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Gustafsdotter, Isaksson, Reiter

I'm searching for my great-great-grandmother's sister Sofia Charlotta and her family. They immigrated to the U.S. in 1882 and I have found them in the New York Passenger Lists arriving in New York on 26 May 1882 on the ship *Cienfuegos* but don't know where they settled down after that. I have not been able to find them in any census records on Ancestry.

The people I'm looking for are: *Sofia Charlotta Gustafsdotter*, born 12 August 1849, in Norra Solberga (Smål.). Her husband was *Johan August Isaksson*, born 9 July 1839, in Säby (Smål.). Their children: *Ida Charlotta*, born 9 May 1870 in Norra Solberga; *Augusta Lovisa*, born 23 May 1872 in Hult (Smål.); *Karl Oskar Ludvig*, born 3 February 1874 in Hult; *Anna Matilda*, born 13 April 1877 in Hult; *Emma Albertina* born 21 April 1879 in Flisby (Smål.); and *Hilda Rebecka*, born 30 October 1881 in Norra Solberga. The parents and the children left from Hulds Södergård in Norra Solberga on 28 April 1882, and then from the port of Göteborg on 5 May 1882 with tickets for New York.



Right picture: Probably taken in 1929 in Minneapolis. From left: J.A. Isaksson, wife Sofia, d. Hilda and Sofia's niece Amanda Reiter.



Left picture: Man in hat: J. A. Isaksson, his wife Sofia is second from left in the back row.

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Norin, Anderson

My paternal grandfather's brother, *Sven Wilhelm Ehn*, later changed to *Sven Andrew Anderson*, born 14 Feb. 1903 in Västerhaninge (Sörm.), immigrated in 1913 to the U.S. He lived in Seattle with his mother and stepfather. In 1927 he became a member of the Hollywood Athletic Club, where he was an able swimmer. He participated in the test for the Olympics in 1928, but I do not know that he qualified for the games. According to information from other relatives he is supposed to have worked in some movies in Hollywood, probably as a stuntman (swimmer or diver). He worked for the movie company Rodney S. Sprigg Company, but in what capacity I do not know. On his death certificate he is listed as a driver (*chaufför*). He died in April 1970 in North Hollywood, CA.

Sven was married to *Pauline Larson*, who is also supposed to have been an actress, but I have not been able to verify that. Pauline was born 5 Feb. 1908 in Washington State, and died 10 Feb. 1985 in Van Nuys, CA.

I am now looking for information about the movies that Sven or Pauline might have worked on, as well as what he did after 1928, after which time I have been unable to find information on his swimming or his work.

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