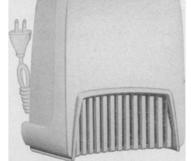
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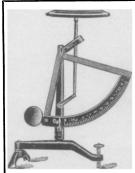
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VETERINARY MEDICINE

#### Virus Similar to Flu Found in Sick Cattle

A VIRUS similar to those causing human mumps and influenza has been found in cattle showing symptoms of a respiratory infection known as shipping fever.

Study of its transmission may provide a valuable model for the transmission of viral respiratory diseases in man.

Isolation of the virus, known as myxovirus parainfluenza 3, gives further evidence that viruses may be an important cause of shipping fever in cattle.

This disease is so called because it occurs often in cattle that have been shipped long distances and subjected to greater than normal stress.

The virus was isolated from the nasal secretions and diseased lungs of 15 calves and older cattle from 1957 through 1959.

The findings are reported in the American Journal of Hygiene, Jan., 1960. Drs. F. R. Abinanti and R. J. Huebner, National Institutes of Health, Bethesda, Md., Drs. R. J. Byrne, L. J. Poelma and F. R. Lucas of the University of Maryland, department of veterinary science, and Dr. R. L. Watson, U.S. Public Health Service's Communicable Disease Center, Atlanta, Ga., co-authored the report.

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## Do You Know

States in which at least 60% of the population lives in rural areas increased their proportion of doctors from 82 per 100,000 people in 1950 to 84 per 100,000 in 1958.

At the end of 1958, the world's population of children less than 15 years of age was 1,065,000,000.

About one in every 100 school-age children has had rheumatic fever.

Irrigation needs alone require about half the fresh water used in the U.S.

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