Information Wanted on Swedish Arrivals

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Jönköping throughout this list seems to refer to the County of Jönköping, not the city itself.

Carl A. Anderson was b. in Järnsä Parish (Jön.), the s. of Anders Anderson, a carpenter. — Svenskarne i Texas, p. 827.

Adolf Benson was b. in the Swedish province of Halland. In 1906 hem. Emma Johnson of Austin, TX, who was b. in the city of Linköping in 1880. The children's names differ radically from those listed in the Handbook. Thus the s. is named Arnold; the dau. Adeline and the twins Rhodie and Ruby. The family attended the Swedish Methodist Church in West Sweden, eight miles west of Brady. — Ibid., p. 828.

Reinhold Herbert Bergquist was the s. of Alfred Bergquist, b. in Lommaryd Parish (Jön.) in 1858. He had emigr. in 1888 with his wife, Christina Lönn, b. in Härad Parish (Jön.) in 1856. Reinhold Herbert Bergquist m. Gertrude Porter of Llano. The family attended the Swedish Methodist Church in Brady. — Ibid., p. 794.

August Arnold Bloomdahl (Blomdahl) was b. in Barkeryd Parish (Jön.), the s. of a farmer named August Bloem. Bloomdahl m. Mabel (sic!) Gustafson, who was b. in Sprinkle, Travis Co., TX in 1891, the dau. of Frank Gustafson. The family attended the Evangelical Free Church in Melvin, TX. — Ibid., p. 829.

Carl Dahl was b. in Svartrorp Parish (Jön.). — Ibid., p. 834.

Lars Eric Hagström was b. in Jönköping Parish (Gävle), but soon moved to Skog Parish in the same county, where he met his future wife, Christina Persson, b. in Mo Parish (Gävle), but who received her education in Skog. The family res. in McCulloch Co. 1911-1913 but then moved to Kenedy in Karnes Co., TX, where they attended the Swedish Lutheran Church. — Ibid., p. 758.

Hans John Hanson was b. in Rydaholm Parish (Jön.). He was m. to Hilda Carlson, also b. in Rydaholm in 1872. The family attended the Swedish Methodist Church in West Sweden. — Ibid., p. 808.

Per Johan Johansson (later John Bratt) was b. in Ekshärad Parish (Värmt.). His dau. Ally Hildergard was b. in 1914. — Ibid., p. 840.

Carl August Johnson arr. in McCulloch Co., TX in 1890. He was m. in 1893 to Delia Johnson, who was b. in Palmetto Valley, Williamson Co., TX in 1875, the dau. of John Johnson, who originally hailed from Skarup Parish (Jön.). The family attended the Presbyterian Church in East Sweden, due east of Brady. — Ibid., p. 811.

Erik Gustaf Nelin was b. in Hardemo Parish (Öre.) in 1862, the s. of Carl Johan Nelin, a shoemaker. He emigr. to Williamson County, TX in 1882, but already the following year he moved to San Saba, TX. He was m. in 1889 to Ellen Marie Söderling, who had arr. in Richland, TX in 1890 from Stora Mellosa Parish (Öre.), where her father, Olof Söderling was a sea captain. The couple had six children—Carl, b. 1891; Arthur, b. 1892; Emil, b. 1896; Conrad, b. 1898; Edith, b. 1901 and Ivar, b. 1903. The family attended the Presbyterian Church in East Sweden.

A railroad siding a few miles east of Brady bears the name of Nelin, named for Erik Gustaf and his older brother. Carl Johan Nelin, b. in Palm Valley, Williamson Co., TX in 1875, the dau. of John Johnson, who originally hailed from Skarup Parish (Jön.). The family attended the Presbyterian Church in East Sweden, due east of Brady. — Ibid., p. 811.

Albert John Stahmannar (in the U.S. he Anglicized his name) was b. in the city of Söderstage, Sweden in 1862 and arr. in the U.S. in 1884. In 1890 he arr. in Brady, TX, being probably the first Swede to settle there. He m. twice—the first time to Anna Nygren, who d. in 1890 and with whom he had one dau. — Agnes. His second wife was Sophia Otty, with whom he had nine children. — Svenskarne i Texas, II, p. 823.

August Young was b. in Hjälmseryd Parish (Jön.) in 1867, the s. of a carpenter. In 1891 he was m. to Anna Charlotte Carlsson, b. in Lommaryd Parish (Jön.) in 1869. — Ibid., p. 824.

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Dr. Erik Wikén of Uppsala, Sweden has been conducting research on Swedish passenger arrivals to the U.S. 1820-1850. These additions and corrections, supplementing Nils William Olsson's two works of 1967 and 1979, will be published in the near future. Those who are familiar with Olsson's lists, and who possess supplementary information pertinent to this project are asked to submit such material to SAG's office, P.O. Box 2186, Winter Park, FL 32790

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