.S.O. (1866 - 22/7/1932)

He qualified MRCVS (London) on 15/5/1890 and saw service as a regular A.V.D. officer with the Army Veterinary Department in South Africa (Natal) from 7/12/1898 to 15/11/1904. During the Boer War he was besieged at Ladysmith. He died at Leamington on 22/7/1932 aged 66 years. After leaving South Africa he served in the Somaliland Campaign of 1904. He also saw active service during World War I.

HARRIS, PERCY JOHN

He qualified MRCVS (Edinburgh) on 30/3/1896 and served in South Africa for an unknown period of time with the A.V.D. during the Boer War. He subsequently returned to South Africa for a second tour of duty from 3/5/1913 to 19/9/1914. In the London Gazette of 18/5/1897 it is recorded that he was appointed Vet. Lieut. in succession to Capt. E E Bennett. (See Reilly page ).

HART, ANDREW (1871 - 23/6/1955)

He qualified MRCVS (Glasgow) on 18/12/1894 and during the Boer War saw service in South Africa for an unknown period of time as a Civil Veterinary Surgeon attached to the Army Veterinary Department. After the war he returned to England. He died at Ardnadam, Argyllshire on 23/6/1955 aged 84.
HARTIG, R E (1884 - 1956)

Born in 1884 he qualified in Dresden in 1906 and subsequently took his D.V.M. in Zurich. After qualifying he entered the German Army and took part in the Herero War. From 1908 to 1919 he was placed in charge of a large farming operation in South West Africa. In 1919 he opened his own laboratory in Stellenbosch to study Lansiekte. He however, clashed with Sir Arnold Theiler and so gave up the venture. From 1922 to 1928 he was in Germany studying the diseases of fur bearing animals. In 1929 he established a practice in Cape Town and then Paarl. He was interned during World War II from 1940 to 1943. Thereafter he practiced in Pretoria (Arian Buildings, Voortrekker Road) before moving to Koppies in 1953. In 1954 he specialised in undertaking locums and died suddenly while doing such a locum in Marandellas in Rhodesia in 1956.

HARVEY, GEORGE J (- 1934)

He qualified MRCVS (London) on 22/5/1891 and saw service in South Africa for an unknown period of time as a Civil Veterinary Surgeon. During the Rinderpest Epizootic of 1897 he served with the Cape Civil Veterinary Department. He subsequently returned to England. He may have died in 1934.

HASLAM, CAPT. ALFRED JOSEPH (1863 - 23/7/1898)

He qualified MRCVS (New Edinburgh) in April 1884, when he won the Fitzwygram 3rd Prize. All that is known of this man is that he was a member of the Army Veterinary Department in Natal when in early August 1897, he represented the Colony of Natal at a conference in Pretoria which had been called by the Government of the ZAR for the purpose of discussing the best methods of combatting Rinderpest. At the time he was actually stationed in Uganda on secondment as Transport Officer on the Uganda Railways and was only in Natal for a brief period for the purpose of purchasing mules. On his return to East Africa he was seconded to Kenya for Rinderpest control duties and while "superintending preventive treatment" he entered kikuyu territory where he was murdered by the Wakikuyu on the 23rd of July 1898. He was buried at Fort Smith, Kenya and the inscription on his gravestone reads "In memory of Captain A J Haslam, Army Veterinary Department, BA, MD, CM, FRCVS. Killed by the Wakikuyu 23rd July 1898, aged 34 years. Erected by his friends and the staff of the Uganda Railway". It is also recorded that he took his medical degree at Edinburgh in 1893. In 1895 he demonstrated that roaring in horses is due to the flattening of the left Recurrent nerve around the Aorta.

HAWES, ARTHUR P (- 3/7/1938)

He qualified MRCVS (London) on 10/5/1893. During the Boer War he saw service in South Africa for an unknown period of time as a Civil Veterinary Surgeon attached to the Army Veterinary Department. After the war he returned to England. He died on 3/7/1938 at Penticton, Vancouver after 32 years service with the Canadian Government.

Born on a farm near Cornhill, Banffshire, Scotland on 19/11/1893, he was educated at Robert Gordon's College, Aberdeen and the Royal (Dick) Veterinary College, Edinburgh, where he received his MRCVS in July 1915. Thereafter he joined the army at Edinburgh Castle and posted to the Royal Army Veterinary Corps. In 1916 he underwent army veterinary training at Aldershot and subsequently went to Woolwich where he was put in charge of 100 recruits for the Army Veterinary Corps before being posted to France.

After landing at Le Havre he was posted to No. 19 Veterinary Hospital at Rouen. In April 1916, he was transferred to the 21st British Division as a Field Veterinary Officer, his A.D.V.S. being Major Duncan McDonald a time serving officer (qualified MRCVS 1899 New Edinburgh). The latter put Hay in veterinary charge of all the infantry transport horses and mules of the three brigades of the 62nd, 63rd and 64th Division each consisting of four battalions of infantry. To this was subsequently added the horse/mule transport of other artillery, engineering and mounted units. The 21st Division was then in intensive training for the Somme offensive which commenced on the 1st July 1916. The 63rd Brigade was virtually exterminated in the initial advance and a few days later it was replaced by the 110th Brigade (3rd, 4th, 5th, 6th Leicester Regiments).

Hay remained with the 21st Division from April 1916 and on March 21st 1918, when the Germans made their last major attempt to break the line he was wounded by a German howitzer shell while in a sunken road, where he was taking shelter from the barrage. His left thigh was penetrated by a piece of shell and rendered useless. He was carried out on an empty artillery wagon which was returning for more ammunition. He was eventually invalided back to England (to Somerville Ladies College, Oxford - which had become a military officers' hospital), where he received surgery and treatment lasting about 3 months.

When fully fit and doing light duty on the Kent Coast, he was, in September 1918, posted to India to do 5 years foreign service, then the rule for all permanent officers of the A.V.C. (now R.A.V.C.). He had already received promotion and permanent ranking for his services. He arrived in India and was posted to Poona, where he celebrated World War I victory on November 11th 1918.

In 1919 he was posted from Poona to Secunderabad (large Veterinary hospital) and subsequently Bangalore for a period before returning to Secunderabad.

Early in 1920 he resigned his commission in the RAVC and emigrated to South Africa, arriving in July 1920. With another young fellow (not a Veterinarian) also from India, he left for South West Africa with a view to settling there.

In January 1921 he was engaged by P.V.O. A Goodall as a temporary veterinary officer at Windhoek, but was posted in sequence to Okahandja, Grootfontein and Keetmanshoop during the following two years. In 1923 he resigned his appointment and went to Durban,
where he opened a practice in Berea Road. He also accepted an appointment under J Chalmers (MRCVS) as a meat examiner when he was engaged at the Federated Meat Industries' abattoir Durban as Chief Veterinary Officer for the Italian meat contract then in operation.

In 1925 he accepted an appointment with the Public Health Department, Kimberley as veterinarian controlling the inspection of meat supplies in that area, there being no municipal abattoir regular inspection of meat. Butchers and farmers were supplying 'uninspected meat to the public. He re-drafted Municipal regulations which were passed by the Cape Provincial Council and re-organised compulsory inspection of all meat entering the municipal area.

In 1927 he was offered and accepted an appointment as Government Officer at the Lobatsi Abattoir which had been erected by the Imperial Cold Storage, for the export of beef, but as the industry never got started, he was occupied in normal veterinary duties as a field officer. From 1927 to 1943 he was engaged in normal veterinary district duties at various stations in Bechuanaland viz. Lobatsi, Palapye, Francistown and Maun.

In 1943 he was appointed Director of Veterinary Services, Bechuanaland in succession to J H N Hobday (MRCVS) and stationed at Mafeking. In 1946 he was transferred to Basutoland as Director and retired there on the 31st December 1948 after reaching the age limit of 55. He was succeeded as Director in Bechuanaland by E C S Dawe MRCVS.

In 1949 he was offered an appointment as a Veterinary Officer (temporary) by the Northern Rhodesian Government and was stationed at Livingstone where he was primarily engaged in the control of live cattle introduced for slaughter from various neighbouring territories, mostly through Kazungula and either re-consigned them live from Livingstone to various other centres or slaughtered them at the Livingstone Government Abattoir for re-consignment as frozen meat.

In 1956 he resigned this appointment and retired to live in Bulawayo with his family and did not again engage in regular veterinary operations until 1963 when he was invited by the Ethiopian Government (with the approval of the British Government) to supervise the construction and operation of an up-to-date abattoir towards which Great Britain had made a grant of about a million pounds. This abattoir was intended to assist the development of an export industry in meat, the number of cattle in Ethiopia (although small animals) being considered to exceed those of South Africa and Rhodesia combined. He accepted this invitation on a year's contract i.e. from October 1963 to November 1964, but he found 40% of the slaughter stock to be infected with measles as well as other severe obstacles to a healthy economy. He was pleased when his contract expired as he saw no hope for the industry. His opinion subsequently proved to be correct.

He joined the S.A. Veterinary Association while stationed at Windhoek, S.W.A. in May 1921 and valued his membership and was (after paying membership fees for 20 or more years) admitted to Honorary Life Membership.

Also, as a matter of purely historical interest, he records in a letter to the author, that he witnessed the battle of Delville Wood
as his Division of the B.E.F. was linked with the 9th (Scottish) Division of which the South African contingent formed the Reserve Brigade. This was in mid-July 1916. Leaving his horse tethered, he picked his way to rising ground where could observe the wood under bombardment by heavy shell fire. "The wood was wreathed in smoke from shell fire and many trees were splintered with broken branches everywhere". He returned to England in 1984 where he died at Purton, Wiltshire on 21st April 1989 at the age of nearly 96 years.

It must be recorded that he practiced spiritualism and that while he was employed in Bechuanaland he did all his travelling on a Harley Davidson motorcycle with his personal servant on the pillion. In this way he would travel direct from Meat Board meetings in Pretoria to Maun, a journey which at that time took several days.

HAYES, MATTHEW HORACE (1842 - 31/8/1904)

Having obtained his MRCVS (New Edinburgh) in 1883 and his FRCVS he served in the Royal Artillery in India before coming to South Africa in 1892 not as a soldier, but as a riding showman. In this capacity he wrote numerous books on horses including "Veterinary Notes for Horse Owners", "Points of the Horse", "Illustrated Horsebreaking", "Stable Management and Exercise", "Horses on Board Ship", "Among Horses in Russia", "Among Horses in South Africa" and "Among Men and Horses".

During the Boer War he returned to South Africa and served as a Civil Veterinary Surgeon attached to the Army Veterinary Department. He died at Southsea on 31/8/1904 aged 62 years.

HAZEEL, HARRY A (22/1/1925)

He qualified MRCVS (Glasgow) on 23/12/1892. During the Boer War he saw service in South Africa for an unknown period of time as a Civil Veterinary Surgeon attached to the A.V.D. After the war he returned to England. He died on 22/1/1925.

HEAD, ALFRED SEARLE C.M.G. (24/10/1874 - 9/1/1952)

Born at East Grinstead, Sussex on 24/10/1874, he qualified MRCVS (London) on 14/12/1897 and came to South Africa as a Lieutenant (Civil Veterinary Surgeon) attached to the A.V.D. during the Boer War. It is recorded that he served in South Africa from 13/4/1901 to 15/12/1903 and rose to the rank of Captain while acting as Veterinary Officer to the Inniskilling Dragoons. He is known to have kept excellent records eg. he records that from November 1899 to June 1902 his regiment covered 6 116 miles and that 3 750 horses were expended. Of 4 290 horses used by his regiment, 4 170 received veterinary treatment, 163 for bullet wounds and 3 for schrapnel wounds. He published an excellent article on "The Wear and Tear of Horses during the South African War" (J1 Camp Path & Ther 1903). On completion of his tour of Military duty in South Africa he returned to England.
He subsequently married the daughter of a veterinarian (Charles Coomber Hoadley MRCVS (London) 1874), and his son (Charles Searle) qualified MRCVS (London) 1933 as did his grandson John Charles MRCVS (London) 1972.

During World War I he served as Colonel Commandant of Pitt Corner, Winchester, Hampshire where horses were trained for cavalry use. For this work he was awarded the C.M.G. During World War II he again saw service as a Colonel in the home guard at Helston, Cornwall. He died at Helston on 9/1/1952.

**HEALY, MICHAEL F** (8/3/1839 - 30/4/1921)

Born on 8/3/1839 he qualified MRCVS (London) on 1/5/1862. During 1879 he saw service with his regiment in Natal during the Zulu War of that year. He was attached to the column (with T A Killick) which advanced into Zululand along the coast under General Crealock. The other veterinarian in this column was V S Killick. He died on 30/4/1921.

**HEARN, CECIL GEORGE** (November 1878 - March 1965)

He qualified MRCVS (London) on 17/12/1900. During the Boer War he saw service in South Africa for an unknown period of time as a Civil Veterinary Surgeon attached to the Army Veterinary Department. After the war he returned to England. He died in March 1965 aged 86 years.

**HEARN, WILLIAM EDWARD**

He was registered as a veterinarian under Section 12 Act 16 of 1933 at its implementation. At that time he lived at "Kloof Kennels", Kloof Street, Cape Town.

**HEARNE, EDWARD O.B.E., C du O.M.A.** (1883 - 3/2/1932)

He qualified MRCVS (Dublin) on 19/12/1905 and saw service in South Africa in the A.V.D./A.V.C. from 20/10/1909 to 19/9/1914. He died on 3/2/1932 at Malta while playing polo. He was then a Major in the RAVC aged 49 years. During World War I he served in France and Belgium with the B.E.F. After the war he served with the army of occupation on the Rhine.

**HELEY, WILLIAM JAMES**

He qualified MRCVS (London) in March 1896 and served in South Africa during the Boer war as a Civil Veterinary Surgeon in the Army Veterinary Department. He died on 10/8/1909.
HEMPSTEAD, FREDERICK JOHN D'URBAN (30/10/1914 - )

Born in Durban on 30/10/1914, he matriculated at SACS in Cape Town and his MRCVS at Glasgow Veterinary College in July 1940. After qualifying he served as a G.V.O. at Umtata and East London before joining Dr Jack Boswell in practice in Johannesburg in January 1943. With Barry du Casse he started the first A.I. Centre in the Transvaal at Sandown Veterinary Clinic. In addition he served as:

1. Official Veterinarian to the White City & Wembly Dog Racing Club until they were closed.
2. Official Veterinarian to all six of the horse racing clubs on the Reef and two in Vereening.

In 1970 he gave up practice and started breeding racehorses near Alexandria, Cape. In 1982, due to ill health, he settled in Port Elizabeth where he died on 11/9/1990 after a long illness. In 1944 he married Miss Pat Papé in East London. Of this marriage a son and a daughter were born.

HENDERSON, GEORGE ( - November 1921)

George Henderson qualified MRCVS at the Royal (Dick) Veterinary College, Edinburgh on 17/12/1889. The only records that can be traced of him are that on 25/2/1903 he transferred from the Natal Civil Veterinary Department to the Transvaal Civil Veterinary Department and was stationed at Lichtenburg. In November 1921 it was reported that he had died some time previously.


Born in Buttevante, County Cork, Ireland on 30/3/1885 he studied at Liverpool and Edinburgh and qualified MRCVS (Liverpool) on 17/12/1907. In 1911 he came to South Africa and was appointed by the Division of Veterinary Field Services to deal with East Coast Fever in Pondoland. There he worked extremely hard and it is recorded that he regularly rode 600 miles a month on horseback. He used to arrive at dip tanks so early that he was christened by the Xhosa "He who sleeps with his boots on".

In 1913 he was seconded to Nyasaland to deal with Trypanosomiasis and Rinderpest. He returned in 1914 and in 1916 was Government Veterinarian, Elliot where he remained until 1924 when he was posted to Kokstad on East Coast Fever and Sheep Scab control. In 1934 he was appointed Principal Veterinary Officer in Basutoland and was awarded the O.B.E. for his services to the Basuto people.

In 1946 he retired to Kokstad and set up practice. While practicing he still found time to serve on the Town Council for 9 years, five of which were as Mayor. In 1960 he gave up work and public life. He died on ± 15/2/1970 in Greys Hospital, Pietermaritzburg where he was cremated. At the time of his death he was the oldest veterinarian in South Africa.
HENDERSON, ROBERT

He qualified MRCVS (Edinburgh) on 31/3/1896. During the Boer War he saw service in South Africa for an unknown period of time as a Civil Veterinary Surgeon attached to the Army Veterinary Department. After the war he returned to England.

HENNING, MICHIEL WILHELM (27/10/1897 - 1/3/1962)

Born on the farm Denemarke in the Rouxville district of the O.F.S. on 27/10/1897 (1896) he and his family were interned in the Kraairivier concentration camp for 22 months during the Boer War. In 1915 he and a party of four other South Africans (P J J Fourie, M W Sheppard, C P Neser and B S Parkin) proceeded to Dublin to study Veterinary Science. He, together with the other four obtained his MRCVS on 9/7/1919 when he was also awarded the Fitzwygram 2nd prize for the best veterinary student in the British Isles.

After qualifying as a veterinarian he returned to South Africa and following on service with the Division of Veterinary Field Services he transferred to Onderstepoort as lecturer in Anatomy at the Veterinary Faculty. Subsequently he was appointed Professor of Veterinary Science at the University of Pretoria. This position he held until he retired. Thereafter he was employed by the Department of Agriculture until his death on 1/3/1962.

In 1938 he was awarded the DVSc degree by the University of South Africa for his thesis "The Antigenic Structure of Salmonellas obtained from Domestic Animals and Birds in South Africa". Although he received international acclaim as an authority on the Salmonellas, he was best known for his monumental text book "Animal Diseases in South Africa".

HENNING, OTTO (21/11/1865 - 10/11/1933)

Born in Germany on 21/11/1865 he qualified Dr Med Vet at Stuttgart in 1885. In March 1892 he was appointed Assistant Veterinary Surgeon to the Cape of Good Hope administration with headquarters at Cape Town where he remained until 1896.

On 1/11/1896 he was sent to the Orange Free State to assist with the control of Rinderpest. In 1897 he returned to the O.F.S. Republic and served as State Veterinarian until 1900. Thereafter his career became very checkered eg.:

1900 - 1901 he was Divisional Veterinary Officer to the S.A. Constabulary.

1901 - 1902 he was Government Veterinary Surgeon to the Basutoland Government.

1902 - 1903 he was Principal Veterinary Officer to the Orange River Colony.

1904 - 1907 he served in the Repatriation Department.
In 1907 he was appointed Chief of Agriculture in South West Africa until he was imprisoned by the South African Forces when they captured that territory in 1915. In 1921 he was reinstated and served as Government Veterinary Officer, Keetmanshoop until 1923. He died at Grootfontein S.W.A. on 10/11/1933 aged 68 years.

In 1938 his widow presented the South African Veterinary Medical Association with a complete set of official Cape of Good Hope Agricultural Journals for the years 1890 - 1895. It is also recorded of Otto Henning that he assisted the Government of the Bechuanaland Protectorate with the control of Rinderpest, being stationed at Palapye. In this capacity he met Sir Arnold Theiler and discussed the disease with him on 3 April 1897 while the latter was proceeding to Mafeking. (Presumably from Rhodesia).

HEPBURN, WILLIAM (1877 - 1/5/1942)

He qualified MRCVS (Edinburgh) on 24/5/1900. During the Boer War he saw service in South Africa for an unknown period of time as a Civil Veterinary Surgeon attached to the Army Veterinary Department. After the war he returned to England. He died on 1/5/1942 aged 67 years.

HEWLETT, KENELM O.B.E. (  - 7/12/1937)

He qualified MRCVS (London) on 14/7/1900. During the Boer War he saw service in South Africa for an unknown period of time as a Civil Veterinary Surgeon attached to the Army Veterinary Department. After the war he returned to England. He died on 7/12/1937.

HEYDENRYCH, ROBERT JACOB (28/5/1918 - 12/1/1978)

Born on 28/5/1918 in Jansenville he obtained his BVSc degree at the Veterinary Faculty, Onderstepoort at the end of 1942. While waiting for his military call up, he worked as assistant to S T A Amos in Durban. From late 1943 he served as a captain in the SAVC until 1946. During this time he was connected with the transporting of mules to India and Burma and food hygiene for troops and troop ships. In 1946 he opened a practice in Newlands (Cape) in which he remained until his death on 12th January 1978. He married in 1944 and two sons were born of the marriage.
HILL, FRANK MACKLEY (17/7/1867 - 17/11/1940)

Born in Adelaide, Australia he was raised by an aunt in England and qualified MRCVS (London) on 16/5/1890. He appears to have seen service in South Africa on several occasions. Firstly with the Rhodesian Horse Regiment during the Matabele Rebellion on 1896/97 and as a C.V.S. attached to the A.V.D. during the Boer War. He then served for 10 years in India, returning to South Africa in 1910 or 1912. In South Africa he served as G.V.O. Bulwer in 1913 and thereafter transferred to Ladysmith (Natal) from where he was sent on active service to East Africa during World War I. After his return to civil duties he was transferred to Mafeking where in 1921 he met his old friend W H Chase who persuaded him to join the Bechuanaland Protectorate Government as a G.V.O. In this service he was stationed at Mahalapye, Palapye and finally Francistown (1924) on Lungsickness control. He retired in 1930 and settled in Pietermaritzburg for a few years before settling in New Zealand and finally Australia (Palmwoods) where he died on 17/11/1940.

It is recorded that in 1920, he together with C E Gray and H H Curson, formed the South African contingent sent to Tanganyika to combat Rinderpest.

HILL, WALTER ( - 14/2/1906)

He qualified MRCVS (Glasgow) in 1887 and came to South Africa as a Civil Veterinary Surgeon attached to the Army Veterinary Department. During 1897 he was attached to the Cape Colony Civil Veterinary Department and assisted at Kimberley with the control of Rinderpest during the Epizootic of that year. He served with the A.V.D. throughout the Boer War and after the cessation of hostilities was employed by the Repatriation Department from 1902 to 1905. On 1/11/1905 he joined the Orange Free State Civil Veterinary Department and was in their employ when he died at Senekal on 14/2/1906 from blood poisoning contracted from a post mortem examination.

HINES, ARTHUR JAMES (1877 - 24/7/1958)

He qualified MRCVS (London) on 18/9/1897 and during the Boer War saw service in South Africa for an unknown period of time as a Civil Veterinary Surgeon attached to the Army Veterinary Department. After the war he returned to England. He died there on 24/7/1958 aged 81 years.

HINGSTON, CLAYTON LOVE

He qualified MRCVS (Glasgow) in April 1878 and during the Boer War saw service in South Africa for an unknown period of time as a Civil Veterinary Surgeon attached to the Army Veterinary Department. After the war he returned to England.
HIRST, WILLIAM H ( - 5/5/1900)

He qualified MRCVS (London) on 14/7/1898 and came to South Africa during the Boer War as a Civil Veterinarian attached to the A.V.D. He became ill at Dronfield, Kimberley and died at Boshof on 5/5/1900 of Enteric Fever. He was buried in the West End Cemetary, Kimberley.

HOBDAY, ELIZABETH MAY O.B.E. (2/1911 - 18/2/1978)

Born E M Chapman at Gillingham, Kent in February 1911, she qualified MRCVS (London) on 2/12/1933. Later she married a colleague, J H N Hobday and with him settled in Mafeking when he served as a Veterinary Officer and later Director of Veterinary Services in the Bechuanaland Protectorate Veterinary Department. They subsequently transferred to the Northern Rhodesia service where she was in charge of the Veterinary Laboratory at Mazabuka. After her divorce from her husband she joined the Bechuanaland Protectorate Veterinary Department as office in charge of the central diagnostic laboratory, first at Ramathlabama and later at Gaberones (now Gaberone). She remained in this post until 1972 when she retired to Salisbury. She died there on 18/2/1978. She was awarded the O.B.E. for her work in Northern Rhodesia.

HODDER, ARCHIBALD ( - 7/11/1937)

Hodder qualified MRCVS at the Royal (Dick) Veterinary College, Edinburgh on 21/5/1898. He came to South Africa as a Civil Veterinarian attached to the A.V.D. during the Boer War and served as Veterinary Officer with the S.A. Constabulary from 31/11/1901 to 31/10/1903. He then resigned his official position and practiced in Bloemfontein. From 1905 to 1906 he served the Natal Government. He then left the Natal service and settled in Pietermaritzburg until the onset of World War I when he joined the S.A. Veterinary Corps and saw active service in South West Africa and Nyasaland. He was a very good artist and painted 50 water colours which were purchased by Howard Pim of Johannesburg. After World War I he served as lecturer in Veterinary Science at the Grootfontein College of Agriculture. His ex students talk of the beautiful black board drawings he used to illustrate his lectures. He could, for example, illustrate the various stages of parturition by means of drawings.

He was succeeded at Grootfontein by P J J Fourie at the end of 1919 whereafter he settled in Johannesburg and opened a private practice. He died at the East Rand Hospital on 7/11/1937. He did not attend the inaugural meeting of the Transvaal Veterinary Medical Association, but it is recorded that he sent his good wishes to this meeting held at Long's Hotel, Johannesburg on 16/2/1903.

HODGINS, ADAM D.S.O. ( - 17/1/1946)

He qualified MRCVS (Dublin) on 23/7/1906 and saw service in South Africa in the A.V.D./A.V.C. from 1/2/1908 to 9/3/1913.
HOFMEYER, JOHN MURRAY (19/3/1941 - 6/10/1984)

"Ian" was born in Johannesburg on 19/3/1941 and was educated at the Pretoria Boys' High School where he matriculated in 1958. In 1962 he obtained a BSc (Agric) degree in Pasture Science at the University of Pretoria and in 1967 qualified as a veterinarian at the same university. Thereafter he undertook Locum Tenens work to gain clinical experience. In 1969 he did research in Entomology at the V.R.I. Onderstepoort. In 1970 he joined the South West Africa division of Nature Conservation as veterinarian in charge of game capture and served in this capacity until 1975 when he transferred to the Etosha National Park as Wildlife Veterinarian. He was accidentally killed during a game capture operation on 6/10/1984.

During his lifetime he was involved in 23 investigations and projects and published 20 scientific articles. In addition he presented 11 scientific papers at various scientific congresses. He was a member of 5 wildlife orientated societies.

HOGG, THOMAS ( - 31/8/1942)

He qualified MRCVS (Edinburgh) on 28/5/1900 and came to South Africa during the Boer War as a Civil Veterinarian attached to the A.V.D. He appears not to have returned to England after the war, because on 6/10/1903 he registered as a veterinarian in terms of Act 21 of 1899 in order that he could practice in Natal. In 1910 he could not be traced in South Africa. He died at Cambridge, England on 31/8/1942.

HOGGAN, THOMAS R R ( - 10/9/1953)

He qualified MRCVS (Edinburgh) on 28/5/1892. During the Boer War he saw service in South Africa for an unknown period of time as a Civil Veterinarian attached to the A.V.D. After the war he returned to England. He died at Langley Prairie B.C. Canada on 10/9/1953.

HOLLINGHAM, EDWARD ARTHUR ( - 20/8/1912)

Hollingham was born in Sussex and qualified MRCVS (London) in 1881. In 1893 he settled in Johannesburg and in 1896 opened a private practice in partnership with W Pye. Being an "Uitlander" he fled from Johannesburg at the commencement of the Boer War and only returned after the cessation of hostilities. In Johannesburg he practiced at 38 Dawe Street, Troyville.

He died of Pneumonia on 20/8/1912. Before coming to South Africa in 1893 he had practiced in Australia, India, England and China.

In March 1895 he, Arnold Theiler, James Richardson and F A Britten were appointed Honorary Veterinarians to the first Johannesburg Agricultural Show. When the Municipality of Johannesburg subsequently advertised for a veterinarian he, together with
J Richardson, F A Britten, Osborne, O'Neill, G H Pickwell and Arnold Theiler applied for the post - it was given to Arnold Theiler. After 1902 he served for some time in the Volunteer Corps as a Veterinary Officer (Captain) with the Johannesburg Rifles Regiment. For many years he and Arnold Theiler were in strong competition to win over the farmers of Johannesburg as clients.

HOLNESS, CAPT. HAROLD JAMES D.S.O. ( - 30/4/1941)
He qualified MRCVS on 22/9/1903 and was a member of the Transvaal Veterinary Medical Association founded on 16/2/1903. In 1939 he was a Colonel with the D.S.O. in the RAVC. He died on 30/4/1941.

Born at Usona (near Okahandja) in South West Africa on 11/4/1910, he was educated in Germany, but due to the outbreak of the 1st World War he was unable to return to South West Africa until 1920. He subsequently returned to Germany to matriculate and to obtain his Dr Med Vet degree at the University of Giessen in 1937. For a time thereafter, he served on Rinderpest control duties in Tanganyika as the representative of the Nyasaland Government. On 6/1/1939, he joined the Veterinary Service of the South West Africa Administration and served in various places in South West Africa until he was forced to transfer to South Africa on 24/11/1958 on grounds of ill health.

In South Africa, he was stationed at Port Shepstone in the post vacated by T A T Louw. He continued to serve at Port Shepstone until he retired from the service. He died on 23/8/1975.

From 29/12/1964 to 28/4/1965 he was seconded to South West Africa on special Foot and Mouth disease duties.

His first wife died on 12/5/1961 and he remarried on 29/12/1965.

HOPKIN, JOHN WATKIN (1864 - 24/4/1932)
He graduated MRCVS (London) on 24/5/1893 and it is recorded (Vet Record Vol XII No. 20) that he served in the Matabele wars and the war in South Africa and during World War I in the Near East. He died at Henley-on-Thames on 24/4/1932 aged 68 years. During the Boer War he was a Civil Veterinary Surgeon and served some time at Bloemfontein.

HORWITZ, BARNETT MOSS (MARK) (17/10/1907 - 1/4/1982)
Born at East London on 17/10/1907 he qualified as a veterinarian at the Veterinary Faculty, Onderstepoort at the end of 1929. After qualifying he joined the Government service and was stationed at Allerton Laboratory from February 1930 to July 1931. Thereafter he
practiced at Port Elizabeth where he also served as part time Municipal Veterinary Officer. From September 1937 to October 1940 he was employed by the Municipality on a full time basis in control of the abattoir and milk supply. From September 1940 to 1944 he saw service in the South African Veterinary Corps. From 1944 to 1953 he served as Municipal Veterinary Officer in Cape Town in control of the milk supply. In 1953 he was promoted to Director of the Municipal Abattoir. He served in this capacity until 1968. After his retirement he once again joined the Government service when he was involved with the drafting of the Animal Slaughter, Meat and Animal Products Hygiene Act. He left the Government service in April 1973 when he took up employment with the Department of Medical Microbiology at Tygerberg Hospital as infection control officer. He died in this capacity at Tygerberg Hospital on 1/4/1982.


Born in East London on 28/8/1957 he was educated at Grey College, Port Elizabeth. After the completion of his national service he trained as a veterinarian, receiving his BVSc degree at the University of Pretoria in 1981. After qualifying he travelled overseas for a year and did Locums in South West Africa, the Eastern Cape and Natal, where he married a Miss Pickering. He finally settled in practice in Port Elizabeth until his death on 27/5/1986 when the microlite aircraft he was flying crashed on take off.

HOUSTON, ROBERT FISHER ST CLAIR (1873 - 6/12/1912)

He qualified MRCVS (London) on 21/12/1895 and saw service as a regular A.V.D. officer with the Army Veterinary Department in South Africa from 23/10/1899 to 9/6/1902. After the war he returned to England. He died on 6/12/1912 in London aged 39 years.

HOWARD, SAMUEL GEORGE ( 7/1942)

He qualified MRCVS (Glasgow) on 15/1/1887 and is reported to have set up practice in Port Elizabeth for a short while in 1890. He returned to England and died there in July 1942.


He qualified MRCVS (Glasgow) on 26/5/1910 and came to South Africa in 1913. In South Africa he joined the Division of Veterinary Field Services and served as Government Veterinary Officer at Umtata, Lydenburg, Greytown (transferred on 29/7/1927), Estcourt, Cape Town (transferred 2/7/1931), East London and back to Cape Town in October 1934. In 1914 he joined the SAVC and saw service in the South West Africa and East Africa Campaigns. For his services he
was awarded the O.B.E. and mentioned in dispatches three times.

Together with three other Veterinarians, he went to Britain after the East Africa Campaign and joined the RAVC in which he served until the end of hostilities. He was married in Glasgow on 4/2/1919 and returned to South Africa in July 1919 to take up his appointment in Lydenburg. During World War II he again saw service with the SAVC and while on active service was promoted to the post of Assistant Director of Veterinary Services. However, he never accepted this post, because on the 3rd March 1943 he died as a result of enemy action when the S.S. Nirpura, the ship on which he was escorting mules to India was torpedoed at 10.30 pm and sank in the Indian Ocean off Port Shepstone. Dr Robert Wilson who was Medical Officer on the same ship and who survived the sinking told the author that Howie and 80 others managed to climb aboard a lifeboat, but were blown out of it by 2 depth charges dropped by a frigate trying to destroy the enemy submarine. When last seen by Dr Wilson, Howie and several others were clinging to the floating hull of the lifeboat. There was a strong gale blowing at the time and it is doubtful if at the age of 54 he would have survived for very long under the prevailing conditions. Five out of the 13 ships in the convoy were sunk and only 3 persons from the Nirpura lifeboat survived. A Staff Sergeant Jacoby of the SAVC survived the first night in the water, but committed suicide the following day by throwing off his lifejacket and sinking. Prior to doing this he handed his watch to Dr Wilson for delivery to his family. It would appear that most of the lives lost were as a result of shark attacks.

D A Osbourn BVSc who was in the SAVC during World War II insisted to the author that the Nirpura did not sink immediately after being torpedoed. According to him everyone left the ship after it was torpedoed, but the following day 5 ships officers in a lifeboat found it to be still afloat. However, when they tried to board the injured ship, the German submarine surfaced and ordered them off. The submarine then rendered the Coup de Grace. He says that this information was passed to him in Calcutta by one of the officers concerned. This version does not agree with Dr Wilson's version in that he states that the sharks stopped attacking people in the sea after the ship sank, because they were then presumably concentrating their efforts of the luckless mules who by regulation were kept chained in the holds. Dr Osbourn confirms that Sgt. Major J W Killeen RSM and Corporal R Young who had both served with Howie in World War I, also lost their lives when the Nirpura was sunk.

Howie and his wife sponsored the endowment of a cot at the children's ward of Addington Hospital, Durban in memory of their daughter "Wee" Jean who died on 26/10/1926 aged 6 years. He had four daughters, Mary, Fiona, Nancy and "Wee" Jean. Mrs Howie and "Wee" Jean are buried in the Greytown Cemetary together with a little boy, Adrian Morrison who died on 16/10/1928 at birth.

Howie's Military Medals, including his O.B.E., are housed in the Museum at the Castle in Cape Town.
HUBAND, THOMAS A (25/12/1923)

He qualified MRCVS (London) on 31/3/1881 and served in South Africa during the Boer War as a C.V.S. in the A.V.D.


Born at Thomson's Falls, Kenya on 27/8/1962 he attended school at Merchiston and Michaelhouse. He obtained his BVSc degree at the Veterinary Faculty, Onderstepoort in mid 1986. Thereafter he was sent to Kwa Zulu in Natal for his two years National Service, being stationed at Nongoma until June 1988.

In August 1988 he proceeded to England where he undertook locums until his death from a heart attack at Rochester in Kent on 21/9/1989.

HUGHES, PETER ANTHONY (20/10/1922 - 19/7/1988)

He was born on the 20th October 1922 in the Woolwich Military Hospital, London. When World War II broke out he joined the brigade of Welsh Guards and served throughout the war as a sergeant. After the war he, together with another Welsh Guardsman (William Boyt) qualified as Veterinary Surgeons at Liverpool in 1951. After a short stint in private practice in West Riding (Yorkshire) he returned to the army as a Captain in the RAVC and saw service there from 1952 until 1958 being stationed in Austria (1 year), Germany and Kenya (where he was stationed throughout the Mau Mau conflict at Nanyuki).

Before returning to the RAVC Depot at Melton Mowbray he was stationed for a short while in Libya (Benghazi). In 1959 he returned to private practice in Montgomery but resigned after a period of 6 months during which time he had worked without having a single day off duty. Thereafter he practiced at Radnor as an assistant before joining the Colonial Service and proceeding to Kenya to work in the Athi River meat export plant. In 1965 he came to South Africa and worked first as State Veterinarian at the Estcourt Bacon Factory and then as State Veterinarian Field at Estcourt (having changed places with Allistair Gillespie MRCVS).

In 1967 he resigned this latter post and was proceeding to Rhodesia to take over a new abattoir under construction when he was informed that UDI had been declared and that the erection of the abattoir had been scrapped. Being without employment he was approached by Dr Ike Viljoen in charge of the South West African Veterinary Department to work in that country's meat export plants. He finally returned to South Africa from South West Africa at the end of 1985 and settled in Natal where he died at Howick on the 19th of July 1988.
HULSEBERG, JOHN HENRY ( - 2/2/1914)

He qualified MRCVS (London) on 15/12/1897. During the Boer War he saw service in South Africa for an unknown period of time as a Civil Veterinary Surgeon attached to the Army Veterinary Department at Mooi River. After the war he returned to England. He died at the College Hospital, St Pancras on 2/2/1914.

HUNT, FREDERICK WELLSLEY C.M.G. C.B.E. ( - 23/12/1944)

He qualified MRCVS (London) on 10/5/1893 and saw service as a regular A.V.D. officer with the Army Veterinary Department in South Africa (Cape Colony) from 24/9/1896 to 26/3/1903. After service he may have returned to England. However, a E W Hunt (possibly the same person) formed part of the SAVMA deputation which on 8/3/1922 met unsuccessfully with the Minister of Agriculture in an attempt to have a Veterinary Surgeons Act drafted through parliament. The other members of the deputation were Messrs Irvine-Smith, G de Kock, S B Woollatt and 2 M.L.A's.

HUTCHIEON, DUNCAN (27/6/1842 - 14/5/1907)

Born Peterhead, Scotland on 27/6/1842, he qualified MRCVS at the Royal (Dick) Veterinary College, Edinburgh in 1871 (a 3 year course). On 22/4/1880 he was appointed as the Second Chief Veterinary Surgeon of the Cape of Good Hope in succession to Professor W C Branford. In 1905 he was promoted to the post of Acting Director of Agriculture and in 1906 his appointment to this post was confirmed (he was then 64 years old). His death occurred on 14/5/1907 and he was buried in the Mowbray cemetery.

During his lifetime he was an intelligent investigator, very hard working and in view of subsequent events must have been a likeable and popular official. At all times (even in the country) he wore a frockcoat and top-hat.

He frequently visited the Government experimental farm Leeufontein in the Fort Beaufort district in spite of the fact that in 1880 a tour of duty through Caledon, Bredasdorp, Swellendam, Riversdale, Mossel Bay, George, Humansdorp, Uitenhage, Port Elizabeth, Albany to Leeufontein took 51 days (21st June to 10th August). Although he was not always able to diagnose the disease conditions he encountered, he described them so well that in later years it was possible to make a diagnosis from his descriptive notes. His records of the introduction of various diseases into South Africa are of considerable aid to the historian, eg.

1. Bovine Pleuro-pneumonia was introduced by the importation of a bull from Holland in 1854.

2. In December 1880, H David & Co. of Somerset East, imported a number of Angora goats. These goats left Angora on 1/10/1880, travelled by ship via Constantinople and Southampton and arrived in Port Elizabeth in mid December. They were then railed from Port Elizabeth to Cookhouse where they arrived on the 22nd of December 1880. From Cookhouse they were conveyed by wagon to Somerset East
and kept in Mr David's yard until the day of the sale on 26/1/1881. There had seemingly been no mortality up to that time. A Mr van Nierkerk of Brakfontein bought one of the rams. This ram arrived on his farm on 27/1/1881. It was shorn and dressed with tobacco extract on 28/1/1881. On the following day it sickened and died a few days later - and so commenced a large scale of Pleuro-pneumonia which was only brought under control by the slaughter out of 6162 goats valued at 2878 pounds.

3. Mortality amongst fowls in the Bedford district in 1882 was diagnosed as "Fowl Cholera recently described in France".

4. Foot and Mouth disease was present in Bechuanaland and Griqualand West in 1892/93.

5. Foot and Mouth disease entered the Cape Colony and was spread by cattle railed for slaughter from Beaufort West to Piquetberg Road in 1893.

6. In 1893/94 Foot and Mouth disease was present in all four provinces.

7. A Rabies outbreak occurred in 1893, following on the importation of an Airdale dog into Port Elizabeth in 1892. (The original diagnosis being made by a veterinarian F A Britten).

8. In 1898 Equine Pleuro-pneumonia was introduced into the Cape Colony by imported horses.

While working alone in the Cape Colony from 1880, he was finally given several assistants to cope with his mammoth tasks. J D Borthwick joined him in February 1889, J F Soga in 1891, Otto Henning in March 1892, Hutchence, Crowhurst, Dixon and Pattison in December 1892, and William Robertson in 1896. The appointment of Alexander Edington (a medic) as Government Bacteriologist in 1891, further extended his fields of activity.

In 1902 he was made an honorary associate of the Royal College of Veterinarians. On his death in 1907 and in consideration of his financial circumstances, the members of the Cape Province Agricultural Union subscribed some 5000 pounds towards the maintenance of his widow. After the death of Mrs Hutcheon, the fund was offered by the Cape Agricultural Union in 1947 as a bursary in Veterinary Science in commemoration of the late Duncan Hutcheon. This bursary, valued at 40 pounds is awarded annually by the Veterinary Faculty of the University of Pretoria to the most deserving 4th year Veterinary student from the Cape Province. Duncan Hutcheon was a founder member of the Transvaal Veterinary Medical Association and attended the inaugural meeting held at Long's Hotel, Johannesburg on 16/1/1903. He was also possibly a founder member of the Cape of Good Hope Veterinary Medical Association founded on 1/11/1905.

HUTCHENCE, M A ( - 5/1/1911)

He qualified MRCVS (London) on 16/5/1890 and came to South Africa on 10/12/1893 together with 3 other veterinarians (Crowhurst, Dixon
and Pattison) recruited by Duncan Hutcheon to serve in the Civil Veterinary Department of the Cape Colony. In 1908 he was Government Veterinary Officer at Kokstad. He died on 5/1/1911.

HUTCHINSON, FRED H (17/1/1869 - 20/3/1939)

Born on 17/1/1869 at Foggathorpe, Yorkshire, he was one of three brothers all of whom were veterinarians. He qualified MRCVS (New Edinburgh) on 30/5/1889 and came to South Africa to manage the farm Beginsel in the Standerton district. In 1898 together with Cordy, Byrne, Harber, Woollatt, Ashe and Amos, he joined the Natal Civil Veterinary Department and was stationed at Newcastle in succession to J W Stapley. At the outbreak of the Boer War he was commissioned (Captain) in the Army Veterinary Department and placed in charge of remounts at the Point, Durban. After the Boer War he returned to his civil post at Newcastle and remained there until his headquarters was moved to Dundee in 1909. During World War I he saw military service with the SAVC with the rank of Major. In 1921 he was transferred to Pretoria as S.V.O. Transvaal and served in that position until he retired in 1925.

After his retirement he settled at Hilton where he remained until his death on 20/3/1939. He is buried in plot A716 Mountain Rise Cemetary, Pietermaritzburg together with his wife Mary Alice who died on 9/7/1956.

HUTTON, GEORGE ALLEN (1889)

In addition to being a Medic (assistant surgeon to the 12th Regiment, Grahamstown) he was also a qualified veterinarian having obtained his MRCVS (London) in May 1853. After the introduction of lungsickness from Holland in 1854 he was called upon by the Governor of the Cape Colony, Sir George Grey to investigate the problem. He also submitted a report on horsesickness which was reproduced by Bayley (1856). He considered horsesickness to be a "specific disease". He died in 1889.

IDENDEN, HAROLD AMOS (28/8/1947)

He qualified MRCVS (London) on 23/12/1895 and it is recorded that in 1921 he was the Government Veterinary Surgeon (GVS) in Cape Town. He died on 28/8/1947.

IRELAND, DAVID MANZIE (1891 - 13/10/1921)

The son of Alfred Ireland a doctor of Cradock, Cape and his wife Mary, he qualified MRCVS (Edinburgh) on 16/12/1915. Thereafter he saw military service in France in World War I, where he was awarded the D.C.M. as well as the M.M. After the cessation of hostilities he returned to South Africa and served as a Government Veterinary Officer at King Williamstown. He was transferred to
Pietermaritzburg in August 1921, where, after only a 2 month stay he was killed in a motor accident which occurred at 00h10 on 13/10/1921. The details of the accident are that on the night of the 12th October, he, together with a Mr Browett and 3 ladies went for a drive with a Mr R F Ratcliffe in his car (TJ 3758). On the corner of Church and Boshoff streets, while travelling in the direction of Retief Street, the car in which they were travelling struck a poorly lit night cart parked on the side of the road. In the collision Mr Browett was instantly killed, but Ireland lived for a short while afterwards. The other passengers were only slightly injured. At the time of his death, he was living at the Camden Hotel and was unmarried.

It is recorded that he died intestate and insolvent. Just prior to the sale of his personal effects, M W Power, the SVO in charge of Natal, withdrew the following Government equipment from his possessions on the authority of the Master of the Supreme Court:

1. 1 Record syringe (large)
2. 1 Record syringe (small)
3. 1 Leather instrument case marked GVO.

He is buried in the Commercial Road Cemetery, Pietermaritzburg (Voortrekker cemetery) and the inscription on his gravestone reads D M Ireland MRCVS died 13/10/1921 aged 30 years.

IRVINE-SMITH, COL. JAMES CBE, VD, FRSI, JP (1876 - 28/8/1966)

Born in 1876 he qualified MRCVS (Glasgow) on 20/5/1898. After serving as assistant to Sir Henry Simpson (V.S. to the Queen at Windsor) he came to South Africa in 1900 as a Civil Veterinarian attached to the A.V.D. In South Africa he saw military service, first as O.C. of the Advanced Base Veterinary Hospital at De Aar then as O.C. of the Indian Field Veterinary Hospital. On 1/1/1902 he joined the South African Constabulary (SAC) as Assistant P.V.O. with the rank of Captain.

The following year he attended the inaugural meeting of the Transvaal Veterinary Medical Association held at Long's Hotel, Johannesburg on 16/2/1903 when he was elected President of the Association. He continued serving the S.A. Constabulary until the end of June 1906 when he was attached to the Transvaal Civil Veterinary Department pending his appointment as Veterinarian to the Municipality of Johannesburg. In this capacity he influenced the Municipal authorities to erect a modern abattoir with all ancillary facilities. When this abattoir was completed in 1910, he became its first Director. During World War I he established the SAVC and served as its officer commanding until March 1916 when he returned to his civilian duties. He was actively involved with the formation of the South African Veterinary Medical Association in 1919 and for the period 1921 to 1924 served as its President.

In addition, he served on the following Boards and Commissions:
1920 : Member of the Agric. Advisory Board. Livestock Commissions (3)
1925 - 1926 : Chairman of the Egg Transport Commission.

He died on 23/8/1966.
ISAACS, CECIL ETIENNE (1921 - 1978)

He qualified BVSc at the Veterinary Faculty, Onderstepoort in 1943 and thereafter practiced at East London. He joined the Division of Veterinary Services in 1947/1948 and served as State Veterinarian, Grahamstown. He subsequently emigrated to New Zealand where he worked for the New Zealand Ministry of Agriculture and Fisheries. He died there some time in 1978.

JACKSON, ARTHUR FRANCIS STONEWALL ( - May 1937)

He qualified MRCVS (Glasgow) on 1/6/1899 and came to South Africa as a Civil Veterinary Surgeon attached to the Army Veterinary Department during the Boer War. He is reported to have remained in South Africa after the war. He died in Cairo in May 1937.

JACKSON, CECIL (10/5/1905 - 5/1/1965)

Born in London on 10/5/1905 he qualified BSc in Veterinary Anatomy and Physiology at the Johannesburg University College in 1924. In 1925 he was Registrar to the Hon. Mr Justice R A Tindall and in 1929 qualified BVSc at the Veterinary Faculty, Onderstepoort. From 1930 he served as Research Officer at Onderstepoort and as Lecturer in Veterinary Anatomy in the Faculty of Veterinary Science.

In 1936 he was awarded the DSc degree (S.A.) for his classical thesis "The incidence and pathology of tumours of domesticated animals in South Africa". In 1936 he also became Professor of Anatomy at the Onderstepoort Faculty of Veterinary Science and remained in this post until his resignation in September 1955. Thereafter he served as part time lecturer in Comparative Haematology in the Department of Physiology of the Medical School of the University of the Witwatersrand. The following year he was appointed Senior Research Fellow of the National Cancer Association of South Africa. In 1957 he left South Africa and took up the position of Consulting Pathologist to the Animal Health Trust, Newmarket and in 1958 became head of the preclinical Veterinary School and Professor of Veterinary Anatomy at Makerere College, Kampala, Uganda. In 1961 he accepted the post of Principal Research Officer at the Biological Research Institute at Achimota, Ghana and the following year became Acting Director of the Institute. He died in Ghana on 5/1/1965. After his death it was reported that he had been awarded the FRCVS.

JACKSON, GEORGE THOMPSON TREVOR (1877 - 27/11/1934)

He qualified MRCVS (London) on 12/12/1899 and saw service with the Army Veterinary Department in South Africa from 2/11/1901 to 1/4/1903. After the war he returned to England. He died in Bournemouth on 27/11/1934 as a result of a motor accident aged 57 years.
JACKSON, SYDNEY TURNSTALL ( - 30/11/1954)

He qualified MRCVS (Liverpool) on 17/12/1915 and it is not known when he came to South Africa. On 4/7/1930 he registered as a veterinarian in Natal under Act 21 of 1899. At the time of the implementation of Act 16 of 1933 he was serving as Government Veterinary Officer in Pietermaritzburg. He died at 21 Harwin Road, Pietermaritzburg on 30/11/1954.

JAGGER, HUGH CLEIVTON (1872 - 6/11/1931)

He qualified MRCVS (Edinburgh) on 19/12/1894 and served in South Africa during the Boer War as a Civil Veterinary Surgeon in the Army Veterinary Department.

JAMES, ALFRED EDGAR (20/6/1867 - )

As a veterinary graduate of Ontario Vet. College (1888) he served as a Vet. Lieutenant (2nd Canadian Mounted Rifles) in South Africa during the Boer War from 14/1/1902 to 16/7/1902.

JANSEN, BAREND CORNELIUS (12/8/1921 - 13/7/1987)

Born on the 12th August 1921 he qualified as a veterinarian in 1944 when he obtained his BVSc cum laude at the Veterinary Faculty of the University of Pretoria. He was also the winner of the Theiler Medal that year. Thereafter his career was as follows:

1945 - 1949 Private Practice
1949 - 1951 Department of Protozoology, Onderstepoort Veterinary Institute
1951 - 1960 Department of Bacteriology, Onderstepoort
1956 Awarded Nuffield Fellowship for research in Biological Sciences
1960 Awarded DVSc University of Pretoria cum laude
1958 - 1963 Senior lecturer Bacteriology, Faculty of Veterinary Sciences
1960 - 1961 Deputy Director Veterinary Services
1961 - 1968 Director Veterinary Services
1966 - Awarded DSc Potchefstroom University
1962 - 1968 Director Agricultural Research
1963 - 1973 Professor infectious diseases Veterinary Faculty
1971 Awarded PhD (Med. Science) University of Stellenbosch
1963 - 1969 Dean of Faculty of Veterinary Science
1968 - 1978 Chief Director Veterinary Sciences
1974 - 1978 Chief Director Animal Production and Dairying
1978 - 1981 Chief Researcher S.A. Woolboard
1976 - 1980 Hon Professor Department Infectious diseases, Faculty of Veterinary Science
1980 - 1981 Professor in small animal diseases, Veterinary Faculty
Memberships

1961 - 1981 Chairman Veterinary Board
1960 - 1981 Full member S.A. for Arts and Sciences
1961 - 1978 Council Member SAVA
1970 - 1981 Member Committee for Biological Science: S.A. Atomic Energy Council
1969 - 1979 Member Executive Committee: Medical Research Council
1970 - 1981 Council Member: Transvaal Museum
1968 - 1974 Member: Liaison Committee CSIR/Department of Agric.
1968 - 1974 Member: CSIR Committee for Research in Antartica
1974 - 1978 Member: Council of Control Tick Research Unit, Rhodes University
1975 - 1978 Vice President World Veterinary Association

Number of scientific publications 50 plus.

In 1986 he was awarded the gold medal of the SA Association of Microbiology in recognition of his work on Bacterial diseases. During his lifetime he was also the recipient of the Havenga Prize of the SA Academy for Arts and Science, the SAVA gold medal, the SA Medical Research Council gold medal as well as the Claude Harris Leon and the Percy Fox Foundation Awards.

He died in Pretoria on the 13th July 1987 just one month before his 66th birthday.

JARMAN, WILLIAM (5/1861)

All that is known of this man is that the following notice appeared in the Natal Government Gazette of 29/1/1856.

William Jarman (Member of the Royal College of Veterinary Surgeons, Edinburgh).

Begs most respectfully to intimate to the owners of horses, cattle, etc., that he has COMMENCED PRACTICE in the profession and trusts, by unremitting attention to cases committed to his care to obtain a practice, which it will be his constant study to merit.

Good stabling for sick and lame horses, etc.

Residence: Mr Marshall's Livery & Bait Stables
Church Street
Pietermaritzburg
Nov 26 1855

What happened to him after this is not known, other than the fact that in the Natal Government Gazette of 15 July 1856, his name appears on the list of unclaimed letters at the G.P.O. (2). His name does not appear on the list dated 31/8/1856, so these letters must have been claimed. Subsequently on 30 September 1856, his name again appears on the list of unclaimed letters (1).

Mr. Marshall on the other hand erected the West End Wellington Hotel next to his livery stable and appears to have prospered.
The Royal College of Veterinary Surgeons could, in 1982 not trace Mr Jarman in their records.

He was unmarried at the time of his death in Pietermaritzburg in May 1861. He therefore had no one to erect a tombstone over his grave in the Commercial Road Cemetery and for this reason it can no longer be traced. His was the first recorded death of a veterinarian in South Africa.

JARVIS, EDMUND MULLINGER M.C. (10/3/1873 - )

Born on 10/3/1873 he qualified MRCVS (London) on 14/12/1894. He obtained his FRCVS on 8/12/1910 for his thesis "A Polylymphangitis in Equines in Southern Rhodesia". He first came to South Africa in 1897 when he was employed in the Cape Colony on Rinderpest Control. He subsequently served as a Civil Veterinarian in the Army Veterinary Department before working for the Southern Rhodesian Veterinary Department from 1901 to 1907. During World War I he saw service with the SAVC in the South West African Campaign and was awarded the Military Cross. In 1920 he joined the South African Division of Veterinary Services and was stationed as G.V.O. at Middelburg Cape until 23/6/1927 when he was transferred to Cape Town. He resigned this appointment on 30/9/1928 and went farming at Umtali (Rhodesia). His date of death is not known.

JARVIS, HARRY CLIFFORD (30/9/1961)

He obtained his MRCVS and came to South Africa because of bad asthma problems. In South Africa he did not practice, but farmed in the Mafeking district. He died at Isipingo on 30/9/1961 and is buried in the Stellawood (Durban) Cemetery. He had 2 daughters late in life who were raised in Natal. He suffered from ill health all his life.

JELBART, WILLIAM ARTHUR (4/7/1876 - 7/5/1934)

He qualified MRCVS (Edinburgh) on 22/5/1901 and served in South Africa for a period of two years with the Army Veterinary Department during the Boer War. He subsequently returned to South Africa for a second tour of duty from 16/5/1903 to 11/11/1903. He died at Dursley on 7/5/1934. During his career he also served in India as well as the following places:

01/09/1918 - 11/12/1919 : A. DVS Salonika
12/02/1919 - 07/10/1919 : A. DVS Black Sea
06/10/1914 - 25/11/1915 : Belgium and France
1903 - 1904 : Tibet

JOHNSTON, MAJOR SAMUEL IRVINE (26/3/1866 - 5/8/1929)

He was born at Augher, County Tyrone, Ireland on 26/3/1866. He
qualified MRCVS (Edinburgh) on 22/5/1895. He came to South Africa in 1901 as the last Civil Veterinarian to be employed by the A.V.D. and remained in the service of the A.V.D. until 3/10/1905 when he joined the Transvaal Government, C.V.D. as Government Veterinary Officer. In 1910 he was G.V.O. at Wakkerstroom. Besides his official duties he also played an active military role having served in the Southern Mounted Rifles (Transvaal) prior to the establishment of Union. After 1910 he served with the Transvaal Veterinary Corps. When the Active Citizen Force was created on 1/7/1913 he became Veterinary Officer to the 10th Mounted Rifles (Botha's Ruiters), but with the formation of the SAVC he transferred to that unit. He resigned his appointment as Government Veterinary Officer on 22/3/1918 and built up a Veterinary Vaccine Agency in Johannesburg. After his death on 5/8/1929, the agency was purchased by Major F C Gavin.

JOLLIFFE, CONYERS HERBERT HYLTON (16/4/1876 - 20/7/1951)

Born on 16/4/1876 he qualified MRCVS (London) on 13/12/1898 (FRCVS 15/5/1909). During the Boer War he saw service in South Africa from 5/6/1900 to 2/10/1902 and was present at the action of Laing's Nek (6-9/6/1900), Rietvlei (26-27/8/1900), Lydenburg (5-8/9/1900). After the war he returned to England and subsequently saw service in the RAVC in Egypt. He retired from the RAVC in 1913, but during World War I joined the remount commission in Canada up to the time of his death when he appears to have been the only Eton scholar to have entered the veterinary profession.

JONES, ALFRED ADRIAN (1844 - 24/1/1938)

He qualified MRCVS (London) on 25/4/1865 at the age of 21 years and with his regiment (7th Hussars) saw service in South Africa during 1881 and 1882. He had joined the British Army in 1867 and in 1868 saw service in Abassinia with the 3rd Dragoon Guards. His service in South Africa was with the 1st Dragoon Guards, however, he transferred to the Royal Artillery for service during the Nile Campaign in 1884. He retired in 1891 while serving with the 2nd Life Guards and became a sculptor. Works for which he is well known are:-

1. PEACE QUADRIGA (1891) sited on top of Decimus Burton's arch at the western end of Constitution Hill, London. At the time of its erection it was the largest piece of sculpture ever produced in England and weighs 38 tons. The figure of Peace is 14 feet high. The sculpting of this statue was undertaken under the patronage of the Prince of Wales (Edward VII).

2. DUNCAN'S HORSES (1892) inspired by Shakespeare's description in Macbeth viz.

"Duncan's horses - a thing most strange and certain - Beauteous and swift, the minions of their race. Turn'd wild in nature, broke their stalls, flung out, Contending 'gainst obedience, as they would Make war with mankind. 'Tis sais they eat each other."
Soon after this statue was exhibited an article appeared in "The Magazine of Art" suggesting that a well known sculptor was using a "ghost" (a talented artist who actually created a piece, but never put his name to it). This reaction Jones put down to jealousy. The statue was placed on show at the Crystal Palace. Somehow it managed to escape serious damage in the fire which destroyed the Palace in 1936. The sculpture was then offered to the Royal Veterinary College. Sufficient funds (£ 1 800 pounds) were however not available to effect repairs and to make a bronze cast and it was placed in storage. On 12/7/1967 the statue, protected by a glass fibre and polyester resin coating, was unveiled at the R.V.C., Hawkstead (London) by Field Marshall the Lord Harding. By 1979 R1 000 had been spent to keep the statue together. On 26/6/1985 a bronze case of the statue was unveiled by H.R.H. the Duke of Edinburgh.


4. THE CAVALRY MEMORIAL in Hyde Park.

He died on 24/1/1938 aged 94 years.

JONES, D T

As a veterinary graduate of Melbourne Veterinary College in 1901 he saw service in South Africa during the Boer War with the 4th Commonwealth Horse. He took part in the action at the siege of Elands River.

JONES, H LLEWELYN ( - 14/5/1968)

He qualified MRCVS (London) on 15/7/1903 and saw service in South Africa in the A.V.D./A.V.C. from 27/11/1907 to 27/1/1911. In the 1920's he was D.V.S. in Mozambique. He died on 14/5/1968.

JONES, ROBERT PERCY (12/7/1888 - 7/10/1959)

According to the Director of Veterinary Services report for 1911, R P Jones was then serving as a G.V.O. at Mquanduli. He was then earning 300 pounds per annum. It is recorded that he was later stationed as a G.V.O. at East London and Cape Town. Nothing more is known about him other than that he qualified MRCVS (Liverpool) on 19/7/1909 and that he had been a Captain in the SAVC during World War I. He died on 7/10/1959.

JONES, WILLIAMS BRYN-OWEN

All that is known about this man is that he qualified MRCVS (London) on 20/12/1907 and was a member of the Transvaal Veterinary Medical Association founded on 16/2/1903. It is also recorded that he was transferred from George to Worcester on 7/6/1928 and that he
was on leave from Bedford (Cape) as Government Veterinary Officer from 1/7/1942 to 19/12/1942. He retired from the Division of Veterinary Services in 1943 after 31 years service. After his retirement he established a practice in Cradock (Cape).

JOUBERT, P G (8/1/1922 - 6/1/1971)

"Smiler" was born on 8/1/1922 at Smithfield and qualified BVSc at Onderstepoort in December 1944. He joined the State Service after qualifying and was stationed at Vryheid, Dundee and Barberton. In 1955 he resigned from the service and went farming at Dundee. He was subsequently elected to the Management Committee of the Wool Growers Association of the Natal Agricultural Union. He died on 6/1/1971.

JOWETT, WALTER ( - 18/3/1945)

He qualified MRCVS (New Edinburgh) on 18/3/1898 and at the same time was awarded the Fitzwygram 1st Prize as the best veterinary student in the British Isles for that year. He came to South Africa during the Boer War as a Civil Veterinarian attached to the A.V.D. After the cessation of hostilities he remained in South Africa, but his whereabouts are not always clear to trace.

In 1905 he was awarded the FRCVS for his thesis "Tubercular Mastitis". From 13/10/1906 to 1911 he served as a G.V.O. with the Cape Colony and subsequently the Union of South Africa Veterinary Department, being stationed at Cape Town during 1908. He resigned after the establishment of Union. In May 1914 he was appointed Superintendent of slaughter houses by the Municipality of Cape Town, but on 31/8/1915 resigned from this post in favour of a full time commission with the South African Defence Force. He served as Officer in Charge of the SAVC in the East African Campaign during World War I, transferring to the RAVC at the end of the war. He died on 18/3/1945. In Cape Town in 1910/11 he was earning 350 pounds per annum.

JOYCE, MAJOR JOHN FITZGERALD (16/5/1877 - 30/8/1926)

He was born in Ireland on 16/5/1877 and qualified MRCVS (Edinburgh) on 21/12/1899. He served as a Civil Veterinarian with Driscoll's Scouts during the Boer War, when in 1900 he brought 1 000 mules to South Africa from Spain. From 19/7/1901 to 1/7/1906 he served as Veterinary Officer to the S.A. Constabulary. Thereafter he saw service in East Africa and returned to South Africa in 1909. On 25/2/1909 he joined the C.V.D. of the Orange Free State. During World War I he saw active service in the SAVC. After World War I he returned to his post as G.V.O. with the Department of Agriculture. He died while in service at Kroonstad on 30/8/1926. He sent his good wishes to the inaugural meeting of the Transvaal Veterinary. Medical Association held at Long's Hotel, Johannesburg on 16/2/1903.
KASCHULA, VICTOR RALPH ( - 17/2/1979)

He qualified BVSc at the Veterinary Faculty, Onderstepoort in December 1941. He thereafter served as a State Veterinarian at various places in South Africa and as a poultry expert employed by F.A.O. in various places of the world. Further details on his life are not available to the author. He died in Johannesburg on 17/2/1979. He was appointed State Veterinarian, Dundee on 9/9/1942 and transferred from Ixopo to Allerton in 1943.

KEARNEY, PATRICK JOSEPH XAVIER ( - 22/10/1943)

He qualified MRCVS (Dublin) on 16/7/1904 and it is not known when he came to South Africa. On 1/3/1905 he joined the Cape of Good Hope Civil Veterinary Department and in 1908 he was serving as a G.V.O. in Umtata. He died on 22/10/1943. A P J X Kearney worked at Allerton Laboratory prior to 1900 and soon after the relief of Ladysmith was sent there to replace H H Potter, QMS to the Natal Volunteer Veterinary Corps. It is the writer's belief that he returned to England shortly afterwards to commence studies as a Veterinary Surgeon. It is also recorded that a Patrick James Xeres Kearney served as a trooper in the Cape Mounted Riflemen (CMR) Regiment from 1893 to 1896. Could this also be the same man? In 1910/11 he was stationed at Elliotdale earning 350 pounds p.a. He resigned from Government Service after the establishment of Union.

KEHOE, PROFESSOR DANIEL (1888 - 6/5/1928)

Born in Ireland in 1888, Professor Kehoe qualified MRCVS at Balls Bridge College (Dublin) on 12 October 1909. In September 1910 he came to South Africa as a Research Officer appointed by Sir Arnold Theiler. His service in South Africa is not clear, but it is known that he, Sir Arnold and W H Andrews entertained a group of District Veterinarians when they visited Onderstepoort in 1910. It is also recorded that he was in charge of the Allerton Laboratory from July 1916 to July 1917. On 30/9/1918 he was appointed Professor of Pathology, Histology and Bacteriology at Dublin University and died there on 6/5/1928.

KELLAND, SIR PERCY JOHN LUXTON K.B. ( - 24/9/1958)

He qualified MRCVS (London) on 17/12/1901. During the Boer War he saw service in South Africa for an unknown period of time as a Civil Veterinary Surgeon attached to the A.V.D. After the war he returned to England where he was knighted (K.B.) in 1937. He died on 24/9/1958.
KELLETT, EDWARD BROMLEY ( - 5/9/1932)

He qualified MRCVS (New Edinburgh) on 30/5/1889 and came to South Africa as a Civil Veterinarian attached to the Army Veterinary Department during the Boer War. From 25/6/1901 to 10/10/1901 he was a Lieutenant in the South African Constabulary and in November 1902 was appointed to the part time post of Veterinarian to the Transvaal Town Police. In 1906 he took Frank Gregory's place as Veterinary Officer to the Scottish Horse Regiment as a result of the latter's death.

Subsequently he entered practice with E A Hollingham at the Old Goldfields Stables, later Locarno House, Johannesburg. He took ill at the end of August 1932 and died of pneumonia on 5/9/1932. He was a member of the Transvaal Veterinary Medical Association founded on 16/2/1903 and attended the inaugural meeting held at Long's Hotel, Johannesburg. During World War I he served as a Captain in the SAVC.

KELLY, EDWARD HARVEY ( - 1941)

He qualified MRCVS (London) on 6/7/1880 and saw service with the Army Veterinary Department in South Africa from 2/1/1896 to 1/4/1898. In 1896 he was stationed at Eshowe. After service he returned to England. He died in 1914.

KENNY, HENRY BRISCOE (1870 - 9/7/1906)

He qualified MRCVS (Edinburgh) in December 1890 and served in South Africa during the Boer War as a Civil Veterinarian attached to the Army Veterinary Department. After the war he returned to England. He died on 9/7/1906 aged 36 as a result of suicide.

KEPPEL, MAJOR JOHN JOSEPH GUINEY O.B.E. (1884 - 1/10/1959)

Major Keppel was born in County Cork, Ireland in 1884 and qualified MRCVS at Dublin Veterinary College on 14/12/1911. During the period 1905 to 1912 he played rugby for Ireland.

He emigrated to South Africa in 1912 and joined the Division of Veterinary Field Services of the Department of Agriculture. During his service in this Division he was stationed as Government Veterinary Officer in the Transkei, Potchefstroom, De Aar (from 1/7/1927), Barberton, Ermelo (5/11/1927), Middelburg (Transvaal), Piet Retief, Dundee and Worcester (to 8/10/1931), as Sub-Director of Veterinary Services at Bloemfontein (on 8/4/1932 following Garraway's retirement in September 1931) and Cape Town. He retired as Sub-Director in Cape Town in 1944 and was succeeded by V Cooper.

During World War I he saw active service as a Major with the RAVC and the 12th Lancers. For his service he was awarded the O.B.E. and was mentioned in dispatches 4 times. After his retirement he purchased the farm Spier, Lynedoch in Stellenbosch. He died in Cape Town on 1/10/1959.
KIDD, WILLIAM ( – 29/10/1901)
He qualified MRCVS (New Edinburgh) in 1888 and during the Boer War saw service in South Africa for an unknown period of time as a Civil Veterinarian attached to the Army Veterinary Department. He died in South Africa on 29/10/1901 and is buried in the Wynberg, Cape (Wetton Road) Cemetery. He and R Armstrong are buried in a common grave with 28 others.

KILICK, THOMAS ALEXANDER (1853 – 24/6/1906)
Born in 1853 he qualified MRCVS (Edinburgh) in 1878. In 1879 he saw service with his regiment in Natal in the Zulu War being attached to General Crealock's coastal column (with M F Healy). He subsequently published papers on Horsesickness (Vet Journal Vols XI and XII). He originally arrived in Natal aboard the "City of Venice" with the reinforcement column. He died on 24/6/1906 at Shorncliffe.

KILPATRIC, THOMAS JAMES
All that is known about him is that he qualified MRCVS (Glasgow) in 1934 and for a time was registered in South Africa.

KILPATRICK, TROY T
He qualified MRCVS (Glasgow) on 20/12/1901. During the Boer War he saw service in South Africa for an unknown period of time as a Civil Veterinarian attached to the Army Veterinary Department. After the war he returned to England. His name was removed from the RCVS Register for drunkenness and begging on 1/1/1940.

KIND, GERHARD GOTTFRIED (19/7/1893 – 18/7/1942)
Kind was born on 19/7/1893 in Schwanden, Glarus, Switzerland and qualified as a Veterinarian in Zurich. He came to South Africa in 1919 and served at Onderstepoort until he resigned in 1922 to take up private practice in Pretoria. During his service at Onderstepoort he concentrated on the manufacture of an Anthrax Spore Vaccine. From Pretoria he moved his practice to Johannesburg and died at Craighall on 18/7/1942.

KINGSLEY, J ( – 1867)
After qualifying MRCVS (London) in July 1838, he was appointed as Veterinary Officer to the Cape Mounted Riflemen in 1840 and was the first veterinarian to come to the Cape after the departure of J Schroder in 1817 (a break of 23 years). He remained at the Cape as Army Veterinarian until 1860. In 1846 he was joined by
B C R Gardiner. He is reported to have died in 1867. He recorded that in 1854 a bull infected with Lungsickness was landed at Mossel Bay from Holland and before March 1856, 100 000 local cattle had died from the disease.

On 28/2/1856 he wrote a letter to the Military Secretary in which he recorded that in 16 years with his regiment he had never seen a single case of the early stages of Horsesickness. He may have died in 1867.

KIRBY, HAROLD D.S.O. (1879 - 6/1/1931)

He qualified MRCVS (New Edinburgh) on 21/5/1902 and saw service in South Africa as a C.V.S. in the A.V.D./A.V.C. from 11/5/1904 to 19/12/1909. He died on 6/1/1931 at Naini Tal, India from pneumonia. During World War I he saw service in France, Belgium and Mesopotamia and was awarded the D.S.O.

KIRKPATRICK, ANDREW CLEMENTS (   – 2/4/1961)

He qualified MRCVS at Dublin Veterinary College on 19/7/1910 and was in the employ of the Division of Veterinary Services of the Union of South Africa from 1910 to 1920. He then took up the post of Assistant Director of the Johannesburg Municipal Abattoir in 1921. In February 1948 he was promoted to the post of Director of the abattoir. During the period 1947 to 1960 he was official veterinarian to four racing clubs in the Transvaal. He died in Boksburg on 2/4/1961. During his lifetime he was an active founder member of the South African Veterinary Medical Association. From 1921 to 1930 he served as its secretary. From 1934 to 1948 he was an elected council member and in 1949 he was made Hon. Life Vice-President.

KLUGE, ERNEST BRUNO (9/10/1912 – 7/9/1986)

Born Uitenhage on 9/10/1912 he obtained his BVSc degree at the Faculty of Veterinary Science, Onderstepoort in December 1937. For many years he was stationed in Zululand and played a major role in the eradication of Glossina palidipes which was the main transmitter of Nagana in the area. In 1961 he was appointed to the post of Sub-Director in the Division of Veterinary Services. He subsequently retired from the service and died in Pretoria on 7/9/1986.

KNAPP

All that is known of this veterinarian is that he served as a Captain (V) with Thornycroft's Mounted Infantry during the Boer War.
KNAPMAN, T. L

He served as a Veterinary Lieutenant in the Salisbury Field Force during the Matabele Rebellion of 1896. A subsequent search of the RCVS register failed to reveal his name.

KNIGHT, LUKE P (- 1945)

He qualified MRCVS (Edinburgh) on 21/12/1892 and during the Boer War saw service in South Africa for an unknown period of time as a Civil Veterinarian attached to the Army Veterinary Department. After the war he returned to England. He died in 1945.

KNOTT, GEORGE PATRICK O.B.E. (- 28/2/1954)

He qualified MRCVS (London) on 13/12/1898 and saw service with the Army Veterinary Department in South Africa from 13/4/1901 to 19/12/1907. In 1905 he was in charge of number 10 section of the A.V.D. at Standerton and Pietermaritzburg. After service he returned to England. He first served as a Civil Veterinarian before transferring permanently to the A.V.D. He died on 28/2/1954.


Kronsbein was born in South West Africa and while a small boy on holiday with his family in Germany, the first World War broke out and they had to remain there until the cessation of hostilities. In 1921 he and his family returned to South West Africa. In 1932 - 1933 he studied Veterinary Science at the Veterinary Faculty, Onderstepoort, but thereafter received a bursary to complete his studies at Leipzig from 1934 - 1936. In 1937 he returned to South West Africa and was not appointed to the Veterinary Division until 1938. During World War II he was interned. In 1948 he was reappointed to the Veterinary Division and from then on until 1957 served as State Veterinarian at Calvinia. In 1958 he was transferred to South West Africa and served until 1962 at Gobabis. From 1962 until on 16/8/1974 he was State Veterinarian, Windhoek and lecturer in Veterinary Science at the Neudamm College of Agriculture.

KROPIWINICKI, MIECZYSLAW JAN DE SAS (24/2/1912 - 15/8/1971)

"de Sas" was born in Nizniow, Poland on 24/1/1912 and graduated as a veterinarian in Poland. As his qualification was not recognised in the U.K. he took his MRCVS in Glasgow.

In 1944 he came to South Africa and practiced in the Transvaal. Subsequently he moved to Tweespruit, Ladybrand and Barkley East where he practiced from 1952 to 1966. From 1966 to 1969 he served as Government Veterinary Officer on contract to the Botswana Government and was stationed at Machaneng on the Tuli Block. While
in Botswana he suffered a stroke and had to retire. He died on 15/8/1971. In 1958 at Barkley East he performed the second successful caesarian on a brood mare in the world. This fact was confirmed by the Veterinary Record (Vol. 70 number 27).


Born at Kuruman on 2/8/1946 he obtained a BVSc degree at the Veterinary Faculty, Onderstepoort at the end of 1967. Thereafter he joined the State Service for 2 years, but left to practice first in Heilbron and then in Bethlehem, O.F.S. In 1981 he rejoined the State Service and for 4 years he was stationed at Irene where he was attached to the animal and dairy science research unit. Thereafter he served as State Veterinarian, Pretoria until he transferred to the office of the Director of Animal Health in 1988. He died on 2/10/1989 while swimming from south to north across the mouth at Kosi Bay. His body was recovered and a post mortem examination revealed that he had drowned. At the time (17h15) it was spring high tide and he had to swim a distance of 1 km through very rough water.

LA GRANGE, ANDRIES BENJAMIN (17/6/1922 - 10/8/1981)

Born on 17/6/1922 in the district of Ladismith (Cape), he first studied physical education before qualifying as a veterinarian at the Veterinary Faculty, Onderstepoort in December 1948. After qualifying he practiced in Pretoria with C F B Hofmeyr and C L Craig until 1954 when he joined the Transvaal A.I. Co-operative as its General Manager. In 1978 he became the General Manager of the Taurus Co-operative which represented the combination of all the A.I. Co-operatives in South Africa. During his lifetime he held among others, the following offices:-

1. Member of the Brahman breeders society
2. Member of the Clarolais breeders society
3. Member of the Friesland breeders society
4. Member of the Executive Committee of the S.A. Pedigree Society
5. Member of the Minister of Agriculture's Advisory Committee on Animal Production.

He received the following awards:-

1. SAVA Medal for Meritorius Service, 1976

He died on 10/8/1981 in Pretoria.

LAKE, BRUCE LANCELOT D.S.O., O.B.E. (23/5/1952)

He qualified MRCVS (London) on 13/12/1899 and saw service with the Army Veterinary Department in South Africa from 13/4/1901 to 21/9/1902. After service he returned to England. He completed a
second tour of duty in South Africa from 21/9/1907 to 24/8/1912. From 1930 - 1941 he was Chief Veterinary Officer to the RSPCA in the U.K. From then until his death he was in charge of the Fulham Clinic of that organisation. He died at Cornborough, Abbotsham, N. Devon on 23/5/1932.

LALOR, ALFRED D

He qualified MRCVS (London) on 15/5/1890. During the Boer War he saw service in South Africa for an unknown period of time as a Civil Veterinarian attached to the Army Veterinary Department. After the war he returned to England.

LAMBERT, JAMES DRUMMOND (1835 - 3/3/1905)

Born in 1835 he qualified MRCVS (Edinburgh) in 1855 and as Veterinary Officer to the 17th Lancers regiment came to Natal in 1879. He was wounded at the battle of Ulundi that same year. He also completed a second tour of duty in Natal with the Army Veterinary Department in Natal from March 1881 to 1882. For a period of 10 months during his first period of duty he served as Principal Veterinary Surgeon (P.V.S.) to the A.V.D. in succession to S Longhurst. During 1880 the A.V.D/A.V.C. had no representatives in South Africa, but by the time his second tour of duty commenced in Natal in 1881 he had 7 veterinarians serving under him viz. F Duck, J Reilly, G Durrant, W D Sartin, W Pallin, C Rutherford and T Caldecott.

On 22/7/1881 (GN 315 of 1881) he published a paper on Glanders and Farcy for general information. On 1/11/1881 (GN 448 of 1881) he published a further paper on "Horsesickness or Anthrax" in South Africa. In this article he stated that "Horsesickness is Anthrax". Like Duncan Hutcheon, S Wiltshire and others he considered the two conditions to be one single disease. He returned to England in 1882 and was succeeded by F Duck and P.V.S. of the A.V.D. in South Africa. On 28/6/1890, he was appointed P.V.S. of the A.V.C. in England in succession to Flemming, although he should have retired the day before Flemming. However, some scandal caused Flemming's retirement instead.

J D Lambert continued to serve as Director General, A.V.C. until June 1897 when he retired and was succeeded by F Duck who had also succeeded him as P.V.S. (Natal) in 1882. (The title of the post was changed in 1981 from P.V.S. to Director General). He died on 3/3/1905. Lambert took part not only in the Zulu War of 1879, but also in the Transvaal Campaign of 1881/82. He was appointed Companion of the Bath in 1891.

LAMBERT, T L

He served as a veterinarian in South Africa at the end of the 19th century. Nothing else is known about him.
LANE, ARTHUR HENRY (1866 - 16/6/1936)

He qualified MRCVS (London) on 13/12/1892 and came to South Africa (Cape Colony) as a regular officer in the A.V.D. on 16/4/1897. In 1898 (Cape Agric J1 April - 1898) Duncan Hutcheon published an article written by him on "Osteoporosis in horses in the Wynberg Military Camp in 1898". During 1900 as Senior Veterinary Officer to the 8th Division he found many ill horses abandoned by General French at Edinburg. To reduce the wastage he collected these horses with a mobile veterinary detachment and so commenced the idea of the mobile veterinary section of the army which eventually became officially established in 1913. The Mafeking Mail of 15 October 1901, records that he inspected all the cattle in the Mafeking area following a report from Bulawayo that a consignment of Mafeking cattle that had arrived there by train, was infected with Rinderpest. No Rinderpest was found and the authorities in Bulawayo admitted that they had made a misdiagnosis. He returned to England on 27/6/1903. His name was removed from the RCVS register at his own request in 1921. He attended the inaugural meeting of the Transvaal Veterinary Medical Association held at Long's Hotel, Johannesburg on 16/2/1903. He died on 16/6/1936 aged 70 years.


Before qualifying as a veterinarian he served as a trooper in Methuen's Horse and took part in the Warren Expedition 1884 - 1885 (with J B A Hare). He subsequently obtained his MRCVS (London) on 5/7/1887. Besides being a member of the Warren Expedition, his presence in South Africa is recorded in 1897 (he sailed on board the SS Dilwara for Cape Town on 13/5/1897) and for the period 1/11/1899 to 4/3/1901 as a regular A.V.D. officer with the 2nd Brigade Royal Artillery, 7, 63 and 64 Batteries Royal field artillery and 7 Field Company Royal Engineers. He died on 8/4/1941. His wife Mary, died at Paignton, Devon on 1/11/1936. At the time of his death he was 77 years old.

LAWRIE, ALEX STEWART ( - 8/7/1968)

He qualified MRCVS (New Edinburgh) on 22/12/1897 and saw service as a regular A.V.D. Officer with the Army Veterinary Department in South Africa during the Boer War. After the war he returned to England. He died on 8/7/1968.

LAWSON, EDMUND J ( - 1928)

He qualified MRCVS (New Edinburgh) on 20/4/1885 and during the Boer War saw service as a regular Army Veterinary Department Officer in South Africa with "G" Battery of the R.H.A. at Modder River and with the Mounted Infantry. After service he returned to England. He died in 1928.
LEANING, AUGUSTINE D.S.O.

He qualified MRCVS (London) on 21/5/1901 and served in South Africa for an unknown period of time with the Army Veterinary Department during the Boer War. He subsequently returned to South Africa for a second tour of duty from 16/5/1903 to 8/7/1904. He spent a 3rd tour of duty in South Africa from 21/2/1905 to 22/1/1908.

LECKIE, VICTOR C. D.S.O.

He qualified MRCVS (London) on 20/7/1906 and saw service in South Africa in the A.V.D./A.V.C. from 27/11/1907 to 17/12/1912.

LEE, COLONEL GEORGE WILLIAM D.S.O. (25/9/1872 - 1943)

Colonel Lee was born in England on 25/9/1872 and qualified MRCVS at the Royal (Dick) Veterinary College, Edinburgh on 20/12/1893. He first came to South Africa as a member of the 2nd English Rugby Touring team in 1896 and thereafter took part in the Mashona rebellion (1896) and the control of Rinderpest at the Victoria compound, Kimberley in 1897 under Robert Koch. Together with C E Gray, A Neill and Osborne and under an appointment by the Charter Company he proceeded to Salisbury to combat Rinderpest in Rhodesia. In 1898 he joined the Southern Rhodesian Volunteers and at the outbreak of the Boer War served as a Veterinary Officer with the Rhodesian Field Force under General Carrington. In 1901 he undertook civil duties and it was he who inspected the 1 000 Australian cattle on board ship in Beira which are believed to have brought East Coast Fever to Southern Rhodesia. For the remainder of the Boer War he saw active service as a member of Kitchener's Fighting Scouts under Colonel Colenbrander. In this force he served with W C Lowe. He left Rhodesia in 1902 and took up an appointment first with the Transvaal Repatriation department and later (30/9/1903) with the Civil Veterinary Division of the Transvaal Government. For 6 months during 1904 to 1905 he was on special duty in the Bechuanaland Protectorate combatting the introduction of East Coast Fever into that country (this was prior to W H Chase's appointment in 1905). At the outbreak of World War I he proceeded on active service with the S.A.V.C. in the South West Africa Campaign and was awarded the D.S.O. In 1915 he was appointed as the first Civil Director of Agriculture in that country and served in this position until he resigned in 1920 and was replaced as officer in charge of Agriculture and Veterinary Services by Major A Goodall. After his retirement he went farming. He is reported to have died in 1943 at the age of 71 years.

LEITCH, JOHN BLACK

As a veterinary graduate of Melbourne Veterinary College in 1891, he saw service in South Africa during the Boer War with the 4th Imperial Contingent and 3rd Commonwealth Horse Regiment. He took part in the action at the siege of Elands River.

Born on a farm in the Swellendam district on 5/4/1926, he obtained his BVSc degree at the Veterinary Faculty Onderstepoort at the end of 1948. In his final year he was awarded the Clinical Medal. In 1949 he was appointed to the department of Pathology at Onderstepoort, with the resignation of Prof. Cecil Jackson in 1955, he was appointed Senior Lecturer in Anatomy. In 1957 his part-time lecturing post became full-time and on the retirement of Prof. H P A de Boom in 1974 he became Professor and head of the department of Anatomy. In 1982 he became Dean of the Faculty in succession to Prof. Hofmeyer, which post he held until his retirement at the age of 60 on 5 April 1986.

In 1959 he was awarded a Dr Med Vet degree (Hannover). At this university he was guest lecturer during 1970-71 and guest professor from December 1976 to January 1977. He died at Montagu (Cape) on 11/3/1991 from lung cancer.

LE ROUX, PHILLIPUS LODEWICUS (7/11/1897 - 11/5/1962)

Born on his family's farm Pokkraal in the Worcester district on 7/11/1897 he qualified BSc at the University of Edinburgh and MRCVS at the Royal (Dick) Veterinary College in July 1923.

After qualifying he undertook a year's post graduate study in Helminthology at Edinburgh and then was posted as a Government Veterinary officer to Allerton Laboratory, Ermelo and later the Helminthology section at Onderstepoort. In 1932 he left South Africa and was appointed Veterinary Research Officer in the Northern Rhodesia Government Service.

However, ill health forced him to retire from the N. Rhodesian service in 1946 when he joined the staff of the London School of Hygiene and Tropical Medicine where he was appointed as Senior Lecturer in Helminthology. In 1957 he became Reader in Medical Parasitology in which post he remained until he died on 11/5/1962. He was buried at Bury Saint Edmonds, Suffolk. He appears to have had a brilliant but complex personality. He was a brilliant Parasitologist, lectured well, was easily angered and had a rasping laugh.

In 1924 he married Dr Margaret Bowie whom he divorced in 1932 and who bore him 3 daughters. Later he married Miss Ella Clarke in Zambia. They had two daughters.

LEVETT, WILLIAM

He qualified MRCVS (London) in November 1797 and it is recorded that he came to the Cape as a veterinarian to the 21st Light Dragoons which took part in the battle of Blouberg on 6 - 8 January 1806. He remained at the Cape with his regiment from 1806 to 1812. He took part in the 4th Border War and was succeeded by J Schroder who served from 1813 to 1817.
LEYSHOW, HERBERT  (February 1901)

He qualified MRCVS (Edinburgh) in December 1898. During the Boer War he saw service in South Africa for an unknown period of time as a Civil Veterinarian. After the war he returned to England.

LINDSAY, FRANCIS  (6/1/1926)

He qualified MRCVS (London) on 16/5/1895 and came to South Africa during the Boer War as a Civil Veterinarian attached to the A.V.D. After the cessation of hostilities he remained in South Africa in the employ of the Transvaal Veterinary Department (as from 14/10/1903). In 1910 he was District Veterinarian at Middelburg (Transvaal). He died on 6/1/1926.

LOCKWOOD, J H  (1869 - 4/2/1929)

He qualified MRCVS (London) on 18/12/1891 and served in South Africa during the Boer War as a C.V.S. in the Army Veterinary Department. He died on 4/2/1929 aged 60 years.

LOEL, B B

As a veterinary graduate of Melbourne Veterinary College in 1901 he saw service in South Africa during the Boer War with the 2nd Commonwealth Horse Regiment. He took part in the action at the siege of Elands River.

LONGHURST, SEAWARD  (28/10/1925)

He qualified MRCVS (London) on 31/3/1873 and with his regiment, the 1st Dragoon Guards, saw service in Natal from 1879 to 1880. In his book entitled Lord Chelmsford and the Zulu War (John Lane The Bodley Head 1939), Major General French D.S.O. records the following sequence of incidents involving veterinarian S Longhurst of the K.D.G's (kings Dragoon Guards).

On 21 May 1879 when the British columns revisited the battle ground of Isandhlawana for the first time after the massacre on the 22nd of January, a report was made to Miss Francis Colenso (daughter of Bishop Colenso) by Longhurst that he had seen Mr Theophilus Shepstone (son of Sir Theophilus) remove objects as well as correspondence from the dead body of Colonel Durnford. This action on the part of Shepstone smacked of concealment. At the time it was common knowledge that Miss Colenso was in love with Colonel Durnford and as he could be blamed for the unnecessary loss of life at Isandhlawana she felt that the correspondence removed from his body by Shepstone may have contained written orders which rendered Durnford blameless, and Lord Chelmsford blameworthy.
Subsequent enquiries proved that Shepstone had found no papers on Durnford's body (as it was coatless), but that his portmanteau had been handed to Miss Colenso unopened. Amongst the papers in this portmanteau was a despatch from Lord Chelmsford placing Durnford in sole command of the troops and therefore it could be assumed that he had been responsible for the massacre. It is possible therefore that Longhurst was guilty of making a false statement and that Miss Colenso in her turn was guilty of concealment.

In 1880 Longhurst succeeded T P Gudgin as P.V.S. of the Army Veterinary Department for a few months and in turn was succeeded by J D Lambert. He died on 28/10/1925 at Ash.

LOUGHLIN, JOHN ( - 2/11/1900)

He qualified MRCVS (Edinburgh) in 1886 and as a regular A.V.D. officer saw service with the Army Veterinary Department in South Africa with the 1st Life Guards from 23/10/1899 to 2/11/1900. He died of Hepatitis on 2/11/1900 at Wynberg, Cape and is buried in the Wynberg (Wetton Road) Cemetery (Catholic Allotment). He was succeeded by J A Meredith. In August 1935 his gravestone was repaired by the Cape Soldiers Graves Association.

LOUW, ADRIAAN JACOBUS (21/3/1919 - 1/8/1990)

Born on 21/3/1919 in Darling, Cape, A J attended Worcester Boys High School where he matriculated in 1937. He obtained his BVSc degree at Onderstepoort at the end of 1942. After qualifying he served as a State Veterinarian at the following places:

Ixopo 1943 - 1945; Potgietersrus 1945 - 1946; Nongoma 1946 - 1947; Greytown 1947 - 1951

Thereafter he undertook public health duties at the following Municipalities:

Bloemfontein 1951 - 1959; Durban 1959 - 1969; Cape Town 1969 - 1984

In Cape Town he was in charge of Milk Control from 1969 to 1972. Thereafter he was Assistant Director at the Municipal Abattoir from 1972 to 1977. From 1977 until his retirement in 1984 he was Director of the Maitland Abattoir. He died on 1/8/1990.

LOUW, JACOBUS

He qualified BVSc at the Veterinary Faculty, Onderstepoort in December 1945. No other information is available to the author about his life.
LOUW, THOMAS ARNOLDUS THERON (16/3/1920 - 17/6/1978)

Born at Fouriesburg on 16/3/1920 he attended school in his home town and obtained his BVSc degree at the Veterinary Faculty at Onderstepoort in 1943. After qualifying as a veterinarian he practiced privately in Pretoria as Assistant to Dr C F B Hofmeyr until he joined the Division of Veterinary Services on 1/4/1949. He was subsequently stationed as Government Veterinary Officer at Vryheid, Dundee, Port Shepstone and Estcourt. On 1/9/1956 he transferred to Kroonstad from where he was promoted to Assistant Director in charge of the O.F.S. on 1/9/1965 with headquarters at Bloemfontein. He died while in the service on 17/6/1978.

LOWE, WILLIAM CECIL O.B.E. ( - 31/8/1935)

He qualified MRCVS (London) on 17/12/1896 and the same year came to South Africa to work for the C.V.D. in the control of Rinderpest. During the Boer War he saw active service from 1899 to 3/7/1902 as Veterinary Officer with the left wing of Kitchener’s Fighting Scouts under Colonel Colenbrander (G W Lee was Veterinary officer to the right wing). He died on 31/8/1935. In 1907 he was awarded the FRCVS for his thesis entitled “Rinderpest”. In South Africa he took part in the following operations:

1. Natal 1899 - June 1900 and December 1900 - May 1901: Relief of Ladysmith.
2. Cape Colony: December 1900
3. Transvaal: November and December 1900
4. Orange River Colony: May 1901

He also served in the RAVC throughout World War I.

LUDGATE, WILLIAM D.S.O. ( - 6/5/1927)

He qualified MRCVS (Edinburgh) on 21/12/1900 and served in South Africa for an unknown period of time with the A.V.D. during the Boer War. He subsequently returned to South Africa for a second tour of duty from 16/5/1903 to 21/12/1903. He died at Ayr on 6/5/1927.

LUND, ARTHUR EDWARD (21/2/1903 - 5/11/1940)

He was born on 21/2/1903 and qualified BVSc at the Veterinary Faculty, Onderstepoort in 1925. On 17/2/1926 he joined the Division of Veterinary Services and served as Government Veterinary Officer at the following places, viz. Durban (from 17/2/1926), Cape Town, Porterville Road and Potchefstroom (from 4/6/1927). In 1928 he married Miss Babs Thompson. From 1928 to 1933 he was stationed at Pietersburg. In 1936 he was promoted to the post of Senior Veterinary Officer Transvaal and in 1938 proceeded to Onderstepoort as lecturer in Animal Management. He died at Onderstepoort on 5/11/1940 and is buried on the family farm in the Winterton (Natal) district.
LUND, JAMES MACKINTOSH (1839 - 9/2/1939)

He qualified MRCVS (Edinburgh) on 30/5/1892. During the Boer War he saw service in South Africa for an unknown period of time as a Civil Veterinarian attached to the Army Veterinary Department. After the war he returned to England. He died on 9/2/1939 aged 71 years.

LYONS, JAMES HENRY LEMON (1868 - 19/7/1952)

He qualified MRCVS (London) on 17/7/1902 and came to South Africa on 4/10/1902 together with three other veterinarians (W H Chase, A Goodall and R Paine) to take up employment with the Cape Civil Veterinary Department. The same year he was stationed at Aliwal North where he produced Rinderpest serum. In 1908 he was Government Veterinary Officer at Grahamstown. After 1910 he transferred to East London. On 29/6/1932 he transferred from Kroonstad to Cape Town and was succeeded there by B J Brummer. He died on 19/7/1952.