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**Aron Petersson:** b. Moshultamåla, Algutsboda (Smål.), 4 Feb. 1829, son of *Brukaren* Petter Jacobsson and Stina Olofsdotter;<sup>1</sup> d. Moshultamåla, 1 May 1875;<sup>2</sup> m. Algutsboda, 5 April 1857.<sup>3</sup>

**Johanna Johan(ne)sdotter:** b. Duvemåla, Algutsboda (Smål.), 2 Nov. 1833, daughter of Johannes Svensson and Ingrid Håkansdotter;<sup>4</sup> d. Moshultamåla, 13 Dec. 1912.

Aron and Johanna lived at No. 47 Duvemåla after their marriage on 5 April 1857. Their first two children, Aldo Gottfrid and Axel Julius, were born here.<sup>5</sup> In 1861 the family moved to Moshultamåla, the village (*by*) where the remaining five children were born and from which all the children but Ida Charlotta emigrated.<sup>6</sup>

Children:

1. **Aldo Gottfrid Aronsson Lindquist** (1857-1922), see Table 1.
2. **Axel Julius Aron(s)son** (1859-1940), see Table 2.
3. **Peter Jacob Aron(s)son** (1861-1947), see Table 3.
4. **Ida Charlotta Aronsdotter:** b. Moshultamåla, 7 Sept. 1864;<sup>7</sup> d. Sweden, 23 July 1960. At Algutsboda on 28 Feb. 1890,<sup>8</sup> she m. **Karl Gottfrid Moberg** (b. Rörshult, Algutsboda, 24 Aug. 1865; d. Moshultamåla, 22 July 1950). Their daughter, **Signe Johanna Mathilda Moberg**, immigrated to Escanaba, Michigan. See Table 4.
5. **Anna Carolina Aronsdotter** (1866->1940), see Table 5.
6. **Carl Vilhelm Aron(s)son** (1869-19??), see Table 6.
7. **Frans (Frank) Ernst Aron(s)son Lindquist** (1872-1948), see Table 7.

Hus- antal	Födelse- Ort	Födelse-			Flyttningar.		
		Ar.	Ort	Ar.	ifrån	Ar.	Till
	No 47 Duvemåla						
1/2	Unit.	12	28	11	60	22/10	Boel.
1/2	Konstl. Sjögval. Johansson	21	07				
1/2	J. Johansson	27	33				57 rönne
1/2	L. Johansson	27	36				61 Carlisle
1/2	L. Pava-Simon	27	37				61 Carlisle
1/2	L. Frans Eriksson	27	50				58
1/2	L. Frans Eriksson	27	56				
1/2	L. Frans Eriksson	27	26		62		viisjoff
1/2	Eg. Aron Petersson	42	27	a.	57	2/2.81.	11 Moshult
1/2	Konst. Johannes Johansson	40	33	a.	57	supra.	
1/2	L. Johansson	27	57				
1/2	L. Carl Eriksson	27	37				

Fig. 1. Husförhörlängd (AI:17, p. 269) from Algutsboda Parish covering the period 1855-62. Here we find Eg. (ägare = owner) Aron Petersson living at No. 47 Duvemåla with his wife and two sons.

Personens namn, stånd, yrke och ämbets- ställning, (bäckstuga-, lakare-, och fattighjon), nationalitet (om främmande), lyden, (evangeliska, blinda, döfotumma)	Födelse			Äktenskap	Flyttad	Död
	Ar.	Mån och dag	Ort (Socken) (Län, St.)			
Moshultamåla						
1	Eg. Aron Petersson	27	2/2	1811	1875	1875
2	Hfr. Johanna Johansson	33	2/2	1811	1875	
	St. Erik Eriksson	57	1/2	1811		
3	St. Erik Eriksson	57	1/2	1811		
	St. Erik Eriksson	61	1/2	1811		
4	St. Erik Eriksson	64	1/2	1811		
5	St. Erik Eriksson	66	1/2	1811		
6	St. Erik Eriksson	67	1/2	1811		
7	St. Erik Eriksson	72	1/2	1811		

Fig. 2. Husförhörlängd (AI:21, p. 313) from Algutsboda Parish covering the period 1870-75. Here we find Eg. Aron Petersson living at Moshultamåla with his wife and seven children. In the last column on the right is the notation that Aron died on 1 May 1875, which explains why his name is crossed out.



Table 1

**Aldo Gottfrid Aronsson Lindquist**, son of Aron Petersson (1829-1857) and Johanna Johan(ne)sdotter (1833-1912), was b. at Duvemåla, Algutsboda (Smål.), 15 Aug. 1857;<sup>9</sup> d. in Bates Township, Iron Co., Michigan, 16 April 1922;<sup>10</sup> and was bur. in Bates Township Cemetery, Iron Co., Michigan.<sup>11</sup> As a twenty-four-year-old, unmarried, tenant (*inhyses*), he left Moshultamåla in Algutsboda Parish<sup>12</sup> and emigrated from Göteborg on 17 June 1881, listing Chicago as his destination.<sup>13</sup> He joined the First Lutheran Church of Iron River on 24 March 1890.<sup>14</sup>

Aldo married **Wilhelmina Nilsson** on 26 Aug. 1883 in Florence, Wisconsin. Wilhelmina was the dau. of Nils Halvordsson (b. Bäcke Parish, Älvs., 1814; d. Eds Prästgård, Dals-Ed, 19 Oct. 1877<sup>15</sup>) and Brita Cajsa Svensdotter (b. Dalskog, 10 Jan. 1821; d. Årbol, Dalskog, 1 April 1869<sup>16</sup>). She was b. at Hjulserud, Bäcke, on 4 May 1861; d. in Norway, Dickinson Co., Michigan, 28 April 1893; and was bur. in Quinnesec-Kingsford Cemetery, Dickinson Co., Michigan.<sup>17</sup>

Nils Halvordsson, Brita Cajsa Svensdotter, and their six children moved from Hjulserud, Bäcke Parish, to Årbol, Dalskog Parish, on 13 Nov. 1863.<sup>18</sup> The widower, Nils Halvordsson, and his six children moved from Årbol to Eds Prästgård, Dals-Ed Parish, on 30 Sept. 1870.<sup>19</sup> Wilhelmina and her older sister, Maja Kajsa Nilsson, are listed as leaving Eds Prästgård "till Amerika" on 28 April 1881.<sup>20</sup> She joined the First Lutheran Church of Iron River on 24 March 1890.<sup>21</sup>

Children from 1st marriage:

1. **Anna Charlotta Lindquist**, b. Iron River, Iron Co., Michigan, 5 June 1884;<sup>22</sup> d. 6 Nov. 1963; bur. Resthaven Cemetery, Iron River Township, Iron Co., Michigan;<sup>23</sup> m. 14 Dec. 1905 to **Archie E. McCornock** (1881-1952).<sup>24</sup>
2. **Esther Sofia Lindquist**, b. Iron River, Iron Co., Michigan, 27 Dec. 1885;<sup>25</sup> d. Crystal Falls, Iron Co., Michigan, 6 Feb. 1989; bur. Resthaven Cemetery, Iron River Township, Iron Co., Michigan.<sup>26</sup>
3. **Axel Hjalmer Lindquist**, b. Iron River, Iron Co., Michigan, 22 March 1889;<sup>27</sup> d. Crystal Falls, Iron Co., Michigan, 12 March 1981; bur. Resthaven Cemetery, Iron River Township, Iron Co., Michigan;<sup>28</sup> m. Gladstone, Delta Co., Michigan, 1912 to **Maria Fredrika Mattson** (1888-1965).<sup>29</sup>

Aldo married **Johanna Elisabeth Bäckman** in Norway, Dickinson Co., Michigan, on 12 May 1894.<sup>30</sup> She was b. at Wexala, Domarbacka, Munsala (Vaasa), Finland, on 11 Aug. 1869, the daughter of *torpare* Erik Eriksson and Maja Lisa Israelsdotter.<sup>31</sup> She arrived in Norway, Michigan, from Finland in 1893 and joined the First Lutheran Church in Iron River, Michigan, on 2 Sept. 1899.<sup>32</sup> Johanna Elisabeth d. on 7 Aug. 1952 and was bur. in Bates Township Cemetery, Iron Co., Michigan.<sup>33</sup>

Children from 2nd marriage:

1. **Carl Gottfrid Lindquist**, b. Norway, Dickinson Co., Michigan, 9 Dec. 1896;<sup>34</sup> d. Crystal Falls, Iron Co., Michigan, 9 March 1993; bur. Bates Township Cemetery, Iron Co., Michigan;<sup>35</sup> m. Crystal Falls, Michigan, 21 Aug. 1929 to **Sylvia Alberta Peterson**.<sup>36</sup>
2. **Elsa Maria Lindquist**, b. Norway, Dickinson Co., Michigan, 9 March 1898;<sup>37</sup> d. 16 Aug. 1989; bur. Resthaven Cem., Iron River Township, Iron Co., Michigan;<sup>38</sup> m. **Ernest A Benette** (1895-1984).<sup>39</sup>
3. **Conrad Benjamin Lindquist**, b. Iron River, Iron Co., Michigan, 13 March 1900; d. Iron River, Michigan, 1901.<sup>40</sup>
4. **Mildred Elisabeth Lindquist**, b. Iron River, Iron Co., Michigan, 8 Sept. 1903;<sup>41</sup> lived in Lansing, Michigan, as of 1993; m. **Albert C. Boyd**.
5. **Curtis Walter Lindquist**, b. Bates Township, Iron Co., Michigan, 26 Aug. 1906.<sup>42</sup>
6. **Ruth Alice Lindquist**, b. Bates Township, Iron Co., Michigan, 13 March 1909;<sup>43</sup> lived in Lake Forest, Illinois, as of 1993; m. 17 June 1939 to **William R. Collier**.

According to family history, Aldo first worked as a laborer on the crew building the railroad extension into the Iron River area. After he married Wilhelmina, they built a home on Nelson (now Boyington) Street in the newly platted village of Iron River. Here the first three children—Anna, Esther, and Hjalmer—were born. The family moved to Norway, Michigan, in 1890. Wilhelmina died here in 1893, after which Aldo took a second wife, Johanna Bäckman. The first two children of the second marriage—Carl and Elsa—were born in Norway. The family moved back to their home on Nelson Street in Iron River in 1899, where a son, Conrad, and a daughter, Mildred, were born. In 1904, the Lindquist family moved to a farm on Sunset Lake, where two more children—Walter and Ruth—were born.<sup>44</sup>

Table 2

**Axel Julius Aron(s)son**, the son of Aron Petersson (1829-1857) and Johanna Johan(ne)sdotter (1833-1912) (see Table 1), was b. at Duvemåla, Algutsboda (Smål.), 9 June 1859;<sup>45</sup> d. in Seattle, King Co., Washington, 10 Jan. 1940; and was bur. in Pacific Lutheran Cemetery, Seattle.<sup>46</sup> As a twenty-three-year-old, unmarried, *inhyser*, he left Moshultamåla in Algutsboda Parish with his younger brother, Peter Jacob.<sup>47</sup> They emigrated from Göteborg on 24 March 1882, listing Chicago as their destination.<sup>48</sup> He joined the First Lutheran Church in Iron River on 24 March 1890.<sup>49</sup>

He married **Bengta (Betty) Persdotter** in Iron River, Michigan, on 23 Sept. 1893.<sup>50</sup> She was born in Ingelstorp (Krist.) on 22 Dec. 1863, the daughter of *Åbo* Pehr Pehrsson (b. Ingelstorp, 30 March 1822; d. Ingelstorp, 17 Jan.

1874) and Kerstina Andersdotter (b. Färlöv, 15 Aug. 1827).<sup>51</sup> As a twenty-six-year-old, unmarried, seamstress (*sömmerska*), traveling alone, she left Ingelstorp on 24 Oct. 1890<sup>52</sup> and emigrated from Malmö on 6 Nov. 1890. Iron River, Michigan, was listed as her destination.<sup>53</sup> She arrived in Iron River on 29 Nov. 1890 and joined the First Lutheran Church of Iron River on 12 July 1891.<sup>54</sup> She died in Norway, Dickinson Co., Michigan on 14 Nov. 1898 and was bur. in Quinnesec-Kingsford Cemetery, Dickinson Co., Michigan.<sup>55</sup>

Children of 1st marriage:

1. **Eddie Gilbert Aronson**, b. Iron River, Iron Co., Michigan, 30 June 1894;<sup>56</sup> d. Norway, Dickinson Co., Michigan, 18 Jan. 1895; bur. in Quinnesec-Kingsford Cemetery, Dickinson Co., Michigan.<sup>57</sup>
2. **Erving Aronson**, b. Norway, Dickinson Co., Michigan, 28 June 1896; d. Norway, Dickinson Co., Michigan, 30 June 1896; bur. in Quinnesec-Kingsford Cemetery, Dickinson Co., Michigan.<sup>58</sup>
3. **Carl Alvin Bernhard Aronson**, b. Norway, Dickinson Co., Michigan, 12 Oct. 1898.

He married **Anna Sofia Samuelsson**, b. Österback, Petolahti, Vaasa, Finland, 5 Aug. 1864, the daughter of Johan Eric Karlsson and Anna Lisa Jacobsdotter.<sup>59</sup>

Anna was previously married to Carl E. Samuelsson. The family—Carl E., Anna, and Signe—emigrated from Göteborg to Marinette, Wisconsin, on 19 July 1899.<sup>60</sup>

Axel lived at 4239 Palatine Avenue, Seattle, Washington, between 1921 and 1931. His obituary provides a brief summary of his life:

He entered the Iron River district in 1882 to find employment at the Isabella Mine. Later he conducted a grocery and meat business at Norway. He was a charter member of the First Lutheran Church of Iron River.

Mr. Aronson is survived by his wife; a son, Carl, of Spokane, Wash.; a daughter, Signe, of Seattle; two sisters, Mrs. Anna Johnson [see Table 5], of Pasadena, Calif., and Mrs. Ida Moberg of Sweden; and two brothers, Frank Lindquist [see Table 7] of Seattle and Peter J. Aronson [see Table 3] of Oakland, California, and Iron River.<sup>61</sup>

### Table 3

**Peter Jacob Aron(s)son**, the son of Aron Petersson (1829-1857) and Johanna Johan(ne)sdotter (1833-1912) (see Table 1), was b. at Moshultamåla, Algutsboda (Smål.), 24 Dec. 1861;<sup>62</sup> d. in Oakland, Alameda Co., California, 9 June 1947; and was bur. in Rose Hill Cemetery, San Leandro, Alameda Co., California.<sup>63</sup> As a twenty-year-old, unmarried, *inhyses*, he left Moshultamåla in Algutsboda Parish with his older brother, Axel Julius.<sup>64</sup> They emigrated from Göteborg on 24 March 1882, listing Chicago as their destination.<sup>65</sup> They arrived

in Iron River on 3 May 1882.<sup>66</sup> He joined the First Lutheran Church in Iron River on 24 March 1890.<sup>67</sup>

He married **Mathilda Carolina Eklund** in Florence, Florence Co., Wisconsin, on 22 Aug. 1891. Mathilda, the daughter of Carl August Eklund and Anna Carolina Persdotter, was b. at Meling, Västanfors (Väsm.), 25 May 1874;<sup>68</sup> d. in San Leandro, Alameda Co., California, 2 Sept. 1966; and was bur. in Rose Hill Cemetery, Alameda Co., California.<sup>69</sup> She left Meling on 9 April 1880 with her father and mother<sup>70</sup> and emigrated from Göteborg on 16 April 1880.<sup>71</sup> Although Chicago was listed as their destination,<sup>72</sup> the family first went to Vulcan, Michigan, and then came to Iron River in 1882.<sup>73</sup> She joined the First Lutheran Church of Iron River, Michigan, on 24 March 1890.<sup>74</sup>

Peter was one of the charter members of the Swedish Lutheran congregation and served as deacon, trustee, and treasurer for many years. Mathilda was active in women's groups of the church.<sup>75</sup> The family is listed in the 1900 Federal Census

Children:

1. **Earl Herbert Aronson**, b. Iron River, Iron Co., Michigan, 19 Feb. 1892;<sup>76</sup> d. Campbell, California, 19 Nov. 1996; m. **Mildred Christofferson**, b. Republic, Michigan, 12 Nov. 1907.<sup>77</sup>
2. **Esther Lillian Aronson**, b. Iron River, Iron Co., Michigan, 7 Feb. 1894;<sup>78</sup> m. **Godfrey Jacobson**.
3. **Aldo Ernest Aronson**, b. Iron River, Iron Co., Michigan, 16 Dec. 1896;<sup>79</sup> m. **Ethel Bohannon**.
4. **Oscar Harold Aronson**,<sup>80</sup> b. Iron River, Iron Co., Michigan, 24 Oct. 1898; d. Oakland, Alameda Co., California, 1972; m. **Naomi Ward**.
5. **Chester Reuben Aronson**, b. Iron River, Iron Co., Michigan, 10 July 1901;<sup>81</sup> d. Oakland, Alameda Co., California, Nov. 1972; m. **Mae Elliott**.<sup>82</sup>
6. **Pearl Jeanette Aronson**, b. Iron River, Iron Co., Michigan, 27 Sept. 1903.<sup>83</sup>
7. **Margaret Dorothy Aronson**, b. Iron River, Iron Co., Michigan, 30 Nov. 1905;<sup>84</sup> m. **Herbert Abbott**.

The family lived at 320 62nd Street, Oakland, California, on 22 Jan. 1940 and at 929 Lee Avenue, San Leandro, California, in 1947.

Table 4

**Signe Johanna Mathilda Moberg**, daughter of Karl Gottfrid Moberg and Ida Charlotta Aronsdotter, was b. at Moshultamåla, Algutsboda (Smål.), 16 Sept. 1893; d. at Soo Hill, Escanaba, Delta Co., Michigan, 30 Dec. 1961; and was bur. at Gardens of Rest, Escanaba, Delta Co., Michigan.<sup>85</sup>



Signe married **Karl Alfred Hjalmar Fredrickson (Charles Fredrickson)** in 1914. He was b. in Algutsboda (Smål.) 6 May 1877; d. at Powers, Menominee Co., Michigan, 23 Dec. 1972; and was bur. at Gardens of Rest, Escanaba, Delta Co., Michigan.<sup>86</sup>

Charles made three trips to the U.S. The first time, prior to 1900, he was in Canada and Minnesota and, eventually, homesteaded near Devils Lake, North Dakota. He worked for the Chicago Northwestern Railroad and also as a logger and farmer. He came to the U.S. a second time (after 1914 and before World War I) to escape military service in Sweden. The third time he emigrated on 10 March 1926 with his wife and daughter to Escanaba, Delta Co., Michigan.<sup>87</sup>

Charles had an aunt—*Faster* Carlson—who lived in Powers, Michigan; three siblings (Signe Fredrickson Swanson, Nennie Fredrickson Stainstrom, and Erick Fredrickson) who lived in Escanaba; and two brothers (Fred and Ernest) who lived in Washington.

Signe really didn't like living in the U.S.; she would have preferred to return to Sweden. Her brother, Vilhelm, gave Signe money to take a trip to Sweden in 1949. Signe was a very religious person; Vilhelm, just the opposite. She did not read her brother's books. Vilhelm lived with his sister in Escanaba for one month ca. Aug./Sept. in 1948, to do research on immigrants.

Children:

1. **Margaret "Margit" Elsa Linnea Fredrickson**, b. Algutsboda (Smål.), 3 Dec. 1914; d. Bloomington, McLean Co., Illinois, 1994; bur. Gardens of Rest, Escanaba, Delta Co., Michigan; m. **Ralph Anders Timan** (1910-d. Duluth, MN, 1980).
2. **Ida Christina Johanna Fredrickson**, b. Soo Hill, Escanaba, Delta Co., Michigan, 24 Nov. 1926; d. Escanaba, Delta Co., Michigan, 1975; bur. Gardens of Rest, Escanaba, Delta Co., Michigan; m. **Charles G. Fletcher** (1918-1979).
3. **Carl Alvin Fredrickson**, b. Soo Hill, Escanaba, Delta Co., Michigan, 16 May 1930; m. Chetek, Barron Co., Wisconsin, 27 Aug. 1960 to **Clara H. Skoug** (b. Chetek, Wisconsin, 23 Dec. 1937).
4. **Karen Evelyn Fredrickson**, b. Soo Hill, Escanaba, Delta Co., Michigan, 1931; d. Escanaba, Delta Co., Michigan, 1994; bur. Gardens of Rest, Escanaba, Delta Co., Michigan; m. **Hugo L. Mattonen** (1928-1991).

Table 5

**Anna Carolina Aronsdotter**, the daughter of Aron Petersson (1829-1857) and Johanna Johan(ne)sdotter (1833-1912) (see Table 1), was b. at Moshultamåla, Algutsboda (Smål.), 15 Sept. 1866.<sup>88</sup>

I have only begun the research on Anna Carolina and what little information I have has been compiled from her brothers' obituaries. Her married name was

Johnson when she lived in Pasadena, California, in 1940<sup>89</sup> and at 1245 13th Street in San Diego, California, in 1947.<sup>90</sup>

Table 6

**Carl Vilhelm Aron(s)son**, the son of Aron Petersson (1829-1857) and Johanna Johan(ne)sdotter (1833-1912) (see Table 1), was b. at Moshultamåla, Algutsboda (Smål.), 6 Jan. 1869.<sup>91</sup> His place of death in the United States is not known. As an eighteen-year-old, unmarried, *dräng* traveling alone, he left Moshultamåla in Algutsboda Parish on 6 April 1887<sup>92</sup> and emigrated from Malmö on 28 April 1887, listing New York as his destination.<sup>93</sup> He has not been located in either the Iron River area church records or in the 1900 or 1910 federal censuses for the Iron River area. There is no mention of him in Axel's 1940 obituary.

In a recent interview, Walter Lindquist,<sup>94</sup> son of Aldo Gottfrid Aronsson Lindquist (see Table 1), revealed that his uncle, Carl Vilhelm, was presumed to have drowned. Although his jacket was found by the edge of a lake or stream in Iron County (Walter could not remember the exact site), Carl Vilhelm's body was never found.

Table 7

**Frans (Frank) Ernst Aronsson Lindquist**, the son of Aron Petersson (1829-1857) and Johanna Johan(ne)sdotter (1833-1912) (see Table 1), was b. at Moshultamåla, Algutsboda (Smål.), 24 July 1872; d. Seattle, Washington? As a seventeen-year-old, unmarried, *dräbng* traveling alone, he left Moshultamåla in Algutsboda Parish on 7 June 1890<sup>95</sup> and emigrated from Malmö on 12 June 1890, listing New York as his destination.<sup>96</sup> That he went directly to Iron River is indicated by the fact that he joined the First Lutheran Church of Iron River on 6 July 1890, less than one month after leaving Sweden.<sup>97</sup> He has not been found in either the 1900 or 1910 federal censuses for the Iron River area.

Frank was living at 410 5th Avenue, Seattle, Washington, as of 2 Jan. 1914 and at 84 Yesterway in Seattle as of 25 April 1922. He was alive and living in Seattle as of 1940.<sup>98</sup>

Frank died in on 2 June 1948 at the age of seventy-five and was buried at Riverton Crest (Robbins) Cemetery, Tukwila, Washington.<sup>99</sup>

## Endnotes

- <sup>1</sup> Algutsboda (Smål.), *Födde*, C:4, 1816-37, p. 438, 4 Feb. 1829.
- <sup>2</sup> Algutsboda (Smål.), *Döde*, C:6, 1860-1878, pp. 422-423, No. 44.
- <sup>3</sup> Algutsboda (Smål.), *Vigde*, E:1, 1840-65, p. 53, 5 April 1857.
- <sup>4</sup> Algutsboda (Smål.), *Födde*, C:4, 1816-37, p. 704, 2 Nov. 1833; Algutsboda (Smål.), *Husförhörslängd*, AI:17, p. 269, No. 47 Duvemåla.
- <sup>5</sup> Algutsboda (Smål.), *Husförhörslängd*, AI:17, I (1855-62), p. 269.
- <sup>6</sup> Algutsboda (Smål.), *Husförhörslängder*, AI:17, II (1855-62), p. 331; AI:19, II (1862-70), p. 357; AI:21, II (1870-75), p. 313; AI:24, III (1876-80), p. 756; AI:26, II (1881-90), p. 983.
- <sup>7</sup> Algutsboda (Smål.), *Födde*, C:6, 1862-70, pp. 92-93, No. 104.
- <sup>8</sup> Algutsboda (Smål.), *Husförhörslängd*, AI:26, II (1881-90), p. 996.
- <sup>9</sup> Algutsboda (Smål.), *Födde*, C:5, 1837-62, p. 890, 15 Aug. 1857.
- <sup>10</sup> First Lutheran Church, Iron River, Michigan, [hereafter FLCIR], Records of Funerals, p. 286.
- <sup>11</sup> His tombstone reads Lindquist / FATHER / AUG 15, 1857 / APR 16, 1922.
- <sup>12</sup> Emibas database at SEI, Växjö, Sweden.
- <sup>13</sup> Information from *Databasen CD Emigranten NR 1 & 2 / 2001*: name, A. G. Aronsson; age, 24; male; home parish, Algutsboda H; port of emigration, Göteborg; date, 1881-06-17; destination, Chicago; contract number, 17:913:2030.
- <sup>14</sup> FLCIR, Church Register (1890-1913), p. 1; FLCIR, Church Register (1903-1930), p. 11.
- <sup>15</sup> Dals-Ed (Älvs.), *Husförhörslängd*, AI:18, 1876-85, p. 667.
- <sup>16</sup> Dalskog (Älvs.), *Husförhörslängd*, AI:16, 1866-70, p. 248.
- <sup>17</sup> Her tombstone reads WILHELMINA / WIFE OF / Aldo Lindquist / DIED / Apr. 28, 1893 / AGE 31 yrs, 10 mos, 24 dys / Here is one who is sleeping / In faith and love / With hope that is treasured / In heaven above.
- <sup>18</sup> Bäcke (Älvs.), *Husförhörslängd*, AI:10, 1861-65, p. 71, Hjulserud.
- <sup>19</sup> Dalskog (Älvs.), *Husförhörslängd*, AI:15, 1861-65, p. 192 and AI:16, 1866-70, p. 248.
- <sup>20</sup> Dals-Ed (Älvs.), *Husförhörslängd*, AI:16, 1866-75, p. 586 and AI:18, 1876-85, p. 667.
- <sup>21</sup> FLCIR, Church Register (1890-1913), p. 1; FLCIR, Church Register (1903-1930), p. 11.
- <sup>22</sup> FLCIR, Church Register (1890-1913), p. 1; FLCIR, Church Register (1903-1930), p. 11, 25.
- <sup>23</sup> Her tombstone reads Mother / Anna McCornock / 1884-1963.
- <sup>24</sup> His tombstone reads Father / Archie E. McCornock / 1881-1952.
- <sup>25</sup> FLCIR, Church Register (1890-1913), p. 1; FLCIR, Church Register (1903-1930), p. 11.
- <sup>26</sup> *Iron River Reporter*, "Esther Lindquist," 8 Feb. 1989; She is buried in the same plot as her brother Hjalmer; her tombstone reads Lindquist / Sister / Esther S. / 1885-1989.
- <sup>27</sup> FLCIR, Church Register (1890-1913), p. 1; FLCIR, Church Register (1903-1930), p. 11.
- <sup>28</sup> *Iron River Reporter*, "Hjalmer Lindquist," 18 March 1881; His tombstone reads Lindquist / Husband / Hjalmer A. / 1889-1981.
- <sup>29</sup> Her tombstone reads Lindquist / Wife / Mary F. / 1888-1965.
- <sup>30</sup> Dickinson County, Michigan, Marriage Record, 1891-1918, Vol. 1, p. 27, No. 398. The marriage record indicates that Aldo Lindquist (age 36; a miner; born in Sweden) and Hannah E. Backman (age 34; born in Finland) were residents of Norway, Michigan.
- <sup>31</sup> Munsala (Vaasa), Finland, *Syntyneet (Födde)*, A:7, 1853-70, 11 Aug. 1869.
- <sup>32</sup> FLCIR, Church Register (1890-1913), p. 1; FLCIR, Church Register (1903-1930), p. 11.
- <sup>33</sup> Her tombstone reads Lindquist / MOTHER / AUG 11, 1869 / AUG 7, 1952.
- <sup>34</sup> FLCIR, Church Register (1890-1913), p. 1; FLCIR, Church Register (1903-1930), p. 11, 28.
- <sup>35</sup> *Iron River Reporter*, "Carl Lindquist," 17 March 1993; His tombstone reads Lindquist / CARL / DEC 9, 1896 / MAR 9, 1993.
- <sup>36</sup> Her tombstone reads Lindquist / SYLVIA / NOV 16, 1901 / JUNE 22, 1997.
- <sup>37</sup> FLCIR, Church Register (1890-1913), p. 1; FLCIR, Church Register (1903-1930), p. 11, 35.
- <sup>38</sup> Her tombstone reads Elsa L. Benette / 9 Mar. 1898 - 16 Aug. 1989.
- <sup>39</sup> His tombstone reads Ernest A. Benette / 22 Nov. 1895 - 30 Dec. 1984.
- <sup>40</sup> FLCIR, Church Register (1890-1913), p. 1; FLCIR, Church Register (1903-1930), p. 11.
- <sup>41</sup> FLCIR, Church Register (1890-1913), p. 1; FLCIR, Church Register (1903-1930), p. 11; FLCIR, Records of Baptisms, p. 2.
- <sup>42</sup> FLCIR, Church Register (1903-1930), p. 11; FLCIR, Records of Baptisms, p. 6.
- <sup>43</sup> FLCIR, Church Register (1903-1930), p. 11; FLCIR, Records of Baptisms, p. 8.
- <sup>44</sup> Marcia Bernhardt, *Frames for the Future: Iron River Area Michigan*, p. 412.
- <sup>45</sup> Algutsboda (Smål.), *Födde*, C:5, 1837-62, p. 926, 9 June 1859.
- <sup>46</sup> *Iron River Reporter*, "Axel Aronson, 80, Dies in Seattle," 12 Jan. 1940, p. 1.
- <sup>47</sup> Emibas database at SEI, Växjö, Sweden.

- <sup>48</sup> Information from *Databasen CD Emigranten NR 1 & 2 / 2001*: name, A. J. Aronsson; age, 23; male; home parish, Algutsboda H; port of emigration, Göteborg; date, 1882-03-24; destination, Chicago; contract number, 19:315:2515.
- <sup>49</sup> FLCIR, Church Register (1890-1913), pp. I, 26.
- <sup>50</sup> Dickinson County, Michigan, Marriage Record, 1891-1918, Vol. 1, p. 18, No. 259. Although filed in Dickinson County on 26 September 1893, the marriage record clearly states that Axel Aronson (age 33; a miner, born in Sweden) and Betty Peterson (age 29; a dressmaker, born in Sweden) were residents of Iron River, Michigan, and that the marriage took place in Iron River.
- <sup>51</sup> Ingelstorp (Krist.), *Födde*, 1842-68, 22 Dec. 1863; Ingelstorp, *Husförhörslängder*, AI:9, 1862-67, p. 80 and AI:10, 1880-1885, p. 113.
- <sup>52</sup> Emibas database at SEI, Växjö, Sweden.
- <sup>53</sup> Information from the *CD Emigranten*: name, Bengta Persson; age, 26; female; home parish, Ingelstorp L; occupation, *sömmerska* (seamstress); port of emigration, Malmö; date, 1890-11-06; destination, Iron River, MI; contract number, 1890:3729:2642.
- <sup>54</sup> FLCIR, Church Register (1890-1913), p. 8, 26.
- <sup>55</sup> Her tombstone reads Betty / Wife of / A. Aronson / DIED / NOV 14, 1898 / Aged / 34 Years / 10 mos. 22 dys.
- <sup>56</sup> FLCIR, Church Register (1890-1913), p. 26; Iron County, Michigan, Birth Index Record, 1885-1971, No. 935.
- <sup>57</sup> His tombstone reads ARONSON / Eddie G. / Born June 30, 1894 / Died Jan 18, 1895.
- <sup>58</sup> His tombstone reads ARONSON / Erving / Born June 28, 1896 / Died June 30, 1896.
- <sup>59</sup> Petolahti (Petalaks/Petalax), Finland, *Syntyneet (Födde)*, 2:3, 1837-80, p. 303, 5 Aug. 1864; Petolahti, *Rippikirja (Kommunionbok)*, 1:6, 1858-64, p. 190 (No. 6, Österback).
- <sup>60</sup> Information from *Databasen CD Emigranten NR 1 & 2 / 2001*: name, age, and gender of family members: Carl E. Samuelson, age 39, male; Anna Samuelson, age 35, female; and Signe Samuelson, age 8, female. The following information was the same for all three: home parish, Skön Y; port of emigration, Göteborg; date, 1899-07-19; destination, Marinette, [Wisconsin]; contract number, 64:51:1541.
- <sup>61</sup> *Iron River Reporter*, "Axel Aronson, 80, Dies in Seattle," 12 Jan. 1940, p. 1.
- <sup>62</sup> Algutsboda (Smål.), *Födde*, C:5, 1837-62, p. 980, 24 Dec. 1861.
- <sup>63</sup> *Iron River Reporter*, "Peter Aronson, City Pioneer, Dies in West," 13 June 1947, p. 1.
- <sup>64</sup> Emibas database at SEI, Växjö, Sweden.
- <sup>65</sup> Information from *Databasen CD Emigranten NR 1 & 2 / 2001*: name, P. J. Aronsson; age, 20; male; home parish, Algutsboda H; port of emigration, Göteborg; date, 1882-03-24; destination, Chicago; contract number, 19:315:2516.
- <sup>66</sup> *Iron River Reporter*, "Peter Aronsons Married 50 Years; Receive Congratulations of Friends," 24 July 1941.
- <sup>67</sup> FLCIR, Church Register (1890-1913), p. 6; FLCIR, Church Register (1903-1930), p. 3.
- <sup>68</sup> Västanfors (Väst.), *Födde*, C:7, 1861-77, No. 43, 25 May 1874; Västanfors, *Husförhörslängd*, AI:19A, 1870-76, p. 235.
- <sup>69</sup> *Iron River Reporter*, "Mrs. Mathilda Aronson Dies in California," 8 Sept. 1966, p. 2.
- <sup>70</sup> Emibas database at SEI, Växjö, Sweden; Västanfors (Väst.), *Husförhörslängd*, AI:20A, 1877-86, p. 376.
- <sup>71</sup> Information from *Databasen CD Emigranten NR 1 & 2 / 2001*: name, C. A. Eklund; age, 31; male; home parish, Västanfors U; port of emigration, Göteborg; date, 1880-04-16; destination, Chicago; contract number, 14:511:1004.
- <sup>72</sup> *CD-Emigranten*, Contract No. 14:511:10004.
- <sup>73</sup> *Iron River Reporter*, 24 July 1941.
- <sup>74</sup> FLCIR, Church Register (1890-1913), p. 6; FLCIR, Church Register (1903-1930), p. 3.
- <sup>75</sup> *Iron River Reporter*, 24 July 1941.
- <sup>76</sup> FLCIR, Church Register (1890-1913), p. 6; FLCIR, Church Register (1903-1930), p. 3; Iron County, Michigan, Birth Index Record, 1885-1971, No. 925.
- <sup>77</sup> *Iron River Reporter*, Obituaries, Mildred Aronson, ? Dec. 1996.
- <sup>78</sup> FLCIR, Church Register (1890-1913), p. 6; FLCIR, Church Register (1903-1930), p. 3.
- <sup>79</sup> FLCIR, Church Register (1890-1913), p. 6; FLCIR, Church Register (1903-1930), p. 3.
- <sup>80</sup> FLCIR, Church Register (1890-1913), p. 6; FLCIR, Church Register (1903-1930), p. 3.
- <sup>81</sup> FLCIR, Church Register (1890-1913), p. 6; FLCIR, Church Register (1903-1930), p. 3; Iron County, Michigan, Birth Index Record, 1885-1971, No. 2096.
- <sup>82</sup> *Iron River Reporter*, "Chester Aronson Dies at Oakland," 22 Nov. 1972, p. 2.
- <sup>83</sup> FLCIR, Church Register (1890-1913), p. 6; FLCIR, Church Register (1903-1930), p. 3; FLCIR, Records of Baptisms, p. 2.

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- <sup>84</sup> FLCIR, Church Register (1890-1913), p. 6; FLCIR, Church Register (1903-1930), p. 3; FLCIR, Records of Baptisms, p. 4.
- <sup>85</sup> *Escanaba Daily-Press*, "Mrs. Fredrickson of Soo Hill Dies," Tuesday, 2 Jan. 1962, p. 5.
- <sup>86</sup> *Escanaba Daily-Press*, "Chas. Fredrickson," Tuesday, 26 Dec. 1972, p. 3.
- <sup>87</sup> Information from *Databasen CD Emigranten NR 1 & 2 / 2001*: name, age, and gender of family members: Charley Fredriksson, age 48, male; Signe J. Fredriksson, age 33, female; and Margit L. Fredriksson, age 12, female. The following information was the same for all three: home parish, Algutsboda G; port of emigration, Göteborg; date, 1926-03-10; destination, New York; contract number, 117:449:21716. (It is worth noting that Charley's contract number is listed as 117:447:21716, but this must surely be a typographic error.)
- <sup>88</sup> Algutsboda (Smål.), *Födde*, C:6, 1862-70, pp. 156-157, No. 134.
- <sup>89</sup> *Iron River Reporter*, "Axel Aronson, 80, Dies in Seattle," 12 Jan. 1940, p. 1.
- <sup>90</sup> *Iron River Reporter*, "Peter Aronson, City Pioneer, Dies in West," 13 June 1947, p. 1.
- <sup>91</sup> Algutsboda (Smål.), *Födde*, C:6, 1862-70, pp. 212-213, No. 5.
- <sup>92</sup> Emibas database at SEI, Växjö, Sweden.
- <sup>93</sup> *Databasen CD Emigranten NR 1 & 2 / 2001*: Contract No. 1835:1102.
- <sup>94</sup> Curtis Walter Lindquist, interview by author and Ulf Beijbom, Crystal Manor, Crystal Falls, MI, 13 April 2002.
- <sup>95</sup> Emibas database at SEI, Växjö, Sweden.
- <sup>96</sup> Information from the *Databasen CD Emigranten NR 1 & 2 / 2001*: name, Frank E. Aronsson; age, 17; male; home parish, Algutsboda G; occupation, *dräng*; port of emigration, Malmö; date, 1890-06-12; destination, New York; contract number, 1890:2447:4494.
- <sup>97</sup> FLCIR, Church Register (1890-1913), p. 7.
- <sup>98</sup> His Seattle addresses were 410 5th Avenue as of 2 Jan. 1914 and 84 Yesterway as of 25 April 1922. - *Iron River Reporter*, "Axel Aronson, 80, Dies in Seattle," 12 Jan. 1940, p. 1.
- <sup>99</sup> Obituary, *Seattle Times*, Sunday, 18 June 1948.