

New York City Passenger Manifests of SS Titanic Survivors Rescued by the SS Carpathia

Assuming that a search for the manifests for the survivors of the SS Titanic would be easy, I was surprised when nothing appeared for either that ship, nor the SS Carpathia. If other researchers had looked for the manifests, apparently most researchers never found them. In the end, answers were to be found.

"The Carpathia was eastward bound when she rescued the Titanic passengers, and returned to N Y to land them. Apr. 19, 1912. Volume 4183." This was handwritten on the *"Index of passenger and crew lists* from June 18 to June 19, 1912 for New York City."

The SS Carpathia was owned and operated by the Cunard Line. The ship had sailed between England and New York City, but most often sailed from Italy, and other ports in the Mediterranean Sea, to New York City. It appears that the manifests were not returned to port authorities until June 18, 1912 during a subsequent voyage exactly two months later.

Obviously incomplete, approximately only 500 people were mentioned in the manifests. A total of nineteen Finns are recorded in these manifests, including one Finnish citizen who last resided in Sweden with her two young children and were traveling to their husband and father in Illinois. These last three survivors have not been previously included in the Migration Institute's list of Ti-

tanic V. Four previously-identified Finnish survivors are not included in these manifests which were returned on June 18th. A transcript of those people is listed below.

A couple entries contained numerical notations which were added years later. They are very small and difficult to read. Most likely they refer to either dates and places of naturalization, or perhaps US passports issued.

Finnish Titanic Survivors

August **Abramson**, aged 19 years; male; single; sailor; citizen of Finland, race Finnish; last residence Dragsfjärd, Finland; relative Anton **Abramson** in Dragsfjärd, Finland; destination Hoboken, New Jersey (original New York) to brother Anton **Abramson** at 154 – 14th Street, Hoboken, New Jersey. Born in Finland.

Erna **Anderson**, aged 16 years; female; single; domestic; citizen of Finland; race Finnish; last residence Kulla gård, Lovisa, Finland; relative father Anders **Israelsson** in Strömfors (original Stremfors), Finland; destination to brother Rudolph **Anderson** at 201 Brown Place, New York City. Born in Finland.

Maria Matilda **Backström**, aged 33 years; female; widowed; domestic; citizen of Finland; race Finnish; non-immigrant

alien; last residence Lovisa, Finland; relative mother Mrs. Gustafson in Strömfors (original Stremfors), Finland; destination to mother in Strömfors (original Stremfors), Finland. Born in Finland.

Ellen **Hakkarinen**, aged 24 years; female; widowed; domestic; citizen of Finland; race Finnish, last residence Helsingfors (original Helsingford), Finland; relative Carl Dalck in Helsingfors, Finland; destination to friend Mrs. John Elkhorn at 401 Motheral Avenue, Monessen, Pennsylvania. Born in Finland.

Laina **Heikkinen**, aged 27 years; female; single; servant; citizen of Finland; race Finnish; last residence Jyväskylä, Finland; relatives live in Jyväskylä, Finland; destination to friends at 16 West Street, Quincy, Massachusetts. Born in Finland.

Helga **Hirvonen**, aged 22 years; female; married, citizen of Finland; race Finnish; last residence Dahlsbruk, Finland; relatives parents Carl and Eliz Lindquist in Dahlsbruk, Finland; destination to husband Erick **Hirvonen** at 400 Motheral Avenue, Monessen, Pennsylvania. Born in Finland.

Hildur **Hirvonen**, aged 2 years; female; single; citizen of Finland; race Finnish; destination to father Erick **Hirvonen** at

- 400 Motheral Street, Monessen, Pennsylvania. 7-113119 - No C/A-505-3116-39. Born in Finland.
- Elina **Honkanen**, aged 27 years; female; single; domestic; citizen of Finland; race Finnish; last residence, Helsingfors, Finland; relative Eva **Honkanen** at #9 Baconham Gatan, Helsingfors, Finland; destination to friends at 16 West Street, Quincy, Massachusetts. Born in Finland.
- Alice **Johnson**, aged 27 years; female; married; housewife; citizen of Finland; race Finnish; last residence Jönköping, Sweden; relative Amanda **Backbury** at 2 C (?) No 3, Helsingfors, Finland; destination to husband Oscar **Johnson** in St Charles, Illinois. Born in Finland.
- Harold **Johnson**, aged 4 years; male; single; citizen of US; race Finnish; last residence Jönköping, Sweden; relative grandmother at same address as above; destination to father Oscar **Johnson** in St Charles, Illinois. Born in US.
- Eleanor **Johnson**, aged 18 months; female; single; citizen of US; race Finnish; last residence Jönköping, Sweden; relative grandmother at same address as above; destination to father in St Charles, Illinois. Born in US.
- Eric **Jousula** (probably should be **Jussila**), aged 32 years; male; married; citizen of Finland; race Finnish; last residence Bovi (?), Finland; relative wife Helmi **Jousula (Jussila)** in Kiristankylä, Jalasjärvi; destination 482 Motheral Avenue, Monessen, Pennsylvania. Born in Finland.
- Eino **Lindquist**, aged 20 years; male; single; laborer; citizen of Finland; race Finnish; last residence Dahlsbruk, Finland; relatives Carl and Eliz **Lindquist** in Dahlsbruk, Finland; destination to brother-in-law Alex **Kirvanen**, 400 Motheral street, Monessen, Pennsylvania. Born in Finland.
- John **Nyskanen** (should be **Niskanen**), aged 39 years; male; married; miner; citizen of Finland; race Finnish; last residence Kivijärvi, Finland; relatives Mr. and Mrs. Johannes **Niskanen** in Kivijärvi, Finland; destination to friend Mattie **Henrickson** in Graniteville, Vermont. Born in Finland.
- Anna **Sjöblom**, aged 18 years; female; single; domestic; citizen of Finland; race Scandinavian; last residence Munsala, Finland; relative Mrs. Gabriel **Sjöblom** in Munsala, Finland; destination to father Gabriel **Gustawson**, Matlock Camp 5, Olympia, Washington. Born in Finland.
- Juho (original Yoko) **Stranden**, aged 30 years; male; single; farmer; citizen of Finland, race Scandinavian; last residence Kitee, Finland; relative mother Inja **Stranden** in Konfer, Kitee, Finland; destination to friend Anton **Laine** at 292 Croit Avenue, Room 8, Duluth, Minnesota. Born in Finland.
- John **Sundman**, 44 years; male; married; laborer; citizen of Finland; race Scandinavian; last residence Munsala, Finland; wife Sanna **Sundman** in Munsala, Finland; destination to friend W H **Putcamp**, 252 Main Street, Cheyenne, Wyoming. Born in Finland.
- Anna Sofia **Turja**, aged 18 years; female; single; domestic; citizen of Finland; race Scandinavian; last residence Oulu Province; relative mother Sanna **Turja** in Oulainen, Oulu Province, Finland; destination to sister Maja **Lindi** at 81 Oak Street, Ashtabula, Ohio. Born in Finland.
- Hedwig **Turkula**, aged 65 years; female; widowed; citizen of Finland; race Scandinavian; last residence Vaasa Province, relative daughter Maria **Kiervanen** (?) in Vaasa (original Wasserland) Province, destination to son John **Turkula** at PO Box 273, Hibbing, Minnesota. Born in Finland.

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The AEMI Annual Meeting at Luxemburg

The Association of European Migration Institutions (AEMI) was founded in Bremenhaven in 1991. The membership of AEMI is open to any European institution or organization whose charter includes documentation, research and presentation of European migration. There are altogether 20 such institutions in the AEMI now when at the Luxemburg meeting *The Centro Italiano di Studi Sull'Emigrazione*, Tramonti, Italy and *The Icelandic Emigration Center at Hofsos*

were accepted as new members. The President of the association is Knut Djupedal from the *Norwegian Emigrant Museum*, Ottesstad, Norway.

In the Luxemburg meeting it was decided to make a logo and brochure for the association according the previous plans. It was also discussed about the framework of the annual meeting at different centers. It was decided to include seminars etc. into the program. It was decided also to develop a few projects eg. art and emigration,

roots and heritage tourism, European passenger lists, ethnicity and New Europeans.

Dr. Eric Pumroy, Balch Institute, Philadelphia, brought a greeting from the *Association of North American Migration Institutions (ANAMI)*, a sister organization founded two years ago.

In 1999 the annual meeting of the AEMI, with a seminar, will take place at *The Slovene Emigration Studies*, Ljubljana, Slovenia.

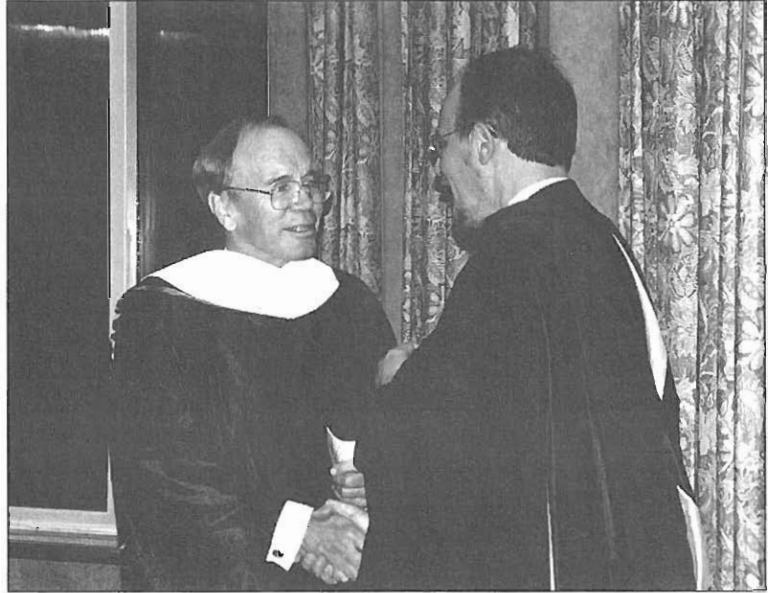


The AEMI annual meeting 1998 was presided by Adam Walaszek (2nd right), Poland; Robert Garcia (left), Luxemburg; Knut Djupedal (2nd left), Norway; Henning Bender (right), Denmark. – Photo: Olavi Koivukangas.

Arkkipiispat John Vikström ja Jaan Kiivit Suomi Collegen kunniatohtoreiksi

Suomalaiset siirtolaiset perustivat *Suomi Collegen* vuonna 1896 Hancockiin, Michiganiin Suomi Synodin pappiskoulutusta varten. Nykyään Suomi College on yksi Amerikan evankelis-luterilaisen kirkon piirissä toimivista korkeakouluista, akateeminen liiketalouden ja taiteiden opinahjo. Siellä vaalitaan edelleen suomalaista kulttuuriperintöä, vaikka opiskelijakunta koostuu useista eri kansallisuuksista.

Kunniatohtorin arvo ja sen tunnukset luovutettiin *John Vikströmille* ja *Jaan Kiivitille* 29.9. Tallinnassa ja 30.9. Helsingissä. Suomi Collegen presidentti, fil.tri *Robert Ubbelohde* luonnehti arkkipiispa Vikströmiä suomalaisuuden lähettilääksi, joka opetus- ja julistustyöllään on edistänyt kansojen ja kulttuurien välistä yhteis-



Arkkipiispa John Vikströmiä (vas.) onnittelemassa Suomi Collegen presidentti, tohtori Robert Ubbelohde.

ymmärrystä ja joka on puhunut erityisesti vähäosaisten puolesta. Arkkipiispa Kiivitille kunniatohtorin arvo annettiin tunnustuksena hänen toiminnas-

taan kirkon ja kansakunnan sekä erityisesti virolaisen nuorison hengellisenä johtajana Viron vaikeina aikoina.

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