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Johansson

I am looking for what happened to my relative Emma Kristina Johansson, born 10 January 1858 in Böda, on the island of Öland, Kalmar *län*, daughter of the innkeeper Johan Persson and his wife Cajsa Maria Eriksdotter of Melböda 7 in Böda. Emma Christina’s father died in 1860, and his widow remarried in 1863 to the *lumpsamlare* (old paper collector) Carl Fredrik Rydén from Kalmar city, and moved there with her children. Mr. Rydén died shortly afterwards, and Cajsa Maria and the children moved back to Böda, where they lived at Byrum village.

In 1876 Emma Christina moved to Jacob parish in Stockholm, in which city she could be followed until 1882, when she worked in various homes, and finally is listed as an ironing-woman (*strykerska*) living in the Hedvig Eleonora parish. She is said to have moved to the U.S. after that, and might perhaps be identified with Emma Kristina Johansson, age 32, who immigrated from Stockholm, leaving the port of Göteborg on 26 April 1892 with a ticket for New York (*Emihamn*). According to the Ellis Islands records she arrived there 30 May 1892 on the *S/S Norge*, of the Scandinavian American Line, still giving her destination as New York.

(Emma Christina’s birthdate gets garbled early on, and in Stockholm she is always listed as being born 10 November 1858).

I would be very grateful for any information about the fate of Emma Christina!

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A school in Värmland, Sweden, in March 1918, exact location unknown. Note the teacher’s bike in the back!