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News from the Swenson Center

Swedish American Newspapers

– Coming Fall 2016!

The Swedish American Newspaper Project is a multi-year collaborative project to digitize and make available online Swedish-language newspapers published in the United States. Over 300,000 pages of Swedish American newspapers have already been digitized, and at the project's end will be available through a bi-lingual website that will also provide search, text cor-

rection, and annotation tools, in addition to being a rich resource for scholarly research on Swedish American history.

The Swedish American Newspaper Project is a collaboration between the Minnesota Historical Society, the National Library of Sweden (*Kungliga Biblioteket*), the American Swedish Institute, and the Swenson Swedish Immigration Research

Center at Augustana College, Rock Island, Illinois and is funded by the Marcus and Marianne Wallenberg Foundation, the *Riksbankens Jubileumsfond*, and the Barbro Osher Pro Suecia Foundation.

(Information: Minnesota Historical Society web site [<http://www.mnhs.org/newspapers>])

List of newspapers that will be available:

Arbetaren (Cadillac, Mich.) 1890-1904
Facklan (Chicago, Ill.) 1921-1922
Gamla och nya hemlandet (Chicago, Ill.) 1870-1914
Hemlandet det gamla och det nya (Galesburg Ill.; Chicago, Ill.) 1855-1870
Justitia (Chicago, Ill.) 1871
Nordstjernen (New York, N.Y.) 1872-1966
Ny tid (Chicago, Ill.; New York, N.Y.) 1922-1936
Nya svenska amerikanaren (Chicago, Ill.) 1873-1877
Omaha-posten (Omaha, Neb.) 1904-1954
Pacific tribune (Seattle, Wash.; Tacoma, Wash.; Portland, Ore.) 1903-1914
Scandinavia (Worcester, Mass.) 1887-1918

Svea (Worcester, Mass.) 1897-1966
Svenska Pacific tribunen (Seattle, Wash.) 1914-1946
Svenska amerikanaren (Chicago, Ill.) 1866-1873
Svenska amerikanaren (Chicago, Ill.) 1877-1914
Svenska amerikanaren (Chicago, Ill.) 1916-1936
Svenska amerikanaren hemlandet (Chicago, Ill.) 1914-1915
Svenska amerikanska posten (Minneapolis, Minn.) 1885-1940
Svenska folkets tidning (Minneapolis, Minn.; St. Paul, Minn.) 1881-1927
Svenska socialisten (Rockford, Ill.; Chicago, Ill.) 1905-1921

Svenska tribunen (Chicago, Ill.) 1877-1906
Svenska tribunen-nyheter (Chicago, Ill.) 1906-1936
Texas posten (Austin, Tex.) 1896-1982
Vestkusten (San Francisco, Calif.; Mill Valley, Calif.) 1887-2007
Vårt land (Jamestown, N.Y.) 1890-1920
Westerns tribun (Seattle, Wash.; Tacoma, Wash.) 1902-1903
Westra posten (Seattle, Wash.) 1889-1902

An example of what can be found:



Window from Svenska amerikanska posten, now in the American Swedish Institute, Minneapolis, MN. (Photo: E. Thorsell).

Information from Dag Blanck, director of the Swenson Center

The target date for the Swedish-American newspapers is 1 October.

They will be available through the MNHS website at no charge. We found the funding to do this so it would be free to all. The scanning was done at MKC (*Mediekonverteringscentrum*) in Fränsta, which is a part of *Riksarkivet*, the Swedish National Archives.

The look of the website will no doubt be similar to the English-language newspapers available through the MNHS.

Född på resande fot. Mr och mrs O. J. Peterson i Hettinger voro nyligen på väg till Miles City, N. D., då en ny världsmedborgare helt plötsligt såg dagens ljus i järnvägsvagnen. En mjölkningsmaskin af Hinnmans-typen har i dagarna installerats på Chas. Nelsons gård i Litchfield, Minn. Maskinen mjölkar tre kor på en gång och 24 kor i timmen samt kostar \$200. Bland de förmågor, som i lördags bidrogo til den stora fosterländska festen i Orchestra hall i Chicago var äfven tenorsångaren Albert Lindquist, hvilken föredrog några vackra stycken.

In this clipping a baby is born in a railway car when the parents travelled in North Dakota; a new milking machine in Minnesota; and about the success of a patriotic performance in Chicago, with opera singer Albert Lindquist. (Sorry, no date found).