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W.C.O.T.P. kongress on nüüd lõppenud millest võtsin osa nii palju kui mul võimalik oli. See oli mulle isiklikult huvitavaks elamuseks kuna töötan ise Vancouveris gümnaasiumi õpetajana.

Lisan tänasele kirjale mõned väljalõiked Vancouveri ajalehest, kongressi kava ja lühikese ingliskeelse kokkuvõtte tähtsamatest kongressil arutatud küsimustest.

Seltskondlik osa, mida näete kavast, oli väga huvitav ja mitmekesine. Sellistel kokkutulekutel oligi kõige suurem võimalus teiste delegaatidega vestelda ja meie probleeme neile tutvustada. Ametlikkudel koosolekutel olid arutlused nii kavakohaselt üles ehitatud ja aeg piiratud et selliseid probleeme mis meil esineb ei olnud kuidagi võimalik avalikut esitada. Diskuteerisin seda ka härra Henno Jänesega ja tema leidis ka et seltskondlikel koosviibimistel oli ainus sobiv aeg meie probleemidest rääkida.

Saadan Teile täna ka teele tavalise postiga materjali mida kongressil saime.

Loodan et olen kongressist osavõtmisega saanud Teile ja Eesti Õpetajate Keskühingule abiķs olla.

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The theme of the WCOTP was to discuss the professional responsibilities of teachers' organizations. These responsibilities were divided into three large areas:

Firstly, the organizations' responsibilities to their members - to raise the status of their members; to promote their professional, economic and cultural interests in order to improve the quality of education. It was strongly emphasized that a real education requires academic freedom. No social pressure, no political or religious interference should be acceptable in the exercise of the teaching profession.

Secondly, the teachers' organizations have the responsibility of helping to give society the best education possible. By accepting this responsibility they work towards the improvement of the human and social status of the individual, they prepare the future of the nation.

Thirdly, the teachers' organizations have a responsibility to the humanity as a whole because education plays an ever-increasing role in the international understanding and peace. It helps to develop friendship, understanding, solidarity and co-operation between nations and peoples.

In addition to the above mentioned theme seminars and specialized meetings were held concerning technical, vocational, health education, mental health, family life, teacher education, etc. Considerable time was spent on exchange of ideas in utilization of audio-visual materials. A visitation program was arranged to schools in Vancouver to provide the delegates of WCOTP to see classrooms, equipment and facilities, and to see and hear how these are being used.

As the whole world, each society in particular, undergoes rapid changes and transformations, the educational systems can no longer be fixed nor final. Lifelong education becomes a necessity, A day was spent on discussing how to prepare the society to meet the challenges of the future.

The next year's theme for the WCOTP conference "Education and Human Rights" was introduced and outlined shortly. The conference in 1968 will be held in Dublin.