



JOHN PAUL DELAPLANE,  
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At the third annual meeting of the American Association of Avian Pathologists, held in Denver, Colorado, August 15, 1960, the outgoing president, Dr. Henry Van Roekel, University of Massachusetts, Amherst, Massachusetts, closed the meeting by presenting the association with a gavel, which was accepted by the incoming president, Dr. Stephen B. Hitchner, Berlin, Maryland. The American Association of Avian Pathologists is deeply grateful to Dr. Van Roekel, whose moving citation in memory of Doctor John P. Delaplane is reproduced herewith :

CITATION IN MEMORY  
of  
DOCTOR JOHN P. DELAPLANE

The American Association of Avian Pathologists is the realization of an idea and purpose first advanced by a group of workers engaged in poultry diseases at one of our outstanding Land-Grant colleges.

Among this group of workers, one individual in particular was responsible for initiating and formulating the purposes of our organization and how best it might serve those engaged in poultry disease work.

This individual had devoted his entire professional career towards serving the poultry industry. His keen insight, untiring efforts and unique ability to resolve difficult disease problems have been phenomenal. His scientific contributions in the field of poultry diseases have been outstanding and numerous. He was respected by his professional colleagues for his scientific curiosity, integrity, modesty, and professional ethics.

At this third annual meeting of the American Association of Avian Pathologists, I, as chairman of this meeting, with sincere humility and greatest of respect, wish to present to this organization this gavel which is inscribed "In Memory of John P. Delaplane, 1960."

August 15, 1960.

H. VAN ROEKEL