

# The World Association for Buiatrics



## International Congress on Cattle Diseases

Mexico City, August 16-19, 1978

Amid classical Mexican pomp and ceremony, the Xth World Congress for Buiatrics was officially opened on Wednesday morning, August 16, by the President of Mexico, Señor Licenciado José López Portillo. Upon arrival at the Medical Center the President was met by Dr. Harold Amstutz, president of the World Association for Buiatrics; Dr. Jorge Avila Garcia, president of the Buiatrics Congress and the Mexican Buiatrics Association; Dr. Fernando Hidalgo y Teran, secretary of the Congress; MVZ Octavio Campuzano, Congress treasurer; and other dignitaries. Also taking part in the opening ceremony was Doctor Ruben Fernandez Gomez, subsecretary for Cattle Industry. A choir from the National Autonomic University of Mexico presented a delightful musical program.

Over 1150 veterinarians and allied scientists from 36 countries attended the Congress where over 220 papers on topics including infertility, nutrition, calf diseases, tropical diseases and several miscellaneous topics on bovine medicine and surgery were presented. Simultaneous translations were given in Spanish, English, German and French.

Congress participants and their spouses were entertained with an elegant welcoming party at the Palacio de Minería, Tacuba. The highlight of the Congress was a performance at the Folkloric Ballet.

A fitting climax to the social program was the farewell party at the Hacienda de los Morales. Several tours of Mexico City and surroundings were

made available to the participants including Chapultepec Castle, Teotihuacan pyramids and the Museum of Anthropology.

### Tributes to Prof. Dr. H.C. Bendixen and Prof. Dr. Josef Andres

Dr. Harold Amstutz, president of the WAB, presided over the annual general meeting on Saturday morning. Dr. Harold Amstutz opened the meeting by reading eulogies for Professor Dr. H.C. Bendixen, Copenhagen, and Professor Dr. Josef Andres, Zurich, who passed away since the last meeting in Paris.

Prof. Dr. M. Stöber, Hannover, Germany, secretary of the WAB, presented much information about the world organization and appealed for financial support. The assembly approved the recognition of the Indian Buiatrics Association, Israel Association for Buiatrics and the Netherlands Buiatrics Association as affiliate members of WAB.

Dr. E. Mayer, Haifa, presented a report on the plans for the 1980 WAB Congress which will be held in Israel.

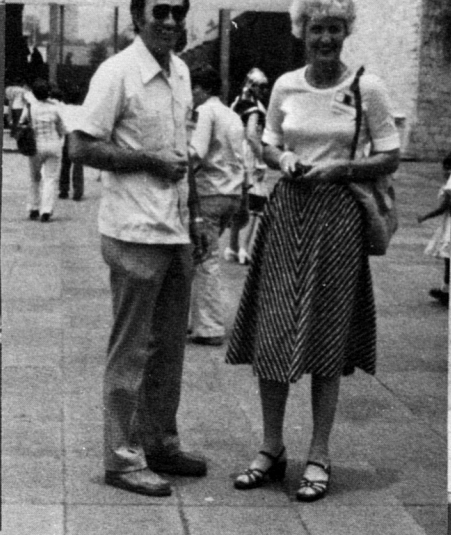
An invitation from the Netherlands Buiatrics Association presented by Dr. H. J. Breukink, Utrecht, to hold the 1982 Congress in Amsterdam was accepted and approved with much enthusiasm.

Dr. Aline S. de Aluja was made an honorary member of the Mexican Buiatrics Association for her leadership in planning the scientific program.

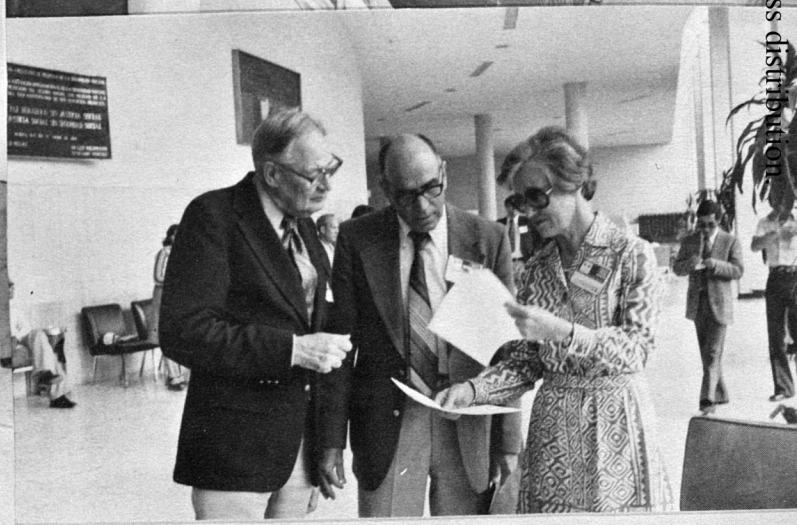
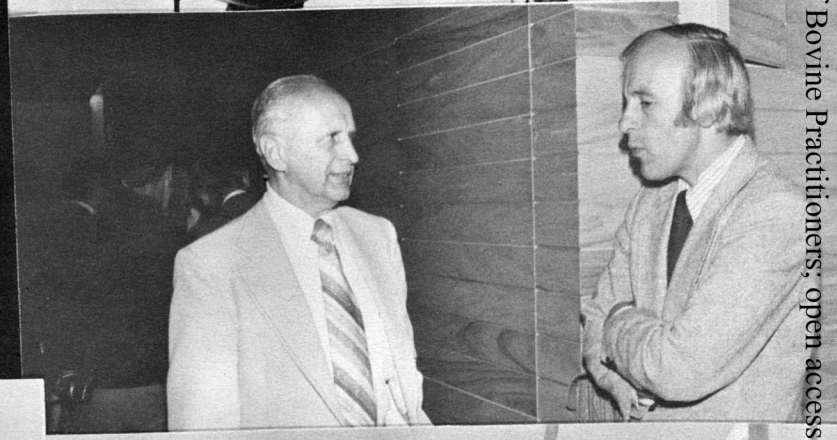


*The President of Mexico (center) arriving to open the Congress.*

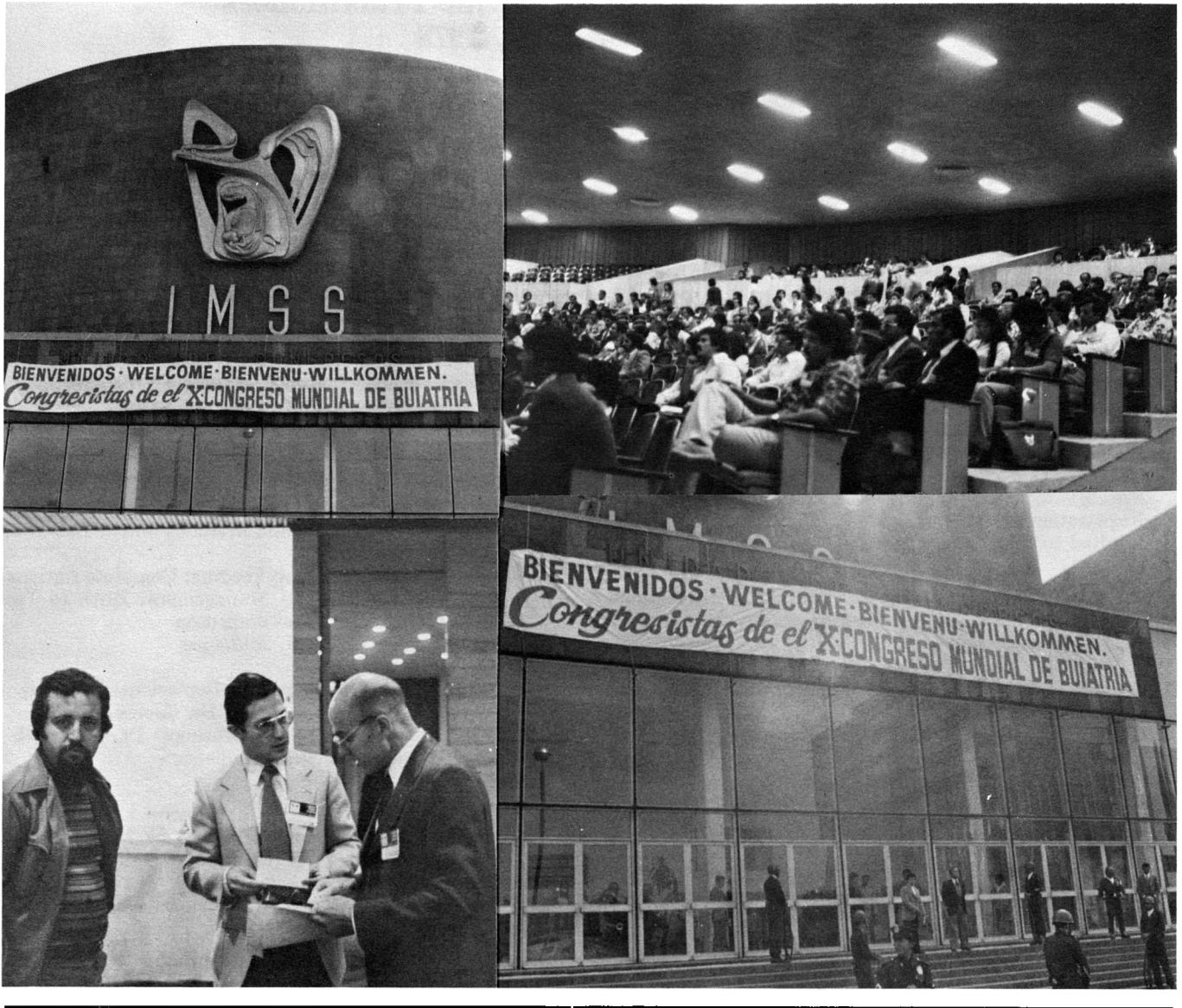




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## XXI World Veterinary Congress Moscow, USSR, July 1-7, 1979

The XXI Congress will be held in Moscow, USSR, on July 1-7, 1979.

The program for Section X, devoted to diseases of ruminants, will be focused on the following subjects:

1. Metabolic and deficiency diseases of cattle.
2. Diseases of the gastrointestinal tract of calves (with special consideration of infectious disorders.)
3. Diseases of the respiratory system in young cattle (with emphasis on infectious diseases).
4. New findings in the field of bovine lymphosarcoma (epizootology, modern diagnostic and control methods).

5. Advances in the treatment and prevention of mastitis in cattle.

6. Advances in the control of sterility in cattle (including puerperal care and biotechnical regulation).

7. Diseases of the central nervous system of sheep.

The opening ceremony, plenary sessions and the formal reception will be held in the Kremlin Palace of Congresses which is the traditional place where meetings are held on festive occasions, hero-astronauts honored and the USSR Communist Party Congresses convene. In 1979 it will receive veterinarians from all over the world.