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Bergström

I am looking for information regarding Carl Gunnar Bergström, who was b. in Borlänge (Kopp.) 13 February 1894, the son of Carl August Bergström and Gustava Wikström. Gunnar emigrated in the 1920s and settled first in Minneapolis, where he lived for a short time with the families of two of his sisters—his twin sister, Anna Bergström Swanson, and his older sister, Hannah Bergström Dahlström. He left Minneapolis but never again contacted his family, either in Minnesota or Sweden. One second-hand report indicated that he may have moved to Florida in the 1940s or 1950s to work as a greenskeeper at golf courses. Does anyone have any information about what happened to Gunnar?

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Blomqvist, Bloom

I am writing to ask for assistance in locating information on my father and his family. His name was Erik Blomqvist and he was b. in Vänersborg Parish (Skar.) 6 May 1876. He came to the U.S. when he was seventeen years old. Upon arrival in New York, immigration officers changed his first and last names; he became Edward Bloom.

He married, had eight children, and died on 17 March 1957. I am the youngest of his children and the only one surviving. His grandchildren and great-grandchildren wish to learn more of his family in Sweden. We are in the process of assembling a family tree and want to give it Swedish roots. We would appreciate information on his parents' names, their dates of birth and death, and names of brothers or sisters or any other data that are available.

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Carlson, Johannson (Janson), Ekke

I am searching for any information about the family of Frank Elof Carlson and his wife, Johanna Erica Johannson (Janson), who emigrated from Sweden and arrived in Chicago 2 July 1881. Frank and Johanna were b. 8 March 1853 and 19 March 1855, respectively. On Frank's death certificate, his father's name is listed as Carl Ekke. I do not know their places of birth, although we do have mention of the cities of Malmö and Dexio [Växjö?].

They eventually settled in Lincoln County, Wisconsin and, in 1905, moved to Augusta, Eau Claire County, Wisconsin. I would like information on their birthplaces, their families (ancestors, siblings, and/or descendants) in Sweden, and their ports of embarkation and debarkation. Any help would be appreciated.

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Andersson, Zakrisdotter, Jonasson, Nilsson, Nilsson, Nilsson, Gabrielsdotter, Johansdotter, Svensson, Isaksson, Carlsdotter

I am seeking information on my relatives who emigr. from the parishes of Vetlanda, Mellby and Eksjö in Jönköping *län* in the late 1800s.

1. Carl Johan Andersson was b. 7 March 1839. He m. Sofia Zakrisdotter, b. 17 February 1840. Their children were Carl Oscar, b. 1 December 1868, and Hilma Sofia, b. 1 December 1864. The family immigr. to Ottumwa, IA in 1876.

2. August Jonasson was b. 12 December 1857. He immigr. to Iowa in 1880.

3. Johanna Nilssondotter Andersson/Nilsson was b. 20 September 1829. Her children were Carl Emil Frithiof Nilsson, b. 27 February 1860, and Gustaf Reinhold Nilsson, b. 21 June 1865. Johanna and Gustaf immigr. to Chicago in 1871. Carl Emil Frithiof arrived in the U.S. in 1880.

4. Maja Lisa Nilssondotter, b. 3 June 1823, immigr. to Ottumwa, IA in 1871.

5. Lovisa Nilssondotter, b. 16 May 1834, immigr. to Minnesota in 1868.

6. Eva Catharina Gabrielsdotter was b. 9 January 1822. She and her dau., Anna Lovisa Johansdotter, b. 4 March 1855, immigr. to Albia, IA in 1876.

7. Christina Sofia Johansdotter, a sister of Anna Lovisa (see No. 6), was b. 10 September 1851. She emigr. in 1874.

8. Carl Anders Svensson/Isaksson/Andersson, b. 23 September 1859, emigr. in 1888.

9. Selma Catharina Carlsdotter, b. 10 July 1867, emigr. in 1891.

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Petersson, Magnidotter

Where in the U.S. did the family of Jonas Petersson (2nd husband) and Sara Christina Magnidotter settle? The family left Väckelsång Parish (Kron.) 18 May 1877, except daughter Caroline Christina (b. in Skatelöv Parish, Kron., in 1857), who preceded them on 4 May 1874. Jonas was b. in Moheda Parish (Kron.) in 1819. Sara Christina was b. in Vederslöv Parish (Kron.) in 1829, the dau. of Magnus Persson and his first wife Cathrina Andersdotter. Jonas's children who emigrated with the family included Lena Stina, b. in Skatelöv Parish in 1853; Peter Johan (possibly a nephew), b. in Skatelöv Parish in 1859; Ida Sophia, b. in Väckelsång Parish in 1866; Amanda Augusta, b. in Väckelsång Parish in 1871; and Blena Emilia, b. in Väckelsång Parish in 1874.

Any information concerning the location of this family in the U.S. or other data will be greatly appreciated.

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1160**Samuelson, Andersdotter**

The following three individuals were siblings of my grandmother, Amanda Kristina, and children of Anders Samuelsson and Kristina Brita Pehrson.

1. Alfred Otto Julius Samuelson was b. in Kareby Parish (Göt.) 11 December 1859. He emigr. from Surte Nödinge 20 April 1883. Violetta Caldwell, Otto Samuelson Jr., and Leona Kleeman are probably related to Otto.

2. Gustava Samuelson (Andersdotter) was b. in Kareby Parish 7 June 1868. She emigr. from Surte Nödinge 30 November 1883, accompanied by Sofia Andersson (age 38) and Sofia's three children—Oscar, age 11; Gottfrid, age 6; and Gustav, age 4. Their destination was Streator, IL. Virginia C. Steele, Dorothy M. Bolard and Phyllis J. Peterson are probably related to Gustava.

3. Gustav Samuelson was b. in Kareby Parish 2 February 1864. He left from Surte Nödinge for New York on 11 July 1887. Violet Arendal, Linnéa C. Hill, and Carl Samuelson are probably related to Gustav.

I am very interested in contacting living relatives in the U.S. Can anyone help me?

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