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Genealogies in the Värmland Archives¹

Nils William Olsson

Anyone who has dabbled in genealogical research recognizes the satisfaction achieved when one comes across literature, heretofore unknown to the searcher, found somewhere in an archives, a library, or even in a private collection. There are two thrusts of joy in this type of discovery—the primary, of course, being able to fit the newly discovered fact or facts into the puzzle which constitutes one's past. The second joy is to realize that someone else has trod this path before, going over the same ground and sharing the same interest as the searcher.

Any new information we can turn up which may be helpful to our readers, in their ongoing search for new material, gives the editor a lot of satisfaction. Recently on a visit to the Swenson Swedish Immigration Research Center in Rock Island, IL, we came across a recent announcement from the province of Värmland in Sweden, which may be of interest to those of our readers whose ancestry goes back to this particular geographical area of Sweden.

This announcement, dated February 1985, consists of a joint effort by two organizations in Värmland, which have been in the forefront of making archival materials available to searchers, materials not usually found in the much older and well established state and regional archives. One of these institutions, The Archives of Popular Movements (*Folkrörelsernas arkiv*), was founded in 1949 and seeks to preserve and make available to scholars material emanating from such folk movements as the labor unions, the disestablished churches of Sweden—Baptists, Methodists, Mission Covenant and the Pentecostals—workers' education movements and other idealistic and non-profit organizations, as for example the International Order of Good Templars. The second institution, founded in 1970-1971 on the initiative of the then Governor of Värmland Archives (*Föreningen Värmlandsarkiv*). In this central institution, funded by the county (*län*) government of Värmland, the city of Karlstad as well as by the leading industries of the province, it has been possible by this cooperation to organize an archives, which not only satisfies the needs of the local communities and the private sector, safeguarding their materials in a secure storage area, but also makes it possible for scholars and researchers to use these vast resources to be found in this central storehouse of information.

Though the storage depot is located in Forshaga, about fifteen miles north of Karlstad, it is quite feasible to have materials brought down to the central search room in Karlstad by means of motorized transport. The latest statistics show that the holdings as of 1979 held more than 36,000 running feet of shelving with 50% of the material coming from the private sector,² 35% from various municipal archives and 15% from a number of idealistic organizations.

While the storage depot is located in Forshaga, the administrative offices of both the Society of Värmland Archives and the Archives of the Popular Movements are located in Karlstad, where they share quarters in the central search room in the recently renovated and restored quarters of what used to be the municipal bath house of Karlstad. Here they also share quarters with the Emigrant Register.

In 1983 both of these institutions, referred to above, brought out the first version of an index listing the various genealogical manuscripts to be found in their holdings. Since that time additional genealogical material has been accessioned, notably the Bromander Collection, which consists of a large corpus of genealogical material amassed by the Rev. Carl Wilhelm Bromander, the former Dean of the Cathedral of Karlstad, who died in 1963 in his 99th year. This collection has recently been transferred from the Karlstad City Library to the Värmland Archives.

The second edition of this search aid is the work of Leif Gidlöf of the Värmland Archives and Berith Sande of the Archives of Popular Movements and lists the names of close to 1,400 genealogies now available in the central search room. These names have been taken from a more detailed card catalog, now in the center, where it may be consulted during the opening hours of the center. The manuscripts to which the cards refer are available in the stack areas adjoining the service desk.

It should be borne in mind that these genealogies vary very much in content, length and accuracy. Many of them have been done by competent persons, well schooled in historical research. Others may have been done by amateurs who have depended less on the critical focus. Nevertheless they all serve a useful purpose in providing new avenues of approach and perhaps offering new clues. Whatever their merits are, however, they should not be accepted at face value, but should be checked against the original sources.

It should also be stressed that the preponderance of these genealogies are regional in nature, being concentrated mostly to the geographical area of Värmland. For the researcher with roots in Värmland, this material might be of great value. For those with no Värmland forebearers the harvest may be minimal.

For those unable to visit the central search room in Karlstad, it is possible to order photocopies of the material on hand. The charge for xeroxing is approximately 15 cents per page, plus postage. Since it is difficult to know if a particular genealogy would be of help to the searcher, it might be wise to invest in

a photocopy of the library card in the center's card catalog. This will give information as to the family sought, where the genealogical material came from, the volume number, etc. It is always wise to inquire first, before ordering the material. Some of the more lengthy material may not be of any interest. It should also be stressed that all of this material is in the Swedish language. The addresses of the two archival institutions involved in this joint project are:

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% Leif Gidlöf
Box 475
651 07 Karlstad, SWEDEN

Folkkrörelsernas Arkiv
% Berith Sande
Box 162
651 07 Karlstad, SWEDEN

For those who wish to visit the archives in person the street address is:

Norra Strandgatan 4, Karlstad

In the index that follows there are instances where the letter "L" precedes the name. This signifies that the genealogy in question is also to be found in the Lagergren Collection at the Värmland Museum, also in Karlstad. Other sources for research on Värmland families for those intending to visit this lovely city are to be found in the Karlstad City Library. Genealogical material of a different nature, chiefly oriented toward the Värmland emigrant, can be found in the Emigrant Register, which shares the search room with the two archival institutions mentioned above.

Index of Genealogies in Värmland Archives

Note: The Swedish letters *Å*, *Ä* and *Ö* are alphabetized as *Aa*, *Ae* and *Oe*.

	Adler-Salvius	Alén
	Ängmyra	Allert
A	Afzelius	Allsing
L Åberg	Agardh	Almqvist
Åbom	L Agrell	L Alstedt
L Ågren	Ahlberg	L Alster
Åhm	L Ahlgren	L Alsterlund
Åhman	Ahlin	L Alstermark
Åkerhjelm	Ahlmark	L Alstrin
L Åman	Aken, von	L Althar
Acke	L Albom	L Amia, Amija
Adelheim	Aldrin	Amngren

	Amundsson		Bartram		Björn
	Anckers		Basilier		Björnberg
	Andersborg Family	L	Beckeman		Björn/Biörner
L	Andersson	L	Becklind		Björnram
	Andervall		Beckman		Björson
	Andor		Beerman		Björtorp Family
	Ankar		Belfrage		Bjuggren
	Anngren		Bellander	L	Bjur
	Antonström		Below, von		Bjurstedt
	Anundus		Bengtsson		Bjurström
	Apelqvist		Bengzon	L	Blanckenfjäll
L	Arbin		Bennet		Blankenfjell
	Arnberg	L	Berg	L	Bleumer
	Arndt	L	Berg-Åberg	L	Blidberg
	Arnell		Bergendal	L	Blomberg
L	Arrhenius		Bergendorff		Blomgren
	Arvidsson	L	Bergenheim		Blomster
L	Arvikander		Berger		Blum
	Ascheberg, von	L	Berggren	L	Blutterus
	Asker		Berghel		Bock
L	Asp		Bergholtz	L	Bodin
L	Aurén	L	Bergius		Böngren
	Aurivillius		Berglund		Börjesson
L	Austrin		Berglöf		Bofeldt
		L	Bergman		Bolhytte Family
	B		Bergman/ Andersson	L	Bolin
L	Bågenholm	L	Bergmark		Boltzius
	Bålgårds		Bergqvist		Boman
L	Bånge	L	Bergson	L	Boman/ Bauman
	Båt/ Bååt	L	Bergström		Bonde
	Båtsvik Family	L	Bergsudd		Borgstedt
	Backa Family		Berlock	L	Borgström
	Backman		Bertils Family		Bork
	Bäcklind		Beäff		Bornander
	Bäckman	L	Besche, de		Boström
L	Bäckström		Biesert		Bovik
	Bähr, von		Billengren		Bråberg
	Bagge		Billing		Bråtenberg
	Bahr		Billoch		Brännås Family
L	Bahrman		Bilov	L	Brand
L	Band		Birgitta, Saint		Brandt
L	Barck		Bjerner		Bransell
	Bark		Björck	L	Branzell
L	Barthelius		Björkdahl		Brask
	Bartkie	L	Björkman		Brasse
			Björlin	L	Bratt

	Brattén	L Carlmark	Demant
L	Brattsten	Carlqvist	L Després/ Depreez
	Brattström	Carlroth	L Dimberg
	Bredal	L Carlstaen	Dittner, af
L	Bredsberg	L Carlstedt	Djäkn
L	Brelin	L Carlström	Djekne
	Bring	L Carolstadius	Dober
	Brisman	Cederlöf	Döbeln, von
L	Brodin	Cederroth	Dolwitz, von
	Bröms	Cederstedt	Drågan Family
L	Broström	Celsius	Drake
L	Bruhn	Chapman/	Drakenberg
L	Brunell	Neudendorf	Drant
L	Brunius	L Chenon	L Dreijlich/ Dreilich
	Brunmark	Christienson	L Dress
	Brunskogius	Christoffer	Dufva
L	Bruse	Chronander	Dymling
	Bryngel	Claesson	Dyring
	Bryngel Family	L Clareen	
	Bryngelsson	Clareus	
	Bure	L Clarholm	E
	Buske	Clerck	Eck
L	Byrelius	L Collin	Eckell
	Bystedt	Collvin	L Edberg
	Byström	Cramer	Edell
	Byttner	Creutzer	Edén
		Crispin	L Edgren
		Croneborg	Edling
		L Cygnell	Edlund
	C		Edqvist
	Cahling		Edsberg
	Calais		L Edström
L	Caméen	D	L Egelström
	Camitz	L Dahl	Eggertsson
L	Canterus	Dahlbeck	Ehrenpreus
	Canuting	Dahlberg	L Ek
	Canutius	Dahlbom	Ekblom
L	Carlberg	L Dahlgren	L Ekebom/Ekebohm
L	Carlberg/Carlström	Dahlman/Dalman	Ekeblad
	Carlén	L Dahlström	Ekelund
	Carlenius	L Dalberg	Ekenberg
L	Carlgren	L Dalén	Ekenhjelm
L	Carlheim	Dalmer	Ekerman
	Carlhjelm	Danckwardt	Eklund
L	Carlholm	Danielsson	L Ekman
	Carling	Delin	Ekmark

L Ekstedt	Fallgren	Fredin
L Ekström	Falling	Frese, de
Ekvall	Fallqvist	Freudenthal
L Eldh	Fast	Mrs. Friberg's
Elfborg	L Faxell	Family
L Elfdalrus/Elvdalrus	Fegersten	Friberg
Elfstrand	Fegraeus	Friberger
Elfvendal	Feif	Fridén
Elg	Femberg	Friman
L Elis	Ferdinand Family	Frisell
Elking/Eliking	L Fergillander	Fristedt
Elofsson	Ferlin	L Fröding
L Enander	L Fernberg	Fröman
Enberg	L Fernbohm/Fernbom	From
Enbom	L Fernell	Frost
Enebom	L Ferner	L Frumerie
L Enesköld	L Fernholm	L Frychius
L Engelbrecht	L Fernlöf	L Frykberg
Engelgren	Fernqvist	Frykblom
L Engholm	L Fernström	Frykholm
Engström	L Fineman	L Frykman
Ehnström	Finne	L Frykner
Envall	Finsson	L Frykstedt
L Erasmi	Fjellberg	L Frykström
Erasmie	L Fjellman	Fryxell
Erdmar	Flach	Funke
Erdtman	Flank	Furugård
L Ericsson	L Florelius	
Erlandsson	Florell	
Ersson	L Florman	G
L Eskilstorp Family	L Flygge	L Gadd
Esping	Fock	Gädicke
L Eurelius	L Fogel	Gärdsfeldt
Eurén	L Fogelberg	Gärtner
	Fogelklou	Gärsslösa Family
	Folker	Gävert
F	Forbuj	L Gago
Fagergren	Forsberg	Garman
L Fagrell	L Forsell	L Garnej
Fagerström	Forslund	Garney
L Fahlbeck	L Forsman/Forssman	Garreltz, von
Fahlbäck	Foumeri	Gegerfelt
L Falk	Franke	Geijer
Fallbom	Frankelin	Gellsén
Fallenius	Fredén	L Gerdzlovius
		Gers

L	Gihl		Håkansson		L	Hedén
L	Gihl/Gilius		Hägerstierna		L	Hedengren
	Giliusson		Häll			Hedfelt
L	Gillberg		Hämäläinen			Hedlund
	Gillblad		Haerner			Hedner
	Gillgren		Hästesko			Hedqvist
	Gillstedt		Hästhufvud		L	Hedraeus
	Gillström		Hagander			Hedrén
	Gjöbel	L	Hagberg		L	Heintz
	Gjörcke		Hager			Helén
	Görling		Hagfelt			Helin
	Göthberg		Haglund			Hellberg
	Goffar Family		Hagström			Helleday
L	Gothander	L	Hake		L	Hellichius
	Gottskalk		Hall			Helling
L	Grå/Gråå		Hallander		L	Hellgren
L	Gråberg		Hallén			Hellman
L	Gråsten/Gråsteen		Hallenius			Hellstadius
L	Graf		Hallor Family			Hellsten
	Granfelt		Hallorsson			Hellström
L	Gravander		Hallsten			Helsing
	Grave	L	Hamberg			Herin
L	Gren	L	Hambn			Herlenius/Herlén
	Grevillius		Hammar			Herlick
	Gröndahl	L	Hammarén/ Ham margren			Hermelin
L	Gröndal					Hertz
L	Groth	L	Hammarström			Hertzberg
	Grotte	L	Hammrén		L	Hervegh/Herweghr
	Grubb		Hamn		L	Hesselgren
L	Grund		Hamndal		L	Hesselius
	Grundel		Hamner			Hesselroth
	Grundelius		Hamnerin		L	Heublein
	Grundmark		Hamnerun			Hielman
	Grundqvist	L	Hamnqvist			Hjerne
	Grundström	L	Hamnstedt/Hernstedt			Hifing
	Gullström	L	Hamnström			Hildebrandt
L	Gunnarsson		Haraldsson			Hillbom
	Gustafssköld		(Wånga Family)			Hillfors
	Gyllenius		Harder			Hindrik Family
	Gyllenklöw		Hardin			Hiolman
L	Gyllenspets		Harling			Hiordzberg
	Gylling	L	Hassel			Hising
	Gyllström		Hasselblad			Hjärna
	Gylner		Hasselrot			Hjärne
			Hasselroth			Hjertzeel
	H	L	Hasselström			Hjolman
L	Håbol Family		Hastfer		L	Hjort/Hjorth
	Håhl		Hatt			Höberg
	Haak	L	Hedberg		L	Höfner

Högås Family		Kilberg
Höggren	J	L Kilgren
Högman	Jacobsson	Kilman
Högmark	Järling	Kilstadius
Högström	Jan Svenska in Kuhr	L Kilstedt
L Högvall	Jansson in Stora	Kindberg
Höj	Skanum	Kinman
Höjer	L Jeansse/Jeanse	Kirbach
L Hök	L Jeansson	Kirnuinen
Höke	Jern	Kjellander
Höök	Jernberg	L Kjellberg
Hörberg	L Jernfelt	Kjellholm
Hövall	Jeurling	L Kjellin
Hövitz	Jönsen in Lerdala	Kjellin/ Kjellman
L Hofflander	Jönsson	L Kjellin/ Kjellinus
L Hofgren	Jolin	L Kjellman
L Hofsten	Jonaeus	Kjessel
Hofsténius	Jonce	L Kjörling
Hollsten	Juel	Klarqvist
L Holm		L Knöppel
Holmberg		Knutsson
L Holmdalius		Kobb
Holmenius	K	L Koch
Holmer	Kåhre	Köhler
Holmquist	Källberg	L Kollberg
L Holmstedt	Kähköinen	Kolmodin
Holmström	Källgren	L Kolthoff
Holtz	Kästel	Kork
Hult	Kafle	Korth
Södra Hult Family	Kagg	Kristian Family
Hultgren	Kaija	Kropp
Hultman	Kalle-Boda	L Kruse
Huss	Karfelt	L Kruskopf
Hvalström	Karlgren	Kull
Hygert	L Karlsten	L Kullander
Hülphers	Kart	Kylander
	Kartås Family	
	Kellman	
	L Kempe	L
I	Kenong	L Låftman/ Loftman
L Ilbergius	L Kenzel/ Kenzell	Långnäs/
Ingialdsson	L Kienzel	Kartås Family
(Silbodal Family)	Kiessel, von	L Låstbom/
Ingmår	Kihlén	Lostbohm/
L Insulander	L Kihlgren	Lostbom
L Iser	Kihlman/ Kilman	L Labeckius
Iserhjelm	Kihlqvist	L Läma
	Kihlstedt	Läma Family
	Kihlström	Läms
	Kiiskinen	Lagerbom

L Lagergren	L Lind	L Lundgren
Lagerlöf	L Lindberg	Lundin, Furugård
Lagerqvist	Lindberger	Lundmark
Lagrelius	Lindblad	L Lundstedt
Lagerin	Lindblom	Lundström
Lake	ll Lindbohm/ Lindbom	Lungqvist
L Lalin	ll Lindeberg	Luth
Lampa	Lindegren	L Luthman
L Landberg	ll Linderholm	Lyrholm
L Lanner	ll Lindgren	L Lysell
Lannerstjerna	Lindh	Lütting
L Larsson	Lindholm	L Lyselius
(Olsugubben Family)	L Lindmark	
Larsson/Springfelt	Lindqvist	
Lastbom	Lindroth	
Laurbergius	Lindskog	M
L Laurell	L Lindstedt	Måns Family from
Lefrén	Lindström	Arvidstorp
Lemon/ Lemoine	Lindvall	Måns Family from
Lenaus	The Linnert Farm	Grytinge Forest
Lennartsson	Linroth	Månstad Family
Lenngren	Lithner	Mård Family
Lerboda Family	Littmarck	Mårten Family
Lerdala Family	L Litton	Mårtensrud Family
Le(e)thström	Liukoinen	Magnelius
L Lethenström	Ljungberg	L Magnell
Leufstedt	Ljunggård Family	Magnusson
Leuwgren/ Lövgren	Ljungqvist	Malmberg
Levén	Loberg	Malmén
L Levin	Löfberg	Malmgren
Leijel	Löfgren	Malmstedt
Lidback	L Löfman	Malmström
Lidbeck	Löfstedt	L Marker
Lidberg	L Lönbohm/ Lönbom	Markvatten
Lid Family	L Löthner	Markvattnet
Lidén	Löwenborg	Martin
Lidetorp Family	Löwenhielm	Mattschau/
in Nysund	L Loffman	Mattskål
Lidman	L Loftman/ Låftman	Mattson
Lidström	L Lostbohm/ Lostbom/	Mattsson
Liedberg	Låstbom	Medberg
Liedén	Lothigius	Melanoz
Liedgren	Lowenberg	Melén
Lifman	Ludvigsson	Melin
Lignell	L Lund	Mellqvist
Lilja	L Lundberg	Menlös
Liljebjörn	Lundblad	Mickelsrud
Liljedahl	Lundell	
Lilljebjörn	Lundén	

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| L Milander | L Nordenfeldt/
Nordenfelt | Ölmstadiensis |
| L Mitander | Norder | L Öman |
| L Mobach | Nordgren | Önqvist |
| Modén | Nordlindh | Öra |
| L Möhlman | Nordqvist | Örn |
| Mörling | Nordström | Örnбом |
| L Molander | Nore Family | Örtenblad |
| L Molithaeus | Noreen/Norenius | L Örtendahl |
| Molitor | Noretorp | Örtenholm |
| L Morell | L Norijn | Örtensten |
| Morén | L Noring | L Örtqvist |
| Morin | Norlander | Östberg |
| Mother Marker's
Family | L Norman | Österberg |
| Mossberg | Normark | L Österling |
| L Mozelius | Norqvist | Ola Anners Family |
| Muraeus | L Norrbohm | Oleby Family |
| L Myhrman/Myrman | Norsberg | L Oller |
| L Myrin | Norstedt | Ollongren |
| | Norstrand | L Olsson |
| | Norström | L Olsson/Seffer |
| | North Rävsvala
Family | Orainen |
| N | Numers, von | Orup |
| Nackreij | Nyberg | Otterborg |
| Naüclér | Nygren | |
| Nederdahl | Nyland | P |
| Neikter | Nylén | Påvelsson |
| Nelson | Nyquist | L Palin/Pallin |
| Nieroth | Nyqvist | Pallin |
| Niklasson | Nyström | Palm |
| Nildman | Nyttorp Family | Palmgren |
| Nils at Nordie's
Family | | Pank |
| Nilsson | | Papegoja |
| Nillsson/Brasa/
Hillfors | O | Papke |
| Nisser | Odhelius | Pasch |
| Noraeus | Odhner | Paufve |
| Norbäck | Odner | L Pauli/Paulin |
| Norberg | L Öberg | Pedersson |
| Norblad | Öberg/Niklasson | Pehrsson |
| L Nordberg, see also | Ödman | Pemer, von |
| Noreen | Ödmann | Perman |
| Nordenberg | Öhrberg | Persson |
| Nordenborg | Öhrnqvist | Persson/
Freudenthal/
Wahlstrand |

Persson/Strandberg	Ratkind	Rydberg
L Petreaeus/Petraus	Regnell	L Rystedt
Pfeiffer	Reincke	
Philippstadius	Renhult	
L Pihl	L Renström	S
L Pihl/Piscator	Renvall	Sälsås Family
L Pihlgren	Reuter	Sahlin
Pihlström	Rhebinder	Sahlström
Piltz	Rhening	Salbom
Piscator	L Rhodin	L Salin
L Plan	Ribbing	Samzelius
Poignant	L Richenberg	L Sandberg
Pollack	Riekinen	Sandegren
L Porath	Rietz, du	L Sandelin
Posse	Rinanader	Sandels/Dalbo
Preus, ennobled	L Risell	Sandersson
Ehrenpreus	Robsahm	Sannäs Family
Price	Rölander	L Saveland
Printz	Rokej	Schaar
Proschwitz, von	L Rolander	Schack
	L Roman	Schagerberg
	Ronge	L Schagerström
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Ragvaldus	Rudin	Schyllander
L Rahm/Åberg	L Rudqvist	Schytler
L Ram	Rudsberg	Sebenius
Ramsell	Rudsman	Seidelius/Sejdelius
L Rang (Rank)	Rune	Selldén
Rankberg	Runner	Sellén
Rankenberg	Rusén	Setterblad
Rappolt	L Ruus	

	Siktberg	Stawe	Sutterström
	Sikterud Family	S:t Cyr	Suuroinen
L	Silfverhäst	Steffen	L Svala
	Siljeström	Stellenius	L Svan
L	Sillén	L Stenbeck	Svanberg
	Silvén	Stenholm	L Svanström
	Silversvärd	L Stenmark	L Svart
	Silving	Stenström	L Svartengren
	Silvius	Steublein	L Svarth
	Simberg	Stierncrantz	Svarts
L	Simsson	Stjern/Stjernsson	L Svebiliius
	Sippelius	Stjerne	Svedman
	Sjöblad	L Stockenborg	Svenserud Family
	Sjöbom	Stockhus	Svenske
	Sjödahl	Stråle	Svensson
	Sjöman	Stråt	(Myrom Family)
	Sjöstedt	Strale	Svinhufvud
	Skadvik	Strandberg	Swartz
	Skagerström	Strandén	Swedelius
	Skanum Family	Stridsberg	Syk
	Skinnerud Family	L Ström	L Sylvius
	Sköld	Strömstedt	
	Sköldberg	Strokirk	
	Skogen Family	Stuart	T
	Skogström	Stubberud Family	Takman
	Skråvik Family	Sturk	Tegelbom
L	Skragge	Stut	L Tegman
	Sneidern, von	Styffe	Tegnér
L	Söderberg	Styltenhjälm	Tempelman
	Söderlund	Suhoinen	Tengberg
	Södervall	L Sundberg	Tenggren
	Söderström	Sundblad	Tengman
	Sörbom	Sundbom	Thermander
L	Sörström	Sundé	Tholerus
	Soop	Sundelin	Thomsson
L	Spaak/Spak	Sundelius	Thor
	Spilhammar	Sundell	Thornblad
	Ståhl	Sundén	Thorstani
L	Stålbom	Sundin	Thorstensson
	Stålhandske	Sundius	L Thudin
	Stabbe Family	Sundler	L Thyberg
	Staf	L Sundström	Thyrberg
	Stake	Sunnäs Family	Tiderman
	Starenflycht	Sutterbo/	Tidholm
	Stark	Markvattnet	Tidström

	Tigerhjelm	L	Ullholm	Wahlström
L	Tilas	L	Ullman	Wall
	Timan		Ullmark	L Wallengren
L	Tingberg		Ullqvist	Wallin
L	Tingelholm		Ullstedt	Wallinder
	Tinglöf		Ullsten	L Wallman
	Tingström		Ullstrand	Wallmoen/ Wallmén
L	Tingvall	L	Ullström	
	Tinnerholm		Ulvsjö Family	Wallöf
	Tisell/Tiselius		Undén	Wallrave
	Tjeder	L	Unger	Wallroth
	Tjerneld		Using	Warberg
L	Tobiaesson		Utter	Warholm
	Tobieson			Warlind
	Töresson			Warnberg
	Törneblad		V	L Warnmark
	Tofta		Vålman	Warodell
	Toftman		Vahlberg/Wahlberg	Warz
L	Tolerus/Tholerus		Vallgren	Weidling
	Tolf		Vardlan	Weiner
L	Tolle	L	Vaster	Wéner/Wenner
L	Tollet		Vegelmyre Family	L Wener
	Tollfält	L	Velin/Welin	Wennberg
L	Tollstadius		Vendel	Wennerberg
	Torgny	L	Vigart	Wennergren
	Torpman		Vikhytte Family	Wennergrund
	Torsell		Viotti	L Wennerhamn
	Torstorp		Virgin	Wennerlöf
	Touffar		Vosseln, von	Wennerlund
	Tousseintsson			L Wennerman
	Tranberg			Wennerqvist
	Trapp			L Wennersten
	Traung		W	Wennerstjerna
	Treffenfelt		Wählen	L Wennerstrand
	Troilius/Troilus		Wählstedt	L Wennerström
			Wadström	L Wennerus
			Wähling	Wennervik
	U	L	Wähnerman/ Wänerman	Wennsten
L	Uddesson		Waern	L Werling
	Uddström		Wagner	Wermannus
	Uggla	L	Wahl	L Wermcrantz
L	Ullberg		Wahlenberg	L Werme
L	Ullén	L	Wahlund/Wahlund	Wermelin
	Uller		Wahlstrand	L Werner
	Ullgren			

Wessman	L Wigelius	Y
Westelius	Wijkander	Yngström
Wester/Vester	Wikland/ Wickland	Ysing
Westerberg	L Wikström	Z
Westerlund	William-Olsson	Zakrisson
Westman/Collvin	Wingborg	Zamore
L Westmark	Winge	Zandén
Westrogothus	L Wisenheim/ Visenheim	Zander
Wetterman	Wisenius	Zegolsson
Wetterstrand	Wohlfart	L Zellbell/Sellbell
Wia Family	Wolcker, von	Zelov
Wickelberg	Wollert	Zetterberg
Widén	Wulfschmidt, von	Zetterman
Widmark		Zettervall
Widström		Ziegler
L Wiewegg		Zveck

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A Swedish Passenger List from 1857

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No one will deny that the passenger lists or manifests covering the arrivals of persons into the United States, ever since 1820, have been a veritable gold mine for thousands of persons seeking their roots abroad. Not only do these manifests prove the arrival of a certain individual at a certain time, but they may also be used to identify the passenger's origin, if, as in many cases, the manifest also lists the place abroad, where the passenger hailed from. Not all the lists are that helpful. For Swedish vessels we seldom get more information than that Sweden is the country of the person's nativity. When we do come across passenger lists which also include the place-names from which the passenger came, we are indeed quite fortunate. This is all the more valuable, considering the name system in vogue in Sweden during the 19th century, the custom in the rural areas of using the "-son" name or the patronymic. Confronted with almost solid lists of Johnsons, Petersons and Svensons, it is quite obvious that the additional information we get in the more detailed lists helps immeasurably in the identification process.

On 18 Sept. 1857 the ship *Carolina* with Capt. Joel Westerberg at the helm, arrived in New York from the port of Gävle on the Baltic coast in north central Sweden. Of the 143 passengers aboard, only one died at sea, the eight month-old son of Pehr Olof Pehrsson (No. 70). Of the remaining 142 who went ashore in New York, only three stayed in that city—Hans Mauritz Alexandersson and his wife Anna Ulrika Forssell, and Gustaf Fabian Gafvelholm (No. 13-15). All of the remaining passengers were destined for Illinois. All of the passengers were quartered in the steerage space between decks. Only four persons enjoyed the comfort and luxury of a cabin—Michael Michaelsson (No. 4), who had been in the U.S. earlier, and Hans Mauritz Alexandersson and his wife (No. 13-14) and Sergeant Gafvelholm (No. 15).

It has been possible to identify almost all of those passengers who came from the parishes of Gnarp, Ovansjö, Bergsjö, Åmot and Hassela. Unfortunately the parish records of Ockelbo in Gävleborg County (*län*) were destroyed by fire in 1904; the records of Älvros Parish in Jämtland *län* were likewise destroyed in a blaze in 1870. Thus we do not have access to the pertinent information concerning about half of the *Carolina* passengers who came from Ockelbo and Älvros.

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Most of the identifications have been located in the parish records on deposit in the District Archives of Härnösand (*Landsarkivet i Härnösand*), abbreviated in the notes as *HLA*.

The passenger manifest is presented as is, as prepared by Capt. Westerberg for the port authorities in New York. In some cases the place-name has been normalized and this is placed in brackets. For identification of the microfilm used for this study, it is item No. 1128 on microfilm roll No. 179 in the National Archives Microfilm Series M 237. The names have been numbered by the authors to facilitate easy reference.

Name	Age	Sex	Occupation	From
1. Nils Ingemarsson ¹	44	m.	Cottager	Sundsvall Attmar Mellangård
2. Ingrid Magd. Matsdotter	34	f.	Wife	Sundsvall
3. Ingemar Nilsson	9	m.	Son	Sundsvall
4. Michel Michaelsson ²	32	m.	Labourer	Sundsvall Karläng
5. Joh. Peter Dahlin ³	30	m.	Farmer	Hudiksvall Gnarp Ås
6. Engla Christ. Ersdotter	31	f.	Wife	Hudiksvall
7. Marta Magr. Johansdotter	4	f.	Daughter	Hudiksvall
8. Anders Olsson ⁴	41	m.	Farmer	Hudiksvall Trollswed [Trollswed]
9. Christina Ersdotter	39	f.	Wife	Hudiksvall Trollswed
10. Margreta Andersdotter	13	f.	Daughter	Hudiksvall Trollswed
11. Jan Olof	10	m.	Son	Hudiksvall Trollswed
12. Erika	2	f.	Daughter	Hudiksvall Trollswed
13. H.M. Alexandersson ⁵	36	m.	Seaman	Bohuslän Grubbesta [Grebbebestad?]
14. Anna Ulrika Forssell	21	f.	Wife	Gefle [Gävle]
15. Fabian Gäffelholm ⁶	34	m.	Standardbearer	Gefle
16. P. Andersson Malm ⁷	27	m.	Shoemaker	Ofvansjö [Ovansjö] Norrberg
17. Lars Bergström ⁸	31	m.	Labourer	Ofvansjö Forsbodarna
18. Lars Boström	26	m.	Servant	Ockelbo & Sunnanåsbo
19. Erik Högberg	26	m.	Shoemaker	Ockelbo & Wallsbo [Vallsbo]
20. Cajsa Lisa Nordström	23	f.	Wife	Ockelbo & Wallsbo
21. Maria Larsdotter	25	f.	Maidservant	Ockelbo & Nordanåsbo
22. Isac Isacson	23	m.	Servant	Ockelbo & Nordanåsbo
23. Margreta Åström ⁹	56	f.	Labourer wife	Ockelbo & Åmot
24. Jan Mars	59	m.	Soldier	Ockelbo & Ulfsta [Ulvsta]
25. Christ. Andersdotter	57	f.	Wife	Ockelbo
26. Carin Jansdotter	27	f.	Daughter	Ockelbo
27. Marta	19	f.	his Daughter	Ockelbo
28. Brita	15	f.	his Daughter	Ockelbo
29. Ingrid Pehrsdotter	52	f.	Farmer widow	Ockelbo
30. Anders Jansson	23	m.	Son	Ockelbo
31. Jan	19	m.	Son	Ockelbo
32. Carin	16	f.	Daughter	Ockelbo
33. Ingri	11	f.	Daughter	Ockelbo

34. Marta	8 f.	Daughter	Ockelbo
35. Kjerstin Pehrsson	22 f.	Maid-servant	Ockelbo
36. Jon Larsson	47 m.	Cottager	Ockelbo
37. Brita Andersdotter	48 f.	Wife	Ockelbo
38. Lars	23 m.	Son	Ockelbo
39. Anders	18 m.	Son	Ockelbo
40. Marta	13 f.	Daughter	Ockelbo
41. Jan Hedberg	44 m.	Taylor	Ockelbo
42. Carin Jansdotter	18 f.	Daughter	Ockelbo
43. Peter Johan	17 m.	Son	Ockelbo
44. Lars	11 m.	Daughter(sic!)	Ockelbo
45. Gölin	6 f.	Daughter	Ockelbo
46. Anders	3 m.	Son	Ockelbo
47. Pehr Pehrsson	27 m.	Farmer	Ockelbo
48. Swen Swensson ¹⁰	32 m.	Farmer	Hudiksvall Malungen
49. Marta Ersdotter	34 f.	Wife	Hudiksvall Malungen
50. Erik Johan	7 m.	Son	Hudiksvall Malungen
51. Swen Olof	1 m.	Son	Hudiksvall Malungen
52. Stina Cajsa	4 f.	Daughter	Hudiksvall Malungen
53. Jan Bolund	26 m.	Servant	Ockelbo & Sunnanåsbo
54. Olof Pehrsson	59 m.	Farmer	Ockelbo & Ulfsta
55. Anna Pehrsson	55 f.	Wife	Ockelbo & Ulfsta
56. Anna	20 f.	Daughter	Ockelbo & Ulfsta
57. Christina	13 f.	Daughter	Ockelbo & Ulfsta
58. Margreta	10 f.	Daughter	Ockelbo & Ulfsta
59. Pehr Malm	25 m.	his Brother-in-Law	Ockelbo & Ulfsta
60. Carin Olsdotter	22 f.	Wife	Ockelbo & Ulfsta
61. Olof	2 m.	Son	Ockelbo & Ulfsta
62. Jan Olsson Kjällgren ¹¹	25 m.	Farmer	Ockelbo & Kjällsjön
63. Olof Kjällgren ¹²	57 m.	Father	Ockelbo & Kjällsjön
64. Anna Larsdotter	44 f.	Wife	Ockelbo & Kjällsjön
65. Lisa ¹³	36 f.	Daughter	Ockelbo & Kjällsjön
66. Anna Stina ¹⁴	6 f.	Daughter	Ockelbo & Kjällsjön
67. Pehr Olof Pehrsson ¹⁵	30 m.	Farmer	Åmot
68. Anna Ersdotter	32 f.	Wife	Åmot
69. Pehr Olof	4 m.	Son	Åmot
70. Erik	8 mos.	m. Son	Åmot Died 20 Aug.
71. Anna Pehrsson ¹⁶	21 f.	Maid-servant	Åmot & Förbo
72. Nils Olsson ¹⁷	44 m.	Farmer	Åmot & Kjällsjön
73. Greta Ersdotter	48 f.	Wife	Åmot & Kjällsjön
74. Carin	18 f.	Daughter	Åmot & Kjällsjön
75. Olof	17 m.	Son	Åmot & Kjällsjön
76. Erik	15 m.	Son	Åmot & Kjällsjön
77. Anna	13 f.	Daughter	Åmot & Kjällsjön

78. Johan Bergqvist ¹⁸	49 m	Forester	Ockelbo & Åmot
79. Märta Pehrsondotter	47 f.	Wife	Ockelbo & Åmot
80. Anders Gustaf	17 m.	Son	Ockelbo & Åmot
81. Pehr Olof	11 m.	Son	Ockelbo & Åmot
82. Lars Erik	9 m.	Son	Ockelbo & Åmot
83. Maria Helena	15 f.	Daughter	Ockelbo & Åmot
84. Anna Greta	½ f.	Daughter	Ockelbo & Åmot
85. Erik Larsson Nyberg	43 m.	Cottager	Ockelbo & Mo
86. Marta Nilsson	43 f.	Wife	Ockelbo & Mo
87. Christina	11 f.	Daughter	Ockelbo & Mo
88. Carin	8 f.	Daughter	Ockelbo & Mo
89. Marta	5 f.	Daughter	Ockelbo & Mo
90. Anders Eriksson	24 m.	Servant	Ockelbo & Ulfsta
91. Anna Hansdotter	26 f.	Wife	Ockelbo & Ulfsta
92. Carin Carlsson	58 f.	Farmer Widow	Ockelbo & Ulfsta
93. Hans Hansson	20 m.	Son	Ockelbo & Ulfsta
94. Britta Hansdotter	22 f.	Daughter	Ockelbo & Ulfsta
95. Lars Larsson Norman	54 m.	Coalman	Ockelbo & Ulfsta
96. Brita Ersson	58 f.	Wife	Ockelbo & Ulfsta
97. Kjerstin	17 f.	Daughter	Ockelbo & Ulfsta
98. Jöns Ersson	24 m.	Farmer	Ockelbo & Ulfsta
99. Lisa Ersson	21 f.	Wife	Ockelbo & Ulfsta
100. Lars Åström	59 m.	Cottager	Åbro
101. Brita Pehrson	58 f.	Wife	Åbro
102. Pehr	26 m.	Son	Åbro
103. Margreta	21 f.	Daughter	Åbro
104. Hans Ersson	32 m.	Servant	Åbro
105. Marta Olsson	23 f.	Maid-servant	Norbro
106. Pehr Norberg ¹⁹	36 m.	Farmer	Hudiksvall & Hasela [Hassela]
107. Marta Christ. Clason	32 f.	Wife	Hudiksvall
108. Claes Johan	8 m.	Son	Hudiksvall
109. Pehr Olof	5 m.	Son	Hudiksvall
110. Lars Erik	3 m.	Son	Hudiksvall
111. Anna Marta	½ f.	Daughter	Hudiksvall
112. Olof Eriksson	43 m.	Taylor	Härjedalen Sveg Elfros [Älvros]
113. Anna Pehrson	38 f.	Wife	Härjedalen
114. Christina	8 f.	Daughter	Härjedalen
115. Carolina	6 f.	Daughter	Härjedalen
116. Pehr Ersson ²⁰	34 m.	Servant	Härjedalen
117. Emrik Pohlsson ²¹	21 m.	Servant	Härjedalen
118. Åmark	38 f.	Wife	Ockelbo & Åmot
119. Anna Christina	3 f.	Daughter	Ockelbo & Åmot
120. Ol. Olosson Åkerblad	42 m.	Coalman	Ockelbo & Åmot
121. Cajsa Lisa Mattsson	24 f.	Wife	Ockelbo & Åmot
122. Christina Ersson	59 f.	Farmer Wife	Ockelbo & Ivantjern [Ivantjärn]

123. Gertrud Carlsdotter	50	f.	Maid-servant	Ockelbo
124. Pehr Skoglund	31	m.	Taylor	Ockelbo
125. Anna Ersdotter	30	f.	Wife	Ockelbo
126. Anna Stina	5	f.	Daughter	Ockelbo
127. Pehr Erik	2	m.	Son	Ockelbo
128. Margreta	½	f.	Daughter	Ockelbo
129. Pehr Larsson	22	m.	Servant	Ockelbo & Mo
130. Jonas Pehrsson Hedman	24	m.	Servant	Ockelbo
131. Jan Olsson ²²	21	m.	Servant	Löftjern [Lövtjärn]
132. Lars Jansson ²³	45	m.	Labourer	Åmot
133. Kjerstin Pehrsdotter	33	f.	Wife	Åmot
134. Pehr	13	m.	Son	Åmot
135. Lena	9	f.	Daughter	Åmot
136. Kjerstin	6	f.	Daughter	Åmot
137. Lars	3	m.	Son	Åmot
138. Brita	1	f.	Daughter	Åmot
139. Erik Hedberg	38	m.	Planter	Åmot
140. Anders Andersson ²⁴	28	m.	Coalman	Åmot & Storåsen
141. Helena Sophia	26	f.	Wife	Åmot & Storåsen
142. Anna Lena	1½	f.	Daughter	Åmot & Storåsen
143. Pehr Baksell	30	m.	Smith	

¹Nils Ingemarsson was b. in Attmar Parish (Vn.) 14 Jan. 1813, s. of Ingemar Johansson, farmer in Söderböle in Attmar, and his wife Stina Nilsson. He was m. to Ingrid Magdalena Mattsdotter, b. in Attmar 3 Sept. 1823, dau. Matts Johansson, crofter (*torpare*) in Backa, Attmar, and his wife Ingrid Jönsdotter. Their s. Ingmar was b. in Njurunda Parish (Vn.) 10 June 1849. The family left for America from Attmar 1857. —*HLA*.

²Michael Michaelsson was b. in Attmar Parish 17 Dec. 1824, s. of Michael Mårtensson, farmer and church warden (*kyrkvärd*) in Karläng in Attmar, and his wife Sigrid Ingemarsdotter. In the household examination rolls for Attmar he is listed as having returned from America 1856 and departed again for America 1857. He is probably identical with a passenger, M. Michaelsson, who emigr. 1850 and arr. in New York 1 Nov. 1850 aboard the *Oden* together with several other passengers from Attmar. —*HLA*; Nils William Olsson, *Swedish Passenger Arrivals in New York 1820-1850* (Stockholm and Chicago 1967), p. 256.

³Johan Petter Dalin was b. in Attmar Parish 24 Sept. 1827, s. of Johan Stockne, charcoal burner (*kolare*), and his wife Margreta Olsdotter. He was m. to Engla Christina Ersdotter, b. in Attmar 5 Oct. 1826, dau. of Eric Buller, crofter, and Märta Ersdotter. The couple had a dau. Märta Greta, also b. in Attmar 31 March 1853. The family emigr. to America from Gnarp Parish (Gäv.) 21 June 1857. —*HLA*.

⁴Anders Olsson, crofter, was b. in Gnarp Parish 3 Jan. 1817, s. of Olof Andersson, crofter, and his wife Brita Pehrsdotter. He was m. to Kerstin Ersdotter, b. in Gnarp 31 Aug. 1818, dau. of Eric Ersson, farmer, and Margret Jönsdotter. Their three children, all b. in Gnarp, were—Margta, b. 11 July 1844, Johan Olof, b. 19 July 1846 and Brita Erica, b. 17 Jan. 1855. The family emigr. to America 14 July 1857. —*HLA*.

⁵Hans Mauritz Alexandersson was b. in Gisleröd, Tanum Parish (Göt.) 13 March 1821, s. of Alexander Andersson and his wife Johanna Andersdotter. His wife, Anna Ulrika Forssell, was b. in Gävle 24 March 1836, the dau. of a sailor. The couple left Gävle 21 July 1857. —*HLA*; *Göteborg Landsarkiv*.

⁶Gustaf Fabian Gavelholm, sergeant, received a passport to America in Uppsala in 1857. —*Uppsala länsstyrelses landskansli passjournaler 1849-1862* (The Passport Journals of the Uppsala County Chancellery in Uppsala District Archives).

⁷Pehr Andersson Malm, shoemaker, was b. in Kungsberg, Ovensjö Parish (Gäv.) 26 Aug. 1830, s. of Anders Malm, shoemaker, and his wife Lena Olsdotter. —*HLA*.

⁸Lars Jönsson Bergström, laborer, was b. in Ovensjö Parish 4 June 1826, s. of Jöns Larsson, laborer, and Karin Larsdotter. He emigr. to America 1857. —*HLA*.

⁹Margareta Åström was b. in Åmot Mill in Åmot Parish (Gäv.) 16 March 1801, dau. Eric Hansson, millworker (*rostbrännare*), and his wife Anna Olofsdotter. Her husband, Hans Andersson Åström, had departed for America the year before. —*HLA*.

- ¹⁰Sven Svensson emigr. from Malungen in Bergsjö Parish (Gävl.) 1857. He was b. in Attmar Parish 22 Oct. 1825, s. of Sven Svensson, farmer, and his wife Stina Cajsa Andersdotter. He was m. to Märta Ericsdotter, b. in Gnarp Parish 5 Oct. 1823, dau. of Eric Ersson, farmer, and Margta Jonsdotter. They had three children, the two oldest b. in Attmar, the youngest in Bergsjö—Erik Johan, b. 15 April 1850, Stina Cajsa, b. 22 April 1853 and Sven Olof, b. 16 Aug 1856. —*HLA*.
- ¹¹Jon Olsson Källgren or Kjällgren, b. in Källsjön, Åmot Parish (Gävl.) 29 Nov. 1831, s. Olof Jonsson Källgren and his first wife, Sophia Danielsdotter. He emigr. to America 1857. —*HLA*.
- ¹²Olof Jonsson Källgren, father of the above, was b. in Källsjön in Åmot 30 Aug. 1801, s. of Jon Olofsson, charcoal burner, and his wife Lisa Mattsdotter. He was m. twice—the first time to Sophia Danielsdotter, with whom he had two children—Jon, see above, and Lisa, see below; the second time to Anna Larsdotter, b. in Åmot 19 July 1814, dau. Lars Hansson, charcoal burner in Åmot, and Karin Ersdotter. A dau. in the second marriage was Anna Stina, see below. —*HLA*.
- ¹³Lisa Olsdotter Källgren, b. in Åmot 15 Feb. 1829, dau. of Olof Jonsson Källgren and his first wife Sophia Danielsdotter. —*HLA*.
- ¹⁴Anna Stina Källgren, b. in Åmot 27 Nov. 1851, dau. of Olof Jonsson Källgren and his wife in the second marriage, Anna Larsdotter. —*HLA*.
- ¹⁵Pehr Olof Pehrsson, farmer, was b. in Åmot 27 March 1827, s. of Pehr Jonsson, farmer and judge at the assizes (*nämndeman*), and Lena Larsdotter. He was m. to Anna Ersdotter, b. in Åmot 30 Nov. 1824, dau. of Eric Mattsson, charcoal burner, and Anna Ersdotter. They had two sons—Pehr Olof, b. in Åmot 15 Jan. 1853 and Eric, also b. in Åmot 20 Dec. 1856. The family emigr. to America 1857. Eric d. on the ocean 20 Aug. 1857. —*HLA*.
- ¹⁶Anna Pehrdsdotter, servant, was b. in Åmot 12 March 1836, dau. of Pehr Pehrsson in Svartandal, charcoal burner, and Karin Jonsdotter. She emigr. to America 1857. —*HLA*.
- ¹⁷Nils Olsson, charcoal burner, was b. in Åmot 5 July 1814, s. of Olof Carlsson, also a charcoal burner, and Karin Nilsdotter. He was m. to Greta Nilsdotter, b. in Åmot 20 Feb. 1809, but she is not found in the Åmot register of births. They had the following children, all b. in Åmot—Karin, b. 23 April 1839, Olof, b. 17 April 1840, Eric, b. 14 Sept. 1842 and Anna, b. 21 Nov. 1844. The family emigr. to America 1857. —*HLA*.
- ¹⁸Jan Bergqvist, former forester, was b. in Åmot 24 Dec. 1807, s. of Jan Bergqvist, laborer, and Maja Jonsdotter. He was m. to Margta Pehrdsdotter, b. in Åmot 13 Sept. 1810, dau. Pehr Jonsson, farmer, and Margta Andersdotter. They had the following children, all b. in Åmot—Jan, b. 13 Feb. 1836, Anders Gustaf, b. 6 June 1840, Maja Helena, b. 28 Sept. 1842, Peter Olof, b. 14 Sept 1845, Lars Erik, b. 22 May 1848 and Anna Margareta, b. 6 April 1857. The entire family left for America 1857, except the eldest son Jan, who had departed the year before. —*HLA*.
- ¹⁹Pehr Pehrsson Norberg, crofter, was b. in Hassela Parish (Gävl.) 11 Oct. 1821, s. Pehr Norberg, crofter, and Anna Pehrdsdotter in Malungsås. He was m. to Martha Christina Claësdotter, b. in Attmar Parish (Vn.) 10 July 1825, dau. Claës Johansson, farmer, and Sigrid Johansdotter in Långaskog. They had the following children, the three oldest b. in Attmar, the youngest in Hassela—Claës Johan, b. 19 Jan. 1849, Pehr Olof, b. 31 Jan. 1852, Lars Erik, b. 27 Aug. 1854 and Anna Martha, b. 17 March 1857. The entire family emigr. to America in 1857. —*HLA*.
- ²⁰Pehr Ersson, b. in Kyrkbyn, Älvros Parish (Jämt.) 9 July 1823, probably the s. of Erik Svensson, farmer in Remmen, and Sigrid Pehrdsdotter. —*HLA*.
- ²¹Embrekt Pålsson was b. in Remmen, Älvros Parish 23 Oct. 1835, s. of Pål Embrektsson, crofter, and Gölin Johansdotter. —*HLA*.
- ²²Johannes Olsson, servant, was b. in Lövtjärn, Åmot Parish 6 June 1836, s. of Olof Olsson, farmer, and Maria Jonsdotter. He emigr. to America 1857. —*HLA*.
- ²³Lars Jansson, millworker (*rostbrännare*), was b. in Kvarnåsen, Åmot Parish 6 Dec. 1812, s. Jan Olsson, laborer, and Kerstin Jonsdotter. He was m. to Kerstin Pehrdsdotter, b. in Åmot 25 Oct. 1824, dau. of Pehr Jonsson, farmer, and Lena Larsdotter. They had the following children, all b. in Åmot—Pehr, b. 4 Aug. 1844, Lena, b. 24 Oct. 1848, Kerstin, b. 22 May 1851, Lars, b. 6 March 1854 and Brita, b. 6 Aug. 1856. The entire family left for America 1857. —*HLA*.
- ²⁴Anders Andersson, charcoal burner, b. in Storåsen, Åmot Parish 8 May 1828, s. Anders Andersson, also a charcoal burner, and his wife Anna Olsdotter. He was m. to Helena Sophia Pehrdsdotter, b. in Åmot 2 May 1834, dau. Pehr Jönsson, farmer, and Lena Larsdotter. They had one dau. Anna Lena, b. in Åmot 23 Feb. 1856. The family left for America 1857. —*HLA*.

The Emigrant's Departure

Stieg-Erland Dagman*

(Editor's note: The following article is a reconstructed diary of Gustaf Mellberg, who departed from Sweden for America in 1843. It is based upon manuscript sources, such as census lists, etc., in the Stockholm City Archives; The University of Uppsala Library; the records of Göta Canal and Trollhätte Canal, the Stockholm newspaper *Aftonbladet* and the Göteborg newspaper *Göteborgs Handels- och Sjöfartstidning* and an article by Sten Almqvist, "Guldgrävaren Johan Olof Liedberg" in *Småländska kulturbilder* 1972, pp. 48-117. An earlier article, entitled "Gustaf Mellberg—From Swedish Academician to American Farmer," also written by Mr. Dagman, appeared in *Swedish American Genealogist*, Vol. III, No. 4, 1983, pp. 161-169. Mr. Dagman's reconstruction is printed here since he has created for us the atmosphere of the early emigration period in Sweden, before the advent of the railroads, when emigrants bound for Göteborg had to travel either by horse and cart, or as the Mellberg party, via the Göta Canal.)

This is the story of the journey from Stockholm to Göteborg, the first segment of the emigration trek to America by Gustaf Mellberg¹, a Swedish schoolteacher, in 1843. He originally came from Bränninge in Habo Parish (Skar.) and was accompanied by his good friend Thure Kumlien², the latter's fiancée, Christina Wallberg³, and her older sister Sophia⁴. This is the way Gustaf would have written his diary:

30 May. Tuesday. Today Thure, Christina and Sophia arrived in Stockholm from Uppsala. Tomorrow they will go to the civil authorities to procure their passports. I received mine yesterday. They have gotten lodgings at an inn called Riga, which also maintains a few rooms for travelers. Riga is located on Österlånggatan, just a stone's throw from my quarters in Bollhusgränd. The canal boat *Daniel Thunberg* will depart at 5 o'clock a.m. on Thursday morning, so we must have our baggage ready and on the Riddarhus quay already tomorrow night.

31 May. Wednesday. The day was spent in the aura of farewells. Went through

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the house and said goodbye to all of those who were at home. Received some good advice from Mr. Feit⁵, the merchant, and Mr. Mosell⁶, the inkeeper, as well as from Miss af Wasell and Charlotta Boström⁷.

Many persons cannot understand why we are embarking on this type of adventure, others, among them Miss Lundquist and Mr. Lindqvist, the waiter, acted as if they could have done the same thing.

In the evening the four of us travellers met at Riga for a little farewell dinner. My colleague, Mr. Sandberg⁸, the schoolteacher, came around, as well as several of my acquaintances here in the city.

1 June. Thursday. We had to arise early in order to be at the quay on time. Said a final farewell to my host, the Rev. Pehr Isacus⁹. Sandberg appeared at dockside. Walked the familiar route for the last time—Köpmanngatan, across the Grand Square (*Stortorget*), through Trångsund and then the hill next to the St. Nikolai Church, down to Riddarholmen. Thure, Christina and Sophia were already at the boat when I arrived.

Precisely at 5 o'clock a.m. *Daniel Thunberg* departed with its master, Capt. Ameen.¹⁰ We steamed out on Mälaren, passed Karl's Hat (*Karls Hatt*) and then down toward Södertälje. Ate breakfast, which consisted of bread, butter, salt meat and acquavit. We continued down the coast through the beautiful Södermanland archipelago, passed Trosa and Nyköping, which we viewed in the distance.

We met the canal boat *Eric Nordevall* on its way to the nation's capital. We ate a two-course dinner, washed down with several glasses of weak beer. During the continuing journey through the archipelago, down toward Slätbaken, I had the opportunity of conversing with the captain. I told him that we had embarked on our life's adventure and we were ready to continue from Göteborg with Capt. Nissen¹¹ and the brig *Svea*. Capt. Ameen then related that Capt. Nissen was known as a resolute man of sound judgment, so that we could count on a pleasant continuation of our journey. He also told me some facts concerning *Daniel Thunberg*. She had a length of some 90 feet and a beam of 22 feet. She had an engine which developed 38 horsepower which drove the two paddle wheels and that she was built in 1835.

Toward the evening, when we arrived in the interior of the bay known as Slätbaken, we ate our evening meal, which consisted of tea, milk, beer and some cold cuts as well as the obligatory acquavit.

We arrived at Mem and the first lock of Göta Canal at 9 o'clock in the evening. In Söderköping, where we arrived an hour later, we tied up for a few hours. We then retired to our cabins for the night.

2 June. Friday. Was awake at 7 o'clock in the morning. We were already at Norsholm. I had slept like a log the entire night. The sea air and the excitement in anticipation of the journey had acted like a sleeping potion. I had not noticed our departure from Söderköping, nor our going through the locks at Carlsborg.

After breakfast our travel quartet met at the railing to enjoy the peaceful and beautiful trip across Lake Roxen. We passed through the seven Carl Johan locks at Berg during the forenoon. We ate our mid-day meal at Husbyfjöl and

arrived in Motala at 7 o'clock in the evening. We remained in Motala for about an hour, before proceeding across the waters of Lake Vättern, which at times can produce some angry waves. This time, however, the water was calm, so calm in fact that we could eat our evening meal without difficulty. After several hours' travel across the lake, we reached the western shores of the Vättern, where the silhouette of the construction work at Ft. Carlsborg was outlined against the light summer sky. In Rödésund, where we are to remain for a few hours, we went to our cabins to sleep.

3 June. Saturday. We were awakened as we were passing through the locks at Forsvik, steaming into Lake Viken, where we met the canal boat *Amiral von Platen*. I lay in my bunk thinking of the fact that I was passing through my native province of Västergötland and that I was about 65 miles as the crow flies from my beloved Bränninge. Oh, so near, and yet so far. Will I ever again see my mother or my dear brothers? The future and He who gives us all good things is He who will provide the answer to this question.

Thure and I as well as the sisters Wallberg stood on deck the entire forenoon enjoying the marvelously beautiful province. Thure is also from Västergötland, coming from a place called Härlunda. We arrived at Sjötorp around noon. After having passed through the locks, we came into Lake Vänern, which happened to be in a good mood, so that we could eat our dinner without any problems. The evening and the night were spent on the calm waters of Vänern.

4 June. Sunday. We arrived in Vänersborg during the afternoon, after a rather comfortable crossing of the vast body of water, Lake Vänern. Arrived at the first lock at Brinkebergskulle in the evening and we came to Åkersberg and the many locks there at about nine p.m. A new channel and locks are being constructed here and it is estimated that these will be ready for use next year. At Oliden we met our third canal boat, *Thomas Telford*. We tied up for a few hours this evening also.

5 June. Monday. At 6 o'clock in the morning we passed through the locks at Ström and continued down Göta River. We ate our breakfast near Old Lödöse. We were also able to eat our dinner before our journey ended and we arrived in Göteborg.

We gathered our baggage and received help from some of the porters to take it over to Hotel Blom on Södra Hamngatan, where we checked in.

We walked about the city for a while during the early evening, before returning to the hotel to eat our evening meal.

6 June. Tuesday. We received information that the *Svea* had been sighted and later she arrived at the quay. We spent the day sightseeing.

7 June. Wednesday. We have just been informed that gentlemen named Wessberg,¹² who are agents for Capt. Nissen here in Göteborg, have said that it would take about a week to get our *Svea* ready for departure to New York.

8-13 June. Thursday to Tuesday. Waiting, waiting and more waiting. We are still at the hotel. Have met several persons, who like we, are waiting to go on board the *Svea*. Among these is a large family from Hössna in Västergötland named Reuterskiöld.¹³ A couple of brothers named Wählin¹⁴ are from the region

around Mariestad and a person by the name of Johan Olof Liedberg¹⁵ from Jönköping, where I spent many years going to school.

14 June. *Wednesday*. Today we were finally able to go on board with all our belongings. We will be about 60 passengers on board, most of them Swedes. We also have on board a consignment of bar iron as well as a thousand leeches. The latter are supposed to be a good export article. We now await favorable winds in order to depart.

15 June. *Thursday*. We are still tied up to the Masthugg quay, waiting for a favorable wind.

16 June. *Friday*. Finally! This morning Capt. Nissen felt that the wind was favorable and at 9 o'clock a.m. the sails were unfurled and the *Svea* left the quay. We sailed toward Vinga in a soft summer breeze, and on westward toward unknown fates, which the future harbors in its bosom. Farewell my Homeland, Hail to the Future!

¹For Gustaf Mellberg's genealogy see my article cited above in the editor's introduction.

²Thure Ludvig Theodor Kumlien was b. in Bjärklunda, Härlunda Parish (Skar.) 9 Nov. 1819, s. Ludvig Kumlien, a regimental enrollment clerk, and Johanna Petronella Rhodin. He m. 5 Sept. 1843 Margareta Christina Wallberg and d. in Milwaukee, WI 5 Aug. 1888. —Nils William Olsson, *Swedish Passenger Arrivals in New York 1820-1850* (Stockholm and Chicago 1967) (*SPANY*), p. 50; Wendell Clarke Kumlien, *The Kumlien Family Directory 1983* (Huntington, WV 1983), p. 5.

³Margareta Christina Wallberg was b. in Håbo-Tibble Parish (Upps.) 20 April 1820, the dau. of Johan Wallberg, dragoon, and Brita Catharina Andersdotter. She d. in Busseyville, WI 23 Sept. 1874. —*SPANY*, p. 50; *Kumlien Family Directory*, p. 5.

⁴Sophia Wallberg, older sister of Margareta Christina, was b. in Håbo-Tibble 9 Oct. 1809. She d. in Koshkonong, WI 25 Sept. 1899. —*SPANY*, p. 50.

⁵Probably E. Feit, merchant, who had his shop at Stora Skomakaregatan 28 in Stockholm. —P.A. Huldberg, *Ny adress-kalender och vägvisare inom hufvudstaden Stockholm för år 1859* (Stockholm 1859), p. 67.

⁶Probably C. J. Mosell, an innkeeper, whose tavern was located at Lilla Grev Magnigatan 5 in Stockholm. —*Ibid.*, p. 161.

⁷Possibly C. M. Boström, a midwife superintendent, whose residence was located at Stora Bollhusgränd 1, the same street on which Mellberg had resided in Stockholm. —*Ibid.*, p. 32.

⁸Possibly J. A. Sandberg, who had the degree of *fil. mag.* (Master of Arts) and who resided at Västra Kyrkogränd 2 in Stockholm. —*Ibid.*, p. 198.

⁹There was no clergyman with the name of Isacus in Sweden at this time. This must be Per Ulrik Isaeus (1809-1879), who in 1843 was just finishing a term as schoolmaster in Veckholm Parish (Upps.) and was in the process of transferring to Husby-Sjutolft Parish (Upps.) as assistant pastor (*komminister*). —Ludvig Nyström, *Uppsala ärkestiftis herdaminne*. Ny följd. Vol. IV (Uppsala 1893), p. 42.

¹⁰This could be any of three brothers Ameen, all lieutenants in the Royal Swedish Navy. These were the twins—Per Gustaf Ameen (1804-1849) and Paul Wilhelm Ameen (1804-1857). The third brother was Victor Ameen (1808-1863). —Lars Magnus Victor Örnberg, *Svensk slägtkalender & Svenska ättartal*, I-XIV (Stockholm 1884-1908), II, p. 69; Gustaf Elgenstierna, *Svenska släktkalendern*, I-XIV (Stockholm 1911-1949), I, p. 36.

¹¹Probably Johan Eric Nissen, later port captain in Göteborg.—Örnberg, *Svenska ättartal*, VIII, p. 241.

¹²One of these Wessbergs must have been Fredrik Wessberg (1789-1851), for many years merchant and ship's agent in Göteborg. —Carl Sjöström, *Göteborgs nation i Lund 1669-1906* (Lund 1907), p. 288.

¹³Carl Edvard Abraham Reuterskiöld, was b. in Västra Skedvi Parish (Väst.) 18 Dec. 1796, the s. of Axel Fredrik Reuterskiöld, a plant manager, and Anna Dorothea, b. Baroness Cedercreutz. He d. in Busseyville, WI 15 Feb. 1847. He was m. to Maria Elisabeth Landström. He emigr. to Wisconsin with seven children. —*SPANY*, pp. 42-49.

¹⁴The Wåhlen brothers were b. in Våle, Grava Parish (Värm.). Lars was b. 26 July 1807 and Anders 14 Dec. 1816, the sons of Lars Börjesson, a plant manager, and Anna Olofsdotter. They were emigrating from Leksberg Parish (Skar.), where both had been employed as blacksmiths. —*SPANY*, p. 51.

¹⁵Johan Olof Liedberg was b. in Kristina Parish in Jönköping 12 Jan. 1822, the s. of Anders Magnus Liedberg, a merchant, and Magdalena Jurnbeck. He emigr. to Wisconsin but soon left for the gold fields of California, where he was the first Swede to begin prospecting for gold. He d. in Chicago, IL 7 July 1886. — *SPANY*, pp. 52, 269.

Two Early Swedish Pharmacists in America

Nils William Olsson

The Washington, DC City Directory of 1872 contains a four-page advertisement heralding a new nostrum called Borobalsamine, “a healing antiseptic,” patented at the U.S. Patent Office 12 Sept. 1871 and manufactured by a young pharmacist by the name of Oscar Oldberg. On page 358 of the same directory we find another advertisement, calling attention to two druggists, Oscar and Rudolph Oldberg, residing at 304 Eye Street, N.W., with their apothecary shop located next door, at 300 Eye St., N.W.¹

Who was Oscar Oldberg, who could afford a four-page bi-colored brochure, tipped in between the pages of the city directory? A closer examination of Oldberg & Co., reveals that we are here dealing with two Swedish brothers, recently arrived from their native land, who in Washington were beginning a new career.

The brothers were the sons of a clergyman in Alfta Parish (Gävl.), Anders Oldberg and his wife, Catharina Fredrika Öhrströmer, Oscar Robert born 22 Jan. 1846 and his younger brother Carl Johan Rudolph, born 5 July 1850.²

As will be seen, these early emigrants to our nation's capital were indeed remarkable individuals. Oscar had attended junior college (*gymnasium*) in Gävle, after which he became a pharmacist's apprentice in the apothecary shop of Fredrik Wilhelm Helleday in Falun.³ Helleday had been a star student of the internationally known Swedish chemist, Jöns Jacob Berzelius, and it was in the spirit of Berzelius that Helleday gathered around him the young pharmacists in his home, teaching them, inspiring them and demonstrating to them the latest discoveries in the fields of chemistry and pharmaceutical science.⁴ Oscar Oldberg passed his pharmacist's examination and promptly departed for America in 1864, settling in Washington, DC, where, five years later, he became a member of the faculty of the School of Pharmacy at Georgetown University. Later he became Dear. and Professor of Pharmacy at the National College of Pharmacy in Washington. When he severed his connection with this institution in 1881, the college conferred upon him an honorary degree of Doctor of Pharmacy.

In 1874 he had joined the Marine Hospital Service of the United States, holding the position of chief clerk and acting medical purveyor of that service until 1881, when he resigned. In addition he served as a member of the Committee of Revision and Publication of the Pharmacopoeia of the United States for no less than thirty years.

In 1886 Northwestern University in Evanston, IL, founded its School of Pharmacy and called upon Oscar Oldberg to become its first Dean. He held that position until 1911. He died, probably in Evanston, 27 Feb. 1913.

For a brief while, in 1872, Oscar Oldberg also served as Swedish-Norwegian vice consul in Memphis, TN.

Oldberg was a prodigious writer on pharmaceutical topics, writing more than a dozen books on this subject during his lifetime. Best known is probably his *Companion to the United States Pharmacopoeia*, which he wrote together with his colleague, Otto A. Wall, which first appeared in New York in 1884.⁵

On 19 May 1873 Oscar Oldberg married Emma Parritt, with whom he had three children - Arne,⁶ born 1874, Olga, born 1877 and Virgil, born 1878.⁷

Oscar Oldberg's younger brother, Rudolph, though assuredly equally talented, had little opportunity to demonstrate this, since he died in Washington 28 Aug. 1878, having just reached his 28th birthday. The year before he died he had married Susan Johnson, born in 1855.⁸

Rudolph must have been an accomplished botanist in his own right. In 1876 he published in Washington his *Flora Columbiana, A Catalogue of Plants Growing Without Cultivation, Collected by the Members of the Potomac-Side Naturalists' Club*.

¹Boyd's Directory of the District of Columbia (Washington, D.C. 1872).

²Their mother, Catharina Fredrika Öhrströmer, was the sister of Charlotta Margareta Öhrströmer, the wife of Gustaf Unonius, pioneer Episcopalian clergyman in Chicago. —(L.M.V.) Örnberg, *Svensk släkt-kalender & Svenska ättartal*, I-XIV (Stockholm 1884-1908), XII, p. 380; Gösta Thimon, *Matrikel över Gästrik-Hälsing nation i Uppsala 1811-1961* (Uppsala 1963), p. 73; Ludvig Nyström, *Uppsala ärkestifts herdaminne*. Ny följd. IV (Uppsala 1893), p. 19.

³Ernst W. Olson and Martin J. Engberg, *History of the Swedes in Illinois*, I-II (Chicago 1908), II, pp. 21-22.

⁴Alfred Levertin, C.F.V. Schimmelpfennig and K.A. Ahlberg, *Sveriges apotekarhistoria från Konung Gustaf I:s till närvarande tid*, I-VI (Stockholm 1910-1949), III, pp. 1596-1598.

⁵*Who Was Who in America*, I (Chicago 1942), p. 914.

⁶Arne Oldberg was b. in Youngstown, OH 12 July 1874. Early in life he demonstrated his great musical talent. After studies in the United States he went to Europe, where he studied under Theodor Leschetizky in Vienna and Josef Rheinberger in Munich. He returned to the United States and in 1897 joined the faculty of the School of Music at Northwestern University, where he served as Director of the Piano Department as well as the Graduate Department until 1941. He died 17 Feb. 1962. He was a talented artist, teacher, composer and conductor. He composed for the piano but also wrote symphonies, which have been performed by leading symphony orchestras - *Who Was Who in America*, IV (Chicago 1968), p. 717.

⁷Örnberg, XII, p. 380.

⁸Ibid.

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Digging Up My Scandinavian Roots

Richard Nyberg*

Many Americans, especially the young ones, can become totally caught up in the excitement of the present, owing partly to the fast pace of this society. We find ourselves constantly on the move, never stopping to look at our heritage, which may tell us why we are the way we are.

As a university student at age 22, I probably fit this description as well as the next person, although my experiences in Sweden during the fall of 1985 gave me new insight into my past and made me pause in my hectic schedule to reflect for a moment. While in Sweden I was fortunate enough to meet several of my relatives who, through their words and lifestyles, showed me my roots. Those exciting experiences will stay with me forever.

I went to Sweden as an exchange student from the University of Michigan to Uppsala University, where I studied Swedish and conducted research on Sweden's press system. I was there for one semester (four months). I left for Sweden with a genuine but very mild interest in meeting relatives and in discovering my ancestry. Perhaps I wanted to meet these people for the benefit of my parents and my Swedish relatives in the United States. I thought it would be fun to meet some of my father's cousins and my second cousins, but my main purpose was academic. And, to be honest, I believed that one needed to be "old" or at least "getting old" to appreciate one's heritage.

Nevertheless, armed with a family history written by a cousin and a few addresses of some of my father's cousins, I set out to find my Swedish relatives. I was ill-prepared to do in-depth research of the Nyberg and Olson families, but I planned to do what I could to get as much information as time and interest allowed. I started things off by mailing letters to the relatives at the addresses I had. Since my proficiency in Swedish was limited at the time, I had some Swedish students on my corridor help me with the first draft. The relatives, most of whom are in their seventies, wrote back to me and said that they would like to meet me before I returned to the United States, but many warned that their health was poor and that a visit might be difficult for them. I read the letters (being pleased with myself for being able to understand them), and filed them in a drawer, hoping for a chance to visit some of them.

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For the most part, my father's relatives come from two areas of Sweden: my grandfather's side from Småland and my grandmother's family from Värmland (my mother's relatives come from Finland, and I was able to visit them, too). I knew more about the relatives in Värmland since a cousin of mine had been in Sweden the summer before and had visited the relatives in that region. I have a second cousin, Håkan, who lives in Kristinehamn, and I tried to meet him and his family, but we never arranged a suitable date. I had hoped to visit with him since he could speak English and he could bring me around to meet the older, less mobile relatives in Värmland.

That never worked out, and I became concerned that I would not be able to meet my Swedish relations. I finally met some during my last two weeks in Sweden. Now that I think about it, perhaps that was the best way to do it, since I could speak Swedish rather fluently (or at least fluently enough to be understood) after three months in Sweden. I decided that I would try to make arrangements to visit my father's cousin in Kalmar. I nervously dialed her number, not knowing if I would be able to understand her and vice versa. Her husband, Gustav, who is hard of hearing, answered the telephone, and I tried desperately to identify myself. I couldn't, so Tyra got on the telephone, and, after a few difficult moments of confusion, I was able to get my message through. "Oh, hello!" she exclaimed in Swedish. "You are welcome to visit us in Kalmar," she said—at least I think that is what she said. We arranged to have me visit them that next weekend. Gustav would be at the railroad station to pick me up. I was amazed at the vitality in Tyra's voice—quite remarkable, I thought, for a lady of 76 years.

So I hopped the train Friday, December 6, for the eight-hour trip from Uppsala south to Kalmar. All kinds of thoughts ran through my mind as I sat in the train. Will they be able to understand me? Are they able to get around? Are they senile? Do they know that I plan to spend the entire weekend? (I couldn't remember what I told her on the telephone.) How would Gustav recognize me at the station? What do I say to these people?

My fears vanished one by one when I arrived in Kalmar, starting with the moment I got off the train. I looked around to see if there was an elderly gentleman looking equally confused. I saw a man walking away from the tracks. He looked back at me, took a double-take, and asked me where I came from. I said, "Uppsala," and he offered me his hand. I had just met my first Swedish relative, and my fascination for my heritage took root.

I asked him how he knew it was me. He said he was not sure, and that he was looking for a shorter, dark-haired student, since my grandfather, who came back to Sweden for a visit in 1939, was short, stocky, and dark-haired. My blond hair and height may have confused him, but he had found me after asking two or three men if their names were Nyberg. The conversation on the way home was difficult at first, but it improved.

We drove up to the house and I saw a smiling, gray-haired lady standing in the doorway. "Welcome," she said, giving me a hug. She reached up and touched my face, smiled, and told me how Swedish I looked, although she expected to see a younger version of my grandfather, Carl A. Nyberg, Sr.

I need to explain some things about my grandfather, since most of my relatives had much to say about this strong, sensitive blacksmith. I mentioned earlier that I had a basic interest in my Swedish heritage, however weak it may have been. My fascination was in finding out more about my grandfather Carl, who died in 1958, five years before I was born. I had heard so many wonderful things about him from my parents and older relatives, and I felt cheated because I never knew him. Traveling to Sweden was one way to find out about his character and background.

Born February 17, 1875, in Vetlanda, Småland, Carl was the son of a carpenter, Anders Jonsson Nyberg. My grandfather grew up near Jönköping, and later in Förlösa, a small suburb of Kalmar, where he was an apprentice in a blacksmith shop. He emigrated to the United States with a buddy in 1903, first arriving in Wisconsin, where he worked for Nash-Rambler. He moved to Brainerd, Minnesota, and then finally to Gladstone in Michigan's Upper Peninsula (my home town) in 1905, where he established himself as a blacksmith. He married Hannah Olson, formerly of Nykroppa, Värmland, in 1908. They had eight children, two of whom died in early childhood. It is not certain why my grandfather came to the United States, but there are rumors that he emigrated to America because of problems with his girlfriend. I guess that wasn't a bad way to get out of a jam. He returned to Sweden for a ten-week visit in 1939. Much of the conversation with Tyra and the other relatives centered around "Uncle Carl" and his 1939 visit.

"Oh, Uncle Carl was so nice," said Tyra, after feeding me an enormous and delicious meal (I did a lot of eating when I visited my Scandinavian relatives). "He was always happy. Everything was good in his mind," said Tyra, looking straight at me through her thick glasses. She told me how active my grandfather was when he visited them, visiting as many relatives and friends as he could.

Tyra and Gustav's house was small, but flawless. The decor was typically "Swedish," or at least it was as I had always envisioned a Swedish home. The furniture, china, and wall decorations reminded me of my aunt's living room. The flavor of the surroundings was familiar, and tasteful to me. The similarities between this house and my grandfather's were striking, and I could already identify some of my family's styles as stemming from the Swedes.

Once the dishes were removed from the table, Tyra and Gustav brought out the pictures and maps. "This is your grandfather in 1939," said Tyra, as she handed me the slightly discolored photograph. She had more than one, so I saw them all. I didn't mind, though, as it made for easy conversation. "This is your grandfather's mother. Her name was Vendla, but everyone called her 'Madame Nyberg' because she was so proud, so stern, and she always loved to wear such fine clothing." My great-grandmother looked like a character out of "Fanny and Alexander." Great-grandfather Anders looked to be in about the same condition, but Tyra explained that he was a friendly and pleasant man.

They showed me pictures of the relatives today, and I was amazed at how many there were, many of whom lived in and around Kalmar. My family at home knew little about Uno's (grandfather's brother's) children, among them Tyra, so I tried to learn the many names and faces while sitting at that table. As

the youngest of my generation, I do not recall meeting any of the Swedish relatives who visited the United States. This made it difficult, since I had problems placing faces and names in the family tree.

Gustav carefully spread out their old map of the United States, and I immediately saw my home town underlined and circled; apparently they knew of their American relatives, although they had only seen a few, the last being my Aunt Inez, who visited them in 1967. They told me of their dream to travel to the United States to see how my grandfather had lived, and to meet those with whom they had kept in contact over the years. In detail they described their trip, finally asking for comments or suggestions. I told them what I could, but it really did not matter, since they somehow knew such a voyage was out of the question, owing to their health. They said they were too old, but I told them, "No way." They had hoped for such an opportunity for years, and then they made excuses for not going. I have some American relatives who are interested in traveling to Sweden, but they also make excuses. I wish I could be more convincing.

That Friday night after the pictures, maps, dreams, and tea, Gustav and I took a five-minute walk and visited another of my father's cousins, Svea, an incredibly energetic woman of 72 years. Of course we ate more, and she brought out the letters and the pictures of grandfather and her father Uno. She described her health problems as a child and how nice my grandfather was to her for many years. They exchanged letters, and Svea let me read one. Grandfather, a lay preacher in the Swedish Mission Covenant Church in Gladstone, was a caring man who showed compassion toward Svea. She in turn had an obvious soft spot in her heart for him, and her words describing him were warm, sincere, and very respectful. She nearly broke into tears, and that display of emotion, if I may use a colloquial expression, "blew me away." I was gaining an incredible amount of respect for a man I never met.

Svea gave me some pictures to take with me, and also a wooden Swedish flag, which she had made herself. She tearfully said goodbye, wishing me good luck and giving me strict instructions to greet my Aunt Esther (to whom she writes occasionally) and also my father, Carl, Jr. That evening was unforgettable, but I was to experience much more before the weekend was over.

Gustav and I returned home that night (Tyra had gone to help the Salvation Army with an event), and we stayed up past midnight talking about the family. After discussing what was to happen the next day, I went to bed. I will never forget the remark this spunky, 76-year-old woman said to me as I turned in for the night: "Sleep well, and dream about me." What a lady.

I spent the next day with Tyra's sister Britta and her family. Britta lives in Förlösa, just outside of Kalmar, where my grandfather grew up. I saw everything I needed to see that day, starting with the foundation of my great-grandfather's house. We looked around the area some, and Britta showed me a tree in which my grandfather once played. We drove past her old home where grandfather stayed when he was in Sweden; we saw the local school house, the blacksmith shop where my grandfather was an apprentice, and an old church that my great-grandfather, the carpenter, had helped to build. We also visited another of my father's cousins, Anton and his wife, Ragnhild. I took a picture of Ragnhild

weaving with an old loom, a method use by past generations.

That whole day I tried to be attentive, carrying my notebook and pen everywhere we went. I was able to capture some interesting comments, jotting them down in a strange combination of Swedish and English. At one point we were driving down, "the old Stockholm road" and Britta said, "This is exactly how it was in 1902, 1939, and today." I was seeing Sweden as my grandfather did, and nostalgic feelings welled up inside me. Perhaps that is strange for a 22-year-old American, but I was overcome with fascination and interest for my heritage.

I ate dinner with Britta, her adopted daughter, Britt-Louise, her son-in-law, Kjell-Ove, and their 12-year-old son, Daniel. We talked and ate a lot, and I began to feel like I fit in well with my Swedish relatives, even though I had known some of them for just a few hours. After dinner I went with Britta to a chapel service at a local Swedish State Lutheran church. (Apparently Britta caught wind of my interests in church and religious affairs). Armed with gifts and pictures, I returned to Kalmar with Kjell-Ove. Again, the goodbyes were difficult, especially for Britta, but I had learned and experienced much from the events of that Saturday. The memories are real and wonderful in every respect.

I left Kalmar Sunday following a church service in Kalmar's cathedral with Tyra and another fine meal. Tyra and Gustav gave me pictures, a Swedish Bible, and a glass candle holder. Early Sunday morning I visited a 61-year-old second cousin, Ingegård, who also lives in Kalmar. I spoke with some relatives on the telephone, too. I made sure I had all the addresses of my relatives in Kalmar, and I also learned of second cousins living in the Stockholm area, two of whom I visited during my last week in Sweden. The weekend in Kalmar was very special to me, as I was overwhelmed with love and concern. It was fantastic.

But what has that experience meant to me? First of all, it was significant in that it served to bring my American and Swedish families a little closer together, since I was a type of liaison linking cousins in both lands. We exchanged addresses and promises to meet again some day. Secondly, I knew my efforts to meet our relatives would please my father and Aunt Esther and, to a lesser extent, the other family members. They were happy that my time in Sweden was enjoyable for me. Thirdly, I wanted to test my Swedish before returning to the United States. I think I passed, since I spoke Swedish the entire time without many difficulties. Fourthly, I made connections with other relatives whom I had never heard of before. This helped to create a better understanding of our Swedish family heritage. And finally, I learned about my grandfather, whose devotional guide I read daily.

Being the youngest in my generation, I missed the chance to know my grandparents. I have always been intrigued by this man, his life, and his background. I saw and spoke with people who respected him for who he was. I walked where he once walked and I saw the land and buildings he knew as a boy. I never learned from my grandfather when he was alive, but his past has taught me a great deal. For this knowledge I am grateful.

Now I also know that one does not have to be 50 years old or older to appreciate finding one's roots. Digging up my genealogical background was one of the most exciting and rewarding experiences of my four months in Sweden. I cherish those memories.

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Abbreviations

b. = born	1700	= Year of birth from household examination roll.
m. = married	170(0)	= Year of birth based on age at death.
d. = died	1700, 1701	= Year of birth/death occurred between these two dates.
	1680(ms)	= Year taken from manuscript.

- I. 1. HAMMERSTROM, Ruth Elizabeth, b. Maple Ridge Township, Isanti County, MN 10 February 1917; m. Lawrence G. Hammerstrom 6 July 1940; d. Minneapolis 7 June 1982.
- I. 2. MILLER, Arthur William, b. Spring Vale Township, Isanti County, MN 6 April 1893; m. Maple Ridge Township, Isanti County, MN 27 January 1915; d. Braham, MN 10 May 1958; equipment operator Minneapolis Water Dept.
3. SWANSON, Esther Elvina, b. Maple Ridge Township, Isanti County, MN 2 December 1896; d. Minneapolis, MN 7 January 1984.
- II. 4. MÖLLER, Carl Johan, b. Åtvid Parish (Ög.) 1 June 1857; m. Ekeby Parish (Ög.) 27 October 1882; emigr. Cable, IL 1885; d. Minneapolis, MN 9 February 1952; miner, farmer, carpenter.¹
5. ANDERSDOTTER, Mathilda Charlotta, b. Svanshals Parish (Ög.) 7 May 1859; emigr. Cable, IL 1885; d. Isanti County, MN 17 May 1898.
6. SWANSON, Sus Erick, b. Venjan Parish (Kopp.) 24 October 1858; emigr. Isanti County, MN 1882; m. Isanti County, MN 15 November 1890; d. there 8 April 1934; carpenter.²
7. KRON, Bessie, b. Malung Parish (Kopp.) 1 July 1874; emigr. Isanti County, MN 1882; d. there 7 March 1960.
- III. 9. KINDBERG, Carolina Charlotta, b. Åtvid 13 March 1838; m. there 20 August 1859 (Frans Norling); d. there 25 March 1911.
10. JOHANSSON, Anders Peter, b. Rinna Parish (Ög.) 19 September 1828; m. Svanshals 21 October 1849; d. there 29 January 1873.
11. PERSDOTTER, Johanna Charlotta, b. Svanshals 7 April 1826; emigr. Cable, IL 1885; d. there 21 December 1906.
12. SVENSSON, Sus Sven, b. Venjan 14 December 1815; m. there 26 December 1844; emigr. Isanti County, MN 1882; d. there 1904 (?).
13. NILSDOTTER, Ingeborg, b. Venjan 5 February 1821; emigr. Isanti County, MN 1882; d. there 1904 (?).
14. KRON, Eric Matsson, b. Venjan 30 May 1840; m. Malung 28 April 1867; emigr. Isanti County, MN 1882; d. there 25 December 1900; soldier, farmer.³
15. OLOFSDOTTER, Kerstin, b. Malung 25 April 1843; emigr. Isanti County, MN 1882; d. there 4 April 1888.

- IV. 18. KINDBERG, Johan Peter, b. Vist Parish (Ög.) 6 December 1813; m. Åtvid 16 April 1838; d. there 6 March 1882.
19. PERSDOTTER, Christina Sophia, b. Åtvid 5 December 1810; d. there 26 August 1874.
20. ANDERSSON, Johannes, b. Rinna 29 August 1793; m. there 26 April 1822; d. there 23 April 1851; tenant farmer.
21. LARSDOTTER, Anna Greta, b. Stora Åby Parish (Ög.) 4 April 1794; d. Rinna 4 February 1837.
22. BENGTTSSON, Petter, b. Sya Parish (Ög.) 17 May 1800; m. Svanshals 26 December 1825; d. there 2 April 1855; tenant farmer.
23. JÖNSDOTTER, Brita Lena, b. Svanshals 25 January 1798; d. there 2 February 1871.
24. ERICSSON, Sus Sven, b. Venjan 16 September 1782; m. there 5 September 1803; d. there 27 March 1862.
25. GUSTAFSDOTTER, Karin, b. Venjan 25 February 1779; d. there 28 November 1854.
26. MATSSON, Bur Nils, b. Venjan 15 April 1777; m. there 6 May 1798; d. there 8 November 1846; farmer.
27. SIGFRIDSDOTTER, Ingeborg, b. Venjan 11 September 1776; d. there 19 August 1849.
28. CARLSSON, Jugas Mats, b. Venjan 12 December 1802; m. there 5 April 1825; d. there 27 October 1839.
29. MATSDOTTER, Anna, b. Venjan 15 September 1795; d. there 13 July 1857.
30. GOTHE, Tåli Olof Olsson, b. Malung 24 March 1816; m. there 9 April 1843; d. there 31 October 1853; soldier.⁴
31. PERSDOTTER, Anna, b. Malung 14 March 1823; d. there 12 February 1868.
- V. 37. LAGERGREN, Anna Johansdotter, b. Åtvid 1 September 1787; d. Motala Parish (Ög.) 16 April 1847.
38. JÖNSSON, Peter, b. Åtvid 15 February 1783; m. there 26 December 1809; d. Tryserum Parish (Kalm.) 6 October 1862.
39. CARLSDOTTER, Sara, b. Gärdserum Parish (Ög.) 23 March 1780; d. Tryserum 9 February 1858.
40. MOGNET, Anders Olofsson, b. Vadstena Parish (Ög.) 1769; m. Rinna 9 April 1792; artilleryman.
41. JÖNSDOTTER, Greta, b. Stora Åby 1768; d. Rinna 7 April 1833.
42. OLOFSSON, Lars, b. Ekeby 1750; m. Stora Åby 12 November 1780; d. there 27 August 1812.
43. PERSDOTTER, Lisa, b. Stora Åby 1760; d. there 17 June 1827.
44. LARSSON, Bengt, m. Sya 3 December 1793.
45. JONSDOTTER, Lena, Sya.
46. ANDERSSON, Jöns, b. Hov Parish (Ög.) 13 May 1756; m. Svanshals 20 November 1785; d. there 14 July 1825; tenant farmer.
47. ANDERSDOTTER, Brita, b. Svanshals 18 January 1768; d. there 21 January 1805.
48. SVENSSON, Sus Eric, b. Venjan 4 March 1747; m. there 12 April 1772; d. there 5 June 1834; farmer.
49. NILSDOTTER, Anna, b. Venjan 3 November 1748; d. there 15 October 1823.
50. KLINGIUS, Gustaf, b. Venjan 23 September 1740; m. there 2 December 1777; d. there 1 July 1781; sheriff, church warden, juryman.
51. MATSDOTTER, Karin, b. Venjan 21 May 1738; d. there 22 June 1813.
52. MATTSSON, Bur Matts, b. Venjan 27 February 1734; m. there 27 April 1760; d. there 11 December 1794.
53. NILSDOTTER, Ingeborg, b. Venjan 14 May 1735; d. there 27 October 1799.
54. MATTSSON, Bå Sigfrid, b. Venjan 30 April 1746; m. there 6 January 1775; d. there 4 June 1810.
55. NILSDOTTER, Brita, b. Venjan 14 May 1752; d. there 1 January 1806.
56. ANDERSSON, Jugas Carl, b. Venjan 26 April 1760; m. there 1 May 1785; d. there 6 June 1810.
57. CARLSDOTTER, Karin, b. Venjan 5 July 1762; d. there 19 July 1846.
58. MATSSON, Sus Mats, b. Venjan 13 July 1756; m. there 20 May 1793; d. there 24 December 1818.
59. OLOFSDOTTER, Margit, b. Venjan 11 September 1762; d. there 8 March 1818.

60. GRÅ, Olof Andersson, b. Malung 14 April 1771; m. there 26 December 1798; d. there 19 February 1840; soldier.
61. HALVARDSDOTTER, Kerstin, b. Malung 17 October 1778; d. there 5 April 1838.
62. ÖMAN, Per Andersson, b. Malung 7 August 1784; m. there 23 July 1820; d. there 28 September 1853; soldier.
63. BENGTSDDOTTER, Anna, b. Malung 18 May 1798; d. there 14 September 1882.
- VI. 74. LAGERGREN, Johan, b. Åtvid 1759; m. there 19 October 1786; d. Vist 16 October 1824.
75. STRÅBERG, Stina, b. Strå Parish (Ög.) 20 December 1756; d. Vist 5 March 1830.
76. KROK, Jonas Johansson, b. Värna Parish (Ög.) 1760; m. Åtvid 27 October 1782; soldier.
77. PERSDOTTER, Stina Sophia, b. Grebo Parish (Ög.) 14 March 1757; d. Hannäs Parish (Kalm.) 9 April 1827.
78. PERSSON, Carl, b. Gärsderum 17 October 1753; d. there 31 January 1831.
79. HANSDOTTER, Sophia, b. Gärdserum 14 October 1758; d. there 3 May 1839.
92. HÅKANSSON, Anders, b. 1717; d. Hov 29 November 1790; blacksmith.
93. PERSDOTTER, Liskan, b. 1720; d. Hov 14 August 1794.
94. SVENSSON, Anders, b. Malmbäck Parish (Jön.) 19 March 1727.
95. JÖNSDOTTER, Segrin, b. Gärdeby Parish (Ög.) 23 September 1725; d. Svanshals 23 March 1806.
96. MATSSON, Sus Sven, b. Venjan 14 February 1717; m. there 4 February 1739; d. there 1774.
97. MATSDOTTER, Ingeborg, b. Venjan 30 August 1714; d. there 14 March 1794.
98. NILSSON, Sol Nils, b. Venjan 22 January 1715; m. there 25 March 1739; d. there 26 March 1799.
99. ERICSDOTTER, Margareta, b. Venjan 15 April 1717; d. there 17 October 1769.
100. KLINGIUS, Johan, b. Folkärna Parish (Kopp.) 28 September 1695; m. Venjan 15 September 1734; d. there 18 November 1760; clergyman Norrbärke Parish (Kopp.) 1730-1733, Venjan 1734-1760.
101. LUNDBECK, Margareta, b. Rättvik Parish (Kopp.) 12 April 1706; burial there 22 February 1787.⁵
102. MATSSON, Bur Mats, b. Venjan 13 October 1698; m. there 25 March 1728; d. there 1743.
103. NILSDOTTER, Anna, b. Venjan 17 March 1708; d. there 29 May 1787.
104. = 102.
105. = 103.
106. NILSSON, Hvars Nils, b. Venjan 27 March 1708; m. there 21 April 1734; d. there 23 March 1787.
107. SVENSDOTTER, Anna, b. Venjan 10 April 1712; d. there 12 February 1779.
108. LARSSON, Rickus Matts, b. Venjan 14 June 1713; m. there 29 March 1741; d. 1773.
109. SIGFRIDSDOTTER, Ingeborg, b. Venjan in January 1709; d. there 6 March 1763.
110. = 98.
111. = 99.
112. CARLSSON, Jugas Anders, b. Venjan 10 April 1726; m. there 24 June 1752; d. there 11 January 1772.
113. ANDERSDOTTER, Marit, b. Venjan 7 August 1730; d. there 30 December 1802.
114. CARLSSON, Buns Carl, b. Venjan 21 February 1729; m. there 2 July 1758; d. there 29 April 1792.
115. ERICSDOTTER, Ingeborg, b. Venjan 18 December 1729; d. there 23 February 1805.
116. MATSSON, Sus Mats, b. Venjan 10 April 1723; m. there 28 December 1750; d. there 1792.
117. MATSDOTTER, Anna, b. Venjan 7 April 1731; d. there 12 January 1802.
118. ERICSSON, Påls Olof, b. Venjan 14 January 1735; m. there 19 June 1757; d. there 22 May 1811.
119. ERICSDOTTER, Karin, b. Venjan 26 December 1734; d. there 20 June 1813.
120. MATSSON, Anders, b. Malung; m. there 1768; d. Finland 1788 (according to wife's death record); soldier.
121. PERSDOTTER, Brita, b. Malung 26 September 1747 (according to death record); d. there 25 November 1830.
122. DANIELSSON, Halvard, b. Malung 4 September 1742; m. there 1773; d. there 2 April 1813.

123. ERICSDOTTER, Kerstin, b. Malung 21 December 1736; d. there 31 August 1808.
 124. = 120.
 125. = 121.
 126. BENGSSON, Sigrids Bengt, b. Malung in September 1769 (ms); m. there 22 March 1796; d. 1 November 1805; buried Älvdalen Parish (Kopp.) 4 May 1806.
 127. PERSDOTTER, Anna, b. Malung 2 August 1762 (according to death record); d. there 26 September 1831.
- VII. 156. MATHSSON, Pär, b. 170(3); d. Gärdserum 30 March 1764.
 157. JOHANSNDOTTER, Sara, b. 170(8); d. Gärdserum 28 July 1760.
 158. LARSSON, Hans, b. 171(8); m. Gärdserum 19 October 1746; d. there 16 November 1776.
 159. ZACHARIASDOTTER, Maria, Gärdserum.
 188. SIGFRIDSSON, Sven, b. 168(9); m. Malmbäck 19 May 1714; d. there 31 October 1738.
 189. DANIELSDOTTER, Marit, b. 168(5); d. Malmbäck 28 December 1748.
 190. BERGMAN, Jöns, m. Gårdeby 10 March 1717; soldier.
 191. LARSDOTTER, Karin, Gårdeby.
 192. MATSSON, Sus Mats, b. Venjan 1679; m. there 9 March 1712; d. there 22 November 1766.
 193. ERICSDOTTER, Anna, b. Venjan 12 June 1686; d. there 25 May 1738.
 194. MATSSON, Pol Mats, b. Venjan 16 August 1691; m. there 1713; d. there 11 April 1765.
 195. ANDERSDOTTER, Karin, b. Venjan 20 September 1694; d. there 9 October 1763.
 196. ERICSSON, Nils, b. Venjan 22 January 1683; m. there 1703; d. there 22 January 1722.
 197. MATSDOTTER, Anna, b. Venjan 1681; burial there 29 September 1762.
 198. NILSSON, Carl Eric, b. Venjan 1683; m. there 1707; d. there 12 September 1766.
 199. ERICSDOTTER, Brita, b. Venjan 9 March 1682; d. there 19 July 1750.
 200. KLINGIUS, Eric Johannes, b. Stora Skedvi Parish (Kopp.) 1660 (ms); m. Folkärna 2 February 1694; d. 29 June 1729 (ms); clergyman Nås Parish (Kopp.).
 201. ÄLFSTRÖM, Sara Larsdotter, b. Folkärna 28 October 1670; d. 19 May 1703 (ms).
 202. LUNDBECK, Johannes Johan, b. Aspeboda Parish (Kopp.) 1673 (ms); m. 1701 (ms); d. Venjan 8 June 1726 (ms); clergyman Ore 1698-, Rättvik 1701-, Venjan 1712-1726.
 203. ACHRELIA, Anna, b. Solna Parish (Stock.) 24 August 1680 (according to death record); d. Svärdsjö Parish (Kopp.) 16 December 1756.
 204. MATSSON, Bur Mats, b. Venjan 1655; m. there 28 December 1687; d. there 2 May 1733.
 205. ERICSDOTTER, Karin, b. Venjan 1667; d. there in February 1718.
 206. = 196.
 207. = 197.
 208. = 204.
 209. = 205.
 210. = 196.
 211. = 197.
 212. NILSSON, Carl Nils, b. Venjan 1676; m. there 1706; d. there 5 September 1753.
 213. ANDERSDOTTER, Ingeborg, b. Venjan 1 December 1683; d. there 30 September 1768.
 214. HVARSSON, Sven, b. Venjan 1680; m. there 1709; d. there 22 July 1752.
 215. MÅNSDOTTER, Karin, b. Venjan 3 January 1686; d. there 28 August 1761.
 216. LARSSON, Rickus Lars, b. Venjan 17 June 1693; m. there 1712; d. there 17 November 1737.
 217. MASDOTTER, Elin, b. Venjan 22 March 1692; d. there 31 January 1767
 218. MATSSON, Pol Sigfrid, b. Venjan 1680; m. there 24 February 1707; d. there 28 April 1762.
 219. HVARSDOTTER, Elin, b. Venjan 28 November 1684; d. there 17 January 1753.
 220. = 196.
 221. = 197.
 222. = 198.
 223. = 199.
 224. CARLSSON, Jugas Carl, b. Venjan 1685; m. there 1710; d. there 28 March 1750.
 225. ANDERSDOTTER, Karin, b. Venjan 14 April 1689; d. there 17 December 1770.

226. ERICSSON, Anders, b. Venjan 27 August 1693; m. there 1719; d. there 20 March 1757.
227. PÅRSDOTTER, Elin, b. Venjan 25 October 1689; d. there 1760.
228. VÄLKOMMEN, Carl Hansson, b. Venjan 11 July 1692; m. there 1723; d. there 3 January 1751; soldier.
229. ANDERSSON, Anna, b. Venjan 1703; d. there 21 April 1751.
230. MATSSON, Bur Eric, b. Venjan 25 March 1702; m. there 1729; d. there 22 November 1781.
231. LARSDOTTER, Karin, b. Venjan 16 December 1705; d. there 14 December 1780.
232. = 192.
233. = 193.
234. = 102.
235. = 103.
236. ERICSSON, Påls Eric, b. Venjan 4 February 1701; m. there 1728; d. there 6 June 1771.
237. PÅRSDOTTER, Anna, b. Venjan 1710; d. there 24 August 1794.
238. ERICSSON, Påls Eric, b. Venjan 7 November 1707; m. there 1730; d. there 30 April 1783.
239. MATSDOTTER, Margareta, b. Venjan 4 March 1710; d. there 29 April 1784.
242. ANDERSSON, Sves Per, b. Malung 25 March 1707 (according to death record); d. there 29 June 1778.
243. OLSDOTTER, Ingeborg, b. Malung 4 March 1709 (according to death record); d. there 22 May 1791.
244. DANIELSSON, Daniel, Malung (ms).
245. ERSDOTTER, Brita, Malung (ms).
246. NILSSON, Eric, Malung (ms).
247. ISACSDOTTER, Kerstin, Malung (ms).
250. = 242.
251. = 243.
252. ANDERSSON, Bengt, Malung (ms).
253. BENGTSBOTTER, Anna, Malung (ms).
254. LARSSON, Bengt Per, b. Malung 10 September 1725 (according to death record); d. there 28 April 1776.
255. BENGTSBOTTER, Elisabet, Malung (ms).
- VIII. 384. ERICSSON, Hålg Mats, b. Venjan; d. Värmland 1698.
385. ERICSDOTTER, Brita, b. Venjan; d. Värmland 1699.
386. KNUTSSON, Eric, b. Venjan 165(0); m. there 19 February 1682; d. there 1698.
387. SVENSDOTTER, Kerstin, b. Venjan 165(3); d. there 29 April 1691.
388. SIGFRIDSSON, Mats, b. Venjan 1656; m. there; d. there 1724.
389. KNUTSDOTTER, Ingeborg, b. Venjan 166(0); d. there 14 May 1732.
390. LARSSON, Anders, b. Venjan 1644; m. there; d. there 27 November 1729.
391. MATSDOTTER, Gölligs, b. Venjan 1648; d. there in April 1714.
392. LARSSON, Eric, b. Venjan 1652; m. there 12 March 1682; d. there 16 July 1726.
393. NILSDOTTER, Elin, b. Venjan 165(3); d. there 1697.
394. = 388.
395. = 389.
396. CARLSSON, Nils, b. Venjan 163(7); m. there; d. there 1699.
397. MATSDOTTER, Karin, d. Venjan 1704.
398. JOENSSON, Spiut Eric, b. Venjan 164(1); m. there; d. there 12 May 1717.
399. HVARSDOTTER, Marits, b. Venjan 165(5); d. there 21 April 1695.
400. ISRAELSSON, Jöns, mine operator (ms).
401. HOLSTENIUS, Margareta, (ms).
402. PEHRSSON, Lars, m. Folkärna 24 May 1667 (ms); innkeeper.
403. JOHANSBOTTER, Margareta, Folkärna (ms).
405. JOHANSBOTTER, Magdalena, b. Aspedboda 1646 (according to death record); d. Venjan 23 December 1712.
406. ACHRELIUS, Gabriel, b. Västeråker Parish (Upps.) 1648 (ms); d. 1694 (ms); clergyman Solna 1673-, Västerlövsta Parish (Väst.) 1690-1694.
407. RAVISIA, Catharina, d. 1739 (ms).
408. MÅNSSON, Matts, b. Venjan 161(9); m. there; d. there 19 March 1693.
409. SVENSDOTTER, Ingeborg, b. Venjan 162(4); d. there 25 January 1691.

410. OLOFSSON, Erick, b. Venjan 163(7); m. there; d. there 1707.
 411. MATSDOTTER, Karin, b. Venjan 1636; d. there 28 December 1717.
 412. = 392.
 413. = 393.
 414. = 388.
 415. = 389.
 416. = 408.
 417. = 409.
 418. = 410.
 419. = 411.
 420. = 392.
 421. = 393.
 422. = 388.
 423. = 389.
 424. = 396.
 425. = 397.
 426. MATSSON, Anders, b. Venjan 164(8); m. there 11 April 1683; d. there 4 February 1712.
 427. MATSDOTTER, Ingeborg, b. Venjan 1660; d. there 21 July 1742.
 428. SVENSSON, Hvar, b. Venjan 1638; m. there; d. there 12 April 1718.
 429. ERSDOTTER, Anna, b. Venjan 1645; d. there 2 June 1718.
 430. JOENSSON, Måns, b. Venjan 165(5); m. there 18 February 1683; d. there 17 May 1711.
 431. OLOFSDOTTER, Kerstin, b. Venjan 165(3); d. there 1700.
 432. NILSSON, Lars, b. Venjan 1657; m. there 2 March 1685; d. there 29 October 1732.
 433. THORESLOTTER, Kerstin, b. Venjan 1653; d. there 7 November 1728.
 434. = 204.
 435. = 205.
 436. = 388.
 437. = 389.
 438. = 428.
 439. = 429.
 440. = 392.
 441. = 393.
 442. = 388.
 443. = 389.
 444. = 396.
 445. = 397.
 446. = 398.
 447. = 399.
 448. MATSSON, Jugas Carl, b. Venjan 164(2); d. there 25 March 1703.
 449. LARSDOTTER, Karin, b. Venjan 1648; d. there 22 February 1717.
 450. = 426.
 451. = 427.
 452. = 392.
 453. = 393.
 454. OLOFSSON, Carl Pär, b. Venjan 24 March 1655; m. there 28 March 1687; d. there 15 February 1745.
 455. SVENSDOTTER, Ingeborg, b. Venjan 165(3); d. there 29 April 1691.
 456. BRÜNS, Hans Ericksson, m. Venjan 29 June 1683, soldier.
 457. CARLSDOTTER, Elin, b. Venjan 165(3); d. there 7 April 1706.
 458. ERICKSSON, Anders, b. Venjan 1661; m. there 26 February 1688; d. there 1718.
 459. ERICKSDOTTER, Anna, b. Venjan 1671; d. there 2 October 1745.
 460. = 204.
 461. = 205.
 462. CARLSSON, Jugas Lars, b. Venjan 1677; m. there 1704; d. there 18 March 1740.
 463. LARSDOTTER, Ingeborg, b. Venjan 1678; d. there 19 May 1740.
 464. = 384.
 465. = 385.
 466. = 386.

467. = 387.
 468. = 204.
 469. = 205.
 470. = 196.
 471. = 197.
 472. LARSSON, Påls Eric, b. Venjan 166(1); m. there 1693; d. there 19 March 1704.
 473. OLSDOTTER, Karin, b. Venjan 1673; d. there 8 October 1737.
 474. PÄRSSON, Nisbil Pär, b. Venjan 1681; m. there 1706; d. there 16 July 1747.
 475. ERSDOTTER, Karin, b. Venjan 29 August 1688; d. there 14 February 1773.
 476. ERICSSON, Eric, b. Venjan 10 April 1683; m. there 1701; d. there 30 July 1750.
 477. ANDERSDOTTER, Marit, b. Venjan 1679; d. there 21 February 1752.
 478. OLOFSSON, Gölo Mats, b. Venjan 1675; m. there 1701; d. there 23 April 1743.
 479. NILSDOTTER, Margareta, b. Venjan 1680; d. there 18 September 1749.
 492. ERSSON, Nils, Malung (ms).
 508. BENGTTSSON, Lars, Malung (ms).
 IX. 772. ANDERSSON, Knut, b. Venjan 161(6); d. there 20 May 1691.
 773. ERICSDOTTER, Anna, b. Venjan 161(8); d. there 1 May 1691.
 777. THOMASDOTTER, Elin, b. Venjan 162(2); d. there 6 August 1686.
 780. ERICSSON, Lars, b. Venjan 161(3); m. there 1644; d. there 19 October 1696.
 781. ANDERSDOTTER, Marits, b. Venjan 161(1); d. there 18 February 1688.
 784. = 780.
 785. = 781.
 789. = 777.
 793. ERSDOTTER, Marits, b. Venjan 159(6); burial there 20 October 1689.
 798. MATSSON, Hvar, b. Venjan 162(5); d. there 1695.
 799. ERICSDOTTER, Marits, b. Venjan 162(6); d. there 29 April 1688.
 802. HOLSTENIUS, Ericus Holstenii (HOLSTENSSON, Erik), b. Norberg Parish (Väst.) 7 October 1588 (ms); m. 11 August 1615 (ms); d. Stora Skedvi 2 October 1640 (ms); clergyman Hubbo Parish (Väst.) 1624-, Stora Skedvi 1626-1640.
 803. CHRISTOPHERSDOTTER, Brita, b. Vika Parish (Kopp.) 1596-1597 (ms); burial Stora Skedvi 26 September 1658 (ms).
 812. SKEPTUNENSIS, Johan Petri, b. Skepptuna Parish (Stock.) 1608 (ms); d. Västeråker 1666 (ms); clergyman Västeråker 1638-1666.
 813. CHRISTOPHERSDOTTER, Helena, b. 1609 (ms).
 814. RAVITIUS, Matthias Nicolai, ó. Nysätra Parish (Upps.) 1687 (ms); clergyman Litslena Parish (Upps.) 1662-, Nysätra 1666-1687.
 815. NILSDOTTER, Anna, d. Nysätra 17 March 1688 (ms).
 824. = 780.
 825. = 781.
 829. = 777.
 840. = 780.
 841. = 781.
 845. = 777.
 849. = 793.
 853. SIGFRIDSDOTTER, Ingeborg, b. Venjan 161(7); d. there 2 July 1691.
 864. LARSSON, Nils, b. Venjan 162(2); m. there 1654; d. there 28 February 1697.
 865. LARSDOTTER, Marits, b. Venjan 162(4); d. there 1701.
 866. OLOFSSON, Thore, b. Venjan 161(8); d. there 1684.
 867. ERSDOTTER, Elin, b. Venjan 162(4); d. there 1691.
 868. = 408.
 869. = 409.
 870. = 410.
 871. = 411.
 873. = 777.
 880. = 780.
 881. = 781.
 885. = 777.
 889. = 793.
 894. = 798.
 895. = 799.

897. CARLSDOTTER, Margareta, b. Venjan 161(9); d. there 22 March 1691.
 901. = 853.
 904. = 780.
 905. = 781.
 911. MATSDOTTER, Anna, Venjan.
 913. ERSDOTTER, Kerstin, b. Venjan 161(5); d. there 13 April 1698.
 918. SVENSSON, Erick, Venjan.
 919. JOENSDOTTER, Anna, b. Venjan 164(5); d. there 11 September 1722.
 920. = 408.
 921. = 409.
 922. = 410.
 923. = 411.
 924. = 448.
 925. = 449.
 926. ERICSSON, Lars, b. Venjan 164(8); d. there 31 January 1725.
 927. ERICSDOTTER, Brita, b. Venjan 164(9); d. there 21 December 1722.
 932. = 772.
 933. = 773.
 936. = 408.
 937. = 409.
 938. = 410.
 939. = 411.
 940. = 392.
 941. = 393.
 942. = 388.
 943. = 389.
 944. OLOFSSON, Lars, b. Venjan 162(6); d. there 20 January 1688.
 945. ANDERSDOTTER, Margareta, b. Venjan 163(2); d. there 30 October 1692.
 948. ANDERSSON, Nisbil Pär, b. Venjan 163(8); d. there 7 September 1732.
 949. ERSDOTTER, Elizabeth, b. Venjan 164(5); d. there 3 March 1729.
 950. SVENSSON, Jugas Eric, b. Venjan 1648; m. there 30 March 1687; d. there 22 June 1729.
 951. ERICSDOTTER, ANNA, b. Venjan 1664; d. there 11 January 1725.
 952. = 410.
 953. = 411.
 956. MATSSON, Olof, Venjan.
 957. NILSDOTTER, Karin, b. Venjan 165(4); d. there 1687.
 958. = 396.
 959. = 397.
 1016. PERSSON, Bengt, Malung (ms).
 X. 1560. OLSSON, Eric, Venjan.
 1561. KORSMUNSDOTTER, Wallborg, Venjan.
 1568. = 1560.
 1569. = 1561.
 1604. ANDERSSON, Holsten, d. Norberg 1615 (ms), mincowner.
 1605. JONSDOTTER, Sigrid, Norberg (ms).
 1606. IHRESTADIENSIS, Christopherus Magni (MÄNSSON, Kristoffer), b. Irsta Parish (Väst.); d. Vika 16 February 1621 (ms); clergyman.⁶
 1607. MATSDOTTER, Brita, d. Vika 5 February 1613 (ms).
 1624. CASSIOPAEUS, Petrus Thomae, clergyman Skepptuna (ms).
 1648. = 1560.
 1649. = 1561.
 1680. = 1560.
 1681. = 1561.
 1760. = 1560.
 1761. = 1561.
 1808. = 1560.
 1809. = 1561.
 1849. = 897.
 1880. = 780.

1881. = 781.
 1885. = 777.
 1900. ANDERSSON, Sven, b. Venjan 160(8); d. there 29 March 1698.
 1901. OLOFSDOTTER, Elin, b. Venjan 162(7); d. there 5 February 1719.
 1913. SIGFRIDSDOTTER, Sigrid, b. Venjan 162(8); d. there 18 January 1691.
 1917. = 793.
 XI. 3212. GRELSSON, Måns, Irsta, farmer (ms).
 3760. = 1560.
 3761. = 1561.

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- ¹His birth was registered as illegitimate. Early household examination rolls identify him as NORLING, his step-father's name. In his early 20s for some unknown reason, he changed his surname to MÖLLER. In the United States, various records spell his name MULLER or MOLLER. His children used the name MILLER. He was one of the founding fathers of the Wyanett Swedish Evangelical Free Church in Isanti County, Minnesota.
- ²In order to distinguish between all of the "son" names, it was common in the Malung and Venjan parishes to identify individuals by the farm name. The name "Sus" has been used in this family since the early 1700s. Sus Erick Swanson continued to use this name in America and official records register him as S.E. Swanson, S. Erick Swanson, and Sus E. Swanson.
- ³Krone Bog and Krone Lake in Dalbo Township, Isanti County, Minnesota were named after Eric Kron.
- ⁴His son, Olof Tolin, emigr. to America 1883. Olof Tolin was appointed postmaster when the Tolin, MN postoffice was established in 1899.
- ⁵Her father, Johannes J. Lundbeck, was Venjan's sixth pastor; her first husband, Nils Cartelin, was its seventh pastor; and her second husband, Johan Klingius, was its eighth pastor. Of the 36 deaths in Venjan Parish in 1752, 17 died from smallpox. She had thirteen children, three of whom d. of smallpox between 12-13 May 1752.
- ⁶He signed the protocol of the famous Uppsala Council of 1593, which accepted the Augsburg Confession for the Swedish Lutheran State Church. Gunnar Ekström identifies him as above; Muncktell identifies him as Bellinus.

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Literature

Passenger Arrivals at the Port of Philadelphia 1800-1819: The Philadelphia "Baggage Lists." Edited by Michael E. Tepper and transcribed by Elizabeth P. Bentley. Published by Genealogical Publishing Co., Inc., 1001 N. Calvert St., Baltimore, MD 21202, 1986. xvii + 913 pp., cloth. \$45.00.

The Philadelphia "baggage lists" are, according to the publishers of this volume, "the oldest federal passenger lists in existence." They antedate the passenger manifests, which came into being as a result of an act passed by the U.S. Congress, dated 2 March 1819, which regulated passenger ships and vessels arriving at U.S. ports.

The "baggage lists" came about as a result of a law passed, designed to exempt in-coming passengers from paying duty on their personal belongings. Of all the ports which maintained records of this category, the Philadelphia lists are the most complete.

The lists were brief, usually only containing the name of the passenger and a description of the baggage he was bringing into the port. This could consist of a trunk, a valise, beds and bedding. Occasionally more information can be gleaned, such as the passengers' ages, nationalities, former places of residence, occupations, destinations, and the names and relationships of accompanying family members.

Michael E. Tepper, well-known as editor of the highly useful *Passenger Arrivals at the Port of Baltimore 1820-1834* (reviewed in *SAG*, Vol. II, December 1982, pp. 177-178) has again performed the significant task of analyzing close to 5,000 of these separate ship lists, containing the names of ca. 40,000 passengers who arrived in Philadelphia from January 1800 to December 1819. Most of the arrivals came from Great Britain, particularly Northern Ireland, but there are many from Germany. There are also occasional Scandinavians. Obviously there were also quite a few Americans who had sojourned abroad, and who were now returning to their homeland.

Michael Tepper's superb presentation, buttressed by Elizabeth Bentley's equally careful transcription, has given the genealogist as well as the demographer yet another valuable tool. Of vast importance to the user of this work is the fact that the entries are listed alphabetically, making it a simple task to check a particular name. Additionally there is a complete index of every ship which arrived in Philadelphia, its port of embarkation and the date of its arrival.

As mentioned above there were also a few Scandinavians who arrived in Philadelphia during this time. Although there must be a great many more, a cursory examination of the more than 900 pages brought the following names, which may serve as a sampling of the whole.

Alftan, John, arr. on board the *Amsterdam Packet* from Batavia and Halifax 2 Dec. 1805.

He must be identical with John Alfton, a native of Finland, who became a U.S. citizen in Philadelphia 13 July 1798 and who is listed in the Philadelphia city directories from 1806 to 1811.

Alm, Johan Henrick, possibly Swedish, married with one child, who arr. on board the *Hindustan* from Hamburg 17 April 1804.

Block, ---, Dr. A Danish subject, who arr. on board the *Ossifree* from Christiansted, St. Croix 25 July 1819.

Esprig, Johanna, born in Sweden, citizen of Sweden, who arr. on board the *Dolphin* from Göteborg 26 May 1811. She is identical with Margaretha Johanna Esping, who together with two sisters, Inga Maria and Johanna Goll had the permission of the magistrate in Göteborg to accompany the American master mariner, J.C. Brevour, to go to America for further education.

Freese, John J., age 23, from Bremen, born in Holstein and a Danish citizen and a blacksmith, who arr. on board the *Cato* from Bremen 5 Nov. 1804.

Johannet, Stephen, of Denmark, who arr. on board the *Swift Packet* from Surinam 1 Oct. 1800.

- Lindquist, Casper, possibly a Swede, who arr. on board the *Three Sisters* from Tönningen, Germany 6 Jan. 1808.
- Lindroth, Joh. Jai., who arr. on board the *Traveller* from Amsterdam 22 June 1803.
- Nelson, Magnus, a Swede, an impressed seaman, who arr. on board the *Superior* from Lisbon 31 Aug. 1811.
- Newberg, J., possibly a Swede, who arr. on board the *John* from Liverpool and Dublin 7 Sept. 1818.
- Pieteron, Anthony, a boy, who arr. from Copenhagen aboard the *Maria Elizabeth* 2 Oct. 1802 together with
- Pieteron, Severon, a joiner.
- Soderborn, Matthew, had a Swedish protection and a family residing at Norfolk, an impressed seaman, arr. on board the *Three Sisters* from Guadeloupe 5 June 1807.
- Stroemberg, Ulf, possibly Swedish, arr. on board the *Devotion* from Amsterdam 6 Oct. 1802.
- Sundman, Saloman, captain, possibly Swedish, arr. aboard the *Jane* from Turks Island 25 May 1818.

These are but a few gleanings from the bulk of 40,000 names to be found in this volume and indicate that there is much more, not only for the Scandinavian specialist, but also for anyone whose antecedents passed through Philadelphia during the first two decades of the 19th century. Mr. Tepper is to be congratulated on another monumental undertaking.

—Nils William Olsson

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The Family of Samuel and Lena Nilsson (1797-1881) of Alsheda Parish, Jönköpings län, Småland, Sweden, by Frank Alfred Randall, Jr. (Northbrook, IL). Published by the author. 270 pp. \$25.00.

As the interest in genealogical research has grown by leaps and bounds in the last ten years, the phenomenon has spawned an accelerating number of genealogical books and family histories. These vary widely in content, quality and appearance, ranging from simple soft-cover pamphlets, duplicated on a photo-copier, to more ambitious undertakings, done professionally by commercial printers. Mr. Randall's excellent treatment of his family, traced back to Samuel and Lena Nilsson in Alsheda (Alseda in modern Swedish) belongs to the latter category.

The author can be justly proud of his product, printed by the prestigious Anundsen Company of Decorah, IA, for many years the purveyor of genealogical books of high quality. This particular volume is one of the most handsome the reviewer has seen in years.

Mr. Randall has elected to document the descendants of Samuel and Lena Nilsson as extensively as possible, limiting himself to the generations which sprang from the original couple in Alseda. The author's rationale for this procedure is quite logical. Rather than tunneling back into the past, except for background purposes, i.e., beyond Samuel and Lena Nilsson, he has chosen to document as many of the progeny as possible. In fact, of the seventy cousins in the second, third, fourth and fifth generations, there are only six individuals whose fate or destiny is unknown to the author and his fellow researchers.

The story begins with Samuel Nilsson, b. in Höreda Parish (Jön.) 4 March 1799 and his wife Lena Petersdotter, b. in Skede Parish (Jön.) 20 May 1797. The couple moved to Alseda Parish in 1829, where they remained for the rest of their lives. The author's purpose has been to document all of the descendants of this couple, both in the United States and Sweden, in itself a time-consuming and sometimes frustrating chore. That he has succeeded is proof of his doggedness and perseverance. Since the four of Samuel Nilsson's grandchildren, orphaned early, emigrated to Henry County, IL between 1878 and 1882, the main story focuses on Henry County, and the state of Illinois. Since those early times the descendants have spread to all corners of the United States.

One of the aspects of Frank Randall's work and which strikes the reader immediately is the meticulousness with which he presents his material. Maps, charts and plats are crisp and well reproduced. Photographs abound, not only of family places on both sides of the Atlantic, but also of almost everyone listed in the volume.

The author has also attempted to show how the Swedish parish records are kept, both the household examination rolls (which he terms clerical surveys in consonance with Mormon nomenclature) as well as birth records. He has illustrated and translated the system used by the clergy to grade the parishioners' ability to read and understand the Holy Bible, Luther's Catechism, etc. The reviewer would probably translate "*språken*" as Bible verses rather than languages. Other than that, the author has succeeded well in presenting the intricacies of the household examination roll.

The numbering system used by Mr. Randall may seem a bit confusing to the reader, but he presents its rationale well and logically. Any numbering system used for a large family of this size will seem confusing until it has been fully mastered.

Mr. Randall has produced a beautiful book, which could well serve as a model for others to follow. He has seemingly left nothing to chance. Everything is there to aid the researcher.

—Nils William Olsson

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Stadig Genealogy. Compiled by Carl Jacob Larson and Clinton Carroll Stadig. Photocopy. (Privately printed 1984). Soft cover, 8½ x 11 in., 147 pp. \$15.00.

One of the benefits of the military service in Sweden, going back more than 300 years, was the exchange of one's patronymic, i.e., one's "son" name for a short military-sounding name. This system was introduced years ago as a matter of necessity in order to avoid confusion, when hundreds of farm youths, most of them with patronymics such as Andersson, Eriksson, Jonsson, Larsson, Olsson, Petersson and Svensson appeared at the army headquarters in order to be enrolled in the military service. These military names, usually called soldiers' names, were retained by the soldiers as they mustered out of the service; and when they died, their descendants would carry on the use of the name. (For an excellent presentation of Swedish soldiers' names, see Alf Åberg's article "Soldiers' Surnames in Sweden" in *Swedish American Genealogist*, Vol. IV, No. 3, September 1984, pp. 111-117). Stadig is a typical soldier's name meaning "robust" or "sturdy" and even "dependable."

Carl J. Larson and Clinton C. Stadig have collaborated to bring out a genealogy of the Stadig Family, going back to Olof Jonsson Stadig (1669-1712), who lived in Undersåker Parish (Jämt.) more than 300 years ago. The authors have gone back twelve generations and have identified no less than eleven branches of the family in Sweden, Canada and the United States. The first five generations of the book deal with the Stadigs in Sweden. With the sixth generation the long isolation in Jämtland was broken. In 1871, barely a year after the founding of the New Sweden, ME settlement, brought about by the famed William Widgery Thomas, Jr., who twice served as the U.S. minister to Sweden, Lars Stadig, born in Järpen in Undersåker Parish, emigrated to Maine to become one of the earliest pioneers in that settlement. He was one of the early leaders, whose speedy mastery of the English language helped many of the early colonists. From Lars Stadig descend a vast progeny of Stadigs, not only in the 48 contiguous states, but also in Alaska.

The Larson and Stadig narrative reads very well. Both authors have striven to flesh out the bare genealogical bones and have succeeded in making the members of the Stadig clan come alive. Some of the biographies are written with wit, humor and possess an easy, informal style.

The numbering system is a bit unorthodox and it might have been well to have furnished a master chart, thus making it easier to see how all of the Stadigs are interrelated. The reviewer realizes, however, that this feature would have added an additional cost factor to the publishing of the book. The inclusion of an alphabetical index would also have increased the usefulness of the volume. If a new edition is to be printed, this reviewer would strongly recommend the addition of an alphabetical index. Having said that, the final verdict is that the

volume is very well produced, reads well and contains photographs of exceptional quality. There is none of the washed-out appearance that sometimes mars a family chronicle.

The Stadig Genealogy is a must item for anyone having roots in Undersåker in Sweden or New Sweden, ME. It is heartily recommended.

— Nils William Olsson

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The Annual Register of Baptist Denominations in North America. By John Asplund. (n.p. 1791). Reprinted 1979 by *Baptist Banner*, H.C. Vanderpool, editor and Church History Research and Archives of Lafayette, TN. IV + 55 pp., cloth. \$10.00.

The question which probably pops into the mind of the average *SAG* reader is what correlation there is between an annual register of Baptist churches and genealogy. A closer look at the volume being reviewed shows that the Asplund Register contains a wealth of material concerning Baptist congregations in the United States, their ministers and their locations, dating back to 1791. John Asplund, who in the preface calls himself a "Sweed," travelled 7,000 miles, mostly on foot during a period of 18 months, visiting no less than 215 Baptist congregations and fifteen associations, ranging all the way from Barnstable, MA to William's Creek in Georgia. In his Register he has entered such pertinent information as the name of the church, the association to which it belongs, the year of organization, the name of the clergyman serving that church, the number of members in the congregation and the date that the survey was made.

John Asplund, this remarkable itinerant Baptist, was born in Sweden, went to sea, came to England, where he served in the British Navy. He came to America, jumped ship and settled in North Carolina, where he joined the Ballard's Bridge Baptist Church in Chowan Co. He soon went to Southampton Co., where he was ordained into the ministry. He travelled extensively to gather information for his book, published sometime between 1791 and 1794. He subsequently went to Maryland, where he drowned in attempting to cross Fishing Creek, VA in 1807.

It can be safely said that no other Swede living in the 18th century in this country travelled more and interviewed more people than Asplund. His book is still a primary source for those who want to know more of the history of the Baptist congregations in the United States as well as the clergy that served them.

The reprint has been handsomely produced and deserves to be in every genealogical library.

— Nils William Olsson

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Genealogical Queries

Queries from subscribers to *Swedish American Genealogist* will be listed here free of charge on a "space available basis." The editor reserves the right to edit the question to conform to the general format.

Nyberg, Sandgren

Selim E.H. Nyberg, an engineer in Detroit, MI was m. (1936-1950) to Gertrude Sandgren (1914-1967). They res. in Detroit for many years before

moving to Lexington, Sanilac Co., MI. I need to know the dates of his birth and death.

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Bostrom, Ersson, Johnson

My husband's great great grandparents were John E. Boström, b. in Sweden 1820 and Charlotte Mary Ersson, b. in Sweden, also in 1820. Their s. Nicholas Emil Boström Johnson (my husband's great grandfather), was b. in Sweden 27 July 1844. He arr. in America 1870; worked for the Calumet and Hecla Mining Co. in Calumet, MI until his death in 1912. He was m. to Suzanna Gustafva Reisen (or Rasmanen), b. in Norway 30 Nov. 1861, the dau. of Isaac and Lovisa Reisen (or Rasmanen). I need to know the parishes of origin of John E. Boström, Charlotte Mary Ersson and Nicholas Emil Boström Johnson.

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Knutsdotter

Information needed on Elna Knutsdotter, b. in Veberöd Parish (Malm.) 17 April 1836. Her mother's name was Kjerstena Jonsdotter. Elna m. Lars Andersson 20 Sept. 1857 and d. in Höör (Malm.) 4 Oct. 1907.

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Anderson

Carl Edvin Person (1873-1964) came from Ransberg Parish (Skar.) and was m. in New Haven, CT 14 Oct. 1905 to Sigrid Amanda Anderson. They had a dau., name unknown, and were later divorced. I need to know more about Sigrid and her dau.

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Möller, Peterson

In 1866 two brothers, a sister, as well as a brother-in-law emigr. to America from northwest Småland. Sven Peterson Möller, b. 1842, departed in April; his brother Anders, b. 1846, left in March and their sister, Christina Petersdotter, b. 1827, left in May with her husband Johannes Peterson, b. 1818. Where did they settle upon arrival in the U.S.? Some of the relatives had gone to Michigan and

Illinois. Did they also locate in the same areas?

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Olson, Johnson

I would appreciate any ideas of how to locate the parishes of birth for my great grandfather, Swann W. Olson, b. in Sweden 13 March 1847, d. in Humboldt, KS 16 Jan. 1917 and my great grandmother, Christine Johnson, b. in Sweden 25 Feb. 1843, d. in Humboldt, KS 11 Jan. 1911. Both emigr. in 1871, first to Minnesota and in 1876 to Kansas.

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Nyberg

Carl Gustaf Nyberg, b. in Ekebyborna Parish (Ög.) 20 April 1825, emigr. to America 1864 and d. 30 July 1882, probably in the Middle West. He was a blacksmith. His eldest s., Carl (Charley) Fredrik Reinhold Nyberg, b. in Motala 4 Oct. 1855, became a sailor, who left Sweden ca. 1885 and was never heard from again. What happened to him?

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Emanuelson, Tärn

My grandfather, Per Emanuelson (1848-1877), b. in Hagebyhöga Parish (Ög.), was the only s. of Emanuel Gabrielson (1820-1877) and Anna Elizabeth Israelsdotter (1825-). He had six sisters, Maria, b. 1850; Emma, b. 1852; Anna Lovisa, b. 1854; Amanda Carolina, b. 1857; and twins Clara and Augusta, b. 1861. My grandfather emigr. from Sweden 1877 without taking out an exit permit.

His wife, Anna Mathilda Tärn (1841-1912), was m. 30 Dec. 1870 and was the seventh child of Carl Carlsson Tärn (1801-1876) and Stina Beata Andersdotter (1802-1877). Their children were Stina Maria, Johanna Carolina, Charlotta, Gustavus, Carl Gustaf, Amalia and Carl Fredrik. I am looking for descendants of these two families who lived in Hagebyhöga, Vadstena and elsewhere.

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