## AAAP COMMITTEE on NOMENCLATURE AND DISEASE REPORTING

## Annual Report 1968-69

- A Recommended Interim List of Poultry Disease for Reporting Purposes is attached. It was compiled by Drs. L. D. Schwartz and R. F. Gentry utilizing existent reports of three regional poultry disease associations and suggestions from numerous sources. It is anticipated that with continued revision and the cooperation of poultry pathologists, diagnostic laboratories, and research workers, it may become the groundwork for a National poultry disease report. YOUR PARTICIPATION IS REQUESTED: SEND COMMENTS AND SUGGESTIONS ABOUT THE LIST TO A COMMITTEE MEMBER IN YOUR AREA. Addresses are listed.
- 2) It is recommended that the Committee on Nomenclature and Disease Reporting be enlarged to include up to three representatives from each regional poultry disease association. The committee will revise the Recommended Interim List after it has been distributed and all members of the AAAP have had opportunity to comment. AGAIN! YOUR PARTICIPATION IS REQUESTED.
- 3) The 1969-70 committee is urged to seek means of assemblying together for an extended period in order to collate suggestions from the AAAP membership, make judgements where necessary, and recommend preferable usage.
- 4) It is recommended that definitions be compiled to accompany the Poultry Disease List for Reporting Purposes. These definitions would briefly establish criteria for reporting purposes for: naming conditions, and differentiating one condition from another.
- 5) It is recommended that the AAAP seek representation on the AVMA Commission on Nomenclature.
- 6) The participation of committee members from the Western Area is appreciated. It is hoped that a disease report will be developed by that conference.
- 7) Appreciation is extended to Dr. Pomeroy for assuming responsibility for the North-Central Poultry Disease Report and for producing a 1968 summary. Dr. John R. McDowell is recognized for his comparative studies of the three regional reporting systems.
- 8) Some questions discussed by the 1968-69 committee, but which remain essentially unresolved, are:
  - a) How can frequency of diagnosis be related to population at risk on poultry disease reports?

- b) How can primary and secondary conditions be differentiated on disease reports? Is there a need for differentiation?
- c) How can repeat submissions of the same case be identified? How should they be counted?
- d) Should there be better differentiation between definite and presumptive diagnoses? Should greater use of "undetermined" as a diagnostic category be encouraged?

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