

Social Program — Programme social — Gesellschaftliches Programm

SOCIAL EVENTS

The Social Events' Section of the Congress Committee had arranged a series of social events for the entertainment of the congress participants:

- Official Reception given by the City of Helsinki (appr. 1400 participants)
- Archipelagian Cruise to see the extensive archipelago spreading in front of Helsinki and to land on some island to study its shores and nature (400)
- Jazz Vesper with Finnish soloists in the modern Taivallahti Church built in the rock of Tempelisaari (200)
- Open-Air Folk Festival on the island Seuraasaari, itself a beautispot of nature inside the City of Helsinki, presenting old Finnish culture and architecture, to celebrate a traditional Finnish Folk Festival with social games, contests and performances of groups of artists welcoming the guests to join in (1100)
- Exhibitors' Party in Dipoli sponsored by the major exhibitors (1200)
- Hike and Sauna in Salmi, a recreation area of the City of Helsinki, for hiking in the woods and walking along the lake sides (200)
- Banquet held at Kalastajatorppa, the Fisherman's Cottage, to end the tightly scheduled two-week working period (480)

PROGRAM FOR ACCOMPANYING PERSONS

The Accompanying Persons Section of the Congress Committee had arranged quite a number of occasions for the about 400 family members of the congressists. For the first time in the ISP Congresses there was program also for the youth and the children, e.g. riding and scouting camps. The following events were offered:

- Welcoming Luncheon to all registered Accompanying Persons given by the Ladies' Committee (300)
- Sightseeing Helsinki—Tapiola Garden City. The sites visited in Helsinki among others were the lively Market Place, the modern Taivallahti Church built in rock, the impressive Sibelius Monument, and the Olympic Stadium (150)
- Excursions to Hvitträsk, the home and studio of architects Eliel Saarinen, Armas Lindgren and Herman Gesellius. Hvitträsk itself, built of logs and natural stone, is one of the outstanding architectural creations of the turn of the century (70)
- Excursion to Medieval Porvoo, which has maintained its small-town atmosphere with its wooden houses, and to Haikko Mansion, a high-class health resort (60)
- Art Visit to Tarvaspää to see the collection of works by Akseli Gallén-Kallela, among other things the illustrator of the Finnish national epic "Kalevala", and to the Didrichsen Art Museum to see its small but versatile collection of both Finnish and exotic art, e.g. Chinese and Pre-Columbian (50)

- Talk on Helsinki by Professor Eino E. Suolahti, containing interesting information about Helsinki and its cultural history (350)
- Home Hospitality in the form of coffee parties in private homes after the talk (200)
- Illustrated Lecture on Finnish folklore, old traditions, and traditional housing (330)
- Fashion Show in Dipoli, a representative collection of Finnish furs, dresses, outfits and jewelry (140)
- Introduction to Finnish Design, arts and crafts, with visits to various places of interest (110)
- Country Tour including a visit in the City of Lohja and its 14th century church and a trip to the agricultural parish Vihti, where two farms were visited (80)
- Cruise to Suomenlinna Fortress, a maritime fortification on a rocky island, constructed in the 18th century in defence of Helsinki (60)
- Excursion to the home of Sibelius, Ainola, situated 30 km north of Helsinki, along the shores of the beautiful Tuusulanjärvi (40)

TOURS

Arranged by the Travel Agency Area:

Tours during the Congress

- Sightseeings Helsinki—Tapiola to see the architectural sites of Helsinki and to visit the Garden City Tapiola
- Hämeenlinna—Silverline by coach via Hyvinkää with its modern church to Aulanko, a popular holiday resort, and a boat trip along the beautiful Silverline route
- Excursions to Turku, the former capital and oldest city of Finland, to see the castle and the cathedral from the 13th century and the Handicraft Museum
- Lahti and Lake Vesijärvi to visit the well-known winter sports centre Lahti and to see the southern part of Lake Päijänne district with typical Finnish lake scenery

Weekend tours

- Lakeside Weekend—Kerimäki starting with a flight to Savonlinna in midst of Lake Saimaa district and a weekend in Kerimäki surrounded by beautiful scenery
- Weekend in Lapland starting with a flight to Rovaniemi, just south of the Arctic Circle, followed up by a tour to some fells

Post-congress tours

- Leningrad Cruise by Bore III (3 days) or alternatively Leningrad Tour by motorcoach (4 days) to see the sights of Leningrad, e.g. the Hermitage Art Museum, and Peterhof, the summer residence of Peter the Great, famous for its 140 fountains and statues
- Lakeside Week in Hankasalmi (7 days) to spend a really relaxing week surrounded by nature with good possibilities to out-door activities



At the open air folk festival, picnicking in front of an old stable and dancing out in the open.



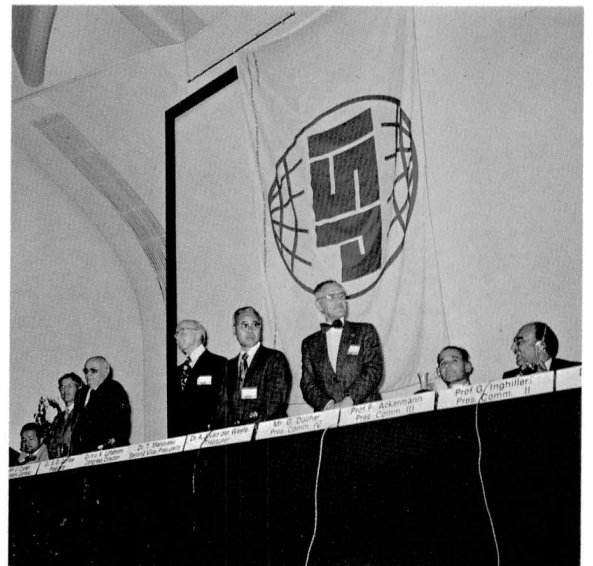
Youth at the Marine Scout Camp, among others Denise Gamble and Gottfried Konecny.



Captain O. S. Reading, Honorary Member of the ISP, giving a speech at the Banquet.



Below to the left, M. Jean Cruset, newly elected President of the ISP.

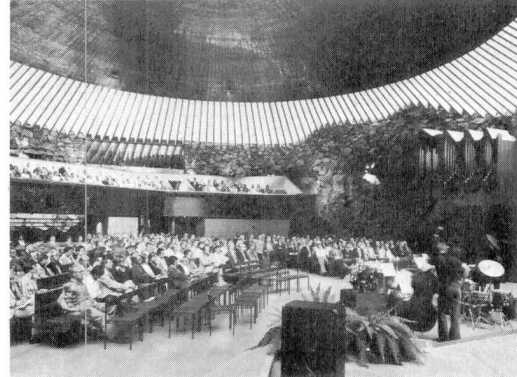


The outgoing Council of the ISP at the Closing Ceremony, receiving the thanks of Dr. S. G. Gamble.

Social Events



The first day of the Congress closed pleasantly with a reception arranged by the City of Helsinki in the neoclassical Town Hall. Some 1200 guests attended.



Welcoming Luncheon for the Ladies at Dipoli, Otaniemi.

Jazz Vesper in Taivallahti Church, built inside a granit rock.



The first week closed with a folk festival on the island of Seurasaari. Merry musicians in national costumes met the guests.



After the program including a visit to the open air museum, social games and contests, the quests were served traditional Finnish foods and beverages.



Mrs. Savolainen describing folk games to Mme Giovanna Togliatti. The lesson resulted in a competition on the see-saw.



Guests at the Banquet in the garden of Hotel Kalastajatorppa on the shore of the Gulf of Finland.

Captain O. S. Reading, Honorary Member of the ISP, prosing a toast. Members of the newly elected Council in the foreground: Dr. G. Konecny, Congress Director, and Dr. P. Fagundes, between them Mrs. Aino Savolainen, first lady council member.