

Mr. SKUBITZ. Have you had difficulty with your legislature getting money for your school of veterinary?

Dr. THORP. Well, it was started in 1947. We have been building at it piecemeal. We have come to kind of a gentlemen's agreement that about every other legislative session—they meet every 2 years in Minnesota—we are able to take a major step in our main teaching facilities.

Mr. SKUBITZ. I was shocked to learn that the school in Kansas is on probation. There is something wrong with our State legislature and I intend to find out what is going on in Kansas. We are quite proud of our school at Manhattan for years there, and I don't know what happened but our school has been placed on a probation basis.

Dr. THORP. I might point out that Dr. Pritchard is a graduate of Kansas.

Mr. SKUBITZ. Manhattan?

Dr. PRITCHARD. Yes.

If I may, I would like to comment on your question. A study was conducted about 3 years ago which indicated that in order to meet the needs for veterinarians until 1980, the enrollment at all of the present schools would have to be doubled and about six new schools created. So that is—

Mr. ROGERS. This gives us a general picture.

Dr. PRITCHARD (continuing). The scale of need.

Mr. ROGERS. I was interested in your comment, too, on the part that veterinary medicine plays in the life of our Nation. I have introduced a humane bill for laboratory animals which I hope your organization will get behind. I think it is essential for us to do that because if you have well animals, your research is going to come out better and save millions of dollars there alone. So I would hope that you would look over this legislation perhaps and give us some comments.

Dr. THORP. I might comment in that connection, the National Academy of Sciences has pointed out there are about 2,000 biomedical research laboratories in the country and we also point out that there are only 106 veterinarians that have been certified in laboratory animal medicine. This is one of the areas where there is an expanding horizon for the need for veterinarians.

Mr. ROGERS. Thank you very much.

Our last witness today is the president of the Association of University Programs in Hospital Administration, John D. Thompson. He is the president of the Department of Epidemiology and Public Health at the School of Medicine, Yale University.

**STATEMENT OF JOHN D. THOMPSON, PRESIDENT, ASSOCIATION OF UNIVERSITY PROGRAMS IN HOSPITAL ADMINISTRATION; ACCOMPANIED BY GARY FILERMAN, EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR**

Mr. ROGERS. It is a pleasure to have you with the committee today.

Mr. THOMPSON. Mr. Chairman, I have a not too lengthy statement, which I will ask to read into the record. I will try to be brief and as concise as possible.

Mr. ROGERS. Thank you. This will be helpful.