Conference at the University of Delaware
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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