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EIGHTH INTERNATIONAL CONGRESS OF LEPROLOGY
HELD IN RIO DE JANEIRO, BRAZIL, SEPTEMBER 12 TO 20, 1963
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**ORGANIZATION OF THE CONGRESS**

Arrangements and procedures for the IXth International Congress of Leprology, as in previous international congresses, were made under the sponsorship of officials of the host country, working closely with the officers of the International Leprosy Association. The Organizing Committee (OCIL), under the presidency of Dr. Fausto Gayoso Castelo Branco, set up and managed the Congress through the services of general officers, a general council and an executive committee.

Officers of the Congress were elected as noted below, Dr. Castelo Branco, President of COIL, serving as President; Dr. José M. M. Fernández, Vice-President of the International Leprosy Association, serving as Vice-President of the Congress in the absence of Dr. H. W. Wade, President of the JL, whose attendance was prevented by illness. By official regulation members of the Congress comprised nation-
al delegates, institutional delegates and associate members (including the wives of participants). Portuguese, English, Spanish and French were recognized as official languages.

The major activities in the Congress consisted of a scientific program, a social program, meetings of the Council of the International Leprosy Association and a plenary session of the Association. A Ladies Committee worked efficiently in certain phases of the program and social and hospitality functions. Outlines of the general activities are presented in the following pages. The scientific program consisted of panel, committee and round table sessions, and the presentation of original papers. Panel, round table and committee reports, abstracts of the original papers, a condensed account of the I.L.A council meetings and plenary session, and the report of the Secretary-Treasurer of the I.L.A, are carried in the following pages.

Officers of the Congress

Dr. Fausto Gayoso Castelo Branco, President of COCIL, President
Dr. José M. M. Fernández, Vice-President of I.L.A, Vice-President
Dr. J. Ross Innes, Secretary-General of I.L.A, First Secretary
Dr. Orestes Diniz, Secretary-General of COCIL, Second Secretary

As in past congresses, the International Leprosy Association was assigned responsibility for the scientific program. As early as 1959 tentative plans were initiated informally, in Geneva, in conversations among Dr. Wade, President of the Association, Dr. Fernández, Vice-President, and Dr. Orestes Diniz of the prospective organizing group in Brazil. Formal arrangements were undertaken early in 1962 by the Brazilian National Organizing Committee (COCIL). By vote of the Council of the International Leprosy Association, Dr. Fernández was sent to Rio de Janeiro in April 1962 for definitive arrangements on the respective responsibilities of the two collaborating groups.

Out of these meetings came a detailed proposed selection of panel chairman and members, as well as other arrangements for the Congress. Final arrangements, including some revisions, for panel, round table and committee activities, and presentation of papers, were made in correspondence between the respective chairmen and the designated members of their group, mediated on an extensive scale through the office of Dr. J. Ross Innes, Secretary-Treasurer.

A second representative of the Association, Dr. E. Muir, visited Rio de Janeiro in the late summer for further conversations and arrangements integrating the roles of the local national organizing group and the Association. Throughout the deliberations the late Dr. J. A. Doull, who himself visited Rio de Janeiro in 1962, was helpful as an informal advisor.

Although changes in details took place, the final establishment of the scientific program was close to that envisioned in principle at the close of the Tokyo Congress in 1958.
MEMBERS OF THE CONGRESS

The list of actual participants in the Congress, supplied by its secretariat, indicates that 374 persons registered as members. The figure does not include ladies and others who registered as associate members in order to attend the social activities. Provision was made for attendance of local physicians without formal registration.

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Countries and territories represented.—The number of countries and territories represented at the Congress (53) was significantly greater than that at the Tokyo Congress in 1958 (42). The increase in part reflects the establishment of new nations in the interim, many of which have serious leprosy problems. Of the 374 attendants at the Congress 155 were from the host country, Brazil. Argentina, with 42, also had a high representation. The United States, the United Kingdom, Japan and France were next in number of registrants. The numbers of countries and territories represented at previous congresses were: Cairo, 49; Havana, 40; Madrid, 50.

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PROGRAM OF THE CONGRESS

THURSDAY, SEPTEMBER 12TH

9 a.m. Registration and presentation of credentials.
10 a.m. Meeting of the International Leprosy Association (ILA).
5 p.m. Preparatory plenary session.
6:30 p.m. Cocktail party under the Pergola, Copacabana Palace, Hotel, given by the Organizing Committee.
9 p.m. Formal opening session.

FRIDAY, SEPTEMBER 13TH

FORENOON. Round Table on Pathology and Experimental Transmission.
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AFTERNOON. Sightseeing tour of the city of Rio de Janeiro, given by the Secretariat for Tourism, State of Guanabara.

SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 14TH

FORENOON. Round Table on Borderline and Indeterminate Leprosy.
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AFTERNOON. Horseracing at the Brazilian Jockey Club, where the Grand Prize in honor of the “VIII International Congress of Leprology” was awarded.
SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 15TH

FORENOON. Boat trip on Guanabara Bay, given by the Secretariat for Tourism, State of Guanabara.
AFTERNOON. Barbecue given by the Organizing Committee.

MONDAY, SEPTEMBER 16TH

FORENOON. Panel on Lepra Reaction.
AFTERNOON. Panel on Therapy.
AFTERNOON. Cocktail party and jewel parade, given by H. Stern.

TUESDAY, SEPTEMBER 17TH

FORENOON. Panel on Epidemiology and Control.
AFTERNOON. Panel on Bacteriology and Immunology.
AFTERNOON. Tea given by the Federation of Assistance to Lepers and Leprosy Control Societies.

WEDNESDAY, SEPTEMBER 18TH

FORENOON. Panel on Education and Social Aspects.
FORENOON. Bus trip to Teresópolis and Petrópolis. Lunch given by the Mayor of Teresópolis.
AFTERNOON. Panel on Physical Medicine and Rehabilitation.
AFTERNOON. Showing of color films of Brazil and Rio de Janeiro, in the Golden Room, Copacabana Palace Hotel.

THURSDAY, SEPTEMBER 19TH

FORENOON. Panel on Surgery and Vocational Training.
AFTERNOON. Visits to the National Leprosy Service, Leprology Institute and Frei Antonio Hospital, or to Sanatório-Colônia Tavares de Macedo, Itaborai, State of Rio de Janeiro, or Edimundário Vista Alegre, São Gonçalo, State of Rio de Janeiro.
AFTERNOON. Reception at the headquarters of the magazine "O Cruzeiro."

FRIDAY, SEPTEMBER 20TH

9 a.m. Meeting of the General Council.
10 a.m. Adjournment of the Plenary Session.
12 noon Formal closing session.
2 p.m. Meeting of Council of the International Leprosy Association (ILA).
3 p.m. Meeting of the International Leprosy Association (ILA).
4 p.m. Fashion parade and tea at the Mesbla department store.
9 p.m. Banquet and floor show at the Hotel Gloria, given by the Secretariat for Tourism, State of Guanabara.
PROGRAM IN SÃO PAULO
(under the auspices of the Government of the State of São Paulo)

Saturday, September 21—9 a.m. Departure from Rio de Janeiro by air for São Paulo, 5 p.m. Dinner at the Governor's Palace presided over by Governor Ademar de Barros.

Sunday, September 22—Visit to Pirapitingui or St. Angelo Sanatorium, Excursion to a coffee farm (Fazenda do Brejo) and barbeque at the Jockey Club. Cocktails in the Terrasso Martini.

FORMAL INAUGURAL AND CLOSING SESSIONS

The opening ceremony of the Congress was held on the evening of September 12 in the Auditorium of the Copacabana Palace Hotel. His Excellency, the Brazilian Minister of Health, Dr. Wilson Fadul, on behalf of the President of the Republic and the Ministry of Health extended a cordial welcome to the distinguished leprologists and other attending scientists. He stressed current progress in the control of leprosy throughout the world, and the need for increased scientific and social effort in its maintenance, placing special emphasis on the necessity for attack on leprosy as a public health problem in the field of infectious disease.

Dr. Fausto G. Castelo Branco, President of the Congress, then extended greetings and welcome on behalf of the leprologists of Brazil. He noted the significant part played by Brazil as a center of research on leprosy, referred briefly to pioneers in the Brazilian campaign, and described the widespread program of the National Leprosy Service. He extended his thanks on behalf of the Organizing Committee to the Brazilian Government and the Ministry of Health, and his congratulations to the International Leprosy Association for its preparation of a well rounded scientific program.

Dr. J. M. M. Fernández and Dr. K. Kitamura, vice-presidents of the International Leprosy Association, then addressed the group on behalf of the delegates, and Dr. M. Candau, Director General of the World Health Organization, outlined the purposes of the Congress, noting that it was the first occasion in which the World Health Organization was represented. Dr. Wilson Fadul gave the closing address.

The Final Plenary Session was convened under the Presidency of Dr. Castelo Branco at 9 a.m., September 20. Formal conclusions from the Congress and the recommendations of its panels were approved. The Formal Closing Session was convened at noon. J. M. M. Fernández, newly elected President of the International Leprosy Association, expressed thanks to the Brazilian Government and its health authorities and congratulated the Organizing Committee on its successful management of the Congress. J. R. Puchol of Spain, in a memorial address, paid tribute to distinguished leprologists who had died since
the preceding Congress, S. G. Browne of Nigeria addressed the group, on behalf of the delegates, calling the meeting a "milestone in the history of Congresses on Leprology under the aegis of the International Leprosy Association."

The pleasure of the Brazilian people and government was expressed by a representative of the Foreign Ministry. Finally, Dr. Castelo Branco, as President, expressed appreciation for the selection of Brazil as its site, and closed the Congress.

INTERNATIONAL LEPROSY ASSOCIATION
MINUTES OF THE SIXTH GENERAL MEETING AND COUNCIL MEETINGS
Held in Rio de Janeiro, September 1963

FIRST COUNCIL MEETING

The Council met on 12 September 1963 at 10 a.m., with the following present: Drs. R. G. Cochrane, J. M. M. Fernández, and K. Kitamura, Vice-Presidents; Drs. E. Agriola, L. M. Bechelli, Orestes Diniz, Dharmendra, K. R. Chatterjee, F. Contreras, and Jacinto Convit, Councillors; and Dr. J. Ross Lines, Secretary-Treasurer. Apologies for absence were received from Dr. T. F. Davey and Dr. N. D. Fraser, who were delayed in arriving, and from Dr. H. W. Wade and Dr. E. Muir who could not attend because of ill health and age. In the absence of the President, Dr. Wade, the Secretary-Treasurer took the chair and proposed the appointment of Dr. J. M. M. Fernández as Acting President for the Congress. This was approved unanimously.

President.—The Council had been informed that because of ill health, Dr. Wade could not stand for the office of President again and Council members had been circulated for nominations. Dr. Fernández had been nominated by nine members. Drs. Chaussinand, Cochrane and Dharmendra had also been nominated but withdrew their names. It was decided therefore to put forward the name of Dr. Fernández for the approval of the General Meeting of the International Leprosy Association on September 20. Dr. Fernández then took the chair.

Presentation of tribute to Dr. Wade.—As Dr. Wade leaves office at the end of this Congress, a laudatory ornamented parchment (signed by all members of the Council) had been prepared for presentation to him in the following terms:

"We the undersigned Vice-Presidents and members of the Council of the International Leprosy Association desire to express to Dr. H. W. Wade our profound appreciation of the great services he has rendered to the Association since its foundation in 1901 as Councillor, and during the past seventeen years as its President. To this high office he brought great knowledge, wide experience, and sound judgment, and successive International Congresses have owed much to his counsel. His munual editorial gifts