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The Höganäs Society of Worcester, MA 1904-1921

Nils William Olsson

Some of the often overlooked sources of genealogical information in the Swedish American community are the rosters and records of the countless number of fraternal, patriotic and mutual benefit societies which sprang forth at the height of Swedish immigration to this country a century ago or so.

Next to the need felt of belonging to a Swedish American church organization was the urge among some immigrants to affiliate with like-minded compatriots, thus forming societies for mutual protection in time of illness and death or organizing provincial organizations which had as their purpose bringing together immigrants hailing from the same geographical area in Sweden.

Often the wish for greater social contacts prompted the immigrant to join a purely social group such as a patriotic society or to become a member in one of the many secret societies and orders which were to be found in many American communities toward the end of the last century and the beginning of the present.

Much attention has been paid to the microfilming of the Swedish American church records, which, sponsored by the Emigrant Institute in Växjö, Sweden, now after years of technical work by Lennart Setterdahl can be said to have been completed. Copies of these films are available for research at the Swenson Swedish Immigration Research Center in Rock Island, IL.

Far less attention has been paid to the records of hundreds of non-church related societies and associations which played a key role in the Americanization process of the Swedish immigrant of 75 or 100 years ago. While the Växjö program later also included the microfilming of many of the secular societies, notably the records of the Vasa Order of America, now housed in the Vasa Archives at Bishop Hill, IL, the records of many groups, long since disbanded, have not been properly identified and microfilmed. One such case comes to mind—when a garage find in Minneapolis some years ago unearthed the more than century-old records of the *Swedish Brothers*, an immigrant mutual benefit society, whose roster was published in *Swedish American Genealogist* in 1981 (Vol. I, No. 2, June, pps. 45-67).

Recently an interesting record of Swedish immigrants belonging to a provincial society in Worcester, MA named *The Höganäs Society* came to light in California.* This particular association has its own fascinating story, being made up of persons who emigrated from the parish of Höganäs in the northwest corner of Sweden's southernmost province of Skåne. According to its by-laws, its members had to have been born in Höganäs or to have been residing there before emigrating. Persons who hailed from the general area surrounding Höganäs, known as the Kullen region, could become members of the group by an affirmative two thirds vote of those in attendance at a given meeting.

The main purpose of the Höganäs Society was two-fold—to assist its members in time of sickness or death and to provide a social setting, giving its members the opportunity to meet persons from the same parish in Sweden.

The Höganäs Society came into being 9 Feb. 1904 and the last entry in the record book is dated 10 April 1921. Whether the society continued beyond this date is not known.

The existence of this very exclusive parochial society in Worcester at this time focuses on the earliest presence of Swedish immigrants in Worcester, harking back to the end of the 1860s, just after the Civil War. Four enterprising Swedish immigrants arrived in Worcester from Boston, where they had just disembarked. All four of them, Swen Pulson (Sven Pålsson), Anders Persson, Gustaf Ahlström and Johan Wennerström came from Höganäs, where they had been employed as potters in the famous Höganäs pottery industry. All of them gained employment with F.B. Norton, a Worcester pottery manufacturer. Pulson was married to Catharina Jeppsson, also from Höganäs, and in 1869 her brother, John Jeppsson, arrived in Worcester and the Höganäs rush was on. As Norton's firm expanded, incorporated in 1885 as the Norton Emery Wheel Company, more and more persons from Höganäs arrived in Worcester to become employed in the Norton firm, but also to join another Worcester firm, Washburn and Möen, which later became the steel giant, American Steel and Wire Company.

When the Norton Co. brought out a biographical roster, *Norton Biographies*, at the time of its fortieth anniversary, it showed that from the time of the company's founding in 1885 to 1906, its officers and management personnel, including its foremen, totalled 171 persons, of which 127 were born in Sweden, ten born in Worcester of Swedish parents and 34 non-Swedes. Of the total Swedish work force no less than 41% came from Höganäs or a total of 56. With such a heavy concentration from one parish in Skåne it was almost a foregone conclusion that sooner or later a Höganäs Society would be formed.

As with most such provincial societies, where geography is the bond which ties an organization together, time and distance ultimately will doom its existence as older generations pass on and younger generations develop new bonds of loyalty.

*The author is indebted to Dr. Stephen Koblik, professor of history at the Claremont Colleges in California, for providing copies of the Höganäs Society documents.

As genealogical material, these association rosters and records will play an ever increasing importance as latter-day sons and daughters of these early immigrants seek their origins abroad.

The records of this society are quite terse, and we only get the names of the members and the dates they joined. Only on two occasions is there a reference to any of the activities of the organization. On 26 Oct. 1905, a special meeting was held for the purpose of appointing a committee of three, which was empowered "to procure a blank book, in which all of the names of persons living in Worcester, who originated in Höganäs should be registered together with the names of their parents." This book has not been located.

On 9 May 1912 there is a brief reference to "Action on Mrs. Asplund Fund for Titanic Relief Society." This refers to the *Titanic* sinking in the North Atlantic less than a month before. A Worcester family, consisting of Charles and Selma Asplund, together with five children, returning from a visit to Sweden, were passengers aboard the ill-fated vessel. The mother and the two youngest children, Felix and Lillian were rescued. The father and three older sons, Oscar, Gustaf and Carl, lost their lives. From accounts in the Swedish press, an appeal was launched in Worcester to collect money for Mrs. Asplund and her two children. What action the society took on this occasion is not revealed.

Members of the Höganäs Society of Worcester MA and Date of Joining

1904 - 9 February

Joel Berggren ¹	Peter Olson	John Fahlstrom ¹²
Alb. R. Sandine ²	Gus. Fryberg ⁷	Arvid Bloom ¹³
Martin Olin	B. Green ⁸	Joel Cook
Gus. A. Olin	Algot Sandine	John Ekberg
Carl Bengtson ³	Karl Svenson	N.P. Nilson
Alfred Ahlstrom ⁴	Axel Fernberg ⁹	N. Ebbeson ¹⁴
Hjalmar Johnson ⁵	Gus Carlson ¹⁰	Gus. Holmes (Deceased)
Fritz Peterson ⁶	N.P. Person	John Lindblad ¹⁵
Arvid Bengtson	John Ahlstrom ¹¹	Emil Fahlström

2 March

Albin Olson	Alfred Arnberg ¹⁷	Charles Carlson
Martin Löf ¹⁶	Gustaf Fyrberg, Sr.	C. Ahlström ¹⁸
N. Oskar Nilsson	John A. Ahlsten	

12 April

Alma Osberg ¹⁹	Hjalmar Johnson ²⁰	Nils Westerlind ²³
Esther Olson	Idof Anderson ²¹	Martin Svenson
Tina Bogren	Bengt Engström ²²	

19 May

Emil Styffe ²⁴	Ida Roslund	Ellen Nilson ²⁸
F. Axel Olin	Anna Roslund ²⁷	Nanna Nilson
Philip Månsson ²⁵	Tekla Ekberg	Emma Hedman
Julius Ljungberg ²⁶	Vera Hanson	Helen Lindström
Oskar Ahlström	Ellen Dahlström	Mrs. Annette Hanson
Gustaf Stoltz		

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9 June

John Jeppson²⁹ (Honorary
Member)

David Cook³⁰

Betty Larson

14 June

Philip Lindqvist

11 August

John M. Swenson
John Nordström
Axel Forsberg³¹

Anton Ahlgren
Ludwig Peterson
Olga Frapp

Ruth Lindqvist

8 September

Einar Hansson
Ludvig Holst
John E. Svenson

Mrs. Hulda Söderlund
Ida Bloom
Hilma Sjödahl

Ida Wacker

13 October

Carl Olin
Harry Fredrickson
Gustaf F. Lindblad³²
Andrew Olson
Fritz Roslund³³

Rudolf Lindström
J. Westerlind
John Roslund³⁴
A. Flygare

Mrs. Hilma Falk
C.F. Becker
Helena Hellgren
Ellen Persson³⁵

10 November

Anna Anderson
Martha Ny

Bertha Person
Hellen Lindblad

Hjalmar A. Hanson

8 December

P. Joel Styffe³⁶

1905 - 12 January

Charles Hook
Ernest H. Palson

Fred W. Lundberg
David Westerlind

John Christianson

16 February

Herman Holm

9 March

Theodore Peterson
Emil Benson

Elsa Cook
Charlotte Dahlqvist

13 April

Karl A. Johnson

Anders Lindström³⁷

Carl J. Olson

11 May

Hjalmar Ahlström
Karl Ahlström

Peter Svenson
E.W.T. Frodigh

Roland G. Frodigh

8 June

Oscar Anderson³⁸
Gustaf Johnson³⁹
Albin Bengtson
Nils Bengtson

Ernest Johnson⁴⁰
Gustaf Braun
Edward Johnson
Carl Arnberg⁴¹

George W. Holm
Selma Christianson⁴²
Edith M. Nelson

13 July

Julius Holmqvist

Algot Anderson

Charles Nilson

10 August

John Paulson

14 September

Axel B. Svenson

12 October

Iver Paulson

Oscar Engström

Gustaf Olson

Hedvig Olson

Mrs. Selma Lindblad

Nils P. Johnson

Karl Paulson

Arthur Pihl

Axel Pearson

Emil S. Svenson

9 November

Nils Olson

Emil Johnson

Axel Erlandson

Stephen Styffe

Maria Ahlström

Frida Ekberg

Elvira Ljungberg⁴³

14 November

Emma Wahlqvist

Hans Olson

Otto J. Löf⁴⁴

1906 - 11 January

Carl E. Englund

John Engström

Fred Ullman

Carl Falk (From the Kullen region)

5 February

John Berggren⁴⁵

12 April

Jonas Fyrberg

10 May

Ellen Peterson

14 June

Gustaf A. Lundberg

12 July

Alfred Mattson

9 August

Karl Ekberg⁴⁶

Gerhard B. Arnström

Mrs. Mathilda Sandine
(Honorary Member)

11 October

Gustaf Paulson

---- Peterson (From Lerberget, Väsby Parish)

8 November

Axel Roslund

13 December

Oscar Johnson

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1907 - 10 January

Fred Swenson Charles Berggren⁴⁷

14 February

Linda Rask Frank Wendt Åke Cock
Emil Emberg

14 March

Axel H. Hammar Ida Olson

11 April

Carl Swenson

9 May

Gustaf Person

13 June

Gustaf Peterson Mrs. Annette Hanson

8 August

Algot Anderson Gustaf Karlson

12 September

Mrs. Teckla Anderson Oscar Johnson

10 October

Gustaf Hellgren John Magnuson Fritz Magnuson

14 November

Ellvira Anderson Ellen Anderson Astrid Larson
Emma Anderson⁴⁸

12 December

Anton Olson Benjamin Olson Petrea Carlson

1908 - 12 March

Stella Olin Teckla Bengtson Axel Kasperson

10 July

Ellen Maria Carlson

--- August

Martin Svanson

8 October

Nils Ahlström

12 November

Idof Olson Arthur Svenson

1909 - 11 March

Johan Cook

10 June

Per Albin Person Alfred E. Olin Carl Flygare
Fred A. Westerlind Ivar Carlson

8 July

G.A. Berg, 207 Main St.

12 August

Signe Erlandson

14 October

Algot Fyrborg, 90 Quinsigamond Ave. John Engström (Deceased)

9 December

Oscar Nordin, 55 Everard St.

1910 - 7 February

Sigfrid Christianson, 8 Fairview Terrace Axel Johnson, 9 Barber Ave., E.

12 May

Carl Anderson J.F. Carlson K.B. Carlson
Martin Anderson

14 July

Gust. Bengtson Carl Söderstierna Carl Lindblad
John Nelson (Honorary Member)

11 August

Arvid Lindblad Ossian Erlandson Philip Lindqvist

8 September

Carl Söderberg Otto Söderberg Carl Boggren

14 October

Bror Person

11 November

Elin Ekberg Lisa Backe Betty Bengtson

8 December

Ida Wiberg Ernst Paulson Herman Fernberg

1911 - 12 January

Albert Brown Albert Nelson Gustaf Nordin
Carl Nelson Gustaf Nelson Peter Paulson

9 February

Mrs. Emma Monson Mrs. Anna Söderberg Hjalmar Svenson

9 March

Frithiof Brown John Larson

13 April

Ewald Ljungberg Ivar Danielson Hugo Olson

11 May

Joel Cook Sander Blomgren Berta Christianson

14 September

Wilhelm Lindblad

12 October

Algot Person

Wictor Wendt

9 November

Hjalmar Anderson

14 December

Helen G. Olin

John W. Anderson

1912 - 11 January

Ethel P. Olson

Gustaf Olson

Oscar Person

Elsa Cook

Ossian H. Paulson

8 February

Ida Person (Honorary Member)

11 April

Edward Plockoff

Arvid Hanson

13 June

James B. Green

Bror Bengtson

Nanny Engström

Fritz Plockoff

12 September

Dora Petterson

10 October

Sven Petter Hägg⁴⁹

12 December

John Johnson

1913 - 10 April

Arthur Anderson

Albin Person

12 June

Patrick Johnson

28 August

Anton Hamerin

11 September

Arthur Johanson

9 October

Johannes Westerholm

13 November

Edvart Olson

Erik Olson

11 December

Eva Johnson

1914 - 17 January

Mabel R. Olin

Per Albin Person

Otto Person

1915 - 8 April

Fritz Olofson

14 October

Algot Svenson

1916 - 13 January

William Wester

Oscar Erlandson

Harald Pearson

Walter Styffe

10 February

William Green, Andover St.

13 April

Oscar Nilson, Nashoba Pl.

12 October

Axel Erlandson

12 December

Karl Johanson, 19 Fairview Terrace

1917 - 11 January

Gustaf Peterson, 24 Indian Hill Rd.

8 February

Bror Bengtson

Edwin Westerholm

Oscar Brown

August Carlson

Linea Person

8 March

Gustaf Ekberg,⁵⁰ 8 Hackanam Way

12 April

Erik Olson, 35 Indian Hill Rd. Rudolf Pearson, 40 Wellington St.

10 May

Benoard Nilson

G.W. Pearson

14 June

Anders Nilson, 30 Indian Hill Rd.

12 July

Karl G. Brink, 1 Bourne St.

13 December

Otto Olson, 19 Fairview Terrace

1918 - 9 February

Ellen Åkeson, 13 Ponicken Rd.

14 March

Wilhelm Skotte, 242 Summerville Ave., Olney, PA

19 December

Ernest M. Rundberg, 20 Watson Ave.

1919 - 9 January

Axel Fernberg, 1 Nashoba Pl.

13 February

Nils W. Swanson
17 Chadwick St.

Carl Person
8 Ericson St.

Evald Anderson
10 Stowel Ave.

12 June

Otto Löf, 50 Andover St.

1920 - 14 February

Karl Ekberg

--- Walberg

10 April

Rudolf Person, 20 Feel St.

-- September

Algot Holmkvist, 14 Indian Hill Rd.

1921 - 12 February

Axel Evald Nilson

10 April

Albin Larson
54 Whitman Ave.

Axel Paulson, Ponicken Rd. Eric Paulson, Ponicken Rd.

Notes

- ¹Joel Berggren was b. in Höganäs 14 Sept. 1872 and arr. in the U.S. in 1891 and joined the Norton Co. the same year. —*Norton Biographies, 1885-1906* (n.p., n.d.). No pagination.
- ²Albert Reinhold Sandin was b. in Höganäs 9 Jan. 1880, the illegitimate s. of a widow named Mathilda Andersson Borggren. He emigr. to the U.S. 3 May 1897 and joined the Norton Co. in August of that year. —*Höganäs Parish records*, District Archives at Lund (*Landsarkivet*); *Norton Biographies*.
- ³Carl A. Bengtson, was b. in Höganäs 21 May 1860 and arr. in the U.S. in 1886, joining the Norton Co. in Sept. of that year. —*Norton Biographies*.
- ⁴Alfred Ahlström was b. in Jonstorp Parish (Malm.) 2 Aug. 1856, the s. of Anders Ahlström. He emigr. 1874 and joined the Norton Co. in Oct. 1886. —*Höganäs Parish records; Norton Biographies*.
- ⁵Hjalmar Johnson was b. in Höganäs 23 March 1872 and came to America in 1890. The following year he joined the Norton Co. For several years he served as alderman in Worcester. —*Norton Biographies*.
- ⁶Fritz Peterson was b. in Sweden in 1871 and arr. in Worcester in 1890 and joined the Norton Co. the same year. In 1910 he was sent to Germany to organize a company plant there. —*Ibid*.
- ⁷Gustaf Fyrberg was b. in Höganäs 3 Oct. 1870. He arrived in the U.S. 1889 and joined the Norton Co. in 1890. —*Ibid*.
- ⁸Bernard Green was b. in Höganäs 16 Sept. 1871. He joined the Norton Co. in 1897 and became a foreman in 1920. —*Ibid*.
- ⁹Axel Fernberg was b. in Höganäs 15 Jan. 1885 and joined the Norton Co. in 1903. —*Ibid*.
- ¹⁰Gustaf Carlsson was b. in Höganäs 10 Sept. 1885 and joined the Norton Co. in 1903. He was appointed foreman in 1917. —*Ibid*.
- ¹¹John Ahlström, was b. in Höganäs 18 May 1878 and joined the Norton Co. in Oct. 1902. —*Ibid*.
- ¹²John Fahlström was b. in Höganäs in 1856 and arr. in the U.S. in 1888, at which time he joined the Norton Co. —*Ibid*.
- ¹³Arvid Bloom was b. in Billesholm, Norra Vram Parish (Malm.) 22 July 1870 and arr. in the U.S. in 1889, joining the Norton Co. in 1898. —*Ibid*.
- ¹⁴Nils Ebbeson was b. in Höganäs 30 Oct. 1886. He joined the Norton Co. in 1902 and in 1916 went to France as general foreman of a newly acquired French plant. —*Ibid*.

- ¹⁵John Lindblad was b. in Höganäs 23 Aug. 1859 and arr. in the U.S. in 1880. In 1886 he joined the Norton Co. He d. 9 April 1923. —Ibid.
- ¹⁶Martin Löf was b. in Höganäs 14 June 1869 and arr. in the U.S. in 1888. He entered the employ of the Norton Co. in 1891. —Ibid.
- ¹⁷Alfred Arnberg was b. in Höganäs 9 Nov. 1862 and arr. in America in 1887. He joined the Norton Co. in 1891. —Ibid.
- ¹⁸Carl Ahlström was b. in Höganäs 28 June 1874 and arr. in the U.S. 4 June 1890. The next month he joined the Norton Co. —Ibid.
- ¹⁹Alma Oliva Ossberg was b. in Höganäs 30 March 1878, the dau. of Åke Olsson Ossberg, a mason, and Ida Ny. She emigr. to the U.S. 22 April 1895. —*Höganäs Parish records*.
- ²⁰Perhaps identical with Hjalmar Johansson, b. in Höganäs 1 Oct. 1877, the s. of Johannes Johansson and Amalia Ringstedt. He emigr. to the U.S. 8 March 1895, returned to Sweden 28 Dec. 1897 and then re-emigrated. —Ibid.
- ²¹Idof Anderson was b. in Höganäs 30 Oct. 1883 and arr. in the U.S. 1903. On 25 April 1904 he joined the Norton Co., where he advanced to the position of chief electrician. —*Norton Biographies*.
- ²²Perhaps identical with Bengt Engström, b. in Höganäs 13 Dec. 1838, who departed for America without taking out an exit permit. —*Höganäs Parish records*.
- ²³Nils Westerlind was b. in Höganäs 28 Feb. 1872 and joined the Norton Co. in 1903. He also served as the chief of the Norton Fire Department. —*Norton Biographies*.
- ²⁴Emil Styffe was b. in Billesholm 20 Nov. 1867 and arr. in the U.S. 1887. He joined the Norton Co. in Sept. of that year. —Ibid.
- ²⁵Philip B. Monson was b. in Höganäs 28 July 1880 and joined the Norton Co. in 1901, advancing to the position of foreman. —Ibid.
- ²⁶C. Julius Ljungberg was b. in Höganäs 21 July 1874 and arr. in America in 1893, joining the Norton Co. soon thereafter. —Ibid.
- ²⁷Anna Roslund was b. in Höganäs 28 Aug. 1882, the dau. of August Roslund and Elna Månsdotter. She emigr. to America in 1899. —*Höganäs Parish records*.
- ²⁸Ellen Nilsson was b. in Höganäs 27 March 1884, the dau. of Peter Nilsson and Maria Ahlström. She emigr. to America 8 Sept. 1899. —Ibid.
- ²⁹John Jeppson, one of the founders of the Norton Co., served as the first superintendent of the plant. He was b. in Höganäs 1 July 1844, the s. of Gudmund Jeppsson, a miller and carpenter, and his wife Bengta. He emigr. to the U.S. in April of 1869, after having spent a number of years learning the pottery business. In the U.S. he joined F.B. Norton in the pottery enterprise but with the introduction of the emery grinding wheel, he left pottery making and joined with five others in the organizing of the Norton Emery Wheel Co., which later became the Norton Co. He m. Mathilda Ahlström from Höganäs, in which marriage a s. George N. was born. John Jeppson d. in 1920. —*Norton Biographies*; Mildred McClary Tymeson, *The Norton Story* (Worcester, MA 1953), pp. 11-14.
- ³⁰David Cook was b. David Kvik in Höganäs 3 April 1878, the son of Martin Kvik, laborer, and Karna Åkesdotter. He emigr. to the U.S. 29 April 1897 and settled in Worcester, where he joined the Norton Co. —*Norton Biographies*.
- ³¹Axel J. Forsberg was b. in the city of Ängelholm, Sweden 10 May 1858. He arr. in the U.S. in 1893 and immediately joined the Norton Co. —Ibid.
- ³²Gustaf Lindblad was b. in Höganäs 13 Feb. 1881, the s. of Carl Fredrik Lindblad and Catharina Lots. He emigr. to the U.S. in 1899. —*Höganäs Parish records*.
- ³³Fritz Roslund was b. in Höganäs in 1866. He emigr. to the U.S. in 1884 and joined the Norton Co. in 1887. He d. 2 Jan. 1917. —*Norton Biographies*.
- ³⁴John Roslund was b. in Höganäs 27 Dec. 1854 and arr. in America in 1879. He began his employment with F.B. Norton as a potter in 1883 and continued his services with the Norton Emery Wheel Co. and later the Norton Co. until his death in 1924. —Ibid.
- ³⁵Ellen Pauline Persson was b. in Höganäs 19 March 1880, the dau. of Nils Peter Persson and Mathilda Blomgren. She emigr. to the U.S. 8 May 1896. —*Höganäs Parish records*.
- ³⁶P. Joel Styffe was b. in Billesholm 6 Feb. 1873 and arr. in the U.S. in 1887. In 1891 he joined the Norton Co., advancing to the position of general foreman in 1912. —*Norton Biographies*.
- ³⁷Anders Lindström was b. in Höganäs 21 Jan. 1852 and emigr. to the U.S. in 1877. In 1888 he joined the Norton Co. —Ibid.
- ³⁸Oscar Andersson was b. in Höganäs 19 Aug. 1879, the son of Gustaf Andersson, laborer, and Elna Hultberg. He emigr. to the U.S. 1898. —*Höganäs Parish records*.

- ³⁹Perhaps he is identical with Gustaf Henning Johansson, b. in Våxtorp Parish (Hall.) 5 Aug. 1879. He emigr. to the U.S. 1899. —Ibid.
- ⁴⁰Ernest L. Johnson was b. in Höganäs 21 June 1881 and arr. in the U.S. in 1889. In Feb. 1904 he joined the Norton Co., advancing to the position as foreman. —*Norton Biographies*.
- ⁴¹Carl Arnberg was b. in Höganäs 22 Jan. 1866 and arr. in the U.S. in 1889. Ten years later he joined the Norton firm. —Ibid.
- ⁴²Selma Paulina Christiansson was b. in Höganäs 5 Dec. 1881, the dau. of Janne Christiansson and Sofia Fredrika Johansson. She emigr. to the U.S. in 1899. —*Höganäs Parish records*.
- ⁴³Elvira Ljungberg was b. in Höganäs 8 May 1880, the dau. of Karl Ljungberg and Maria Holmqvist. She emigr. to the U.S. 13 March 1896. —Ibid.
- ⁴⁴Otto Löf was b. in Höganäs 16 Jan. 1873 and arr. in the U.S. in 1893 and began his employment with the Norton Co. that year. He spent a considerable time in Europe, representing the company. —*Norton Biographies*.
- ⁴⁵Possibly identical with Carl Johan Berggren, b. in Höganäs 12 Nov. 1849, who departed for the U.S. without procuring the exit permit. —*Höganäs Parish records*.
- ⁴⁶Possibly identical with Karl August Ekberg, b. in Höganäs 30 April 1877, son of Johannes Ekberg, laborer, and Petronella Bolin. He emigr. to America 16 July 1895. —Ibid.
- ⁴⁷Possibly Carl Berggren, b. in Höganäs 8 March 1845, who emigr. to America 26 April 1869. —Ibid.
- ⁴⁸Possibly Emma Andersson, b. in Väsby Parish (Malm.) 31 Aug. 1864, who emigr. to the U.S. 3 May 1881. —Ibid.
- ⁴⁹Sven Petter Hägg, laborer, was b. in Höganäs 1 Sept. 1871, the s. of Otto Fredrik Hägg, laborer, and Johanna Jönsson. He is listed in the parish records as being in America. —Ibid.
- ⁵⁰Gustaf Ekberg was b. in Höganäs 14 July 1877, the s. of Lars Jönsson Ekberg, laborer, and Kjerstin Nilsson. He emigr. to the U.S. in 1898. —Ibid.

Additional on the *IGI*

George Ely Russell, F.A.S.G., of Middletown, MD has kindly called our attention to the article on the *International Genealogical Index (IGI)*, which appeared in the March 1987 issue of *SAG*, pointing out that a number of microfiche are available for the Scandinavian countries and as of the latest catalogue, the number of microfiche on hand are as follows:

Denmark	281
Finland	374
Iceland	1
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Looking for My Family on Öland

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For a long time I have wanted to know something about the ancestors of my four Swedish grandparents, who emigrated to America around the turn of the century. My attempts to learn about my father's family can be described by one word—serendipity. My tale of good fortune might encourage others who are searching their Swedish roots.

Initially I had little information to go on, since both of my father's parents had died before I was born. I did have the name of their home parish in Sweden and a few family stories. My father, who had never visited Sweden, told me that so far as he knew, there were no close family members left in Sweden, as such, and therefore there was no person to contact.

The logical place to begin was at the parish church. It should be mentioned here that I have one valuable asset in my quest. My wife has dozens of relatives in Sweden and grew up speaking the language even though she was born in the United States.

Many years ago on our first visit to Sweden, my wife and I, accompanied by her sister and a friend, took the ferry from Kalmar to Öland and then drove to the Resmo Parish church. My great grandfather, Carl Carlsson, had been the parish clergyman at Resmo until his death in 1888.¹ We located his grave and that of his immediate family, and were surprised to find fresh flowers at the grave site. A passing parishioner said that there was a fund available to provide flowers occasionally for the graves when there were no relatives. We also found the family plot of my grandmother's family.

A short distance from the church is my grandmother's home, Blomstergården, and we introduced ourselves to the present owner, a retired newspaperman. When he had purchased the house, he had found several old photographs. He gave them to me as he had kept them in the event that any member of the family should come back for a visit. These photographs were of the children born to the immigrants and which had been sent to the family back home in Sweden.

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On a subsequent trip to Sweden, we again visited Öland, but nothing new was learned of my family. Nowadays one crosses to the island by bridge, rather than by ferry. After visiting several members of my wife's family, we decided to go to Stockholm. When we were ready to leave, my wife's sister told us that we should try to see a cousin of their mother's who was very much interested in the family and wanted to meet us. When we were settled in our hotel in Stockholm, we checked the telephone directory and found that he lived just a few blocks away.

He was a retired professor of Latin, and during his retirement, was performing free-lance translation work from Latin to Swedish. He asked about my family, and I replied that many of them were from Öland, and I had been told that there were several generations of clergymen in the family. One of his projects was to do a translation of a Latin manuscript about Öland. He was doing some background research on the island and said that if he found anything about my family, he would let me know.

Several months later, I received a large package containing photocopies of pages of parish histories. He also included a sketch of a family tree beginning in 1607. The trail ended there as my clergyman ancestor, Olaus Ebber, had come to the Mortorp Parish, but it did not say where he came from.² There had been a minister in each generation down to my grandfather. Since he was not interested in becoming "a man of the cloth" he had gone to sea and had finally settled in San Francisco. The material noted that there were portraits of Israel Schultz and his wife Cecilia Magdalena Carlquist at the Gärdslösa Church and of Abraham Ahlqvist and his wife, Sara Gustava Bruun at the Runsten Church, both on Öland.³

One day in the summer of 1986 when we were once again in Sweden, we decided to visit these two churches, so that I could see the original portraits. We had no difficulty in locating the pictures as the parish history pages contained photographs of them. At one of the churches we chatted with the local cleric, to whom I showed my family tree, so that he could see how I was related to the individuals in the portraits. When he saw that there was a pastor in each generation except my grandfather, he commented—"what a legacy of learning."

My wife's sister, who has a summer *stuga* on Öland, was with us. She said that my grandmother's home had been sold and that we should go and talk with the new owners as they might have something of my family. The new owners had a sea chest, which had been used by my grandmother's brother, Charlie, when he returned to Sweden from America. The present owner recited amusing stories which he had heard about Charlie since coming to the community. He also told us that there was a widow in the parish who had known Charlie and whose late husband had been his good friend. We had a short visit with her and learned that her late husband was my third cousin. She gave us a photograph of Charlie's daughter, which had a lengthy inscription on its back.

The man who had purchased the property was a retired Lutheran pastor. After he had given us a tour of the house, we showed him the family tree. He noticed that my great grandmother's maiden name was Ahlqvist. He knew a widow whose name was Ahlqvist and whose husband had been a clergyman. "Let me call her, you might be of the same family," he said.

The woman spoke Swedish, so my wife conversed with her. "Yes," she thought "that it might be the same family," but she was not sure. Her son, who lived near Malmö, kept the family tree. We intended to go to Malmö some days later, so my wife gave her the name of a cousin in that city, where we would be staying.

A few days later, we called my wife's cousin to confirm the days we would be in Malmö. His wife answered the telephone and said that a man had called saying he was related to Al and that she had invited him and his wife to have dinner on one of the evenings we were to be there, so that we would have a chance to talk with him.

We had a very pleasant visit. He thought that he had a complete family tree of his Ahlqvist family in Sweden. He had my father in his records and was very happy to add my name. He was also trying to locate some of the family which had emigrated to America. He showed us a copy of the Ahlqvist family tree which stretched across the living room floor. We joined the Ahlqvist Family Association but unfortunately we were not able to attend the association meeting which was to be held five weeks after our return to the United States. Later I received a card sent from the association meeting carrying the signatures of several of my new-found relatives.

On my way to Malmö, we had stopped off at the Mortorp Church on the mainland, where Olaus Ebberli, the earliest of my ancestors, had arrived to become a parish minister in 1607. My wife was leafing through the guest book, which one usually finds in the old Swedish churches and noticed that a few years previously, a woman from a small town in Illinois had signed the book and had stated that she was descended from the same pastor as I. When we returned to the United States, we contacted her and found that she was married to a Lutheran clergyman, though German, not Swedish, and had hoped that someone would see her note in the parish guest book. Her maiden name was Ahlqvist, so we told her about the Ahlqvist Family Association in Sweden. We had coffee with her and her family when we were in the Chicago area for the Christmas holidays.

Incidentally, the clergy connection did not end with Grandfather Joseph. My father was ordained in the Swedish Evangelical Free Church, which later dropped the "Swedish" from its name. I also completed my seminary training, earning a BD degree, but was not ordained. My first love was philosophy, so I went on to graduate school and became a philosophy professor.

A chance encounter, a conversation here and there and knowledge about one's family emerges. So far, I haven't had such luck with my mother's family, but maybe on the next trip to Sweden . . .

Notes

¹Carl Ludvig Carlsson was b. in Fliseryd Parish (Kalm.) 28 May 1826, the s. of Carl Jonsson, a farmer, and Kjerstin Danielsdotter. After studies at the University of Lund, he was ordained into the Lutheran ministry 17 Dec. 1851. After a tour in Kråksmåla Parish (Kalm.) he became parish minister (*kyrkoherde*) at Resmo on Öland in 1876. He d. in Resmo 1 June 1888. He m. Hilda Augusta Ahlqvist, b. in Runsten Parish (Kalm.) 17 Oct. 1832, the dau. of Abraham Ahlqvist, the local pastor, and Sara Gustava Bruun. —Bror Olsson, *Kalmar stifts heredaminne*, I-V (Kalmar 1948-1980), IV, p. 369.

²Olaus Ebberli also used the surname Moraeus, which might indicate that he came from Södra Möre hundred in Kalmar län. He was m. to Kirstin Pedersdotter. —*Ibid.*, IV, p. 508.

³Abraham Ahlqvist was one of the most enlightened clergymen in Sweden in the early part of the 19th century. He wrote a classic history and description of Öland named *Ölands historia och beskrifning*, published in 1825-1827. —*Ibid.*, IV, pp. 238-241.



Abraham Ahlqvist Ölands Historia och Beskrifning

Title Page of Abraham Ahlqvist's *History*
of Öland, published 1825-1827.

St. Ansgarius (Chicago) Marriages 1867-1879

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(The appearance of this article is designed to bring to the readers of *SAG* the complete roster of marriages performed in the St. Ansgarius Protestant Episcopal Church of Chicago during the years 1867-1879. The magnitude of this list is such, that it will be necessary to break it up into four or five segments. We deplore this somewhat, since editorially it makes better sense to run an item without interruptions. The number of names presented here is so immense, however, that it presents a dilemma of not publishing the list at all or doing it piecemeal. We have chosen the latter course of action.

The list as published here gives us an interesting run of early marriages in Chicago, primarily in the Swedish colony. It is even more valuable since it records marriages for four years before the Great Fire of 1871, when so many other records were destroyed.

The marriages have been numbered so that in the final installment it will be possible to add identifying notes referring to those numbered couples, for which additional facts have been located. Should readers be able to identify any of these entries, it would be highly desirable to include such material in the final segment of this series. —The Editor).

The chartering of the St. Ansgarius Protestant Episcopal Church in Chicago 1 March 1849 brought into being the first church organization in that city which attempted to provide a church home for the newly arrived Swedish and Norwegian immigrants. Originally conceived by the Rev. Gustaf Unonius (1810-1901) as a binational church carrying the name of the St. Erik and St. Olav Protestant Episcopal Church, it was designed to reflect the political union of Norway and Sweden as created by the Treaty of Vienna of 1815. The final church charter, however, lists the name of the parish as the St. Ansgarius Protestant Episcopal Church, in honor of the first Christian missionary to visit Sweden in the early part of the ninth century A.D.¹

The binational concept was not without friction, however, as Unonius discovered. Rivalry and dissension cropped up from time to time, though it should be mentioned that the Swedes and the Norwegians stuck to the original agreement for at least another five years, or until the Civil War, when most of the Norwegians left the church.

During the time that Unonius served as pastor (1849-1858), the highly respected churchman, both among the Scandinavians, as well as the Americans, had been able to reconcile the major political differences as they arose. When he eventually returned to Sweden in 1858, with his family, the congregation fell on hard times.² The lack of leadership proved almost fatal, and the parish began to face gradual disintegration. Basically this was not due so much to the rivalry between the Norwegians and Swedes as to the dynamic leadership evidenced within the swiftly growing Swedish immigrant community in Chicago. Already the arrival of Erland Carlsson (1822-1893) from Älghult Parish in Kronoberg *län* in 1853 had caused some problems for Unonius as many of his Swedish members left for the newly organized Immanuel Swedish Lutheran congregation under the leadership of Carlsson. As the 1850s grew to a close a discouraged and frustrated Unonius "threw in the towel" and decided to return to his native Sweden, from which he had departed seventeen years earlier.

With Unonius gone, the St. Ansgarius parish began to display disagreements between the Norwegian vs. the Swedish members. When it came to the choice of a new clergyman, the Norwegians opted for J.G. Gasmann, an early Norwegian settler in Wisconsin, whereas the Swedes were casting about for a Swedish pastor.³ In 1859, for an interim period of three months, the congregation was served by a Swedish clergyman, Carl Johan Vossner (1809-1883) from Tidarsrum Parish (Ög.) who had arrived in America five years earlier.⁴ When his assignment was completed, the congregation asked The Rev. Edmund B. Tuttle, an American Episcopalian clergyman, on 10 May 1859 to preach once every Sunday in English in return for his occupying the empty parsonage.⁵ This arrangement was to prove disastrous inasmuch as Tuttle regarded himself to be the rector, whereas the congregation vehemently denied it. In the end, the parish minutes noted on 10 Nov. 1863 that "The Rev. Edmund B. Tuttle has never been regarded as the Rector of St. Ansgarius and cannot be so regarded or treated."⁶ Tuttle was now out and the congregation began looking around for a new pastor to carry on the duties, preferably Swedish.

The congregation chose Jacob Bredberg and on 28 May 1864 the minutes of the vestry reflect this: "That The Rev. Jacob Bredberg be called as Rector of the St. Ansgarius Scandinavian Church with a salary of \$500 per year and free house in the parsonage."⁷

Bredberg seems not to have been a stranger to the St. Ansgarius people. In fact, the *Journal of Convention* of the Episcopal Diocese of Chicago for 1862 mentions Bredberg as the rector of the church.⁸ This must be an error, although it is perfectly possible for Bredberg to have preached from time to time in the church, supplying the Swedish sermons which Tuttle could not do. Bredberg was a resident of Chicago at this time, and according to the same *Journal of Convention*, had been visiting some of the Scandinavian settlements along the Illinois Central Railroad, as far south as Effingham, IL, ostensibly at the behest of the Episcopal Diocese.⁹

Who was Jacob Bredberg and what role did he play in the early history of the St. Ansgarius Church? Since he is responsible for all of the ministerial acts which were carried out in the church between 1867 and 1877 and for marriages up to 1879, it is only proper to trace the career of this man, who arrived in the Chicago area with a somewhat shady past, but who during his years at St. Ansgarius was responsible for reversing the downward trend, imbuing a new spirit in the parish and seeing the communicants grow in number to close to 500 by the middle of the 1870s.

Jacob Bredberg was born in Alingsås, Västergötland 1 May 1808, the son of Jacob Bredberg, Sr., a hatter, and Catharina Holmberg. After studies in Skara and the University of Uppsala he was ordained into the Lutheran ministry in 1832. He returned to his home province of Västergötland, where he served in many parishes as an assistant, assistant pastor and finally as associate pastor (*komminister*) in Broddetorp Parish (Skar.) in 1846. Here he not only carried on his pastoral duties but also tilled a small rented farm named Toltan.¹⁰

What happened next in his career is difficult to chart. We find some answers in the minutes of the Consistory of Skara Diocese for the years 1852-1853. On 11 Aug. 1852 the legal assistant (*notarie*) notified the Consistory that Bredberg had not paid his land rent for the previous year, neither his taxes, which had been prepaid by the Consistory.¹¹ On 29 June 1853 the Consistory was approached by the city bailiff of Göteborg, accusing Jacob Bredberg of certain forgeries and summoning him to Göteborg to stand trial on 9 July 1853.¹² In the meantime Bredberg had asked for and had received two months' leave of absence from 1 June 1853 to 1 Aug. to take care of some personal matters. On 10 Aug. 1853 his chief, the provost of Broddetorp reported to the Consistory that Bredberg had overstayed his leave and on good authority was believed to be living abroad.¹³ Finally on 30 Nov. 1853 the Consistory advised the Crown, since Bredberg had overstayed his leave and had not returned to his charge, that the necessary papers be drawn up in order to help locate him. By this time Bredberg was already in America.

What the nature of his crime was cannot be elicited from the minutes of the Consistory, only inferred, but the printed biographies of the clergymen of the Skara Diocese mention that Bredberg "lived high on the hog," that despite the fact that he had a small salary, he was able to drive around in a fine chaise, drawn by spirited horses. In order to pay for this style of living he forged the names of prominent people in the community on notes payable, which he then cashed.¹⁴

The judicial mills in Sweden ground slowly, but in 1854 the Consistory ruled that he be fired from his position as *komminister* at Broddetorp. In 1856 the Crown defrocked him and cancelled his ministerial license.¹⁵ This piece of news seems not to have filtered over to America, or if it did, it was ignored, since none of the American biographies of Bredberg contains anything concerning his peccadillos in Sweden.

Once in America (the exact date is unknown, but it is believed to have been in June of 1853, probably during his two-months' leave of absence), he spent the first two years in New York, working with Olof G. Hedstrom, famed Methodist missionary aboard the *Bethel* ship in New York's harbor. Here he seems to have converted to Methodism, working aboard the ship, translating Methodist hymns and tracts from English into Swedish.¹⁶ In the meanwhile he resided in Jersey City, NJ, where his wife and two children joined him in 1854.¹⁷ In 1855 he was sent to Jamestown, NY, where he worked for four years as pastor of the Swedish Methodist Church and in the latter year he came to Chicago, where he was given the biggest plum of all, the pastorate of the large Swedish Methodist Church in the city. He served this church for two years, but by this time Bredberg was eyeing the possibility of joining the Episcopal Church, which is borne out by a Methodist clergyman by the name of Victor Witting, who in his autobiography characterizes Bredberg in the following fashion: "It went very well the first year, since Bredberg was a powerful speaker and was looked upon as a very learned man and there was no lack of an audience. It was different the second year—while he possessed the same learning and spoke as well, there was something of an air of indifference and falseness about him and he seems to have been considering joining another denomination."¹⁸

While Bredberg's tenure as pastor of the St. Ansgarius church coincided with an upswing in the fortunes of the congregation, he seems to have continued his financial struggles late into the evening of life. The church had asked him to become its pastor at a salary of \$500.00 per year. Seldom did the parish fulfill its contract. We have figures for three of his years at St. Ansgarius which show that in 1870 he collected \$379.50, in 1872 a total of \$200.00 and in 1873 the paltry sum of \$183.50, which broken down for the 464 communicants meant that each parishioner gave his minister 40 cents annually.¹⁹

The final years of Bredberg's life were probably the most peaceful and tranquil of his entire career. After having flitted from charge to charge in Sweden and in America, he finally was able to settle down for the remainder of his life. While the *Journal of Convention* of the Chicago Diocese states that he left the church in 1876,²⁰ other sources state that he left the parish in 1877 due to illness and old age.²¹ Yet, he performed some marriages well into 1879. By that time, however, he was not conducting baptisms and funerals and the number of marriages had dropped measurably. His handwriting also shows the onset of old age and frailty. He died in Chicago 25 Nov. 1881 and was buried in the Graceland Cemetery.²²

In 1840 he had married Carolina Christina Bergström, born in Hjo Parish (Skar.) 18 Aug. 1815, the daughter of Carl Gustaf Bergström, a bailiff for the Crown (*kronolänsman*), and Ulrika Christina Carlsson.²³ She died in Chicago 23 Oct. 1888. The couple had four children—Axel Johan (1841-1853); Ulrika Catharina, b. in 1843 (death year unknown), who married in America; Conrad Gustaf, born 31 Jan. 1848, died in Chicago 1 Sept. 1891 and Claudius Edward, born, probably in Jamestown, NY in 1856, died in Chicago 29 Dec. 1897.²⁴

Despite his vicissitudes earlier in life and the harsh criticisms leveled at him by some of his contemporaries, Bredberg established himself as a very popular clergyman at St. Ansgarius. He was in great demand to perform ministerial acts, not only among his own parishioners, but also among other Scandinavians—Danes, Finns and Norwegians. But he also functioned outside the Scandinavian circle, marrying American, English, German, Scottish and even Polish nationals.

The record beginning in 1864, the year that Bredberg took over the charge, and up to 27 Aug. 1867, has been lost, if it ever existed. The book presented here, beginning in Aug. 1867 runs through 30 Aug. 1879, Bredberg's last entry, covering precisely twelve years.²⁵

One marvels at the endurance of a typical immigrant pastor, laboring at a time when one either walked or used a horse and buggy, with perhaps an occasional ride on the horse-drawn street cars, in order to reach hundreds of parishioners scattered throughout the city. During the short twelve years for which we have records Bredberg also performed a total of more than 2,800 ministerial acts—900 marriages, 1,300 baptisms and 600 funerals.²⁶ He preached between 75 and 100 times during the year, held confirmation classes, chaired vestry meetings and presided over countless committee meetings in addition to making calls on ill and needy immigrant parishioners. Midway through his pastorate, in Oct. 1871, he had to cope with the disruption and misery of a burned out city, which leveled the church, his parsonage and countless dwellings belonging to his flock. When Bredberg retired in 1877 he could look back on thirteen years of a very busy pastorate but he must also have been pleased to have left as his legacy a strong and vibrant congregation which was to grow and prosper even more in the 1880s and 1890s which lay ahead.

As mentioned earlier the Book of Marriages (1867-1879) contains the names of more than 900 couples married by Bredberg over a period of twelve years. The roster provides us with the names of the couples, where they came from (for Sweden we always get the city, parish or county), the name or names of the witnesses and the date of the ceremony. We also learn where the marriage took place, whether in the parsonage, church or a private home.

The register of marriages is presented herewith in the hope that it will provide additional data for Americans with Swedish forebears, whose roots go back to the St. Ansgarius Protestant Episcopal Church in Chicago.

¹Nils Willam Olsson, "The First Constitution of the St. Ansgarius Church in Chicago" in *The Swedish Pioneer Historical Quarterly* (now *The Swedish-American Historical Quarterly*), Vol. I, No. 2, Oct. 1950, pp. 18-22.

²*Journal of Convention*, The Episcopal Diocese of Chicago, 1859, p. 60. The author is indebted to Rima Lunin Schultz, the Cathedral historian of the Chicago Diocese, for furnishing this material.

³*Ibid.*, 1858.

⁴The Minutes of the Vestry of the St. Ansgarius Church, 5 Feb. 1859, in the Archives of the Swedish-American Historical Society of Chicago.

⁵*Ibid.*, 10 May 1869.

⁶*Ibid.*, 16 Nov. 1863.

⁷Ibid., 28 May 1864.

⁸*Journal of Convention*, 1862, p. 52.

⁹Ibid.

¹⁰Bo V:son Lundqvist, *Västgöta nation i Uppsals från 1595*, I-III (Uppsala and Skara 1946-1975), III, pp. 287-288.

¹¹Skara Domkapitels protokoll 1852-1853 (The Minutes of the Skara Diocese 1852-1853), A1:73 in *Göteborgs landsarkiv* (The District Archives of Göteborg). The author is indebted to Per Clemensson, archivist in the District Archives of Göteborg, for providing this material.

¹²Ibid.

¹³Ibid.

¹⁴Lars August Cederbom and Carl Olof Friberg, *Skara stifts herdaminne*, I-II (Stockholm 1928-1930), II, p. 351.

¹⁵Ibid.

¹⁶Victor Witting, *Minnen från mitt lif* (Worcester, MA 1902), p. 360; N.M. Liljegren, N.O. Westergren and C.G. Wallenius, *Svenska metodismen i Amerika* (Chicago 1895), p. 233.

¹⁷Letter from Jacob Bredberg to Eric Norelius, dated Jersey City, NJ 28 Dec. 1854 in the Swenson Swedish Immigration Research Center, Rock Island, IL.

¹⁸Witting, p. 360.

¹⁹The Minutes of the Vestry of St. Ansgarius, 17 April 1871; 14 April 1873 and 6 April 1874.

²⁰*Journal of Convention*, 1876, p. 53.

²¹Ernst W. Olson, *History of the Swedes of Illinois*, I-II (Chicago 1908), I, p. 390; Eric Johnson and C.F. Peterson, *Svenskarne i Illinois* (Chicago 1880), p. 419.

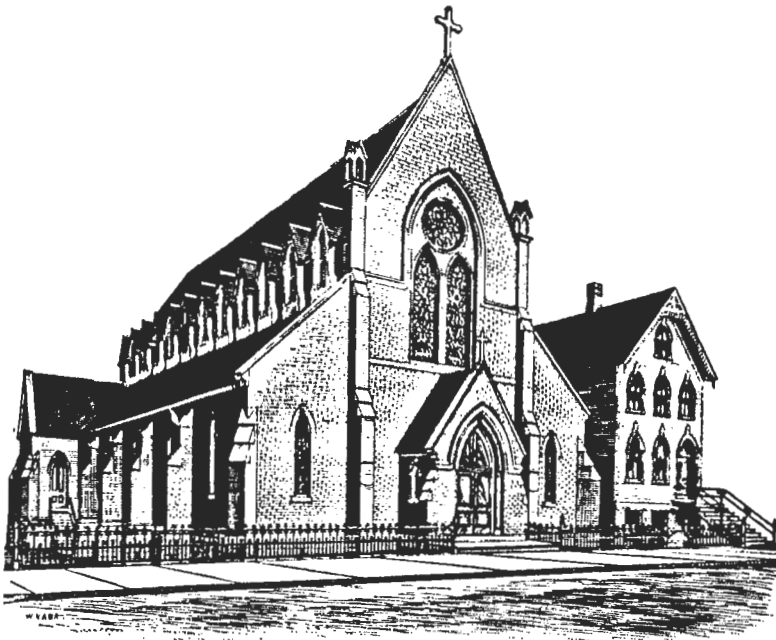
²²Death Certificate No. 12621, Illinois State Board of Health, Chicago, IL.

²³Hjo Parish Records, The District Archives of Göteborg.

²⁴Broddeorp Parish Records, The District Archives of Göteborg; Death Lists for Cook Co., Chicago, IL.

²⁵St. Ansgarius Parish Records in the Archives of The Swedish-American Historical Society of Chicago.

²⁶Ibid.



The St. Ansgarius Episcopal Church in Chicago, constructed after the fire.

	Date	Names	Place of Marriage	Witnesses
	1867			
1.	25 Aug.	Gust. Rob. Anderson from Böne Parish (Älvs.) and Anna Olson from Hälsingland,	Rectory	Mrs. Bredberg and Mrs. Peterson
2.	25 Aug.	Nils Wendel and Mary Killén, both from Kristianstad	"	Mrs. Blomquist and Mr. Carlson
3.	2 Sept.	Charles Johnson and Mrs. Johanna Lindahl, both from Michigan	"	P.R. Björkman
4.	4 Sept.	Lars Johnson and Augusta Bergman, both from Vänersborg	"	Mrs. Peterson
5.	17 Sept.	John Anderson and Nelly Nielson, both from Göteborg	"	Christer Christerson and wife, 33 W. Kinzie
6.	5 Oct.	Andr. Edwin Anderson and Charlotte Fredr. Ericson	"	Charles Anderson, Charl. Swenson, Clara Freund and Miss Anderson
7.	6 Oct.	Charl. Alb. Aleen from Stockholm and Hedda Anderson from Strömstad	"	Mrs. Bredberg
8.	12 Oct.	Andrew William Nelson and Augusta Charl. Törnquist, both from Örebro	"	P. Rouswald and wife
9.	19 Oct.	Peter Brown of Chicago and Henrietta Johnson of Norway	"	- - -
10.	19 Oct.	Alfred Oleson and Miss Davida Wahlberg, both of Göteborg	67 Wells Street	J.F. Törnquist and Mrs. Törnquist; Mr. and Mrs. John Roland
11.	26 Oct.	John Aug. Davis from Uddevalla and Miss Helen Chr. Josephina Anderson	Rectory	Mrs. Bredberg

	Date	Names	Place of Marriage	Witnesses
	1867			
12.	26 Oct.	Carl Fredr. Oscar Rundgren from Stockholm and Miss Ottolina Christina Johnson of Chicago	Church	The Congregation
13.	1 Nov.	Sven Carlson and Miss Charlotte Anderson, both from Jönköping <i>län</i>	Rectory	- - -
14.	3 Nov.	Peter Habel, widower from Norway and Mrs. Inga Maria Johnson, a widow from Norway, both residing in Chicago	Corner of Addison & Hubbard Sts.	- - -
15.	3 Dec.	John Johnson and Miss Emma Evanson, both from Norway and residing in Chicago	Rectory	Mrs. L. Larson
16.	8 Dec.	Adolph Fredrik Brunbeck and Miss Amelie Euphrosyne Hammarlund, both from Stockholm	Church	The Congregation
17.	8 Dec.	Birger Johannes Giersing and Caroline Petrine Holm, both from Denmark	Rectory	Mrs. Bredberg
18.	10 Dec.	Carl Joh. Peterson from Östergötland <i>län</i> and Maria Nordström from Jönköping <i>län</i>	"	Some friends; Mrs. Bredberg and Mrs. Peterson
19.	11 Dec.	Franz Eberhard Jocknick and Albertina Victoria Ivendorff, both of Chicago	"	C. Ivendorff; Mrs. Hallbeck; Mrs. Ivendorff and Euphr. Ivendorff
20.	23 Dec.	Christoph. Thomson and Lena Peterson, both of Norway	"	Mrs. Brunbeck and Miss Bergman

	Date	Names	Place of Marriage	Witnesses
	1867			
21.	24 Dec.	Gustaf Alfred Anderberg from Malmö and Mrs. Rachel Elisab. Rasmusen of Evanston, IL	Rectory	Miss Rasmusen
22.	24 Dec.	John Pehrson from Kristianstad and Maria Bergendal from Göteborg	"	- - -
	1868			
23.	25 Jan.	George Littlefield of Chicago and Mathilda Carlson from Göteborg	"	Mr. Berry and wife
24.	12 Feb.	Gunnar Appelquist (Swede, blind) and Sarah Riley (American), both of Chicago	"	G.R. Anderson
25.	17 Feb.	Charl. Lindgren from Hedemora and Sophie Johnson from Falköping	"	Sven Svenson and Mrs. I.B. Larson
26.	28 Mar.	Charles Bergman from Vänersborg and Emma Nilson from Stockholm	"	Sune Smith and Mrs. Stafving
27.	29 Mar.	Charles Edward Peterson from Norrköping and Margaret Marx from Milwaukee	550 State Street	Mr. Urelius and Mr. Lindholm
28.	6 Apr.	Anders Gud. Tiodolf Lövgren and Josephina Albertina Anderson, both from Norrköping	Rectory	Mrs. Bredberg and Mrs. Andr. Johnson
29.	10 Apr.	Moses Chandler Colby and Kathrine O'Neill, both from Chicago	"	- - -
30.	14 Apr.	Franz Otto Nelson from Kalmar and Anna Christ. Nelson from Västergötland	"	Mr. Bergman and Miss Nelson

	Date	Names	Place of Marriage	Witnesses
	1868			
31.	14 Apr.	Charles August Wardrum and Mrs. Bernhardine Hillberg, both of Chicago	79 Hubbard Street	Parents of the bride and sisters of the couple
32.	18 Apr.	Gustaf Henrik Lindberg from Stockholm and Gustava Peterson from Kalmar <i>län</i>	Rectory	- - -
33.	27 Apr.	Nathan Morgan and Isabella Connerton, both of Chicago	"	- - -
34.	3 May	Carl Johan Carlson and Johanna Sofia Johnson, both from Stockholm	65 Illinois Street	Mr. Wennberg and wife
35.	10 May	Andrew Hallén and Anna Sofia Sjöberg, both from Stockholm	205 W. Lake Street	J.A. Berry and wife and Mr. Forsberg; Mr. Nilson and Mrs. Winquist
36.	17 May	Edward Edberg from Stockholm and Mrs. Amalia Clausen (divorced from former husband in Chicago)	75 Huron Street	Mr. Davis and wife; Mrs. Osberg; Anna Karstrom
37.	31 May	John Anderson and Mrs. Anna Christina Fernlöf, widow, both of Chicago	233 Huron Street	Ol. Ek and wife; C. Fredrikson and wife; J.F. Berglund and wife
38.	11 June	Charles Lundin and Mathild. Josephine Anderson	230 Division Street	Mr. Stomberg and wife; Mr. Olson and wife
39.	13 June	Johan Bengtson and Johanna Peterson, both from Västergötland	Rectory	Ch. Ivendorff and wife; Mrs. John Peterson
40.	15 June	Lars Gustaf Wohlfart and Ida Fogelberg, both from Värmland	"	- - -
41.	22 June	Lorentz Adolf Nelson and Augusta Lovis. Anderson, both from Halland	14 Pleasant Street	Mr. Börjeson and wife; Mr. Anderson and wife; Mrs. Larson; Mrs. Peterson

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42.	28 Jun.	John Gustav of Jefferson, IL and Gustava Johnson of Småland	42 Sela Street	P. Björkman and wife; Sv. Anderson and wife
43.	14 July	Nils Samuelson and Lovisa Erikson, both of Nora	Rectory	- - -
44.	18 July	Pet. Gustaf Anderson and Maria Larsdotter, both from Blidsberg Parish (Älvs.)	"	Mr. Anderson and wife
45.	25 July	Andrew John Fredrikson and Emma Swenson, both of Chicago	16 Bremer Street	Olaus Ek and wife; C.F. Nilson and wife
46.	28 July	Anders Ek and Ingrid Olson, both from Kristianstad	Rectory	- - -
47.	1 Aug.	Swen Magnus Johnson and Helena Qvenstedt, both from Jönköping <i>län</i>	"	- - -
48.	1 Aug.	Charles Fredrik Nylander and Mrs. Christina Wilhelmina Lindblom	157 Townsend Street	Mr. Peterson; Miss Charl. Jacobson
49.	2 Aug.	Johan Gustaf Malmgren from Vänersborg and Christina Hallberg from Björke (probably Älvs.)	Church	Congregation
50.	2 Aug.	Joseph Edward Hanson and Charlotte Johnson, both from Jönköping <i>län</i>	"	Congregation
51.	3 Aug.	John Johnson and Sophia Gustafson from Jönköping <i>län</i>	Rectory	Lars Jonson
52.	4 Aug.	Anders Samuelson and Caroline Westberg from Örebro <i>län</i>	"	- - -

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	1868			
53.	8 Aug.	Carl Johan Anderson and Carolina Olson, both from Stockholm	Rectory	Joh. Nilson
54.	10 Aug.	Johannes Sjöberg, widower from Porter Station, IN and Mrs. Gustava Olden, widow from Chicago	85 Indiana Street	- - -
55.	14 Aug.	William Morgan Griffith and Mrs. Dalia Conneston, both of Chicago	Rectory	Mr. Morgan and wife
56.	15 Aug.	Andreas Jonson and Erika Lenell, both from Stockholm	- - -	- - -
57.	15 Aug.	Gustaf Adolf Johnson and Augusta Cecilia Tour, both from Jönköping <i>län</i>	Rectory	Eric Ericson and Miss Johanson
58.	16 Aug.	Gustaf Hellström from Stockholm and Maria Larson from Göteborg	144 West Lake Street	Mrs. Winquist
59.	25 Aug.	Charles Fredrik Magnuson and Johanna Johnson, both from Småland	Rectory	Mrs. S.B. Larson and Mrs. John Peterson
60.	25 Aug.	Peter Adolph Holmgren and Anna Karström, both of Chicago	"	Mrs. Bredberg and Mrs. John Peterson
61.	28 Aug.	John Anderson from Blekinge and Augusta Sophia Gustafson from Östergötland	55 Ada Street	Moses Jones and wife; Mathilda Anderson; Carlson; Swenson
62.	29 Aug.	Israel Wikström and Anna Martha Johnson both from Ångermanland	Rectory	Mr. Sherdin and Mr. Hedlund
63.	30 Aug.	Carl Joh. Lunden and Christina Gustafson, both from Stockholm	Church	Congregation

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	1868			
64.	4 Sept.	Joh. Robert Lilja and Augusta Maria Hagelin, both from Vadstena	Rectory	- - -
65.	19 Sept.	Lars Axel Törnquist of Chicago and Johanna Gustava Ericson from Småland	186 Townsend Street	Frank Johnson and wife; Mr. Bäckström and wife
66.	26 Sept.	Louis Anderson and Mrs. Honora Malone, both of Chicago	Rectory	C.F. Nylander and wife
67.	26 Sept.	Peter Wilh. Samuelson and Carolina Christina Johnson, both of Jönköping <i>län</i>	"	- - -
68.	30 Sept.	Swen Larson Roos from Kristianstad <i>län</i> and Albertina Olivia Brefwitz from Jönköping	"	Mr. Kjellgren
69.	3 Oct.	Anders Anderson and Christine Göransson, both of Kronoberg <i>län</i>	"	Mrs. Peterson; Mary Anderson; Mr. Eneson and wife
70.	7 Oct.	John Edward Erikson from Göteborg and Josephina Axelina Johnson from Örebro	"	- - -
71.	11 Oct.	Per Anderberg and Christina Lundgren, both from Kristianstad	"	- - -
72.	13 Oct.	Carl Johan Hult and Anna Sophia Swenson, both from Kalmar <i>län</i>	"	Carl Strömquist; An. Lovisa Hult
73.	17 Oct.	Johan Peterson from Småland and Ulrica Cecilia Ericson from Malmöhus <i>län</i>	"	Mr. Ericson
74.	17 Oct.	Gustaf Robert Östman and Anna Anderson, both from Norrland	"	C. Ohdal; Mr. Wardsten; Mrs. Lindgren; Mr. Green

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	1868			
75.	18 Oct.	Andrew Bobäck of Lidköping and Amanda Wikman from Vänersborg	Rectory	Charles Peterson and wife; W. Grundell and wife
76.	2 Nov.	Auke Swenson and Bengta Pehrson, both from Kristianstad	"	- - -
77.	3 Nov.	Adam Sundtman and Cajsa Josephina Winquist, both from Finland	"	P. Holmquist and Mary Anderson
78.	7 Nov.	Louis Lawson and Anna Benson, both of Chicago	"	- - -
79.	9 Nov.	Anton Sellgren and Cajsa Nilson, both from Värmland	"	- - -
80.	15 Nov.	Swen Joh. Engdahl and Hedda Christ. Johnson, both from Jönköping <i>län</i>	"	Mrs. Bredberg; P.W. Samuelson and wife
81.	16 Nov.	Edmund Marelus and Mrs. Caroline Dahl, both from Stockholm	"	Mrs. Bredberg
82.	1 Dec.	Anders Olof Enberg and Wilhelmina Stone, both from Stockholm	"	Peter Swan and wife
83.	2 Dec.	William Sutherland and Emelie Susen Margr. Hammarsköld, both of Chicago	"	Mrs. Holmberg; Miss Hammarsköld; Mrs. Bredberg
84.	3 Dec.	Samuel Smith and Lovisa Anderson, both from Norway	"	Peter Anderson; Mrs. Serina Christofferson
85.	12 Dec.	August Swenson and Mary Johnson, both from Jönköping <i>län</i>	"	- - -

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	1868			
86.	12 Dec.	Olof Joh. Parker of Chicago and Josephina Charlotta Adamson from Uppland	Rectory	Mr. Johnson and wife
87.	12 Dec.	Charles August Johnson and Charlotte Sophia Johnson, both of Chicago	146 W. Washington Street	The parents of the couple
88.	19 Dec.	Peter August Westerström from Kalmar and Joh(an)na Mar. Elis. Lundblad from Stockholm	Rectory	Andr. Larson; An. Mar. Peterson
89.	23 Dec.	Lars Johan Hallberg and Charlotte Forsberg, both from Stockholm	"	Frank West
90.	24 Dec.	Johan Lindström and Fredrika Agneta Johnson, both from Jönköping <i>län</i>	"	- - -
91.	26 Dec.	Nils Nilson and Anna Olson, both from Kristianstad <i>län</i>	60 Chicago Ave.	Nils Martinson and wife; Nils Swenson; Kerstin Johnson
92.	30 Dec.	Anders Peter Skog and Gustava Eugenia Kihlberg, both from Närke	Rectory	Ch. Joh. Stockhaus; Mrs. An. Mar. Hage
93.	31 Dec.	Hans Wilhelm Swenson from Västergötland and Eva Charlotta Burman from Östergötland	"	Mr. Nilson and wife
	1869			
94.	5 Jan.	Fredrik Theodor Engström and Mrs. Anna Maria Lembke of Chicago	Church	Congregation

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	1869			
95.	16 Jan.	Olof August Falk and Maria Sophia Klint, both from Stockholm	Rectory	- - -
96.	21 Jan.	Benjamin Anderson from Lindome Parish (Hall.) and Christina Sophia Johnson from Vetlanda Parish (Jön.)	234 N. LaSalle Street	Mr. Anthony, Esq. and wife; Mr. Peterson and wife; Mr. Johnson and wife; Miss Johnson
97.	4 Feb.	Olof Olson and Christine Theresia Johnson, both of Chicago	156 E. Superior Street	Parents of the bride; Mr. Sundell; Miss Anna Erikson; P. Smith
98.	13 Feb.	Charles Nilson from Närke and Annie Tulin from Kristianstad <i>län</i>	Rectory	- - -
99.	15 Feb.	Francis Per Reed and Mathilda Carolina Peterson, both from Kalmar <i>län</i>	---	---
100.	20 Feb.	Erik Nelson and Mary Louise Heft, both of Chicago	Church	Congregation
101.	23 Feb.	Marius Montgomery and Agneta Hanson, both of Chicago	Rectory	- - -
102.	4 March	Theodor Marbeck of Belgium and Mrs. Helena Peterson from Småland, now in Kane Co., IL	"	- - -
103.	1 Apr.	Nils Anderson and Sara Swenson, both of La Porte Co., IN	"	- - -
104.	9 Apr.	Charles Kolm from Gävle and Emma Peterson from Ulricehamn	"	Charles Mossel

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1869			
105. 10 Apr.	Axel Victor Carlson and Alida Emilia Peterson, both from Östergötland	58 Fourth Street	Carl J. Hagström and wife; Carl Joh. Blomquist and wife; Hilda Eulania Carlson
106. 14 Apr.	Johan Fält and Carolina Erikson, both from Örebro <i>län</i>	Rectory	Mrs. Sehlberg; Mary Anderson; and Charlotte Nordin
107. 17 Apr.	William Ol. Johnson and Ida Erica Johanna Enwall, both of Chicago	"	Mrs. Enwall; Mrs. Helgesen and Miss Helgesen
108. 6 May	August Anderson and Mathilda Josephina Anderson, both from Östergötland	55 Ada Street	John Anderson and wife; Mrs. McLeish; Mr. Jones
109. 20 May	John Ol. Olson and Fredrika Nelson, both of Chicago	144 Erie Street	Mrs. Bredberg
110. 28 May	Johan Swenson from Kristianstad and Jenny Anderson from Göteborg	63½ Chicago Avenue	Mr. Liljeberg and wife; Mrs. Andreen; Mr. Rydell; Mrs. Marie Pehrson
111. 29 May	Erik Pehrson and Sara Charl. Peterson, both from Nora	144 Erie Street	Mrs. Bredberg
112. 2 June	Nils Peter Smith from Helsingborg and Elise Soph. Amalia Lindström from Eksjö	86 Townsend Street	J.G. Hentzel; Mrs. Oberg
113. 9 June	William Åström and Louise Löwqvist, both from Gävle	Rectory	Mrs. Bredberg
114. 12 June	Sven Aug. Svenson and Anna Chris. Elggren, both from Stockholm	"	Mr. Brink and wife
115. 12 June	Carl Youngberg and Clara Joh(an)na Sjöling, both from Jönköping <i>län</i>	Rectory	Carl Ahlgren

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116.	18 June	Anders Olson and Carolina Pehrson, both from Nora	"	G. Bredberg
117.	19 June	Oscar Edward Tollstam from Stockholm and Anna Maria Johnson from Östergötland	257 29th Street	- - -
118.	24 June	Martin Hanson and Elna Benz, both from Kristianstad	Rectory	- - -
119.	26 June	Carl Fred Olson and Maria Stina Carlson, both from Värmland	"	O.G. Johanson; Mrs. Joh(an)na Johanson; Jacob Isakson
120.	28 June	Per Israelson and Anna Johnson, both from Dalarna	"	Olof Erson; Olof Anderson
121.	4 July	Nils Johnson and Ingrid Swenson, both from Kristianstad <i>län</i>	"	N.P. Nilson and wife; Miss Westerdahl
122.	4 July	Niels Larsen and Mary Elizab. Kelly, both of Chicago	"	- - -
123.	10 July	Carl Gust. Gustafson from Göteborg and Inga Maria Peterson from Småland	"	- - -
124.	17 July	David Netterström and Mrs. Sara Christina Möller, both of Chicago	"	Mrs. Bredberg
125.	23 July	Jacob Erikson and Cecilia Sörensen, both of Chicago	"	Mrs. John Peterson
126.	27 July	Ernst Hinz and Augusta Olson, both of Chicago	"	- - -

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	1869			
127.	29 July	Gustaf Swenson and Christine Spik, both from Värmland	"	- - -
128.	2 Aug.	Pehr Magn. Johnson and Carolina Israelson, both from Nora	Rectory	- - -
129.	5 Aug.	William Friedlender and Anna Evans, both of Chicago	"	Mr. Ericson; Mr. Sandbeck
130.	7 Aug.	Charles Larsen and Gunilla Behrens (?), both of Chicago	122 N. Peoria Street	The parents of the couple
131.	9 Aug.	Noah Dier Annis and Mrs. Mary Sophia Quinby, both of Chicago	Rectory	- - -
132.	9 Aug.	William Anderson and Andrea Anderson, both of Norway	"	- - -
133.	11 Aug.	Axel Fredr. Anderson and Carolina Samuelson, both from Jönköping <i>län</i>	"	- - -
134.	14 Aug.	Andrew Anderson and Mrs. Mary Anderson, both of Chicago	63½ Chicago Avenue	Mr. Liljeberg and wife; Mr. Svenson and wife
135.	14 Aug.	John Chas. Woods of Chicago and Anna Anderson from Halmstad	138 Green Street	Mr. Vois and wife
136.	21 Aug.	Claes Jos. Olson and Fredrika Peterson, both from Älvsborg <i>län</i>	Rectory	Mr. Nilson and wife
137.	24 Aug.	Oscar Lindström from Skara and Anna Wahlström from Skövde	"	Mr. Holtfort and wife
138.	29 Aug.	Ole Person and Bengta Isakson, both from Malmöhus <i>län</i>	"	Magn. Isakson; John Peterson and Miss Betty Manson

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	1869			
139.	1 Sept.	Fredrik Norman and Helene Johnson, both from Stockholm	153 Townsend Street	Starkenberg and wife; Mrs. Johnson; Mrs. Peterson
140.	2 Sept.	Edward Edwards of Chicago and Clara Augusta Peterson from Stockholm	83 Chicago Avenue	Mr. Anderson and wife
141.	5 Sept.	Peter Gustaf Björling from Vadstena and Augusta Erikson from Uppsala	Rectory	Joh. Adolf Björling; Fredr. Gustafson
142.	11 Sept.	Oscar Zephanias Carlson and Hulda Rose Euge. Starkenberg, both from Motala	"	Axel Carlson and wife; Hilda Carlson
143.	11 Sept.	Anders Mattson and Elna Anderson, both from Kristianstad <i>län</i>	"	Andr. Larson
144.	13 Sept.	Nils Palm from Kristianstad <i>län</i> and Anna Carin Anderson from Skaraborg <i>län</i>	"	Mr. Palm; Mrs. Stafving
145.	22 Sept.	Charles Wilson and Ingrid Peterson, both of Chicago	"	Mrs. Em. Anderson; Mrs. Bredberg
146.	25 Sept.	Alfred Jackson and Emma Swenson, both from Jönköping <i>län</i>	"	Frank Johnson; Anna Carlson
147.	27 Sept.	John Ahlberg from Stockholm and Sara Helena Reiner from Östergötland <i>län</i>	"	J.A. Renhorn and wife
148.	2 Oct.	Nils Paulson and Betty Peterson, both from Skåne	"	Ole Pehrson and wife; Per Larson
149.	2 Oct.	Martin Larson and Mary Abrahamson, both from Småland	"	Am.M. Lind and wife; G.A. Johnson

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	1869			
150.	8 Oct.	Anders Pet. Anderson from Närke and Christina Charlotte Olson from Västmanland	"	A.J. Johnson; Lars Pehrson and Anna Lilja
151.	9 Oct.	John Peterson and Mathilda Maria Lundahl, both from Jönköping <i>län</i>	Rectory	Mr. Rundgren and wife; A.J. Johnson
152.	10 Oct.	Andrew Hellberg from Helsingborg and Mary Carlson from Jönköping <i>län</i>	"	John Olson and Lars Aarhus
153.	11 Oct.	Samuel Wilson from Telemark, Norway	"	Mr. Hopkins and wife
154.	16 Oct.	and Amalia Mathilda Fagerström from Östergötland John Peter Wingård and Mrs. Charlotte Jacobson, both from Jönköping <i>län</i>	"	Mrs. Anna Johnson; August Jacobson
155.	1 Oct.	Anders Magnus Holmberg and Wendela Magnuson, both from Kronoberg <i>län</i>	"	- - -
156.	16 Oct.	Anders August Swensen and Anna Franson, both from Jönköping <i>län</i>	"	Olof Johanson and Christine Johanson
157.	25 Oct.	Clas Johnson from Linköping <i>län</i> and Anna Peterson from Jönköping <i>län</i>	"	W. Johnson and wife
158.	27 Oct.	Fredrik Nyström and Charl. Gustava Nilson, both from Kalmar <i>län</i>	231 Franklin Street	Mr. Nyström and wife; Amelia Nyström; Mr. Lundahl and wife; Mr. Hensell
159.	28 Oct.	Jacob Dahlson from Gotland; Anna Lovisa Johnson from Vetlanda Parish (Jön.)	186 Dearborn Street	J.U. Johnson and wife; B. Anderson and wife
160.	30 Oct.	Gustaf Johnson and Augusta Charlotta Hjerpe, both from Skaraborg <i>län</i>	Rectory	Carl Anderson and wife
161.	30 Oct.	John Frid and Clara Johnson, both from Jönköping <i>län</i>	"	Charl. Blomquist and wife

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162.	6 Nov.	John Peterson and Christine Olson, both from Stockholm	Rectory	G. Carlson and wife
163.	6 Nov.	Andr. Gustaf Forslund from Dalarna and Johanna Johnson of Chicago	"	Andrew Johnson; Carin Swendson
164.	7 Nov.	John Nilson and Mathilda Swenson, both from Halmstad	337 Third Avenue	Edv. Peterson and wife
165.	12 Nov.	Alexander Root and Caroline Lovis. Anderson, both from Östergötland	Rectory	Mrs. Carin Peterson
166.	13 Nov.	Gustaf Adolph Laurell from Jönköping and Christina Lovisa Carlson from Kalmar <i>län</i>	"	C.E. Brunberg and wife; Mrs. Hanson
167.	16 Nov.	Nicolaus Johnson and Mrs. Charlotte Budjeur, both from Stockholm	"	John Anderson
168.	17 Nov.	Anders Fredrik Quist and Lovisa Erikson, both from Kalmar <i>län</i>	"	Mrs. P.U. Smith
169.	19 Nov.	Pehr Bergström and Ingrid Solberg, both from Vingåker Parish (Söd.)	"	And. Magn. Anderson
170.	19 Nov.	Hans Erik Rossing and Cathar. Soph. Envall, both of Chicago	24 Bremer Street	- - -
171.	24 Nov.	Charles Christian Arnold (German) and Ellen Carson from Ireland	Rectory	Mr. and Mrs. Cleveland
172.	25 Nov.	Johan Alfred Köhler from Nyköping and Emelie Augusta Olson from Västergötland	"	Mr. Sundstedt and wife

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	1869			
173.	29 Nov.	Johan Peter Johnson and Lovisa Charlotta Carlson, both of Jönköping <i>län</i>	Rectory	- - -
174.	1 Dec.	Henry Benson from Malmöhus <i>län</i> and Mathilda Willman from Jönköping	"	- - -
175.	3 Dec.	Per Aug. Johnson and Maria Lovisa Erlandson, both from Kalmar <i>län</i>	"	Mrs. Carin Peterson; Hilda Nilson
176.	7 Dec.	John Lind from Östergötland <i>län</i> and Johanna Rydell from Östergötland <i>län</i>	"	J.A. Törnwall and wife
177.	7 Dec.	Jerome Boniface Darling and Mrs. Ruth Elin Dilabus, both of Chicago	"	Cornel. McGinnis; Mrs. Thayer
178.	11 Dec.	Charles Wessman of Chicago and Maren Olina Davidsen from Norway	"	Charles West and wife; John Brown and William Johnson
179.	16. Dec.	August Swenson and Johanna Erikson, both from Östergötland <i>län</i>	"	- - -
180.	21 Dec.	August Peterson and Emelia Johnson, both of Jönköping <i>län</i>	"	- - -
181.	24 Dec.	Charles Anderson and Charlotte Anderson, both from Jönköping <i>län</i>	"	- - -
182.	26 Dec.	Joseph Blomberg from Norrbotten and Inger Guldbbrand from Norway	"	John Norling and wife
183.	26 Dec.	Johan Norling from Jönköping <i>län</i> and Lovisa Johnson from Värmland	"	J. Blomberg and wife

(To be Continued)

Ernst Wilhelm Holmstedt

A Correction

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By chance I have just become aware of the fact that the young lad, Ernst Wilhelm, who was b. illegitimate in Katarina Parish in Stockholm 31 Oct. 1828 and later became the fosterson of a widow named Hjertsell, is identical with Ernst Wilhelm Hjertsell, a bookbinder's apprentice in Nikolai Parish in Stockholm, who on 22 June 1852 departed from Stockholm for Hudiksvall. He therefore cannot be identical with the Ernst Wilhelm Holmstedt, about whom I wrote in *SAG* in 1983¹.

A renewed examination of the parish registers and census lists for Stockholm reveal that Ernst Wilhelm Holmstedt's identity now can be established, at least partially. He was b. illegitimate in Nikolai Parish in Stockholm 14 Nov. 1828, the son of a 26-year-old mother, whose name is not divulged, consonant with the pattern at this time when it pertained to illegitimate births. Toward the end of the 1830s he can be located for a period of five years forward as living with a servant, later a seamstress, named Helena Catharina Holmstedt. He is listed alternately as her son and her fosterson. Since she was b. in Katarina Parish in Stockholm 16 Nov. 1799, it is uncertain if she is the 26-year-old mother from 1828. It should also be said that in the estate inventory in Stockholm in 1841, probated after her death, Ernst Wilhelm Holmstedt's name is not mentioned.

When Helena Catharina Holmstedt married a journeyman tailor named Otto Wilhelm Hellström 26 Sept. 1835, Ernst Wilhelm Holmstedt is listed in the Stockholm census for that year as residing with the newlyweds.

From the census of 1836 and up until the time that Ernst Wilhelm Holmstedt received a passport to Rostock in Germany 19 June 1843, he is listed as living at the home of the then rector of the German School in Stockholm, Albert Georg Frederick Frese.

This new identification does not necessarily upset the theory of the tie to Admiral Nordenskjöld based upon Kullgren's notes. The fact that Ernst Wilhelm Holmstedt resided at the home of such an important school personage as the rector of the German School indicates that the lad must have had a very prestigious guardian.

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¹See "Who Was Ernst Wilhelm Holmstedt?" in *Swedish American Genealogist*, Vol. III, No. 4, Dec. 1983, pp. 158-160.

A Swedish Arrival in Newport, RI 1824

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In rummaging through a batch of American crew lists for Newport, RI, housed in the National Archives in Washington, DC, my friend, Nils William Olsson, came across a passenger list, heretofore unknown. It dealt with the ship *Boy*, Nathaniel Green, master, which arrived in Newport 23 July 1824 on a journey from Göteborg in Sweden and Bremen in Germany. There were two Swedish passengers on board:

Frederick Klingspor, a native of Sweden, male, 26 years old and an officer, whose intention was to return to Sweden. He was accompanied by a female, Charlotta Maria (no surname given), also born in Sweden, thirteen years of age, whose intention was to settle in the United States.

A check of Elgenstierna's work on the Swedish nobility quickly settled my mind that we are here dealing with Baron Fredrik Adolf Klingspor, born on the estate of Skörtinge in Skärkind Parish (Ög.) 13 Aug. 1802, the son of a Swedish army officer, Count Gustaf Klingspor and Magdalena Charlotta Wennerstedt.¹ Young Fredrik Adolf began his military career at age 16 on 30 Nov. 1818, when he was given a commission as staff sergeant (*fanjunkare*) in the elite Svea Life Guard Regiment. On 26 Oct. 1819 he was promoted to second lieutenant (*fänrik*), and on 23 Oct. 1822 he reached the rank of first lieutenant (*löjtnant*). Almost two years later, on 11 May 1824, he resigned his commission, preparing to depart for America. His passport, issued by the Foreign Minister of Sweden, was dated three days before his resignation, on 8 May 1824. Upon his departure from Sweden, his passport was checked by the military authorities at Fort Älvsborg on Sweden's west coast on 14 June 1824.²

In a despatch, dated Washington, DC 6 Sept. 1824, from the then Swedish-Norwegian Minister to the Royal Swedish Foreign Ministry, reference is made to F.A. Klingspor's arrival in Boston, the fact that he had been lent a small sum of money and that the chances of his being given a commission in the United States Army were minimal.³

In another despatch forwarded to the Foreign Ministry on 21 Jan. 1825, in which the Minister also enclosed a letter from young Klingspor to his father, reference is made to the fact that the letter had been mailed from Utica, NY.³

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Nothing further is known concerning Fredrik Adolf Klingspor. Did he return to Sweden or did he disappear in the vastness of the American continent? Elgenstierna claims that he died unmarried.⁴

The fate of his travelling companion, the 13 year-old girl, Charlotta Maria, is also unknown.

¹Gustaf Elgenstierna, *Den introducerade svenska adelns ättartavlor*, I-IX (Stockholm 1925-1936), IV, p. 174.

²Fort Älvsborg Records, Vol. 74, Royal War Archives (*Krigsarkivet*), Stockholm.

³Despatches from the Swedish-Norwegian Legation in Washington, DC to the Royal Swedish Ministry, National Archives (*Riksarkivet*), Stockholm.

⁴The estate inventories (*hoppsteckningar*) of his father, who d. 6 July 1840, and his mother, who d. 27 Feb. 1847, do not mention Fredrik Adolf, only his three brothers - Gustaf, Mauritz and Otto, as well as his two sisters - Sophia and Amalia, strongly suggesting that Fredrik Adolph had d. before his father, probably in America. --- The Archives of the Göta Court of Appeals (*Göta Hovrätt*), Jönköping.

Corrected Ancestor Table

Pontus Möller, Chief Genealogist for the House of Nobles (*Riddarhuset*) in Stockholm has forwarded some corrections and additions to ancestor table No. XXI for John Orville Martin (whose present address is 28600 Fairway Lane, Apt. 200, Chisago City, MN 55013).

3935. JAKOBSDOTTER, Elin (not BÅÅT).¹

3966. ERIKSSON, Jöns, of Råö in Halland, was still alive in 1624.²

7810. (HALVHJORT av ÄRNÄS), Michel Nilsson (not SVARTE SKÅNING), judge in Uppland, d. 1528.³

7811. (DJULAÄTTEN), Anna Josefsdotter (not BJÖRN).⁴

7870. JONSSON, Jacob, untitled cavalryman, d. 1604 (not BÅÅT).¹

7871. PERSDOTTER, Hamfred (Holmfrid), d. ca. 1611 (not PIK).⁵

7900. SVAN, Hans Ulfsson, councillor in Stockholm, d. at the latest 1597.⁶

7901. SVENSDOTTER, Brita, was still alive in 1607.⁶

7932. OLSSON, Erik, of Råö, was still alive 1610.²

7933. ---, Karin.⁷

Sources

¹Kjell Magnell, "Pelle i Ramstad, Stårckarna och Elin Jakobsdotter" in *Släkt och Hävd*, 1964-1965, pp. 397-420 with a genealogical table on p. 420.

²Hans Gilllingstam, "Ätten Hiertas ursprung och den halländska ätten Krabbe" in *Släkt och Hävd*, 1964-1965, pp. 197-208 with a genealogical table on p. 209.

³Jan Eric Almquist, *Lagsagor och domsagor i Sverige* (Stockholm 1954) Vol. I, pp. 15, 112, 114 and Vol. II (Stockholm 1955), p. 53 ff.

⁴Jan Raneke, *Svenska medeltidsvapen*, I-III, 1952, p. 321.

⁵Kjell Magnell, "Pelle i Ramstad," pp. 411 and 415-420. Cf. Jan Eric Almquist, "Väpnaren Tore Bytings svenska avkomlingar i fem led" in *Släkt och Hävd*, 1958, pp. 16, 23.

⁶(Nils Östman, Frans de Brun, Gustaf Elgenstierna and Ivar Simonsson), *Stockholms rådhus och råd*, I-II (Stockholm 1915-1918), II, p. 156, no. 378.

⁷Hans Gilllingstam, "Ätten Hiertas ursprung," pp. 204, 209. Cf. the same author's "Kompletteringar och rättelser till genealogiska arbeten" in *Släkt och Hävd*, 1975, p. 380.

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In Elzada Mavia Hypse's ancestral table, No. XXII, her marriage date to John Orville Martin should read 25 Sept. 1932, *not* 1931.

Genealogical Queries

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Radman

I am looking for information on my great grandmother's family. She was Maja Lovisa Radman and had eleven brothers and sisters, all the children of Anders Mårtensson Radman and Lisa Andersdotter, who both d. in 1868. Maja emigr. to America in the 1800s. Any information would be appreciated.

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Andreasson, Kristiansdotter

I have been attempting to research my maternal grandfather's brother, who emigr. to America 31 Aug. 1900. He was Axel Pontus Andreasson, b. in Tölleby, Stenkyrka Parish (Göt.) 15 Dec. 1871. He was m. to Augusta Kristiansdotter, b. 17 Nov. 1861, with whom he had three children—Agda Paulina, b. 26 May 1892; Gerda Constantia, b. 20 Aug. 1895 and Klemens Algot, b. 12 Dec. 1899. The wife and children departed for America 4 Aug. 1903. Can anyone help?

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Lath, Lätt

I would like to know something about my grandmother, Theckla Wilhelmina Lath or Lätt, b. in Göthala (either in Skar. or Ög.) 13 Nov. 1857, the dau. of Adolf Lath (Lätt) and Anna Stina Swanson (Svensson). She m. David Barclay Sutherland in Carlsbad, NM 5 Aug. 1895 and d. there 16 June 1907. They had two children—Edward Barclay, my father, and a dau. named Dora. I know little of my grandmother, nothing of her background. Any suggestions would be appreciated.

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Persson

I am looking for information regarding two brothers, who emigr. to America toward the end of the 19th century. They were Anders Magnus Persson, b. 25 Sept. 1856 and Johan Alfred Persson, b. 22 Dec. 1869—both in Trökörna Parish (Skar.). They were my maternal grandmother's brothers. Their last known address was - 2017 South 19th Street, Lincoln, NE.

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Hagerstrand, Palmer

Seeking information on my father, Erland Leonard Hagerstrand, a machinist who emigr. ca. 1900 as well as my mother, Jennie Palm(er), believed to have emigr. ca. 1901. It is believed that they were married ca. 1901 in Atlantic City, NJ, then moved to Michigan City or Gary and later to Chicago in the early 1900s. Erland Hagerstrand also had a number of brothers or half-brothers named Swenson or Swanson, who also res. in Chicago. Jennie had at least one brother, Peter Palmer, who worked in Waco, TX, after service in WW I.

The Hagerstrands moved to Wayne, IL ca. 1916 or 1917 when Erland became master mechanic with the Aurora-Elgin-Chicago Interurban R.R.

Jennie d. in 1921 and the children were placed in orphanages, first in Elgin, IL, and then in Waukesha, WI. We know nothing concerning the origins of either father or mother. I can recall some discussion of the Jönköping area in Sweden.

I am interested in locating any information about the family and its origins in Sweden.

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Johansdotter, Pavalloffs

I am desirous of finding information concerning Anna Lovisa Johansdotter, b. in Tuna Parish (Kalm.) 21 Nov. 1837, the dau. of Johannes Jacobsson and Maja Stina Nilsson. She m. a Russian general by the name of N. Pavalloffs (in Russia?). She d. in Stromsburg, NE 2 Jan. 1884.

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Simpson, Svenson

Caroline Simpson (Svenson?) was b. in Pelarne Parish (Kalm.) 4 Sept. 1845, the dau. of John and Maja (Johnson?). She arr. in the U.S. in 1851 with her father and her sister, Sofia, after the mother's death. She located in Sugar Grove, PA, near Chandlers Valley and Jamestown, NY, where she m. Hagen Hagens, a Norwegian 2 Nov. 1864. In Nov. 1871 the couple appeared in Farmersville, a community near Paxton, IL.

The sister Sofia m. Gustaf Eric Nelson and arr. in Princeton, IL before going to Farmersville in 1864. There are many gaps in the story before 1871. Any help in clearing up the early part of the narrative would be much appreciated.

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Nilsson, Nelson

My great grandparents, Nils Petter Nilsson and his wife Maria Kristina Johansdotter arr. in America 1860. They located in Woodhull, IL, before going to Stromsburg, NE. Any word as to what ship they arrived on?

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Vestlund (Westlund), Svensson

I would like to be able to trace some of my relatives who emigr. to the U.S. ca. 80 years ago. These were:

1. Anna Maria Vestlund (Westlund), née Svensson, b. in Tving Parish (Blek.) 18 Dec. 1889. She m. Valter (Walter) Vestlund (Westlund) and her last known address was 4314 N. Fremont Avenue, Minneapolis, MN.

2. Her brother, Sven Svensson, also b. in Tving 30 June 1893. His last known address was 4318 N. Fremont Avenue, Minneapolis, MN.

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Norin, Engman

I am seeking descendants of the family of Olof Norin (1818-1880), a miller from Undersvik Parish (Gävl.) who with his sister Margareta Engman emigr. to America. I have been told that some of his or her descendants lived in Bishop Hill, IL.

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Stille

The articles of Fritz Nordström and Peter Stebbins Craig have probably created an interest in the old Stille family in America. But this was not the only Stille family in Sweden in the 17th century. At least three now living Stille families in Sweden can trace their roots back to that time. It is not unlikely that there might exist some sort of relationship among them, but this still has to be proved. Members of these families have in later times emigr. to the U.S. I am interested in what became of them and if there are any descendants. Of course, I have a particular interest in my own relatives:

1. Fredrik Johansson Stille, b. in Rogberga Parish (Jön.) 28 Feb. 1819, who emigr. 1849.
2. Helena Claesdotter Stille, my great great grandmother, b. in Rogberga Parish in 1813, who emigr. to the U.S. 1869 with her children Johanna Carolina, b. 1832; Claes Gustaf, b. 1841 and Carl August, b. 1850. The latter was res. in Chicago in 1885.
3. Maria Charlotta Stille, b. in Rogberga Parish in 1815, her husband, Anders Magnus Svensson, and her children—Gustaf, b. 1849; Carolina, b. 1854; Johan, who took the name Stille, b. 1856, who became a farmer in Norwich, ND and Carl, b. 1859.
4. Johan August Stille, b. in Jönköping 1825, res. in Red Oak, Montgomery Co., IA.
5. Kaleb Ragnar Filippus Stille, b. in Tranås (Jön.) 1891, emigr. to New York 1920.

Any information concerning these persons or others with the name of Stille would be very much appreciated.

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Älm, Elm

I am looking for information regarding two families named Älm or Elm, who emigr. to the U.S. These were:

1. Anders Karl Johansson Älm or Elm, b. in Säby Parish (Jön.) 17 Aug. 1820, emigr. 28 May 1869 with his wife, Anna Stina Nilsson, b. in Torpa (unknown which county) 2 April 1815 and his children, Anders Johan, b. 19 Nov. 1850; Anna Maria, b. 12 Feb. 1852; Carl Fredrik, b. 13 March 1854 and Hedda Lovisa, b. 25 Sept. 1856.
2. Johan Fredrik Älm or Elm, b. in Säby Parish 12 Oct. 1824, emigr. to the U.S. 6 Aug. 1858 from Stora Åby Parish (Ög.) with his wife, Anna Sophia Johansson, b. in Säby 3 Aug. 1831 and two children—Carl Johan August, b. 25 Dec. 1856 and Anna Olivia, b. 5 May 1858.

In a newspaper dated 29 March 1880 a mention is made of John Elm as res. in Princeton, IL.

Are there perhaps relatives of these people still living today?

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Kilstrom, Manerbery

I am looking for information regarding three sisters, named Kilstrom (originally Kihlstrom), who emigr. ca. 1885-1900, probably through the port of Göteborg. They were b. in Knostad (?), outside of Säffle in Värmland. The first of these sisters was Arinna, possibly Arrinai who m. a chap named Mannerberey, but who changed his name to Manerbery. They had at least one dau. Arina Emilia Manerbery. Arrinai first settled in Bloomington, IL and after her marriage settled in Chicago. The other two sisters were Anna and Maria, of which one lived in Peoria, but no trace has been found of them.

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Petersson, Ericksson

I would appreciate any help I could get concerning my grandfather, Johan August Petersson, b. in Ladö, Nöbböle Parish (Kron.) 16 March 1869. He emigr. from Malmö 3 May 1888, destined for Center City, MN. I have been unable to trace his whereabouts until Oct. 1908 when he was in Minneapolis, MN. My grandmother, Nanny Elisabeth Ericksson came over with her family. Her father was Gustaf Ericksson, b. in Ringhult, Väckelsång Parish (Kron.) 12 Feb. 1833 and her mother was Johanna Johansdotter, b. in Ladö, Nöbböle Parish 2 Jan. 1833. Other siblings were Amanda Catharina, b. 22 June 1864; Carolina, b. 4 April 1866; David, b. 27 April 1873 and Nanny, b. 13 April 1879. This family departed from Malmö 13 Oct. 1881, destined for Wyoming, MN, but I have been unable to trace their arrival in the U.S.

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Strindberg

My grandfather's brother, Knut Natanael Strindberg, b. in Malmö 1 May 1905, departed from Göteborg for Chicago 16 Sept. 1923. We have lost touch with him. In one of his letters home he mentioned that he had two children. Can anyone help?

Andreas Strindberg

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Hansson

My grandfather Carl Johan Hansson was b. in Örebro 4 Dec. 1862 and emigr. to the U.S. where he m. a Swedish woman, Ida Amanda Gustafsdotter 3 Jan. 1894. Ida was b. in Rödeby Parish (Blek.) 25 June 1872. She emigr. to the U.S. 27 Feb. 1891, but returned to Sweden and d. 12 Feb. 1904. We know that my grandfather was alive in 1930-1940 and was then res. at 714 West 35th Street, Ashtabula, OH. I would be glad to get information about him.

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Nordholm

I am looking for information concerning several of my relatives named Nordholm, who emigr. to the U.S. in the 1880s. My uncle Sven Nordholm, b. in Norje, Ysane Parish (Blek.) in 1857, d. in Salt Lake City, UT in 1923, probably a bachelor. He had two cousins, Sven Nordholm, b. 17 Nov. 1831 and Per Nordholm, b. 11 May 1835, who both were sea captains and also emigrated. I would be most interested in hearing from anyone having knowledge of these men. For that matter I am interested to hear from any Nordholms in the U.S.

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