Dr. Don Williams, AABP President, handed the gavel to incoming President, Dr. Ray Ivie, Follett, Texas. Dr. Williams had played a major role in the development of the AABP and especially the AABP Preconditioning Program.

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At the Second Annual AABP Convention which was held at the LaSalle Hotel, Chicago, IL on November 23-25, 1969 the main topics were neurological diseases and the recently established Certified Preconditioned for Health (C-PH) program.

To most of the 291 attending, the difference in cattle practice activities and approaches were readily apparent. Feedlot cattle practice, for example, often involves tens of thousands of cattle, whereas dairy cattle practice is a matter of milk production economics.

The Practice Tips Session was well attended and has become one of the most popular sessions throughout the years. There was a general attitude of confidence and feeling that bovine practice had a hard core of dedicated and successful practitioners.

The C-PH program was developed to help solve disease problems occurring in the beef cattle industry by providing a standardized national program and a responsible group to certify that each shipment of cattle is handled according to established specifications.

Dr. John B. Herrick, Ames, Iowa, President of the AVMA and a member of AABP spoke on the subject of “Accusation Without Documentation”. He admonished veterinarians “to keep records and list everything that had been done, to have diagnoses confirmed by a laboratory, conduct necropsies when appropriate, keep copies of all letters, respect clients and trust no one; don’t advertise your liability insurance but make sure to have it in adequate amounts.”
Dr. Maurice Weldy headed the local arrangements committee and Dr. A. J. Koltveit, Assistant Editor, J.A.V.M.A. was the program chairman.

Dr. Ray Ivie presided over the meeting. He was succeeded as President by Dr. Herbert L. Marsh, Princeton, IL; Dr. Irwin Collinge, Emporia, Kansas became President-Elect with Dr. Francis Fox, Ithaca, NY, Vice President. Dr. Harold Amstutz continued as Secretary-Treasurer and Dr. Eric Williams as editor of The Bovine Practitioner.


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