

### THE THIRD TRICHOPTEROLOGICAL SYMPOSIUM IN THE USSR

The third Trichopterological Symposium of the Soviet Union was held at Salaspils near Riga, Latvia, 24-27 July 1990. It took place at the same region as the First Symposium and was organized by Prof.Z.Spuris with some Latvian Entomologists and by the sisters of the late Prof.O.Kachalova. The convener and inspirer of it was Prof.Z.Spuris. This Symposium was dedicated to the memory of Prof.O.Kachalova, whose death is a greivous loss for Trichopterological science and for all those who knew and loved her.

It was unfortunate that because of difficulties with tickets many caddis specialists could not attend the meeting and only ten members were present among the twenty-five invited scientists. The main topic of the meeting was the faunistics of caddisflies in the Soviet Union, which were represented by six of the seven reports. The following surveys of regional studies were given.

1. On the Soviet Far East by Dr.E.Potycha (Ternej): New data on the fauna and ecology of Trichoptera from the reservation of Sichote-Alin mountain.

2. Dr.I.Kornoukova (Vladikavkas): An origin and formation of the Caucasus fauna of Trichoptera at the same time as orogenesis of Big Caucasus.

3. Dr.V.Ivanov (Leningrad): The caddis fauna of Pamir Mountains.

4. Dr.V.Khrennikov (Petrosavodsk): The modern condition and survey of caddis fauna in salmon rivers in Karelia and Murmansk district.

5. Dr.V.Grigorenko (Simferopol): New data on the fauna of Trichoptera of Crimea and Caucasus.

6. Dr.N.Danko (Lvov): Symbionts of Trichoptera from the Upper Dnjestr River basin.

7. Dr.I.Sukatcheva (Moscow): The evolution of Trichoptera in the Upper Cretaceous period.

It was decided to publish as soon as possible a volume of reports in "Latvian Entomologist" thanks to the help from Prof.Z.Spuris. An excursion was made on July 26th, in splendid weather, to the National Park "Gauja" near Sigulda, to collect caddisflies. A visit was also made to the old Turajds castle. The Symposium ended by visiting the grave of O.Kachalova and by a dinner with her family. Her two sisters were wonderful and cordial hosts.

A Trichopterological Commission began work with new members (Chairman: I.Sukacheva, Members: Z.Spuris, V.Ivanov, N.Danko, E.Potycha). The next symposium is planned to be held in 1993, most likely at Lake Baikal.

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From left to right: V.Grigorenko, N.Danko, I.Kornoukova, a niece of O.Katchalova, E.Potycha, L.Zhiltzova, V.Ivanov, #, Z.Spuris, #, M.Katchalova, V.Katchalova (sisters of O.Kachalova), I.Sukatcheva. #: two scientific workers of Salaspils Botanical garden. Photograph by V.Khrennikov, 26.7.1990.

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