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Svenska Nyheter, June 9, 1903.

[SVITHIOD SINGING CLUB'S CONCERT]

The Svithiod Singing Club will give a concert on Sunday, June 14. The income will be used to defray the expenses of the singers who are to represent the Club in the chorus at the Song Festival in Minneapolis, Minnesota, in July. At the concert, in addition to the chorus, the following will appear: Miss Sara Nordström, Mr. William Dahlén, Mr. Frank Barthen, August Anderson, J. Blomquist, and F. R. Franson.



Svenska Nyheter, June 2, 1903.

SWEDISH GLEE CLUB CONCERT

The concert given last Saturday evening at Music Hall by the Swedish Glee Club was a great success. The program was very well selected, and the various numbers were presented so as to keep up the high standing of this celebrated singing club. The applause was vigorous, and several extra numbers had to be given.

Besides the Glee Club, Mrs. Harriet Smulski, soprano, Professor John R. Ortengren, baritone, and Mr. Walter Schulze, violinist, participated on the program. Professor Emil Larson gave organ solos, and also accompanied the singers on the piano.



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Svenska Nyheter, Apr. 28, 1903.

CONCERT [BY TALENTED YOUNG SWEDE]

Carl Oscar Nelson, the promising young Swedish violinist, gave a concert last Saturday evening at Kimball Recital Hall, Wabash Avenue and Jackson Boulevard. Mr. Nelson is one of the most promising students of the Capone Violin School, located in the Kimball Building. The young Swedish singer, Miss Anna Nelson, assisted in the program. . . . The audience vigorously applauded the various numbers.

Mr. Nelson is only sixteen years old, but, undoubtedly, he shows unusual ability as a violinist. His playing indicated genius throughout. . . . In passing, it may be mentioned that the young violinist is son of Police Officer Olaf Nelson, 1010 North 43rd Avenue, one of the ablest members of our police force. Young Mr. Nelson is the director of Wicker Park Juvenile Orchestra, and he has already become known as composer of several numbers, which were highly commended by his instructor. We believe that the future holds much in store for the young violinist.

Svenska Tribunen, Apr. 22, 1903.

SWEDISH GLEE CLUB

The Swedish Glee Club will give a concert next Saturday evening at its quarters at 470 La Salle Ave. It is a well-known fact that this club ranks first in Chicago when it comes to presenting programs of songs and music, and it is rumored that this affair will be an excellent one.

The club will be assisted by the Concordia Ladies Quartet, Miss Etta C. Levin, Wm. Dohlin, and Joel Massberg.

They will sing songs by Soderman, Myrberg, Daring, and Hedenblod.

The Concordia will sing: "Coming Thru the Rye" and "La Serenata." The tickets are now on sale at fifty cents per person. A large attendance is expected.



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Svenska Tribunen, Apr. 8, 1903.

SWEDISH SINGING CLUB IN AMERICA

This singing club is expected to return to Chicago from Sweden according to information received by Olaf Nelson.

Solomon Smith, the great basso from Ystad, Sweden, will accompany the group to Chicago. It is certain that all lovers of song will enjoy his singing tremendously, and will take advantage of the opportunity to hear this great singer, who is scheduled to sing in Chicago on July 9. He will tour the Northwest, and will sing in Minneapolis on July 19. The Western Swedish Singing Club is giving a festival there on that date.



Svenska Tribunen, Jan. 14, 1903.

## SVITHIOD SINGING CLUB

Last Sunday this club gave a wonderful Minstrel Show at its quarters on Wrightwood Avenue. All seats were completely sold out, and not even standing room was available. The audience was immediately put into a good humor which lasted throughout the performance. The chorus opened with "When the Band Begins to Play," and continued with the following popular melodies: "Happy Hooligan," "Dinky Pink" from "Gambling Man," "Riddle Song," "Poor Little Moses," "Home Ain't Nothing Like This," "Foxy Grandpa," "Gas Pipe," "I'll Wed You in the Golden Summertime," "You'll Always Be the Same Sweet Girl to Me."

Many of the numbers won so much applause that the performers had to give several encores. The Svithiod Singing Club has had a great many brilliant entertainments, but this, in our opinion, was the very best. The Swedish people of Chicago are to be congratulated for having such players at their disposal.



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Svenska Tribunen, Jan. 7, 1903.

SVITHOID SINGING CLUB

The Svithoid Club will give its first offer in minstrelsy next Saturday at 8 P.M. The program will consist of two parts; the first will contain ten selections, namely: "Tantalizing Eyes," "Love's Sorrow," "Gambling Man," "The Riddle Song," "Home Ain't Nothing Like This," "Take Me for Thine Own," "Mr. Dooley," "In a Hundred Fathoms Deep," "Closing Chorus."

The second part will consist of "I'll Wed You in the Golden Summer Time," "You'll Always Be the Same Sweet Girl to Me," and the monologue "Kentucky Babe."

This is a very ambitious program which required a tremendous amount of



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Svenska Tribunen, Jan. 7, 1903.

planning and rehearsing.

The show will be given in the Club's elegant quarters at 1768 Wrightwood Avenue. The tickets cost but fifty cents. Due to the length of the program, the show will start promptly at 8 P.M. without the usual academical quarter hour of lost time.





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Svenska Tribunen, Dec. 31, 1902.

[GLEE CLUB]

The Swedish Glee Club's annual Christmas concert was held last Sunday at Bush Temple of Music ~~on~~ the North Side. The concert was a success!



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Svenska Tribunen, Nov. 26, 1902.

[ A CANTATA ]

The cantata "Jairi Dotter," by Stainer, was given at the Swedish Immanuel Church, Hobbie and Sedgwick Street last Wednesday. The cantata was successfully presented by soloists and the church choir.



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Svenska Tribunen, May 28, 1902.

[A BAZAAR]

Svithiod Singing Club's popular bazaar, called "Vernamo Marknad," was opened last Sunday at Ferris Wheel Park in the presence of a large crowd. Many imported articles from Sweden are for sale, sold by young beautiful ladies clad in national costumes. The committee in charge consisted of eighteen persons.



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Svenska Tribnen, Apr. 23, 1902.

SWEDISH CONCERT

Orphei Singing Club gave a successful concert last Saturday night at Spelz Hall, which was well filled. The program consisted of Swedish Folksongs and music by the Viking Orchestra.



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Svenska Tribunen, Apr. 2, 1902.

[ A SEXTET PRESENTED A PROGRAM ]

The Soderman Sextet appeared at the Svithiod Club Hall last Sunday, and presented an entertaining program. Most of the numbers they sang were Swedish folk songs. Frank Winter, violinist, assisted the singers.



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Svenska Tribunen, Mar. 5, 1902.

[CONCERT]

The Frithiof Singing Club directed by Mr. Ernest Lindblom gave its first public concert last Saturday night at Metropolitan Hall, and it was well attended. The Monitor Orchestra assisted the singers.



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Svenska Tribunen, Feb. 26, 1902.

[GLEE CLUB]

The Swedish Glee Club's masquerade last Saturday night was very successful. The meal was delicious, the music excellent, and the attendance good. There were many national costumes.



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Svenska Tribunen, Feb. 12, 1902.

[ANNIVERSARY]

Svithiod Singing Club celebrated its 9th annual festival at its hall at 1768 Wrightwood Ave. last Saturday night. Invitations were sent out only to men. An excellent dinner was served. Several speeches were made and the chorus sang.





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Svenska Tribunen, Dec. 18, 1901.

SWEDISH GLEE CLUB

The Swedish Glee Club held its first meeting for election of the following officers for 1902 recently:

Speaker: G. Bernard Anderson; vice-speaker: Arthur M. Nelson; secretary: Nels Aniding; recording secretary: Gust L. Swendson; treasurer: George W. Hertzman; librarian: P. S. Westerberg. The Board of directors are: William Dahlin, Gustaf Lundquist, Lawrence Hesselroth, G. A. Swanson, and Herman G. Nasberg.



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Svenska Tribunen, Dec. 4, 1901.

• HARMONY SINGING CLUB

The Harmony Singing Club under the able leadership of Ernest Lindblom, has already won popular acclaim in spite of the fact that it is hardly one year old.

The Club's last concert in Spitz Hall Saturday drew a large and representative audience. At this concert the Club sang: "Hear Us Svea," "Romance," "Rose in the Northern Woodland," "Airs From Sicilian Vespers," and "On The Mountain Rings The Bell."



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Svenska Tribunen, Dec. 4, 1901.

### CONCERT IN AUDITORIUM

Last Thursday, a concert was given in the Auditorium by the Central Lodges as a benefit for the Swedish Old Peoples' Home.

The program was very elaborate, and covered almost all phases of Swedish nationalism.

The "Bjorneborgs March," "On Narvas Plains," "On Polish Land On Leipzig's Plains," and "On Lutzens Hills," were marvelously executed, and it required some time to get back to realities. The hymn, "Native Land," sung by the Swedish Glee Club, brought much applause.

Senator William E. Mason, furnished the oratory for the occasion. Dr. C. A. Ervald spoke for Thanksgiving. His subject was the "Spirit of Giving." "Give and it shall be given unto you."



Svenska Tribunen, Dec. 4, 1901.

Doctor Ervald's talk embraced those simple truths, which cannot be heard too often, and yet are always new to its listeners. The evening of November 28 in the Auditorium will live in the memory of the audience for a long time.



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Svenska Tribunen, Oct. 23, 1901.

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THE LURAN SINGING CLUB

Will hold a social next Saturday night in Immanuel Church, Sedgwick and Hobbie streets.

Arrangements are also being made for a bazaar, which will be held in Phoenix Hall, on Division street, the last week in November.

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Svenska Tribunen, Oct. 2, 1901

GUNNAR WENNERBERG

A great concert in memory of the author-poet Gunnar Wennerberg was given in the Auditorium last Wednesday evening. Our countrymen thronged the massive Auditorium to hear the songs of Wennerberg by the Gunnar Wennerberg Chorus, numbering 690 members, and a large Men's Choir numbering 250, in which were included the very best soloists in Chicago.

The speaker was Dr. Gustaf Andren, well-known educator.



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Svenska Tribunen, Sept. 11, 1901.

**WENNERBERG'S MEMORIAL**

Last Saturday at the Sherman House a meeting of the Swedish Singing Union was called in order to make arrangements for a Memorial to the memory of Gunnar Wennerberg, the great Swedish composer who died recently.

Representatives of sixteen different churches and singing clubs were present. A committee was chosen to make plans and arrangements. Members of committee: John Spann, Wm. Dehlin, and M. Bergstrom. One of the



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resolutions passed was that this organization is to be known as the Swedish-American Gynnar Wennerberg Memorial Chorus of Chicago. The memorial will consist of a festival and concert, at which the dead composer's songs and melodies will be sung and played.

The proceeds will go towards the founding of a fund the disposition of which will later be determined by the committee.





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Svenska Tribunen, May 8, 1901.

**BENEFIT CONCERT**

p.11.....A benefit concert and ball will be given at Phoenix Hall, 324 East Division Street, Sunday afternoon, May 19 at 4:00 P.M. for the widow and children of Ernst Lindgren, deceased. Tickets are twenty-five cents per person.



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Svenska Tribunen, April 24, 1901.

**BJORGVIN SINGERS**

p. 11.....The Bjorgvin Singing Association will give its regular spring concert next Saturday evening at Wicker Park Hall.

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Svenska Tribunen, April 24, 1901.

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**CONCERT AND BALL**

p.11.....A pretentious concert and ball will be given by the Swedish Glee Club at their Club-House 470 LaSalle Avenue next Saturday evening. The club will present the beautiful songs "Hyttan er Lukket" by Kjernlf (Norwegian), "Sommar aftonen". (Summer's Eve) by Abt, "Freeman's Epistel, 64" by Bellman and "Kornmodsg Lansen" by Lange-Muller. Then Miss Mathilda L. Rose will give two piano soles. Miss Ida L. Linn, the singer, who appears in "Seeback" will contribute to the program. The latter singer and Mr. Wm. Dahlen will also sing L'Addio's duet, "Niccolai."

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Svenska Tribunen, Apr. 17, 1901.

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SWEDISH SONG  
(Editorial)

p.6.... Swedish song wins even greater recognition in America. This is witnessed by all our greater and lesser singing meets, and the singing conventions in various parts of the country. Under this heading belongs, also, the yearly music-week at Bethany College, at Lindsborg.

This week is called "The Messiah" week, since Handel's immortal oratorio, "The Messiah", is then presented. It has been given thirty-six times by the "Bethany Oratorio Association," a male chorus as well as a ladies' chorus, render other well-known tone-creations during this same festival week.

One of the numbers this year was Grieg's "Landkjenning" with orchestra accompaniment. Sixteen extra trains, besides the regular, brought people to the little Swedish town, and the net income is over \$2,000.

Svenska Tribunen, April.17,1901.

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In the month of July, one may expect something special in Jamestown, N.Y., when the country's best Swedish singers will assemble there at the great convention. The event is already awaited with eager interest. Yes, long live Swedish song!

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Svenska Tribunen, Apr.10,1901.

### THE ORPHEI SINGERS

p.11... The Orphei Singers, the boys out there at 1428 School St., who are recognized and praised both in Northern Chicago, and to a lesser extent in the South, realized that Easter Day ought to be celebrated in an oriental fashion.

To this end a large amount of eggs, and herring-salad were secured. Brass and string music furnished accompaniments to the festival. Singers, too, were engaged for the occasion. The event was characterized further by a mixture of ox-steak, and "Declaimers"; punch and potatoes; speakers and cherry wine. However, harmony reigned throughout the whole affair.

Happy boys and pretty girls danced to their hearts content to the music of the I.O.V. orchestra. The musicians seemed untiring; although each of its members danced occasionally too.



Svenska Tribunen, Apr. 10, 1901.

The singers sang at least a dozen songs. Their crisp tones had "summer warmth" of depth as their music rolled forth toward the egg devouring crowd. Enraptured by their beautiful tones, friend Hessel got his drink appetizer in his wind-pipe and Lindman sat enthralled and gaped, with a fish-bone in his throat. There was unforgettable expression in their eyes, too when Frithioff Malmquist read "Dobeln vid Jutas", a Swedish-Finnish poem by Runeberg. In fact, the entire crowd was strangely and deeply moved .

The charming feminine listeners were quiet a long time.. They really said nothing until Henrik Anderson sang **SOLDATGOSSEN** (The Soldier Boy) by Runeberg..

The program changed to other activities which were enjoyed far into the night and in the lesser holiday, the day after Easter.

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Svenska Tribunen, Apr. 3, 1901.

CONCERT BY VIKING MUSIC CORPS

p. 11. . . . A concert was given Saturday evening by the Viking Music Corps.

The Corps is well-known for its splendid music, and the lively boys had the satisfaction of playing to a large and enthusiastic audience. Of the seven numbers on the program four were rendered by the Music Corps. The other three were presented by Messrs. Harry Anderson and Gustaf Holm, whose renditions received warm applause.

A ball followed the concert program.



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Svenska Tribunen, March 13, 1901.

**CONCERT**

p.11.....A concert was given Saturday evening by the Svithiod Singers in their beautiful hall at 1768 Wrightwood Avenue, and by the new organization, North Shore Choral Union, of which Professor George A. Blackman is the director. The hall was practically filled.

The program consisted of twelve selected numbers, four of which were given by the Choral Union: "Song of Vikings." by Fanning, "Daybreak" by Gaul, "Swedish Wedding March" by Soderman, and "The Lost Chord" by Sullivan. The Svithiod Singers rendered "Sjemonnen" (The Sailor) by Jahnke, and others. Under the leadership of the popular Mr. John L. Svensen, their singing was, as usual, harmonious and sparkling.

Svenska Tribunen, Feb. 27, 1901.

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**IDUNA ACTIVITIES**

The Iduna Society has one of the largest membership enrollments. South Side Swedish societies has increased its membership due to the fact that the Singing Society Jephyr, has as a body, joined it and changed its name. It now calls itself Iduna Singing Club, and is still under Mr. G. Aschan's direction. It promises much in the future.

All singers who wish to join the club are invited to write or visit the new secretary, Mr. Erik D. Ytterberg, 6043 Morgan Street.

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Svenska Tribunen, Feb. 20, 1901.

**A SUCCESSFUL CONCERT**

p.11.....A successful chorus concert was given last Friday evening at St. Ansgarius Church under the direction of Joel Mossberg. The chorus was assisted by the singing society, Lyran, which under Mr. Dahlen's direction rendered three very fine numbers. There was a duet by Miss Anna Rosenquist and Mr. Mossberg. Mr. Gustaf Lindquist sang Gounod's grand tenor aria "Salve di mora" and Mr. Carl Lonnerblad, Fame's, "The Palms." An orchestra under Professor A. J. Newstrom's direction gave various numbers and even accompanied the chorus in David's 96th Psalm and "Gloria in Excelcis," by Mozart.

The concert was in all respects successful. The old temple was packed with a pleasant and applauding audience.

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Svenska Tribunen, Jan. 16, 1901.

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SVITHIOD SINGING CLUB.

p.11 - Especially successful was the Svithiod Singing Club's domino-ball last Saturday evening at the Club's hall, 1768 Wrightwood Ave. A large number of club members and their friends attended and in the joyous dance twenty-five pairs participated, all masqued.

Svenska Tribunen, Nov. 30, 1892.



**SWEDISH SINGERS OF AMERICA CONSOLIDATE**

Last Thursday, Thanksgiving Day, marks a new era in the history of Swedish singing in America. That date, Nov. 24th, 1892, gave birth to the American Union of Swedish Singers (Svenska Sangarforbundet i Amerika.)

This consolidation of the Swedish singers has grown out of a suggestion made some time ago by the Lyran Singing Society of New York. The plan was discussed by the many Swedish singing clubs in various parts of the country. Great enthusiasm was evinced and before long it was decided that an organizing meeting should be held. Because of Chicago's geographical location, this city was chosen as the place for the meeting. Delegates from societies numbering close to 400 persons attended this meeting.



Svenska Tribunen, Nov. 30, 1892.

This is only a beginning, however, as the indications clearly point to the fact that the rest of the societies will join, as soon as they find it practicable and possible. By next year, in July, when the Union will have its first singing festival, it is our guess that between two and three thousand Swedish singers shall visit our city and with their beautiful singing add to the ever-increasing prestige of the Swedish culture. The World's Fair will be a befitting background for this first annual festival of the American Union of Swedish Singers.

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Svenska Tribunen, February 24, 1892

**A UNITED SCANDINAVIAN MIXED CHORUS**

The recently organized Scandinavian Musical Society of Chicago is making an appeal through the Swedish newspapers of Chicago for members from the ranks of Swedish men and women in Chicago. Similar appeals are published in the Danish and Norwegian papers. The president of the Society is Niels Juul, a Dane, and secretary our countrywoman Mrs. Otilia Myhrman.

The object of this society is to have a membership of about four hundred men and women. It is intended to become a permanent institution, but its immediate aim is to obtain a mixed chorus of this size for participation in musical events to be staged during the coming World's Fair, at which songs by exclusively Scandinavian composers will be presented by the chorus. Conductor of the chorus is the eminent Danish musician, Prof. August Nyllsted.

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Chicago Tribune, July 26, 1891.

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SWEDISH GLEE CLUB CONCERT

The Swedish Glee Club assisted by Prof. Adolph Rosenbecker's military band gave a Bellman concert last night in Thielman's Park on the north shore. Carl Michael Bellman, the greatest composer of Sweden is annually honored by the Swedish singing societies by the holding of a Bellman festival, in which his work alone is rendered.

The Glee Club has just returned from Minneapolis, where the members distinguished themselves and were presented a silver drinking horn by the citizens of that city in recognition of their excellence.

The club under the direction of Prof. John A. Ortengren, rendered the following numbers : 1. Navarande Parter. 2. Joarchim ute Babylon. 3. Subben ar Sourmal. 4. Magistraten I Telge. 5. Blassenu Alla. 6. Aldrigen Iris. 7. Fader Berg I Hornet Stotes. 8. Mollberg Parad.



[ORION TO GIVE FREE CONCERT]

The popular Swedish Orion Male Quartet will give a free concert next Sunday, June 1, in the Finstad Pavilion at the corner of North and California Avenues. A first-class orchestra will assist, and there will be other forms of entertainment. As stated above, there will be no admission charge, and all Swedish lovers of good singing should take advantage of this opportunity.



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Svenska Tribunen, Aug. 1, 1889.

SACRED CONCERT

The Sacred Concert in St. Auggarius Swedish Episcopal Church last Friday was given by Miss Alma Hultkrantz and Mr. and Mrs. Arveschou, assisted by The Swedish Singing Society, Freja, Normaendenes Singing Society, and the Singing Society, Bjorgvin.

The numbers were unusually well chosen and two hundred persons attended the concert.

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Svenska Tribunen, March 31, 1888.

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CONCERT BY SVITHIOD

A concert given by Svithiod Society at Turner Hall last Saturday attracted 1,200 people. The program was unusually well arranged, and one of the best ones held among the Swedes in Chicago for a long time.....

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Svenska Tribunen, Jan. 8, 1887.

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SWEDISH SINGING SOCIETY.

The Swedish Singing Society presented a good program before a large audience at its first concert at Brand's Hall last Thursday night.

The new choir, twenty-two men strong, sang several Swedish folksongs under the direction of John L. Svenson.

The public was appreciative and enthusiastically rewarded the choir with hearty applause. ...

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Svenska Tribunen, Jan. 3, 1883.

**SWEDISH CONCERT.**

The Freja Choral Society gave a concert last Saturday night at Turner Hall on the North Side in the presence of four hundred people. The program was well chosen.

Waldemar Torssel from Boston, pianist, played one of his own compositions, Polka di concerto. Miss Lehder and Mr. Pallin sang the duetto from Figaros Wedding .

The Freja Chorus sang and then everybody present was invited to dance which lasted until the early hours of the morning.

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Svenska Kuriren, April 7, 1927

## AMBULATORY SWEDISH ART EXHIBIT

The Swedish Art Exhibit will be transferred to Chicago, where it will be housed in the Art Institute. The formal opening will take place on Aug. 15th, and the exhibit is scheduled to last at least two months.

In New York where the objects were on public view at the Metropolitan Museum of Art, the exhibit created sensational attention.

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Svenska Tribunen-Nyheter, Sept. 7, 1921.

SWEDISH ARCHITECT AS ARTIST

For a number of years, architect Hugo Westerberg has contributed sketches with a variety of motifs, chiefly in a humorous vein, to the Yearbook of the Swedish Engineering Society, and many of those who have seen them have felt that the creator of those delightful drawings is a genuine artist who just does not care to take his talents seriously.

But it seems that Mr. Westerberg is finally beginning to get serious about it. Last Friday he opened an exhibit in the Walton Book Shop on Plymouth Court. The exhibit consists of eighteen etchings, with a great variety of motifs, indicating that his skill is not of the one-track variety. Every one of the eighteen etchings are remarkable for their finesse and technical perfection. The exhibit is attracting much attention.

It is a fine beginning and we hope that Mr. Westerberg will continue his

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Svenska Kuriren, Jan. 22, 1920.

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ART EXHIBIT AT SWEDISH CLUB

The ninth Swedish-American Art exhibit at the Swedish Club will be held from March 27 to April 4. This year's exposition takes place rather earlier than usual.

We wish to mention that the opportunity to participate in this exhibition is open to all Swedish-American artists, and that announcement cards may be obtained from Mr. Axel Hulten, 523 Plymouth Court, Chicago, Ill.

This year's exhibition committee is composed of John E. Ericsson, Peter Ericsson, Marcus Gustavson, Max Hedman, Axel Hulten, Walter Jones, B. O. Larson, John S. Meck, O. C. Nylund, Charles S. Peterson, and Eric Warner.

The number of prizes and the list of the judges selected will be published at a later date in the press.

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This exhibit differs from the eight previous in that most of the exhibited work will become permanent exhibition material to be sent to the East, first to New York and Brooklyn, and later to Sweden, where it will be shown in the larger cities as an evidence of what the Swedish-American painters are able to do in the realm of art. It should be pointed out that it has been decided not to take sculptural works to Sweden. The tour of the art exhibit throughout the East will be under the patronage of the American-Scandinavian Foundation, and the auspices of the Swedish-American Institute in Sweden. In order to make this exposition as representative and complete as possible, it has been arranged to take along not only the more recent art works but also such art creations as have been previously exhibited and proved to be the best the artists have put upon the canvas. Many of these art works are now privately owned, but it is believed it will be possible to prevail upon the owners to loan them for the sake of the good cause. These formerly

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exhibited works will not be shown at the Swedish Club this year, but after the regular exhibition, a jury will be chosen to select those works which they consider worthy of being taken along to the East and to the old homeland. It is to win time for the tour of the exhibition to Sweden, that the exposition at the Swedish Club is given earlier this year.

Art creations produced in the East need not necessarily be sent to the exhibit in Chicago.

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Svenska Kuriren, Mar. 21, 1918.

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SWEDISH SCULPTURE EXHIBITION

(Editorial)

The well-known Swedish sculptor, Karl Haag, has lately been the object of much flattering attention from critics and art lovers in connection with the beautifully arranged exhibition of his work at the Art Institute. The exhibition includes twenty-five pieces, and should be seen by every one who has not as yet become acquainted with Mr. Haag's artistic ability.

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Svenska Kuriren, May 8, 1913.

THE SWEDISH CLUB'S ART EXHIBITION

(Editorial)

The exhibition of the Swedish Art Club seems very peculiar to us. We tried hard to find out what the idea was with most of the paintings. This was very hard to do in some instances. On one painting, we only recognized some foggy color spots. But Zorn's "Peasant Girl" was a master piece.



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Svenska Amerikanaren, Apr. 21, 1908.

SWEDISH MAY FEST

The well-known Swedish artist, Charles Hallberg, intends to hold a display of his best and newest paintings at Austin Library Hall, Corner of Waller and Lake St. on the 15th and 16th of May.

On the first evening an English program will be given the large number of Americans who are interested in Hallberg's work. But on Saturday evening, May 16, a Swedish musical program will be presented. Anna S. Swanson will speak about Swedish American plays and music.

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Svenska Tribunen, Aug. 13, 1902.

A SWEDISH-AMERICAN ARTIST

A newspaper in Gothenburg, Sweden, Goteborg's Handels-och Sjöfarts Tidning, recently sent here, is using the above headline for a sympathetic article concerning our well-known countryman, the marine artist Charles Hallberg, of Chicago, who is now visiting his native city, Gothenburg. The paper praises Mr. Hallberg for his talent as a marine painter, because he has never had any instruction to exercise his talents. He is only lead by his natural intelligence and his experience as a seaman for many years. He was "discovered" by one of the world's most prominent Swedish artists, Anders Zorn, whose influence made it possible for Hallberg to exhibit two of his paintings at the Chicago Art Institute.





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Svenska Tribunen-Nyheter, Dec. 4, 1929.

NEW SWEDISH THEATER COMPANY IN CHICAGO

A new Swedish theater company has just been formed here, the members of which represent the best Swedish talent in the city. It has been named the Swedish Folk Theater, and its president is Carl Stockenberg. Thore Osterberg is its secretary.

Among the well-known actors and actresses which have signed up are Paul Norling and Arvid Nelson, Ragnild Lindstrom and Elna Kronberg.

After the start of the new year, the company will offer a series of new Swedish plays. It has acquired the rights to present all the plays which have had successful runs in Sweden during the last few years.

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Svenska Kuriren, Nov. 11, 1926

**BENEFIT PERFORMANCE BY SWEDISH THEATRICAL SOCIETY**

Fifty years as an amateur actress is well worth boasting of, but boasting is not in the "make-up" of Mrs. Ida Anderson-Werner, popular member and star performer of the "Swedish Theatrical Society." As a little child in Sweden she partook in a play entitled "Syrsan" (The Cricket), and ever since her coming here in 1892, she has been identified with Swedish amateur theatricals and entertainments in general.

A benefit performance will be given for her at the Goodman Theatre, Sunday, Nov. 28th, at 8 P.M. That night she will play in "Syrsan" again, but her role will not be the original one of a small child.

The performance is being given under the auspices of the "Swedish Theatrical Society of Chicago."

Svenska Kuriren, Oct. 7, 1926

Adv.

CHICAGO SWEDISH THEATRICAL SOCIETY

Presents

Varmlandingarna

at the

Auditorium Theatre

Sunday, Oct. 24, 8 P.M.

with guest appearance of

FOLKE ANDERSON

from the Stockholm Royal Opera House

in the role of

"ERIK"

Helen Anderson from Minneapolis as "Anna"

Thora Wiberg from Stockholm, Sweden, as "Britta"

Thore Osterberg from Gothenburg, Sweden, as "Anders"

Ernst Behmer, Director

Tickets:

Box Seats \$2.50; main floor \$2

Balcony \$1.50 and \$1

Tax additional. Gallery \$.75 and \$.50

Svenska Kuriren, March 12, 1925

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**THEATRICAL EVENING**

Legitimate stage acting--not a film. Rockford Dramatic League presents Gustaf af Geijerstam's popular comedy, "Svarfar" (The Father-in-Law), four acts, full of laughter and wit, Sunday, March 22, at 4 P.M., at Midway Masonic Temple, 6115 Cottage Grove Avenue. Dancing after the program. Tickets \$1.10-- In advance 83 cents.



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SWEDISH

Svenska Kuriren, Jan. 27, 1916.

PLAN THEATRICAL PROGRAM

The Swedish Womens Club will give theatrical program and ball on Sunday January 30, 4:00 o'clock P. M. at Lake View Hall, Clark Street. The theatrical number will be a one act comic play.



Svenska Kuriren, Nov. 11, 1915.

[GOOSE FESTIVAL]

Skanska 'Gillet (Scania Club) last Saturday celebrated its annual goose festival, this time in the hall of the Swedish Club. The fact of the Scanians choosing the Swedish Club as their hall of celebration may be significant; the Scanians may be realizing that they, too, are Swedes.

The most important part of the celebration in which about two-hundred Scanians took part, was of course the traditional goose dinner preceded by the equally traditional black soup and followed by the rice pudding, a common desert in Scania. In addition, there was the Scania liquor, odsakra. For the Scanians, food means a great deal, and the food offered at the celebration was truly delicious.



Svenska Kuriren, Nov. 11, 1915.

After the dinner, the speeches began, most of them in true Scanian dialect, and they were well received and applauded.

Not until far into the night did the celebrants make their way homeward, all agreeing that it was the best Scanian celebration of many a long year.





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Svenska Kuriren, Oct. 14, 1915.

[SWEDISH PLAY A SUCCESS]

The Swedish Dramatic Society presented the "Vermlandingarne", last Sunday evening to a crowded house.

Most things here in the world are subject to the wear of time, to decay, but among things that last long, at least, is evidently Dahlgren's play. Here in Chicago, at least, the play has evidently not lost its attraction for the public. All the players did their work well, and besides the play, the evening offered some fine numbers in singing, and dancing by members of the dance club "Skansen".

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Svenska Kuriren, Oct. 7, 1915.

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THE THREE SWEDISH HEROES IN "THE SPOILERS"

Most of our countrymen have probably seen the mighty biographical drama "The Spoilers." And no one can deny that the drama is effective, but only few, we think, are aware that at the very origin of the drama stands a poor Swedish boy - and that those who found the first rich gold mines in Alaska where now is situated the city of Nome and where occurred the development around which the drama is built, were all of them born in Sweden and Norway. The poor Swedish boy in the drama is said to be the well known Alaska millionaire A. E. Lindblom, now living in San Francisco.

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Svenska Kuriren, Oct. 22, 1914.

SWEDISH THEATER SOCIETY PRESENTS FOLK PLAY

The Swedish Theater Society will present its first large performance of this season at the Blackstone Theater, Sunday, November 1, when a Swedish folk story, now dramatized, called "Ljungby Horn," will be given on the stage. Many prominent artists will appear in this play.



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Svenska Kuriren, Aug. 20, 1914.

THE SWEDISH DRAMATICAL SOCIETY

The Swedish Dramatical Society, directed by Ernst Behmer, will start the theater season Sunday, September 20, at Bush Temple Theater and give a Swedish folk farce called "Vermlandingarne."



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Svenska Kuriren, July 30, 1914.

THE SWEDISH NATIONAL SOCIETY

On last Sunday, the Swedish National Society celebrated the memory of the great Swedish folk poet, Carl Michael Bellman. A folk feast was arranged at Forest Park, attended by a large crowd of our countrymen. A Swedish folk farce, called "En Afton Pa Tre Byttor", was presented, and the Swedish Singing Society, directed by Ernst Lindblom, participated on the program, also The Swedish National Dancers.



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Svenska Kuriren, Dec. 16, 1911.

BRUSELL'S SWEDISH THEATER GROUP

The Illinois Lodges of the Order of Vasa presented last Sunday, a Swedish comedy: "Detskadar inte," by Frans Hedberg. It was played by Brusell's Swedish Theater Group.



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Svenska Kuriren, Nov. 18, 1911.

[SWEDISH FARCE A SUCCESS]

The Swedish Dramatical Society recently presented a Swedish farce at the Chicago Opera House: "Sten Stensson Stenfrau Eslof." Elis Olson, an actor from Stockholm, Sweden, played the leading role. The house was sold out a week ahead.



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Svenska Kuriren, Oct. 14, 1911.

THE SWEDISH THEATER SOCIETY

The Swedish Theater Society opened its 20th season last Sunday at the Lyric Theater, and presented "Vermlandingarne" before an appreciative audience, which filled the theater to its capacity.



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Svenska Amerikanaren, Nov. 1, 1908.

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### THEATRE SEASON TO OPEN

The Swedish Theatre will be presented once a month by the Swedish Dramatic Actors under the auspices of the Swedish National Society. The season will open on October 4 with the play "Varmlandingarn" at the Garrick Theatre. That which in particular will draw the Swedish public to this performance is Anna Pfeil, playing the part of "Anna." It is three years since Mrs. Pfeil moved from Chicago with best wishes from her admirers. She will surely receive a warm welcome.

Mrs. Pfeil is also going to play a part in the unique play "Rospeggarna," which is making its first appearance in the U.S.A. at the Garrick on Sunday, October 11. At the beginning of these performances a group of Skansendansarna from Stockholm will perform. These should fill the house both times.

Svenska Kuriren, Mar. 28, 1908.

"GAMLA STOCKHOLM" (OLD STOCKHOLM)

A play, "Gamla Stockholm," is presented by the Svithiod Singing Club in its hall at 1768 Wrightwood Avenue. The play is attracting a large crowd every night, and is very unique. Here, we recognize several parts imitated from original sections of Stockholm, Sweden, such as "Skomakarekallaren", "Operaterassen", "Bellmansro", "Japanska kafeet", and other places.



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Svenska Kuriren, Mar. 28, 1908.

THE SWEDISH DRAMATICAL SOCIETY

Under the auspices of the Swedish National Society, the Swedish Dramatical Society presented "Flickani Stadsgarden," by Aug. Blanche last Saturday. The women's quartet, Linnea, Rosa Pearson, and Ernest Lindblom also appeared on the stage.



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Svenska Kuriren, Feb. 1, 1908.

THE SWEDISH THEATER SOCIETY

Last Sunday night, the Swedish Theater Society presented a new comedy at the Grand Opera House called "Herrskapoch Tjanstefolk," with motives from Stockholm's social life.



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Svenska Kuriren, Dec. 21, 1907.

**THE SWEDISH THEATER SOCIETY**

The Swedish Theater Society will present a folk festival play called "Vermlandingarne," in six acts together with song and dancing. The play was written by F. A. Dahlgren, and is to be given on New Year's Day, January 1, 1908, at 8 P.M., at the North Side Turner Hall.

National Folk dances will be presented by the Philochorus Society, and a grand New Year's Ball will be arranged after the performance.



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Svenska Kuriren, July 6, 1907.

SWEDISH SUCCESS ON AMERICAN STAGE

**Miss** Hilda Englund came to America five years ago. Prior to that time, she appeared on the stage, where besides her mother-tongue, Swedish, she could speak the German, Russian, and French languages fluently. She was also able to speak English fluently six months after her arrival in the United States, says her press agent. She has been offered several tempting engagements from several smaller theater companies during the first two years of her stay here, but she refused. Instead, she plunged into studies intensively so she could be prepared to undertake more demanding parts on the **dramatical stage**. She has now appeared at the Berkely Lyceum during the last two years, and has been well received by the public and critics. She won her first glory on the Anglo-American stage in a play called "On the Road." She played a difficult part at the Carnegie Lyceum in Cooppees "Pater Noster."



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Svenska Kuriren, May 18, 1907.

SWEDISH THEATER

Miss Ida Ostergren, assisted by members from the Swedish Theater Society appeared in Henrik Ibsen's "Ett Dockhem" at Music Hall last Saturday. Miss Ostergren played the role of "Nora," the leading character in the play.



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Svenska Kuriren, Apr. 20, 1907.

THE SWEDISH THEATER SOCIETY

The Swedish Theater Society presented "Rosenpa Tistelton" by Emilie Flygare-Carlen, at the Grand Opera House last Sunday. It was dramatized by Maurits Cramer, picturing the life among the fishermen in Bohuslan, Sweden, but judging from the performance, Mr. Cramer did not seem to have good luck with his dramatization. Most of the players performed their best, but the play was monotonous, sad, and without any really dramatical points. The attendance was good, but the public seemed bored.





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Svenska Kuriren, Feb. 9, 1907.

[PRESENT SWEDISH PLAY]

The Swedish Theatre Society, gave a performance, last Sunday night, at the Garrick Theatre. It was "Pelle Gronlunds Bryggeri," by S. Kinmanson. All the artists deserve credit for doing their best and the public was satisfied.



Svenska Tribunen-Nyheter, Oct. 16, 1906.

[SWEDISH THEATRICAL CLUB PRESENTS "CARL XII"]

The Swedish Theatrical Club of Chicago, under the direction of Brussels and Behmers, on Sunday, presented Johan Borjeson's well-known historical drama, "Carl XII", at the Grand Opera House.

Before the curtain went up, the house was full, and during the well presented play thunderous rounds of applause greeted the players, who all deserve special mention.

Special mention is deserved also by Ida Ostergren as "Anna;" Sarah Mordstrom as "Rhoda D'Elleville;" Carl Liljegren as "Brunnerus," the Salem chaplain; and Ernest Behmer as "Carl XII."

The chorus numbers in the play were presented by the Orphei Sangarklubb



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(Orpheus Singing Club [a male chorus]).

- The Chicago Swedish colony looks forward to other presentations promised by the Theatrical Club.



Svenska Tribunen, Apr. 10, 1906.

SWEDISH DRAMATIC CLUB SPONSORS PLAY

Master Smith Eller Aristokrater Aro Vi Alla (Mr. Smith or Aristocrats are We All) by Johan Jolins proved a perfect success on Sunday evening when it was presented by the Svenska Dramatiska Sällskapet (Swedish Dramatical Club) at the Garrick Theatre. The fact that the house was not full as expected was doubtless the result of the stormy weather which kept thousands at home.

The presentation of this drama was exceptional in that every role was played so perfectly that nothing was left to be desired. The Chicago Swedish colony is prouder than ever of its own Dramatic Club. The four leading roles were played by: John Lindhagen as "Jacob Smith;" Ida Ostergren as "Helena," the daughter of Smith; Sara Nordstrom, as "Gertrud," another daughter of Smith, and Ernest Behmer as "Lieut. Henning," Helena's fiance.

We trust the Club will repeat the performance at a time when the weather will be more favorable, as we feel that the Play will then draw a capacity audience which will heartily enjoy every minute of the performance.



Svenska Tribunen, Mar. 20, 1906.

SWEDES SCORE DRAMATIC SUCCESS

On Sunday, March 18, the Svenska Dramatiska Selskapet (Swedish Dramatic Society) presented a high class Swedish historical drama by Zacharius Topelius, at the Garrick Theatre, entitled "Gustaf II Adolf och Regina von Emmeritz." The well-known historical event drew a full house for the opening show, and was given unstinted applause throughout the evening.

Miss Ida Ostergren, who made her first Chicago appearance, thoroughly won the audience with her great talent and a wonderful personality, as she played the part of "Regina von Emmeritz," the leading feminine role.

The leading male character "Gustaf II Adolf" (Gustaf Adolf II) was played by Carl Liljigren, who proved his ability to handle high grade roles in an excellent manner, the equal of any professional, and second to none. The entire cast was exceptionally well presented by the home talent players, all members of the Society.



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A storm of applause is always welcomed and encouraging, but there is one thing most desirable: that the entire audience would use more discretion as to when the applause should be given. Sectional outbursts disturb both the players and the appreciative portion of the audience.



Svenska Nyheter, Dec. 12, 1905.

"PER OLSON AND HIS SPOUSE"

The play "Per Olson and His Spouse" a thoroughly enjoyable farce, will be presented at the North Side Turner Hall on Sunday, January 14. The foremost Swedish theatrical forces will assist. The play has been presented in Chicago only twice, but each time to a crowded house, and in both instances, the public was in a state of complete ecstasy from start to finish. It seems rather strange, therefore, that so long a time should have been permitted to elapse before any of our enterprising theatrical companies decided to give the people the kind of play they so evidently want: a chance to laugh for two full hours.



Svenska Nyheter, Dec. 5, 1905.

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**"ANDERSSON, PETTERSSON, AND LUNDSTROM"**

The Swedish Dramatic Society had the pleasure last Sunday afternoon of playing to a full house at the Garrick Theater. The Society presented the old inimitable popular farce, "Andersson, Pettersson, and Lundstrom," by Frans Hedell. Because of the scenic facilities at the Garrick Theater and Mr. Fritz Schoultz's well-known ability where costumes are concerned, the effect of the play was greatly enhanced. This was especially noticed in the first and the last scenes. A certain degree of stage fright was noticeable at the start in the three principal figures, but this gradually disappeared as the play progressed, and the carpenter apprentice Andersson, played by Werner Melinder, the tailor apprentice Pettersson, played by Carl Liljegren, and last, but not least, the jolly shoemaker apprentice, Lundstrom, played by Ernst Behmer, gave evidence that the actors understood their roles correctly. The same may be said of Ernest Lindblom, Ernst Ekberg, Carl Milton, C. Sheldon, and John Milton, in their various roles. Wilma Sundberg-Stern, representing the



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fairy of fortune in the first, second, and sixth scenes, was perhaps more fortunate in regard to costume than to acting, but as Andersson's girl in the fifth scene, she was superb. Sara Nordstrom and Sigrid Lindberg also made the best possible out of their respective roles. The nymphs, the trolls, and the dwarfs, acted quietly and in a traditional manner, and the peasants danced in great style. Lundstrom's ditty in the third act about the "Revolution of the Norwegians"....was quite quick in places, but on the whole it seemed rather tame. There was considerable applause, however, at a few high points in the song. Among the various scenes, the fifth deserves most praise for warmth of execution throughout. The music was played in an irreproachable manner by Meck's orchestra. Of course there was plenty of applause and curtain calls.....

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Svenska Nyheter, Nov. 7, 1905.

AMATEUR PLAY

"Anderson, Petterson, and Lundstrom," the most popular and the funniest of all farces will be presented by the Swedish Dramatic Society at its matinee at Garrick Theatre, Sunday December 3, at 3 P.M.



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Svenska Nyheter, Oct. 17, 1905.

SWEDISH THEATRE

Supported by all the forces of Swedish Dramatic Society, Mr. Carl Liljegren will present "Uncle Knut from Norrkoping" at the Northside Turner Hall, Sunday, October 29. As the readers know, the play was presented here in the city about a month ago, and then utterly thrilled the people. The play is entertaining throughout, with an attractive moral background. No lover of the Swedish theatre ought to neglect this occasion to witness the play with its inimicable "Uncle Knut," played by Mr. Liljegren himself.



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Svenska Nyheter, Sept. 26, 1905.

SWEDISH THEATRE

(Review)



Last Saturday, the Swedish Dramatic Society, under the direction of Ernst Behmer, gave a four-act play, "Uncle Knut from Norrkoping," at Music Hall. The play is originally French, and has been translated into Swedish by Mr. Behmer, with some alterations. The play is a farce, entertaining and interesting throughout, full of action and rich in quick verbal exchanges. On the whole, it would have been better, however, if one or more jolly exchanges had been omitted, the piece would have gained thereby. The total impression of the play was good. The role of the benevolent "Henrik Brandes," who is always anxious about the affairs of others, was presented by Ernst Behmer in a very satisfactory manner, but in the third act when he changed characters, having

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put on the spectacles of "Uncle Knut," he should have needed to make the change more definite, even in the matter of make-up. The philanthropist could not quite give way to the misanthropist, and especially did the scene at the wife's desk appear somewhat insipid. Carl Liljegren presented "Uncle Knut"....one of the characters who suspects everything and everybody, and whose only aim in life is to make money. Liljegren mastered the task with little difficulty, and was rewarded with applause. Leopold Kjellman (the son of "Uncle Knut") has retrograded since last we saw him on the stage. He tried, again and again, but could not win his public. Werner Melinder,.... as the first lover, left much to be desired, but then his object of love was a veritable piece of ice, Miss Anna Anderson (the daughter of "wholesaler Ahlengren"). John Melin was not unsuitable in his role as clerk, and Carl Milton was good as "Shoemaker Sundquist." Mrs. Augusta Milton....did not appear to us to have understood her role; a disdainful smile hovered on her lips when the smile should have been sweet as honey. Mr. C. Sheldon.... Werner Melinder, and Anna Anderson, had learned their lessons by heart.

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"ON THE EVE OF VALBORGMASS"

The well-known farce, "On the Eve of Valborgmass," by Frans Hedberg will be presented by the Swedish Theatrical Society, at Grand Opera House, on Sunday, October 22, at 8 P.M. The director is Chris. Brusell. The piece is one of the best and most greatly appreciated dramatical works by the beloved author. Earlier presentations of the play by the Swedish Theatrical Society give guarantee of satisfactory performances.



Svenska Nyheter, Aug. 29, 1905.

NEWS FROM THE THEATRES



The Swedish Dramatic Society, under leadership of Mr. Ernst Behmer, will open its season on Saturday September 23, at the Music Hall in the Fine Arts Building on Michigan Avenue. . . . On this occasion the farce, "Uncle Knut from Norrkoping," will be presented for the first time in America. On account of unexpected circumstances, this first presentation by the company cannot be given as planned at Illinois Theatre, and for that reason, the Music Hall has been engaged especially for this occasion. During the season, future plays by the Society will be given at the Illinois Theatre as in former seasons. The play to be presented on Saturday is new, and is of the most interesting character, a farce of the first class, well written, with scenes of varying features, of irresistible jollity, but is also of touching seriousness and sadness.

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Svenska Nyheter, Feb. 28, 1905.

[ "LAUGHTER AND TEARS" ]

(Summary)

[Translator's note: Summary of reply by Dr. Anna Holm to G. W.'s criticism in an earlier issue of the Nyheter on the play "Laughter and Tears" staged by the Swedish Theatrical Association.]

According to Dr. Holm, the criticism by G. W. of the performers appearing in the play has been resented by many. The exhibition was performed by amateurs, and the reviewer should have considered them as amateurs and not as great professional actors and actresses. Especially does Dr. Holm object to the reviewer's remarks about Miss Brusell. The type of criticism employed by G. W. leads Dr. Holm to ask somewhat caustically whether G. W. may not have developed too strongly physically and too slightly mentally for the task he had undertaken. The hearty and frequent applause by the large audience present at the play furnishes proof to Dr. Holm that the acting was good, and she extends



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a hearty welcome to the theatrical group.

[Translator's note: In a note below the letter from Dr. Holm, G. W. states that, as Dr. Holm finds him lacking in mentality it would be no use for him to answer her reply to his review.

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Svenska Nyheter, Feb. 21, 1905.

[ IN THE WORLD OF PLEASURE ]

(Summary of Review by G. W-n.)

The place was Grand Opera House; the play was Johan Jolin's "Laughter and Tears"; the producer was the Swedish Theatrical Company; the time was last Sunday evening.

The play itself is nearly half a century old, but its quick, playful dialogues seem to have lost but little of their power to take hold of the public. But the presentation! "Oh you hard, cold world!"

- The player who did his work best was undoubtedly Mr. Schycker. His "Hybinette" was a nearly perfect presentation, but then this role was about the simplest



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to enact. Miss Brusell's "Agnes Brand" was rather miserable; her diction was bad - one got the impression that an old, toothless woman was speaking. Miss Brusell intends to take up a theatrical career. I believe the kindest advice to her is, "Don't"!

Mr. Behmer made me doubt that his somewhat reputed dramatic talent exists; his "Ferdinand" became a cheap clown.

Mr. Brusell as the landowner "Oliphant" was good, and gained great applause. "Augusta," the wife, a prim and not very lovable lady, was played excellently in every detail.

Mr. Lindblom made an excellent presentation of "Assessor Togeson." But the



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assessor's son "Bernhard" was played badly. Mr. Fernlundh did not master his role. Mr. Carl Liljegren played surprisingly well, and Mr. Bolling, need not feel ashamed of his play, but his role was insignificant.



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Svenska Nyheter, Jan. 10, 1905.

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SWEDISH DRAMATIC SOCIETY PRESENTS FARCE

On Sunday, January 15, at 8 o'clock P.M., the Swedish Dramatic Society will present the farce *Oregrund Osthammer* at the Illinois Theatre. The president of the Society, Ernst Behmer, has selected such players as have won a name for themselves in the Swedish theatrical world, so one has reason to anticipate a good performance. The play is full of laughter, and no one should fail to see it.

Svenska Nyheter, Mar. 1, 1904.

SWEDISH NATIONAL ASSOCIATION AT THE AUDITORIUM

(Review of Play)



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The famous work by Jules Verne, "Around the World in Eighty Days," has been dramatized in several languages, one of these the Swedish.....From Sweden, the piece has been transplanted to Swedish-American soil, and how well it has thrived here may be testified to by all the three thousand people who, on last Thursday, attended the presentation of the Play at the Auditorium. The Swedish National Association had undertaken the task of presenting it, and the Association fulfilled this task in a brilliant way. No expenses had been considered too great for the realistic reproduction of scenery, of that one became aware from the very start.

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As to the presentation itself, it may be said in general that the various actors gave a very satisfactory interpretation of their roles.

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Between the second and third acts, the audience had the pleasure of listening to singing by Miss Beulah West, and the enthusiasm over her songs was great. The audience simply would not stop applauding.

In closing, it needs to be stated that the orchestra, under the direction of Professor J. S. Meck, contributed largely to the prevalence of joyfulness throughout the evening. To the Swedish National Association, we wish to call out a loud da capo.



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SWEDISH

Svenska Nyheter, Dec. 8, 1903.

THE ORDER OF SVITHIOD PRESENTS "VERMLANDINGARNE"

The large and extensive Order of Svithiod, with the assistance of the Swedish Theatrical Society, presented F. A. Dahlgren's beautiful and appealing play, the "Vermlandingarne" (The People of Vermland), last Saturday evening at the North Side Turner Hall. The big hall was filled to capacity by a fun-loving crowd, and strange to say, the curtain rose at exactly 8 P.M.

The chief roles in the piece were played by Mr. Max Hedman whose portrayal of "Erik" was excellent, and Mrs. Ida Linn who as "Anna" won the public completely, especially by her singing. Mr. Ernest Lindblom, as the owner of the estate, did not quite evince the warmth of feeling and the love of his fellowmen, which the play seems to demand...Mr. Carl Milton played the role of "Ola i Gyllby." With regard to both attire and acting he might have given a greater impression of sturdiness.





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The same Mr. Milton was excellent, on the other hand, in a different role played by him in the same piece, namely the role of parish priest. Mr. Carl Liljegren was somewhat inadequate in his role of "Store Sven;" the calm self-reliant farmer was too much for Mr. Liljegren. The daughter of "Ola i Gyllby" was portrayed by Mrs. Ellen Graf; if the attire of "Ola" seemed too ragged, there could be no complaint that he had not 'dressed up' his daughter. Mr. Robert Johnson played the role of "Wilhelm," the son of the big farmer. He displayed altogether too much joy in meeting his old student comrade "Erik;" and the same fault was evident when it became his duty to console the sorrowing.

Mr. Leopold Kjellman played the role of "Jan Hanson," the sharecropper, very satisfactorily, and Mrs. Augusta Milton was equally--good as the sharecropper's wife "Anika." Mr. Christopher Brusell, the director of the Society, acted the role of "Anders," the servant boy of "Jan Hanson."



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Especially in those tragic scenes where his role called for a display of self-sacrificing love for his fellowmen, was Mr. Brusell's acting so realistic that tears moistened the eyes of a number of people in the audience.

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After the show there was dancing. . . .



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Svenska Nyheter, Apr. 28, 1903.

SWEDISH THEATRICAL SOCIETY PRESENTS FARCE

Under the auspices of the society Nordstjernen (The North Star), the Swedish Theatrical Society presented Axel Anrep's well-known popular farce, "Nerkingarne" (The Near-Kings) at the South Side Turner Hall last Saturday evening. The play was under the direction of Mr. Ernst Behmer, and the hall was crowded.....

Playing during the first act was rather lame; in acts two and three the playing was better, but we have seen the various roles in the farce executed much better on earlier occasions. The only actors who "came up to the mark" were Mrs. Ida Anderson-Verner- as "Miss Bloom," Mr. Ernest Albert Alberg- as "Manufacturer Stal," and, perhaps, Mr. Fred Bolling- Soldier Osting.



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The others in the cast miscarried more or less. The singing club of the North Star participated as "common people," and sang some attractive folk songs in acts two and three.

After the play, dancing took place lasting until early Sunday morning.



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THE JUPITER SEWING SOCIETY HOLDS SOCIAL

The social given at Phoenix Hall last Saturday evening by the Jupiter Sewing Society was one of the most attractive and most enjoyable socials we have attended for a long time. The decorations in the large hall were exceptionally beautiful. We had never seen better decorations at any Swedish social in Chicago.

The program was executed to the full satisfaction of the audience, and the individual presentations were received with thunderous applause. The star number on the program was Frans Hodell's one-act play, "Five Stories Up." When one considers the fact that some of the actors were amateurs who had appeared on the stage on only one or two occasions before, one must admit that the acting was good. Transcriber Papier (Mr. Oscar Pearson) and Seamstress Lisette (Mrs. Alice Colini), who are more accustomed to the stage than the rest, played with ease, with no apparent awkwardness. Again and again these two were interrupted by thunderous applause. Mr. Folke Randel was partly successful in his role as Thure Hjentenpil, but on occasions he failed

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to interpret this character correctly. Harold Hakanson, in the role of Mate Jacob Vader, was lacking in life and warmth, and Miss Ellen Eklund, in the role of his sweetheart, Seamstress Carolina, was in consequence not so good. The rest of the program was well presented. The social did not end till about four o'clock Sunday morning.

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### SVITHIOD SINGING CLUB

The Svithiod Singing Club issued invitations to a theater party last Sunday evening to be held in its beautiful concert hall on Wrightwood Avenue. In spite of the terrific cold wave, the hall was filled to capacity. The play, in two acts, was "Schoolmaster Blackstadius," or the "Marriage Advertisement." The leading role was played by Carl Pheil, who performed in a masterly manner. "Mrs. Kostame," was portrayed by Mrs. Pheil; "Mrs Kostame's daughter" was interpreted by Therese Sundborg; "Lisette," the maid, was played by Miss Betty Pheil. The play, viewed from any angle, was very enjoyable, and a worthwhile comedy. The audience was in laughter most of the evening. At 10 o'clock, at the conclusion of the play, dancing was indulged in by those present. On Sunday December 29, the Club will give another play. Everyone is welcome.



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Svenska Tribunen, Dec. 11, 1901.

SVITHOID LODGE NO. 1

The Svithoid Lodge No. 1 celebrated its 21st anniversary in the North Side Turner Hall last Saturday. The main address was given by O. P. Olson.

The Herman Martinsons Comedy in three acts, "Svea and Little Anna," then impressively given. John Lindhogen, who played the part of the rich farmer was at his best. Christ Russell, Ernest Behmer, and Terese Sundborg were the rich farmer's servants. Others who participated were: Mrs. Anna Pfell, Ernest Lindbloom, as the sheriff; Leopold Kjellman, as the miller; and Fred Balling, as the Pastor. Mr. Lindbloom also impersonated Erik Olafson, and was given round after round of applause.





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Svenska Tribunen, Aug. 28, 1901

"YON YONSON"

"Yon Yonson," a superlative play, was recently given at the Great Northern Theater. Its piquant situations, and its appealing romance, were much appreciated by the public.

This play will be shown regularly every evening, starting next Sunday, Matinees on Wednesday and Saturday, including Labor Day. The title role is played by Knute Ericson, who is said to surpass himself. His dialect is perfect, and this makes him an ideal "Yon."

The Lumberman's Quartet adds to the greatness of the performance. Popular prices are from 25 cents up.



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Svenska Tribunen, July 17, 1901.

**A SWEDISH THEATER**

Would it not be possible for a city like Chicago, that has more than 100,000 Swedish inhabitants, to have a Swedish theater? If one considers it from an economic standpoint, it is a sheer impossibility to give a play in the North Side Turner Hall, without giving a public dance to increase the receipts. The Swedish Theater Company gave some splendid performances last winter, and it is hoped that they will continue to entertain the Swedish public.

Consequently, an attempt will be made to give Swedish plays in the Studebaker Theater on Michigan Ave., commencing October 26, when "The Wedding in Ulfasa" is to be presented. Those responsible for the Swedish Theater taking this important step in the preservation of Swedish culture in America,



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are as follows: Othelia Myhrman, Christ Bursell, Ernst Behmer, Anna Pfeil, Anderson Wagner, Agnes Hedstrom, Ellen Graf, Hanna Hoitfeldt, Theresa Smal-barg, Mrs. Palmblad, Ernest Lindblom, Knut Schroder, Leopold Kjelland, Fred Balling, John Lindhagen, Chas. Erickson, and Carl Linneblod.



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Svenska Tribunen, Apr. 3, 1901.

SWEDISH AMERICAN DRAMATIC CLUB

p. 11. . . . The Swedish American Dramatic Club will present a comedy and an operetta, next Saturday at Spelz Hall, 1630 North Clark St.

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[Scandi-American Theatre Gives Drama]

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The Scandi-American Theatre of Arts and Letters gave its initial performance yesterday evening. "Fifty Years After," a dramatization from the Swedish of Zacharias Topelius, by Albert Alberg, being the production. The efforts of the society will be continued, as Henrik Ibsen's "The Vicklings" and Mrs. Edgreven's "A Fairy" are in preparation.

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Svenska Tribunen, Dec. 19, 1883.

THE CROWN JEWELS ON THE NORTH SIDE.

A dramatic soiree and ball was given last Sunday at the North Side Turner Hall when "The Crown Jewelers on the North Side" was presented on the stage. The play was indeed a success. About 1,200 persons attended the affair and everybody seemed to have a good time judging from the lively and frequent applause, the flowers and wreaths which were bestowed on the artists on the stage. ....

The public had a grand time. They laughed constantly through the whole performance.

A very lively ball followed which did not come to an end until the early hours of Monday morning!

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Svenska Tribunen, March 10, 1880.

SWEDISH AMATEUR SOCIETY.

The Swedish Amateur Society, Chicago was invited to appear at Timms Hall in Moline, Ill. with the comedy "Rockus Pumpnickel" Sunday, February 29th. The theater was packed to the doors and all the tickets were sold out in advance. The public greeted the artists with roaring applause.

A representative of the Swedish Tribune who was present, noticed that many prominent and respected members of different religious bodies had cast away the fear of damnation and in brotherly union with the so called "children of the world" attended the spectacle in the temple of Thalia to lay an offering on its altar from a sincere heart.

The Nordenskiöld Society was the host of the occasion, inviting the artists of the play for supper after the spectacle.

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**AND ACTIVITIES**

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II B 1 c (2) (Norwegian)

II B 1 c (2) (Danish) Svenska Tribunen-Nyheter, Nov. 16, 1932.

### FORM SCANDINAVIAN FOLK DANCE SOCIETY

Representatives of the Scandinavian folk dance societies in the city met recently and decided to form a central organization under the name, United Nordic Folk Dancers of America. Swedish, Norwegian, and Danish dance societies in other parts of the country will be invited to join, and inquiries have already been received from some of them. If the present plans materialize a convention of Scandinavian folk dancers will be held here in Chicago during the "Scandinavian Week" which is to be sponsored by the Century of Progress Exposition next year.

The first public appearance of this new organization will take place Sunday, December 11, in Wicker Park Hall on the West Side. On that occasion the Scandinavian public will be given a taste of the kind of performance they may expect next summer when the dancers will appear at the World's Fair. The individual Swedish, Norwegian, and Danish dance societies have often appeared before audiences consisting of their respective nationals, but next Sunday will

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II B 1 c (2) (Danish) Svenska Tribunen-Nyheter, Nov. 16, 1932.

mark the first time that they perform together, and it will be interesting to make comparisons.

A group of Indians from Wisconsin will also be on hand, and they will demonstrate old Indian war dances as well as peace dances. Folk dancers from Rockford and Waukegan, Illinois, have been invited, and they may also appear on the stage.

The show will wind up with an ordinary dance and Schmidt's orchestra will furnish the music.

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Svenska Tribunen-Nyheter, Feb. 13, 1924.

### SWEDISH FOLK DANCE

The National Folk Dance Club, which was formed a few months ago, gave its first public performance last Thursday night at the meeting of the Idrott Young People's Club in the Good Templars' clubhouse on Newport Avenue.

Birger Reberg, director of the Club, gave an interesting talk on the revival of folk dancing which has been taking place in Sweden of late, and how Swedish youth reacts to it. It was a surprise to many to hear that the old dances and games have become very popular among the young people and are important factors in their recreation and social training.

Twelve couples, dressed in Swedish national costumes, took part in the performance, and were rewarded with hearty applause. Looking at them, one could not help thinking that this was much more wholesome fun for young boys and

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girls than dancing to the music, and in the general atmosphere, offered by public dance halls. It was evident that both the dancers and the audience enjoyed themselves very much.

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Svenska Kuriren, Mar. 20, 1913.

A SWEDISH PROGRAM

A Swedish program was presented at Lake View Hall last Saturday by Nordstjernan and the National Dancers. The singers were again directed by Ernst Lindblom, and the dancers by the prominent dance master Steinmetz.



Svenska Tribunen, Feb. 27, 1906.

[SWEDISH NATIONAL DANCE EXHIBITION DELIGHTS SWEDISH CHICAGOANS]

Skansen's National Dancers recently gave their farewell exhibition at the south side Turner Hall. As expected, the hall was far too small for this entertainment.



The folk dances were presented in the same order as danced at the National Festival on February 10, at the Auditorium. They are: Hambo, Fjallnaspolska, Frykdalspolska, Daldans, Snurrebock, Schottis, Gottlandskadrilj, Ostgotapolska, Vingakersdans, Trekarlspolska, Oxdans, Halling, Vafva Vallman, Klappdans, and Skralat.

Conservatively speaking, every number was awarded wild applause, and to all appearances, this presentation was an even greater success than their first one. The hit of this exhibition was the Oxdans (Ox Dance), which was applauded until an encore was given.

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We wish this troupe of folk dancers continued success, and assure them of our heartfelt appreciation of their offering, one that awakened the fondest memories in the older people, and one which really set the younger ones to consider that Swedish traditions and culture are worth-while.



Svenska Tribunen, Feb. 6, 1906.

SWEDISH FOLK DANCERS TOURING AMERICA

(Summary)

The Swedish traditions cannot be preserved by singing folk songs alone; neither will the old folk dances be no less effective as has lately been demonstrated in Sweden. In our opinion, no other foreign country could be as receptive to a touring group of Swedish folk dancers than America, where hundreds of thousands of Swedes live.

The announcement in this issue is an appeal to Swedish-Americans to familiarize themselves with an almost forgotten art among them. There is also a suggestion that groups be organized to learn and preserve the folk dances here, and present them as a Swedish tradition when occasions present themselves. The plan laid out for the dancers will make the organization of folk dances possible and desirable here.





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Svenska Nyheter, Nov. 14, 1905.

PHILOCHORUS CLUB HOLDS DANCE

Last Saturday, the Philochorus club held its annual dance at Spelz Hall, and at the same occasion staged an exhibition of Swedish national dances. The dance, as expected, proved a great success. What display of colors as these young people, in national costumes, entered the stage, group after group, and then started an Ostgoth polka. What a beautiful vision must have been presented in Old magnificent Sweden when the vigorous, lively youth of that country wore the costumes of old. The colors in these clothes might be considered an artistic blending of the opulent flora in our old country, and the tailoring does honor to the spirit of the North. A Swedish nation clothed in the national costumes of Sweden never could become backward. It would be as impossible as to be weeping in sunshine when there is no heaviness of heart.



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The festival of the evening was, as we have said, magnificent. Vigor and grace characterized the whole. How the boys danced! They stood on their hands, on their heads, rarely on their feet for one of their feet was almost constantly making figures in the air. Then, all at once it seemed as if the whole crowd was on wings; the whole circle became a gigantic turn wheel. And then with a jump, the whole throng stood there absolutely still, as if they were a troop of soldiers at the command "Halt". - And the girls! -

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Things were indeed lively Saturday evening. When one espies so many youths overflowing with gladness and joy, and listens to old-time quaint dance music that calls to life again dormant memories, then the joy of living quite automatically takes possession of one's soul.

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The Philochorists deserve our gratitude for having fanned a fresh breeze, warm with sunshine, into our minds.

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Svenska Nyheter, Oct. 31, 1905.

FOLK DANCES

The well-known dance club, Philochoros, founded to interpret the national dances of old Sweden for the Swedish-Americans will give a dance exhibition on Saturday, November 11, at the old Spelz Hall. A number of our beautiful national dances will be executed by members of the society.



Svenska Nyheter, Sept. 29, 1903.

**SWEDISH NATIONAL DANCE CLUB**

The Swedish National Dance Club is the name of a society organized last week in this city. The purpose of the Club is to revive the old quick folk dances which have been nearly forgotten in our day. From this point of view of both picturesqueness and health these old dances are preferable to the modern dances.

Mr. Fred Bolling is the founder of the Club and the director of dancing. He is very well trained for his task. Practice takes place every Thursday evening at the Club's hall at 82 Siegel Street. All young ladies and gentlemen interested in this activity are invited to the practice sessions.



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Svenska Kuriren, May 19, 1937.

[SWEDISH DAY AT WOMAN'S WORLD FAIR]

The Woman's Worlds Fair opens today, May 19, at the Coliseum.

The Swedish Day of the Fair is next Thursday, the 26. An appropriate program has been arranged for this day by the American Daughters of Sweden, under the auspices of which the Swedish Day is being held. Vocal selections will be offered by the Northland Ladies Trio. The Swedish Ladies Chorus, Miss Alan Peterson, soprano, and the Swedish American Ladies Quartet. Miss ~~Edda~~ Sundstrom, the eminent violinist, will play, and National will exhibit a group of Swedish folk dances.

In the Swedish section there is an exhibition of women's handicraft, such as Swedish linen tableware, embroideries of all sorts, objects of art, and other more practical paraphernalia....Mrs. Agnes Fromen is exhibiting some of her sculpturing, and Mrs. Signe Palmblad a few of her best paintings.

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THE SWEDISH DAY

(Editorial)

Chicago's Century of Progress Exposition is attracting the attention of the entire world. Almost all nations are represented at this great event, in one way or another, and one may be sure that the few that are absent have valid reasons for their failure to participate. Broadly speaking, the exposition belongs not only to Chicago, but to the entire civilized world, since its scope covers all the important changes which have taken place during the last century, and the great scientific discoveries which have effected every field of human endeavor.

An older person, who saw the Columbian Exposition which was held here forty years ago, is perhaps in a better position than most others to realize the significance of the progress which has been made during the last decades. Forty years ago we did not have airplanes, radios, automobiles,

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and many other marvels of modern invention that are in common use today. These modern wonders were unheard of at the time of the 1893 exposition. And think of the great industries which have come into being as a result of these inventions!

As far as Chicago is concerned, no more fitting name than A Century of Progress can be imagined for its centennial observance, symbolized in the exposition. Is there any other area in the world, of similar size, where such amazing changes have taken place, and so much material and cultural progress has been made during the last one hundred years? If there is we never heard of it. And Chicago is, therefore, more typically American than any other city in the country.

Swedish immigrants began early to make their way to this city, and our nationals have contributed much to its growth. It is said that more than one third of all the buildings here were built by Swedes, and our people have taken an important part in the many other activities which have made

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Chicago what it is today.

But it is not only Chicago that has benefited by the energy and pioneering qualities of our race. Swedish immigrants have always been in the front line among those who brought this great land under cultivation and brought civilization to its farthest corners. They have mined the ore in its mountains, cut down the trees of its forests and followed them through the various manufacturing processes, and they have turned the vast prairies into rich farm land. Yes, one would hardly be guilty of exaggeration if one should say that during the last seventy years Swedes in this country have brought under cultivation a total area several times as large as all Sweden. When and where in the history of man has a race of people, so small in number, accomplished so much?

There are good reasons why, during Chicago's centennial celebration, a special day should be set aside as the Swedish Day, and this day will be observed next Monday, June 19. That is the day when we Swedish-Americans

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are to gather and remind ourselves, and also other nationalities, of the work which men and women of Swedish blood have done here in America. The Swedes have always been a people that liked to build and to cultivate new land, not only in the literal sense, but also in the sphere of intellectual activity. Credit for the standing which we enjoy here in America today should be given to our ancient Swedish ancestors, but on this particular occasion it behooves us as Swedish-Americans to honor the memory of the early Swedish settlers in this country.

So let us gather at the Century of Progress Exhibition on Monday, June 19. Too little has been said and written about the peaceful conquests which the descendants of the Vikings have made here in the far West. Let us honor ourselves by honoring our fatherland and those men and women of our race who preceded us here in the New World. Let us make the Swedish Day, Monday June 19, the greatest day for our nationality in the last three hundred years!

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THE SWEDISH DAY AT THE FAIR

The committee in charge of Swedish-American participation in the Century of Progress Exposition announces that preparations for the observance of Swedish Day, June 19, have now been completed. The program will be as follows: At 9 A. M. the various district societies will gather at the Swedish pavilion for the parade to the Court of States, where the official ceremonies of the Order of Vasa will be held. At 11 A. M. there will be a religious service in the Court of States building with songs by the Swedish Choral Club. Dr. G. A. Brandelle, president of the Augustana Synod, will deliver a brief sermon. From 12:30 P. M. to 2 P. M. the official luncheon will take place in Old Heidelberg restaurant; from 2 P. M. to 5 P. M. the district societies and the various orders, such as the Scandinavian League, Svithiod, Viking, and Vasa will hold the spotlight with their individual programs in the Court of States building. From 5 P. M. to 6 P. M. the children's

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clubs of the Vasa order will present their program.

The second part of the Swedish Day observance will begin at 6:45 P.M. and is scheduled as follows:

- 1) Songs by the Swedish Singers' League of America: "The Swedish Flag," "Our Country," and "The Swedes".
- 2) Public prayer by Dr. L. G. Abrahamson.
- 3) Welcoming speech by Herbert H. Hedman, chairman of the Swedish-American Fair committee.
- 4) Song, "Hear Us, Svea," by the League choir.
- 5) Address by the Swedish minister to Washington, Wollmar Bostrom.

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- 6) Count Folke Bernadotte conveys greetings from King Gustaf V of Sweden.
- 7) The choir sings "Thou Ancient, Thou Free".
- 8) Address to Swedish-Americans by Dr. Julius Lincoln.
- 9) The choirs sings "The Star Spangled Banner".
- 10) Address by consul Axel Johnson.
- 11) Coronation of Columbia and Svea (Sweden).
- 12) Address by Rufus C. Dawes, president of A Century of Progress, who will be introduced by Charles S. Peterson, vice-president of the Exposition.

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13) Song by the choir.

14) Singing of "America" in unison.

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SWEDEN AT THE CHICAGO FAIR

[Half-tone, one column-fifth of a page pictures of  
C. Lundquist and C. S. Peterson]

On the opening day of the World's Fair, Sweden was represented by its minister to Washington, Wollmar Bostrom. Her special Chicago representative was Consul C. Lundquist, and our noted countryman, Charles S. Peterson, represented all Swedish-Americans. Mr. Peterson has probably done more than any other single individual to bring the Fair to a realization, for he is the one who revived the idea after it once had been dismissed due to lack of popular support.

And what he has done for the exposition in general another countryman, Mr. Tage Palm, has done for Swedish participation in it. It is chiefly due to his energetic efforts that Sweden is represented in its own pavilion.

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SWEDEN AT CHICAGO'S WORLD FAIR

(Editorial)

The Swedish Government's decision to participate officially in the World's Fair which is to be held here in Chicago next summer, came as a pleasant surprise. Most of us had given up hope of any official representation on the part of Sweden; in fact, it had already been reported that the government did not consider such representation advisable at this time. But certain private interests, with stubborn optimism, kept up the pressure on government officials, and a compromise was finally reached whereby the government contributes only one fifth of the expenditures, and the rest is put up by other interests. This happy solution certainly is accepted with joy by all Swedish-Americans, who, naturally, are anxious to see Sweden among the nineteen foreign nations which will be officially represented at the Fair.

A couple of weeks ago we presented a reproduction of Architect Bengtson's

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sketch of the proposed Swedish pavilion at the Fair, and a very desirable location for it has already been reserved by Fair officials. It will certainly gladden the hearts of Swedish-Americans to see the Swedish colors wave in the breeze at the entrance to the pavilion. The entrance to the pavilion will be flanked by sculptures done by the renowned Swedish artist, Carl Milles. And other visitors to the great exposition will not fail to admire the clean-cut architectural style of the building and the beautiful sculptural ornamentation.

The cost of the undertaking will undoubtedly bring satisfactory returns. Among the fifty million people who are expected to visit the Fair, there is, regardless of the hard times, an immense buying power, and it will surely pay to acquaint them with Sweden and the products she has to offer. Then there is the opportunity to present Sweden's attractions as a tourist country. These possibilities have never been fully exploited, and the American tourist public has always lacked proper information about Sweden. Especially in these times it should be pointed out that one can travel more comfortably there and for less money than in almost any other European country. Her invigorating climate and

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advanced culture should appeal to American travelers, and it is also worth noting that official relations between Sweden and America are most friendly and always have been.

The value of the favorable publicity which Sweden will obtain by participating officially in the Chicago Fair can hardly be overestimated. Not only will the ties between the old country and its sons and daughters here be strengthened but also those between it and the United States, and this again will benefit every Swedish-American. For that reason we should be, and are, grateful to those individuals who have worked so faithfully to bring about this happy solution of the problem regarding Swedish participation in the Fair. We are especially grateful to Consul Lundquist and Tage Palm of Chicago.

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### THE ALL-SWEDISH DAY

The All-Swedish Day arranged by the Swedish National Association of Chicago last Sunday in the Cole's Park was favored by ideal summer weather. The program was the most ambitious and interesting one ever offered by the Association on any similar occasion, and it was executed exactly according to schedule. The attendance was quite good, but it should have been better in view of the humane purpose of the festival, namely, the raising of funds for the Association's welfare work during the coming winter. Last fall and winter the organization raised twelve thousand dollars for that purpose, and every cent of that sum was sorely needed, in fact, much more could have been used to good advantage had it been available.

The most interesting part of the program, and that which took the longest time, was the historical revue which depicted important happenings in Swedish and American history down through the ages, beginning with the exploits of

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Erik the Red and his son, Leif Erikson, the discoverer of Vinland, which is now called America.

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The various scenes were accompanied by appropriate music and song, and the entire performance was very fine.

The program ended with the singing in unison of "America".

The All-Swedish Day was an enjoyable event, and the National Association and all those who contributed their time and talent for the benefit of their needy fellow countrymen deserve our hearty thanks.

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**CARL MILLES' TRITON FOUNTAIN DEDICATED**

Last Thursday was "Swedish Day" in the Chicago Art Institute, for it marked the dedication of the Triton Fountain. The Fountain is the creation of the renowned Swedish sculptor Carl Milles and it was donated to the Art Institute by a group of local Swedes. The significance of the ceremony, predominantly a Swedish affair, was enhanced by the presence of Professor Milles, and the scene was the McKinloch Memorial Court, where the fountain has been placed. Percy B. Eckhardt was in charge of the program, and he jokingly remarked that it is about time Sweden reciprocates by giving us something in exchange for all the Fords and other products she receives from us.

The dedication ceremony began with two song numbers by members of the Swedish Glee Club, then the Swedish consul, Oscar Lundquist, and the vice consul G. Bernhard Anderson, addressed the gathering. Two songs followed these addresses.

The fountain was officially accepted by a trustee of the B. F. Fergusson Monument

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Fund. The creator of this fine work of art, Professor Milles was then introduced, and he told in simple words of some of the ideas which he had tried to incorporate in his fountain. He received a hearty ovation. The ceremony ended with the singing of "Hör oss, Svea," (Hear us, Sweden) and "The Star-Spangled Banner".

Svenska Tribunen-Nyheter, July 16, 1930.

**FAIR DELEGATES GO TO SCANDINAVIA**

We reported some time ago that the Scandinavian Council, charged with laying the groundwork for Scandinavian participation in the World's Fair, which will be held here in 1933, had decided to send a delegation to the Scandinavian countries, for the purpose of directing the attentions of the governments as well as of the people of the respective nations to that big event.

The delegation, which was appointed by Rufus C. Dawes, president of the Fair, consists of Charles S. Peterson, vice-president of the Fair, Allan D. Albert, an assistant to Mr. Dawes, Herbert P. Hedman, chairman of the Swedish Fair Committee, Ove Mett, and Palmer Dawes. The latter is a son of Rufus Dawes.

These men left early this week for the East, where they will embark for Scandinavia on one of the Norwegian America Line's boats. They plan to visit not only the capitals of the Scandinavian countries, but also a number of smaller cities.



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Those associated with the preparations for the exposition expect good results from this publicity trip across the ocean, and in order to facilitate the work of the delegates a pamphlet has been prepared. It is printed in Swedish, Norwegian, and Danish, and in it the main features of the exposition are outlined. We quote from the Swedish edition:

"The delegates desire an opportunity to present the plans for the projected exposition to the leaders within the various spheres of activity in Sweden, in the hope of arousing in them an active interest, so that they will convey to the entire nation our most cordial invitation to participate in this world event.

"The people of Chicago realize that the centennial observance of a community is not, in itself, of sufficient interest to warrant a world-wide participation in it, but we wish to point out two significant facts which, we think, justify our hopes for just such participation. First, that Chicago is the largest

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world city whose entire history does not go back more than one hundred years and, secondly, that our metropolis is exclusively a product of modern city-building methods."

The pamphlet concludes with the following paragraph:

"Chicago and America invite Sweden to join us in this undertaking, and hope that such co-operation will lead to even closer friendship and better understanding between our two nations. We wish you to share with us not only our work but also our pride in an undertaking of which science is the brain, industry the body, and beauty the soul."

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THE AMERICAN DAUGHTERS OF SWEDEN

The American Daughters of Sweden held its annual membership meeting last Tuesday in the Drake Hotel.

Reports from the various committees were read and showed that the past year was a very successful one for the organization, and that its activities in various fields are expanding. The membership increased by eighty during the year. The great opera concert netted \$2,156 and the card party, which was given on March 29, brought in close to \$200.

New officers were elected, and Mrs. Othelia Myhrman was re-elected president.

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Preparations are already under way for the great bazaar which will be given

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next fall. It is in charge of a committee headed by Mrs. Myhrman. Another opera concert will also be given in the fall in co-operation with the Chicago Swedish Glee Club.

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PREPARING FOR THE CHICAGO WORLD'S FAIR

The organization which has been formed to promote Scandinavian participation in the coming Chicago World's Fair in 1933, held its regular monthly meeting last week, under the chairmanship of Charles S. Peterson. It was decided by acclamation that a luncheon be given for the world famous Swedish sculptor Carl Milles, upon his arrival in Chicago in the near future. The luncheon may be given in the Tavern Club, and due to the prominence of the guest of honor, who is considered Sweden's greatest sculptor, next to Sergel, it is sure to become an event of great interest to Scandinavians in Chicago. The Danish-American, Ove Vett, is in charge of all arrangements concerning the luncheon.

Mr. Peterson announced that preliminary work on the exposition site will start within thirty days, and that space for Scandinavian participation, consisting of five acres of land, already has been reserved. He also informed the members that the organization's honorary member, Dr. A. Albert, who is also a trustee of the Fair, is now in Europe, where he is studying the great expositions now being held in Barcelona, Prague, and in Belgium, in order to get new ideas for the Chicago

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exposition.

It was announced also that a Scandinavian art exhibit will be arranged late this coming fall, and all members were urged to help make it a success.

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(Advertisement)

Our Mid-Summer Festival Svenskarnas Day (Inc.)  
will be celebrated Saturday, June 23, 1929,  
at  
Good-Templar Park, Geneva, Illinois

Speeches by Hon. J. Herman Hallstrom, Mayor of Rockford, Illinois  
T. Barney Thompson and Henry Johnson

Singing by I. O. G. T. Male Chorus - Music by Clivet Concert Band  
Folk Dances by Nationals - Dancing  
Soccer Football; Linne's vs. Liberty

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Extra!            Open Air Theatre            Extra!

The popular song tragi-comedy

"VARMLANNINGARNA"

will be presented

ANNA

Ragnhild Lindstrom

ERIC

Tore Osterberg

All those donned in Swedish national costumes and  
all children under 12 years of age will be admitted free  
All others 50 cents.

Free parking space for autos



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Svenska Tribunen-Nyheter, Mar. 20, 1929.

### SCANDINAVIANS AND THE WORLD'S FAIR IN CHICAGO

The Scandinavian Council, which was formed for the purpose of promoting Scandinavian participation in the coming world's fair, held its regular monthly meeting last Wednesday in the Cliff Dwellers Club. The chief subject of discussion was the propaganda tour of the Scandinavian countries, which has been under preparation for some time. The party will consist of some fifty persons, most of whom are native Americans and prominent in the business and social life of Chicago. All of them are, of course, enthusiastic supporters of the fair. They are to travel in one group under the leadership of Charles S. Peterson, who is a vice-president of the organization in charge of the fair. The party will sail from New York June 19 aboard the liner "Gripsholm" which is scheduled to arrive in Gothenburg on June 28. The cities of Oslo, Bergen, Stockholm, and Helsingfors will then be visited.

It was further decided that the Council is to act as host to prominent Scandinavians who visit Chicago. The first event of this kind will be arranged

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by the Norwegians, who are represented in the Council by C. H. Sinding. He will preside at a luncheon which will be given for the Norwegian explorer Frithiof Nansen. The Swedish representative, Peterson, will make the necessary arrangements for the entertainment of Professor John Roosval of Sweden, who will arrive in Chicago in the near future.

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Svenska Kuriren, Oct. 11, 1928.

[FAIR COMMITTEE MEETS]

The Society Svenska Konstnarer (Swedish Artists) has received and accepted an invitation from the South Side Swedish Club to give an exhibit there, during the first week of December next.

The following artists already have given notice of participation: Ahlman; Hall; Linus; Spolander; Soderwall; Wall and Remahl, all painters and Carl Hallsthammar, the famous sculptor.

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Svenska Kuriren, July 12, 1928.

[BIG OUTING PLANNED]

The Annual Outing and pilgrimage to the Swedish Old Peoples Home in Evanston will take place next Sunday, July 15th. Elaborate arrangements have been made to make this outing even more successful than any of its predecessors. Not less than six well-known orators and prominent public men will speak on this occasion, namely: Senator Smith, William Brookhart from Iowa; Charles Bartlett Mayor of Evanston; Consul Carl O. de Dardel; Reverend Elof K. Johnson; Alderman Oscar F. Nelson, and Franklin C. E. Lundquist, president of the Old Peoples Home Society. Music will be furnished by an orchestra and the large chorus of the United Swedish Singers will sing.

Two automobiles will be given away this year, one Nash sedan and one Ford tudor sedan. In addition there are innumerable other prizes, that have been donated by Swedish merchants and patrons of the institution.





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Svenska Kuriren, May 31, 1928

THE ANNUAL CHICAGO WOMAN'S WORLD'S FAIR IN IN PROGRESS AT  
THE COLISEUM

Thursday last week was "Swedish Day" at the Fair. An appropriate program was presented under the auspices of the American Daughters of Sweden, and "the day" went on record as being a most successful event from all angles.

In the Swedish section of the Fair are exhibited Swedish art, home craft, and industrial products in a great variety. A large portrait in oil of Colonel Lindbergh by Axel Linus attracted great attention and admiration.

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Svenska Kuriren, Apr. 19, 1928.

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[SWEDISH CHICAGO WORLD'S FAIR COMMITTEE HOLDS FIRST MEETING]

The Swedish Chicago World's Fair Committee, which was organized some time ago, held its first regular meeting last Monday at the Palmer House, Mr. Herbert Hedman residing. This committee comprises sixty well-known Swedish men and women from all fields of endeavor.

As previously mentioned, our countryman Charles S. Peterson, the City Treasurer, is a member of the official World's Fair Committee and one of the staunchest and most active supporters of the idea.

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Svenska Kuriren, Mar. 1, 1928.

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SVITHIOD LODGES HOLD FESTIVAL

The Chicago West-Side Lodges of the Order of Svithiod held a joint Mid-Winter Festival last Sunday at the North-West Hall.

A mammoth installation of 110 new members, distributed among the participating lodges, had been staged. A diversified program followed, during which films of Col. Lindbergh's flying feat and episodes from the Great World War were shown in addition to a "special Svithiod film" showing the various activities within the Order during the past year.

A contest between the ceremonial staffs of the lodges was won by the Nore Lodge No. 18. The trophy, an engraved shield, was awarded by Municipal Court Judge William E. Helander.

Svenska Kuriren, February 23, 1928

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**"A GEORGE WASHINGTON FESTIVAL"**

will be held by the Svithiod Singing Club, 624 Wrightwood Avenue, next Sunday afternoon.

A program appropriate for the occasion will be rendered, followed by a dinner and a ball.



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Svenska Kuriren, Jan. 19, 1928.

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CELEBRATE DIAMOND JUBILEE

Its 75th Annual Jubilee was celebrated last week by the First Swedish Methodist-Episcopal Church at the corner of Highland Ave. and N. Paulina St. A series of commemorative services and festivals marked the Jubilee Week. The principal address during the Jubilee was made by Dr. C.G. Wallenius, professor at the Wesley Academy and Theological Seminary. An impressive banquet was given in connection with the Jubilee.

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Svenska Kuriren, Sept. 8, 1927.

LEIF ERIKSON DAY

(Advertisement)

Under the auspices of  
**THE NORWEGIAN NATIONAL SOCIETY**  
With the cooperation and  
assistance of other leading  
Nordic organizations, a

**Festival**

will be held on the  
Leif Erikson Day  
at the  
Soldiers' Field, Grant Park  
Sunday, September 11th

- - The Program - -  
Parade by the different societies - Music - Singing  
Folk Dances Athletic Events  
Soccer Football

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Dedication  
of  
Leif Erikson Drive

Escorted by a U.S. Cruiser and an untold  
number of row boats, motor boats and sailing  
yachts, the

VIKING SHIP LEIF ERIKSON  
(Captain Folgero)  
will land at the lake shore  
at  
1:30 P. M.

The smallest sailing vessel ever having crossed  
the North Atlantic Ocean.



Svenska Kuriren, July 21, 1927.

FROM THE SWEDISH OLD PEOPLE'S HOME GREAT DAY

(Editorial)

p.1....The festivals of the Swedish Old People's Home in Evanston last Sunday were a great success. It was commonly estimated that the visitors numbered more than 30,000, with the weather all that could be wished for. Under such conditions it is only to be expected that the pecuniary result will be fully as good as last year. Franklin C.E.Lundquist was Master of Cermonies. The Swedish Singers' League of Chicago, under the direction of William F. Nordlin, rendered a dozen songs, which were all greeted with thunderous applause.

The welcoming speech was made by Oscar W. Johnson, the president of United Swedish Societies, Old People's Home Society, whereupon the Mayor of Evanston, Hon. Chas. H. Bartlett, in behalf of the city, extended his best wishes for continued progress and prosperity to the Home, and all those, who through their work and liberal gifts, helped this grant institution.

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A fine speech was made by Dr. Hoffsten, who, in a very entertaining manner told about Sweden and what was due this highly educated and progressive nation. The reddest roses fell perhaps at the feet of "Smalanningarne," which can be explained by the fact that Dr. Hoffsten himself, comes under this category.

Consul Carl O. de Dardell is always to be found in the first ranks, when Sweden's interests are concerned, and his speech went home; he also urged all Swedes to work in unison for the Good of the Home.

The late Senator from Minnesota, Hon. Magnus Johnson, was invited, as the chief speaker of the day. It can be truthfully said, that his speech was received with attention and lively applause. The political part of the speech was neither long nor comprehensive, but he urged the Swedish-Americans to work for clean politics. The speaker thought, President Coolidge would be re-nominated, if he desired, but he feared the President would decline the honor, in which case a so-called dark horse would take his place. Mr. Johnson, with deep respect paid a high tribute to the land where his cradle stood, but he



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was of the opinion that we Swedes had come to America for the main reason that we did not like the King, the Czar, the Kaiser, etc., but had a high regard for the free institutions of America. The fact, that the great masses of our emigrants came here without having given our free institutions, any serious thought, but largely to secure himself a richer sustenance, than the old land offered; this, senator failed to mention. His speech was flavored with many amusing episodes from the old, as well as the newer days. The senator was loudly applauded both during the speech and after.

All the songs and speeches were heard very distinctly, due to a loudspeaker installed on the speaker's rostrum by Hilmer Erickson Elec. Co.

An entertaining radio program was also heard over station WCFL, owned and operated by Chicago Federation of Labor.

O. Sandine, 2113 Windsor Ave.; the lucky person, who, after the conclusion of the festivities rode home in the large Buick automobile; the Chevrolet automobile was taken home by Mrs. Nels Shoan, 426 Clinton Place; the



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secretary, donated by Petersen Furniture Co., was won by R. Christopherson, 4205 No. Albany Ave.; the costume donated by Benson and Rixon, to C. B. Hedstrom, 3223 No. Clark St.; the coxwell chair, donated by Anderson Bros. Furniture Co., to Max R. Selman, 602 Davis St., Evanston; \$25.00 cash, donated by Lake View State Bank, to Doris Nelson, 3438 Foster Ave.; the Salon clock, donated by A.W. Johnson & Co., to Dr. C.W. Anderson, 1051 Irving Park Blvd.; clothing, donated by Hedstrom's Stores, to A. Magnuson, 1667 Edgewater Ave.; \$25.00 Savings Account, donated by Builders & Merchants State Bank, to Elmer Johnson, 916 Maple Ave.; and \$20.00 in gold, donated by John P. Friedlund and Oscar W. Johnson, to Edwin Linder, 5627 Glenwood Ave.

There is no doubt but that the festival was a grand success in every respect; what the cash proceeds will be, we cannot say until all receipts and disbursements have been tabulated.

Anyway the encouraging fact remains, that our future welfare seems to be a concern close to all hearts of the Swedes in Chicago, and true to previous years traditions, gave a good lift to this important charitable institution.

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Svenska Kuriren, May 19, 1927.

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[WOMEN'S WORLD'S FAIR]

The Swedish Day of the Fair is next Thursday, the 26th. An appropriate program has been arranged for this day by the American Daughters of Sweden, under the auspices of which the Swedish Day is being held. Vocal selections will be offered by the Northland Ladies Trio; the Swedish Ladies Chorus; Miss Alma Peterson, soprano; and the Swedish American Ladies Quartet. Miss Ebba Sundstrom, the eminent violinist, will play, and the National will exhibit a group of Swedish folk dances.

In the Swedish section there is an exhibition of women's handicraft, such as Swedish linen tableware, embroideries of all sorts, objects of art, and other more practical paraphernalia....Mrs. Agnes Fromen is exhibiting some of her sculpturing, and Mrs. Signe Palmblad a few of her paintings.



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Svenska Kuriren, April 14, 1927

GENEROUS DONATION

A donation of \$25,000 by Henry A. Erickson, the well-known building contractor, to the Swedish Tercentenary Jubilee Fund has been announced. He is the fourth Swede in the middlewest contributing \$25,000 toward this fund, which by now exceeds \$400,000.

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Svenska Kuriren, Dec. 9, 1926

IN COMMEMORATION OF THE FOUNDING OF THE FIRST SWEDISH COLONY IN AMERICA

The Chicago and Illinois Ter-Centenary Jubilee Fund has now swelled to \$80,000 due to three liberal donations just received. The new donors, all Chicagoans and all three in the contracting business, are August H. Skoglund and John A. Lundstrum, who have given \$5,000 each, and John S. Chell and Peter F. Anderson, who in the name of their firm, Chell & Anderson, also have contributed \$5,000.

As previously mentioned, the final goal is to reach a sum of \$1,000,000, or possibly, \$1,500,000, which sum is to be used in connection with the celebration of the Swedish Ter-Centenary Jubilee in 1938, in commemoration of the 300th anniversary of the founding of the first Swedish colony in Delaware.

Jubilee Fund committees have been formed in all Swedish-American centers. (Two other donations, also from contractors, but this time from South Siders, were later announced; Mr. Charles L. Anderson and Mr. Andrew Ringman are the donors with \$1,000 each.)



Svenska Kuriren, Nov. 25, 1926

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A NIGHT IN KLONDYKE!

The biggest Surprise of the Year  
Gold! Gold! Gold!

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An Event in Swedish Athletics

Help us uphold our name as fine Athletes!!!  
Help us keep the Swedish flag on top!  
5,000 Swedes, let us meet at

Merry Garden  
Sheffield & Belmont Aves.  
Wednesday, Dec. 1, 1926

The biggest Athletic Festival ever sponsored by the  
Swedish-American Athletic Association

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Svenska Kuriren, Nov. 4, 1926

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COME AND LISTEN TO

Folke Anderson  
The distinguished Swedish Operatic Tenor  
who will appear at the annual

Autumn and Gustavus Adolphus Festival

arranged by

The Chicago Chapter of the Swedish Cultural Society  
at the

Sw. Lutheran Central Church  
Sedgwick & Hobbie Streets.

Sunday, Nov. 7, 1926, at 3 P.M.

Singing by Nordstjerman Singing Club  
Address by Dr. C.G. Wallenius

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Svenska Kuriren, Oct. 21, 1926

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SOMETHING NEW!  
"TROLL - DANCE"

Halloween Party

will be given under the auspices of

The Harmoni Singing Club

At Viking Temple, Sat. & Sun., Oct. 30 and 31

Unique decorations - Presents to all

Valuable Prizes

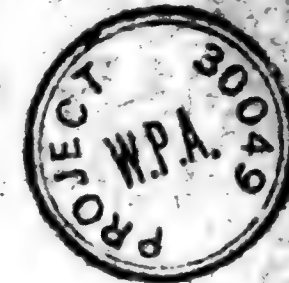
Music by Bergguist Bros. Orchestra

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Svenska Kuriren, Sept. 23, 1926

LAY CORNERSTONE

The laying of the corner stone of the Swedish Methodist Old People's Home, at Winnemac avenue and N. Paulina street, Chicago, took place last Sunday, the 19th, in the presence of leaders of the Methodist Diocese and a great number of interested members from the adjoining Swedish Bethany Methodist Evangelical Church.

Bishop Edwin Hughes officiated and Rev. Dr. Eric Swan, district superintendent of the Swedish Methodist Church of America, was the principal speaker.

The Home will contain 250 rooms, and will include a hospital department with a strictly up-to-date operating room, etc.

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Svenska Kuriren, Sept. 16, 1926

ANENT THE SWEDISH JUBILEE

Organizing committees for the Swedish-American Ter-Centenary Jubilee are being formed in the Swedish settlements all over the country, and the one in Chicago came into existence Monday, Sept. 13th, at a meeting held in the Capitol Building. The Executive Committee comprises the following well-known Chicagoans: Dr. C. G. Wallenius, Pres; Rev. Dr. Peter Peterson, Vice-President; Frank Torell, Secretary; Marcus N. Gustavson, Treasurer.

Towards the final goal of \$1,000,000 in the Ter-Centenary Fund, to defray the expenses of this Jubilee of the 300th anniversary of the founding of the first Swedish settlement in America, New Sweden, in Delaware, in 1638, our countryman, Peter A. Waller of Kewanee, Ill., was the first to contribute with \$25,000. Marcus N. Gustavson, the above mentioned member of the Chicago Committee, has now donated a sum of \$10,000 and two other donations of \$25,000 each, will be announced shortly.



Svenska Kuriren, Aug. 19, 1926

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SWEDISH YOUTHS' DAY

will be held in

Good-Templar Park  
Geneva, Illinois

Sunday, Aug. 22, 1926

Singing by Singing Society "Kamraterna" -- Theatrical Play --  
Music by the "B.B. Orchestra" -- Norwegian Folk Dances  
Swedish Folk Dances by "National" -- Soccer Football:  
"Sture" A.A. vs. the Norwegian "Vikings" -- Dancing to fine music.  
Refreshments of all kinds will be served.



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Svenska Kuriren, Aug. 12, 1926

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WHERE ALL GOOD OLD FRIENDS MEET

AUGUST MOONLIGHT DANCE

will be given at

Riverview Park

(in the small grove)

Saturday, August 14th

Jointly arranged by the Swedish-American Athletic  
Association and the Chicago Swedish Glee Club.

Boys!  
and  
Girls!

All of you who attended the never-to-be-  
forgotten Swedish Flag Day Festival  
arranged by us at this Park

Do not forget to meet again this coming Saturday, Aug. 14th

Fine Dance Music by Roland's Orchestra

Singing by the Glee Club.



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NO SWEDE SHOULD FAIL TO PARTAKE IN THE  
Mid-Summer Celebrations on  
The Day of all Swedes  
in the divinely beautiful  
Good-Templar Park  
- at Geneva, Illinois -  
Sunday, June 20th, 1926

Excerpts from the Program

Singing by Svithiod Singing Club, Chicago, Illinois.

Music by I.O.G.T. Band, Chicago, Ill.

Singing by I.O.G.T. Chorus, Rockford, Ill.

Addresses by George B. Safford, of the Anti-Saloon League,  
and Theodore Johnson, of Chicago.

Soccer Football: Chicago Swedish-Am. A.A. vs. Rockford Swedish Am. A.A.

Folk Dances by Society "National", Chicago

Exhibitions in Gymnastics by Rockford Swedish Gymnastic Club

Dancing all day in the spacious Pavilion -- Fine Orchestra.



Svenska Kuriren, June 17, 1926



Come out here and have a moving picture taken of you!

Arrangements have been made with the Knapp & Norling Film Co. to photograph all happenings at this festival. This film will be shown later all over the United States and in Sweden.

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Admission to the Park \$.50

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A beautiful Willys Knight Six Sedan will be given away free.

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Svenska Kuriren, June 17, 1926

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THE SWEDISH NATIONAL SOCIETY OF CHICAGO

has arranged a

Swedish  
National Festival

to be held in the beautiful

Riverview Park

Saturday, June 19th

all afternoon and evening

The program starts at 5 P.M.

Addresses by M.S. Senator Henrik Shipstead from Minnesota  
and former Mayor Wm. Hale Thompson----

Singing by the Swedish Glee Club, Music by Lundquist's Orchestra  
and

Coronation of Midsummer Brides.

Dancing all afternoon and evening.

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Svenska Kuriren, June 17, 1926



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THE SINGERS' DAY

will be celebrated at

RIVERVIEW PARK

Sunday, June 27th

Addresses by prominent speakers  
Singing by the joint Choruses, Wm. Nordin, Conducting  
Folk Dances by "National" (8 couples)

Games and Contests for the Children

Two Dance Pavilions

Excellent Music

Food and Refreshments served

Admission 50¢

United Swedish Singers of Chicago

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Svenska Kuriren, May 27, 1926

**SWEDISH SALVATIONISTS HOLD FESTIVAL**

The Salvation Army South-Side Swedish Corps No. 16, 1140 W. 59th St. will hold a Swedish National Festival tonight, at 8 P.M. Music Master Tiberg and Mrs. Tiberg from Stockholm, Sweden, will present the program to be assisted by Esther Gustavson, soprano. The corps meeting preceding the musicale will be conducted by Colonel O. Nelson.

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Svenska Kuriren, May 27, 1926

ANNUAL LINNE' FESTIVAL

The 36th annual Song Festival at the statue of Carl von Linne' in Lincoln Park was held last Sunday. As customary, the United Swedish Singers of Chicago, William Nordin, directing, rendered a vocal program and addresses were made; Editor Frithiof Malmquist was the principal speaker.

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Svenska Kuriren, May 20, 1926

Adv. THE FIRST CELEBRATION IN AMERICA OF THE SWEDISH NATIONAL DAY

"The Swedish Flag Day"

will be held in the "big grove" of

Riverview Park - Chicago

Monday, May 31st, at 2 P.M.

Excerpts from the Program: Raising of the American and Swedish flags  
in the Athletic Field; Addresses by Alderman

Singing by the Swedish Glee Club Oscar F. Nelson, Editor Frithiof Malmquist,  
T.W. Lindstrom, and others.

Music by Samuelson's Orchestra

Soccer Football--Final game between the Chicago Swedish-American  
Athletic Association and the Detroit Swedish-American Athletic  
Association for the Scandinavian Championship of the Middle-West.

Dancing -- Refreshments





Svenska Kuriren, April 22, 1926

A SWEDE WINS FIRST PRIZE IN POLICE REVOLVER SHOOT TOURNAMENT

First and second prizes, respectively, were won by Andrew Borg and J. Olson at the Chicago Policemen's annual revolver shoot held last Thursday. The distance was 60 paces or about 180 feet. Andrew Borg is a motor cycle "cop" and J. Olson a patrol officer.

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Svenska Kuriren, March 11, 1926

LADIES' CLUB GIVES CHARITY BALL

The Ladies' Auxiliary of the Swedish Engineers' Club will give a charity ball and card party in the club house on Wrightwood next Saturday evening. Prizes and all refreshments have been donated. Proceeds of the party go to the Swedish Old People's Home in Evanston



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Svenska Kuriren, Feb. 11, 1926

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SOIREE and DANCE  
will be given by  
Male Chorus "De Svenske"  
and  
Theatrical Society "Norden"  
at  
The Midway Masonic Temple  
Saturday, Feb. 20, 1926  
at 8:00 P.M.

Singing by "De Svenske"  
and presentation of the  
Comedy "Leve Fafangan"  
by the "Norden" Society  
Dancing after the program  
Music by Gylling's Orchestra

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Tickets in advance \$.75  
At the door \$1



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Svenska, Kuriren, Jan. 28, 1926

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LET'S DO SOMETHING FOR SWEDISH ATHLETICS

There will be at least 5,000 Swedes at

The Season's Biggest

Carnival and Dance

at the Merry Gardens

Sheffield & Belmont Aves.

(Donated rent-free to us by J. Lund, Manager)

Wednesday, February 10, 1926

Held for the benefit of

The Swedish-American Athletic Association's

New Club House

Merry Garden's Orchestra, augmented by

Swedish Accordion Artists

--- Singing by the Swedish Glee Club ---

Come all of you! Let's show what we can do!

Let's raise our Athletic colors high!

Svenska Kuriren, Nov. 26, 1925

Adv.

A CHARITY BAZAAR

for the benefit of the

Swedish Tuberculosis Sanitarium  
--- at Denver, Colorado ---  
will be given by

The United Swedish Singers of Chicago

at Viking Temple, School & Sheffield Aves.  
Nightly during Thanksgiving week, Nov. 25-29.

Singing every night by one of the various societies.

Dancing --- Singing --- Refreshments .



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Svenska Kuriren, Nov. 5, 1925

DO HONORS TO SWEDISH HERO KING

An impressive Gustavus Adolphus Festival was held by the Chicago chapter of the Swedish Cultural Society of America last Sunday, at the Swedish Lutheran Central Church. Addresses were delivered by Consul C. O. de Dardel, the Rev. Dr. Peter Peterson and a guest speaker, the Rev. Dr. C. G. Klingner from Sweden. The Northland Ladies Trio, Nordstjernan Singing Club and Harry T. Carlson, organ soloist, furnished a highly enjoyable program.

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Svenska Kuriren, Oct. 8, 1925.

[TO FETE LINDHAGEN]

A banquet in honor of Carl Lindhagen, the Lord Mayor of Stockholm, will be given a week from Saturday, the 17th, at the Sherman Hotel, by the most prominent Swedish societies in Chicago jointly, namely: The Swedish Club, The Svithiod Club, Swedish Engineers' Society, Swedish American Club, Nordic Country Club and the Verdandi Study League. The musical entertainment at this banquet will be furnished by Knut Ohrstrom and Oscar Tjernberg, both from the Royal Opera in Stockholm, who are on a visit here, the Orion Male Quartette and the Northland Ladies Trio. Addresses will be made by many prominent public men.

Mayor Dever, among others, has accepted an invitation to attend. The Reception Committee is headed by Assistant Corporation Counsel C. Hjalmar Lundquist.

Svenska Kuriren, Oct. 1, 1925

THE STOCKHOLM CLUB CELEBRATES TENTH ANNIVERSARY

The Stockholm Club of Chicago celebrated its tenth anniversary last Saturday by a banquet and ball held in the Blue Moon Room, Rainbow Gardens. One hundred and fifty members and their friends were present. Addresses were delivered by Tage Hultman, President, Assistant Corporation Counsel C. Hjalmar Lundquist, Editor Ivar Peterson, and others.

Music during the banquet and the ball was furnished by the Club's own orchestra.



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Svenska Kuriren, Aug. 6, 1925

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SWEDISH NATIONAL SOCIETY OF CHICAGO

will hold its

Annual Summer Festival

Sunday, August 16th

at Harms Park

Western- Berteau Aves.

Addresses by M.S. Senator Charles S. Deneen, Alderman  
Oscar F. Nelson of the 46th Ward and the  
Society's former president, Oscar S. Ohlander.

Singing by "Nordstjernan" Singing Club and Concert

Music by Lundquist's Orchestra.

Dancing all afternoon.



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HARMONI SINGING CLUB'S

Annual

Bellman Festival

will be held in

Riverview Park

Sunday, July 26, 1925

Come and enjoy a genuine Bellman-program!

Singing and Dancing all afternoon.

Tickets 50¢



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Svenska Kuriren, July 2, 1925



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CELEBRATE JULY FOURTH

in Good Templar Park at Geneva, Illinois

Two Days - July 4th and 5th

Scandinavian Athletic Contests

under the auspices of the

Swedish - American Athletic Association

6 different contests- 2-mile cross country run - 100 yard sprint

4 by 220 yd. relay - High jump - Broad jump - Shot put.

The Swedish, Danish, Norwegian and Finnish Athletic Clubs will be represented by their best men in each event.

In addition there will be an Interesting Soccer Football Match between the Swedish 1st team and the North Shore Team.

Swedish Folk Dances by "National" (8 couples); an address by Carl Holmsten, the noted Lecturer; song and music by our best talents, etc.

Dancing both days--

Music by Spike's Orchestra--

Spectacular Fire Works

will be sent skyward on the evening of the 4th.

Svenska Kuriren, June 13, 1925

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THE DAY OF ALL SWEDES  
The Good Templar Midsummer Festival  
in  
Good Templar Park  
Geneva, Illinois  
Sunday, June 21, 1925  
Partial Program

Music by I.O.G.T. Band - Singing by "Nordstjernen" - Athletic  
contests - Greetings by J. E. Odell - Principal address by  
Attorney Edwin A. Olson - Raising of the May Pole - Folk Dances -  
Games - etc., etc., -----

Take Chicago-Great Western trains at Wells and Harrison  
streets - All trains stop at Forest Park & Maywood.

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"SWEDISH SINGERS' DAY"

-- Midsummer Festival --

will be held by

The United Swedish Singers of Chicago

In Riverview Park - Both Groves

Sunday, June 28, 1925

Here are a few attractions on the program:

Addresses by Attorney General Oscar E. Carlstrom and Editor Frithiof Malnquist. Singing by the United Male Chorus and seven separate choruses. Dancing in two pavilions, music furnished by dance Orchestra conducted by Gustav A. Carlson.

Tickets at \$.50 good for both groves.

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In the afternoon, at 6 sharp, the Swedish Championship  
In Heavy-Weight Wrestling will be decided between )

John Frieberg and Jess Westergard.



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Svenska Kuriren, May 28, 1925

"LINNE" DAY FESTIVAL

The 34th Annual Song Meet on "Linne' Day" took place Sunday, at the statue of Carl von Linne' in Lincoln Park. In spite of the unseasonably cold weather, at least a couple of thousand Swedish men and women had gathered to listen to the singing furnished by the "United Swedish Singers" and an address delivered by Editor Frithiof Malmquist. Afterwards the festivities were continued at the "Svithiod Singing Club" on Wrightwood Ave., where the commemorative address was delivered by Congressman John R. Chindblom.

Thirty-four years ago the statue of "The Father of Botany", Carl von Linne, was erected through public subscription from the Swedes of Chicago. The only living member of the original committee of organization, Mr. Gustaf L. Swenson, was present at the outdoor ceremony and was greeted with a great ovation.

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Svenska Kuriren, May 21, 1925

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RAGNAR LODGE NO. 15 OF I. O. V.

will hold its

21st Annual Pic - Nic

at

Harms' Park

-Berteau and Western Avenues-

Sunday, May 31, all day

Tickets 50¢



Svenska Kuriren, April 30, 1925

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I. O. VIKING BAND AND ORCHESTRA  
(Members of Federation of Musicians)

Organized April 8th, 1895

gives its

30th Annual May Festival and Ball

at Viking Temple, 3255-57 Sheffield Avenue

Sunday, May 3, at 7 P.M.

A 10-piece Dance Orchestra

Tickets \$.50

Latest Dance Hits



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Svenska Kuriren, April 9, 1925

A SIX-DAY  
Exposition and Carnival  
is to be held by the  
Chicago Lodges of the Svithiod Order  
at Belmont Hall---starting  
Tuesday, April 21 to Sunday, 26th, incl.

Assisting Singing Societies

Harmony Singing Club  
Keystone Quartet  
"De Svenske"; "Nordstjernan";  
Bellman Chorus  
Chas. White & Company

Principal Speakers

John R. Nelson, Grandmaster of the Order  
Edwin A. Olson, U.S. District Attorney  
Oscar E. Carlstrom, Attorney General of  
Illinois  
C. Hjalmar Lundquist, Ass't Corp'n.  
Counsel of Chicago

Music by Harold Anderson's Orchestra

Entertainment every evening -- Dancing Wednesday & Saturday  
A Master-6 Buick automobile, and other valuable prizes will be given  
away.

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The proceeds of this affair go to the Svithiod Old Peoples Home Fund.



Svenska Kuriren, March 26, 1925

CELEBRATE TWENTIETH ANNIVERSARY

The 20th Anniversary of the Ladies' Auxiliary of the Svithiod Singing Club was celebrated by a banquet and ball in the Club House on Wrightwood, last Sunday night. Speeches were made by Mr. C. Hjalmar Lundquist and Mrs. Frithiof Seeberg, president and vice-president, respectively, and others. Singing was liberally furnished by the Clubs male chorus under the direction of Mr. Joel Mossberg.

Svenska Kuriren, March 19, 1925

THE BANQUET FOR ERIK H. NELSON

The Around-the-World-Flier, now has been postponed to the 26th of this month, since it has been officially announced that he has been appointed Managing Director of the U.S. Government airplane factories and test field at Santa Monica, California. This appointment takes effect immediately, and Lieutenant Nelson will attend the banquet on a stop-over on route. The banquet will be held at the Swedish Club.



Svenska Kuriren, March 12, 1925.

[HOME BUILDING GROUP MEETS]

The Swedish Home Building Association of Chicago held its 28th annual banquet, last Wednesday in the ball room of the Swedish Club, 1258 N. La Salle St., at which the president of the Association, Mr. August Lindeberg, informed the attending members that the total resources of the Association now have reached a sum of \$574,251.89. Last year the corresponding sum was \$417,835.94. Practically all of this money is loaned out to Swedish home builders and secured by first mortgages.

Principal speaker of the evening was Chief Justice John A. Swanson, of the Criminal Court. Vocal entertainment was furnished by Nordstjernan Singing Society, Mr. David Person, soloist.



Svenska Kuriren, Feb. 19, 1925

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GRAND BAZAAR AND BALL

under the auspices of the

Bellman Choir

at

Holter's Hall, 633 N. Cicero Ave.

Friday, Saturday and Sunday

February 20, 21, and 22

Music by Harold Anderson's Orchestra  
Singing by several assisting Swedish Choirs.

Svenska Kuriren, Feb. 12, 1925

## BANQUET FOR LIEUT. ERIK H. NELSON, THE AROUND-THE-WORLD-FLIER

A joint invitation from the Swedish Engineers Society, the Swedish-American Club, the Order of Vikings, and several other Chicago organizations, to our celebrated countryman, Lieut. Erik H. Nelson, U.S.A., asking him to visit us has been accepted. At a general meeting of the various organizations, held last Saturday at the Swedish Club, a committee was elected as follows: Chas. H. Rosberg, Chairman; Nels Otto Johnson, Secretary; Nils J. Lindskoog, ticket holder, and C.E. Carson, Treasurer. It was tentatively decided to give Lieut. Nelson a mammoth banquet at the Rainbow Gardens either April 16th or 23rd.

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\$500 IN PRIZES

to be given away at the

32nd Annual Prize Masquerade

arranged by the

Brage Lodge No. 2, I. O. of Vikings

at Viking Temple

Sheffield & School Sts.

Saturday Eve.,

January 31st.



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Svenska Tribunen-Nyheter, Sept. 24, 1924.

**NEXT SWEDISH DAY TO BE CELEBRATED IN SWEDISH-OWNED PARK**

Chicago's Swedish Good Templars--district lodges No. 2 and No. 5, to be exact--have for a long period of years celebrated their Swedish Day midsummer festival in Ravinia Park. So also last summer, when, despite bad weather, the event was attended by some ten thousand people.

During the last few years, many people have voiced the opinion that Swedish Day ought to be observed in a Swedish-owned park, and this sentiment has been gaining favor among our countrymen right along. A few weeks after last year's festival, a meeting was held and a committee appointed for the purpose of preparing plans for the purchase of a suitable location. This committee made several excursions to Fox River Valley, where a number of sites suitable for the purposes of the Good Templars were for sale. An agreement was finally reached with the owners of one of them, and last week the deal went through.

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A tract of land comprising 62 1/8 acres has been bought; it is conveniently located in very nice surroundings, near the town of Geneva and next to the Aurora-Elgin electric railroad, which actually cuts through a corner of the park, where a station is to be built. The park will be named by the new owners. The purchasing price was \$32,500.

One result of this purchase will probably be a joint celebration of Swedish Day by all Good Templar lodges in Illinois. Two lodges in Rockford, one in De Kalb, and one in Geneva joined the two Chicago lodges in buying this park, and the scope of the popular midsummer festival will thus be extended.

It is expected that many other Swedish organizations will rent the park and its facilities for summer outings.

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Svenska Tribunen-Nyheter, June 18, 1924.

SWEDISH DAY AT RAVINIA

The Chicago Good Templars' annual midsummer festival, known as Swedish Day, was celebrated last Sunday in Ravinia Park. The weather was unfavorable. A light rain fell throughout most of the day, and not until late in the afternoon did the sun come out. But in spite of this, many people found their way to the park. No less than 8,459 tickets were sold at the entrance, and the total attendance exceeded ten thousand.

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As usual, there were many attractions for both young and old. A notable innovation was the Svenska Tribunen-Nyheter's filming of the event.

The program started with a parade through the park which was led by the Good Templars' band. Then there were music, songs, speeches, games, dancing, etc. The main athletic event was a football game between a team from the Swedish-American Athletic Association and a team from Rockford. A special

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concert program was presented in the large summer theater, which was not large enough, however, to accomodate all who wanted to get in. The main speaker of the day was United States District Attorney Edwin A. Olson, who told of the Government's efforts to enforce the prohibition law.

After the completion of the official program, dancing and merrymaking continued until it was time to go home.

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Svenska Tribunen-Nyheter, Dec. 6, 1922.

FOR THE GOTHENBURG EXPOSITION

Swedish architects in Chicago who wish to be represented at the great jubilee exposition to be held in Gothenburg next summer should get in touch with Edward L. Jarl of the State Bank of Chicago as soon as possible. Mr. Jarl is in charge of this section of Swedish-American participation in the exposition for this district.

It is planned to send to Gothenburg a representative collection of building plans made by Swedish architects of Chicago. This is especially appropriate in view of the notable contribution which Swedes have made to the building industry here. Naturally, drawings of larger and more impressive structures are desired; they should be accompanied by a general description of the building, information in regard to materials used, and estimated cost of construction.

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### SVITHIOD WOMEN GIVE CUSTOMARY CHRISTMAS FESTIVAL FOR POOR CHILDREN

Last week, the women of the Svithiod Sangarklubb (Svithiod Singing Club) gave another of their Christmas festivals for poor children, a beautiful custom. This festival was held on the afternoon of December 30, in the club house on Wrightwood Avenue, under the direction of Mrs. Olof Ohlson, and other warm-hearted women.

It was not only candy and food that made the little ones happy, but valuable presents in the form of shoes, gloves, caps, and other articles of wear, which the little ones well needed. The grateful expressions of the children which the givers received for their kindness were thanks enough for the hard preparatory work and the solicitous attendance of the tasks during the course of

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the day. These deserving sisters certainly felt themselves more richly rewarded at this Christmas festival than on any other occasion.



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VIKING MEETING

Saturday evening, February 8, a banquet was given in the large auditorium of the Viking Temple for the delegates of the lodges of the Order of Vikings. Alex J. Johnson, editor of Svenska Kuriren, delivered an address, "The Swedes in America," of which we print the following excerpts:

"We Swedes do not have to feel downcast when we compare our ancestral descendancy with that of the people who came in the "Mayflower." In the same decade of the sixteen hundreds, a large number of Swedes came here on the "Kalmare Nyckel" (Key to Kalmar).

If we who are assembled here do not wish to brag that we are direct descendants of these honored fathers, the reason is partly because of our well-known shyness and partly because of our having heard since



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childhood that man is descended from Adam and Eve. Under these circumstances it is rather problematical to do justice to family trees, for the more we delve into them, the more extensive they become.

"You know as well as I do how the Swedes have progressed in the United States. We know that there are members of our race in all activities, civil as well as political, of the community, in all honorable trades and in all professions.

"I am not boasting of our nationality when I maintain that had not the inflexible Man of the Scythe intervened, John Johnson would have been elected president of the United States instead of Woodrow Wilson.

"The Swedes in the United States have been unjustly libeled, and much of the unexpected prejudice and distrust against them is due, in my





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opinion, to the fact that we have among us certain busybodies who are selfish and self-seeking, always trying to put themselves in the good graces of those in power.

"The only way in which we may re-establish respect for our nationality, according to my convictions, is to remain as law-abiding now as before, and yet be independent."



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SWEDISH OLD PEOPLE'S HOME SOCIETY

The regular members of The Swedish Old People's Home Society gave their yearly banquet at the Svithiod Sangarklubb Hall last Wednesday evening. Approximately two hundred persons were present at the affair, which proved to be a very pleasant entertainment.

The chairman of the festival committee, Mr. Albert Swanson, or "Father Swanson" as he is called in these circles, opened the festival with a short address, in which he made it known that Congressman Carl R. Chindblom had taken it upon himself to function as master of ceremonies for the evening.

Congressman Chindblom began with an exhortation that America be sung in unison. In well chosen words, he then pointed out that the work





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for the Old People's Home during the past year had been crowned with fine results, despite hard times, due to the effects of war. He, thereupon, introduced the chairman of the Women's Club, Mrs. C. M. Hedman. She accounted briefly for the work which this club does for the good of the Home. She gave a vivid, and yet a touching description, of the life led by the old folks in the Home. Finally, she expressed her sincere thanks to the departing director, Miss Anna Holm, for her work well done for the benefit of the Home, and for the well-being of the old folks.

Mrs. Hedman spoke in Swedish, the language favored by the old people. She appealed to all Swedish women to become members of the club, and





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ended her fine talk with the recitation of a poem in honor of the old people.

The next speaker was the chairman of the Men's Club, Dr. John A. Christenson, who pointed out that the Swedish Old People's Home is the most popular of its kind in all Cook County. He prophesied that in due time it would surely become the finest Old People's Home in the whole state. He expressed his thanks to Mr. John P. Friedland, chairman of the Villa Committee of last year, through whose energy and persistence, the wealth of the society had been increased to \$18,600. "The aim is now to have the Home enlarged," continued the speaker. "We wish to make an addition of a wing so that the Home will be able to accommodate more inmates than it does at present."



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After Dr. Christenson's speech, the president of the Old People's Home Society, Mr. Aaron Miller, spoke. He also expressed a wish that the Home might be enlarged so that there would be more room, and hoped that the Society would be able to start the work soon. It would be possible if the interest in the Home is not allowed to wane, but kept up as it has been during 1918. If all were willing to work as hard and accomplish as much as Mr. John P. Friedland, success would be certain.

Miss Agnes Berg, of the Augustana Hospital, sang two Swedish songs, accompanied by Miss Lindstrom. Other speakers were: Mr. George Q. Johnson, and Dr. M. Wahlstrom. The latter pointed out the



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desirability of having a Swedish home for invalids in Chicago. The last official speaker of the evening was Attorney Edwin A. Olson, whose appearance was greeted with the loudest applause of the evening. His talk was very lively, gay, and humorous. He mentioned that the permanent members should always be active members.

In closing the affair, Mrs. C. M. Hedman presented Miss Anna Holm with a gold watch as a token of appreciation from the permanent members. The gift was presented to Miss Holm with a few fitting words of thanks and as a tribute of their love and respect for this good woman. Miss Holm, visibly moved, thanked the Society for the gift, and there-with the pleasant affair was brought to a close.



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**SWEDISH ENGINEERS CELEBRATE**

The Swedish Engineers' Society celebrated its regular yearly festival last Saturday evening at the Svithiod Singing Club hall, where a joyous spirit was high after business matters had been completed. Engineer Särve was elected master of ceremonies for the evening. He showed himself truly a master in the role. The various speakers included the following persons, mostly engineers: Clarence Ongman, the society's newly elected president; Carl Anderson, the vice-president; John E. Ericsson; C. G. Artell; Henry Nyberg; Hugo Westerberg; Oscar J. Borgman; Mr. Christenson; and Peter Parke.

During the festival, copies of the society's spiritual newspaper, Trasdockan (Rag Doll), were distributed among those present. In the main issue, edited by Hugo Westerberg, there are some very fine drawings, contributed by Mr. Westerberg, which were altogether engaging. The cover page consisted of a



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drawing, showing a gentleman with a glass in hand, and, as a title for the glory, appeared the words: "Drink from your glass, prohibition awaits us." In the lower corner, the editor advised that the whole page for the next issue is reserved for an advertisement from the Chicago waterworks. The festival, like the Rag Doll, was just as much fun. Next year, perhaps, the engineers will have to christen their newspaper, Torrdoockan (Dry Doll), just like the yearly festival then, perhaps, maybe called "dry fun."





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"GNISTAN"

The Socialist Club "Gnistan" (The Spark), will give a concert and ball at Centre Hall, South May and 69th Streets, next Saturday evening. The dancing will be held from 8 to 9 P.M. and 10 to 12 P.M. The concert will be presented between 9 and 10 P.M.

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Svenska Kuriren (Swedish Courier), Oct. 24, 1918.

IRA NELSON MORRIS

The banquet in honor of Ira Nelson Morris, in The Swedish Club, last Tuesday evening was a very successful affair. More than two hundred persons, ladies and gentlemen, belonging to the elite of Chicago's Swedish population inclusive of numerous representatives of the clergy were present in the beautiful quarters, which were tastefully decorated. Back of the guest of honor could be seen the Stars and Stripes entwined with the Blue-yellow of the Swedish flag.

After those present had done justice to the culinary part of the evening's program, Mr. Charles S. Peterson delivered a speech, which came from the heart and went to the hearts. The speech, in part, follows:

"Honored Guest, Ladies and Gentlemen:



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"We have had many distinguished guests within these walls; but never have we had better reason to honor a visitor, than we have tonight. We honor him doubly, as American citizens because he has served our country well; and as American citizens of Swedish descent because in serving the land of our adoption so well, he has also helped the land of our birth, thereby doing us the invaluable service of maintaining, through very difficult times, the friendly feelings of the past between the United States and Sweden.

"If today that friendship is firmer than ever, if the understanding between the two nations is better than ever before, we owe it above all men, to our guest of honor tonight. Had it turned out differently, ninety-nine and nine-tenths per cent of us would without hesitation have done our duty to this our country; but, it is only human to say, that it would have been done with a heavy heart. Every right-minded man will stand by his wife, if he is unfortunately compelled to choose; but he does not turn with a light heart against his old mother. Because our guest tonight had the good judgment in trying times



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to distinguish between the outward appearance and the actual state of things, and thus maintained a friendship and amity, where another man might have created suspicion and distrust, we owe him a debt, that we can never quite repay. We hope he will accept this little affair tonight as a small sign of our feelings towards him."

After this speech, which received an enormous applause, Mr. Gustaf Holmquist and those present sang "Star-Spangled Banner," whereupon, Chief Justice Harry Olson, at the behest of the master of ceremonies spoke. Judge Olson's speech was largely a repetition of what the club's president had already said. He concluded his speech by expressing the hope of continued beneficial cooperation between the United States representative in Sweden, Minister Morris, and the land of our forefathers. This was followed by Stenhammer's "Sverige," excellently rendered by Gustaf Holmquist and an extra number followed, the "Battle Hymn of the Republic," where everybody joined in the refrain.



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The next speaker was the Swedish Vice-Consul of Chicago, Mr. J. Bernhard Anderson, who delivered a good and original speech. He pointed out that the Swedes should stop boasting over the heroic deeds their forefathers performed during the Thirty Years' War, etc. They should instead, he advised, offer their thoughts for the present; with the Swedish-Americans' share in developing this country. They have so well protected their own, as well as the honor of their adopted land that they did not need to borrow any honorable reflections, as to their loyalty and patriotism, from olden times, he declared.

As a practical proof of the correctness of the speaker's assertion, Liberty Bonds of \$1,000 denomination were purchased by many of those present, without any high-pressure salesmanship. After Consul Anderson's speech, a few violin numbers were given by Miss Ebba Hjertstedt and Mr. Edgar A. Nelson--all very well received.

Congressman Medill McCormick, also candidate for U. S. Senator for Illinois



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was next to be heard. What he had to say was mostly of a humorous nature. A few song numbers were given by the alto singer, Edna Swanson Ver Haar. Her rendition of "Land of Mine" received a well deserved applause.

Finally the guest of honor, Minister Ira Nelson Morris, was to be heard. To those who heard him at the mass meeting at Orchestra Hall last Sunday, his speech this evening must have been a disappointment, as it was only a repetition of what was said on that occasion.

Clearly and simply he painted a mental picture of conditions in Sweden at the outbreak of the war, and the present conditions since the treaty between the U. S. and Sweden. He spoke on the great friendship between the U. S. and Sweden, and how our 100,000 Swedish-American soldiers on French soil, through letters to kinsfolk and friends in Sweden, had helped, in spite of a strong



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neutrality, to have its sympathy lean towards the "Allies."

He spoke long and sincerely about Sweden and the Swedes, about the war, which will shortly be won by the Allies, and of what grand and glorious times were in store for us. The program concluded with the singing of "America" in unison.

The "Taffel-music" was furnished by Meek's orchestra.



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Svenska Kuriren, Aug. 22, 1918.

SWEDISH NATIONAL LEAGUE

(Editorial)



The Swedish National League's Summer festival in Riverview Park last Sunday was attended by about five thousand people. At the entrance of the park, the visitors were met by a troop of beautiful girls, who tried to "tag" them. It was also Tag Day in the park for the benefit of needy Swedish people in Chicago. The girls were particularly attractive, so one should expect a nice result financially from their efforts. The beautiful "extra" Salvation Lassies knew also how to get customers, with their appeal for money, to provide the boys at the front with Coffee "Med Dopp." All donors were decorated with a tag fastened to the lapel.

The park was decorated throughout. The speakers' stand in particular was beautifully decorated with American and Swedish flags. The first speaker, Chief Justice Harry Olson, gave a splendid talk on the War.



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Carl R. Chindblom delivered a very fine speech on charity, and painted out the particular significance the day had to the Swedes in Chicago. Mr. Chindblom, who substituted for Dr. Ernst Philblad, is to be complimented for the manner in which he acquitted himself.

Other speakers were: Attorney O'Connor, Werner Melinder, president of the Swedish National League, and Erik Hagberg, who spoke in Swedish.

The rest of the program consisted of folk-dances, songs, by the Harmony Singing Society, and music by Swedish-American Orchestra.

The official program concluded with the singing of America.



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Svenska Kuriren (Swedish Courier), July 25, 1918.

SWEDISH OLD PEOPLE'S HOME

(Editorial)

The Summer Festival at the Swedish Societies' Old People's Home, in Evanston, last Sunday, attracted a greater throng than ever before, and was also favored with the loveliest summer weather, that could be imagined. It is estimated that from 15,000 to 20,000 people took part, but when people come and go the whole day, it is almost impossible to even make a good guess as to the number of visitors.

Of this great mass of people very few left their pocketbooks at home. Chances on The Villa were sought after, and the refreshment stands did a good business. An unofficial estimate of net receipts was \$15,000; this will most likely, be increased considerably, when a final accounting is made.



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The program began at 4 p. m., with the "Star-Spangled Banner," sung by Swedish Singers League and Swedish Song Veterans, directed by Elof Erickson.

After the National anthem was sung, Governor Lowden said he had seldom heard it sung, as it was on this occasion. The next song number was "Hor jag Forsen's vilda Fall," whereupon the chairman Mr. John P. Friedlund, presented Mr. Aaron Miller, president of The Old People's Home Society, who made a short speech of welcome. Governor Lowden was then presented. He opened his speech urging all present to buy chances at The Villa, and also paid a fine tribute to the Swedish singers, after which he swung into the subject of World politics and the dominating position the Americans should take in the World War,



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touching upon the grand loyalty and patriotism displayed by our foreign born citizens. After his magnificent speech, several times broken by applause, "America" was sung.

The next speaker was The Swedish Consul General, Sigurd T. Goes, who in well chosen words spoke on The "Old People's Home," and the unselfish work performed by those high-minded men and women, who are responsible for its existence and success.

The singers then concluded the program with "Bjorneborgarnes Marsch," "Glad sasom Fageln" and "Hor oss, Svea," whereupon the chairman thanked the many, who took part in the program.

Late in the evening, the winners were announced and prizes awarded as follows:



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The "Villa" valued at \$6,000 and which everybody had inspected and hoped to win was won by a Blekinge girl, Miss Dina Benson, 2340 No. Racine Avenue. She was born in Elsebrane, in Asarums parish, and is "five years old" in America. She held lucky number 28, of the series 584; second prize, a piano, donated by Carl J. A. E. Anderson was won by Finna Lindquist of 317 So. Throop Street with No. 49, series 129; third prize, a mahogany dresser, donated by S. Rosenbaum & Company was won by William Nordlin, 1954 Winona Street; fourth prize, a rug donated by N. J. Sandberg, was won by Mrs. A. Rodelius, 2683 Stewart Avenue Evanston, with No. 5, series 166; fifth prize, a diamond ring, donated by A. W. Johanson was won by Leon Gustafson, 3141 No. Paulina Street with No. 50, series 585; sixth prize, clothing donated by Lindsten Clothing Company, was won by Mrs. C. Cox, 566, 20th Avenue, Milwaukee, Wis.,



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seventh prize, a lady's watch, donated by A. A. Joneson, was won by G. Lindell, 1330 North Clark Street, No. 75, series 1085; eighth prize, a gentleman's watch, donated by William Forstrom, was won by J. E. Carson, 6422 Greenview Avenue with No. 57, series 180; ninth prize, a lady's hat, donated by Johnson Millinery, was won by Theodore S. Skrach, 2636 W. 23rd Street, with 69, series 467; tenth prize, a pair of shoes, donated by Sven Johnson, 3211 North Clark Street, was won by Sandford Berg, 1318 Argyle Street with No. 49, series 461.

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MME. JULIA HARTA

The Festival which is to be held in Orchestra Hall next Sunday, at 8 P.M. in honor of Mme. Julia Harta, is of interest to the Swedish people of Chicago. She was born in Mora, Delecordia, Sweden, and married to Professor Harta. She has resided in Brussels, Belgium for several years. She is giving to the American people the facts regarding Belgium, under the title, "Belgium before the War, and Now." She will also show moving pictures of parts of the country, ravages of the war. The proceeds will go towards lessening the suffering among the Belgium people. The land is full of widows and orphans, made so by the war.

Greta Topardic, a young opera singer, who is of Swedish ancestry, will sing. The young lady is a granddaughter of Kirstina Nilson. She will sing Belgium National songs; also Swedish. The well known violinist, Frederick Fredrickson will perform; also Dr. Lewis Browne and Chicago's quintet of music.



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[GALA EVENT PLANNED]

The youngest Swedish aviator will appear at Riverview Park August 26, before the Swedish National Society. This occasion will be a gala affair, with much Swedish singing. - Reserve this day for a good time with us.



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FESTIVAL

The Day of Youth is the name applied to the summer festival which will be held in Horn's Park, Western and Berteau Avenues, next Sunday afternoon by young members of Iclott, Venus, Ideal, which are affiliated with the Good Templars. Speaker Frithiof Wereskjeld and singing by the popular singing choir Comrades. Music being furnished by the Good Templars Orchestra. Dancing and games will feature the entire day and evening.

Everybody of Nordic blood welcome.

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**SWEDISH SINGER'S MIDSUMMER FESTIVAL.**

The Swedish Singer's Midsummer Festival, which was held in Riverview Park, June 24, was a great success. It was held in the great Dance Pavilion, which was most suitable. The large choir and orchestra gave a splendid program.

The leading persons were, Mrs. Reno Pearson Burgeson, the well-known singer, and Mrs. Hulda Sofstrom. Mrs. Burgeston represented "Columbia" and sang the Star Spangled Banner. Mrs. Sofstrom sang SVEA and DU GAMLA DU FRISKA (The Aged and Pure).

The program included Swedish sports, with a five mile race starting at Belmont and Clark Sts. The speaking was taken care of by the Swedish Consul Erick Einar Enestrand, and James Hamilton Lewis, United States Senator from Illinois.

Prizes were distributed all together.

The crowd left in a happy frame of mind.



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EX. GOV. A.O.EBERHART.

Ex. Gov. A.O.Eberhart was the principal speaker at the Swedish Singers Mid-summer Festival, held in Ravinia Park June 24th. Eberhart is former Governor from the State of Minnesota and has done much for the spreading of Swedish culture in that state.

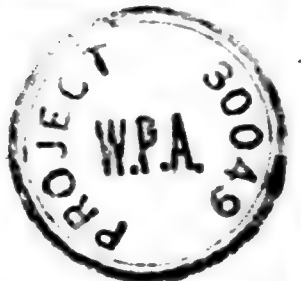
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LODGE GIVES MAY FESTIVAL

Lake View Lodge No. 166 S.F.A. celebrated a May festival last Saturday in Belmont Hall.



About five-hundred Swedish people were present. A keen rivalry existed concerning the choice of the May Queen.

Esther Nelson, 3321 Clifton Avenue was finally declared elected, and was accordingly crowned Queen, amid pomp and circumstance. Miss Nelson received 2,394 votes. Others closely rivaling Miss Nelson were Tillie Larson and Edith Waldeen. Miss Tillie Larson, 3117 Clifton Avenue won a gold watch. About \$500.00 profit was reported.



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[SWEDES HONOR LINNAEUS]

The Swedish Singing Society in Chicago will this year, as they did last year, honor the memory of Blomsterkungen (The Flower King), Carl von Linne.

They will sing their carols under the Statue of Abraham Lincoln in Lincoln Park, May 20, 1917.



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[PLAN HOLIDAY FESTIVAL]

Klubben(Club) Kalmar-Union, will give a beautiful Christmas party for the children in Verdandia Hall, 5015 North Clark Street, Saturday January 13, 8:00 P.M. Everyone from Kalmar in Chicago are cordially invited.

Coffee and cake will be served. Also other treats are in store. Tickets at 25 cents each are now on sale, or may be purchased at the door.

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SWEDISH-AMERICA'S PLYMOUTH ROCK.

(Editorial)

p.1...Next Saturday, the Swedish Communist Colony will celebrate the founding of its mother colony at Bishop Hill, Illinois, seventy years ago. This celebration is to commemorate one of Swedish-American's most important undertakings in this country.

As the Pilgrims came to Plymouth Rock, so came the Swedish colonists here to find religious liberty, and the history of the foundation of this colony is not so interesting only because it was the first Swedish colony in the west, but also on account of its peculiar characteristics. The founders composed a sect, which originated in their native land. This colony might be called communistic and was governed by the founder of this sect. Its history is both



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romantic and educating.

In the celebration next Saturday the Swedish-American California Club will take a prominent part. Two of its members, bank director, Henry S. Henschen, and the well-known lawyer, Edwin A. Olson, have been asked to speak on this occasion. The Chicago, Burlington and Quincy Railroad has arranged special trains to leave Union Station at 9 A.M., arriving at the destination at noon, whereupon lunch is served. The festival program will begin some time in the early afternoon. Dinner will be served on the train returning to Chicago in the evening. The cost of the round trip, including meals, is ten dollars (\$10). Those wishing to take part will kindly register with Edward C. Westman, 518 Sherman St., N.A. Nelson, 30 N. La Salle St., or direct to Henry A. Henschen, 135 N. Washington St.

A short resume of the colony's history follows:





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In the beginning of the 1840's a strong religious movement stirred up the people in Helsingland and adjoining counties in Sweden, its leader was a farmer, Erik Jensen, a man of a powerful personality, from Upland. He exercised an almost hypnotic influence on those with whom he came in contact, particularly on those who recognized him as their prophet. Otherwise he had much in common with the Puritan leaders. His new found conviction about the fallacy of the life and teachings within the Swedish State Church, was just as powerful as the two arms, with which he honestly fought to obtain the wherewithal for his family from the little farm he owned and worked. He started to preach. This incited the rabble to cause trouble at his meetings; then civil authorities took a hand in the conflict. Erik Jansson was thrown in prison and told to stay neutral in this spiritual fight. This happened several times. During all this a long nourished plan ripened into realization to find a place on the other side of the Atlantic where the sect would not be molested. Ever since Olof Olson from Kingsta in 1845 was sent out to reconnoiter the new land and having found a likable



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place in Illinois, Erik Jansson gathered together all his faithful and began that adventurous trip to America, reaching in due time Victoria, Ill., July 1st, 1846. The first parcel of land was bought in Henry County for \$250, later 156 acres with buildings, cattle and crops and still later 480 acres were bought from the government for \$1.25 per acre. The place was coded Bishop Hill after the leader's birthplace, Biskopkulla, in Sweden. Later about a thousand of Jansson's followers arrived under the leadership of trusted men. Like the first christians of old, they had everything in common, and this communistic system prevailed for a long time.

Out of the bleak prairie comfort and wealth was created. The people prayed and worked, new additions to the population arrived from the old land; some brought money with them, others enriched the colony with their education and experience, and everything progressed well for some time. Near the town



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was found clay suitable for the manufacture of brick, and in a short time, large solid buildings arose, many of which are still standing; among these is to be found the old colony church, built two years after the foundation of the settlement.

The colony's main occupation was, of course, farming, which was carried on scientifically, but many of the inhabitants were good mechanics in different trades and applied their knowledge to good advantage. In a short time the town had blacksmith shops, brewery, cloth factory, dyehouse, flour mill, public bath, and shops for the manufacture of wagons, farming tools, furniture, harness shop, clothes, and shoes. Flax was raised on a large scale and cloth was woven. Surplus goods was sold in neighborhood towns and in Chicago. But all did not continue to go so well. In August 1849 a Norwegian troupe brought with them cholera, and many died.

An attempt to improve the colony's economic position by sending out a gold-



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seeking expedition to California did not succeed. The most serious tragedy happened shortly afterwards. A deserter from the Swedish Army, an officer named John Root, tried to kidnap his wife from the colony, who he married with the understanding that she was to remain in the colony, even if he himself wished to leave. In his attempt to break an agreement caused him to be taken to court, and in the court room in Cambridge, Root shot and killed Erik Jansson, May 13, 1850, then forty-two years old.

The colony was now without a leader neither spiritually nor worldly, as Erik Jansson had been the law. After his death his widow appointed Andrew Berglund as leader until her son Eric became of age. The latter is still alive, the veteran Capt. Eric Johnson seventy-eight years old and living at Clearwater, Cal., and will be present at this Jubilee, Saturday, as the most historically important personality there.

During this latter father's guardian leadership of Bishop Hill a revolution broke



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out, bloodless as it was, the leader was the powerful Jonas Olson, who had been in charge of the gold-seeking expedition. The affairs of the colony were now in the hands of group of seven men, composed of: Jonas Olson, Olof Johnson, Jonas Ericson, Jacob Jacobson, Jonas Kronberg, Swan Swanson and Peter Johnson, the latter replaced by Olaf Stoneberg. In the year 1854 the building of the city of Galva was begun, originally called Gefle after a large industrial city in Sweden.

This was an economic undertaking and a few years later the colony could show \$1,000,000 to its credit, the direct result of meeting and working in harmony wrestling a livelihood from what was before a desert, and today surrounded by many other growing towns in the heart of the state. In about 1860 the colony reached its zenith. The communistic idealism was thrown overboard, and it was agreed to divide the property. Altogether 10,857 acres were allotted.

In this connection a long and costly court procedure sprang up, which was

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finally settled through a compromise in 1879. The colony's religious unity disappeared and so did the old "Janssonism." The colony looks today as it did in the days of old, only more overgrown with weed and moss. The younger generation, who had grown up at Bishop Hill, spread out through the west and there mingled with the rest of the population. During the Civil War a large number of these colonists joined the colors and fought for the preservation of the Union. Among these we find the above mentioned sons of Erik Jansson and Andrew Berglund, of which the latter won the rank of lieutenant in the battle of Shiloh. Many other well-known countrymen are descendants of this colony: The at one time so active politician, Jonas Olson, in Galva; the late editor of 'Svenska Tribunen, Andrew Chaiser and others.

On Sept. 23, 1896 the fiftieth anniversary of the foundation of the colony was celebrated with great pomp, it was really a "Home-Coming" day with participants from all over the country. Quite a few of the original colonists were still alive, among them the ninety year old leader, Jonas Olson, who now reposed on



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the ruins of the work, he founded, built up and wrecked. At this festival a monument was unveiled in Bishop Hill, with the following inscription: "Dedicated to the memory of the hardy pioneers who, in order to secure religious liberty, left Sweden, their native land, with all the endearments of home and kindred, and founded Bishop Hill Colony, on the uninhabited prairies of Illinois, Sept. 23, 1846. Erected by the surviving members and descendants on the fiftieth anniversary, Sept. 23, 1896."

In the later years a memorial festival has been held in Bishop Hill under the auspices of Bishop Hill Old Settlers' Association.

The festival this year is expected to surpass anything held hitherto and should compare favorably with the half-century celebration.



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[SUMMER FESTIVAL]

(Editorial)

p.12.....The Swedish National League's "summer festival" in Riverview Park last Sunday was favored with beautiful weather and a great "turn-out."

The "weaker sex" was very much in majority particularly after the sun had gone down and the temperature permitted dancing.

The "festival" began in the early afternoon with a short welcoming speech by the "League's" president, Mr. O. S. Ohlander, who later introduced alderman, J. E. Tyden, who, after his speech, assumed the roll of "master of ceremonies."

The speech of the day, which one would expect to be made by a Swede, as this day is called "Swedish National Day", was made by the well-known reform advocate, Professor C. E. Merriam, - a member of the city council. He made a very fine speech, which was well received. This was followed with music from Svithiod's Orchestra and folk-dances by the dancing-club "Frihet" (Liberty). The "Swedish Singers' League," under the direction of Mr. Gustaf Carlson, sang a few unusually well rendered song-numbers





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which were particularly well received. A little later an exhibition was given by a company from the "Svithiod Lodge" and one from the "Hildur Lodge" as well as by the parade companies of "Valkyria Lodge No. 1, "I.O.L.V." directed by Mrs. Hulda Magnuson, and "Hildur Lodge No.3," "L.I.O.S." under the direction of Mrs. Larson.

The most interesting part of the program was no doubt the competition among members of the "Swedish-American Athletic Association," and a football match between a mixed team from the latter association and the Norwegian football team "Fram."

Carl Pierson, Oscar Munson and Bernard Roman were the leaders in this part of the program; O. Munson as Referee and Ever Hammer and Gust. Krantz as Timekeepers, John Erison, Dr. Axel Akeson, Harold Nelson, Paul Lundberg, C. Goranson, Thure Andreen and Gust. Wahlstrom as Prize Judges. The result was as follows: 100 Yard Dash; (best time 10:2/5 sec.) 1. Erik Johnson; 2. Gust Rundquist; 3. H. Grevin (scratch). Shot Put: (36 ft. 7 in.) 1. Ed. Johnson; 2. G. Wahlstrom; 3. Gust. Rundquist. Discus Throw: (123 ft.) 1. A. Carlson; 2. H. Grevin; 3. E. Olson. High Jump: (5 ft.6 in.) 1. C. Anderson (scratch); 2. M. Anderson; 3. G. Rundquist. 220 Yard Dash: 1. Ernie



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Olson; 2. H. Grevin (scratch); 3. Erik Johnson. Two Mile Run: 1. Hugo Carlson (scratch); 2. W. Jensen; 3. C. Pearson; 4. B. Johnson; 5. E. Palm; 6. George Karlberg. Broad Jump: (20ft. 4 in.) 1. K. Lowencrantz; 2. O. Lawrence; 3. E. Magnuson. 440 Yard Run: (57 sec.) 1. Enok Johnson; 2. H. Munson; 3. K. Lowencrantz. Hop-Step & Jump: (41 ft. 3 in.) 1. O. Ternstrom (scratch); 2. G. Rundquist (scratch); 3. O. Anderson. Javelin Throw: 1. Gust Johnson; 2. Ed. Johnson; 3. O. Ternstrom.

The football game was very thrilling, and was won by the Norwegian team "Fram" with three goals to two for the Swedes. The prizes were given out by O. S. Ohlander, H. Grevin and O. Munson.

A cup donated by the Swedish Ladies Gymnastic Association went to the Norwegians for winning the football match. Hugo Carlson, the winner of the two-mile race, received a cup donated by Eric Hall, the architect. The other winners in the athletic competition received medals.

In the Ladies Popularity Contest, Miss Sigrid Swanson was crowned "Queen" and also received the \$25.00 in gold, donated by the "Swedish National League."

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A GREAT BANQUET

Svithiod Singing Club gave a great banquet Saturday evening at the club house on Wrightwood Avenue. Food and drinks were served and lively entertainment in speeches and singing, etc. A large number of club members and ladies were present and participated.

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[PLAN PICNIC]

A picnic to the Swedish Home for Aged in Evanston is arranged for September 12, in the afternoon. A meeting of the board of governors of the Home will be held at the same date. All the members of the society for the Home are invited, with their families.

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[OPEN AIR FESTIVAL]

The Open Air Festival last Sunday at Riverview Park, arranged by the Swedish National Association of Chicago, became an autumn festival instead of a summer festival as planned, and the reason was the weather, not the planning. Those in charge did even more than they had promised, for they presented a speaker, both outstanding and eloquent, who was not mentioned on the program, Senator J. Hamilton Lewis. He had nothing but flattering things to say about the Swedes and his speech was greatly applauded.

There was music by the orchestra of the "Northern Star" and of the "Vikings" and singing by the "Swedish Singing Society", dance exhibition by the dance club "Skansen".

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### THE OLD PEOPLE'S DAY

The annually recurrent summer festival for the benefit of the Swedish Home for the Aged, in Evanston, was celebrated last Sunday, and the festival proved one of the most successful ones ever celebrated for the purpose mentioned.

Hardly ever did so many of our people gather to salute the old people as this time, and never before did the festival bring in as large amount of money as this year. The amount received was \$6000.00. The Swedish Singing Society in Chicago contributed much to the success of the festival through beautiful rendering of Swedish songs. More than 5000 people were present.

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## THE MIDSUMMER FESTIVALS

(Editorial)

The observance of midsummer is becoming a regular custom in Swedish-America. This year preparations are already under way in many Swedish colonies throughout the country for midsummer festivals of a nature to give the participants not only a few hours of fun and merrymaking, but pleasant memories to be stored for years to come.

These festivals are definitely of a national character. Swedish is used in speeches and song, Swedish games are played, and young and old dance Swedish dances to Swedish music. Among the celebrants one will even find a few dressed in Swedish national costumes, and the beautiful yellow and blue may be seen waving in the summer breeze, side by side with Old Glory.

These midsummer events play an important role in our cultural work, and efforts have been made to eliminate from them such features as are of questionable value and which do not reflect credit on the Swedish name. The programs



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that are now offered are of such a nature that every Swedish-American should enjoy them, and the festivals, in communities where they have become annual events, represent a strong unifying force among our nationals.

It has often been suggested that a national day be designated for Swedes in America. We think this is a good idea, and should not be a bit surprised if Midsummer Day were chosen for the occasion.





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[CHICAGO SWEDES HONOR LINNAEUS]



The Linne Festival (a festival in honor of Linnaeus) was celebrated by Chicago Swedes last Saturday in Lincoln Park, just around the statue of the famous botanist. A chorus of one hundred voices gathered around the statue and sang several Swedish songs. The festival speech was delivered by Attorney Carl L. Chindblom.

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THE GIANT CHORUS AT THE OLYMPICS

The first rehearsal of the giant chorus was held at the Swedish Club under the direction of Mr. Hjalmar Nilson from Minneapolis. About one hundred singers participated. Mr. Ernst Lindblom will assist Mr. Nilson at the rehearsals. The festival is scheduled to be presented to the public on June 29 at Grant Park.



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FESTIVAL OF THE SWEDISH NATIONAL LEAGUE

The Swedish National League's midsummer festival which was held in Elliott's Park last Sunday, was favored by perfect weather and attended by approximately thirty thousand people. The opening ceremony included the raising of the Maypole, accompanied by the hoisting of the American and Swedish flags to the tune of "The Star-Spangled Banner" and "Du Gamla, Du Fria" (You Old, You Free).

Among the choruses participating were Orpheus, Iduna, Norden, Lyran, and Zephyr, which entertained generously with the fine old Swedish folk songs. One of the most interesting numbers on the program was the selection of the May queen; the choice fell on Miss Ellen Hookanson, Brage Lodge's candidate, and she was awarded a gold medal. At the rate of five cents per vote this contest netted five hundred dollars, which was donated to the fund for Swedish tuberculosis sanitariums.

Both grownups and children enjoyed themselves thoroughly, watching and



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participating in athletic contests, folk dancing, modern dancing, and general merriment. One might well imagine that one had been transferred to some Swedish village green.

The receipts of the day amounted to \$15,000.



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### THE OLD SWEDISH SETTLERS

The Swedish Old Settlers' Association held their sixteenth annual festival last Sunday in the Odd Fellows Hall at 120 East Chicago Avenue. About fifty members had gathered and partook of a splendid dinner. The founder of the society is the old, but yet active, and well-known cigar manufacturer, Charles Eklund, and the first secretary, is now president of the society. He is Attorney Peter W. Nilsson. Both were present.

We name a few of the oldest members present, and the year they arrived in this country. (The year of arrival precedes the name)

1860: A. J. Anderson; 1862: August Lundvall; 1864: Andrew John Hallgren; 1865 Erich Forsberg and R. T. Carell; 1866: Peter Rond; Peter W. Nilsson and Andrew Olson; 1867: John Anderson; 1868: Karl Polander; John Smødberg,



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John R. Lelya, C.D. Lunden, August Peterson, N.F. Nelson and Alfred Alm;  
1869: Charles J. Stromback, E.O. Wattman, Charles Peterson and Lars J.  
Anderson; 1870: Gustave Lundquist and John Wilson; 1871: E.G. Lubeck;  
1872: Gustave Johnson and A.P. Johnson; 1875: Victor Johnson, 1879:  
Richard Akerman; 1880: P.M. Pearson and Ed. Nelson; 1881: John Hanson and  
Alexander Anderson.



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### JOHN ERICSON

Yesterday, when it was too late for us to give a complete report in this issue of the paper, a banquet was arranged by the Swedish Glee Club in their Lodge hall on La Salle Street to honor John Ericson, who was fifty years old yesterday.

John Ericson, city engineer, was born October 21, 1858 in Litselby in Skepptuna, Sweden. At the age of 18, he went to the Technical Institute in Stockholm, and graduated four years later as a civil engineer. In 1881, he came to America, where he became district engineer for the Toledo, Cincinnati and St. Louis railroad, and later served as bridge builder for the firm of Hopkins & Company of St. Louis. The following year, he became canal engineer for the State of Illinois. Since 1884, Ericson has been



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employed by the city of Chicago, first as draftsman, and then assistant engineer, but since 1897, as chief engineer, which position he now holds.

Four months ago Ericson was accused of something unfair, but full explanation was given by the Swedish press, which led to Mr. Ericson's being offered a position as Stockholm's building chief. He declined this offer.





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Svenska Amerikanaren, June 10, 1908.

SVITHIOD SINGERS CLUB'S 26TH YEAR FESTIVAL

The Svithiod Singers Club held its 26th annual festival last Saturday evening at its club house, 1768 Wrightwood Avenue. A splendid supper was served, after which business matters were attended to. Mr. Olaf Nelson announced that the net proceeds from the drama "Streets of Stockholm" was \$1,100. At the same time he presented gifts to three of the performers in the play. Chairman Mrs. Olson and Erik Rosen were presented with gold medals, and little Miss Lindell with a large doll.



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THE SWEDISH NATIONAL SOCIETY

The Swedish National Society will give its Midwinter festival at the Garrick Theater Sunday, January 19, at 8 P.M. The Swedish Dramatical Society will present a historical play, "Gustaf II Adolph and Regina von Emmeritz," by Zacharias Topelius. "King Gustaf II Adolph's role" will be played by Prof. John R. Ortengren, and "Regina's" role by Miss Ida Ostergren, one of America's most prominent actresses.



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**SWEDISH AMERICAN CLUB'S BAZAAR.**



This Bazaar was held Thursday, Friday and Saturday in Belmont Hall and has taken in \$500 net. This money will be used for the Swedish people in Chicago who are in need of coal, food, etc. Last Saturday in particular things sold well, in fact, everything was sold out.

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### SWEDISH NATIONAL MIDSUMMER FESTIVAL

This Swedish festival was celebrated Sunday evening and was a great success; to say that it was better than any before it would be putting it mildly. Elliott's Park, where it was held, appeared at its best. All of us who have Swedish blood in our veins, after a long wait for the sun and summer, were in our best humor to enjoy the beauty that nature so abundantly afforded. To speak of the beautiful weather with which we were favored would be trite. We all know by this time that Mrs. Myhrman stands in well with the weather fore-caster in the Auditorium tower, and the weather needed for our recreation never fails us. In the morning the sky looked threatening for a while. We saw on Mrs. Myhrman's countenance a look of disgust as she gazed toward the office of the weather prophet, and we heard her mutter,

"See here, professor, what kind of foolishness is this?"

And the professor hastily turned on another kind of weather. Nothing was

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lacking to make it a real national celebration. In fact, it was larger than last year's, even if other midsummer festivals were being held elsewhere. To count those present was impossible, but that is hardly the function of a lousy reporter.

We guess, however, that there were 25,000 present; but we would swear that there were 20,000. Car after car brought a dozen or more each from 8 A.M. on; at noon the crowd went to the park, where several thousand had already gathered. It is wonderful to come from the drab streets to God's free nature and to roam over the green grass among a festive throng. And out there was the fluttering emblem that never fails to make the heart of Swedish man or woman beat faster--the Swedish flag. The platform used by the speakers, the gymnasts, and the dancers was beautifully decorated with American and Swedish flags. The park was crowded with people at ten o'clock, when the music began, and I tried to get through the entrance to the park. The music was the signal that the guest of honor had arrived, sent by Sweden to represent that country on this gala occasion, the Honorable H. L. F. Lagercrantz.

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He had been escorted from Chicago by the magnificent throng which welcomes him on all occasions, a crowd such as Swedish-Americans had hardly dreamed of before. He was the guest of Vice-Consul John R. Lindgren, who followed him into the park. A reception committee had attended at the Illinois Central Railroad Station to escort the guest of honor. He was presented to the president of the National Society, the Honorable G. E. Q. Johnson. From the station he was escorted by three musical societies to the speakers' platform. After this had taken place, the American and Swedish flags were raised while the band played.

Frithiof Malmquist read a festival poem. A song was sung by the Svea Chorus and the audience. Now a recess in the official program was taken to partake of a dinner given for the guest of honor and others. After that the program was resumed with songs and other music; then the Scandia Gymnastic and Athletic Club performed wonderful gymnastics. This was followed by the national Swedish dancers, who presented a long program of old dances which we had known in Sweden.

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The Honorable Mr. Lagercrantz expressed his appreciation to the gymnastic club as well as to the national dancers because they have maintained their [Swedish] skill among his compatriots here.

After this there were songs by the Swedish ladies' quartet, and then G. E. Q. Johnson as president of the National Society gave an address of welcome, after which he presented several of the county commissioners and Corporation Counsel Edward J. Brundage, who gave a talk on Swedish contributions to American citizenship. Mr. Brundage told of the worthy things which the Swedish-Americans have done in building the nation. Perhaps the speech was somewhat burdened with statistics, but since it was a Swedish audience, the speaker was splendid; let no one complain about him. The whole speech was an acknowledgment of the high place which the Swedes enjoy as citizens and [of their promptness in] becoming naturalized. The speaker was loudly applauded. Then the Honorable Mr. Lagercrantz was presented to the audience, which welcomed him most heartily. His personality and his whole appearance and carriage were such that nothing else might have been expected. His

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countenance reveals a splendid character. He is a gentleman, not one of the snobbish sort that you find among people of his standing. To his audience he gave the impression of a democratic, urbane personality, not acting unnaturally but as one who deserves real popularity. His talk was like himself, straightforward and without unnecessary eloquence. But it was not lacking in sincerity or significance or warm sympathy; no one could help feeling that every word came direct from his heart.

"I wish first to bring a greeting from the Northland, from Sweden, from father's land and mother's land, where once they lived," so he began.

"When I was about ready to set forth on my journey here, and I was saying farewell to the grand old monarch, he put his arm around me and said,

"'Greet them! greet all my beloved Swedes who live over there; even if they are Americans on paper, they will always be Swedes to me.'"

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That greeting of the old and respected king was met with loud cheers of joy. The speaker told how Sweden had recently bestowed the right to vote upon all, a right which up to recent times had not been granted.

In one of the papers in Stockholm recently they spoke of the Honorable Mr. Lagercrantz's journey in answer to an invitation from this country; no doubt they counted on his winning some of their sons and daughters who live here back to Sweden again. However, in the latter part of his speech he spoke of how well off the Swedish-Americans appeared to be over here and of the good working conditions. He did not complain because we had taken so well to our beloved bride, for although Mother Sweden may mourn over our leaving, yet she is glad that she is not forgotten. The speaker was happy because all the Swedish-Americans whom he had met were well thought of. He said that President Roosevelt had told him that Swedish-Americans did not lose their modesty and become self-conceited. His talk was not without humor. Among other things he said that in a meeting of old people in Sweden, when he was about to sail, an old lady asked him to greet her son Axel. It

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never occurred to her that America is several times larger than Vastmanland or than Sweden and several other countries put together. A little later he learned that Axel lived in Seattle, Washington.

"I understand that you love your foster country," said he. "I have been here only three weeks, and I feel half American already."

The audience applauded. When the speaker had finished, the band played "America". Later a telegram was sent to King Oscar as follows:

"Twenty-five thousand Swedish-Americans in Chicago under the auspices of the Swedish National Society assembled to celebrate the midsummer festival in Elliott's Park with Minister Lagercrantz as guest of honor. Beg to send a greeting from our foster country to our beloved Monarch."

This was the answer received:

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"President Johnson, Swedish National Society, Chicago: With great pleasure I received your telegram and beg you to offer to the Swedish National Society my heartiest thanks. My interest and my blessings are offered to all. Oscar."

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### CHICAGO SWEDES CELEBRATE

As we have observed, there are many Swedes in Chicago. Last Sunday, on Mid-summer's evening, the Swedes turned out in great numbers. The Swedish National Society, with twenty-five thousand children gathered in Elliott's Park. The Singing Society, and the Svithiod Club, who numbered nine thousand, in their glad celebration, gathered at Columbia Park. The Good Templers, many thousand of them, had a enjoyable time on an excursion on the Lake. Besides all of these groups, many families celebrated in Swedish picnic style out on the lawns.

One thing we must admit that in Sweden, we have never seen so many people gather on this occasion. Chicago is, therefore, entitled to the first prize. But we observed something also more important than the large gatherings at these celebrations. We noted that the Swedes in Chicago have had time to "classify" themselves in the "upper and "Lower" classes. Such self-praise has never accomplished anything good, more often it has done much harm.



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Even among the Chicago Swedes, possibly there are Swedish "classes" that wrangle over trivial matters for supremacy, and thereby loose their strength. But until these conditions are found, we think of them as only imaginary. As long as one people, or one nation has a mutual understanding there will be no bitter feelings toward one another. One finds brotherhood in this understanding, one finds strength. In the cultured European countries, it seems impossible to change this class distinction.

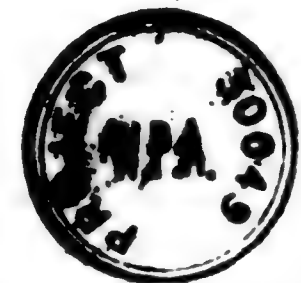
Minister Lagercrantz. said in his talk before the Swedish National Society at the midsummerfest that in Sweden during the past ten years a change has taken place, which is hard to believe possible, and with long strides, conditions have become better in every way. The conditions for the laborer have become better, and a brighter outlook for a more democratic union is seen. Such conditions in our homeland are much desired; because it means progress in all kinds of endeavor. When that day comes that the Swedes in



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Stockholm and Gottenborg have progressed so far that they have no feeling of superiority, or "class distinction," when twenty-five thousand of them can assemble at one time to celebrate a national holiday as they did in Chicago, then, and only then, have the Swedes much to hope for from her sons and daughters.

This progress means unity, and with unity there follows progress in all kinds of endeavor.



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Svenska Kuriren, May 4, 1907.

### SWEDISH FESTIVALS

The Swedish Singing Union will celebrate the birthday of Carl Von Linne May 23 by singing at his statue in Lincoln Park.

The Nordstjernan Society will give a May 28th festival at Turner Hall on the South Side, Saturday, May 4.

The Orphei Singing Club will give a Spring concert and ball in its hall, Saturday, May 11.

Balders Music Corps will arrange the first picnic of the season at World's Fair Park, Sunday, May 12.



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Svenska Amerikanaren, May 14, 1907.

### SWEDISH SONG SOCIETY LINNEFEST

The Swedish Song Society of Chicago met at Svithiod's Song Club Local last Sunday afternoon to make arrangements for some manner of celebrating the two-hundredth year anniversary of the Linne's birthday on the 23rd of May. Among the suggestions that were made was one that the societies singers should gather around Linne's Statue in Lincoln Park at 8:00 P. M. and around the flower kings Statyn to sing some appropriate songs for the occasion. Afterward the singers were to go to the Svithiod's club-rooms where the tables were set awaiting the guests; after the banquet they will be entertained with speeches and singing. Carl R. Chindblom will talk about the flower-king, his work and study of Botany and nature as one of the world's foremost in this respect. Professor John R. Ortengren will speak upon the subject the Song's high Mission.



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Svenska Amerikanaren, Mar. 12, 1907.

**SWEDISH AMERICAN WOMEN'S CLUB.**

This Swedish Club held a bazaar, as announced, at Belmont Hall, last Thursday, Friday and Saturday. Many pretty and valuable articles were sold for high prices; the undertaking netted about \$600.

Charles Halberg's painting, which he sent, brought \$110. All of the money taken in will be used to alleviate illness, and need among the people. Some of it will be given to help combat the spreading of the terrible disease tuberculosis. We honor the women who have accomplished this work.

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Svenska Amerikanaren, Jan. 22, 1907.

### HALF CENTURY FESTIVAL

An outstanding festival was celebrated last Saturday here in Chicago, the Svea Society was celebrating its 50th anniversary. Svea Society was organized on January 22, 1857 and elected C. J. Stollerand as leader. He later was a general in the U.S. Army and secretary to Consul C. J. Sundell. The banquet last Saturday was held in the Svithiod Singers' Club Room. You may have an idea that at a fifty year birthday celebration one would meet a small army of grand veterans, but there were only a few. Once in a while we would meet and shake hands with one of the old guard members, such as George W. Hertzman, C. A. Helander, E. O. Forsberg, John E. Tengberg, Sven Olin and others. The societies' present leader Hon. W. C. Nelson was master of ceremonies for the evening. He introduced the first Chicago quartette who under the leadership of Wm. Dahlens entertained with their colorful singing. After that Anders Schon spoke of the societies' beginning and its earlier usefulness. The supper was elegant. The societies' cashier John E. Tengberg at this time was presented with a very pretty Society Emblem donated by Gustaf L. Svenson. Svea's membership is not large but good. However, the treasury is particularly strong, \$4,000. The officers of the society at present are the following:



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Chairman W. C. Nelson, vice-chairman A. E. Peterson, secretary George W. Hertzman, financial secretary Chas. T. Funk, cashier A. W. Nelson. The societies' masquerade ball was well attended last Saturday and the prizes were many and valuable.

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Svenska Kuriren, Jan. 5, 1907.

"A SCANDINAVIAN DEMONSTRATION"

The Salvation Army arranged a "Scandinavian demonstration" last Thursday in the Swedish Mission Church at Orleans and Whiting Street. All the Scandinavian officers and soldiers in the Salvation Army in Chicago participated. Music was furnished by an orchestra, and its members appeared in national costumes. The attendance was large, and the meeting was very successful.



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Svenska Tribunen, Feb. 13, 1906.



[ A GENUINE SWEDISH FESTIVAL ]

The Swedish National Festival, held on Saturday, February 10 at the Auditorium, was a success in every respect. Our countrymen of Chicago were thoroughly interested in the program. The three thousand who attended the festival were enraptured from beginning to end.

The Swedish folk dancers opened their program with a "Hambo", which they executed with grace and perfect tempo, and put the audience in an enthusiastically appreciative mood for the entire evening. All well-known and popular folk dances were presented.

The folk dancers group, whose American tour included the Auditorium exhibition, is made up of six couples from as many sections of Sweden; each couple wearing the official costume of their respective sections.

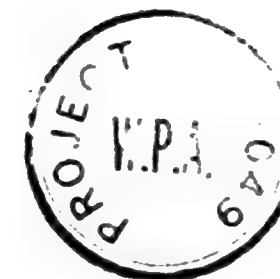
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While every dance was awarded wholehearted applause, the applause given "Vingakers Dansen" was so outstanding that the folk dancers were forced to present it a second time.

As an additional attraction, the Swedish Ladies Quartette and the Harmony Male Chorus offered several well-chosen songs, both groups drawing such a volume of applause that they sang several encore numbers.

For the benefit of our countrymen who found it impossible to attend the festival, we are pleased to announce that the touring Swedish Folk dancers will give a farewell performance at the south side Turner Hall on February 25. The Turner Hall being a much smaller hall than the Auditorium, we are sure of a sellout. We would advise all who desire to obtain tickets to do so before it is too late.

Chronicle, July 21, 1905.

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**SWEDES OPEN A FESTIVAL**

The first concert of the fourth annual festival of the American Union Swedish Singers held last night at the Auditorium was given the hearty approval of an audience of 3000 persons. Every number on the program was followed by an encore and the soloists were accorded a welcome demonstrating their success at former concerts.

Mrs. Anna Hellstrom was greeted with the Chautauqua salute and a round of prolonged applause, to which she responded with a heroic war song. Cries of "Bravo!" "Bravo!" followed the completion of her first selection and a storm of flowers rained over the platform.

The popularity of the great Swedish soprano was further demonstrated later in the evening when the members of the singing societies assembled at the Auditorium Annex and serenaded her with folk songs of the home-land.

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Miss Martina Johnstone of New York rendered two pleasing violin selections with splended manifestation of expression, and the solo efforts of Gustaf Holmquist of Chicago and Olof Valley of Kansas City met with the approval of the audience.

Many of the prominent Swedish people of the city were present to listen to the national airs and to give the stamp of approval to the festival. In the boxes among others, were President Haugan of the State bank of Chicago, Magnus Olson, Henry Runkle, Judge Chytraus, Robert Lindbloom and F. A. Lindstrom.

In the absence of Mayor Dunne the address of welcome was made by Corporation Counsel James Hamilton Lewis.

"It seems strange", he said, "to consider it necessary to welcome an assemblage of Swedes anywhere in America, for I believe that history will show that one of your race, Lief Ericson, was the real discoverer of this country."



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While the house was not over-crowded last night, it is believed that a much larger audience will be present this evening when the second concert is to be held. Two rival societies, the Svenska Glee Klubben of Chicago and the Swedish Glee Club of Brooklyn, will take part and the friendly strife will be watched with interest.

Business meetings of the eastern and western branches of the union will be held during the day at 470 LaSalle Avenue, and Saturday a joint meeting will be held at the same place.

Saturday evening a banquet will be held at the North Side Turner Hall, and on Sunday a program of interest to all Swedish people will take place at Riverview Park. It is predicted that 30,000 people will attend this gathering.

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AROUND THE MAYPOLE

From the early morning 'till late in the evening when the god of thunder hitched his bucks to his two-wheeled carriage, and Jupiter Pluvius started laying sinister plans for the drenching of all of us without further ceremonies, the ruler of the weather was in brilliant humor and sent rich measure of his gifts to the children of men. Owing to his good humor, those many thousands of our compatriots who had met at Elliott Park to participate in the celebration of the long, luminous night, enjoyed the festivities thoroughly, imbibing from the cup of joy even as they drank their friend Ogren's foaming mjöd and his unseasonably expensive lemonade. But when the heavy clouds began to line up in the sky, the thunder rumbled from afar, and rain began to moisten the earth, then the sounding of the bells took another tune. But that did not happen 'till eleven o'clock that night.



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About the middle of the day, when the people had satisfied their craving for food, and red wine and other drinks had moistened their dried-up throats, the official part of the celebration started. The Swedish Singing Association had taken their places on the great stage when Uncle Old entered to give the greeting of Welcome to all the visitors. Afterwards, "Du gamla, du friska" (Thou Old Yet Vigorous Ones) was played, and the "Star Spangled Banner," "Hear Us, Svea," and "Hail to the Lofty North" were sung. Then the American and the Swedish flags were raised aloft on the Maypole, and Mr. C. R. Chindblom gave a thoughtful, appealing oration on behalf of the American flag.

Then it was the turn of the justly praised Attorney, G. Bernhard Anderson. Upon his appearance on the platform, he was greeted with vigorous applause. In an enthusiastic, (we are tempted to say, "fanatic") speech of praise and devotion to our old homeland, he paid his respects to the blue and yellow banner, "....the symbol of liberty, of high honor, and of loyalty." The



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speaker concluded his speech with a wish of long life to the little country so far up north; the audience gave their hurrahs, hats and handkerchiefs were wafted high, and the boys joined in singing "Vart land."

A veritable storm of applause rewarded the singers, and it could not be stopped until a da capo was given. The extraordinarily beautiful and manly sounding melody...was very effective. The powerful basses were well-modulated, and the execution, excellent in every detail, was worthy of every praise. The whole chorus has proven itself to be a gathering of really outstanding, intelligent individuals, with the precise, sure, and distinct training the men have undergone, they are able to present something really extraordinary in the field of the male chorus. The musical gems enjoyed by the audience at the Maypole will not soon be forgotten.

At 2:30 P.M., competition in sports made demand upon the men and women; high jumping, distance jumping, and running. We had the chance to see fat and



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lean fellow-citizens jumping and running as if life was at stake. Endless, almost, was the glee as the broadly built matrons came waddling on, puffing and perspiring and laughing.

The folk dances conducted by the Philo-chorus Society were very pleasing, and the public indicated its appreciation of the ancient, honorable dances by vigorous applause. Watching a group of people folk-dancing is invariably enjoyable. No black formal clothes, no white shining shirt fronts - only joyous and fresh colors which appeal to our eyes.

Of course, everything went on vigorously and with speed, and with a sure rhythm such as only the members of the Philo-chorus Society can dance.

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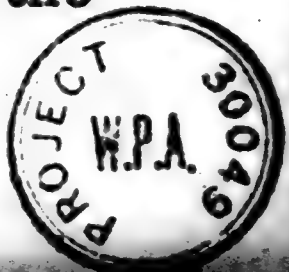
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IV The girls participating in these dances were sweet and appealing so that it was a pleasure to watch them. Long live the Philo-chorus Society. Miss Edith Danielson, 5951 Chicago Avenue, was elected the midsummer bride.

Wherever one went in the park, places of attraction met the eye. There were galleries where one's photograph could be had for ten cents; there were ice-cream stands without end; there were lottery automats where chewing-gum could be won; there were shooting galleries where valiant warriors were firing; there were carousels and restaurants, and last but not least, beautiful shaded spots where a tired youth could sit, calmly smoking, while watching the amusements and his little girl friend.

The festival was attended by about 20,000 people, not 15,000 as Record Herald states. As is well known, the owner of the paper mentioned is very friendly toward the Norwegians, and it was probably for this reason that his reporters wrote that the attendance at the festival was smaller than usual, since "the



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Norwegians, due to the dissolution of the union, stayed away." We have never met a Norwegian at these mid-summer festivals, but last Sunday we saw 4,000 more Swedes at Elliott Park than we have seen there any time before.



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Svenska Nyheter, Mar. 21, 1905.

[ ONE HUNDREDTH ANNIVERSARY CELEBRATION OF BIRTH OF  
HANS CHRISTIAN ANDERSEN ]

The one hundredth anniversary of the birth of the renowned Danish writer of fairy tales Hans Christian Andersen will be celebrated with great festivities in Chicago, on April 2 and April 3. In passing, it may be mentioned that similar festivities will be celebrated in about seventy other cities in America. The idea originated in Chicago, and for this reason the festivities will be of greater magnitude here than elsewhere.

Charles J. Ryberg, in the county recorder's office is the originator of the idea. A committee consisting of prominent Danes, Swedes, and Norwegians has already been selected to arrange for the festivities, and this committee is at present busy arranging a banquet to be held in the Auditorium on April 2,





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at which occasion Edmund James, president of the University of Illinois will be the principal speaker. In the afternoon, a mass meeting will be held at the statue of Andersen in Lincoln Park, and the chief speaker on this occasion will be Governor Deneen. The intention is to invite all the school children to the Lincoln Park meeting.

A Danish folk-festival will be held on the evening of April 2 and April 3, in Orchestra Hall. Memorials of the great writer of fairy tales will be read in the public schools of the city.



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Svenska Nyheter, Jan. 31, 1905.

[ SINGING FESTIVAL PLANNED ]

The Swedish Singing Association of America will hold a grand singing festival in Chicago this summer. The festival will open Thursday, July 20, and close Sunday, July 23. According to the program we have received, the opening session in the auditorium, July 20, at 8 P.M., will be something far above the ordinary, and the second session, July 21, will in no way be less excellent than the former. On Saturday evening there will be a banquet for the singers, and Sunday, July 23, there will be the Bellman festival in Riverview Park . . . . .

The celebrated opera singer Mrs. Anna Hellstrom, from the Royal



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Opera, in Stockholm, has been engaged for the festival, and will sing at both concerts in the Auditorium. Mrs. Hellstrom sang at the Association's song festival in Minneapolis in 1903, and her singing created a furor. Never before have the Swedish-Americans had the chance of listening to a voice as soulful as hers, and the affect of her singing was enhanced through the singer's modest bearing. . . . In the future, we shall, on occasion, return to the theme of the song festival.



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SWEDISH FESTIVAL AT THE AUDITORIUM

The Swedish National Association and the Swedish Singing Association have arranged for the presentation of an exceptionally enjoyable musical on Saturday evening. A chorus of 250 trained voices under the leadership of Professor John R. Ortengren is certain to prove very effective. Then we will hear the soloists, Mme Ragna Linne, Professor Gustave Holmquist, Miss Margaret Dahlstrom, and others. We also wish to call attention to the beautiful pantomimical sketches from Swedish life during times of peace and times of war, which will be presented as part of the program. . .

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CLUB HONORS OFFICERS

A subscription banquet and ball was held last Saturday night by the Swedish Glee Club, in honor of the past president of the club, Attorney B. G. Anderson, and of the newly elected president, John Ericson .....

The banquet was attended by about eighty-five people from our best circles, and high enthusiasm prevailed. Robert Lindblom acted as master of ceremonies. During the dinner, a number of speeches were delivered. Mr. C. Norelius spoke for President Roosevelt; Professor Chindblom for King Oscar II; Messrs. B. Anderson and John Ericson, for the "Swedish Glee Club", and Mr. Lindblom, duti-

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fully spoke for the ladies. Professor Holmquist and the Glee Club's quartet sang.

The dinner was not finished till about midnight, after which dancing started.

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Svenska Nyheter, Apr. 5, 1904.

### RUNEBERG SOCIAL

A large Swedish-American Festival in memory of the great Swedish-Finnish poet, Runeberg, will be held on Sunday, April 10, at Spelz Hall, Lake View.. The festivities will start at 2:30 P. M., and continue till 6 P. M. Dr. J. A. Enander will deliver the speech in honor of the great poet, and in his speech will tell of the life and activity of Poet Runeberg. Joel Mossberg, the baritone singer, and Orphei Singing Club will assist, as will also Miss Dahlstrom.



Svenska Nyheter, Oct. 6, 1903.

CHICAGO'S CENTENNIAL

(Editorial)

We venture to stamp Chicago's centennial as the biggest humbug we have witnessed during the days of our life. The event was started simply to entice farmers and village people to Chicago for the benefit of the storekeepers. As citizens of Chicago, we are ashamed of this type of festival which consisted of private banquets, cheap decorations here and there on some stores, a few imported Indians....no real festival day, nor any real celebration for the people. Every effort was concentrated on milking the farmers.





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Svenska Nyheter, Oct. 6, 1903.

[SVITHIOD MARCHERS WIN FIRST PRIZE]

The widely heralded industrial parade, which marched through the streets of Chicago last Tuesday evening, was nearly a fiasco. . . . Hardly more than three thousand people marched, although the parade was supposed to have been the largest and most picturesque [spectacle] ever held in the city. Even a few days ago, it was noticed that the chairman of the committee on arrangements did not understand the art of appeal to the public; no requests had been sent to the societies of the various nationalities inviting their participation in the parade.

But now for the parade itself! First, a few mounted policemen, then a company of soldiers. Next came some Sunday school boys, shouldering rifles; they were followed by our splendid fire corps, and then came our sprightly Svithiod boys. There were a few commercial "floats"; undecorated trucks belonging to the Swift and Armour Companies; a few Indians; a dozen or so



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of private carriages. That was the greatly heralded parade. As far as we could see, the members of the Order of Svithiod were the only civilians in the parade. Eight hundred strong, they marched along, accompanied by two bands, the only bands in the parade except for the Daily News band. Mounted Valkyries and a "float" representing the Valhalla of the gods quite naturally drew the attention of the people. And so the Svithiod boys were given the first prize, a silver medal.



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BRAGE PLEASURE CLUB'S BAZAAR



Brage Pleasure Club's bazaar is now going on at Phoenix Hall, 324 East Division Street. The program presented last Sunday was rich and varied: a speech by Attorney G. Bernhard Anderson; an ode to the club by Editor Frithiof Malmquist; singing by Harmony Singing Club, directed by Joel Mossberg; music by I. O. V. [International Order of Vikings] orchestra. The speech of welcome was delivered by Mr. Axel Berg, president of the Club. Yesterday (Monday) the one-act play "An Uneasy Night," by Isidor Lundström, was presented....Editor F. A. Lindstrand was the principal speaker, and Editor Nels Mannon had written a poem for the occasion.

Tonight (Tuesday) is the "Bachelor's Night". Messrs. Holmberg and Peterson will test the strength of their arms, and Dr. [John A.] Enander, the force of his speech.

On Wednesday the girls have their evening; on Thursday, the Vikings; and on Friday, the married ladies. The bazaar ends on Saturday.

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Svenska Nyheter, Aug. 4, 1903.

### JOHN ERICSSON FESTIVAL

The Scandinavian Technological Society of Chicago celebrated the centennial of the birth of the Swedish inventor and scientist, John Ericsson, last Friday evening. The celebration took the form of a banquet at the Hotel Wellington. The participants were mostly technologists, but not exclusively so. The speakers of the evening were City Engineer John Ericson, Wholesaler Robert Lindblom, Rev. Herman Lindskog, Engineer O. M. Torrison, and General William Sooy Smith. General Smith was a personal friend of the celebrated Swede and gave a brilliant account of the achievements of his late friend.



Svenska Nyheter, July 21, 1903.

[SWEDISH-AMERICAN SONG FESTIVAL]



The American Union of Swedish Singers of Chicago held a song festival last Saturday at Sharpshooters' Park. The festival was favored with beautiful weather, and was successful in every respect. The singers were tireless in their efforts to entertain the large crowd with our ever-fresh Nordic songs whose melodies rang out so beautifully in the cool evening breeze.

The Svithiod military band encountered stiff competition with the chorus of singers, and lively dancing added to the pleasure derived from the singing and music. In this park, there is a large, well lighted dancing stage for the older people, the merry-go-round for the children, and several other attractions were sources of joy for all. In short, everybody was satisfied, and enjoyed the entertainment.

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Svenska Nyheter, July 21, 1903.

(JOHN ERICSSON FESTIVAL)

The Swedish societies of the South Side will hold a grand John Ericsson festival on Sunday August 2, at Gardner's Park.



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Svenska Tribunen, Apr. 22, 1903

SVITHOLD SINGING CLUB

The Svithoid Singing Club presented a beautiful Spring Festival in its club rooms on Wrightwood Avenue last Saturday.

The festival was so arranged that only men participated. Their faces all shone with pleasure and with all the colors of the rainbow.

A great number of people participated in the singing and acting. Those who arranged the festival are: J. S. Meek, Fred K. Fransen, Ivar Hennings, and Wm. L. Ekwall.



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Svenska Tribunen, Apr. 8, 1903.



THE BRAGE PLEASURE CLUB

This Club gave a family festival last Sunday afternoon in Phoenix Hall.

A variety program with speeches and music was presented, which included the baritone singers, N. Anthony and Steurt.

The North Star Singing Club will meet next Saturday in a great Song Festival in Metropolitan Hall.

A dance will conclude festivities for the evening.



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Svenska Tribunen, Jan. 28, 1903.

SVITHIOD SINGING CLUB

The masquerade given by **Svithiod** was well attended and will long be remembered for the original and elegant costumes worn by the spirited ladies and polite chevaliers that came to the affair. The music was good and the dance excellent, and it was not until the wee small hours of the morning, when the aurora was seen in the East, that the dancers decided to quit.



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Svenska Tribunen, Dec. 4, 1901.

THE OSCARS' BALL

This ball was given by the Swedish Glee Club in its quarters at 470 La Salle Street last Saturday evening. About one hundred and fifty men and women attended. The music was furnished by the Thomaso's Orchestra.

The arrangements committee consisted of K. B. Settergren, Arthur Nelson, and Mr. Eefstrom.



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Svenska Tribunen, Oct. 23, 1901.

LINNE CLUB

Next Saturday night, the Linne Club will give a Ball at the Ideal Club House, 300 La Salle St. It will be a gala occasion, with very good music promised for the evening. The Committee of arrangement has made every effort to make this affair a huge success.



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Svenska Tribunen, Oct. 16, 1901.

MANHEM LODGE NO. 2

The Manhem Lodge No. 2 gave a very fine festival last Saturday in Wicker Park Hall, North and Milwaukee Avenues.

The speaker was the former State Senator, Frank D. Camerford, who spoke on the subject: "The Swedes and their History." The speaker gave much praise to the Swedes, saying in part that no foreigners who have settled in America make better citizens than the Swedes. He said such organizations as "Svithiod's" Lodges greatly add to, and make a better citizenry. The Svea Singing Club sang several numbers.



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Svenska Tribunen, Sept. 11, 1901.

ILLINOIS DAY PAN-AMERICAN EXPOSITION

It will be a great day for Chicago at Buffalo September 16, which day is designated as "Illinois Day" at the Exposition. The rates are low, so nothing should prevent a most representative attendance. It is to be hoped that many Swedish people will make the trip.



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Svenska Tribunen, July 24, 1901

ORPHIE SINGING CLUB

Last Sunday, the Orphie Singing Club had a family picnic in the beautiful woods, adjacent to Irving Park Blvd. Its newly elected president, C. F. Birsen, was with them. Dr. Gust Carlson entertained those present with an open air concert which was elegant. Such well-known songs as "Vart Land" (Our Land), "Blaser Nu Alla" (Blow all), "Jag Vet Ett Land" (I Know A Land), "Hor Oss Svea" (Hear Us Svea) etc., were sung. The proceeds will defray the expenses of the trip the Singing Clubs are to make to Jamestown, N. Y.



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Svenska Tribunen, July 17, 1901.

THE SWEDISH SINGING SOCIETY

This society will hold its third annual Singing Festival in Jamestown, New York from July 22 to July 24 inclusive. Special trains will leave Chicago over the Erie Railroad, from Fort Dearborn Station, Saturday, July 20, at 8 P. M. Pullmans will be available.

The Railroad fare will be \$12.50 for a round trip, good until July 31. These are on sale July 19 and July 20 at the Erie R. R. Ticket office on South Clark Street. Children under 5 years travel free. Those between 5 and 12 years of age, go for half rate.



Svenska Tribunen, July 17, 1901

VIKING ORDER

A great festival was held in Sharpshooters Park last Sunday. Ten lodges attended. The Grand Chieftain, A. W. Johnson, gave the speech of welcome.

The Orphei Singing Clubs gave several renditions, which were received enthusiastically. Mayor Carter A. Harrison, Jr., also made a short speech. Attorney G. Bernhard Anderson spoke on the subject "Remembrance," which talk was punctuated by great applause.

The cash receipts are scheduled to go towards the Viking reserve fund.





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Svenska Tribunen (Swedish Tribune), June 19, 1901.

### SUMMER FESTIVAL

The sick benefit society, Nordstjernen, (North Star) celebrated its twenty-second annual picnic at Elliott's Park, last Sunday. Almost 2,000 persons were present and enjoyed a glorious day.

Miss F. Paaren, 5749 Lowe Avenue, was chosen the mid-summer bride from among five contesting maidens. The festival speech was delivered by lawyer, O. C. Peterson, and songs were rendered by the society's chorus.

The program of races ended with both runners and spectators taking to their heels to escape a sudden shower. The contestants in the race were L. J. Bender, H. Gustafson, Frank Hedstrom, Mrs. C. Hamlin, and Mrs. Berglin. In spite of the rain, the day was still an enjoyable one.



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Svenska Tribunen (Swedish Tribune), June 9, 1901.

**TWENTY-FIFTH ANNIVERSARY**

The Scandinavian branch of the Y.M.C.A., celebrated its twenty-fifth anniversary, with a festival at 37 West Erie Street, last Sunday.

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Svenska Tribunen, May 29, 1901.

VERNAMO MARKNAD

The Vernamo Marknad (Vernamo Fair) opened last Sunday afternoon. An unusually large crowd of more than two thousand persons took part in this Swedish-American fresh-air entertainment, which indicates the popularity that this annual event has won. The fair continues this week and next week under the auspices of the Svithiod Singing Club, and judging by the large crowds attending the first evening, the Fair this year will be visited by at least thirty thousand people.

The official opening took place at seven in the evening, when the Svithiod Singing Club, assisted by the Swedish Glee Club, the Nordstjernan Chorus, the Orphei Chorus, and the Norden Chorus, formed a combined chorus of over one hundred voices and sang "Vart Land" (Our Land) with power and feeling. "Hor Oss Svea" and other songs were rendered.

The president of the Svithiod Singing Club, Mr. Olof F. Nelson, welcomed the large audience, and Attorney G. Bernhard Anderson gave a short, forceful talk

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concerning the Vernamo Fair, and declared the Fair opened. Mayor Harrison was introduced and in words of praise, spoke of the Swedes of Chicago.

The songs as well as the speeches were received with stormy applause. The Mayor thereupon went from one stand to another and appeared to find much pleasure in examining the arts and handicrafts imported from Sweden, and in conversing with the Vernamo flickorna (Vernamo girls) at the various displays.....

The Svithiod Singing Club has been successful in obtaining splendid talents for its vaudeville. Special mention is earned by Werden and Sheppard's stereopticon views. For the rest, in all parts of the park there are to be found objects of interest which please and entertain. Here we have "Marknads-gubben" (the fair-man) who is represented by the inimitable comedian, Ernst Ekberg; there a chamber organ player; there a dance pavilion, upon which the boys and girls in Swedish costumes dance the Swedish polka. Further away there is a fish dam with gold fish in it, and over the whole park rises the great Ferris wheel with its thousands of incandescent lights. On the first evening of the Fair five hundred

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persons rode on the wheel. Tomorrow, which is Decoration Day, about five thousand people are expected at the Fair. That will be an opportunity to meet friends from all sections of our metropolis. "Vitraffas pa Vernamo."

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**CARL MICHAEL BELLMAN**



p.12.....Carl Michael Bellman is a name which always will live in the memory of his countrymen, and festivals in his honor are celebrated annually among the Swedish people on both sides of the Atlantic. The Svithiod Singing Club and The Swedish Glee Club will give a Bellman-festival, Saturday, July the 13th, at Manila Grove, corner of North Clark Street, and Leland Avenue. The festival begins at three P.M. and continues all afternoon and evening.

Bellman's well-known melodies will be presented by both clubs and the orchestra, and a pleasant time is promised all who attend.

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Svenska Tribunen, May 22, 1901.

### BENEFIT PICNIC

p.11.....The South Side's Swedish Societies, Iduna, Nordstjanan, Minitor, John Ericson (Lodge No. 361,) Baltic, and Frithiof (Lodge No. 5,) I.O.S. will hold a big benefit picnic at Gardner's Park, Sunday June Ninth. The proceeds will go to the Swedish Old People's Home. The aim is to give a genuine Swedish "lofmarknad" (woodland fair) at this summer festival. Admission is twenty-five cents.

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**A BANQUET FOR PROFESSOR EDGREN, PH. D.**

p.11.....A banquet is to be given in honor of Doctor of Philosophy Hjalmar Edgren next Saturday evening at the Union League Club by his friends and admirers.

Dr. Edgren is one of the few countrymen whose name is respected and honored throughout the country, not least among the Americans themselves. As professor of Roman languages and sanscrit at the Nebraska State University for a number of years, he has made himself outstanding in his own field. His fame as a Philosopher is even known in old Sweden; and has occasioned his name to be mentioned for a responsible position at the Nobel Institute of the Swedish Academy. To take over this work Dr. Edgren will begin his journey to Stockholm next week, and it is for this reason the farewell banquet will be given Saturday evening.





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### SVITHIOD

p.11. The Svithiod Singing Club celebrated a very pleasant May-Festival last Saturday evening. Dancing and refreshments were a part of the program for the evening. Certain American gentlemen from Kenwood, on the South Side, came as visitors during the evening and expressed their admiration over the elegant hall, and about the comradeship, the members evidenced.

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Svenska Tribunen, May 15, 1901.

### MAY FESTIVAL

p.11.... The sick benefit society, Nordstjarnan (North Star), on the South Side celebrated its twenty-first annual May festival last Saturday evening. The affair took place at Freiberg's Hall on Twenty-second Street and was attended by hundreds of members and friends of the popular organization. The North Star has celebrated few May festivals which have been better attended, although the festival was planned on short notice the public had the pleasure of hearing a highly entertaining program. On the program was the following: The North Star Singers under Mr. Ernst Lindblom's leadership, the Pfeil Trio, solo-numbers by Mrs. Anna Pfeil, and a festival speech by the young lawyer, Oscar Olson, who knew how to entertain his hearers with various well-told anecdotes. All numbers were received with enthusiasm.

After the program there was dancing lasting until the morning hours.

The North Star celebrates its summer festival this year at Elliot's park, Sunday, June 16.

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Svenska Tribunen, May 8, 1901.

**MAY FESTIVAL**

p.11.....A May festival was celebrated last Saturday evening by the Svithied Lodge, Number 1, I.O.S. at the North Side Turner Hall. Rarely has the hall been as crowded as on this occasion. It was the twenty-first May festival of the lodge and one of its most successful ones. The Svithied Military Band greeted the audience with its music, and then the president Gustaf Petersen gave his speech of welcome. Swedish Women's Quartette sang "Aftonrodnaden" (Sunset) by Abt, and Mr. William Dahlén entertained the public with his silver-clear tenor in Prince Gustaf's beautiful song "I Rosend Doft" (In the Fragrance of the Rose). After still another had been rendered by the band, "The Holy City," by Adams, was sung by a young boy, Frederick C. Erickson. G. B. Anderson, the lawyer, gave an exquisite speech, which was the signal for thunderous applause. After the speech, Mr. Dahlén sang an aria from the opera "Martha" by Flotow, followed by a speech by the quartette. Now followed by a play by the Swedish Theatrical Company, "Han Ar Icke Svartsjuk" (He's not Jealous). The roles to



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the great entertainment of the audience in the comedy were taken by the following members in the company: Chr. Brusell, as August Walter, physician; Mrs. Anna Pfeil as Amanda, his wife; Ernst Behmer, as proprietor of the iron-works; Bergstrom, Amanda's uncle; Fred Bolling as Herman, the old servant. After the play the May-queen was crowned, and afterwards speeches and singing interchanged. Mr. Dahlen sang "Du Gamla," "Du Friska" (Thou Old, Thou Sound), the public joining. The May-queen was young Miss Peterson, 1521 North Francisco Avenue. After the program, dancing followed, lasting till long after midnight.

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PRIVATE MAY FESTIVAL

p.11.....A private May-festival was held by Brage Lodge, No.2, I.O.V. at Phoenix Hall last Sunday afternoon. A nice program, consisting of fifteen members was presented. The festival began with a beautiful music-number by the I.O.V. Orchestra, after which the public was welcomed by Mr. A. W. Johnson. Thereafter the following various numbers were given: Frithief Malmquist, declamation; Gustaf Zetterberg, solo; C. G. Wallerstedt, declamation; John A. Stuart, solo; Alois Janssen, cornet-solo; Henry Dahl, comedy song; the public in unison "Du Gamla Du Friska" (Thou Old, Thou Sound). After the serving of ice-cream and cake distribution of presents took place to the little folk, who were at the festival. At eight P.M. dancing began, and continued until midnight.

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SWEDISH-AMERICAN REPUBLICAN CLUB



p.11.....The Swedish-American Republican Club in the Thirty-fifth Ward, last Saturday celebrated its first annual May-festival at Liberty Hall. Splendid piano music was rendered by the misses Ester and Elizabeth Rylander; "Skona Maj" (Beautiful May) was well sung by a male chorus under the leadership of Mr. Emanuel Carlson; the Union Quartette sang two numbers, "Old Folks at Home," and "Aftonen" (Evening); Nati Peterson gave an imitation of a Cornet solo, Miss Selma Holmquist and Stylander, and the male chorus, already mentioned, completed the festival with "Hor oss Svea" (Hear Us Svea).

One of the features of the program was a speech by C. R. Chindblom who had chosen as his subject "The Swedish Americans." The talk was received with strong applause. The festival was well attended.

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SWEDISH JEWELERS' SOCIETY

p.11.....The Swedish Jewelers' Society celebrated its ninth anniversary with an unusually pleasant Family Festival last Sunday at 1416 Montana St. The program of the evening had the following features: Orchestra-music; solos by our well-known country-woman, Miss Elina Malmborg, accompanied by Miss Lanquist; declamation by Frithiof Malmquist, and a talk by Mr. Karl Johanson.

The festival committee was composed of the Messrs. Karl Johanson, Eijnar Bagge, and John Olsson. After the distribution of prizes a fine supper was served, after which there was dancing far into the night.

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CHICAGO BETHANY ALUMNI ASSOCIATION

p.11..... The Chicago Bethany Alumni Association will hold its yearly reunion Monday evening, April 29, at the Swedish Lutheran Trinity Church in Lake View, on the corner of Noble and Seminary Aves. Dr. Swensson, President of Bethany College, will give a lecture in English on an interesting theme, and the highly esteemed baritone singer, Gustaf Holmquist, will give the audience an opportunity to hear his glorious voice during the evening.

Likewise there will be solo numbers by the recognized singers, the Misses Lillian Forssee and Ernestine Cotton.

The Association has more than seventy members, and its present president is Dr. C.L.Lenard; an election of directors will be held after the festival. No admission will be charged.



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Svenska Tribunen, Apr. 10, 1901.

LINNE' SICK BENEFIT

p.11..... The Linne' Sick Benefit Society held its thirteenth yearly festival at Boulevard Hall last Saturday evening. After a speech of welcome, in both English and Swedish languages by President Aug. Landeen an interesting program of fifteen numbers was given. The speaker of the evening was Judge Jesse Holdom, and Lawyer C.R.Chindblom. The former gave a very enlightening talk. It was a sympathetic lecture in English on the history of the Swedes in Sweden and America, the latter gave an interesting speech in Swedish on the "Influence of Swedish Characteristics upon American Culture and Thought". The excellent assisting talent was the Juvenile Orchestra, Professor L.H.Hubbard, director; Asaph Singing Club, Mr. A.L.Hvassmen, leader; Miss Eugenie Hunfreville, pianist; Professor F.P. Atkins' Orchestra; Mr. Carl F. Anderson, baritone; Miss Emma Atkins, elocutionist, and Miss Lydia Hallberg, soprano.

After the program "Kaffee med dopp" (coffee and other refreshments) was served.



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The festival committee consisted of the following men: Chas. Helander, Aug. Landeen, P.A. Johnson, Aug. Carlson, Fritz Holmgren, Gust Malm, A. Anderson, J.A. Nelson, and Oscar Engdahl.

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Svenska Tribunen, March 6, 1901.

**A BANQUET FOR SVITHIOD SINGERS**

p.11.....The Swedish National Society gave a fine banquet last Saturday evening at the Svithiod Hall on Wrightwood Avenue. The guests were those who had been engaged in the work of presenting "Vermelandingarne" (Vermeland Folks) at the Auditorium and about two-hundred club delegates had charge of the banquet. Mrs. Anna Carlson was due homage to the many tasty courses. After that a commemoration speech was made by Mr. C.J. Erickson in which a hearty expression of thanks was accorded the singers for their interest in the work which has brought such successful results. Those who appeared at the Auditorium festival were especially remembered in the speech. Svithiod Singing Club sang "Vart Land" (Our Land) - Runeberg and Pacius - and in return for tumultuous applause, "Gubben Ar Gammal." (The Man is Old) Mme. Ragna Linne' and Messrs J. W. Olson and Chr. Brusell made the festival still more interesting by singing various other songs which were well rendered.

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Svenska Tribunen, Feb. 27, 1901.

### SVITHIOD GIVES EUCHRE PARTY

The Svithiod Singing Club gave a euchre party last Saturday evening at their club-local, 1768 Wrightwood Avenue. A large number of club members attended with guests and partook in this especially pleasant affair.

After the card-playing refreshments were in order, and, thereafter, dancing, skittles, and other happy diversion were engaged in. Four prizes, two for men, two for women were given during the evening.

The popular club will give another euchre party at the same hall, Saturday March 16.

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Svenska Tribunen, Feb. 20, 1901.

### FESTIVAL AND LECTURE

p.11.....The Swedish festival held Sunday at Spelz Hall on North Clark Street was well attended. A lecture was given in English by the lawyer, O. C. Peterson, the title of which was "The Trial of Christ from a Lawyer's point of View."

Good music and singing was also presented. Among the singers should be mentioned Miss Elina Malmberg and a male quartette under Mr. E.G. Berggren's direction. Both Miss Malmberg and the quartette earned hearty acclaim, for their beautiful singing, which made such an impression on the audience that a number of encores had to be given.

Next Sunday at three P.M., Dr. C.O. Young will lecture on the care of the health at the same place. The program will include singing, music and declamations. Admission free.

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### FESTIVAL

p.12..... Next Sunday at 3:00 P.M., a Swedish American festival will be held at Spels Hall, to which all residents of Lake View are invited, who are friends of knowledge. The purpose of the festival is to create an interest in free lectures, as an aid toward cultural development; and in the future, as a result of these interests, it is hoped that a Swedish-American cultural Institute, with headquarters in Lake View, will be the outcome.

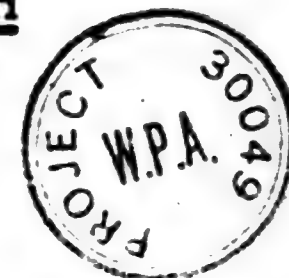
The program will include speaking, discussions, declamations, singing and music. Free admission. The program begins at 3 P.M. sharp.

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Svenska Tribunen, Jan. 30, 1901.

WINTER FESTIVAL OF THE SWEDISH NATIONAL SOCIETY

p.12.....Vermlandingarne (Vermeland Folks) will be presented by the Svenska National Forbundet (Swedish National Society) at the Auditorium on Saturday, February 9, 1901. Beginning at 8.00 P.M.

Professor John Ortengren as Erik, Ragna Linne as Anna, and supported by our ablest dramatic talent, Svithiods Sangarklubb (Svithiod Singing Club), a large mixed chorus and Fred Bolling's National Dancers. Music by Anton Pedersons Orchestra.

Tickets \$1.00, 75¢ and 50¢. Now on sale at the Swedish National Society's Office, 78 Dearborn Street. Also at the Auditorium after February the second.

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Illinois Staats-Zeitung, June 25, 1900.

THE SWEDISH SUMMER FESTIVAL.

p.8.... Under the auspices of "The Swedish National Association," a summer festival was held at Fox River Grove yesterday, which was attended by more than 18,000 people. Mr. O.C.Peterson, President of the association said in his speech, that the Swedish population is being rapidly assimilated. He also stated, that Swedish colleges, unable to compete with American educational institutions, will be forced in a few years to close their Higher Swedish Educational Institutions.



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Svenska Tribunen, June 28, 1899.

### SWEDISH MIDSUMMERFEAST

We have again celebrated Midsummer here and we have once more gone back in our thoughts to old Sweden, with its clear blue skies, under which young and old danced around the Maypole. We Chicago Swedes have faithfully preserved the customs of our forefathers, even if Midsummer sun is shining over us thousands of miles from the land of the Midsummer sun.

The Swedish Central Society had invited our countrymen to Columbus Park last Sunday to celebrate Midsummer in the old Swedish fashion, and at the same time to think of our aged people, for whom it is the intention of the Society to erect a Home. About 10,000 people responded to the invitation and enjoyed the outing very much. The program consisted of plays, races, and a historical pageant and dancing, of course. Several Swedish singing societies sang Swedish folksongs. Doctor J.A. Enarder delivered the festival address. ...

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### A FAREWELL PARTY

Mr. Robert Lindblom gave a farewell dinner in his home last Saturday for the Swedish Commissioner at the World's Fair of 1893, Engineer Arthur Leffler and his staff Welin, Berg, Samuel and Lundquist. Several of our prominent Chicago Swedes were also invited. The host, Mr. Lindblom, suggested a toast for the guests of honor, especially for Mr. Leffler, whose excellent work at the Fair was highly appreciated by everyone concerned. Mr. Loeffler responded. Rev. Herman Lindskog proposed a toast for host and hostess. Mr. Leffler is now going east via Philadelphia, Boston to New York and then home to Sweden

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THE RECEPTION FOR "VIKING."



The Nordic vikingship "Viking," a true copy of the old viking ships of a thousand years ago, arrived at Chicago's Worlds Fair last Wednesday. It was anchored alongside the United States warship "Illinois."

The ship was received by the directors of the Fair, the mayor, the city council, a cannon salute from the warship "Michigan," custom collector "Andy Johnson," the steamer "Ivanhoe," and a crowd of other flag-adorned steamers. "Viking's" chief, Captain Magnus Anderson, and his crew were invited to the steamer "Ivanhoe" where a reception took place.

The history of "Viking" is very interesting. The ship is a true copy of an old viking ship thirteen years old and was found deeply imbedded in the sands of a Norwegian shore.

Close to the little town Sandefjord on the south shore of Norway is a country home called Gokstad. Alongside it is a small hill which long ago was named "Kingshight." The mythical legend tells that a king with all his treasures is buried in this hill



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and several of the neighbors are certain that they have seen burning candles on the hill; yea, an old man says he has seen a horseman riding around the place.

This old man Hans Christian Auve asked the brothers Christian and Ole Hansen in April 1880 to dig up the place and they found a tomb 22 feet down in the earth. They continued to dig during the Summer and made the interesting discovery of a well-preserved vikingship 23 feet long, 5 feet wide, and 2 feet deep.

It was syrprising to see how skillful the Vikings must have been in selecting material and in ship building.

The Norwegian sea captain, Magnus Anderson, became interested in 1889, in building a true copy of this old ship and sailed the Atlantic to Chicago; thus remembering Leif Ericson, the first European, who, at the end of the ninth century, put his foot on American soil.

The idea was received with great enthusiasm and now "Viking" is here!

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Svenska Tribunen, June 14, 1893.

ROSE HILL GARDEN FEAST.

P.S.Peterson, owner of Rose Hill's Nursery, had arranged a feast last Sunday for the directors of the Swedish Exhibition and other Swedes who are visitors at the Fair from Sweden. About fifty-five persons gathered under a big tent in his beautiful garden, where he served a most delicious dinner and good wine. The guests amused themselves with plays in the afternoon and departed at sunset, happy after a happy day.



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Svenska Tribunen, May 3, 1893.



THE WORLD'S FAIR DEDICATED

The Columbian Exhibition, as the World's Fair is called, was dedicated May 1, by the President of the United States, Grover Cleveland, and so was the Swedish Pavilion at the Fair. An enormous crowd of people of all nationalities were present at the general dedication. Theodore Thomas' famous orchestra, 600 pieces, played "Columbian March" by J. R. Paine. The invocation was delivered by Rev. W. H. Milburn; the Director General of the Fair made his speech. The President then gave his address, which was greeted with lively ovations. A banquet followed the ceremonies.

The Swedish Pavilion at the World's Fair was dedicated in the afternoon. The dedication address was delivered by the director of the Swedish exhibition, Arthur Leffler. Both the Swedish and the American Flags were unfurled.

A banquet was given in honor of the Swedish-Norwegian Minister Grip. Toasts were offered to President Cleveland and for King Oscar. Robert Lindblom, who has been very active in the work in the Swedish Pavilion, received the Royal Order of Vasa.

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Svenska Tribunen, April 26, 1893.

## THE WORLDS FAIR

The opening ceremonies at the Worlds Fair will be held Monday, May 1. The director for the Swedish Exhibition, Arthur Leffler, has invited all the Swedish societies in Chicago to participate. The dedication of the Swedish Pavilion will be held at 3 P. M. Dinner for the Swedish Norwegian minister from Washington will be given at 5 P. M., in Robert Lindblom's restaurant, close to the Swedish Pavilion; tickets, \$5.00, can be obtained at Lawrence Hesselroth's Drug Store, 107 E. Chicago Avenue.

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Svenska Tribunen, April 5, 1893.

SWEDEN AND THE WORLD'S FAIR.

The Swedish Pavilion is now almost erected on the grounds at The World's Fair between the lagoon and Lake Michigan. It is triangular in shape. The height of the cupola is 70 feet, with a spire on top of it. The Swedish Flag, which will be flown from the flag-pole, will be 150 feet from the ground.

The Eskilstwna Tree Ennobeling Co. has built the pavilion at a cost of \$40,000.00 and its structure is very attractive. The interior is painted in light colors. The Swedish Tourist Society will occupy one of the best spaces in the pavilion. The gigantic painting of Stockholm will be placed in the entrance.

There will also be wax figures in Swedish National Costumes, and a model of a Swedish farm home.

The Royal Swedish Hunting Club and The Gymastic Society will also be represented at the Fair.





Svenska Tribunen, March 8, 1893.

NEWS FROM THE WORLD'S FAIR.

Doctor J.A.Bygren, a dentist, Gothenburg, Sweden has been honored by the committee of the "World Congress of Dentists" to be its honorary Vice-President, representing Sweden at said congress.

Dean F. Sandberg, Rector in Solna, Sweden, has been appointed Vice-President by the United States for the Congress of Schools, which will be held at the Fair.

P.A.Nordstedts and Loners bookstore in Stockholm is going to send fine valuably bound books.

Emil Arner from Kansas, who has been living some time in Lapland, in the northern part of Sweden and who knows the people and their customs, went to Sweden last Thursday. He will bring back with him a colony of Laplanders, dressed in their native costumes, together with their tents and tools. With these natives and their equipment he will create a Lapp Village at the Fair.

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Svenska Tribunen, March 1, 1893.

NEWS FROM THE WORLDS FAIR.

G.W.Linderoth's watch factory, Stockholm, is going to exhibit a variety of different watches to be desirously placed.

Mrs. Anna Ulrich, secretary of the Swedish Women's Committee at the Fair has announced that several hand made articles made by women will be shown at the Women's Exhibition. Among these works is a richly embroidered altar cloth; 125 volumes containing literary works by Swedish women will be on exhibition in the library, together with four big paintings; namely, those of: Queen Sophia, Fredrika Bremer, Queen Christina and the Holy Brigitta.

The Society of Swedish Art Sculptors will send several objects, made by Miss S. Giobel, Stockholm.

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Svenska Tribunen, Feb. 22, 1893.

NEWS FROM THE WORLD'S FAIR.

The pictures of two Swedish monarchs are going to adorn the Swedish Pavilion at the World's Fair. One of them is the painting of Oscar II by Axel Jungstedt and the other is the picture of Carl XII by Kronberg. A miniature model of a Swedish Gymnasium is under construction in the Exercise House of the Royal Swedish Navy, Stockholm. The cost of construction is being paid by the Swedish Government. The model, which will be sent to the World's Fair, shows a complete interior and exterior of a modern Swedish Gymnasium.

Chocolate factories in Malnio are going to send 2,000 pounds of chocolate to the Fair and construct a chocolate house.

King Oscar has permitted the committee in charge of the Swedish Exhibition at the Fair to exhibit two valuable paintings from the National Museum, Stockholm,



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picturing "Nordenskiöld", painted by Count G. von Rosen and "Kostall", by O. Bjork.

Sweden is going to be very well represented by different artists at the Fair. There will be works by prominent sculptors such as John Borjeson, T. Lundberg, Christian Erickson, Alfred Nystrom and others.

Oil paintings will be exhibited by Prince Eugene, O. Arborelius, Baron Cederstrom, Baron Hermelin, August Hagberg, J. Kronberg, Carl Larson, Count von Rosen, Alfred Wablberg and others.

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Svenska Tribunen, Feb. 8, 1893.

NEWS FROM THE WORLD'S FAIR.

A new portrait of King Oscar II has been done by the artist Axel Jungstedt in Stockholm upon the order of a Swedish Society and will be sent to the World's Fair in Chicago.

The picture is a full length one of the king in the uniform of an admiral; and he wears a plumed hat of that rank too.

Amongst his royal medals he wears the French medal as a life savior and values it very much. The portrait likeness is well painted and is placed in a frame made of oak, which is gilded.

Artist C. Rosenberg, Stockholm, has been working on a gigantic painting ordered by the Swedish Tourist Society, Stockholm, since fall. The view is taken from



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Hotel Ryberg. The Royal Castle appears in the middle of the painting. The sun is shining over the tree tops of the Stromparterr, over the folk-crowded Norrbro, where the military parade is passing by and over the glittering Strommen, filled with sailing boats. Skeppsholmen is also noticeable and so is Gustaf Adolfs Torg. The painting will worthily take its space at the Swedish Exhibition at the World's Fair.

The Swedish Directors of the Lighthouses will exhibit a Swedish lighthouse at the Fair. It is one well known to sailors in the Swedish waters; the light burns ten days without having to be refilled or tended and with a never failing light. The lamp was constructed by C. V. Lyth. The lighthouse is to be erected in front of the Swedish Pavilion.

The Great Kopparbergs Company will also be represented in the Pavilion showing the different products of the company.

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Svenska Tribunen, Feb. 1, 1893.

NEWS FROM THE WORLD'S FAIR.

The Norwegian Vikingship, which will be exhibited at the future World's Fair in Chicago, is soon to be ready and will sail to America early in the month of April. It is a reproduction of the Vikingship, which was found in 1880 by a sailor imbedded in sand close to Landefjord, Norway. This old relic, which is supposed to have been built in the 800's, was dug up and carried to the University Museum in Kristiania. The idea of showing a copy of the ship at the World's Fair in Chicago came up during "The Leif Erickson Movement." A collection was made in order to build a reproduction to be sent over here. It is 72½ feet in length, 16 feet wide and 5 feet deep in the middle. Both ends are very high. The building material is oak. The ship has 32 oars, each of them seventeen feet long. The idea is to let the ship sail the Atlantic without any help from any other boat. Magnus Anderson is appointed captain.

Several prominent Norwegians in New York gathered last Sunday at the place of Harry Randall and decided to meet the ship with a steamer when it arrives in the



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harbor in May.

It is going to stay in New York for a few days, a festival is going to be arranged aboard. The snip will then continue through the Hudson River, Erie canal and the lakes to Chicago.



Svenska Tribunen, Jan. 25, 1893.



SWEDEN AND THE CHICAGO WORLD'S FAIR.

The Swedish section at The World's Fair in Chicago is going to be very prominent. The interest in the Fair is steadily increasing and there is restless activity everywhere to get things ready for the exhibition before the time for their shipment expires. The number of exhibitors have increased to nearly 300.

The Exhibition pavilion, in parts, is already on its way from Sweden to Chicago and so are most of the objects intended for The Fair. Engineer A. Leffler, commissary for the Swedish Exhibition, and G. Wickman, architect will depart for Chicago in February to supervise the erection of the pavilion and other arrangements.

The great Swedish industries, especially the steel and iron, are going to be represented in a most worthy manner. The Swedish Tourist Society and the Nordic Museum are working each in the field to contribute to the exhibition by designing peasant houses, photographs of beautiful places in Sweden and winter sport scenes and other scenery.



Svenska Tribunen, Jan. 25, 1893.

The Swedish Society, that encourages people to cut in wood, has made great efforts to be represented. Swedish gymnastics will also be represented at The Fair. A great chorus of 500 Swedish-Americans will sing at The Fair together with prominent singers from Sweden, who also will give concerts at The Fair.

An exhibition of maps from the Stockholm Exhibit is going to be sent to Chicago, as well as sport exhibition.

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Svenska Tribunen, July 20, 1892.

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### BELLMAN FESTIVALS

To commemorate the anniversary of Carl Michael Bellman, the Swedish Poet Laureate of the Gustavian era, several of the clubs and societies of Chicago will give festivals in his honor. The most elaborate of these is the one arranged jointly by the Eelus Club and the Swedish Dramatic Society at Ogden's Grove next Sunday, July 24th. "EnAfton Pa Tre Bytter", a farce with songs in one act by Gustaf Wicklund will be presented by the Dramatic Society, with Christoffer Brusell and Mr. and Mrs. Pfeil in the main roles. The Swedish Glee Club will hold its festival on Saturday the 23rd, at Thielmann's Gardens, north of Lincoln Park, and, lastly, the Viking Lodge No. 1, I.O.V., theirs in Sharpshooter's Park Sunday the 24th. In each instance there will be programs of singing, music, dancing, speeches and late in the evening great displays of fireworks.

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Svenska Tribunen, January 21, 1892

### THE VIKINGS INAUGURATE A SERIES OF POPULAR ENTERTAINMENT

The first of a series of soirées to be given by the Viking Society was held last Sunday at the Phoenix Hall, Division Street. More than five hundred persons attended this affair, which as to the quality of entertainment, was on a much higher level than most attempts by lodges in general. This event, which will be followed by similar ones each Sunday during the current season, was characterized by unusual refinement and orderliness, yet far from being stultified and tiresome.

Assisting on the program were the Orion Male Quartet, Miss Thunstrom, pianist, and A. Olson, folk lore reciter and comedian; An extremely pleasant added attraction was "Bror Sundeen" (Brother Sundeen) from Stockholm, Sweden; this gentleman was said to be a "Mind reader", and a mind reader he was. His experiments baffled all those present.

If this affair is an example of the high standard to be maintained by the Vikings, we are heartily in accord with their endeavors. The officers of the Society are: G. Myhrman, president; Alf Carlson, vice-president; P.S.Lunden, financial secretary; O. Anderson, recording Secretary; J. Ingemanson, corresponding secretary; and A. Soderlin, treasurer.

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Svenska Tribunen, August 20, 1891.

SWEDEN TO PARTICIPATE IN THE WORLD'S FAIR.

According to recent telegraphic communications from World's Fair Commissioner Peck, who at the present is making his rounds of the various European countries for the purpose of stimulating their interests in the 1893 Chicago World's Fair, it is now practically a certainty that Sweden will be represented here. Commissioner Peck states that he has been received in audience by King Oscar of Sweden and that this monarch had given him assurance of Sweden's participation.

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Svenska Tribunen, July 16, 1891

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### BELLMAN DAY FESTIVALS.

To commemorate the anniversary of the immortal Swedish poet and composer, Carl Mikael Bellman, the Swedish Glee Club and the Svithiod Male Chorus are making arrangements for concerts to be held Saturday, July 25. The Glee Club's concert will be given at the Thielmann's Family Resort, right north of Lincoln Park, and, as an added attraction, the Club has secured the assistance of the famous Rosenbecker Orchestra of forty pieces. The Svithiod concert will be held at the Hillinger Grove, at the corner of Belmont and Sheffield Aves. A diversified program has been prepared, including speech-making, singing, music and dancing. In the evening a spectacular display of fireworks will be set off.

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Svenska Tribunen, April 30, 1891

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**MAY FESTIVAL BY SVITHIOD**

The Independent Order of Svithiod will hold its eleventh annual May Festival this coming Saturday, May 2, at the North Side Turner Hall.

An elaborate program has been arranged, its component parts made up by the Svithiod Male Chorus, Struve's Quartet, the Swedish Cornet Band and Theodor Sjoquist, the tenor. Robert Lindblom will deliver an address, and there will be coronation of a May Queen.

Svenska Tribunen, August 7, 1890

TO LAY CORNERSTONE

The corner-stone of the new lodge building to be erected by the Scandinavian Workmen's Association of Chicago was laid last Sunday in the presence of upward of 5,000 interested spectators. The new building, which will be three-stories high and cost \$50,000, is being erected at the corner of Ohio Street and Milwaukee Ave. The Association now has more than 700 members.





Svenska Tribunen, June 19, 1890

THE CHICAGO WORLD'S FAIR.

Our countryman, Mr. Gustav Stromberg, has been appointed to serve as secretary of the Committee for Foreign Exhibitions.

Svenska Tribunen, May 22, 1890.

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OLD SETTLERS' PICNIC

The annual "Old Settlers' Picnic" under the auspices of the Calumet Club was held last Thursday. Requirement for participation is to have arrived in Chicago on or before 1840. More than 100 men and women attended the affair, at which a supper was served. Among those present were our countryman Captain O. G. Lange and his wife. Captain Lange arrived in America in 1824 and came to Chicago in 1838.



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Svenska Tribunen, Aug. 29, 1889.

**THE WORLD'S FAIR OF 1893 AND THE SCANDINAVIAN SOCIETIES.**

All the Swedish, Norwegian and Danish Societies in Chicago were invited by the Swedish Society Svea to co-operate in order that the three nations might be represented at the World's Fair as worthily as possible.

Forty Scandinavians met last Monday night at the Sherman House, representing various societies and lodges. By-laws were accepted and officers elected. The purpose of this newly formed society is to gather as much exhibition material together as possible from their native lands, as well as from the Scandinavians here in this country. The members ought also to assist visiting countrymen at the World's Fair.

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Svenska Tribunen, Aug. 21, 1878.

SWEDISH SUMMER FEAST.



Svea Society celebrated its twenty-second annual Summer Festival at Chicago Ave. Park last Sunday in the presence of over four hundred people. Speeches were made by Captain Lange and Counsul Sundell. The people enjoyed good music, dancing, and other amusements. Many of the Scandinavian societies participated. Everyone seemed to enjoy the arrangements and the weather was perfect.

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Illinois Staats-Zeitung, July 29, 1874.

The Scandinavians, who one must admit, know how to organize amusements, had a picnic the day before yesterday at Washington Heights. More than 8000 people were there. Mr. C. G. Lange, as first speaker, pointed out how the Scandinavians secured their rights in social and political matters through their concord. Other speakers were: Consul Charles Sundell, Johnson, and Nic. Hansen. Mr. Washington Helsing also said a few words and praised especially the harmony prevailing amongst the Scandinavians. The celebration was a success from every point of view.



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Svenska Tribunen-Nyheter, June 1, 1932.

BOOK OF ENGLISH AND SWEDISH POEMS PUBLISHED

The Pegasus Club, an organization of teachers and students at the North Park College, has just published a little book containing a collection of poems entitled Pegasus. It contains thirty-two pages and forty-four poems, most of them are short ones. Some of them are lyrical while others are of a religious nature. In the collection are a number of Swedish poems, some original, others translated.

The book costs twenty-five cents and may be obtained from the Pegasus Club, North Park College, 3225 Foster Avenue, Chicago.

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Svenska Tribunen-Nyheter, Apr. 23, 1930

PRESERVE THE LANGUAGE OF OUR FATHERS

(Editorial)

An organization named the Swedish Literary Society has just been formed in Moline, Illinois, on the initiative of engineer Charles A. Carlson. According to its statutes, its purpose is to promote love and respect for the language of our fathers, and to keep alive the interest in Swedish literature, song, and music. The educational phase of its activities is emphasized, and members are urged never to forget the debt that they owe to Sweden and their ancestral culture.

There are not many such organizations among Swedish-Americans, and one newspaper described the situation well when it stated that it was formed by "a group of Swedish enthusiasts". As a rule, anybody who tries to form a Swedish organization of a cultural nature is not received with much enthusiasm, and unless the leaders of such ventures possess more than ordinary ability and energy their aspirations are not likely to be attained.

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Svenska Tribunen-Nyheter, Apr. 23, 1930

At Swedish-American educational institutions there are Swedish literary societies, which hold regular meetings and at intervals arrange social gatherings; and they undoubtedly aid in maintaining the specific Swedish character of these schools. The North Park College, of this city, which is conducted by the Swedish Mission League of America is particularly fortunate in this respect. For it has at its disposal a fund, which was established on the initiative of our countryman, Axel W. Anderson, for the purpose of maintaining a department of Swedish language and literature, and it is thus assured that these subjects will be taught in the school for a long time to come. Under such circumstances, a literary society of students and friends of the school is likely to flourish.

As to independent societies of this kind the situation is different and vastly more difficult, and experience has shown that it requires exceptionally intelligent and energetic leadership to keep them alive. The majority expire within a shorter or longer time for lack of support.

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We believe that much would be gained if such cultural organizations in different localities would keep in touch with each other and co-operate. One society might learn much from another one in regard to organization and working methods, and arrangements might be made for the exchange of speakers and literature, joint meetings, etc.

Intensive co-operation is needed if Swedish cultural activities in this country are to be maintained and preserved, and we think that to bring about such a co-operation is a task which is made to order for the Swedish Cultural League of America. [Translator's note: This appears to be another name for the Society for the Preservation of Swedish Culture in America, whose mother organization is the Society for the Preservation of Swedish Culture in Foreign Countries with headquarters in Sweden.] If, for some reason or other, the League cannot undertake this task the literary societies must take the situation into their own hands. They need each other, and in unity there is strength.

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Svenska Kuriren, April 26, 1928

**THE SOCIETY FOR THE ADVANCEMENT OF SCANDINAVIAN STUDY**

will hold its 18th conference in the Common Room of the Wieboldt Hall at the University of Chicago on May 4 and 5. Eight lectures will be delivered by as many professors in the Scandinavian languages at various universities in the Middle-West. A banquet for members and participants and their friends will be given in the evening of the fourth at the South Side Swedish Club, 7330 Ridgeland Ave. Honorary speaker at this banquet will be Professor W.A. Craigie from the Oxford University, England.

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Svenska Kuriren, March 22, 1928

"THE VERDANDI STUDY LEAGUE"

presented an "Ibsen" evening last Saturday, March 17, that day being the hundredth anniversary of the birth of Henrik Ibsen, the great Norwegian writer and dramatist. Mr. Carl Stockenberg spoke on the life and works of Ibsen and a musical program was rendered.

The League's next meeting will be held next Tuesday, at which Mr. Nils G. Peterson will speak on "The Swedes at home and here".

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Svenska Kuriren, Sept. 23, 1926

## SWEDISH EDUCATIONAL ACTIVITY

The "Lake View Swedish Educational Society", which is a joint organization of the Swedish Study League and the Verdandi Study League, has published its work program for the coming season. The prospectus announces twenty-four lectures to be held from Oct. 1926 to April 1927, inclusive.

Svenska Kuriren, July 2, 1925.

A MID-SUMMER FESTIVAL

The Chicago Chapter of the Swedish Cultural Society celebrated a real Swedish mid-summer by a festival on the spacious grounds on the North Park College on Foster Ave., Tuesday, last week. The principal address of the day was delivered by Prof. David Nyvall of the college faculty and his subject was: "Our Debt to our Forefathers." Other speakers were Dr. C. A. Lindvall and Editor Ivar Peterson. The "Nordstjernen" Singing Club and the Northland Ladies' Trio appeared on several occasions during the afternoon and evening. Mr. A.G. Witting, President of the Chicago chapter, was unable to attend because of illness.

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Svenska Kuriren, Apr. 1915.

[SWEDISH STUDY GROUP TO MEET]

The Society for Advancement of Scandinavian Study held its annual meeting here, Friday and Saturday, on the invitation of Northwestern University.

The society has adopted the program of working for the rooting of Scandinavian culture in America, and the members of the society are mainly teachers, of the languages of the North, at universities, colleges and high schools. The society now has nearly five hundred members, and during the coming year strong endeavors are to be made for the gaining of new ones.

At the meeting, which is being conducted under the presidency of professor Jules Mauritzson, many learned and interesting lectures are being given, and nearly a whole session was spent in discussing various practical questions.



Svenska Kuriren, (The Swedish Courier, Weekly) Apr.29,1915.

Both for the purpose of being able, in a more vigorous way, to increase the membership, and also in order to gain recognition of Scandinavian studies, it was decided to elect four district secretaries; namely, Dr. Amandus Johnson, University of Pennsylvania, for the eastern district, professor J.A.Halerk, Fort Dodge, Iowa, for Wisconsin, Iowa, Nebraska, Kansas, and Illinois; professor A.A.Stromberg, Minneapolis, for Minnesota, the Dakota states, and Manitoba, and Dr. E.J.Vickner for the western states.

In his capacity as chairman of the committee for Scandinavian language study in public high schools, professor Stromberg had gathered complete data concerning the number of schools where instruction is offered in Swedish or Norwegian, together with the number of students in the Scandinavian language classes. Swedish is being taught in twenty high schools, with 1,015 students, and Norwegian in 32 high schools with 950 students, or a total for Swedish and Norwegian of 1,965. Compared with the total of students two years ago, there is an increase of nearly 65 per cent.



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Svenska Kuriren, Jan. 25, 1908.

THE SWEDISH NATIONAL SOCIETY

Last Sunday night, the Swedish National Society celebrated its Midwinter festival at the Auditorium by presenting an historical play by Zacharias Topelius, called "Gustaf II Adolf and Regina von Emmeritz." It was played by The Swedish Dramatical Society, assisted by Harmony Singing Club, Scandia Gymnastics Athletic Club, and John Meck's orchestra. Before the performance started, a bust of King Oscar II was presented by Attorney G. B. Anderson to the Swedish National Society on behalf of the Swedish Dramatical Society, and modeled by the sculpture C. J. Nilsson. Miss Ida Ostergren and Prof. John R. Ortengren played the leading roles in the performance. The net income of the festival goes to charity.



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Svenska Tribunen, May 8, 1901.

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ALPHA LITERARY CLUB

p.11.....A banquet was given at the Boston Oyster House last Saturday evening, by former members of the now disbanded Alpha Literary Club. The banquet was given in honor of Dr. August Anderson's visit to this city. Mr. Anderson is on his way to Germany.

Master of ceremonies at the richly laden table was Dr. Emil Benson. Many old memories were revised during the evening.

II B 1 dSvenska Tribunen, June 21, 1899.

## THE POLAR STAR SOCIETY

The Polar Star Society is the name a newly organized literary society has adopted. Even people outside Chicago are entitled to join the society; its main purpose is to translate books of prominent Swedish authors into English. Among those whose works are going to see the light of day in English dress are King Oscar II, Viktor Rydberg, August Strindberg, Gustav av Geijerstam, Alfred Hedenstierna (Sigurd), Henrik Wranér, and others.

Nineteen works are already translated, ready for the printing press. Mr. Andrew Schon is president of the society and Albert Alberg, well known author and translator is secretary.

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Svenska Tribunen, Nov. 9, 1892.

THE SWEDISH JOURNALISTS OF CHICAGO

The Swedish-American Publicists club of Chicago held its regular meeting last Saturday in the Sherman House. A motion was carried to have the by-laws changed to read that the officers of the club should be elected for terms of six instead of twelve months. In accordance with this decision, an election of officers was held, resulting as follows; P. A. Sundelius, pres.; Alex, J. Johnson, 1st. vice-pres.; Algot E. Strand, 2nd. vice-pres.; F. A. Lindstrand, 3rd. vice-pres.; Nils Mannow, secretary, and A. Chaiser, treasurer.



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The Chicago Times, Sat. Jan. 30, 1875.

THOMAS PAINE'S BIRTHDAY ANNIVERSARY WAS CELEBRATED BY THE SCANDINAVIANS  
YESTERDAY.

The Skandinaviske Frieenker Forening, or the Scandinavian Free Thinking Society, of this city, held its eighth annual celebration commemorating the 138th anniversary of the birth of Thomas Paine, last evening, at Orpheus Hall, on the corner of West Lake and Peoria Streets. The society was established nine years ago and consists at present of about one hundred members, the majority of whom are Swedes and Norwegians. They hold their regular sessions at No. 113 Milwaukee Avenue, where they meet twice a month and advocate the principles of their leader.

About nine o'clock the hall was filled with a large representation of the Scandinavian race of both sexes, a number of the latter (women) having been attracted by the festivities which the latter part of the program offered.

Upon the platform of the stage stood a rough representation of the Goddess of Liberty, and upon the pedestal which supported it were inscribed the words, "Friheds

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The Chicago Times, Sat. Jan. 30, 1875.

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Gudinde Dit Nawn Er Godt Spred Sandheds Wisdoms Lys Fra Bol Til Bol. "Goddess of Liberty, thy name is good. Spread the light of truth and wisdom from pole to pole." Over the center of the stage hung suspended a portrait of Paine, surrounded by a sketch designed to represent the American eagle, carrying in his beak the usual streamers, which bore the motto, "Frem itiden Komer Sandhedens Lys," or "In the future the light of truth will come." From the balconies on either side, the banners of the different nations represented alongside of the American flag were unfurled and the whole apartment was arranged with reference to the occasion. After an overture by the Exposition band, which furnished the music for the evening, Dr. G. Paoli, the president of the society, made an eloquent address in the Scandinavian tongue, eulogizing the founder of their principles of belief, and expressing himself as opposed to the religious doctrines propagated in this country. The president was succeeded by Gen. I.N. Stiles, whom he introduced to the audience as one of the strongest and most sincere free-thinkers in the city.

Gen. Stiles began by stating that liberty might well point to Thomas Paine, for he was her noble son; genius might point to him also, for he was her brother. Few men

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The Chicago Times, Sat. Jan. 30, 1875.

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were abused as much as he had been because he did not agree with the majority. The thinkers, the men who moved the world, always started from among the minority, and labored among the many. Paine had been calumniated because he had dared to think for himself, and had set priests at defiance. The world was his country, he said, and to do good was his religion. The speaker challenged any one to find a sentence uttered by Paine which had ever savored of immorality. He had thought for himself, and had then doubted that God could be such as Moses had described him. Nothing so delighted him (God) as a sacrifice, and what pleased Him above all things was the blood of women and children. Paine had defied the priests of the so-called Christian religion to demonstrate to him that God was a being of such atrocious cruelty. When men come to think for themselves, they no longer desired the services of a priest. The priest insisted that fixed belief should be indoctrinated in the minds of children when they were too young to use their reason. In that they were mistaken. In addition to his doctrines of free thought, Paine had advocated the principles of liberty, and aided Jefferson and Adams in establishing a republic in this country. No man had done so much to impress the American people with the importance of independent thought and action. The nineteenth century had produced her Darwin,

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her Tyndall, and her Huxley, and the time was not far distant when the people could embrace the doctrines of liberty and truth.

Marc Trans was the next speaker. He began by giving a sketch of the life of Thomas Paine. He considered him the real founder of the republic, because the idea of liberty and free thought originated with him. Paine was not only a speaker and a writer, but an actor as well, for he had served as a soldier in defense of his country. It is Tom Paine the people should thank for the free institutions of this country, notwithstanding the fact that the press and the pulpit had united to caluminate him; that he was not held in greater estimation did not speak well for the character of the American people.

At the conclusion of the addresses, which were received with enthusiastic applause, the hall was cleared, and dancing succeeded, a part of the program which continued until an early hour in the morning.



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Svenska Kuriren, Nov. 11, 1926

SWEDISH LITERARY CONTEST

The winners of the Literary Contest, sponsored by the Swedish Journalists' Society, the headquarters of which is in Chicago, have now been announced. Seventy-one contributions have been submitted to the awarding committee, and of these thirty-five were in verse and thirty-six in prose.

First prize in prose was awarded to a Chicagoan, O.A. Linder, editor-in-chief of The Swedish-American. The winner of the first prize in verse was August Bergstedt, Quincy, Mass.

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Svenska Tribunen-Nyheter, Oct. 25, 1910.

IN MEMORIAM

(Editorial)



"The untimely death of Ottilie Liljenkrantz in Chicago at the age of thirty-four is a great loss to American letters," says the Minneapolis Journal; and the American press in general pays tribute to the deceased authoress in similar terms.

Ottilie Liljenkrantz did not have the genius of a Myra Kelley, but she was a gifted and popular writer, whose departure is deeply regretted by a large and appreciative public. Her best-known books, such as The Thrall of Leif the Lucky and The Ward of King Canute, deal at length with the close relationship which existed between Scandinavia and England and Scandinavia and America in earlier times. She suggests that instead of feeling like strangers in America, the Scandinavians should feel very much at home here, since it is a well-established fact that their forefathers discovered this new continent centuries before

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Columbus left Palos and found the American tropics.

The Scandinavians are closely related to the old American stock being even closer to the Anglo-Saxons than the Germans. King Canute the Great of Denmark was also King of England, and one third of England was named the Danemark; Harold, who fell at Hastings, was of Danish blood on his mother's side. There is hardly a person in England and Scotland who does not have Scandinavian blood in his veins; and as for Ireland, Scandinavians once ruled the central part of the island from Londonderry to Cork.

Miss Liljenkrantz revived this old history in her books, and she possessed unusual narrative talent. The romance of the old North fascinated her, and with the exception of Homer's tales, there is hardly anything in ancient history as interesting as the voyages of the Vikings in their remarkably seaworthy open ships from the fiords of the north to the coasts of England and France.



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Miss Liljenkrantz leaves a vacancy in the artistic and literary life of Chicago which will be difficult to fill.



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Svenska Nyheter, Nov. 14, 1905.

LITERATURE

(Review)

The following pamphlets have been published by Captain A. Lofstrom's publishing house:

Dalkullan Almanack and Kalender for 1906.

This calendar-almanac is the best of its kind appearing in the Swedish language in this country. This holds true both as to contents and to make-up. The Dalkullan is rich in brisk stories and poems; pleasant tales and descriptions; songs with melodies added. To begin with, there is a "Vermlandsvisa," then



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"A Love Story," and an account of "How I Became an Athlete." Later on, Herm. Stockenstrom teaches us "The New Mother Tongue"..... Finally, one comes to "The Effects of Punch"; listens to a ditty about "Par and Lisa"; to finish with "Du gamla du friska" (You old, bright, and cheerful) The booklet costs only five cents.

Dalkullan Sangbok is a little pamphlet, containing selected Swedish songs and ditties. The pamphlet costs fifteen cents.

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"Poetic Flowers" (second bunch) is the title of an attractive little pamphlet of poems, translated from the English language, and published by P. G. Almberg



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and Co., 62 East Chicago Avenue, Chicago. The collection consists of forty-three poems, and among the translators we find practically all of our foremost poets: Stockenstrom; Bonggren; Wicklund; C. F. Peterson; Elmblad; Aurell; Craelius; Sundell; Linder; Skarstedt; Bernays.....

It is only a few months since we had the pleasure of announcing the first bunch of "Poetic Flowers," and in that pamphlet, the publishers promised to present a second bunch if the first was well received. In the preface to the present collection of poems, one finds the statement that the first collection "met cordial acceptance", wherefore the publishers consider themselves under obligation to redeem their promise to present the second bunch of the "Poetic





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Flowers." It now remains for lovers of literature among the Swedes to make good this fulfillment of duty by acquiring a copy of the booklet as soon as possible.

The collection of poems is worthy of a place in any bookcase..... The collection bound, costs forty cents.



Svenska Tribunen, Sept. 11, 1901.

LITERATURE

(Editorial)

Our foremost literary critic in Chicago (aside from Kuriren) Jacob Bondgren, thought that A. V. Dohlgren had written the long poem which appeared in a recent issue, but our correspondent, the literary expert Ernest Skorstedt, in Castle Rock, positively credits "Uncle Adam," C. A. Wetterbergh, as being the author. We intend to rely upon Ernest Skorstedt's statement. To our friend Mr. B. Olson, in Rockford, we wish to give this friendly advise: Do not write any more verse until you can compose as well as Sandelin, or at least as well as Kuriren.



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**B. Avocational and Intellectual**

**2. Intellectual**

**a. Libraries**

Svenska Tribunen-Nyheter, July 10, 1929.

THE PUBLIC LIBRARY ISSUES A CATALOGUE OF ITS  
SCANDINAVIAN BOOKS

Chicago's Public Library possesses a great collection of Scandinavian literature, but it has not been used so much as it ought to be, and the main reason for this is that a complete catalogue of it has been lacking. In the Library's outlying branches it has been impossible to obtain any list of these books, and if one wanted a book by some noted Scandinavian author, it was necessary to go to the main library and look in the card index. But only a person who has plenty of time on his hands and is especially interested in the works of a certain author is inclined to go to so much trouble. As already stated, this situation is the chief reason why the Library has had comparatively few calls for Scandinavian literature. But this condition has now been corrected, and according to a report received by this newspaper a complete and well-planned catalogue of the Library's Scandinavian collection is now available, which distinguishes among Swedish, Norwegian, and Danish books, and they are also grouped according to contents, so that it is easy to find the book one happens

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to want.

A young Norwegian, John A. Lindrup, writes thus about this catalogue:

"Much time and work have been spent on this catalogue, and if the Public Library should charge the actual cost price, I doubt whether a single copy would be sold. But the price has been set at only twenty-five cents."

This useful and long-awaited guide to the Library's Scandinavian collection is now for sale in the downtown building, located at Randolph Street and Michigan Avenue, as well as at the various branches throughout the city.

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Svenska Tribunen-Nyheter, Dec. 19, 1923.

THE LIBRARIES OF SWEDISH SOCIETIES

(Editorial)

The majority of Swedish societies in this country have popular education on their programs, and each one appoints a librarian to take charge of the society's book collection, whether it is a large one or consists of only a few volumes.

Like the other officers of the organization, the librarian submits an annual report, but usually this report consists only of a list of additions to the library which have been acquired during the year. Seldom does it tell of any positive effort to increase circulation, and, as a rule, new acquisitions are mentioned only when they are considered particularly valuable, or when they have been donated by some prominent person. When one listens to such reports, one is often tempted to doubt if the educational aspect of the society's activities is taken very seriously.

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In many cases, the book collection is a mere adornment, as is the case in some well-to-do homes where the head of the family buys a fine collection of books in expensive bindings to impress his friends and visitors. We certainly do not mean to imply that the leaders within our societies are activated by similar motives. But we do think that in these days of keen competition, the less spectacular, but no less important, educational and cultural pursuits are apt to be neglected in the struggle for publicity, increased membership, and funds.

It is apparent that a society which has popular education on its program does not fulfill its duties if it neglects its library activities. Any society which is fortunate enough to own a worth-while book collection should make it a point to have the books easily available, and to encourage reading. If the society does this, it will gain in solid, inner strength, and membership in it will be of greater value.

Another suggestion we would like to make is that a catalogue be prepared of every library, large or small, and that books be loaned to non-members as

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well as to members. The catalogue would show at a glance what the library has to offer, and its literary treasures would be made available and useful to a much larger number of people. Such a procedure would constitute a great improvement. We Swedish-Americans do not possess large and representative collections of Swedish literature, but there is no lack of interest, if only it be properly encouraged. How can we expect any substantial progress in this field unless we make the best possible use of what we already have?

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### IDROTT'S RENTAL LIBRARY

When the co-operative temperance restaurant, Idrott [Translator's note: Idrott is the Swedish word for sports and athletics], was opened at 936 Belmont Avenue seven years ago, plans for a library to be operated in connection with it were already well under way. Two years later Idrott had some two hundred volumes on its shelves, at the free disposal of its guests. It is interesting to note that for a long time no books were lost, but all of a sudden a dozen volumes disappeared, and were later recovered in a private collection. This incident caused the management to change the free library into a rental library. New books were added regularly and lent out at a nominal charge. In the beginning it was not too difficult to satisfy the hunger for knowledge. However, thanks to the energetic work by those in charge, the number of clients increased steadily, enabling the library to procure more books, and at the present time it contains some six hundred volumes of modern Swedish literature. Among them are the works of Strindberg, Hjalmar Soderberg, Karlfeldt, Gustaf Jansson, Froding and Lindorm. The charge is now five cents per week per book, and according

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to the 1920 report the income from rentals amounted to sixty dollars last year. Those who hold shares in the co-operative restaurant get books free of charge.

Last fall two representatives of the Swedish Government toured America in order to study library methods here. They visited the Idrott restaurant and expressed their surprise and pleasure at finding such an oasis of Swedish culture in this cosmopolitan metropolis. They also informed the library committee that under certain conditions the Swedish Government might subsidize the undertaking. They knew that several Swedish societies had collections of Swedish literature, and a meeting of representatives of these organizations was called. Only the Good Templars, the Swedish Study League, the Verdandi Study Club and the Lake View Swedish Socialist Club answered the call, and Mr. Hjelmquist, one of the Swedish Government's representatives, addressed the meeting. He explained how assistance could be obtained from the Swedish Government for the purpose of establishing a comprehensive Swedish library in Chicago, where our countrymen may obtain Swedish literature free of charge. Persons who are interested in this cause may

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obtain more detailed information from Idrott's library committee.

A catalogue of the books now in the library may be had for five cents. The library also has about thirty periodicals and newspapers, which are at the free disposal of visitors.

Books may be obtained on Thursdays from 8:00 to 10:00 P. M., on Saturdays from 5:00 to 6:00 P. M. and on Sundays from 12:00 noon to 2:00 P. M.

For the Committee on Literature:  
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PLAN NEW SWEDISH LIBRARY

A Swedish Central Library for Chicago is being planned by the Swedish National Association. A committee has been appointed to formulate plans for the new library.

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SWEDISH LITERATURE IN AMERICA

(Editorial)

Years ago, in communities where Swedes made up any considerable portion of the population, there would be quite a strong demand that Swedish literature in the Swedish language be made available in the public libraries, and often certain politicians, who for some reason or other wanted to please the Swedish voters, would support such demands.

A Swedish-American colleague reported the other day that Sven Hedin's latest great work, Trans-Himalaya, in the language of the original, is to be found on the shelves of the public library of one of our largest cities. There is no good reason why such a notice should seem particularly remarkable, but it did, because such items are becoming rare in our press. This is, at least



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partly, the fault of the Swedish-American reading public. Those public libraries which have purchased Swedish books with the idea of building up a representative collection have not met with an encouraging response. Swedish patrons have been apt to complain that they could not find the books they wanted. They should realize that under the circumstances the library cannot be expected to offer such an assortment as one would find in a well-stocked Stockholm bookstore. On the other hand, it must be admitted that the libraries have not always exercised good judgment in making their selections, and that many of the books are more suitable for Sunday-School pupils than for grown-up patrons with a somewhat discriminating literary taste. They have offered too many of the works of rather obscure Swedish authors, and not enough of the really great names. The books in a public library should present a representative cross-section of the best literature produced in any particular language.



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A good collection of Swedish books, be it a part of an American public library, or in the possession of some Swedish organization, is of great potential value in stimulating interest in Swedish culture, and keeping open the spiritual roads leading to the old fatherland.

Interest has been waning of late. Few additions have been made to existing collections of Swedish literature, and those that we have are not being used much. It is up to us Swedish-Americans to bring about a change.



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Svenska Amerikanaren, Oct. 22, 1907.

### OSCAR II'S TRAVELING LIBRARY

The Oscar II's Traveling Library was organized Jan. 21, 1906, for the purpose of supplying books to national travelers and Swedish-Americans. This library has already sent out free of charge a large number of books to various libraries and Swedish societies and congregations. The books deal on various subjects and are written by Swedish writers.

The organization has about 50,000 volumes, which are given out through five hundred branches. All books are given out by the Literature Committee which consists of Professor Warberg and Doctor Karlfedt. The management is in Stockholm under the control of the King. All countrymen interested may write for further information to Consul Lindgren, Chicago, Ill.





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Svenska Nyheter, May 16, 1905.

[ SCANDINAVIAN BOOKS IN UNIVERSITY OF CHICAGO ]

A valuable collection of Old Norse books has been acquired by the Scandinavian department of the University of Chicago, through the generosity of a Norwegian, Paul O. Stensland. The collection comprises no less than 1,250 bound volumes, and consists mainly of works on saga literature.

Earlier the books formed part of the library of the famous historian Von Maurer, which had come into the possession of Harvard University. The reason for Harvard's willingness to part with the books was the fact that Harvard had recently acquired a similar collection, a fact which in itself testifies to the great scientific value of the collection. Among the philologists, Saga collectors, and critics represented in the collection we may mention names such as: Grundtvig and Suhm, Aasen and Bugge, Bjorner and Geijer, Munch, Daae, Hildebrand, Keyser, Afzelius, Unger, Wimmer, Brandes.



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Those among the Scandinavians who, like Paul Stensland, are awake to the significance of our race in the history of the world, will greet with joy the founding of this Nordic university library. To be sure, this is merely a small beginning. The Scandinavian countries, especially if acting together, should be able to compete with practically any of the great cultural nations in regard to book culture. Of course, twelve hundred fifty volumes of almost exclusively Old Norse literature is a nice start. Yet it presents merely a faint conception of the vastness of this literature, still less of the Scandinavian literature as a whole. Even so, the Stensland collection forms a good basis on which the Chicago Scandinavians may hope, little by little, to build a university library that will form a worthy reflection of the culture of the North.



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Svenska Nyheter, Feb. 14, 1905.

SWEDISH BOOKS IN THE PUBLIC LIBRARY

During the past days the Chicago Public Library has had its collection of Swedish books greatly increased, and the books that have been added are valuable. The directors of the library have sent us a list of the new books, but the list is so extensive that we simply cannot spare the space for it. Hitherto, Norway and Denmark have greatly outshone Sweden on the shelves of the library; and Sweden has been treated as a stepchild in comparison, chiefly because no advocate of Swedish literature has been a member of the library board. Now there is a Swedish-American on the board in the person of Editor F. A. Lindstrand, and thanks to his interest and energy, the committee on new books decided to buy these books, which have just arrived from Sweden.



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Svenska Kuriren, May 26, 1927

[CONGRATULATE LINDBERGH]

The Swedish Engineers' Society of Chicago dispatched last Saturday a congratulatory cablegram to Captain Charles A. Lindbergh, who on that day had successfully concluded his non-stop flight from America to Paris, France.

Svenska Tribunen-Nyheter, Dec. 12, 1923.

THE ENGINEERING SOCIETY

The Swedish Engineering Society of Chicago has just issued its yearbook for 1923. We learn that the Society's membership as of last October 1 amounted to 470, including 4 honorary members, 279 active, 139 corresponding, and 48 so-called associate members. Of the corresponding members, 92 live in the United States and Canada. The yearbook contains a membership list and reports of the various committees and officers.

The Society's clubhouse, which was purchased not long ago, is located at 503 Wrightwood Avenue. Axel A. Monson is president of the Society, and Al. Cederroth, secretary.

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Svenska Tribunen-Nyheter, May 11, 1921.

SWEDISH ENGINEERS BUY OWN HOME

Half-tone, two columns--fourth of a page,  
front view of the Swedish Engineering Society's  
newly acquired clubhouse, 503 Wrightwood Avenue

The Swedish Engineering Society of Chicago has just bought the building at 503 Wrightwood Avenue, near Lincoln Park. It is one of the most impressive-looking structures in that part of the city. The property was bought from Francis J. Dewes, president of the Standard Brewery Company, for \$50,000.

With this purchase the Society has happily solved its building problem. It now possesses a more luxurious and comfortable clubhouse than any other Swedish organization in America.

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THE SWEDISH ENGINEERING SOCIETY

Half-tone, one column-sixth of a page,  
full-face picture of John S. Gullborg

The annual general meeting of the Swedish Engineering Society was held last Saturday night in the auditorium of the Svithiod Singing Club. The following were elected as officers for the coming year: John S. Gullborg, president; Axel Akers, vice-president; A. Cederoth, secretary; Oscar B. Norgren, treasurer.

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John S. Gullborg, the Society's new president, has for many years enjoyed an enviable reputation as an engineer and inventor. At the present time, he heads the Alemite Die Casting and Manufacturing Company, which is now about to build a new, up-to-date plant on Belmont Avenue.

Mr. Gullborg, soon after his graduation from engineering school in Sweden, made his first invention while working in Huskvarna, where armaments are manufactured.

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Since he came to America, about thirty-four years ago, he has made many inventions, some of which are of great industrial importance. He is about fifty-seven years old.

Svenska Kuriren, Jan. 2, 1919

SWEDISH ENGINEERS MEET



The Swedish Engineers' Society had its yearly election of officers for the year 1919. The following were elected to carry the burdens for the year:

Chairman; Clarence S. Augman, vice-chairman; Carl F. Anderson,  
Secretary: C. H. Mayer; Financial Secretary: Axel K. Sjolander.  
As Director, the following was elected: John Brunner, and John  
E. Ericsson was elected as contractor.

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Svenska Kuriren, Nov. 21, 1918.

SWEDISH HISTORICAL SOCIETY IN AMERICA

(Editorial)



The officers of the Swedish Historical Society convened in the Swedish Club last Tuesday, November 12. This gathering might be called the "annual meeting," as the regular annual meeting was deferred on account of the War, and the members had been requested to vote by mail in the election of new officers to replace the five retiring officers.

An interesting report was read by the corresponding secretary, William F. Carlson, which showed that the interest in the work was increasing, and that in spite of the War crisis, more members had remitted their annual dues than ever before in the history of the society. Among the new members was Dr. H. G. Leach, who was accepted as a life member, for which the fee of \$50 was paid, also Grosvenor Library, Buffalo, N. Y., and New York State Library in Albany, became members. The treasurer's

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report showed receipts to be \$461.56 and disbursements were \$436.99, leaving a small amount of cash on hand.



The nominating committee reported that the following persons were unanimously elected as members of the executive committee: Hans Lagerloff, N.Y.; Marcus Skarstedt, Evanston, Ill; Alfred Norton, Andrew Toft, and Pastor G. S. Oslund, Chicago. As officers, the following were elected: Edward C. Westman, president; H. A. Nelson, vice president; William F. Carlson, recording secretary; E. E. Freeman, treasurer.

Several questions were discussed, the most important of which was the library question, which finally has been solved, even though not entirely satisfactorily. On account of the society's great collection of nearly six thousand volumes, many of which can not be replaced, should they be destroyed, it was absolutely necessary to secure a fireproof storage vault for these collections. An agreement has been reached with Augustana College,

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Rock Island, Ill., for safe storage of these valuable collections in Swedish Historical Society's own name in the new Denkmann Library there. The book collections, which were moved there in October, will be classified, indexed, and stored away for the time being. The collection will always remain the property of the Swedish Historical Society, and will be released whenever so demanded, and particularly when the society has obtained its own library. This thought is still alive with the society, although building plans necessarily have been deferred due to various well-known reasons.

At present, the collections are well taken care of at Denkmann Library, Rock Island, and can be viewed during the hours the library is open to the public.

It is possible later on that a person will be appointed to assist the librarian in handling these collections. This question, however, was not settled when the meeting adjourned at 10 P.M.

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SWEDISH ENGINEERS

(Editorial)



p.11. Swedish Engineers' Society held its annual meeting Saturday at Swedish Club Rooms, 1258 No. La Salle St. A rather large number of members was present in spite of the inclement weather. Mr. C. Ongman, last year's Vice President, opened the proceedings. The Secretary's and Treasurer's reports were read, which showed an increase in membership with fourteen to a total of 286, and receipts amounted to \$934.87. Several interesting meetings had been held during the year, and the Society's supply of technical reading matter had been used extensively by the members.

The Society had during the year participated in the collection of funds for the John Ericsson Memorial, and had also become a member of the Swedish Old Peoples Home Society. After these reports were received with approval, the different committees rendered theirs, whereupon the newly elected officers were installed in their respective positions.

The new president, Mr. John E. Ericsson, gave a short speech, thanking them



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for the honor bestowed upon him, and expressing the hope that the Society's work in the ensuing year would be crowned with as much success and progress as the circumstances would permit.

The meeting then adjourned and the members met in the dining hall, where a delicious luncheon was served.

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Svenska Kuriren, July 26, 1917.

[SOCIETY MEETS]

The Swedish Engineers' Society will meet next Saturday in Svithiod Singing Club, 628 Wrightwood Avenue at 8:00 P.M. A program illustrating "Pressed Steel Products" will be presented.

Persons interested in Pressed Steel Products are cordially invited to attend.



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THE SWEDISH ENGINEERING SOCIETY OF CHICAGO

[Half-tone, one column-sixth of a page, full-face picture  
of John Brunner, new president of the Society]

At the last monthly meeting, December 17, the following officers were elected to serve during 1916: John Brunner, president; C. A. Bolin, vice-president; Carl Save, secretary; Axel Akers, treasurer.

John Brunner, the new president, was born in Varberg, Sweden. After graduating from the Technical Institute of Stockholm, he worked for the Swedish National Railroads until 1888, when he set out for America.

His first job here was as assistant engineer in the bridge building department of the Boston and Maine Railroad. Later on, he became chief engineer with the Mount Vernon Bridge Company of Mount Vernon, Ohio. After some time, he left this company to become assistant chief engineer at the Carnegie Steel Company's plants in Pittsburgh. Due to his reputation as a construction



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engineer he was appointed engineer of bridges for Pittsburgh in 1896, and held this position until 1899, when he became city engineer of Pittsburgh. In 1902 he moved westward, and took a position as assistant superintendent of the northern plants of the Illinois Steel Company

Brunner took an active part in the arrangements for the Swedish Engineering Congress, which was held here in Chicago last fall. He is a valued member of many Swedish societies.



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Svenska Kuriren, Dec. 2, 1915.

VIGOROUS ACTION PROMISED

The Swedish Historical Society, at its meeting last Tuesday, resolved to take vigorous action to obtain provision for courses of instruction in Swedish in the high schools of Chicago. A committee was appointed to take the necessary preparation steps and to bring the matter in proper form before the authorities in question and if needed, before the public at large.

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Svenska Tribunen-Nyheter, Nov. 30, 1915.

### THE SWEDISH HISTORICAL SOCIETY

The first meeting of the season was held last Tuesday in the Union Bank Building on Dearborn Street. Pastor C. A. Lindvall presided. The new officers elected were the following: Pastor C. A. Lindvall, president; Miss Hilma Enander, vice-president; F. N. Andren, secretary; Alfred Soderstrom, corresponding secretary; G. A. Nyden, treasurer; and C. G. Wallenius, librarian. Appointments to the various committees were also made.

It was decided to have a thousand copies of the Society's yearbook printed immediately.

The previously-adopted resolution, by which the Society pledged itself to work for the introduction of Swedish as an elective course in Chicago's



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high schools, was referred to the proper committee, which is to take further action in the matter.

The place and date of the next meeting will be announced by the president.



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TENTH ANNUAL MEETING

The Swedish Historical Society held its tenth annual meeting last Friday. The secretary informed the members that a place for the historical collection of the society has been obtained at Northwestern University in Evanston, also that a committee has been appointed to secure biographies of the more prominent Swedish Americans, these biographies to be arranged for inclusion into a biographical dictionary to be published by the Bonniers Publishing House.

Report was also read showing that the library of the society had increased during the year.

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Svenska Kuriren, Nov. 4, 1915.

HISTORICAL SOCIETY TO MEET

The Swedish Historical Society will hold its tenth annual meeting on Friday, November 5, at 7:00 P. M. at the Svithiod Club's Hall, 624 Wrightwood Avenue.

The rector of Augustana College will speak and Swedish music has been provided.

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### SCIENTIFIC DISCOVERY

From the University of Chicago we are informed that Assistant Professor A. J. Carlson after a series of experiments extending over three years, has succeeded in producing pure gastric juice without the admixture of saliva. In the university paper presenting the information it is stated that Dr. Carlson's discovery makes it possible to analyse the gastric juice of man and thus to learn in what manner this juice is modified by the various elements of food.



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Svenska Kuriren (The Swedish Courier, Weekly), April 15, 1915.

### PROGRESS OF SWEDISH ENGINEERS.

With reference to the planned Swedish engineer congress, to be held here Sept. 9-11, the general committee for the congress has published a membership book containing a complete list of the Swedish, as well as the Swedish American participants, together with a brief history of the congress and its objectives. Since the organizing committee was formed last year, the work has been pursued with such success that at present ninety members in the eastern states have announced their decision of participating, and eighty in the western states. It may, however, be confidently expected that a far greater number will register within the near future, as soon as the program for the congress has been decided upon and has been distributed to the nine hundred engineers and industrial leaders whose names are on file with the two committees for organization, but who have not as yet announced their intention of participating in the congress.

In regard to the objectives of the congress it is stated: "The objective of the

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convention is, in part, to bring the visiting Swedish engineers together with their brothers in the field in this country, in part, to bring about cooperation among Swedish engineers who have settled in America. All Swedish engineers in the United States and in Canada are being invited to the congress, as well as all other prominent men in industry no matter whether they belong to the organized engineering societies in this country or not.

The address of the Western Committee for organization is 619 City Hall Square Building, Chicago, Illinois.

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COMMUNICATION FROM THE SWEDISH HISTORICAL ASSOCIATION IN AMERICA.

At the behest of the Committee for Building Funds of the Swedish Historical Society in America, Mr. Alfred Soderstrom, the authorized financial agent of the Society, issued a call, a few months ago, to the Swedish people in America, for voluntary gifts for the purpose of erecting in Chicago a building to house the rich collection of the association. Since it has come to the attention of the officers of late, that there is some misunderstanding as to the size of the building intended, it is requested that the papers that gave space to the original call will kindly give space also for the following information:

It is not at all the intention of the association to seek funds at the present time for the purchase or the erection of a 'monumental' building in the heart of Chicago where real estate values are enormously swollen; such a plan we know would not be possible to execute. What the association hopes to attain, through

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through the present drive, is a sum sufficient for the acquisition, in some Swedish district, of a two-story fireproof house, and, in addition, a reserve fund sufficient to give an annual income of a few hundred dollars.

We beg to add that our undertaking is national, not merely local. Our collections are even now accessible to researchers wherever they hail from. Our call for money is, therefore, to Swedes from all over the country.

The Committee for the Building Fund of the Swedish Historical Association, A.G.S.  
Josephson, Pres., C.G. Wallenjuss, Sec.

Svenska Kuriren, Sept. 17, 1914.

THE SWEDISH HISTORICAL SOCIETY OF AMERICA.

The Swedish Historical Society of America was founded in Chicago July 20, 1905. Its purposes are as follows: to gather and preserve for coming generations books and handwritings concerning the Swedes and their institutions in America, and publications written by the Swedes; to gather articles and photographs connected with the Swedish immigrants and their descendants; to give out publications concerning the Swedes in America and in Sweden; to gather books concerning Sweden's history, culture, and literature, which are to be a part of the Society's library, and which may develop into a central Swedish library in America. The Society's temporary quarters at the Swedish Seminary Building in Evanston are now too small for its purpose, and a new building to be erected in the heart of Chicago is now its goal.

At a recent meeting of the members of the Society, it was decided to build:



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a library building. A building committee was formed, consisting of A. G. S. Josephson, chairman; Professor C. G. Wallenius, secretary; Frank Gustafson, treasurer; a committee composed of Fritz Schoultz, Nels M. Hokanson and Gustaf Hallbom. This committee appointed Mr. Alfred Soderstrom to be its finance agent, and to collect money for the building fund.

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HISTORICAL SOCIETY BOARD MEETING

The Board of Directors of the Swedish Historical Society met Friday, January 30, to consider the proposition of erecting a library building. A building committee was appointed; librarian A. G. S. Josephson is chairman; Frank Gustafson, treasurer; Dr. C. G. Wallenius, secretary; and G. Hallbom, N. Hakanson, and F. Schoultz are members. Mr. Alfred Soderstrom was appointed to try to interest people to contribute to the building fund.

Dr. Wallenius greeted the newly-elected Swedish Consul, Mr. Puke, who had been invited to the meeting. A Swedish "smorgasbord" was served after the meeting.



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**THE SWEDISH ENGINEER SOCIETY CHICAGO**

The annual celebration of the Swedish Engineer Society met last Saturday at the Swedish Club with the following on the program: business transactions, a banquet, vaudeville, and speeches. The retiring chairman, Building Commissioner Henry Ericsson, delivered the gavel to his successor, City Engineer John Ericson. The newly appointed Swedish Consul, C. G. Puke, was invited to the feast.





Svenska Kuriren, Dec. 25, 1913.

THE SWEDISH ENGINEER SOCIETY OF CHICAGO

The Swedish Engineer Society held its annual meeting last Saturday at the Swedish Club. The following officers were elected: City Engineer, John Ericson, president; Building Engineer C. E. Carlson, vice-president; Engineer G. A. Akerlind, secretary; and Engineer C. A. Bolin, treasurer. Building Commissioner Henry Ericson and the Architects, Carl Save and Eric E. Hall, were elected directors.

The Swedish Engineer Congress of 1915 will probably be held in Chicago. A message was received from the Swedish Engineer Society in Brooklyn that organization work concerning this congress has already started in the Eastern States. The newly elected officers expect very shortly to start making needed arrangements for holding the congress here. All Swedish engineers in America are to be invited to attend this congress, whether they are members of the Swedish Engineer Society or not. There are now 275 members, and it is expected that the Society's membership will increase considerably next year.

Svenska Kuriren, July 10, 1913.

**THE SWEDISH ENGINEERS' SOCIETY**

The Swedish Engineers' Society has sent out its annual report for 1912 showing that the membership has increased to 254. Honorary members are: Gustaf A. M. Liljencrantz, and Dr. Anton Julius Carlson. The following officers are serving for 1913, namely; president: Henry Ericson, Building Commissioner; vice-president: Engineer F. W. Iggberg; secretary: Engineer G. A. Akerlind; treasurer: Engineer C. A. Bolin.



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### THE SWEDISH HISTORICAL SOCIETY

The board of directors and other members of the Chicago branch of the Swedish Historical Society of America met in the home of Mr. and Mrs. Fritz Schoultz, 441 St. James Place, on October 27, to discuss ways and means of furthering the interests of the organization.

The historical library of the Society now comprises some fifteen hundred volumes and is at present housed, free of charge, in the Swedish Seminary in Evanston, since the Society has no place of its own for the collection. At the meeting it was suggested that Chicago is really the logical place for the projected Swedish-American Library and Cultural and Historical Museum. Several speakers discussed the subject and all agreed that Chicago would be the most suitable place for such an institution, since it is centrally located and is also the center of a large Swedish population. It was decided to continue preparatory plans for this project.



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The Society now has 198 members scattered all over the country, and more are wanted. Every locality where Swedish is being printed, and where Swedes have settled and made their historical and cultural contributions, should be represented in this organization.

Professor C. G. Wallenius is the Society's president, and Ernst W. Olson is secretary. After the meeting Mrs. Schoutz served an excellent Swedish buffet supper.



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Svenska Tribunen-Nyheter, Oct. 25, 1910.

SCANDINAVIAN DOCTORS MEET

The Scandinavian Medical Society of Chicago held its annual membership meeting at the Tavern last week. The guest of honor was Dr. A. C. Cotton, president of the Illinois State Medical Society.

Dr. Andreas Klovstad was elected president, and Dr. William Anderson, treasurer.



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[SWEDISH ENGINEERING SOCIETY]

The Swedish Engineering Society of Chicago held a meeting last week at King's restaurant, and elected officers for the coming year.

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Gustave A. M. Liljencrantz is the new president; the vice-president is Albin Rissler. The Society now has a membership of 110 and has been growing steadily, thanks to its popular and energetic secretary, G. A. Akerlind. Swedish engineers here appreciate the Society's function as a means of keeping them together and keeping track of each other in this great city. The Society also affords an opportunity for discussing professional problems with colleagues. We wish the engineers continued success in the coming year!



Svenska Amerikanaren, Dec. 23, 1909.

SWEDISH ENGINEERS' SOCIETY

This society held a meeting in King's Restaurant last Saturday evening to elect officers for the year 1910. The following were elected: president, Gustave A. M. Liljencrantz; vice-president, Albin Rissler; secretary, G. A. Akerlind; scoutmaster, Carl Westerlind. The Board of Managers are: for one year John Brunner and Henry Ericsson; for two years Henry Nyberg, Algot Berglof, and John S. Goldberg.

The society now has a membership of 110 and the number is steadily increasing. The financial status is very favorable. The society now has about \$800 in the treasury. With a distinguished president and a very efficient administration, the outlook for the society is especially bright. At the same meeting the society decided to become a member of the Swedish Historical Society.



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Svenska Tribunen-Nyheter, Jan. 19, 1909.

DISCUSS INSURANCE PRACTICES HERE AND ABROAD

The Swedish Engineering Society of Chicago held its monthly meeting at Kuntz-Remmler's last week, with Albin Rissler presiding. The subject under discussion for the evening was "The Liability Act of the United States." Insurance practices in England, France, Germany, and Sweden were compared with conditions prevailing in the United States, and it was convincingly brought out that the question of liability constitutes a problem here of major importance, which calls for a speedy and wise solution.

Henry Ericsson, the building contractor, cited cases from his own experience, showing how difficult, not to say impossible, it is to obtain just settlements in accident compensation cases, and he also pointed to the excessive rates which employers must pay to private underwriters for accident insurance.

Another difficulty is presented by the many attorneys who find this a profitable





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field, and often take the lion's share of their clients' compensation after the case has been successfully concluded.

The discussion was very interesting and instructive, and the meeting ended with a Swedish buffet supper, song, and music.





Svenska Amerikanaren, Dec. 17, 1908.

SWEDISH ENGINEERS SOCIETY

The Swedish Engineers Society held its monthly meeting at Kunz Remmler Co., 303 Wabash Avenue, Saturday, Dec. 5. Engineer Albin Rissler acted as president in the absence of Henry Nyberg, who went to Sweden for the Christmas holidays. Hon. G. Bernhard Anderson gave a very instructive talk on law as concerns our daily lives. Six members were taken in. Henry Ericson, the toastmaster, brought up before the Society a commercial question of such importance to Chicago that the entire evening was taken up with it, until it was decided to hold an extraordinary meeting at Kunz Remmler's, Dec. 19, when important questions relative to the Society's future will be further discussed. Mr. Albin Rissler, G. Bernhard Anderson, M. J. Eichhorn, Fred Seaberg, C. A. Bolin, Hjalmar Lundquist, F. W. Igberg, and G. A. Akerlind took part in the debate.

The meeting made possible for forty industrial men to meet friends whom they had not seen for many years; in fact they did not know until then where to find one another.

Svenska Amerikanaren, Nov. 12, 1908.

SWEDISH ENGINEERS' SOCIETY



The Swedish Engineers' society held a meeting Saturday evening at Kuny Remler Hall on Wabash Avenue, where a large number of engineers were invited to enjoy a dinner with the members of the society. This was a very congenial gathering where both the body and the soul's needs were satisfied. Henry Nyberg, president of the society acted as master of ceremonies, and opened the meeting with a short talk in which he pointed out the outstanding part taken by the Swedish engineers in America. Mr. E. W. Olson also spoke about the Engineers' society. Other speakers were: Professors Carlson, Sjoquist, and Lindquist; Engineer Okerlind; contractors Erickson and Peterson; and Engineers Nyberg and Calgren. The most interesting talks were made by Erickson and Okerlind. Mr. Erickson pointed out the part the Swedish people of Chicago have taken in

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the building industry, and assured us that twenty-five per cent of all the building now being done in Chicago was in the hands of the Swedes. Okerlind explained the work done by the Swedish engineers, he being the logical man to do this, as he was the driving force that made this meeting possible.

Several Swedish songs were sung, with Mr. Lindblad at the piano. The society adjourned at midnight. In one of his points, Okerlind advised the Swedish technical tradesmen to join the only genuine Swedish society of its kind in Chicago. He gave good reasons why the Swedish engineers and architects should bind themselves together.

We understand from the tone of the meeting that the society will not only accept Civil engineers as members, but also Swedish men in the industrial



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field with technical knowledge would be accepted as members also.  
Information regarding membership should be made to Engineer G. A.  
Okerlind, Secretary of the society, 1702 Railway Exchange Building.



Svenska Amerikanaren, Oct. 15, 1908.

SWEDISH ENGINEERS SOCIETY ORGANIZED

"Swedish Engineers Society" is the name given to a society organized last Saturday evening, the function of which will be to furnish an exchange of views between Swedish engineers of Chicago and other societies of engineers.

G. A. Akerlind, consulting engineer of the National Pump Car Company and the Roger Ballast Car Company was the first to issue the call for a meeting at Kunz Remmler's. The meeting was attended by twenty ex-members of the Swedish Engineers club who have abandoned this organization because its work is unsatisfactory.

After a discussion on important questions of organization, the following members were elected officers: Henry Nyberg, automobile manufacturer, chairman; Albin Rissler, engineer, vice-chairman; G. A. Akerlind, engineer, secretary; F. Seaberg, engineer, financial secretary and cashier. The members of the Executive Committee are Inspector C. A. Alzen; Henry Ericson, architect; A. G. Lund, Superintendent at the Illinois Steel Company; John Brunner; and Fred Norlin civil engineer. The meeting was followed by a dinner



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to which the press was invited and during which Mr. Nyberg acted as master of ceremonies. A toast was offered to the Swedish Engineers of America, especially those of Chicago.

Secretary Akerlind's address is 1702 Railway Exchange Bldg.

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Svenska Amerikanaren, June 23, 1908.

SWEDISH HISTORICAL SOCIETY

The management of the Swedish Historical Society met at the John Crerar Library June 18, and discussed several plans whereby they might interest more of their compatriots in their work and to expand it. Among these plans, a resolution was adopted that during the fall, Prof. Oscar Montelius, who will give a series of lectures in Philadelphia at the University of Pennsylvania, be invited to come to Chicago and give one or more lectures under the auspices of the society here. Prof. Oscar Montelius is not only one of Sweden's most educated men, but also one of the most popular public speakers. At one of his lectures a few months ago at Skofde, he spoke on the subject "Vastergotland in Moses' Time" and drew a mass of people. Secretary J. G. Sheldon announced that one of the admirers of the society, Rector Carl Sprineborn of Malmo, author of "Colonial New Sweden's History," has donated to the library of the society his





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own volume, which deals with writings from the library of Stockholm, and treats of the early colonial settlements. In these volumes, we even find photographs of the colonial period and writings relative to the purchase of Peminacka and Ahopameck Sackimonen from the Indian chiefs on July 8, 1654, and the valued charts with their markings which the Indians have copied somewhat.



It was also reported by Hon. A. G. S. Johnson, chairman of the library committee, that the library at Evanston would be enlarged.

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SWEDISH HISTORICAL SOCIETY OF AMERICA

The Swedish Historical Society has recently acquired a large addition to its library from the Engberg-Holmberg Publishing Company in Chicago. They gave samples of all publications of which the firm owned more than one volume, amounting to more than four hundred volumes. Among the donated books, we find that many belonged to other publishers which the above mentioned publishing company had purchased from such companies as the Swedish Lutheran Publication Society, Julin & Hedenberg, Julin & Rylander, A. Hult, Wistrand & Thulin, J. T. Relling Company, Enander & Boman, and Sangen Publishing



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Company. The oldest printed book in this collection goes back about fifty years. A complete set of the firm's catalogues, old and new, were included in the donation. The library of the Swedish Historical Society consists of about one thousand volumes, the largest part of which is printed in America by Swedish publishers. The Augustana Book concern, and the Methodist Book concern have also donated from their collections. Even from Sweden, valuable gifts have been received from the Academy of Stockholm, and P. A. Nerstedt & Sons. From the Government's Archives in Stockholm, a large shipment is on the way.

The library of Uppala University has promised to send what they can of their

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volumes where they have duplicates that might be of interest to us. The generous Swedish-Americans have also wonderfully supplied the library with books. Among them is a very valuable selection of Swedish-American newspapers donated by Consul G. N. Swan of Sioux City, Iowa, Prof. C. W. Foss, of Rock Island, and also from the Augustana College.

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### SWEDISH AMERICAN HISTORICAL SOCIETY

The Society held their third annual meeting March 25, at the Chicago Historical Societies Building, 142 Dearborn Avenue. Mr. Franklin H. Head welcomed the Swedish people. Pastor C. G. Wallenius of Donovan, Illinois was detained so E. W. Olson was elected chairman for the evening. Pastor J. E. Hillberg read a message sent in by Pastor Wallenius, his subject was: The Swedish American Literature and its meaning for the Swedish American world.

The secretary's report this year showed that during the year two of the society's desires have been realized. The first year book of the society has been printed. The library has moved to the Swedish Theological Seminary's new building in Evanston where a room has been obtained for its use. Several valuable gifts have been received during the past year. Actual memories from Stockholm Linne Publications and a large collection of Swedish American newspapers were given by Consul G. N. Swan of Sioux City, Iowa, another valued collection is on the way from Prof. C. W. Foss of Rock Island, Ill.

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The society plans to buy of Dr. O. N. Nelson in Minneapolis his library and this is nearer realization as Consul A. E. Johnson of New York has subscribed \$100.00 to a purchasing fund on the condition that at least nine other like donations be secured. The price asked for the library is \$2,000. Consul Johnson has also donated \$60.00 for the purchase of book shelves; other money collected for the library amounted to \$50.

The management decided during the year that English shall be the official language of the society due to the fact that Americans could be interested in the undertaking, particularly offsprings of the Swedish Americans and it might also be that other Historical Societies with which we now exchange literature, might take part in this undertaking. Articles presented in Swedish will be printed in the Year's book in that language.

The auditors of the treasurer reported \$38.83 in the society's general fund, \$48.00 in the library fund, and the lifetime membership fund \$50.

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Hon. E. H. Olson gave an interesting report of his visit to Madison, Wisconsin as delegate to the American Historical Association's annual meeting. Hon. E. Mannhardt, secretary of the German American Historical Society of Illinois read a very interesting report of their work so far, and of the historical movement in general in this country. We find that another society has existed since 1889 which is incorporated by the name of Swedish American Historical Society, so the management made a motion to change their name to Swedish Historical Society of America. Other changes were offered so as to make the work more effective.

The following members will manage the affair of the society for the coming three years: G. N. Swan, Sioux City, Iowa; D. Nyvall McPherson, Kansas; newly elected were J. Lundahl, A. J. Carlson and J. G. Sheldon all of Chicago; and for two years in the place of C. G. Llargergren who resigned, Pastor J. E. Hillberg of Evanston, who already had been appointed to fill the vacancy.

The society made a motion to get C.H.S. Sprincharn in Malmo, Sweden to secure records of the first colonists historically speaking. Mrs. George B. Keen of Philadelphia was requested to secure chapters about New Sweden in Justin Winsor's, "Narrative and Critical History of America."

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The management had suggested that the society take initiative regarding the holding of a conference with the teachers in the Swedish American schools, this led to a short but lively debate. The motion was laid over until next year's annual meeting. Council G. N. Nelson suggested that the society try and assemble literature from different states that might come under the society's interest even try and secure titles of such books, through the large libraries.

Consul C. A. Ekstrom of St. Louis had made the trip to Chicago especially for this meeting and told of his interest and desire to work with and for the society's welfare. Talks of the same nature were given by Hon. F. A. Larson and others. The society management will appoint the various committees and then adjourn.





Svenska Amerikanaren, Jan. 28, 1908.

**SWEDISH AMERICAN HISTORICAL SOCIETY**

The society has recently sent out its Year Book. It has sixty-four pages. It tells of the accomplishments for 1906, as well as what part the Swedish people have played in the national life in America since the Swedish landed in Delaware in 1600 up till the present time. The Year Book has a biography of John Merton, one of the Swedish American Revolutionists - one of the patriots who undertook self preservation at that time.

The Swedish American Historical Society has undertaken a splendid work; namely, the preservation of all information pertaining to Swedish American culture, and anything else that might be of historical interest in regard to the Swedish people's presence in the United States. The society's work is, therefore, worth encouragement. Those interested in the work may communicate with the secretary, A. G. S. Josephson, care of John Crerar Library, 87 Wabash Ave., Chicago, Illinois.

Svenska Nyheter, Sept. 5, 1905.

SWEDISH-AMERICAN HISTORICAL SOCIETY

The Swedish-American Historical Society was organized last week at a meeting held in John Crerar Library building. The following officers were elected: president, Dr. John A. Enander; vice-president, Dr. Gustaf Andreen, also president of Augustana College, Rock Island; secretary and editor, Mr. A. Schon; treasurer, A. G. S. Josephson, Chicago.



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Svenska Nyheter, Aug. 1, 1905.

SWEDISH-AMERICAN HISTORICAL SOCIETY

The Swedish-American Historical Society, planned during the last few months, was organized last Saturday at a meeting held in the building of Chicago Historical Society. Statutes were adopted and officers elected.

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TO OUR READERS

(Editorial)

The Svenska Tribunen-Nyheter has always done its best to offer its readers a **refreshing** variety of reading matter, such as the most significant and interesting news, and entertaining as well as educational feature articles. That is one of the reasons why the paper enjoys such widespread popularity, which in turn has a stimulating effect on its entire staff, encouraging us to do our utmost to maintain and strengthen the paper's position as the leading Swedish-American newspaper. In this effort we have the assistance of highly regarded occasional contributors, and among these associates are some of the finest Swedish and Swedish-American writers.

We wish to call attention to an article in this issue which is the first of a series especially intended for our women readers. These articles are published on the initiative of the Swedish Women's Citizens League, which

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includes in its program the dissemination of knowledge and understanding of social and humanitarian problems. And they are edited by the noted scholar Jenny Velander, who is known and admired even in this country since her visit here a few years ago. The articles are written by the most prominent Swedish publicists and deal with topics of high educational value. They will appear once or twice a month, and we hope that they will arouse interest among all members of our Swedish-American homes, and especially that they will be appreciated by our esteemed women readers.

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THE FUNCTION OF THE FOREIGN-LANGUAGE PRESS

(Editorial)

During the month of January of each year, a number of women's organizations in Evanston co-operate in offering a course, the purpose of which is to increase the general knowledge of foreign countries and thus to promote understanding and good will among nations. This annual course is called the School of Foreign Affairs, and has now been in existence for five years, during which time many important problems have been the subjects of lectures and discussions.

Among the topics taken up this year was the question, "Does the Press Contribute to a Better Understanding Among Nations?" and among those participating in the talks was a representative of the foreign-language press, namely, N. A. Grevstad, former editor of Skandinaven. He delivered a very interesting and enlightening discourse on "Newspapers Here and Abroad," in which he particularly stressed the important role which the American foreign-language press plays in the

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Americanization of immigrants. In the discussion which followed, many of his American listeners admitted freely that they had not previously been aware of this function of the foreign-language newspaper. We suspect that many Swedish-Americans are just as poorly informed about the importance of their own newspapers, and they would have benefited greatly by Mr. Grevstad's talk.

The speaker declared that the press is the best medium for the spreading of good will and understanding among nations, and stated flatly that the American press is superior to the European. It may not be as academic as the latter, but it is more practical. Our papers are better news disseminators, they treat the news more impartially and arrange it better, and they also have a more attractive appearance. Finally, they are more independent than their contemporaries in continental Europe, where the leading newspapers are under the control of the government and the political leaders, or of certain financial interests. Only in Scandinavia and a few other small countries is there a free and independent press.

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The average newspaper cannot spare much space for news from foreign countries. Preference is given to national news. But the American press carries more accurate and informative reports from Europe than the European papers publish on conditions in this country. Most of the American news with which the continental European newspapers serve their readers is misleading, and tends to create ill will toward this country, rather than friendly understanding.

Strange as it may seem, the most accurate conception of American conditions are found among the common people of Europe. For they do not get American news from the papers of their own country alone, but to a considerable extent from a special section of the American press itself. We have in this country some five hundred newspapers printed in about thirty different languages, which serve the thirteen million foreign-born people who live in this country, as well as many of their children. Many Americans have the idea that these newspapers serve only to keep alive foreign traditions, and that their influence is therefore in direct opposition to the Americanization process. The first part of this presumption would be correct if the word "only" were removed. They do

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help the newcomer maintain his connection with the old country by giving him news from the homeland. They provide nourishment for his soul, until it is able to take its food from the new environment. The process may well be compared with that which takes place when a gardener transplants a tree. Around its roots he retains some of the old soil in which the tree has been growing. This soil keeps it alive until it has taken root in the new soil, which also has become enriched by the components of the soil brought along with the tree.

The most important task of the foreign-language press is that of instructing its readers about America, in the language they understand best. These newspapers constitute the best medium for the Americanization process because they reach practically all those who need instruction, and because their instruction is practical and useful, and is both given and received automatically and continuously. This kind of Americanization started years before the term itself came into general use.

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The foreign-language newspapers reflect American life as it really is, and people in this country send them to relatives and friends in the Old World. Every week, hundreds of thousands of copies are mailed to Europe, some of them bound for the most remote corners of that continent, where they pass from hand to hand as long as there is anything left of them. The readers are the common people, the lower classes, and they develop a truer and more thorough understanding of America than do the upper, more educated classes, who read only their own prejudiced press. Furthermore, many of these foreign readers are prospective immigrants, and thanks to the American foreign-language press, their Americanization takes its beginning even before they set out on their voyage to the New World.

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AT THE TURN OF THE YEAR

(Editorial)

Time moves on without ever stopping for a rest; the years roll by quickly, and century is added to centuries. We are now about to enter a new year, and nobody knows what it has in store for us. But, as has been our custom, we wish to convey to our esteemed readers our hearty felicitations and best wishes, and to add to them our sincere thanks for the good will and co-operation which we have enjoyed during the past year, and the hope that this happy relationship will prevail in the future.

It has been said that the value of a newspaper is determined by its contents and general policies. Does it stand for what is right? Does it try to promote the common good? And does it try to bring about unity of purpose among its readers, helping them toward even higher achievements? Does it dare

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voice its honest convictions, and is its language, tone, and general contents such that it may safely be placed in the hands of any member of the family?

If a person is interested in sound progress and a better life for all, he should subscribe for, and recommend to his friends, such newspapers as are known to be based on these principles. For the more widespread the support these papers receive, the better are they able to fulfill their high purposes.

The Svenska Tribunen-Nyheter has always kept abreast of the times, and has tried to follow what it believes to be sound developmental lines, without permitting itself to be thrown off its course by demoralizing influences which always exist in one form or another. And we have a right to feel that our efforts have met with considerable success, for we receive daily proofs that our readers have confidence in us and that the Tribunen has become the leading Swedish newspaper in America. But a newspaper which realizes its responsibilities and duties is never content to rest on its laurels. Just as a

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sensible person always faces the facts, so will a newspaper of the kind which the Tribunen tries to be, interpret the problems and events of the times and present them to the public in their proper light and in an unbiased manner. The influence of a newspaper increases as it succeeds in conceiving realities and conveying them to its readers. To do this has been, is, and will always be the ambition of the Svenska Tribunen-Nyheter.

We have often pointed out that as a Swedish-American newspaper, the Tribunen's chief purpose is to serve as a connecting medium for people of the Swedish race scattered throughout America, and also as a link between the people in the old country and their fellow countrymen in the New World. Aside from this special task, the Tribunen subscribes to the same high ideals that any other wide-awake, progressive newspaper professes, regardless of the language in which it is printed. Our readers will always find in our columns the latest American and world news, and timely articles in which current problems and events are discussed. We dare say that nothing much of importance escapes our

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attention. We are of and for the common people, and labor and the under-privileged find in us a champion. Our position in this respect is clear, and, together with our political independence, has won for us a secure place in the hearts of our public.

It is not for a newspaper to sit in authoritative judgment upon men and events and to issue orders, but neither should it be content simply to reflect the ever-shifting opinions and happenings of the day. Its duty is to encourage high ideals, and to develop good taste and a sense of propriety in itself as well as in its public. Under no circumstances should it sacrifice its journalistic dignity. The Tribunen always tries to keep its contents on a high level, and it refrains from printing anything whose wholesome effect may be doubtful.

During the coming year, the Svenska Tribunen-Nyheter will remain faithful to its high traditions, and will further secure its position as America's foremost Swedish newspaper. In its columns, readers will find well-selected news from

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Sweden and from Swedish communities in this country, as well as American and world news, good serials and short stories, humor and satire. Our special departments will continue as usual, with improvements here and there as opportunity permits, and in every issue there will be special articles by the best Swedish pens in this country and abroad. We shall do our utmost to maintain the fruitful relationship between this paper and the culturally interested Swedish public, and shall spare no effort or expense to make the Tribunen as interesting and attractive as possible. Among the special features which we have planned for the immediate future is a series of articles under the heading "The Land of My Fathers," in which a young American describes his impressions and observations during a recent visit to Sweden.

The increased circulation of the Tribunen during the past year and the many tokens of good will and appreciation which we have received have been encouraging and have caused us much satisfaction. Our friends will be glad to know that we have seventy-five hundred subscribers in Sweden alone.



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Our continued progress has been, and always will be due to the mutual confidence and good will between the paper and its readers; and to all those who boost us in one way or another, we extend our hearty thanks. Hoping that this pleasant relationship will grow ever closer and stronger in the years to come, we wish one and all a Happy New Year!

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ANOTHER FORWARD STEP

(Editorial)

The Svenska Tribunen-Nyheter is enjoying a steadily widening circulation among Finnish Swedes both in the United States and Canada. We have now about two thousand subscribers among this group, which we are sure, is a much higher number than any other Swedish-American newspaper can claim.

These Swedish Finlanders constitute a unit which is making itself increasingly felt, especially through one of its organizations, the Runeberg Order, whose branches are found in every part of the country.

The Tribunen is fully aware of the importance of this group, and has just completed arrangements for being of special service to it. Beginning with this issue, we will present a Swedish Finlander's Department, comprising

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four columns, two of which will contain news from Finland, while the remaining two will be devoted to miscellaneous items that are of special interest to the group. The editor of this new department is a Swedish-Finish journalist who knows the problems of his national group and its cultural and literary aspirations. On page seven of this issue he outlines roughly the program which he is planning to follow in order to make his department render the best possible service to the cultural and literary interests of his countrymen in the United States and Canada.

The Tribunen hopes that this innovation will be well received and appreciated by those for whom it is especially intended. It does of course, mean considerable added expense, which we gladly incur, however, because we believe this new department will fill a real need, and we are confidently counting on the cooperation of the Swedish-Finish group.

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Finland, dating from the time when that country was under the Swedish crown. They have maintained their cultural ties with the mother country, and the Swedish language is widely used in Finland.]

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ENTERING A NEW YEAR

(Editorial)

The beginning of a new calendar year marks an important milestone in the history of a newspaper. Just as for the individual, so for the newspaper the occasion is one for serious reflection on the part of the editorial staff and, we may well say, on the part of our readers as well. It reminds us that Father Time moves along, not with great speed perhaps, but steadily, and without ever retracing his steps. And he pulls us along with him, whether we want to go or not.

It is of the utmost importance that, as time passes, we absorb and make our own some of the new impulses which each new year brings with it so that we do not stop growing, so that we do not become lost in the past. This applies even more to a newspaper, whose task it is to reflect truly contemporary ideas, ambitions, and spiritual as well as material activities, and to lead the way toward that which is right and good.

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The Svenska Tribunen-Nyheter has already passed the half-century mark, but is still vigorous as a youngster, and its zest for life has increased with every passing year. It has not remained stationary, nor has it become solidified in old, stereotyped forms; and just as its plant equipment and external appearance have kept step with modern trends, so also have its contents mirrored the social evolution and progress which are always going on, as well as the highest ideals of the day. To sum it up, the Svenska Tribunen-Nyheter has tried to be what a publication should be which wants to be a spokesman for sound public opinion.

The Svenska Tribunen-Nyheter was the first Swedish newspaper here to take up the modern ideas of social progress and reform, and to propound them vigorously. The driving force behind its efforts in this respect has been its sincere interest in the welfare of the people, and its intense dislike of everything that tends to usurp the fundamental, God-given rights of man. Our readers

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have not failed to recognize this basic policy and progressive spirit in our columns, and the many expressions of encouragement and good will which we receive almost daily testify to the fact that the Swedish public appreciates a liberal progressive newspaper which is not afraid of new ideas, which supports useful reforms, and which always looks out for the people's interests in the solution of the intricate social problems of our times.

The Swedes have always been praised for their sterling qualities as citizens, and the people of no nationality in this country have earned more respect than they have for loyalty, devotion to duty, honesty, and ability as workers. We are proud of this, and the Tribunen-Nyheter wants to be a Swedish standard bearer urging all its nationals carefully to preserve the culture and traditions they have inherited from their fathers and brought with them to their new home here, to transplant these customs and traditions to American soil, and to help them grow and bear rich fruit, to the honor of the old fatherland and for the material and spiritual benefit of the new fatherland. We desire to be

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valuable citizens of America, and to contribute to her progress.

The Svenska Tribunen-Nyheter will remain true to its best traditions, and will always try to maintain its position as the foremost Swedish-American newspaper, whose comments on political, social, and other questions are read with interest and approval in Swedish-American homes throughout the land. As before, we shall bring our readers the latest news from all parts of Sweden, news concerning our countrymen in America, general American and world news, good serials and short stories, and also special articles by the best Swedish writers both in this country and abroad. Our special departments will continue as usual.

During the past year, we received many tokens of appreciation from our readers, and we are happy to announce that our subscription list is growing steadily. Indications are that it will keep on growing. It may be a surprise to many to hear that some six thousand copies go to Sweden every week.

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This happy situation is chiefly due to the mutual good will and confidence between ourselves and our public, and we take this occasion to thank everybody whose co-operation has made our success and progress possible. Looking forward to a continued pleasant association, we wish all our readers and occasional contributors, our friends and supporters, near and far,

A Happy New Year!

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RECOGNITION IS DUE

(Editorial)

Swedish-Americans of the older generation remember well that forces were at work developing good citizenship among immigrants and reminding them of the privileges and duties conferred upon an American citizen long before present-day Americanization methods were initiated, and even before many of those who now lead the parade had seen the light of day. These forces consisted of the Swedish churches and societies and the Swedish press.

The role which the newspapers have played in Americanization work is as old as the papers themselves. If one looks up old issues of the Tribunen, he will find as far back as twenty-five to thirty years ago numerous articles urging readers to learn the English language and to take out citizenship papers. These articles also pointed out the advantages and responsibilities inherent

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in American citizenship. What the Swedish-American press has done and is still doing in this field is not sufficiently appreciated by those who are now acting as spokesmen for Americanism. They seem to labor under the delusion that the foreign-language press is an obstacle to those who try to get immigrants to learn English and become American citizens. But those who really understand the true situation know that this idea is entirely wrong, and that, on the contrary, the foreign-language is the most important factor in facilitating the Americanization process. It is, as it were, the bridge by means of which the immigrant crosses over into American society.

Occasionally, intelligent and unbiased individuals give the foreign-language press credit for the important work which it is doing. In the old "Swedish" city of Galesburg, Illinois, a home-coming celebration took place last week, and on that occasion the Republican-Register issued a jubilee edition in which considerable space was given to flattering comment on the Swedes. Among other things we read: "Through their churches and their newspapers they (the Swedes) have learned to appreciate their new country. One can hardly overestimate the

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importance of the role which the Swedish-American newspapers have played in implanting in Scandinavian immigrants the principles of American citizenship."

As already stated, Galesburg is an old Swedish town, and the Republican-Register knows what it is talking about. A better knowledge of our citizens of foreign birth is required before current misunderstandings can be corrected. These citizens have one desire which overshadows all others: namely, to compare favorably with their native-born brethren in every respect, including loyal citizenship.

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TAKEN BY DEATH

[Half-tone, one column-sixth of a page,  
picture of Yngve C. Kastman]

Yngve Christian Kastman, publisher of Svenska-Amerikanska Familjejournalen  
(The Swedish-American Family Journal), died on August 2 after a long illness.

He was born in Lund, Sweden, October 3, 1884. He came to Chicago in 1901, where he became the local agent for a Swedish publication published in Minneapolis. Later, he represented Aller's Familjejournal, and in 1910 he began to publish Svenska Familjejournalen. Besides this periodical, Kastman published during the last few years several neighborhood papers, such as the Lake View Herald, the Belmont Avenue Star, the Rogers Park Gazette, and others.

Before he became ill, Kastman was an active member of many societies, including

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the King Oscar Free Mason Lodge, the Unity Svithiod Lodge, Brage, and others.

Two years ago he married Anna Johnson, who survives, together with a baby daughter.

The funeral was attended by a large number of business friends and lodge brothers.

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THANKS FOR THE ENCOURAGEMENT!

(Editorial)

During recent months an unusually large number of our readers and friends have made us happy by writing us and expressing their good will and their confidence in the Tribunen-Nyheter. They have commented on the high quality of its contents, its liberal policies, and its never-ceasing efforts in behalf of the common welfare.

Some of their tributes have been printed in our letter column. Below is one of the most recent ones. The writer is a man of the people, an independent thinker with a clear head and a warm heart. He renews his subscription, and goes on to say:

"What I like best about the Svenska Tribunen-Nyheter is its excellent editorial page. Very seldom does one run across anything there which does not

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strike a responsive chord in the heart and brain of every reader who is spiritually awake and can think straight . This shows that the editorial staff is alert, that it understands the needs of the nation in these epoch-making times following the great world catastrophe.

"In regard to the labor question, which is coming more and more to the fore, the Tribunen-Nyheter recognizes its duty toward those who by the sweat of their brow keep the wheels of industry turning. This is more than can be said of many other and more powerful newspapers, such as those of the great metropolis in the East, which always belittle the workers, but fail to call attention to the misdeeds of the big corporations and to the menace of the moneyed powers. We have at present so-called leaders who really belong to the time of England's Henry VIII and Spain's Philip II; and it is an open question whether they would have been tolerated even in those days.

"In regard to the question of war and peace, the Svenska Tribunen-Nyheter

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sides with those who, in the event of war, have everything to lose from the slaughter which characterizes war, and not with those who apparently have everything to gain. This is in contrast to the position assumed by another Swedish publication in Chicago, which, only two years after the end of the World War, published an editorial on our relations with Mexico which bore the title, 'The Danger of Waiting Too Long'. This is not intended as a reflection upon anybody; it merely shows the difference in attitude among those whose task it should be to enlighten the public. No flattery is intended, but I wish to say that I like to call the Tribunen 'my paper'."

It is only natural that we should be pleased to get letters like this one, and we have received several such lately. These expressions of appreciation are very encouraging to the editorial staff, which always tries to present an unbiased opinion on controversial questions. We thank the writers most heartily for their expressions of approval.

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ANOTHER JUBILEE GREETING

Last week, the Svenska Tribunen-Nyheter received the following letter, which came too late to be included in the jubilee issue:

"On the occasion of the Svenska Tribunen-Nyheter's fiftieth anniversary I wish to express my sincere thanks for all that the paper has done for the dissemination and preservation of Swedish culture in America, for the maintenance and strengthening of friendly ties between Sweden and America, as well as for its fine work in the service of general enlightenment and public education. At the same time, I send to the paper my best wishes for the future. I am sure that it will remain true to its great traditions, and will continue its valuable cultural mission.

"Uppsala, December 3, 1921.

"(Signed) Ludvig Stavenow,  
"Rector Magnificus, University of Uppsala"

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OUR ANNIVERSARY

(Editorial)

The turn of the year marks the most significant event in the history of the Svenska Tribunen-Nyheter. For it can now look back on half a century of existence and of work. It is observing the fiftieth anniversary of its founding. Fifty years of unbroken activity is quite a long workday for a newspaper; it is an indication of honest effort and faithful work, able leadership and sound policies, and confidence and good will on the part of its readers. Such an occasion deserves to be celebrated.

For more than half a century, the Tribunen-Nyheter has been a champion of freedom and enlightenment, truth and justice, and faithfulness to ideals and duties in all spheres of human activity. During all these years, it has sought to advance the cause of its countrymen and to keep the Swedish spirit alive. It has served as a uniting link for the people of Swedish blood who are scattered all over this country. At the same time, it has

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endeavored to strengthen the ties of friendship between Swedes in America and Swedes at home, as well as to promote friendly relations between the old and the adopted country. Its efforts have been crowned with success, and its circulation and influence have increased steadily until it has become the leading Swedish-American weekly, a position it has occupied for many years now.

The half-century mark was reached three years ago, but it was necessary to postpone any official observance of the occasion because of the low ebb of business and to certain other conditions which were particularly trying for the entire foreign-language press at that time, not least of all for a weekly with a large circulation. However, fifty years of existence and vigorous activity of a Swedish-American newspaper is a rare and important occurrence, and since conditions are now more favorable the Svenska Tribunen-Nyheter is observing the belated anniversary by presenting to its Swedish-American public a jubilee issue.

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The contents of this issue are chiefly of a historical nature. Its purpose is to show how the Swedish element has taken an active part in developing and maintaining the American republic, and to point out some of the material and spiritual contributions which it has made to American national life. These contributions are real and deserve recognition. In proportion to their numbers, the Swedes have contributed more to the progress of this country than any other nationality.

Read the many special articles in the jubilee issue! They will give the reader an idea of the great cultural work done by Swedes here, and will help him realize that they have been an asset to the country ever since the year 1638 when they first began to cultivate the land along the banks of the Delaware River. We may well be proud that we are the standard-bearers of the Swedish spirit in a new land. As good citizens, we should do our part in spreading Swedish culture, for it constitutes a valuable component of Americanism in the true sense of that term. If we do so, not only shall we ourselves benefit, but future generations, too, will

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gather a rich harvest.

As the Svenska Tribunen-Nyheter observes this anniversary, we greet its many thousands of readers, and thank them for their never-failing confidence, friendship, and co-operation. We also wish to express our deep-felt thanks for the many friendly and highly valued felicitations which we have received from near and far. Filled with sincere gratitude to all our well-wishers, we, in turn, wish one and all a happy New Year.

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EDITOR JOHAN PERSON IS DEAD

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picture of editor Johan Person

Johan Person, editor of the Svenska Kuriren, died July 19 in the Bowmanville Hospital here, at the age of fifty-three. He had been in poor health for the past few years, and only his remarkable will power enabled him to go on with his work, the major part of which he was forced to do at his home. About three weeks ago, he became so seriously ill that he had to be taken to the hospital, where he died from a brain infection.

Johan Person was born in Asarum, Blekinge, Sweden, March 19, 1868. He went to school in Karlshamn, and later attended the Vaxjo Gymnasium for a couple of years. His desire to get into newspaper work caused him to break off his studies, and in the course of events he came to America in 1887. After having worked at a variety of jobs here, he finally became associated with the Swedish-

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American press in 1895 by contributing articles, poems, and translated novels to the Svenska Tribunen. Later, he joined the editorial staff of that paper. Since then he has been either editor or on the staff of the following newspapers: Skandinavia, Worcester, 1899-1901; Svenska Folkets Tidning (The Swedish People's Journal), Minneapolis, 1901-1903; Svenska Kuriren (The Swedish Messenger), Chicago, 1904-1909; Svenska Amerikanaren (The Swedish-American), Chicago, 1909-1910; Vestkusten (The West Coast), San Francisco, 1911-1912; Svenska Amerikanska Posten (The Swedish-American Post), Minneapolis, 1912-1913; Svenska Kuriren, 1914-1921.

Person contributed to many Swedish-American newspapers under the pen name Cornelius Corncob. His column, "The Evening Pipe," had to be discontinued during the war because he stepped on the toes of certain narrow-minded bureaucrats. After the war, he contributed to the Canadian Forum.

He also published two books printed in Swedish: In Swedish America (1900),

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and Swedish-American Studies (1912), in which Swedish-American life is depicted.

With the death of Johan Person the Swedish press in America has lost one of its ablest men. He was never strong physically, but in spite of that handicap he enriched Swedish-American newspaper literature as few others have done. Had he not been so busily occupied with routine work, his talents as a writer and storyteller would undoubtedly have found a wider scope than they did. His was what is termed a "sharp" pen, but the satire which flowed from it was mixed with a never-failing humor of a somewhat pessimistic tendency. In his writings he displayed an intimate knowledge and understanding of Swedish-American life in all its phases. In addition to his excellent prose he also wrote some very fine poetry, which revealed a sensitive mind appreciative of the beauties of life. He will be remembered as a physically weak but spiritually great man.

A reserved and sensitive man, he did not acquire a large circle of friends,

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but the few friends he did have admired and loved him. His wife, who was Betty Swenson, and a brother, Axel Person, of Chicago, survive him.

A large number of Swedish-American newspapermen attended the funeral services in the chapel at Rosehill Cemetery, and editors of six Swedish publications in Chicago were pallbearers.

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NOTE OUR CHANGE OF ADDRESS!

Svenska Tribunen-Nyheter has moved to its new quarters at 207 South Wabash Avenue, to which address all mail should be sent.

Telephones:

Editorial department--Harrison 1327

Business office--Harrison 1328.

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AN AUTHORITY SPEAKS UP

(Editorial)

The chief of the Bureau of Education of the Department of the Interior, Fred Clayton Butler, has issued a notice in the department's Bulletin No. 77, part of which reads as follows: "The foreign language press is a strong and valuable medium for spreading education and enlightenment among its readers. There are millions of persons in this country who cannot read English, but who can read their own language; it is senseless to deprive them of this source of information by not using the foreign language papers. By not using their papers, we also deprive ourselves of the only means by which we can communicate with them through the printed word.

A little thinking will make clear the far-reaching implications of a law banning all publications printed in a foreign language. It would prevent the importation of books and all other reading material not printed in English, and many of the world's masterpieces of literature would be made

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inaccessible to us. Our scientists and artists would become spiritual hill-billies through being unable to keep track of what is going on among their colleagues in other countries. It is unbelievable that such a thing could happen to America."

Well spoken, say we. Mr. Butler's words show good judgement and a clear-headed understanding of the question; and we wish all other Americans were able to take the same unprejudiced attitude. Misguided patriotism should not be permitted to destroy, or even to infringe upon the freedom of the press.

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### THE SWEDISH NEWSPAPERMEN'S LEAGUE

This organization gave its first public entertainment, a concert, last Saturday in the Swedish Club. The event was a complete success.

Before the beginning of the concert the young organization's president, Frithiof Malmquist, editor of Svenska Tribunen-Nyheter, addressed the large audience and outlined the history and purposes of this organization of Swedish newspapermen in Chicago. He also announced that its honorary member, C.S. Peterson, president of the Swedish Club, had made two generous donations to the organization, one of two hundred dollars, and another one, which might be termed a promissory donation, pledging himself to give one hundred dollars per month for the rest of his life, to an emergency fund which is now being established by the League. The fund is to be used for the alleviation of suffering among poor and needy Swedes in Chicago.



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Individual performers and choruses took part in the musical program, donating their services, and an enjoyable evening was had by all.



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THE FREEDOM OF THE PRESS

(Editorial)



As previously reported, Senator King of Utah has submitted a bill before the United States Senate, the avowed purpose of which is to further limit and encumber the distribution of that section of the American press which is printed in languages other than English. This result will be obtained in a roundabout way, by the purely technical provision which requires that a newspaper must be printed in English in order to be accepted as second class mail.

After personal opinions and sentiments have been put aside, there still remain two questions raised by this bill which should be answered before it becomes law, namely: Is such a law constitutional? And if it is, would it be wise to incorporate it into the statutes of the United States?

To be sure, the law would not, like its counterpart in Oregon, deliver a



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knockout blow to the foreign-language press. Rather, its elimination would be a slow and painful process. Newspapers not printed in English would not be admitted as second class mail, or in other words, the cost of distribution would become so high that such publications would not be able to survive. The rate for third class mail is two cents a pound within the first zone, and increases for each zone, the highest rate being eight cents a pound, and in addition, each item must be provided with the proper stamp. One can readily see what this would mean to a publication with, say, seventy thousand subscribers. Furthermore, all other mail takes precedence over that of the third class, and newspapers thus rated, might often be subjected to delayed delivery, which is another important setback.

The powers that be should not forget the fact that about twenty-five million people now living in the United States were born in a foreign country, and that many of these, even though they may be well able to read English, prefer to read a newspaper printed in their mother tongue. There is much valuable reading matter in those papers which cannot be found in the English-language

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press, and it also should be pointed out that foreign-language newspapers are read and enjoyed not only by foreign-born persons, but by their children and others who have acquired the ability to understand some language other than English. We venture to say that the foreign-language press in this country, on the whole, has it all over its American competitors as a conscientious and dependable source of information and enlightenment.

Now let us consider the constitutionality of the proposal. One of the most indispensable paragraphs in the Constitution contains the provision that the Congress shall not enact any law which encumbers the freedom of speech and the freedom of the press.

This is the rock upon which the existence of the American press is based, and neither this nor any other paragraph in the Constitution gives the Congress the authority to proclaim that our newspapers shall be printed in English, Latin, or any other language exclusively. To determine by law what people shall and shall not be permitted to read is a gross violation of what has hitherto been considered the undisputed right of every citizen. The bill does

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not even pretend to make a distinction between good and bad reading.

It seems improbable that our Congress, faced by the inviolable rights set down in the Constitution, will attempt to make such inroads on the privileges of citizens as are implied in this bill.

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THE WORLD OF FINANCE

Under this heading the Tribunen-Nyheter presents in this issue, for the first time, a department which we know will be of great interest to many of our readers and, we hope, will be consulted and appreciated just as much as our already well-established column of legal questions and answers.

Of late we have been receiving numerous inquiries in regard to money exchange rates and other financial matters which are now subjected to daily fluctuations; and it is for the purpose of giving information and, possibly, advice to such questioners that we have opened our columns to "The World of Finance."

We have succeeded in interesting a prominent Swedish banker here in this undertaking, and he will conduct the column, supplying needed information and answering questions.

In this manner the Tribunen-Nyheter wishes to supply expert aid and advice in

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these uncertain and difficult times. It is, of course, understood that we can only try to give as reliable information as possible, without undertaking any legal responsibility. Those who submit questions must sign their full names and addresses, and if a personal answer is desired the questions must be accomplished by postage.

Letters should be addressed to The World of Finance, Svenska Tribunen-Nyheter, 180 North Dearborn Street.

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SWEDISH SOCIETY OF JOURNALISTS

The first annual meeting of the Svenska Journalist Forbundet (Swedish Society of Journalists) was held on January 7, at 68 West Washington Street. All Chicago members with the exception of one, were present, and three new members were accepted. The directorate, which has served since the society was founded, was unanimously re-elected. This directorate is composed of Frithiof Malmquist, chairman; Nils R. Swenson, vice-chairman; S.H.S. Leonard, secretary; and Johan Person, treasurer. Erik G. Westman was re-elected Auditor for a period of three years.

The treasurer's report announced that the financial status was by no means unsatisfactory. The annual report of the directors for the most part ran as follows:



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"When the Swedish Society of Journalists was organized last fall with the aim of furthering the social and economic interests of its members, by all honorable means, of forming a bond of union among the members, and of speaking for them on all questions regarding commissions, etc., there was no lack of grounds for sceptical views in respect to its future. The same steps had been taken in the past.

"On various occasions and without exception the attempts to organize the Swedish-American Journalists had been in vain. An undertaking such as the present Swedish Society of Journalists had therefore come to be looked upon more as an impossibility than as a **possibility**.

"At its first annual meeting, five months after its founding, the Swedish Society of Journalists can show such progress that it should more than parallel the original expectations. Its membership is greater



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than had been expected at **its** founding. As the Swedish Society of Journalists of America, the official title taken at this meeting, enters a new stage of usefulness, its outlook for the future appears bright; from what has been accomplished, the greatness of the future task of the society may be most clearly seen. In the first place, the undivided attention and co-operation of the members, is the basis upon which the future of the society depends."

In regard to the publication of a Swedish-American annual for which a proposal was prepared by V. Berger, a New York editor, it was decided among other things that the first issue would appear toward the end of 1920, and that as much as possible, it was to be of purely Swedish-American content, and that as co-workers, Swedish-American writers and authors who are not directly associated with any newspaper and, conse-





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quently, are not members of the society, would be invited. As a committee for the preliminary work in connection with the publication of the book, Frithiof Malmquist, Nils J. Lindskoog, and S. H. S. Leonard were chosen.

Dr. Jakob Bonggren, who had been invited to lecture at this meeting, had chosen for his subject, "The Skanish School of Literature." The lecture was received with much applause.



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[BANQUET IN HONOR OF SWEDISH JOURNALIST]

On the anniversary of Mr. Axel J. Johnson's thirtieth year as editor and publisher of the Svenska Kuriren, several of his friends arranged a banquet in his honor at the Swedish Club, where over one hundred gentlemen were present. The festivities opened with a splendid Swedish supper, whereupon the master of ceremonies, Mr. Charles S. Peterson, in a short speech told of the purpose of the gathering, and extended a hearty greeting to the guest of honor.

The next speaker was Sweden's representative in Chicago, Consul General Sigurd T. Goes. In well-chosen words he thanked Mr. Johnson for his unselfish work in the interest of our countrymen and the preservation of Swedish traditions.

"Editor Johnson," he said, "has not only extolled the good and beautiful in our native land, but also pointed to the many advantages we enjoy in



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our adopted country. I know, that Sweden's Minister in Washington as well as my colleague in New York City, Consul General Clarholm, highly value Mr. Johnson's abilities as a newspaperman, and I take it upon myself to express both theirs and my own sincere congratulations upon Mr. Johnson's thirty years of fruitful cultural work in both Sweden's and America's interests."

After this speech the master of ceremonies read a long letter of greeting from Sweden's special commercial representative in Washington, Mr. A. R. Nordvall. The next speaker was the Swedish vice-consul in Chicago, J. Bernhard Anderson, who spoke of Mr. Johnson as a citizen in general and a newspaperman in particular. Carl R. Chindblom delivered a fine speech in honor of Mr. Johnson, whereupon a number of telegrams and letters of greetings from different parts of the country were read. Among the telegrams was one from Mr. Charles K. Johanson, New York, and one from another newspaperman, Mr. Swan J. Turnblad, publisher of the Swedish Tribune, in Minneapolis. Former Judge Alfred O. Erickson, delivered a well-received, humorous speech, wherein he wished Mr. Johnson would be granted another



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thirty years of effective newspaper work.

Mr. Johnson was then asked to speak. His speech was flavored with humorous episodes which were received with applause. He began by touching upon his early years as the owner of the Kuriren, his activities in politics, and conditions in general in the newspaper world and politics. He concluded his speech by expressing his heartfelt thanks to those present for the honor they had brought him, and for the friendship and co-operation they had showed him and his undertaking. With this, the festivities should have come to an end, but the master of ceremonies just happened to remember that one of Mr. Johnson's friends of long standing, Senator Fred Lundin, had not spoken. He accommodated the gathering by delivering the evening's most powerful speech, which was received with thundering applause. He concluded with an appeal to all who wish to show true friendship for Alex J. Johnson, to make every effort toward his nomination as County Commissioner on the Republican ticket, at the primaries, September 11. A small but very effective orchestra rendered the music during the banquet. The Chicago



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Quartet with Mr. Anthony aided in maintaining an animated feeling throughout the evening.

During the evening a poem written by Mr. O. A. Linder, editor-in-chief of Svenska-Americaneren, was read with much amusement. Mr. Frithiof Malmquist, editor of Svenska-Americaneren, also tuned his "lyre" in Mr. Johnson's honor. The verses, however, were not read, but given to Mr. Johnson in private, to be perused at his convenience.



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Skandinavien (Daily Edition), Aug. 12, 1918.

[SWEDISH-AMERICAN HONORED]

The Swedish-Americans celebrated the thirtieth anniversary of Mr. Alexander J. Johnson editor of the Svenska Kuriren. A large number of prominent Swedes attended the celebration which was held at the Swedish Club.

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Svenska Kuriren, Aug. 9, 1917.

A VETERAN PASSES.

Last Tuesday in his home, 719 Grace Street, Chicago, our old countryman, Gabriel Hjertquist passed to his reward. He came here in 1873, and was born in 1840. He was Sheriff of Konga, and was Kronobefallnings Man in Stranda. He attached himself to the Swedish Tribune, and with time became a factor in its life. In 1844, he, with P.A.Sundelius, and N.P.Nelson, bought the Swedish-American. He was in charge of the printing of this newspaper for twenty-five years, when he retired in dignified leisure, (Otium cum dignitate).

He was united in marriage with Sofia Beata Lundberg. Three children are living.

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Svenska Kuriren, July 5, 1917.

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### NEWSPAPER VETERANS

The line of Veteran Swedish-American Newspaper Men, is rapidly thinning out. The grim reaper has just garnered A. E. G. Wingard, who for many years was a part owner of Svenska Amerikaneren.

Wingard died last Monday in Augustana Hospital, due to gangrene after an operation.

Wingard was born September 26, 1841 in the province of Smaland, Sweden. He received his education in Jonkoping Public Schools. - In 1867 he emigrated to America, settling first in Princeton, Illinois, coming to Chicago in 1872. He was employed by Marshall Field & Co. for eight years, after which time he took employment with the Swedish-American. In 1884 he bought the shares owned by Gabriel Hjertquist, in the Swedish-American, and was since 1888 the owner of Amerikanaren. (The American) A. A. Lindstrand was a co-partner with Wingard.



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IN OUR HONORED CONTEMPORARY

(Editorial Comment)

Svenska Amerikaneren (The Swedish-American) last number, we read the following editorial comment, which must have been deemed of very special importance, because it was printed on the front page of the paper:

"The reason why poems, that are sent us, are not printed in the papers, is that occasionally, they are too long; most frequently, they are too thick."

The announcement seems to be somewhat incomplete. However, it is very snappy, indeed, and at the same time, unusually polite and cordial with reference to the readers. Should there not be a line added after thick? This, of course, does not refer to poems by the editor.

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Svenska Kuriren, Jan. 6, 1916.

THE IMMIGRANTS AND THEIR NEWSPAPERS



An interesting and thoughtful speech was given by the president of the American Association of Foreign Newspapers, Louis N. Hammerling, of New York, at a luncheon given by the Advertising Association of Chicago last Tuesday, at its hall, 123 W. Madison St. for the members of the before mentioned organization.

In his speech, Mr. Hammerling emphasized the significance of the part of the American press which consists of foreign language papers, and the contribution made by them to the development of the country, intellectually, as well as commercially. Just at present, the speaker pointed out, the immigrants are subjects of suspicion and even hatred from certain quarters and without any good reason their loyalty is doubted. In this connection the speaker noted that all foreign language papers in the country, without exception, are taking stand for America in their editorials. All of them are endeavoring to implant love of our country in their readers, thereby accomplishing a task which would easily cost the country \$300,000,000, if it were to be accomplished in schools.



Svenska Kuriren, Jan.6,1916.

From Chicago alone 1,686,000 copies of foreign language papers are distributed to the foreign speaking population of the country at large, and the influence of this foreign language press is increased by the fact that the papers are not bought separately, copy by copy to be glanced at and then thrown away, as is the case in regard to the great daily papers in the English language. The foreign language papers are subscribed for by the year, carefully read, and frequently preserved for future reference.

Besides, the speaker informed his audience, the foreign language press is of considerable importance as a business. During the year 1915 this press has employed 10,067 people with a total payroll of \$5,385,000. Paper was consumed for the amount of \$77,026.00. The income from advertisements was \$7,240,000, and the press represents an investment of \$37,000,000, as reported in 1914.

The foreign language press was represented at the banquet by seven hundred sixty men. The banquet hall was beautifully decorated, and great enthusiasm prevailed.

Svenska Tribunen-Nyheter, Dec. 28, 1915.

NEW YEAR THOUGHTS

(Editorial)

It is an age-old custom at the turn of the year, to thank one's friends and associates for pleasant relations in the past year and wish them happiness in the new one. It is a fine custom, expressing humane sentiment and good will among men.

The Svenska Tribunen-Nyheter is pleased to follow suit, and we are anxious to give voice to our gratitude and sincere thanks for the confidence and support which we have enjoyed during the year that is now drawing to a close.

The strength of a newspaper is measured by the confidence which its readers and the general public have in it, and the moral and material support which it receives from these sources. The Tribunen-Nyheter is fortunate in this respect, and that is why, in spite of the stiff competition, it is able to



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hold its lead among Swedish-American newspapers. Our success so far spurs us to new and increased efforts in the future, and when we today take the opportunity to express our hearty thanks to our thousands of friends and wellwishers, we want to add the hope that they will stick with us also in the new year.

The Tribunen-Nyheter will remain faithful to its established traditions as a newspaper for the Swedish-American general public. We will try to cultivate and preserve the Swedish spirit, report happenings impartially, and continue our policy of political independence. We will further lend our support to the temperance cause and to the struggle of the workers for better living conditions.

As a Swedish-American paper, with the accent on Swedish, the Tribunen-Nyheter will continue to pay special attention to activities among our nationals, both in and outside of Chicago. While we are on that subject, we wish to point to such features as our having a special correspondent at the



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San Francisco Fair, who in a series of articles, accompanied by fine illustrations, gave our readers a thorough description of the Swedish art and industrial exhibit at the Fair. This was the only Chicago paper that carried a detailed report on the exhibit.

The Tribunen-Nyheter will maintain its position as the foremost Swedish-American newspaper, and will continue to encourage and support cultural activities among our countrymen, as well as reform movements for the common weal. We shall do so without in the least detracting from efforts in the same direction made by other foreign groups or by the native American elements, and neither shall we forget the privileges we enjoy under the Stars and Stripes, and the duties that go with them.

We are not planning any radical changes in regard to reading material and its arrangement. As before, the Tribunen-Nyheter will present the latest news from all parts of the old country, as well as from America and the rest of the world. Plenty of space will be given to happenings among Swedish-



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Americans. As before, we will offer the best serials and short stories available, and all other features which our readers are accustomed to look for on our pages, will be kept on the same high level. There will be contributions from the finest pens in both Sweden and Swedish-America. In short, we will strive to make this newspaper so interesting and well liked that no Swedish-American home will want to be without it.

This, briefly, constitutes our policies and plans for the coming year, and, in closing, we thank our subscribers, friends and wellwishers for pleasant associations in the past and wish you all

A Happy and Prosperous New Year.



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Svenska Kuriren (The Swedish Courier Weekly) Jan.7,1915.

TO THE MANY NEW SUBSCRIBERS ( DIGEST ANNOUNCING POLICIES )

The accession of old and new subscribers has been so great that not only did it meet our expectation but exceeded our hopes. For the sake of the many new subscribers it seems that we ought to give, very briefly, a statement of our policies and attitudes.

Politically we support party rule in government because it makes possible genuine government by the people, creating the only effective control over those in power at the moment.

The Republican party has aided greatly in the development of our country and is highly deserving. Undoubtedly it will yet for many years be accorded leadership in politics. It is well, however, that we also have the democratic





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party at hand to control republican "bossism," although the role of the democratic party in general may be designated as an example of warning, showing how our country ought not be governed. The parties ought to be allowed to run their own internal affairs without interposition of law.

Religion we consider the private concern of each individual.

The temperance question and the question of women's equal rights with men are the two greatest social questions in our country, and on these questions we take a liberal stand. We believe in temperance but not in prohibition because we consider personal liberty as the corner stone in our union. We believe in equal rights for women and men as far as nature permits.

In regard to the war we are neutral, only desiring that peace may come soon and that the end of militarism may follow speedily.

Our paper is published exclusively for the Swedes in America, and only to



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them are our obligations. The Swedes in Sweden must cease their foolish prattle about the obligation of the Swedish Americans toward Sweden, about the mother country, ~~mother~~ churches, etc. When they do, then may a real condition of brotherly attitude develop between Swedish Americans and Swedes in Sweden to the mutual advantage of both parties.

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Skandinavien (Daily Edition), Sept. 25, 1914.

SWEDISH NEWSPAPER COMBINE

The Swedish paper Homeland (Homeland) has been purchased by F. A. Larson, editor and owner of Svenska Amerikanern (Swedish-American). The two papers will be combined. Oliver A. Lender will be the new editor in chief.

Homeland was first issued in Galesburg, Illinois, in 1855. The paper and the entire staff moved to Chicago in 1859. Charles S. Peterson, member of the School Board, was Homeland's last editor.

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Svenska Tribunen-Nyheter, Dec. 27, 1910.

ANNUAL STATEMENT

(Editorial)

Tribunen-Nyheter is trying to live up to high standards, and wants to be a guide for its readers and to march forward with them. An individual who does not move ahead will lag behind in humanity's never-ending parade, and the same fate overtakes a newspaper which, having reached a certain degree of success, lays down to rest on its laurels. Ultimate perfection is never attained, and in all phases of life there are always possibilities for improvement. A progressive, modern newspaper must always be on the alert, taking up new ideas and advocating correction of social ills. The chief ambition of Tribunen-Nyheter for the coming year is to be in close touch at all times with the public which it serves, and whose mouthpiece it wants to be. All our efforts will focus on that particular aim.

We are thankful for the confidence which the Swedish-American public has shown



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us in the past. It has been encouraging, and convinces us that the paper's contents and policies have the approval of intelligent and farsighted countrymen. The public expects and demands more of the press today than ever before, and we have been flattered as well as spurred towards still greater efforts by the sympathetic attitude of our readers, whose numbers are steadily increasing.

Such reputation, popularity, and good will as this newspaper now enjoys we attribute primarily to the fact that we always try to reflect the Swedish point of view. Tribunen-Nyheter was the first Swedish-American paper to call attention to outstanding Swedish-Americans long before they won recognition by the metropolitan dailies and the American press in general. Most of our colleagues throughout the country have now followed this example.

There was a time when no Swedish political candidate could obtain the support



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of the Swedish-American press, unless he was approved and nominated by the favored political party. The Tribunen-Nyheter broke this precedent by at least putting in a good word for all such candidates, and pointing out that, regardless of party affiliations, they were, on the whole, just as competent as their opponents of other nationalities. Since then a remarkable change has taken place in the attitude of our press, which has now attained a high degree of political independence. Not only politically, but in many other lines of endeavor, the Tribunen-Nyheter is active every week in promoting the interests of Swedish-Americans, and preserving our Swedish culture and venerable traditions, with due regard to proper adjustments made necessary by the transplantation to foreign soil. To that end we are continually improving our news service from Sweden as well as that from Swedish-America, and our serials and short stories, together with educational articles, are also chosen with an eye to this general purpose.

Impartial and just toward everybody, the Tribunen-Nyheter is the first Swedish-



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American newspaper of any considerable distribution and size to make itself the spokesman of the common people. Much more might be said while we are on the subject, but this will have to suffice. Our efforts have brought gratifying results, which cannot be regarded as accidental. We feel that we have the approval and backing of Swedish-America.

As the old year is drawing to an end we wanted to say this to our readers. We trust them, and know that they trust us and we are conscious of a deep feeling of mutual sympathy as we now wish you all:

Happy New Year!



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NESTOR OF SWEDISH-AMERICAN PRESS IS DEAD

A Long Working Day Has Come to An End  
[Half-tone, two columns-third of a page,  
full face picture of Johan A. Enander.]

The grand old man of the Swedish-American press, J. A. Enander of Chicago, passed away last Friday in his home, 3256 Oak Place, Lake View, after a long illness, at the age of 68.

Johan Alfred Enander was born May 22, 1842 in Skinmoen, Vastergotland, Sweden. He attended school for sometime, but, being poor, he had to go to work until 1865, at which time he continued his studies. Lack of money forced him to quit school again in 1869, when he took the advice of Pastor Vieselgren in Gothenburg and emigrated to America, hoping to obtain a scholarship at Augustana College, which was at that time located at Paxton, Illinois. He did





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IV offered the editorship of the Swedish-American weekly, Heimlandet,  
(The Homeland) in Chicago, and this was the beginning of his career  
as a newspaperman which only ended at his death.

During the great fire of 1871 Enander lost all he had, and the following year he established, together with G. A. Bohman, the firm Enander & Bohman, and purchased Heimlandet, which during the next few years reached the peak of its circulation and influence.

With Enander as editor, the firm also published the monthly, Nar Och Fjarran, (From Near and Far), from July, 1874 to March, 1877. It was a fine illustrated publication, which, however, had to be discontinued for lack of popular support. From 1879 the firm undertook the publishing of Ungdomsvannen, (Friend of Youth), which went into other hands two years later.



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In 1890 Enander sold his interest in Hemlandet, and accepted the chair of Swedish language and literature at Augustana College, which by that time had moved to Rockford, Illinois. He held this position until 1893, when he became chief editor of Svenska Journalen (The Swedish Journal) of Omaha, Nebraska. In 1896 he returned to Chicago, and again became editor of Hemlandet.

No other Swedish-American newspaperman has had such influence among his countrymen in America as had Enander. Among the reasons for this were his excellence as a lecturer and political speaker and also his popularity as a writer. He was very active during the political campaigns of 1888, 1892 and 1896. In recognition of his services to the Republican party, President Harrison appointed him United States Minister to Denmark in 1888, but due to poor health, Enander could not accept.

As an author he was particularly noted for his historical works, the most



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important of which was his Forenta Staternas Historia, (History of The United States), which was translated into Danish, and parts of it also into English. Among his other historical works was his

Nordmannen I Amerika Eller Amerikas Upptackt (The Norsemen in America, or The Discovery of America), which was published in 1892 in Rock Island. Many fine poems also came from his pen.

Enander was an honorary member of several societies, such as the Swedish Historical Society of Chicago and the Polish Alliance. Augustana College conferred upon him the degree of Doctor of Law, and King Oscar of Sweden honored him with a medal for "meritorious contributions to literature and art".

He is survived by three children.

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Svenska Tribunen-Nyheter, Jan. 11, 1910.

SWEDISH NEWSPAPERMAN HONORED

[Half-tone, two columns-third of a page,  
full face picture of Dr. Enander.]

Dr. John A. Enander, Nestor of Swedish-American newspapermen in Chicago, has been honored by the Swedish Academy of Stockholm with a scholarship of five hundred kroner [Translator's note: This is approximately \$133.] in recognition of his literary activities in the United States.

Dr. Enander, who was born in Västergötland, Sweden in 1842, came to America in 1869 and has worked for Swedish-American newspapers ever since.



Svenska Amerikanaren, Dec. 16, 1909.

SWEDISH AMERIKANAREN ADDS TO ITS EDITORIAL STAFF

Mr. Johan Parson, who has been on the Svenska Kuriren (Swedish Courier) staff for the past six years, will now be associated with the Svenska Amerikanaren. He is well-known as a writer of the life of Swedish-America. This addition to our staff will enable us to give our readers better editorials than before, particularly in a literary sense. The Swedish-American readers will be treated with short, original stories each week.

"Cornelius Corncob" who, already has thousands of friends in Swedish-America, will make his appearance in our paper next week, and as we announce this, we know you all will be glad to meet him.



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[SWEDISH JOURNAL FOR THE FAMILY]

(Adv.)



The Swedish literary family journal Fylgia, which is published in Chicago every Friday, is known for its interesting serial stories.

In addition, every issue contains articles on educational, cultural, and scientific subjects, as well as news items.

The price is one dollar per year, or five cents a copy at the newsstands.  
Fylgia, 73 Wells Street.

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ANNUAL STATEMENT

(Editorial)

It is an old custom in the newspaper world at the beginning of a new year to entertain readers with a survey of the publication's past accomplishments and program for the future, and we do not deny that on such occasions there is a temptation to exaggerate the former and become overambitious in regard to the latter.

As far as Svenska Tribunen-Nyheter is concerned, a review of the past year is encouraging and should assure continued improvement, progress, and victories, without undue bragging and lofty promises. During the past year we have further secured our prominent position among the country's many Swedish-American newspapers, due to the fact that we are fully aware of and do our best to live up to our great responsibilities as an impartial organ for our Swedish-American public. In spite of the poor times, our mailing list has increased, and we have won many new subscribers not only in America but also in the old fatherland, as



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well as in other foreign countries. New features and improvement of the old ones have been introduced; more timely illustrations and pictures than ever before have been printed, and in almost every department new ideas have been tried out. In this connection we particularly want to point to the series of colored illustrations accompanying the column under the title "From the World of Phantasy to Reality," which was initiated a few weeks ago.

Editorially as well as in our general reading material, we follow a truly liberal policy with due respect for the opinions of others and a desire to be humane and do justice to everybody, without permitting our outlook to be misdirected by reactionary or egotistical considerations. In this respect our past record may be taken as a true indication of future action.

There is not much to be added concerning our program for the year which has just begun. We shall, of course, always continue to improve our plant and product whenever and wherever possible, within such limits as our financial situation permits.



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Also this year the interests of our readers shall come first, editorially as well as in the choice of general articles and news items, and all sound and sincere efforts toward human betterment may count on our support.

We shall in the future, as we have done in the past, champion the cause of the real producers, the farmers, and industrial as well as other workers, and support them in their struggle against exploitation by the powerful corporations. The most important items on our program are: Freedom, Justice, and Tolerance. Reaction, in whatever form it may appear, we shall always oppose.

The past year has been a rather difficult one for all newspapers, and not least for the Swedish-American publications. Expenditures have increased in spite of generally falling commodity prices, and for this reason many American dailies and periodicals have been forced to raise their subscription rates, but we shall continue to give full value for one dollar per year. This low price was set in accordance with the low production costs which prevailed a few years ago. But at the present time the price of paper, wages in the printing trade, and almost

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everything else connected with the publishing of a newspaper are higher, and it is due to the increase in sales that we are able to maintain this low price. But we are barely making ends meet, and we hope our subscribers will cooperate with us by paying their bills promptly.

We have this year presented every subscriber with a calendar and an almanac, more attractive and with more interesting contents than ever before.

We want all our friends to know that we sincerely appreciate the encouraging support which they have given us in the past, and hope that they also will stand by us in the future.

Svenska Tribunen-Nyheter pledges itself to do everything within its power to justify their confidence.

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CONSOLIDATION

The Swedish American and the Swedish World have consolidated. On the front page of last issue we announced that today's paper would be eagerly read by all who received it. We recommend to our readers, men and women, that they now decide if we were right, and we ask our critics as well as our friends to pay attention to what we have to offer.

This is the way the Swedish American's is going to appear from now on. It is going to have twenty good pages of interesting, educational news of all kinds. The news, editorials and fiction will be the best we can find. News will be gathered, not only from the city here and the U.S.A; but from Sweden and other parts of the world. The most important news will be carried on the front page and when possible, pictures and illustrations will be presented. New sections are being added; other additions will be added as fast as possible.

The very important fact is that the Swedish American and the Swedish World have consolidated, starting with this issue. Subscribers of these two papers one with twelve pages and the other with eight will receive the two in one. The new twenty page paper

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will be printed in two parts of like size full of the best reading material that we can assemble. We feel certain that our friends will be satisfied with this change for the better which will not be the only one, because we shall always strive to give our people a first class newspaper in every respect.

In the consolidation a change has been made in the subscription price which benefits the public. Announcements of the change will be found on the first, fourth, fifth and eighteenth pages.

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FEATURE COLUMNS OF MERGED PAPERS

(Editorial--Summary)

It is unusual, indeed, for us to make an announcement of our plans in mid-summer, but, due to the consolidation of Chicago's two largest and best Swedish publications, we feel compelled to give you information for your guidance at this time.

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Our main object is to supply our Swedish colony and other Swedes with a real paper at a low price. In order that all may be benefited we have arranged to present many specialty columns, which we now mention. "Svenska Nyheter" (Swedish News) from our old country will take up about three pages. Only reliable articles will be printed. Foreign news will also have their several columns. "I Forgrunden" (In the Foreground) will give our readers authentic write-ups of Swedes who have gained real prominence here and elsewhere. There will be interesting columns for miners, farmers and industrial workers; a special



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"Questions and Answers" column for those interested in agriculture and one about Woman and the Home." The "Fria Ordoch Tankar" (Free Word and Thought) column will permit a discussion by readers of any subject of interest to them.

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Our attitude towards debates in the questions and answers column will be strictly impartial and nonpartisan, though we reserve the right in political questions to print our decision as to who we think is the proper man and whether or not a proposed law is beneficial or detrimental, especially in relation to our countrymen.

We sincerely hope that our efforts, as outlined above, will meet with the approval of our readers, wherever we may reach them.



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MERGER OF CHICAGO'S TWO LARGEST SWEDISH PAPERS

(Editorial)

The ideal striven for and looked forward to by the publishers of Swedish-American newspapers has now materialized. The publishers can put into the hands of Swedish-Americans an outstanding paper, edited by men who are liberal-minded, thoroughly patriotic, and unceasingly active in fighting for the right. Untiring effort is now rewarded, with the result that Chicago's two largest Swedish papers, Svenska Tribunen and Svenska Nyheter have merged and from today on will be published as Svenska Tribunen-Nyheter (Swedish Tribune-News).

To the 27,000 subscribers and 100,000 readers and friends of Svenska Nyheter we present a paper that for thirty-seven years has been outstanding as a reliable light for the guidance of the sons, daughters and grandchildren of Moder Svea (Mother Sweden) of America, especially in Chicago and other parts



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of the Middle West.

Svenska Tribunen was founded in Galva, Illinois, in 1869, under the name of Nya Verlden (The New World). Four years later it was bought by Andrew Chaiser of Chicago, and the liberal-minded C. F. Peterson became its editor. Nya Verlden's home in Chicago did not last long; following the world-famous Chicago Fire the infant publication was taken to Galesburg, Illinois. A year later, when the rebuilding of Chicago was making good progress, Chicago became its permanent home.

In 1877, the Swedish Publishing Company was organized, with Frank A. Anderson as president; Chaiser and Peterson also held stock in the new company. In the fall of 1877, Colonel H. Matson also became a stockholder. At this time the C. J. Stenquist Company bought a paper which had been organized three years before Nya Verlden, the Swedish-American. At this time Nya Verlden and the Swedish-American merged, taking the name of Svenska Tribunen.





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With C. F. Peterson as editor, the new paper was a liberal publication; when the talented journalist, C. G. Linderborg, became the editor the paper became very conservative. Leonard Gyllenhaal succeeded Linderborg, and during his editorial rule the Tribune remained conservative. The policy of the paper became less conservative and more pleasant, when, on May 10, 1905, C. F. Erickson became the proprietor and publisher. He has made every effort, through every department of the paper, to send a pleasant and fresh breeze over the Swedish colony, and in this he has been very gratifyingly successful.

Svenska Tribunen, which today merged with Svenska Nyheter, was a free, liberal, and progressive paper which stood firmly on its own feet.

Now, a few words to the 32,000 subscribers of Svenska Tribunen. The young, liberty-loving, progressive paper, for years known as Svenska Nyheter, was born in January, 1890, in Chicago, though it was originally christened Humoristen (The Humorist). Gus Broberg was its founder and has been a dominant influence on it ever since. America's best-known humorists were contributors to Humoristen;



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among them were such outstanding lords of wit as O. A. Linder, Ville Akerberg, Ernst Lindblom, Gustaf Wicklund, and the inimitable Gus Higgins.

In 1898, Mr. Broberg decided to change the content of the publication and make it more serious in tone. Instead of an entirely humorous paper there appeared a newspaper under the new name of Svenska Nyheter. The new paper was increasingly successful from its inception, on December 12, 1898, until today, when it merged with its only equal in Chicago, Svenska Tribunen, to become Svenska Tribunen-Nyheter.

Today the foregoing publications are presented in consolidated form to the subscribers of both. As proven by their progress and principles, both these papers have outgrown their childhood shoes. Each has had its ups and downs, and its victorious battles; each has fought its battles with eyes open and weapons in perfect working order. We have no doubt that the merger will be well-liked, and that it will prove to be to the advantage of our readers.



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From now on, our economic affairs will be managed by the veteran, Gus Broberg, while the chair of general manager will be occupied by another highly esteemed man, Mr. C. F. Erickson. The editorial responsibility will be assumed by Anders Tofft, C. G. Norman, Frithiof Malmquist, Nils Mannow, and Gosta Westman.

Svenska Tribunen-Nyheter, with its 200,000 readers, most of whom are prosperous citizens and liberal buyers, feels secure in stating that no other medium will reach more readily into homes where there is ability to buy and interest in advertisements than today's greatest Swedish publication.

We trust that we will be as welcome in Swedish homes as were both papers before the merger, and that our talents, thus combined, may multiply the benefits to our combined subscribers, numbering 55,000, and to our readers, conservatively estimated at a quarter of a million in the United States and Sweden.



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TRIBUNEN HAS AN INFLUENCE OVER ROOSEVELT

[Editorial (Squib)]

President Roosevelt has signed the widely published Free Alcohol Bill. Unquestionably, he was influenced by the various articles that appeared in our earlier issues, in which we favored the bill.



Svenska Tribunen, May 8, 1906.

MR. EMIL AMELIN RESIGNS

Mr. Emil Amelin, who during the last seven years has officiated as editor-in-chief of our colleague, Svenska Amerikaneren (The Swedish American), a well-known and highly esteemed Chicago publication, has resigned.

Mr. Amelin plans a permanent return to Sweden in the near future. The entire Swedish Colony is hoping he will change his mind, as we will greatly miss him.



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Svenska Tribunen, Feb. 20, 1906.

[OUR NEW EDITOR-IN-CHIEF]

The Swedish Tribune recently, and during the past years has been assured of having many friends throughout the middle West. To state or admit that this has encouraged us is hardly necessary. On the other hand, we are proud of this fact, and it is enabling us to turn out a good, interesting, and wide-awake paper that has grown steadily.

We are now fortunate in obtaining one of America's best wielders of an editorial pen, the genial, efficient author and editor, Carl G. Norman. Mr. Norman, for several years, has been the editor-in-chief of "Svea" (Sweden), published in Worcester, Mass. His co-workers speak very highly of his talent and genial character; their great loss being Tribunen's great gain. Our entire force will remain and serve under Mr. Norman, our new editor-in-chief.

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TO OUR READERS  
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(Editorial)

Sixteen years have elapsed since Svenska Nyheter under a different name entered the newspaper world. Heavy has been the struggle during these years, and the fights many, but the victory has been won. From an insignificant place in the ranks of Swedish-American newspapers, the Svenska Nyheter has won a position of prominence. As the paper enters its seventeenth year, it is the most widely read Swedish paper having between twenty and thirty thousand paying subscribers.

The warm acclaim and the vigorous support received by the paper, particularly during the past four years, has, of course, their causes, and the editor



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has reason to believe that the hold the paper has on the public is due to the fact that a far more liberal view has been adopted by the Svenska Nyheter than by most of its contemporaries.

At the present, a vigorous freedom-current is coursing about the knots of our beclouded society. It touches the cheek of the grimy blacksmith; kisses the tanned forehead of the farmer; awakens hope of better days in the hearts of slaving children and women, and shakes the sleepy son of wealth, who has never known the meaning of an honest day's work. It shouts its rousing call to the sons of labor in the mines and in the shady forests; it greets the youth at the noisy machines in the factory with hope of a new day for him; it sounds the bugle call of freedom to the heroes of the sea as they battle with tackle and cable; but merely a faint whisper of this current reaches us through the daily press which, bound by tradition, is selling itself





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to the forces which try to retard the onward moving army of liberty. Svenska Nyheter has chosen its place in the front ranks in the fight against the social and intellectual enemies of the people, the tactics of plundering of the all-devouring powers of capitalism and the light-fearing individuals who try, by threats of an eternal Hell, to frighten the free minds back into the realm of shadows. If in this fight our paper has not been vigorous enough, do not judge too harshly; it will grow in wisdom as in years, as time rolls on.

The program of Svenska Nyheter for 1906 will in outline be the same as for 1905. Honest in its fight; faithful to those who are oppressed; just when chastising the mighty; clean in thoughts and in words; clear and explicit in its presentation; quick to forgive; slow to judge; ever alert and ready to draw its sword for justice and truth.



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Svenska Nyheter has won general commendation for its rich Swedish department; its interesting serials; its well selected short stories; its excellent law department; its humor without raucity; its well-written articles on labor questions; its many and interesting news from all parts of the world; its special department for women and the home. The price is as before one dollar per year, and the size of the paper varies between twelve and sixteen pages, depending on the size of the advertisement section.

The Svenska Nyheter wishes a Happy New Year to its twenty to thirty thousand subscribers, to the many buyers of individual copies of the paper, and to the innumerable crowd of readers of copies which they did not buy.



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SWEDISH JOURNALIST CROSSES THE BAR

Hardly had the last faint sounds of taps for Editor Wicklund died away when the same sad, measured sounds, announcing another's passing, reached our ears: Anders Leonard Gyllenhaals, editor-in-chief of the Svenska Tribunen, has gone to his fathers.

His death occurred on Tuesday night. The work of the day...was over; the paper had gone to press, and the old, faithful servant, who, for more than thirty-one years had placed unsparingly his diligence and his energy at the service of the press, had left for home. Arriving at the Union Station, he slipped down into one of the seats to await the train that was to take him to his cozy home at Glen View. Then his weary head dropped forward, the paper in



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his hand slid to the floor, Editor Gyllenhaal was dead.

For a long time our friend, Gyllenhaal, had been ill, but he was not of those who afflicts others with his sufferings. If he were asked about his health, he would throw a warm smile, half laughter, and say, "Oh, I am quite all right, thank you."

Anger never got the upper hand on Editor Gyllenhaal. If his cheeks were flushed, it was not hard feelings that caused the color, but quiet joy which also kindled the warm sparkle in his eyes..... In vain, will one look for friendship of a nobler type than his, and he gave it freely..... He never had an enemy, and yet he did not restrain his arm when striking a blow for that which he considered right..... A man of quiet strength, he was never



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seeking popularity.

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When others attended banquets, gave toasts and wrote odes to themselves and other great men, Gyllenhaal would sit in his editorial cubbyhole writing editorials, translating news, and reading proofs.

Such he was, this man who so suddenly was taken away from those who were near and dear to him. He has left a vacancy in the Svenska Tribunen which will be difficult to fill.

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Anders Leonard Gyllenhaal was born in Sweden in 1842..... In 1866, he bade



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his homeland goodbye and came to America. Like the rest of us, he struggled and suffered hardships at first, but his blood was young, and his expectations were bright.

In the spring of 1874, he was given position on the editorial staff of Nya Svenska Amerikaneren, and from then onward, without interruption, he has belonged to the Swedish-American press. For sixteen years he was assistant editor of the Hemlandet. In the year 1891, he was offered the editorship of the Svenska Tribunen, which position he held till his death.

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A WRITER PASSES AWAY  
(4"x4" Photo of Gustaf Wicklund)

The faithful old newspaperman, Gustaf Wicklund, assistant editor of the Swedish-American Post of Minneapolis, has gone to his eternal rest.

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Last Tuesday a telegram from Minneapolis brought us the sad news that he suffered a stroke, and his death came the same day.

Gustaf Wicklund was born in Gefle, Sweden, December 8, 1852. Having passed through six grades in the elementary school in Gefle, he went to Stockholm

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and secured a position in a commercial office, where he remained until 1878..... Then the America fever took hold of him, and he came to Chicago. During his first year in America, he was working on a farm near Chicago, then became bookkeeper in a tailor shop until in 1882. Following this, he became connected with the Swedish-American press, securing a position with the Swedish-American in this city.

He remained in the service of that paper until 1884, when he was engaged as editor of the comic newspaper, Kurre. For three years he was editor of the Kurre, and remained with the paper also for some months after the Kurre had its name changed to Svenska Kuriren. In May 1888, Mr. Wicklund took a position with Svenska Folkets Tidning, Minneapolis, and in November 1891, Wicklund and the noted journalist, Ninian Waerner, became editors of the comic paper, Friskyttan (The Free-Gunner) in the city mentioned. In 1893,



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Mr. Wicklund returned to Chicago, where he became editor of Gus Broberg's comic newspaper, Humoristen. In this capacity, he remained until July 1898, when he was appointed to the editorial staff of the Svenska Tribunen. In 1900, he once more went to Minneapolis, this time as assistant editor of Svenska Americanska Posten. He was employed on this paper when death came.

Mr. Wicklund's life was full of changes; he tried many things, but under all changes he mastered the situation. He was newspaperman, poet, theatrical writer, cashier, amateur actor and singer. Within each field he has left noticeable traces. Five plays of lightening-quick contents do we have from his pen.....and all of them have been enjoyed both by Swedes and by the Swedish-American public..... His writing was ever easy and direct, whether prose or poetry.

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Now his day is ended; the old giant has gone to his rest. --Peace be with his dust.

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Svenska Nyheter, May 16, 1905.

SWEDISH TRIBUNE SOLD

Early last week the Swedish Tribune, together with the paper Fosterlandet (The Fatherland), was sold to Mr. Charles F. Erickson who had resigned as advertising manager of the Svenska Nyheter a few days ago. Mr. J. E. Norling, the former owner of both papers probably considered it desirable to sell because several important industrial undertakings in which he has large interests, claim all of his time.

Mr. Erickson, the new owner of the papers, is an energetic and progressive man, comparatively young, of liberal tendencies, and of unusual capacity for work. He has not been carried onward in the world on the arms of others, but has made his own forward course, and in so doing, has left many pleasing impressions of his activities in the commercial life.



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Mr. Erickson was born in Halleberg in Vestergotland, Sweden, May 6, 1866. (He bought the paper on his birthday, although this was not learned until later.) In the year 1887, he came to America and for a time stayed in Marinette, Wisconsin, after which he came to Chicago and took the position of advertisement agent for the daily Scandia. During the years 1891-92 he held a position in the circulation department of the Record-Herald, then left for Omaha, Nebraska, where he vigorously entered politics. The party which he acknowledged as his, without consulting him, and against his wishes nominated him for state comptroller. He was beaten at the election, but, as it is expressed in the beautiful Swedish-American language, he "runnade ahead of ticket'en" (ran ahead of the ticket). During the exposition in Stockholm in 1897, he was recommended to the United States Secretary of State as commissioner to the exposition, by the board of directors for the exposition to be held in Omaha the following year. He received the appointment,



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and at the exposition in Stockholm made observations which greatly benefited the directors of the Omaha exposition the following year. Mr. Erickson was also appointed to observe the Brussel's exposition later in the same year, but he declined the appointment with thanks.

In 1899 he came once more to Chicago and was given a position on the Swedish Tribune, the paper he bought a few days ago. When shortly afterwards, the paper was sold to Mr. J. E. Norling, Mr. Erickson sought a new field for his activity and accepted the position as advertising manager for the Svenska Nyheter. This position he held till a few days before buying the two papers mentioned above.

In 1895 Mr. Erickson married Miss Selma Dahlstrom, a daughter of a railroad employe in Omaha, Mr. A. G. Dahlstrom, well known throughout the Middle West.



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His married life has been happy from the start. There are two children, a boy seven, and a girl five. Mr. Erickson is a member and director of the Swedish Glee Club; member of Svithiod Singing Society; of the King Oscar Lodge of the Masonic Order, and of some American clubs.

Svenska Nyheter wishes Mr. Erikson luck and good progress in his course as a newspaper publisher, a course frequently troubled and difficult.



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Svenska Nyheter, May 2, 1905.

FAREWELL SOCIAL

On behalf of the workers of the Svenska Nyheter, the president of the paper arranged a farewell social at the Swedish Glee Club for Mr. C. F. Erickson, the esteemed and highly valued manager of the advertisement department, who has resigned from his position on the paper to be succeeded by Mr. Gunnar Boberg. We wish to extend our best wishes to Mr. Erickson in any line of endeavor to which he may turn. A gentleman such as he, is deserving of all good that may come his way.



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SKANDINAVEN NOW EVENING PAPER

Skandinaven, the Norwegian daily, of Chicago, is appearing in the evening now instead of in the morning. The change took place on Thursday, January 19. In the opinion of the publishers, both they and the public will benefit from the change.





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FIFTY-YEAR JUBILEE

Our honored contemporary Gamla och Nya Hemlandet (The Old and The New Homeland) had cause to review its long and honored past the other day. On January 3, fifty years ago, the paper was founded under the name Hemlandet, Det gamla och Det nya (The Homeland, The Old and The New), at Galesburg, Illinois, and from that city the paper was transferred to Chicago in 1859. In honor of the fifty-year jubilee, the Hemlandet for January 3 appeared in jubilee edition, twenty-eight pages, very elegant, and also very rich in its contents. An exhaustive historical account of the development of the paper through stormy times and fair, going back to the very time of its foundation, is one of the very interesting features of the jubilee edition, which is accompanied by biographies with photos of all those who during the years have contributed, in the various departments, to make the Hemlandet

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what it is today, one of the most prominent Swedish-American newspapers. It may be said, however, that from the time when the Hemlandet was taken over by our outstanding compatriot A. E. Johnson, the paper has made the most pronounced advancement. Svenska Nyheter begs to send its best wishes for further progress, on the occasion of the jubilee.

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The time is here for newspapers to announce their program, and the Svenska Nyheter is following the tradition established by its colleagues in Journalism.

The people demand it - demand that once a year the newspaper speak of itself, as throughout the year it is speaking for itself.

Irrespective of consequences, the Svenska Nyheter will, in the present year as in the past, remain independent and impartial in every field and in regard to everybody. When we make our hardest fight in favor of the sons of toil, those who carry the heavy load underneath a broiling sun, the reason is that we are strongly convinced of the justice in the demand for life's comforts, made by the producing masses, and we endorse the old saying, "He who will not work should not eat."



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If we be blamed for not joining, with youthful ardor, in the battle between the political parties, our defense is that the party interests are being pulled down into the mire by vote-sellers, and the ideals are being overcast with mud by the leaders. For these reasons, we consider it degrading for a representative of the press, who still maintains the ideals of the press, to join the fight in those lairs.

If, in the work for enlightening the people, we do not join hands with the religious leaders, the reason is, that, in our opinion, these leaders deviate from the road which leads to light and life.

Svenska Nyheter will remain as many sided as possible. In addition to the latest news from Sweden, and reliable domestic and foreign reports compiled from interesting information from near and afar, we will present such special departments; as, "Questions of Law"; "Woman and the Home"; "Among the Sons of Toil"; "Portrait Gallery of Swedish-American Singers and Musicians"; etc. We value scientific and literary endeavors, and



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gladly make space for such activities. Our literary serials are more richly supplied than in any other Swedish-American newspaper. Our editorials are kept in strictly individual style, and are written to and for the people, invariably treating the most stirring questions of the day. We believe the people capable of doing their own thinking; we desire them to think straight and along broad lines, and to act in accordance with such thinking. Ever shall we fight those who would be the mental and political guardians of the people, in other words, those who would become the oppressors of the public.

Svenska Nyheter is opposed to lotteries of any type, including the various guessing contests which create, among the subscribers, hopes which from the very inception are doomed to fail. We want new subscribers; but rather than gain them by dishonorable means we would cease as a newspaper.....

Svenska Nyheter costs only one dollar per year. We do not make any excessive promises for the future; we do not offer any "valuable premiums." We know our worth, and we invite the Swedish-American people to take advantage of our offerings.



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Chicago Chronicle, Jan. 1, 1905.

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SWEDISH EDITORS TO CELEBRATE

The Chicago Hemlandet is the first Swedish-American newspaper to obtain the age of half a century, having been published continuously since January 3, 1854 and next Tuesday its golden anniversary will be commemorated by the issue of an illustrated jubilee edition in colors and containing a review of the past fifty years of important events in its own and the Swedish-American people's history. Previous to 1854 the number of Swedish immigrants then in this country was limited. The Bishop Hill colony and at Andover, Moline and Galesburg, with a few colonies in Iowa and other western states, probably did not number more than 5,000 people.

The Augustana Lutheran Synod was organized and the Hemlandet became the official organ of the Synod and continued as such until 1872, since which time it has been owned by private parties. Its editors during this half century of the Swedish-Americans as Rev. Dr. E. Norelius, Dr. Erland Carlson, Jonas Engberg, Dr. E. R. Cervin, P. A. Sundelius and the present editor, the venerable Dr. J. A. Enander.

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From January 3, 1854, until 1859 the Hemlandet was published in Galesburg, Ill., when it moved to Chicago. Its principle owner and president of the Hemlandet company since 1896 is the noted Swedish-American, A. E. Johnson, Knight of the Royal Swedish Order of the Wasa, who can also celebrate his golden anniversary, as it was in 1854, he arrived in Chicago from Sweden.

The principle members of the staff of the Hemlandet today are Dr. J. A. Enander, vice-president and editor in Chief; A. Schon, secretary and assistant-editor; Aaron Edstroom, exchange editor; Carl T. Strandberg, treasurer and general manager; Gunnar Boberg, assistant business and advertising manager.

Svenska Nyheter, Dec. 27, 1904.

[OUR POLICY FOR THE NEW YEAR]

(Editorial)

This time of the year is inventory time, and Svenska Nyheter will follow the old custom and take stock of itself as a new year is about to begin. We have an idea that the public desires a newspaper to make a statement concerning itself at least once a year, and just as frankly as it writes about others the rest of the year.

Regardless of consequences, Svenska Nyheter will in the coming year, as in the past, be independent and impartial in every respect. If we go to the front for the sons and daughters of labor, who carry the heavy burdens, toiling in the heat of summer and the cold of winter, we do so because we are convinced that their demands for a better life are justified. They are the producers of the world's goods, and where would society be without them? Our motto might well be: "He who will not work shall not eat."

If we are rebuked for not throwing ourselves into the middle of the political





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battles, our answer is that there is too much squabbling as it is; the real issues are lost sight of as they are dragged through the dirt, and ideals are being exploited by political leaders, who only want more power for themselves. We consider it degrading to work in their behalf.

If we are not always to be found by the side of our religious leaders in their work for the betterment of humanity it is because, in our judgment, they do not walk the road which leads to light and life.

Svenska Nyheter will offer as great a variety of features as possible. We will present American as well as Swedish and other foreign news, and also articles from near and far. Among our weekly features will be "Answers to Legal Questions," "Women and the Home," "Among the Sons of Labor," and "Swedish-American Singers and Musicians."

We enjoy presenting articles of a scientific and literary nature, and will do so as often as possible.



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We have had in the past and will continue to have in the future, more and better serial stories than any other Swedish-American newspaper.

Our editorials will continue to express our sincere opinion on important questions of the day and of our times. We will encourage our readers to do their own thinking and act according to their thoughts.

We shall continue to oppose self-styled spiritual and political guardians and bosses; they are dictators at heart.

Svenska Nyheter is opposed to conducting lotteries or prize contests of any kind, for they cause much disappointment. We do want more subscribers, but we will rather close up than get them by such means.

Our subscription price is one dollar per annum. We do not make promises that we cannot keep, and we do not give away prizes. But we know our worth, and we are telling the plain truth when we declare that our subscribers are getting a bargain.



Svenska Nyheter, Oct. 4, 1904.

TO OUR READERS

The summer has come to an end, and Svenska Nyheter will now make good its promise of last June to restore its size to sixteen pages.

With the advent of October, we also get the cooling, stimulating air which arouses in us a desire to store away a supply of knowledge to draw from in the years to come. To help our readers satisfy this desire, we are now adding four pages of reading matter.

The leading Swedish-American jurist, G. Bernhard Anderson, has consented to conduct a column in which he will answer legal questions submitted by readers. This will be a very interesting and instructive feature, which we would like to recommend to everybody.

We have engaged the Stockholm writer, Ernst Lindblom, who every week will entertain us with sketches from the Swedish capital.



Svenska Nyheter, Oct. 4, 1904.

In this issue we begin a series of biographies of outstanding Swedish-American singers and musicians; they are written by Carl G. Fredin, a member of our editorial staff and himself a singer and musician of no mean ability.

Beginning today, we shall also publish a number of articles under the heading, "Echoes from the Struggle in Colorado". Our readers are not unacquainted with the labor situation in that State, and we feel that it merits a more thorough treatment.

Do not miss our new, exciting serial story, "The Adventurer".

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Svenska Nyheter, June 7, 1904.

TO OUR SUBSCRIBERS

During the summer months your paper will be issued in a somewhat reduced form, the number of pages being cut from sixteen to twelve.

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None of the more important features will be missing, and when the summer, with all its outside recreation is over, and the wintry winds start blowing around the corners, we will appear in our regular dress again, as big as ever, with sixteen pages.



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A SWEDISH-AMERICAN PRESS ASSOCIATION

(Editorial)

Last October, the Svithiod, a Swedish-American paper in Des Moines, Iowa, published an appeal for a Swedish-American press association. The paper has since been discontinued, and it seems as though the appeal it issued will die a similar death. It appears that the call from the Svithiod was merely a "voice in the wilderness". A feeble echo of the appeal has resounded from afar and near, but it has been dissipated in the regions of political storms or in the clouds of narrow-mindedness.

We Swedish-American newspapermen sit in our little editorial cubbyholes, writing "leaders" for our people; we reprove our fellow Swedes for not sticking together, as, for example, our brothers, the Norwegians, do; we warn against the Swedish trait of jealousy; we sigh at the thought that



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the Swedes are elbowed into the shadows because of their lack of achievement; we weep because the sense of nationality is feeble, while we still believe that the Swedish language and Swedish customs can be maintained in a strange country, by means of associations devoted to political, religious, and social purposes. But in the midst of all this, we forget ourselves, forget to be logical, forget to practice what we preach.

If it be true that "in union there is strength", that "united we stand, divided we fall", then the instinct of self-preservation should make us unite into a press association strong enough to embrace every city or town this side of the Atlantic, where a Swedish paper is being published.

Is it necessary to point out to our wide-awake Swedish-American journalists the advantages of the organization and the maintenance of such an association? We do not believe that it is. The advantages are clearly discernible and will



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become more and more manifest when and if a Swedish-American press association is formed.

Newspapermen of broad vision and warm hearts have lived and died in their cubbyholes without their like-minded colleagues of the press ever having had the chance to know them personally. Their great thoughts and noble motives have become known to us through the columns of their papers, but the hand we would fain have pressed has remained at a distance, and we have had no chance to look into the eyes that would flash with anger when truth was trampled underfoot. Carl Fredrik Peterson,.... our foremost historian and philosopher, is now dead. How many of our journalists knew him? Otto Craelius fell from our ranks, yet hardly one in twenty of his colleagues of the press had ever met him.....A Swedish-American press association might aid in bringing together in person, the newspaper men who are now independently fighting for common ends.





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But who will be the Moses that will be able to lead the Israelites through the wilderness? It may be thought that the man for the task should be some Chicago editor. We doubt it. One man does not dare; another might, but inasmuch as he is not a doctor of philosophy or a professor,....since he does not even belong to the "old guard", his voice would not be listened to, should he take steps to bring the Swedish-American newspapermen together.

Some years ago, there existed in Chicago a Swedish-American press association; but it succumbed, and only the memory of it remains. It does not seem desirable to revive this association, because the majority of its members consisted of people that did not understand journalism at all. In addition, the publishers, who also belonged to the association, were unable to agree. It would be necessary, therefore, to organize a new press association, a society to which no person could belong who is not of the profession--a rule which would also exclude the publishers from membership in the association, though they might be given the status of honorary members.....

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Svenska Nyheter, Mar. 15, 1904.

NEW SWEDISH PAPER



Last week, we had the pleasure of receiving the first number of a new Swedish weekly published in Chicago, Svenska Varlden (The Swedish World).

The president and business manager of the paper is Editor F. A. Lindstrand, the publisher of Svenska Amerikaneren (The Swedish-American). The new paper is of eight pages, each seven columns.

We welcome our new contemporary, and wish it good luck.

Svenska Nyheter, Dec. 29, 1903.

OUR PROGRAM

(Editorial)

During these last days of the year practically every newspaper contains announcements from the editors as to the policy to be pursued during the coming 366 days, both in regard to humanity in general and the subscribers to the paper in particular. We, too, have caught the program-announcing fever; we feel the urge to make a brief statement to the many thousand Swedes with whom we are in touch, week after week, through the Svenska Nyheter.

Svenska Nyheter is about to enter its fifteenth year of existence. Strong and progressive, it is able to review its activity during the past years and say without exaggeration: "I have done my work to the best of my ability; I have fought a straight, clean fight for the right as I saw it." What more can the Swedish-Americans in Chicago and its environs expect of a newspaper?



Svenska Nyheter, Dec. 29, 1903.

Other newspapers may rest upon the laurels they have won; Svenska Nyheter cannot and will not rest upon its past achievements. Our age, our people, and our present society demand more of the newspapers of today than was ever demanded in the past. Let those who are unable to keep step with the army of progress stay behind and rest on their past achievements; let those from whom youth has fled dream of the customs of days that are gone; let those tired ones go to sleep, their faces toward the past, or let them form the rearguard of the sorry army of reaction. Svenska Nyheter speaks to the young warmhearted people whose minds are afire with visions of the future. To them, Svenska Nyheter speaks of the accomplishments that may be achieved in the field of great ideas, through unity and co-operation.

Svenska Nyheter is the organ of the labor class, of the people who produce, and it will continue to defend the interests of this class. Without fear of consequences, the paper will speak against everything which demoralizes our people or leads them astray; and without fail, a lie will be called a lie in this paper, and truth will be called truth.

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Svenska Nyheter, Dec. 22, 1903.

THE EDITORS TO THE READERS

(Editorial)



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Svenska Nyheter will, in the year to come, continue the same policy it has been following in the past... We shall thoroughly adhere to our convictions, and to the best of our ability shall try to convince others of their truth. Week after week, we shall discuss questions concerning labor, for these problems constitute the very heart of our commercial, economic, and industrial life. Problems in religion, in philosophy, and in science will not be withheld from those who are readers of Svenska Nyheter.

The news section, at present richer in contents and more extensive than that of most Swedish-American papers, will be made even more interesting. The serial stories and short stories so greatly enjoyed by our female readers will blossom anew during the coming year. All our subscribers can testify that we have kept our promises of the past.

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To those who have not yet had the opportunity of getting acquainted with Svenska Nyheter and its program we beg to say that Svenska Nyheter is the biggest Swedish paper in Chicago (sixteen pages); it is the most inexpensive Swedish paper in Chicago (one dollar per year); it is the most liberal and unafraid paper in Chicago.

Blind faith, inherited prejudices, military snobbishness, decayed systems of representation have no friend in Svenska Nyheter.

Such is our message to our readers today. And now let us, each in his own way, celebrate that event [Christmas] which symbolizes the return of light to the earth and to men.

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Svenska Nyheter, Sept. 29, 1903.

TO OUR SUBSCRIBERS

(Editorial)

Starting with our next number, Svenska Nyheter will appear as a sixteen-page paper while the subscription price will be the same as before, one dollar per year.

For this increase in size, our subscribers and the buyers of individual copies of the paper deserve full credit; it is their warm and cordial support which has made it possible for us to be now publishing Chicago's largest and most inexpensive Swedish newspaper.

When fourteen years ago, in the year 1890, the publisher of this paper began publication of Humoristen (The Humorist), a paper which steadily grew in size and scope, he did not expect that in this year of grace 1903





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the paper, under the name of Svenska Nyheter, would prove to be the largest Swedish paper in Chicago.

It is not for us to praise the paper, whether for its typographic excellence or for the richness of its contents; this we leave to the many thousands of readers of the paper. Our daily and weekly readers have written us that the Svenska Nyheter is filling its place in the Swedish-American press in a manner which hardly leaves anything to be desired. That these expressions of satisfaction with the paper are sincerely meant is proven by the interest the subscribers have shown in getting others to subscribe. A large number of new subscriptions are received by us every day, and we feel certain that when we now enlarge and, if possible, improve the paper, the sacrifices required of us will be rewarded by a renewed activity on the part of our subscribers in speaking well of our paper to their friends and acquaintances.

Our program remains the same as before: clean thoughts, clean language,



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determined opposition to all types of hypocrisy and insincerity whether in the field of religion, social relations, or politics.

The Editors.

Svenska Nyheter, Aug. 25, 1903.

SWEDISH NEWSPAPER COMES TO CHICAGO

Manskligheten is the name of a small reform paper which reached us this week for the first time, although the paper is twelve years old. The paper advocates the single-tax idea, and its editor and publisher is Reverend August Dellgren.

The present number is the first issue of the Manskligheten which has been published in Chicago. About one month ago, Rev. Dellgren came to Chicago with his ideas and his publication. The paper consists of four pages, with four columns on a page. It is published once a month, and the price is fifty cents per year.

According to the printed program, "it is an organ to promote liberal and practical Christianity among the Swedes in America." The paper is worth reading and may be had from Reverend Dellgren at the address 140 Locust Street, Chicago.



Svenska Tribunen, June 5, 1901.

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WHEN EDITING WITH A CLUB

p.6.....A remarkable type of newspaper ethics is that which is favored by our contemporary publication, Svenska Kuriren (The Swedish Courier). As we have often before pointed out - our painful duty - the program of that newspaper included the emptying of the scoop of abuse over all and everyone, and there would be something out of order in the editorial department if an opportunity for abuse were to slip by unused. Up to the present time one has for the most part been able to perceive a certain method in this madness. The contemporary has always sought to have some pretense, more or less, for its assaults; but this became in all probability too troublesome in the end, if one may judge by the newspapers latest attempt to inveigh in words of abuse, unconstrained by any consequence. We pointed to this in the number for May 28, where better remarks are made in regard to Svithiod Singing Club's annual affair, "Vernamo Marknad" (Vernamo Fair). It will do no harm to reproduce a portion of the copy.

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We can not call this affair anything but an annually recurring humbug. It might have been justified or excused at first because of the sponsor's ignorance and incapability, but it seems to us to smack of shamelessness to lure people there year after year to pay more money for seeing such nonsense. Not even the boldest imagination can find any resemblance between the Vernamo Marknad of the Swedish country districts and the "spectacle" which is now going on in Ferris Wheel Park in Chicago. Our final judgement must be this, that the fair is not worth two stivers, and it is certain that he who has once seen the thrash, does not long to return. But for others, possible the advertisements in the newspapers are an inducement to waste time and money, which they later will regret.

Of course, Kuriren often has been an advertiser, and has for profit, made mention of this affair and it is undeniable that it has won at the expense of the sponsors of the affair. It is reasonable then to ask where "the shoe pinches." He who believes that the affair has wounded the Kuriren's national feeling, is clearly mistaken. The reason for the newspaper's violent display of anger is none other than this, that it did not get as large an advertisement for the affair as it had expected. The private

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aspects of this would be of interest to no one if they did not so glaringly show up to petty mindedness and the "stand and deliver" method which distinguishes the Kuriren. When the sponsors at the newspaper asked for kind mention of the affair, it was an inexpensive request on social affairs, a type which is usually granted committees. But the Kuriren specified a high price for the mention, and was perhaps, within its right. But when later the sponsor wished to put in a paid advertisement in the Kuriren, the newspaper insolently insisted on getting twice as large an advertisement as the party concerned was able to pay for. And when this attempt on the part of the newspaper to tell the committee what to do <sup>came</sup> to naught, the newspaper could always take revenge by "running down" the affair. This happened, too. Only abuse may be had from the Kuriren gratis. In this, the newspaper wishes most likely, once and for all to proclaim as its inflexible principles:

1. The Kuriren is open to humbug - advertisements, if the publisher may dictate the size of the advertisement.
2. The Kuriren's advertising agent will dictate whether an affair will be a success or a fiasco.

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3. Advertise in Kuriren, or else "the crack."

Now, our Swedish societies know what they must or must not, do. For this example the Kuriren has most certainly earned for itself such great "respect" among other Swedish organizations that its newly initiated expansion program is timely.

The little Kuriren as we have shown, has become outwardly a large newspaper. A pity, only, that as the foregoing brings out, the soul of the enterprise is still vest-pocket size.

In this week's number, the Kuriren has been successful enough to have its journalistic methods approved by a person, who still is too cowardly to expose his name. "One, but a hare."

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In the news again is our old friend, Mr. Bryan, who has been a presidential candidate a few times without being elected. That he was not elected is not so strange when one remembers that the Svenska Amerikanska Posten has been his organ among us Swedes, and has procured for him about as shining a victory as it did for John Lind, who later earned the privilege of being in better company. Yes, this Bryan, who has no fame as a jurist, or even as a capable attorney--this Bryan is indulging in the same shamelessness as has characterised the Svenska Amerikanska Posten. "Tell me with whom you associate, and I will tell you whom you are like," is a true saying.

Bryan now accuses the Supreme Court of wilfully and stupidly having reached an unjust decision in the Porto Rico matter. Bryan makes this casual indictment after the unusually able jurists who make up the Supreme Court have honestly and conscientiously studied for many months this weighty and



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knotty problem. Bryan goes further. He accuses the Supreme Court of being in a conspiracy with McKinley, Hanna, et al, for the overthrow of our whole form of government.

This is more than ridiculous. It is shameful, it is the height of shamelessness. How long will the people bear with this presumptuous demagogue, this evermore mud-slinging leader, this spectacular example of political impudence? Is not even the Supreme Court to be left in peace by these rough-skinned mutineers? Hasn't Bryan enough common sense, hasn't he enough heart, to let the country's beloved President sit in peace at his wife's sick-bed? Will the bare-faced demagoguery in our land know no bounds?

One is forced to ask these questions, when considering the now actually abominable Bryan sitting in Lincoln. Poor Nebraska! With Bryan and Erik Johnson, and El--but, no, let us not waste space in your worthy newspaper by naming others.





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An ordinary, amiable, and just person, guessing as dreadfully wrong as Bryan has done, would devoutly wish himself and everything his to be forgotten. When has Bryan spoken a true word of prognostication in politics? Think what horrors he predicted if McKinley was elected and "free silver" was not accepted in 1896. Think how the Svenska Amerikanska Posten uttered its: "May it come to pass, even so!"

McKinley was victorious, free silver was forgotten. The country breathed a sigh of relief, and Uncle Sam grins up his sleeve and says: "We have never had better times." All Europe looks with alarm upon our progress, yet Bryan and the Svenska Amerikanska Posten, our famous false prophets of disaster, act as if ruin were overwhelming us. Such "cheek", such "brass" is necessary if one would belong to their party.

Last fall, Bryan shouted about imperialism. Now Aguinaldo has himself exhorted his people to swear fealty to the starry flag. He has himself furnished

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a good example for his people. The whole world now knows that the war was kept alive only through the false hope that Bryan would win the election last fall. One of the defeated of the old rebels in America, he was the Philippine rebels' only hope. That hope has vanished, the rebellion is in point of fact ended, and the rebel leader is ours, but now comes the false prophet, Bryan, and attacks the Supreme Court's integrity. Who has at any time seen anything more insolent?

And among us Swedes Bryan's mouthpiece continues from week to week to voice the same principles with the same blindness, with the same impudence.

Pompons patent medicine advertisements, and other things which the public can well do without, are mixed with the most shameless political demagoguery and nonsense, and to lure the farmers these remedies were offered at cheap prices only for the sake of getting rid of them. That the price had to be low was obvious, for who would pay the usual price for such stuff?

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Yes, it is a sight to see. Bryan and the Posten, the dear friends, have been deserted by the third member of the organization, Aguinaldo....The next thing we expect to hear is that Bryan and Svenska Amerikanska Posten have taken issue with the Ten Commandments, and the right which gave them to us.

Carl Swenson



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Svenska Tribunen, May 15, 1901.

INRE: SVENSKA KURIREN

p.6.....Our contemporary, Svenska Kuriren, has enlarged its size. In its issue last week it gave as reason for the change, conditions of printing. The contemporary has hitherto not been able to have its issued printed on a fly-press, and it has probably not been necessary, either of late it has been said, however, that the publication has won a following which makes quicker press work necessary assuming this to be the case we present our heartiest congratulations.

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IN RE: THE CHICAGO AMERICAN

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p.6.....A newspaper which seeks to keep up with all the winds of opinion, must some times express a correct point of view. This important event occurred a few days ago even for the Chicago American newspaper which recently went whole-heartedly "Bryannic" and upheld the demand that the Phillipines be allowed to have home rule immediately, and that aquinaldo be recognized in the capacity designated. But the campaign is long since past, and now since the newspaper think its past position of no expective advantage, so it suddenly changes its attitude towards the whole power and apparently gets more clarity of vision. Lately it has begun to reason with its old camp-mates, the so-called "anti-Imperialist."

So much for the American! Certainly it gives use to the suspicion that newspapers belonging to the opposing party has taken its support away from young Aquinaldo, just because of his agreement and present friendly relation with the administration. But perhaps it is necessary for it to second the administrations of the Phillipine policy! Maybe this is all for the best!

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Now, since Hearst's Chicago American has reversed its opinion completely we should, together with the rest of the world sit agog and expect its Swedish speaking parrots', Peterson's National Tidnings (National Newspaper) and Turnblad's Svenska Amerikanska Post (Swedish American Post) to take the course of action.

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VISITORS AT THE OFFICES OF SVENSKA TRIBUNEN

p.11.....Visitors from other parts of the country at the offices of this newspaper were, during the past week, as follows: Farmer, J. Nelson of Dayton, Iowa; Tradesman, Th. Peterson of Cable, Illinois; Miss Frida Ekman of Detroit, Michigan, traveling through to Sweden; Mr. C.A. Colstrom, representative of Svenska Folkets Tidning (Swedish People's Newspaper) of Minneapolis; Mr. M. Lindquist of La Porte, Indiana; Farmer, A. J. Anderson of Chesterton, Indiana; Farmer, C. A. Anderson of Pecatonica, Illinois.

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NATIONAL TIDNINGEN

p.11. National Tidningen, (The National Newspaper) is the name of a new six-columned, eight page Swedish weekly which was started in the city last week.

Mr. F. L. Malmstedt is manager, and Martin Zetterberg is treasurer; but the editor's name is not given. While the new publication claims to take an independent stand in politics, the contents betray its sympathy with the Democratic party, even in the news columns.



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Svenska Tribunen, Oct. 5, 1892.

NEW SWEDISH PAPER

'The Chicago Figaro' is the name of a new paper that has begun publication. Publishers of the new weekly sheet are Ernst Lindblom and Maurice Lundin, of whom the latter until just recently has been on the editorial staff of Svenska Amerikanaren.

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SWEDISH GOOD-TEMPLARS TO PUBLISH OWN PAPER

The Swedish Temperance Company of Chicago has been incorporated under the laws of the State of Illinois. Its capitalization is \$2,000, and its purpose is to publish a newspaper for friends of Temperance among the Swedish people of Chicago and the Middle-West.

The officers of the new undertaking are Oscar Odelius, C. A. Hindberg and C. E. Ronnholm.

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Illinois Staats-Zeitung, Oct. 24, 1874.

#### THE SCANDINAVIANS AND THE OPPOSITION PARTY

The Scandinavian press has supported the Republican Party until a short time before the meeting of the Republican Convention. The Scandinavians had hoped until the last moment that the leaders of party for law and order would be sensible and put such candidates on their ticket, as would be able to gain the confidence of the voters of Scandinavian nationality. But how they were mistaken. The chosen candidates were men of such doubtful reputation that the Scandinavian press which had so far adhered staunchly to the Republican Party, could do so no longer.

Svenska Amerikanaren thinks that the Republicans should have chosen honest and able candidates for the vacant posts, in order to put an end to the corruption in the party. But instead of doing that they have nominated political adventurers.

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Illinois Staats-Zeitung, Oct. 24; 1874.

The Skandinaven, the greatest Scandinavian newspaper in the West, considers it an honor to break with the present corrupt administration, to be independent Republican - further considers it its duty to notify its readers that the Republicans will be defeated on October 13th.

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Svenska Tribunen-Nyheter, Dec. 10, 1930.

SWEDISH CHRISTMAS MAGAZINE

The annual Christmas periodical Varmland, Var Hembygd (Varmland, Our Home), which is also the yearbook of the society Varmlands Nation, will be off the press this week. We received a test copy yesterday, but we have not had time to examine it closely. As far as we can see at only a brief glance it compares well with the editions of previous years. The print is larger and there are more pages. The frontispiece boasts a drawing by the noted artist, Gotthilf Ahlman, reproduced in four colors, and the only fault we can find with it is that the word Varmland is misspelled.

The periodical is richly illustrated and printed by the firm Moberg & Nord, and they have done a fine job. It costs fifty cents, and every Varmlander in America should have a copy. If the times were not as bad as they are the price would have been one dollar, and it is worth it.

Orders should be addressed to Varmland, Var Hembygd, 1914 Irving

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Svenska Tribunen-Nyheter, July 17, 1929.

OBSERVES ANNIVERSARY AS SWEDISH NEWSPAPERMAN

Pastor Otto Hogfeldt, editor-in-chief of Missions-Vannen (Friend of the Missions) observed his fortieth anniversary as a Swedish-American newspaperman early this month. For it was in July, 1889, that Hogfeldt, who was then a young man, took over the post as editor of the above-mentioned publication.

On the occasion of this anniversary the owners of Missions-Vannen gave a banquet in his honor, on July 5, in the Ridgeview Hotel in Evanston.

A. Julin, well known among the older generation of mission friends, acted as master of ceremonies, and pastor A. Lydell paid tribute to the guest of honor in a speech that came straight from the heart. He was then presented with a beautiful gift. The feast ended with a speech by Editor Hogfeldt and a prayer by A. Julin.



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Hogfeldt was born in Tisselskog parish, Dalsland, Sweden, August 10, 1861, and when only sixteen years old, he began to take part in the activities of the Free Church people as a Sunday-school teacher. It was his ambition to become a preacher, and since the outlook at home was not bright, he decided, when he was about twenty years old, to go to America, and he settled at Ishpeming, Michigan, where he remained about one year. He then went to Ansgarius College at Knoxville, Illinois, and after graduating from that institution became pastor of the mission congregation at Iron Mountain, Michigan. He held that post until 1889, when he moved to Chicago to become a member of the editorial staff of Missions-Vannen.

Hogfeldt's work as a newspaperman has been of a kind that has won him respect from all quarters. With a sharp intelligence and a sharp pen he has fought everything which he has considered wrong, in religious as well as in political matters. And he has always been true to his convictions, regardless of consequences. This is the reason why he now stands among the leaders

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of the Swedish-American press, and he is also one of the veterans of that press.

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Svenska Kuriren, Dec. 6, 1928.

THE 17TH EDITION OF TRASDOCKAN (THE RAG DOLL)

The annual Christmas publication of the Swedish Engineers' Society of Chicago is just off the press.

Literary contributions to this issue have been made by Hjalmar Anderson, George Lundgren, Frithiof Malmquist, C. S. Ongman, Arvid Skoglund, Gustaf Tornstrand, A. G. Witting, and others. The cover has been designed by Gotthilf Ahlman and for other illustrations and drawings the society is indebted to Ralph Anderson, George Nyman, Erik Svedelius and Nils Tholand.

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Svenska Kuriren, Apr. 12, 1928.

THE 1927 YEAR-BOOK OF THE CHICAGO SWEDISH ENGINEER'S SOCIETY  
IS JUST OFF THE PRESS.

The volume contains many interesting articles, technical as well as others, by the pen of members of the Society. One item of information may interest our readers; namely, that the Society now has a membership of 383, of which, however, some are honorary and some corresponding members. Of this latter category twenty-two are residing in foreign countries.

Mr. C. G. Axell, Chief Consulting Engineer of the Commonwealth Edison Co., is serving his second term as president of the Society.

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Svenska Kuriren, May 19, 1927

YEAR BOOK PUBLISHED

The Year Book of the Swedish Historical Society is just off the press.

The book contains many articles of interest, chief of which may be the one relative to the awarding of a Guggenheim Foundation stipend to Dr. George M. Stephenson for studies in Sweden pertaining to the immigration of Swedes into U.S.A. What values these studies will have for the Society and research work may readily be seen by the fact that Dr. Stephenson has been chosen to edit the Society's year book from henceforth.

The Chicago Chapter of the Swedish Historical Society is composed of nearly two hundred members. The Society's National president is Professor A.A. Stenberg of the University of Minnesota.

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Svenska Kuriren, Dec. 16, 1926

"THE RAG DOLL" MAKES HER ANNUAL BOW

The Chicago Swedes own Christmas Publication, Trasdockan (The Rag Doll), published by the Chicago Swedish Engineers' Society, is just off the press. The artistic cover is designed by Mr. Gotthilf Ahlman, our well-known Chicago artist. All literary contributions to this issue are made by Swedes well known in Chicago. This is the fifteenth annual Christmas edition of the publication.

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Svenska Tribunen-Nyheter, Aug. 16, 1922.

VERDANDIS PERIODICAL

The August issue of the monthly periodical, Bokstugan (The Library), published by the Verdandi Study League, is now on sale. As usual, it contains much good reading. In it one finds Runeberg's poem, "The Summer Night," and another poem, "Wonder," by Dr. Fabian; an article, "About Study Circles, Books, and Reading," by Gust Lindstrom; "A Few Words about Aesthetic and Ethical Literary Criticism," by Axel S. Josephson; "Swedish Impressions from the West Coast," by Nidolv; "Arne Garborg," by Frithiof Werenskjold  
/Translator's note: Arne Garborg was a Norwegian author/, and several other fine articles and a few reprinted poems.

The price is twenty-five cents a copy.

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Svenska Tribunen-Nyheter, Nov. 23, 1921.

VERDANDI'S PERIODICAL

The November issue of Bokstugan, the periodical published by the Verdandi Study League, is just out. A notable change has been made in the nature of the publication's contents. More than half of the reading material is in English, and the three articles by Carrol Lane Fenton--"The History of Evolution", "The Beginning of Life", and "Why Do You Look Like Your Grandfather?"--make especially interesting and instructive reading.

Besides the English material and the usual literary review, there are also several poems, the best of which, in our opinion, are the three written by Einar Soderwall, Caleb Stille, and Werner Chramer.

The series of articles on "Social Hygiene," which started in the preceding issue, is continued in this one.



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Svenska Tribunen-Nyheter, Nov. 23, 1921.

The price is twenty-five cents per copy. Orders should be mailed to the editor, W. Wald, 1330 Early Avenue, Chicago.

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Svenska Nyheter, Jan. 17, 1905.

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PRARIEBLOMMEN

(Summary)

Under the department of "Literature," the fifth annual edition of the calendar Prarieblommen (The Prairie Flower) is reviewed. The reviewer gives moderate praise both to appearance and to contents. List of contributors mentioned is as follows:  
A. Schon, who is also the editor of the calendar, Victor Nilsson, the historian; Emil Amelin, the philosopher; Johan Person, the novelist; Edward Sundell, the poet; Gudmund Akermark, the editor; Sigurd Hollender, the causeur; Ludvig Holmes, poet; Therese Linder, writer; Dr. Enander, biographer; Gust H. Swan, author; Jacob Bonggren, author; Birger Sandzen, author; Signe Ankarfelt.

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author; Wilh. Reslow, poet; Felix Vivo, author; Ernst Skarstedt, author; Anna Hallender, poet; K. A. Killander, writer; Gustaf Wicklund, poet; Nils Mannow, poet, Oliver A. Linder, poet; Karl Kraft, poet; Mauritz Stolpe, poet.

(The name of the publishers and the place of publication are not stated. Translator.)

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Scandia, May 14, 1904.

HEMMETS VAN

Hemmetts Van (The Home Friend) is the name of a new monthly published here in Chicago. Its circulation is quite large among the congregations of the Swedish Church; and the members of the editorial and business staffs of the new paper are, for the most part, preachers. It is the only Swedish, or Scandinavian, monthly in America that is as well edited and as well composed as any American monthly published in the United States. The editors are careful in the selection of material for this excellent paper.

There is always something to criticize. The paper claims to be Scandinavian, but it appears to be Swedish Nationalistic. When the term Brodrefolket (sister nation) is used, we find it always in quotations. Or, "Our brothers across the border".

If a paper is Scandinavian it should be Scandinavian, in every sense of the word.

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Svenska Nyheter, Dec. 8, 1903.

NEW TEMPERANCE JOURNAL

Svenska Nykterhets Tidningen (Swedish Temperance Journal) is the name of a new paper which is now being founded by the temperance crusader Reverend J. O. Johnson. The paper will, to start with, consist of eight pages. It will appear once a month, and will contain much good material worthy of study. We believe that the naming of Reverend Johnson as editor is sufficient assurance of the future value of the paper.

Since no temperance paper is now being published among the Swedes, and since it appears that the Svenska Nykterhets Tidningen fulfils all the requirements for such a paper, it seems proper to urge all friends of temperance to subscribe to this new advocate of temperance. The address is 493 North Park Avenue, Chicago. The price is merely seventy-five cents per year, forty cents for half a year.



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Svenska Nyheter, July 7, 1903.

CHICAGO SWEDE GAINS NOTICE IN FRANCE

The May number of the French monthly, Cosmos, contains a flattering mention of our well-known litterateur, Mr. Albert Alberg. It is his recent pamphlet, Frost Flowers on the Windows, the result of the vital energy of plants; a new truly great discovery. The reviewer in the Cosmos calls the little pamphlet a "remarkable presentation", and praises it highly.



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Svenska Nyheter, Apr. 7, 1903.

## LITERATURE

(Reviews)

We have recently received the first two numbers of the magazine, Hemmets Van (The Friend of the Home), a monthly which is being published in Chicago, and edited by Doctor Phil. Emanuel Schmidt and Reverend John Rocen. From the view point of typographical presentation, these two volumes hold a unique place in the Swedish press and in the Swedish world of books as well. The good impression made by the appearance of the magazines leads us to read the contents carefully in order to reassure ourselves on the question of whether the latter is worthy of the expensive cover which includes it.

In reading this magazine, we meet first of all the universally respected poet and etcher, Doctor J. A. Edgren; the poet and editor, Doctor Jacob Bonggren; Professor C. G. Lagergren; and the editor of the magazine, Dr. Phil. Emanuel

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Schmidt, together with their individual contributions. The Reverend Erick Sandell analyzes Socialism in the light of the Scriptures; here we are being "spiritually nursed," there is a "Hymn of Peace" by J. M. Omberg, and "God's Praise" by Anna Maria Lenngren. In the pages following, we meet the other editor of the magazine, the Reverend John Rocen. We also find Frans Hedberg's beautiful poem, "The Silent Forces," and Brother Arvid's (Rev. C. A. Hagstrom) "Grain for the Little Birds." Then we go on an excursion with Doctor Schmidt through the "Lands of the Bible," and listen to the "Echoes from the Mission Fields" by Reverend J. O. Backlund, who leads us back "In the Pioneer Age" where he paints a picture of the "Culture Drawings from the Tune of Conversion of the North."

"Among Swedish Authors" is to become a permanent department in Hemmets Van.



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Svenska Nyheter, Apr. 7, 1903.

In this department, the editors will publish such articles of the most renowned Swedish authors worthy of being translated into English. In the magazine, we meet Grafstrom's, "Norrland;" Pontus Wikner's "My Mother's Testament;" and F. M. Franzen's "The Song of the Lapp," in translations from the Swedish into English.

In the second volume of the magazine, we are charmed by the beautiful poem, "My Mother," by the warm hearted poet, Zakarias Topelius; the poem, "Contentment," by the aged Johan David Valerius. Doctor Frank Peterson tells "Something of the Swedes in America;" Reverend Sandell instructs us in "Methods for Literary Studies;" Fridthjof Nansen's "To The South" follows; then Nicander's "Evening;" and Franzen's "Machine for Light."

Both volumes are richly illustrated. They are free from advertisements, and

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Svenska Nyheter, Apr. 7, 1903.

each consists of eighty pages. The Hemmets Van costs two dollars per year, and subscriptions may be left at 637 Unity Building, Chicago.

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Svenska Tribunen, September 21, 1892.

A new Swedish paper Ungdomens Tidning (A Paper for our Youths) will be published in Chicago beginning October 1. It will be a Christian paper and its editors are three well-known Swedish pastors, namely: C. A. Swensson, L. G. Abrahamson, and C. O. Lindell.



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Svenska Tribunen-Nyheter, Aug. 12, 1931.

A BOOK ABOUT SWEDISH-AMERICANS  
Three Large Volumes

The Swedish Element in America is the title of an extensive biographical work which has just been published by the Swedish-American Biographical Society of Chicago, and which gives much instructive information concerning the Swedish contribution to the cultural and material development of America. It consists of three volumes totaling 1,548 pages.

One volume contains the biographies of Swedish-Americans who have been persuaded to write their own story about themselves and their work. There are some five hundred such biographies which, of course, only account for a fraction of the Swedish element in this country, but we all know how reticent Swedes can be.

The two other volumes are more interesting, and will be of value as reference books on Swedish-American history. Charles S. Peterson is the president of the

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Svenska Tribunen-Nyheter, Aug. 12, 1931.

Swedish-American Biographical Society, and E. G. Westman was the editor in chief of this work. Among those who have contributed articles are several noted Swedish-Americans. The illustrations are well chosen.

The Swedish Element in America is really a subscription work, and the financing of the venture was secure before it was started. But a limited number of copies are available, and the price is twenty-five dollars for all three volumes. The de luxe edition costs fifty dollars.

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Svenska Tribunen-Nyheter, Oct. 15, 1930.

FROM THE SWEDISH CULTURAL ASSOCIATION OF AMERICA

The Swedish cultural Association of America has just published a pamphlet entitled The Swedish Spirit and Genuine Americanism, written by the Association's president, Chief Engineer Albin Witting, of this city.

The pamphlet explains the program and purposes of the Association, and is thus a valuable aid in dispelling existing misunderstandings concerning its activities. It is divided into several chapters with the following headings: "The All-Swedish Convention in 1933," "What is the Swedish Spirit," "The Swedish Spirit--Our Innermost Being," "The Character of the Swedish Spirit," "The Acts and Accomplishments of the Swedish Spirit," "The Culture of the Swedish Spirit," "One Hundred Per Cent Americanism," "A 'Professional' Swede," "False Americanism," "E Pluribus Unum," "Genuine Americanism," "What America Demands of Us," "The Program of the Swedish Cultural Association," "The Swedish Cultural Association and the Swedish-American Societies," "The Swedish Language," "Only One Road to Travel," "The Torchbearers of Humanity," "The

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Svenska Tribunen-Nyheter, Oct. 15, 1930.

Swedish Cultural Society of America," "Conslusion".

These captions speak for themselves, indicating the contents of the publication. It is distributed free of charge, and requests, accompanied by postage, should be addressed to the vice-president of the Association, Carl Festin, 610 East 75th Street, Chicago. [Translator's note: The pamphlet is printed in Swedish and the Swedish title is Svenskheten Och Den Akta Amerikanismen. The literal translation of "Svenskheten" would be "Swedishism," which is related to Sweden as "Americanism" is related to America, but I have never seen or heard such a word used, and I can not think of any term which covers the meaning better than "The Swedish spirit".]

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Svenska Kuriren, June 25, 1925

A NEW BOOK BY JOHN SKOG

John Skog, author, has just finished a new book, "Universal Creative Law and Criminality," which now is on sale in book stores. It deals with social-economic problems and their relationship to criminality in the light of religion.

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Svenska Kuriren, Jan. 8, 1920.

OVER HERE, BY G.N. MALM

In the review of a newly published Swedish-American novel printed in a Swedish newspaper the other day, we read the following harsh criticism.

"One need not be any preacher of morals in order to ask oneself in what sort of company have those people in America found themselves who, during the past years, have contributed to the stream of literature with their delineations of Swedish-America. It is self-evident that they are knaves and ne'er-do-wells who have won a little fame, and between the lines one can see how the authors enjoy themselves over their pranks. The honorable, industrious countrymen on the other side of the Atlantic are usually presented as comic figures whose gibberish is supposed to make the reader laugh. They appear to have never been in contact with actual Americans, for they are so superficial, so inconsiderate, so lacking in every ideal interest. This is how they are usually delineated in the Swedish-American novels. These are truly not genuine portrayals."



Svenska Kuriren, Jan. 8, 1920.

The truth of this judgment we cannot challenge, but we can give an explanation. These American novels are intended for the public in Sweden. Therefore, with the exception of the narrative, they have all faithfully followed in the footsteps of Henning Berger's untruthful delineations of America which were received so well in Sweden, by the public as well as the critics. Among the Swedes in America these Swedish-American depictions have hardly been noticed. Henning Berger has never had a really large public, although some of his characters have been quite amusing, and easily recognizable.

Perhaps it is not difficult to guess the name of the novel which has lately received such a slashing criticism in Sweden. The reason why we alluded at all to the matter is for the simple reason that at the same time we were reading that critique we received, for our approval, a newly published work on the Swedish-Americans from the Swedish seat of learning at Lindsborg, Kansas. The author, well-known in many fields and not entirely unknown in the field of literature, is G. N. Malm.



Svenska Kuriren, Jan. 8, 1920.

As we have done in the heading of this article, Mr. Malm calls his book Over Here, and says that it is a true representation in four acts of the everyday life of the Swedish-Americans.

Now we have read the book and can testify that the author has spoken the truth. He has kept his promise to give an accurate reproduction of everyday Swedish-American life. That he has let it take place in four acts is his own affair, and it does not lessen the interest in the reading, it rather does the opposite. When the actors are permitted to speak for themselves and are not merely characterized by the writer, one gets a livelier and more natural impression of the presentation.

Intrigue is to be found in the book but whether it is sufficiently good to be presented in the theatre, we do not wish to commit ourselves. We hardly think that this was the aim of the author, but that he only followed an old pattern and "painted because he found it pleasant to paint."



Svenska Kuriren, Jan. 8, 1920.

The critic in the Swedish newspaper, which we cited in the beginning, speaks of the cant which the Swedish-American authors allow some characters to speak so that the public in Sweden may laugh at them. Mr. Malm's Swedish-Americans also indulge in double-dutch. We must acknowledge that it did not exactly jar us, but at the same time it did not evoke any pleasure. We enjoyed the book even though cant was found therein. Perhaps it was necessary to have them speak thus. Since Albert Engstrom in Grisslehamn, allows his characters to speak the high-spirited jabber, why should not Malm in Lindsborg permit his characters to speak the language which they doubtless would have spoken in the same region had they been alive?

We have refrained from saying anything about the contents of this book. We have zealously left that to the end so that you will read it on our recommendation, and, at the same time, so that it will have all the pleasures of a novelty.



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Svenska Kuriren, Jan. 8, 1920.

The book costs one dollar and can be ordered directly from the author, G. N. Malm, whose address, short and sweet, is Lindsborg, Kansas.



Svenska Kuriren, Jan. 16, 1919.

TRAVELOGUES

A set of travelogues has been given to our paper by Mrs. Myra Peterson. This set is a fine descriptive trip to Europe some years prior to the World War. It describes the author's travels with her friends, and is very interesting. The first chapter tells of the ocean voyage. Then follows intimate details of Rouen and Paris, whose works of art, museums, historical places, and buildings are ably set forth and described.

There is a chapter on Versailles, Fontainbleau, Brussels, Coblenz, Mainz, Wiesbaden, River Rhine, Frankfort-Au-Main, Oberammergau, whose passion play is graphically dealt with, Dresden, Berlin, Stockholm, Filipstad, London, and the return voyage to New York.

Some of the descriptions are accompanied by splendid illustrations which are being appropriately distributed, give added enjoyment and value to the travelogue.



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Svenska Kuriren, Jan. 16, 1919.

The book has 200 pages, and , together with the binding, and printing, and covers, which are very elegant, it gives much credit to its author, who is the wife of Charles S. Peterson.





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Svenska Tribunen- Nyheter, Dec. 7, 1915.



THE SWEDISH-AMERICANS OF ILLINOIS

This is the title of a book, written in English, which will be published next year. The publisher is The Swedish-American Biographical Association, an organization consisting of prominent countrymen interested in Swedish-American history. The work is being edited by the well-known newspaperman, Anders Schon.

The book will be in two parts, the first a general historical survey of activities and accomplishments of our nationals in this state, while the second part will contain several hundred biographies of living Swedish-Americans of Illinois. The book promises to be a very interesting and instructive one.

Those subscribers who have not yet submitted their biographies should do so at once so that the publishing may not be delayed.

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Svenska Tribunen-Nyheter, Dec. 7, 1915.

The book should prove a valuable addition to our Swedish-American historical and biographical literature.



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Svenska Kuriren, Dec. 2, 1915.

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[AN INTERESTING BOOK]

The Swedish-Americans of Illinois will be the title of an illustrated work in the English language to be issued early in the coming year. The work will be published by the Swedish American Biographic Association, an organization consisting of men of note, interested in our history. The editor of the work is the well known journalist, Anders Schop. It is the intention that the work is to consist of two parts, the former containing a historical review of the development of our nationality in Illinois in the various fields, the latter to contain several hundred biographies with photographs of Swedish people now living in the state. The work promises to become a valuable contribution to our Swedish American historical and biographical literature.

Svenska Kuriren, June 4, 1914.

"ANNALS OF THE SWEDES ON THE DELAWARE"

The Swedish Historical Society's Publishing office has recently received a third edition of "Annals of the Swedes on the Delaware", by the Reverend Jehu Curtis Clay, who was pastor at Gloria Dei (Old Swedes') Episcopal Church, in Philadelphia, 1831-1863, and who always was proud of his Swedish origin on his mother's side.

The first edition came out in 1835 in Philadelphia, and the second in 1858 in the same city. Both these editions have now disappeared. It has, therefore, been regarded necessary to print this third edition, which has been made possible through the generosity of director Charles S. Peterson president of the Swedish Club, Chicago. He has taken upon himself the payment of a large part of the printing expenses. The book, printed in English, is very interesting, and ought to be read by our immigrants here.

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Svenska Tribunen-Nyheter, Dec. 27, 1910.

OUR 1911 CALENDAR



Svenska Tribunen-Nyheter's Calendar and Yearbook for 1911 is now off the press, and has been mailed to our subscribers free of charge. We always try to make the latest edition of this handy little book better than the preceding one, containing more interesting information and more accurate data.

The Calendar and yearbook contains a list of the members of the Swedish royal family, with birthdays and other data. It also contains the gospel texts for every Sunday of the year. There is a complete list of United States consular districts in Sweden, and also the names and office addresses of Swedish consuls in this country.

There are a number of articles on various subjects of general interest, each written by an expert who has made a special study of his particular subject. This series begins with an article under the caption "Between

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Svenska Tribunen-Nyheter, Dec. 27, 1910.



You and Me" by the editor in which he outlines the policies of the paper and the principles for which it stands.

Another article contains a short biography with pictures of every member of the staff of the Tribunen-Nyheter. Our readers will probably be surprised to see how many people it takes to publish a first-class, modern weekly newspaper.

Other articles contain statistical data and information pertaining to a great variety of subjects; this may come in handy during the year.

All in all, we are proud of this Yearbook, and feel that it can hold its own with any other publication of its kind. Our original intention was to mail it only to those who renewed their subscription for next year, but we later decided to present all our subscribers with a copy at once, inasmuch as we know that most of them will take the paper in 1911 anyway.

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Svenska Tribunen-Nyheter, June 14, 1910.

### LITERATURE

A History of Swedish-American Book Publishing, by Ernest W. Olson, has just been published by the Engberg-Holmberg Publishing Company, on the occasion of the firm's observance of its golden jubilee. Its present location is 358 West Chicago Avenue.

The book, which is of quite a personal and polemic nature, gives a detailed and interesting story of Swedish-American publishing activities from their early beginning.

It is interesting to note that the firm's anniversary coincides with that of Augustana College of Rockford, Illinois, the first Swedish-American institution of higher learning.

This new historical work is a valuable contribution to Swedish-American cultural



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history, and is well worth reading by everyone who is interested in that subject and wants to learn more about it.





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Svenska Tribunen-Nyheter, Mar. 8, 1910.

LUNDQUIST'S DIRECTORY

This is the title of a practical little book published by Hjalmar Lundquist. Every Swede in Chicago should have one, as it contains a complete list of congregations, societies, and other Swedish organizations in the city, including not only their addresses and other information, but also the names and addresses of their officers. The booklet is exceptionally well edited, and fills a long-felt need.



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Svenska Tribunen-Nyheter, July 27, 1909.

LITERATURE



Song Book, published by the American Union of Swedish Singers of Chicago, is now on the market. It contains a fine selection of our best Swedish, quite a few American, and some Norwegian songs, many of which will be sung at the great singing festival in New York and during the Swedish-American Concert tour to Sweden next year.

The book comprises some fifty songs carefully selected, and among them are some new ones which have never before been sung publicly in this country. There are Swedish songs by Wennerberg, Lindblad, Bellman, Josephson, Prince Gustaf, Pacius, Korling, Hallstrom, Wideen, Witt, and other well-known Swedish poets. Among the American songs we find "Annie Laurie," "Swanee River," "Star-Spangled Banner," and "America"; and Norway is represented by "Olav Trygvason," and Grieg's "The Great White Choir".

There are also such internationally known compositions as Gounod's "Soldiers' Chorus," and Wagner's "Pilgrims' Chorus".



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Svenska Tribunen-Nyheter, July 27, 1909.

Song Book is printed on fine paper, and the cover is artistically decorated.  
It is on sale at O. F. Nelson's, 66 Sherman Street.

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Svenska Tribunen-Nyheter, Jan. 26, 1909.

VALUABLE BOOKS

(Advertisement)

The History of the World, written for the layman, by Johan Bergman and Emil Svensen.

The study of history is of great value to anybody who undertakes it, and in this particular work the authors have attempted to present to us the real history of humanity; not only the history of kings and wars, but also that of peace and the common people.

The writing of world history has up to now been neglected by Swedish authors. We have had, to a great extent, to depend on translations, and these have been of a rather scientific nature not so well adapted for popular reading.

A great many Swedish-Americans have from time to time asked us where a popularly written world history in the Swedish language could be obtained, and we finally decided to do something about it. From one of the leading



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Svenska Tribunen-Nyheter, Jan. 26, 1909.

Swedish publishers we have imported a limited number of copies of this historical work, which is considered the best so far written in the Swedish language. It consists of six volumes, of altogether 3,420 pages, bound in half Morocco, with gold cuts; a fine example of Swedish book binding art.

The price of the complete work is \$18. On the receipt of this amount we will send all six volumes by return mail. We give the purchaser ten days in which to decide whether or not he is satisfied with the deal. If within that time limit he returns the books we will return the money.

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Svenska Kuriren, Oct. 19, 1907.

Prof. Olof A. Toffteen, of the Western Theological Seminary, has just published the first part of his work, Researches in Biblical Archeology. It is a very interesting book.



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Svenska Tribunen, Apr. 3, 1906.

SWEDISH-AMERICAN AUTHOR, OTTILIE A. LILJENKRANTZ

Randvar The Songsmith, a book recently published by McClurgs, has vastly increased the admirers of Miss Ottilie A. Liljenkrantz, who was already highly esteemed by the American public, especially the Scandinavian-American circles in Chicago. Her first work, The Thrall of Leif the Lucky, brought out numerous prophecies that more works of an equally high quality would come from her pen.

We, especially, Chicago Swedes, are proud of Ottilie's wonderful success, as she was born and reared here in Chicago.

Both the aforementioned books are of special interest to all Scandinavian people as they recount important incidents formerly preserved by the old-time Saga of Norway, Sweden, and Denmark.

The esteemed author has announced no plans for future works. She lives a quiet, unassuming life in the home of her father in Chicago who is a well-known engineer.



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Svenska Nyheter, Dec. 13, 1904.

"POETIC GEMS"



We have before us a little book bearing the above title, and the following subtitle, "A Collection of Poems Translated from the English Language".

It might seem that to publish in book form English poetry translated into Swedish, is a case of carrying coals to Newcastle, considering the fact that we have such a wealth of fine Swedish poetry. It might seem so, because English, "the business language," does not lend itself as well to song and saga as does our own musical, poetic Swedish. Still we welcome this collection as a valuable addition to our literature, and we have good reasons for doing so. In the first place, these poems are gems, picked from the best that English-American literature has produced. Secondly, the translations have been done by Swedes and Swedish-Americans, who have won recognition as poets.

Among the original authors are such names as Longfellow, Swinburne, Edwin



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Markham, Emerson, [James] Russell, Lowell, Whittier, Robert Burns, Edgar Allan Poe, Ella Wheeler Wilcox, and Elizabeth Browning. Among the translators we find Jacob Bonggren, Magnus Elmlad, O. A. Linder, Edwin Teneström, C. F. Peterson, Hjalmar Edgren Retzius, Ernst Skarstedt, and Carl Snolisky.

All the translations are not masterpieces, however. There are several instances in which the beauty of the poem has suffered much in the process. This is particularly the case with Longfellow's "A Psalm of Life," and we have seen a much better translation of Rudyard Kipling's "The Vampire".

The editor and publisher of the collection is Mr. P. G. Alberg, who deserves our gratitude for this fine piece of work; he will hardly get any financial reward, but he does not expect any. It is a well-known

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fact that there is no money in such a venture.

He says in his foreword to the book: "If this collection is well received by the Swedish-American people, which I hope it will be, another one will follow; for translated literature has its value, and there are such rich sources for it. Fragments that are printed from time to time in our newspapers, without ever being published in book form are finally lost, no matter how valuable they are."



Svenska Nyheter, Nov. 1, 1904.

CHICAGO NEWS

Gus Broberg's Swedish Almanac and Calendar for 1905 has just been released by the publisher, and like its predecessors, it contains a lot of information of special interest to Swedish-Americans. It will be mailed free of charge to anyone whose request for it is accompanied by a three-cent stamp.

This week Svenska Nyheter will mail it entirely free to all its subscribers within, as well as outside Chicago. Those who do not wish to wait for the mail man to bring it to their homes, may get a copy at our office anytime.



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Svenska Nyheter, June 28, 1904.



### LITERATURE

Nordic National Hymns and Other Homeland Songs is the title of a collection of poetry, the author of which is Ernst Wendbladh. The little volume is attractive in appearance, with the blue and yellow flag on the cover. It contains thirteen poems; a strong current of profound love for the fatherland runs through all of them. The first one, "Greeting to the Students from Lund" is dedicated to the singing students from the University of Lund, who recently visited this country.

In "Nordic National Hymn," Mr. Wendbladh has attempted to create a poem which may become the common property of the three northern countries, and points out in his ~~foreword~~ that such a song should be "devoid of empty bragging and barbaric passion for war and martial qualities." This ideal is truly embodied in the poem.

A couple of the songs have appeared in Svenska Nyheter; our readers undoubtedly remember the beautiful and powerful "Sverige" (Sweden).

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We do not know the price of this book, but it is published by S. T. Almqvist,  
290 North Wells Street, Chicago.

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Svenska Nyheter, May 10, 1904.

LITERATURE

Glad Humor (Happy Humor) is the title of a collection of humorous tales in verse and prose by Gus Higgins, which has just been published by And. L. Lofstrom's publishing house, 113 Oak Street, Chicago.

Through the some one hundred pages, Wiklund tells why "He Was So Darned Happy"; Captain L. . .m sits "In the Fox Trap"; then we hear the "Bjorneborg March" and Sigurd's "Mama," and "Proposal by Advertisement". We must also mention the soul-stirring poems "Fia Jansson" and "Steamboat Carl," etc.

Happy Humor is well worth reading, and costs 25 cents.



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Svenska Nyheter, Mar. 15, 1904.

SWEDISH DIRECTORY

Mr. Herming Wennersten, one of our energetic compatriots in Chicago, is now working on a directory of the Swedes in Chicago. The directory will appear in April. In order that it be as complete as possible the Swedes of Chicago are requested to send as soon as possible their names, addresses, business, or employment, preferably on a postal card, to Mr. Herming Wennersten, 1006 Seminary Avenue, Chicago, Illinois.

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Svenska Nyheter, Dec. 22, 1903.

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(Review)



From Engberg-Holmberg Publishing Company, 119 East Chicago Avenue, Chicago, Illinois, we have received the following works for review:

Ekenäs, an historical novel of East Gothland, by C. F. Ridderstad. 247 pages. Price, bound in cloth: seventy-five cents.

Karl XII's Drabant (The Life Guard of Carl XII), a Swedish historical novel. 358 pages, beautifully bound. Price: seventy-five cents.

Kungen och Riksdagsmannen (The King and the Member of Parliament), a Swedish historical novel of the time of Carl XIV Johan. 214 pages. Price, bound in cloth: sixty cents.

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Framat (Forward) is the name of a new monthly published by Messrs. Swenson and



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Björk, at Rockford, Illinois. We mention the paper under the caption "Literature" because the first copy of the monthly which we had the pleasure to receive was the Christmas number, and that number deserves to be called literature. The number contains thirty pages, of good quality paper and of rich contents. It ought to be read by every Swede. Price, per number: five cents; price, per year: thirty cents.



Svenska Nyheter, Nov. 24, 1903.

LITERATURE

(Review)

Today, Captain A.L. Lofstrom, owner and manager of the Dalkullan Publishing House, has forwarded to us three attractively bound booklets, as follows:

1. Dalkullan Almanac and Calendar for 1904. Besides an almanac, the volume contains a number of songs and ditties, a racy story of Kalle Anderson, who trains for a cowboy, and a catalogue of Swedish books and musical pieces, etc.
2. Sileylle's wonderful Egyptian-Chaldean Dreambook, containing the solution of several thousand dreams of various kinds. This is the first time the book has appeared in Swedish directly from old manuscripts.
3. Dalkullan Songbook, in attractive binding. ...It contains the Ditty



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of the Birch; The First Love of Emma; The Wedding Wreath; Elin and His Lordship; Floria's Farewell; The Elfsborg Ditty, and many others.



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Svenska Nyheter, Apr. 7, 1903.

"WHAT HAS SWEDEN DONE FOR THE UNITED STATES"

(Book Review)

"What has Sweden done for the United States" is the title of a booklet very beautifully printed and bound. In this booklet, the author proves that the Swedes do not live in America as charity wards, or as paupers, but in days past, they have left many deep and beautiful traces in the history of the United States. The author holds without a doubt that the Swedes in the future will furnish many vigorous impulses for the cultural development of this country.

The many attractive illustrations in the booklet are executed by Mr. Hugo von Hofsten, and the author of the booklet is our well-known Chicago Swede, Mr. Lars P. Nelson. The price of the booklet is fifty cents. . . . .  
Send orders to Lars P. Nelson, 1225 Oak Grove Avenue, Chicago.



Svenska Tribunen, Mar. 19, 1902.

ANOTHER BOOK ABOUT ERICKSON

The Thrall of Leif the Lucky is the title of a novel about Leif Erickson's journey over the Atlantic to Greenland and America in the beginning of the Eleventh Century, written by Miss Otilie Lilsencrantz, daughter of our well-known countryman Gustaf Lilsencrantz, Assistant Engineer at the U. S. Marine Department. A. C. McClurg & Co. is distributing the book.



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Svenska Tribunen-Nyheter, May 4, 1932.

### RADIO

The Swedish Glee Club's radio program, heard over station WCFL last Sunday, was a noteworthy performance. Several guest artists took part in it--namely, Mrs. Lillian Palmer, soprano of Waukegan, the tenor, Gunnar Sund, the baritone, Joseph Bloomgreen, and the Orion Quartette.

The studio orchestra also took part in the program, playing three numbers among which were, Grieg's "Anita's Dance" and "Solveig's Song". These numbers were executed with the artistic finesse which one expects from a professional orchestra.

Next Sunday a Swedish Mother's Day program will be offered over the same station. Attorney C. Hjalmar Lundquist will speak on the subject, "Mother".

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SWEDISH

Svenska Tribunen-Nyheter, Dec. 10, 1930.

SVENSKA TRIBUNEN-NYHETER'S RADIO PROGRAM

Half-tone, one column-fifth of a page,  
picture of Anita Arne

On the program presented last Sunday night by the Svenska Tribunen-Nyheter over radio station WCFL, the studio orchestra played the "American Sons and Daughters of Sweden's Parade March," composed by Axel Austin, and also a Swedish potpourri arranged by Ole Nielsen. Dr. Julius Lincoln gave an interesting account of his recent visit to Sweden, and the noted baritone singer, Werner Wennerstrand, rendered two solos, "Drivsnö" (Drift Snow) and "Sverige" (Sweden). It is no exaggeration to say that Wennerstrand ranks among the finest Swedish singers in America. His melodious, well-trained voice and his sympathetic personality have made him very popular among his countrymen here. The announcer was Editor Herman Cederblad.

If we are to judge by the many telephone calls and letters which we have received,

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the Swedish radio listeners liked the program. We quote from one letter: "We have just been listening to the Swedish program over WCFL, and wish to express our pleasure and our thanks to your paper. For those of us who left dear, old Sweden not so long ago, it was good to hear Dr. Lincoln's perfect Swedish, the wonderful Swedish music and song and, last but not least the well-known voice of Editor Cederblad."

Next Sunday's program will be given for the benefit of the Swedish-American Relief Committee, and will include a brief address by Dr. Julius Lincoln and Swedish music by the well-known accordion virtuoso, Ronald Hanell, and by the studio orchestra. As a special attraction we will present the Swedish opera singer, Anita Arno, who has graciously consented to appear. Madame Arno has just completed a concert tour of America, and is now about to return to Sweden. She is a ranking opera singer, and has been acclaimed by American critics.

Tune in WCFL next Sunday night at eight o'clock.

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**SWEDISH RADIO PROGRAM**

**Tune in WCFL Next Sunday and Listen to  
Svenska Tribunen-Nyheter's Program**

[Half-tone, one column-fifth of a page, picture of Franklin C. E. Lundquist]

It has been suggested from many quarters that there should be a regular Swedish radio program in Chicago. The Svenska Tribunen-Nyheter agrees, and has, after consultation with Franklin C. E. Lundquist, director of the Federation of Labor's station, WCFL, decided to present a series of such programs from that station.

The first program will be heard next Sunday, December 7, from 8 to 8:30 P.M. It will consist of Swedish music played by the studio orchestra, songs by the noted baritone singer, Werner Wennerstrand, and a brief address by Dr. Julius Lincoln. Editor Herman Cederblad will be the announcer.

It is really Mr. Franklin C. E. Lundquist who, by his friendly co-operation,

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has made this program possible. Even though he was born in this country, Lundquist is more Swedish than many a "home-grown" countryman. He is proud of his Swedish ancestry and training and he speaks Swedish fluently. He is a noted musician and received his first musical instruction from his father who, as a young man in Sweden, belonged to the Kalmar Regiment band, and who, after his arrival in America, organized the band of the Order of Svithiod and directed it for many years.

Franklin Lundquist has been very active in Swedish-American societies, and was at one time Grand Master of the Order of Svithiod. At the present time he is holding the job his father once had as director of the Order's orchestra. It is also interesting to note that he has been a director of the musicians' union.

It was Lundquist who actually took the initiative for the presentation of this program, which will now be sponsored by the Svenska Tribunen-Nyheter. Don't forget to tune in on WCFL next Sunday night at 8 o'clock!

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Svenska Tribunen-Nyheter, Oct. 8, 1930.

SWEDISH FILM IN BENEFIT PERFORMANCE

The great Swedish film, "Gosta Berling's Saga," with Greta Garbo and Lars Hanson in the leading roles, and equipped with English text, was shown last Sunday afternoon in Orchestra Hall. Much has been said and written about this picture, and it was evident last Sunday that it is still a great attraction, for Orchestra Hall was almost sold out. It is not necessary to review here Selma Lagerlof's great book and the film version of it. Most Swedes know it by heart, and they, as well as the American public, have received it with great enthusiasm.

Last Sunday's performance was given for the benefit of the projected Swedish charity institution, the Colony of Mercy, and marked the final Chicago showing.

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Svenska Tribunen-Nyheter, May 14, 1930.

RADIO NEWS

[Half-tone, one column-fifth of a page, picture of  
Otto C. J. Carlson]

The Scandinavian program presented last Wednesday by radio station W I B O, which is owned by the Nelson Brothers Bond and Mortgage Company, was sponsored by the theater company of Publix, Balaban and Katz, and offered songs by the tenor Holger Pedersen, the soprano Swanhild Knudson, and the baritone Henry Anderson.

Tonight the popular male choir "De Svenske" (The Swedes), directed by Otto C. J. Carlson, will be heard over the same station. Next Wednesday the Swedish program will include songs by the Chicago Swedish Glee Club, and the Swedish-American Athletic Association will also take part in it.

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Svenska Tribunen-Nyheter, Oct. 9, 1929.

THE LATEST SWEDISH FILM

The film "Gosta Berling's Saga," adopted from Selma Lagerlof's famous book of that name, was presented last Thursday, Friday and Saturday nights and Sunday afternoon in Orchestra Hall. Thursday night, when we were there, the house was filled to capacity, and according to reports reaching us the attendance was almost as good on the following two nights, and Sunday afternoon a large number of people were turned away at the box office. Naturally, Swedish-Americans were in the majority in the audiences, and it was a rare event for them, especially for all those who had read the book.

Everybody seemed to be well pleased with the performance. The picture was accompanied by music, rendered by Harry T. Carlson, which harmonized very nicely with the scenes appearing on the silver screen and with the spirit of the picture.

Those who have seen Greta Garbo in American-made films would hardly recognize her in this one. But Lars Hanson as "Gosta Berling" could not have been

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surpassed, and, all in all, the entire cast played their roles in a manner which did credit to themselves and to the Swedish film art, as well as to the book and its author. In several respects this picture differs from the general run of American films, in which, as a rule, both the hero and the heroine are presented as spineless dolls. At the same time, it has its weak points, and it may well be that part of these can be traced to the censor. The English text is not all that could be desired, and those who have not read the book are bound to have some difficulty in following the story.

Certain scenes in the picture, such as the big fire at **Ekeby**, indicate clearly a gratifying improvement and progress in **Swedish** film technique, as compared with earlier pictures, and it is safe to predict that "Gosta Berling's Saga" will have a successful run in America.

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Svenska Tribunen-Nyheter, Oct. 2, 1929.

### RADIO STATION WIBO

The radio station WIBO, which is owned by the Nelson Brothers Bond and Mortgage Company, and which is known throughout the country as "the Swedish station," has just announced that it has made a new affiliation which is bound to increase its already great popularity, especially among the Swedish public.

The station has now become affiliated with the National Broadcasting Company and with the Chicago Evening American, which newspaper has been closely associated with the development of broadcasting since 1922. This new combination has attracted much attention in the daily press. WIBO will from now on be able to offer the latest domestic and world news as well as the best of other radio entertainment. As our readers well know, the National Broadcasting Company is the world's largest producer and distributor of radio programs.

The new set-up becomes effective next Tuesday, when WIBO will present a special introductory program.

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Svenska Tribunen-Nyheter, Oct. 2, 1929.

The station's regular Sunday evening program as well as the special program given at 9 P.M. every Friday, which consist of Swedish music and entertainment announced in Swedish and are very popular among Swedish-Americans, will continue unchanged. The station is operating on a wave length of 526 meters and 570 kilocycles.

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Svenska Tribunen-Nyheter, Aug. 21, 1929.

NEW SWEDISH FILM

The Swedish film, "Carl XII and his Carolinians," will be shown this week at the Julian Theater in Lake View, and at the Calo Theater, 5406 North Clark Street.

At the Julian, the first part of the picture will be shown tomorrow, Thursday, and the second part on Friday. At the Calo the corresponding shows will be given on Saturday and Sunday.

As our readers well know, the accompanying text of this picture is given in Swedish, and it is presented exactly as it was at its premiere in the Palladium, in Stockholm.

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Svenska Tribunen-Nyheter, July 24, 1929.

### THE SWEDISH RADIO PROGRAM

Last Friday night a particularly interesting and varied Swedish program was offered by Radio Station WIBO, which is owned by the Nelson Brothers Bond and Mortgage Company.

The popular barytone, Gosta Flodstrom, sang a number of sailor songs, and the young tenor, Thore Osterberg, rendered two songs written by Prince Wilhelm of Sweden. As usual Gunnar Kassman gave a short talk, this time describing the west coast of Sweden, and later on he also recited some fine poetry, namely, King Oscar's "Ostersjon" (The Baltic Sea) and "Londonbref" (Letter from London) by Thure Nerman. [Translator's note: King Oscar was the father of the present Swedish king.]

Next Friday night a similar program will be offered, and as usual it begins at nine o'clock.

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SWEDISH RADIO PROGRAM

Next Friday night between nine and ten o'clock Radio Station WIBO, which is owned by the Nelson Brothers Bond and Mortgage Company, will as usual offer a Swedish program. In addition to the ordinary program the listening public will this time have the pleasure of hearing Mildred Boberg, a young soprano, who within a few days is going to Europe for further instruction in singing. This will be her last appearance in Chicago for a long time, and those who have not previously heard her should not miss this opportunity to enjoy her golden voice.

As usual, Gunnar Kassman is in charge of the program.

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Svenska Kuriren, August 23, 1928

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A Sermon in the Swedish language is being broadcast over the WIBO radio station each Sunday morning at 8:30 o'clock. Clergymen from various Swedish churches in Chicago have pledged their assistance, as have also several of our well-known vocal soloists, in order to render the sermons more popular and enjoyable. Tune in on 980 on your dial (305.9 meters).

The WIBO Station is owned and operated by Nelson's Bond & Mortgage Company and is located at 6324 Broadway.

Svenska Kuriren, May 5, 1927

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THE BIG FILM HIT  
of the year

Direct from Sweden to Orchestra Hall

"Fanrik Stals Sagner"

An Array of Heroes from the Finnish-Russo War 1808-9

From the Songs by Johan Ludvig Runeberg

Director: John W. Brunius

An army of freezing, starving, but conquering, heroes--  
A people determined to sacrifice all but its honor.

A Gigantic Cast Will be Shown only at

Orchestra Hall

Sunday, May 8, 3 P.M.

Music by Franklin Lundquist's Orchestra

Tickets \$1.50, \$1, \$.50, plus tax.

Svenska Kuriren, April 14, 1927

THE GREATEST OF ALL SWEDISH HEROES

- - now shown on the Film - -

CARL XII

and His Brave Carolinians

The most stupendous Swedish film play of all times.  
Three years have been required for its filming and  
the cost runs up to 1,000,000 Swedish crowns

Orchestra Hall

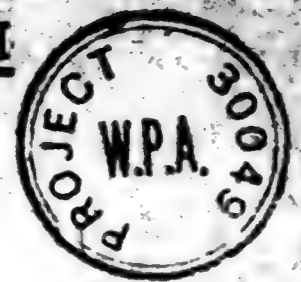
Saturday, April 30th, 1927

Nearly 200 of Swedens foremost actors are  
playing in this film Gosta Ekman as Carl VII

Do not fail to see this highly interesting film. Hark back to  
your childhood days, when, with glowing eyes and burning cheeks,  
you read about Carl VII and his brave Carolinians: "They knew not  
to flee -- To death they were betrothed."

Music by Franklin Lundquist's Orchestra

Tickets \$1.50, \$1, \$.75, plus War tax.



Svenska Kuriren, March 12, 1925

**NORTH SIDE SWEDES! GREAT SWEDISH FILM ATTRACTION**

"Ingmarssonerna." From Selma Lagerlof's world-famous book "Jerusalem". This film is directed and played by Victor Sjostrom of Hollywood fame, assisted by Bertil Malmstedt, Torateje, Tor Wieden, and other well-known Swedish Film Stars. Showing at Julian Theatre, 918 Belmont Avenue, next Tuesday, Wednesday, Thursday, March 17, 18, and 19, from 2 till 11 P.M.

**Note: Three days only to see this truly wonderful Swedish masterpiece.**



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SWEDISH MOTION PICTURE

The Swedish motion picture, "The Vermlanders," was presented twice last Thursday at the Lincoln Dixie Theater in Chicago Heights. The performances, which were arranged by various Swedish organizations in the locality, attracted capacity crowds, and are counted among the most successful events ever staged in that theater.

The enthusiasm with which the picture was received augurs well for its success in other towns and cities throughout the state. The next performance will be given in the high school auditorium in Batavia.

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Svenska Kuriren, Feb. 12, 1925

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**SWEDES ON THE NORTH SIDE!**

See Varnlanningarna

The Greatest Swedish Film Featuring  
Anna Q. Nilsson  
in the role of "Anna"

See this popular melodrama of Swedish folk lore, peasant pageantry and old Swedish customs -- See the children in gay national costumes dancing around the May-Pole.

Don't fail to see this film at Julian Theatre  
918 Belmont Avenue

Next week on Tuesday, Wednesday, and Thursday  
February 17, 18, and 19.

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Svenska Kuriren, Jan. 15, 1925

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SEE THE SPECIAL SWEDISH FILM ATTRACTION, "MR. ARNE'S MONEY"

A film dramatization of Dr. Selma Lagerlof's famous book  
at the

Julian Theatre

918 Belmont Avenue

Next Tuesday, Wednesday, Thursday, and Friday

January 20, 21, 22, and 23

From 2 P.M. continuous until 11 P.M.

This film is partly played in Bohuslaen, partly in  
Holland, by Sweden's foremost film stars, to wit:

Hjalmar Selander - Concordia Selander -

Richard Lund - Mary Johnson - Axel Nilsson

No Swede should miss the opportunity to see this film,  
which has attracted great attention all over Europe and  
in the East.

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Svenska Tribunen-Nyheter, July 9, 1924.

THE SINGERS' CONVENTION ON THE SCREEN

Scenes from the recent convention of the Swedish Singers League of America, which was held here in Chicago, were preserved for posterity on film at the initiative of the Svenska Tribunen-Nyheter. They are being shown every day of this week at the Julian Theater on Belmont Avenue, which is drawing large crowds on account of this attraction. The views of the parade and of the unveiling of the Swedenborg memorial in Lincoln Park are remarkably good, as are those of the festival in Riverview Park.

This is the second newsreel of this kind presented by the Tribunen within a few weeks. Both of them have been received with great interest.

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Svenska Tribunen-Nyheter, June 25, 1924.

NEW SWEDISH FILM

Exterior and interior views of the Gothenburg exposition are now being shown at the Julian Theater, 918 Belmont Avenue. The explanatory text is in Swedish. This is not the same film that was shown last winter in Orchestra Hall.

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A SWEDISH FILM

Scenes from the Swedish Day Festival at Ravinia  
to be Shown in the City's Picture Theaters

Last Sunday was a notable day in the history of the Swedish-American press. For the first time, a Swedish-American newspaper arranged the filming of a strictly Swedish-American event, namely, the celebration of Swedish Day in Ravinia Park. And we are happy to inform our readers that the newspaper in question was the Svenska Tribunen-Nyheter. The Swedish Good Templars of Chicago were in charge of the celebration and the filming of the event was just another demonstration of this paper's determination to keep up with the times.

It was quite appropriate that our first venture in this type of news service should be associated with the celebration of Swedish Day. This annual event is attended by a larger number of Swedish-American men and women than appear at any other similar gathering. And it is so typically Swedish. The film

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will therefore be of unusual interest, even to people who live in other parts of the country. And, furthermore, this day is especially dedicated to Swedish youth. Clean healthy Swedish-American young men and women spend the day frolicking on the green, just as is the custom at such festivals in the old country. Many a young man and woman who are struggling to carve out a future for themselves in the big city on Lake Michigan return to their daily tasks with happy memories of this Swedish Day celebration, memories which will stay with them for years to come.

The events of the day are now recorded, so that the participants may "see themselves as others see them". They will pass in review for the first time next Sunday on the silver screen of the Julian Theater. Here are some of the scenes that will be shown: the parade at the opening of the program; a view of the large crowd; J. E. Odell speaks; the flag-raising ceremony; the dance around the Maypole; a group of young people in national costumes; the football game; a prospective Midsummer queen; children in national costumes; the arrangements

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committee; national folk dances. This, and much more, can be seen at the Julian Theater next Sunday.

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Svenska Tribunen-Nyheter, Nov. 28, 1923.

### THE LATEST SWEDISH FILM

The Swedish film, "Festive Sweden," was presented last Friday in Orchestra Hall, which was filled to capacity. The consensus is that this is the best Swedish-made film which has ever been shown here. It seems that Swedish producers are finally beginning to realize that the Swedish-American public prefers to see Sweden as it is today, not as it was fifty or one hundred years ago. Somebody must have told them that pictures of old, dilapidated farm houses, stone-strewed farms, hungry-looking cattle, and old men and women in makeshift clothes do not present a true picture of Sweden, but tend to give Americans of Swedish ancestry, as well as others, an entirely wrong idea of the country. After seeing last Friday's performance, a young Swedish-American girl remarked, "But are Swedish children really so well dressed and nice looking?" Many others were undoubtedly just as pleasantly surprised as she was. And where could they have gotten their wrong impressions of Sweden and its people if not from some of the films that have previously been shown here?

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We hope that this one will be seen by many, and that it is the forerunner of many more Swedish films of the same kind.

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THE SWEDISH FILM

Sweden, the land of sunlit nights and majestic mountains, mysterious and romantic lakes and glittering streams, was presented [on the screen] twice last Sunday at the Selwyn Theatre, Dearborn and Lake Streets.

These pictures from Sweden, better than any previously shown here, were made by the Swedish Biograph Corporation of Stockholm. The photography is excellent, and the motives well chosen. The film takes the audience on a trip from New York to Gothenburg, Sweden, and thence northwards along the coast of Bohuslan; next to Trelleborg, and from there by train to Stockholm. The views of the capital are especially fine. Many a Stockholmer in the audience had forgotten that his home town is so beautiful. The voyage continued with a side trip into Finland, and from there, by way of the Indal river, to Jamtland, and through the lake region of Lapland, smiling in the rays of the midnight sun. After having visited places of historical interest in Skane, the traveler on this magic voyage returned to Gothenburg by way of the

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Both the matinee and the evening show were given before capacity houses. There may have been some in the audience who were disappointed, because they were not given a glimpse of their own home town or that particular spot in Sweden which they love best. But they may have better luck next time. More such shows, with pictures from other parts of the Old Country, are planned. The accompanying music was furnished by Bredfield's orchestra, and beautiful Swedish songs were rendered by the tenor, Mr. Karl Wang, of Stockholm.

Svenska Tribunen-Nyheter, Oct. 4, 1922.

SWEDISH MOTION PICTURE

The Swedish motion picture "The Vermlanders," was presented twice last Thursday at the Lincoln Dixie Theater in Chicago Heights. The performances, which were arranged by various Swedish organizations in the locality, attracted capacity crowds, and are counted among the most successful events ever staged in that theater.

The enthusiasm with which the picture was received augurs well for its success in other towns and cities throughout the state. The next performance will be given in the high school auditorium in Batavia.

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Svenska Tribunen-Nyheter, Feb. 23, 1921.

### THE SWEDISH FILM

The great Swedish film presentation had its premiere in Orchestra Hall last night, and all seats were sold out in advance. But do not get discouraged! There will be plenty of opportunities to see this beautiful film showing ten thousand feet of moving pictures of Swedish cities, towns and countryside. The owners have rented the Aryan Grotto Temple, at Wabash Avenue and 8th Street, for eight more presentations, which will take place from February 27 to March 6, inclusive. The program will be identical with that offered at the premiere. The Northland Trio has been engaged for all eight showings of the film, as has the orchestra directed by Professor C. Sinn.

The entire program is even more interesting and entertaining than is indicated by comments in the press. The film is so detailed and comprehensive that practically every Swedish-American has an opportunity to view the

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city, town or country district where he was born and played as a child. One might say that those who have seen Sweden only in their thoughts during the last decades have got a chance here to visit the old country without moving from their seats in the theatre. They will see the homecoming, when the liner "Stockholm" docks in Gothenburg, as well as the departure, when the "Drottningholm" leaves the Swedish coast behind, bound for New York. As one travels through the country with this film as a guide, he will see more of the country than he would be likely to see during an actual visit. He makes the thrilling trip through the locks of the Trollhattan Canal, and views the sunrise at Karlstad. The next minute he attends the world ski meet at Holmenkollen, Norway, where the world's most daring jumpers and long distance skiers vie for honors. He visits a large number of cities and towns, and makes extensive trips through the farm country. Of course, he makes a lengthy visit to the capital, Stockholm.

This and much more is to be seen at the Aryan Grotto Temple during the showing of this film, and it should be enough to draw a capacity house every night.

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Svenska Kuriren, Jan. 4, 1917.

[SWEDISH FILM SHOWN]

p.ll.....The Swedish Red Cross received a considerable sum from the Swedish Film which a few weeks ago were so fully exhibited at Orchestra Hall and Strand Theatre.

Its Director, Charles S. Peterson, whose guarantee of subsidy for these "Film Forestallningar" (filings), brought about this showing.

Director Peterson has sent to Sweden the sum of \$486.47, which sum is to be equally divided between the Red Cross and Crown Princess' War Fund.



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### THE SWEDISH BIBLE INSTITUTE

The Bible Institute and Academy of the Swedish Free Church began a new school year on September 6. The number of students has increased considerably as compared to last year. Everything indicates that the congregations of the Free Church as well as outsiders are becoming increasingly aware of the high type of instruction which is being offered by this institution. Dr. Gustaf Edwards is continuing as its director. The school is located at 4211 North Hermitage Avenue, in a building which belongs to the Swedish Free Church.

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Svenska Tribunen-Nyheter, Oct. 8, 1930.

### INSTRUCTION IN ENGLISH

An English class for beginners and others who wish to improve their proficiency in the language is offered at the North Park College, Foster and Kedzie Avenues.

The course, which has been especially planned to fill the needs of Scandinavians, begins next week, and will last for nine weeks. Classes meet every Monday and Thursday evening from 7:30 to 9 P.M. Registration takes place next Monday evening.

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Svenska Kuriren, Aug. 5, 1926

CHURCH MAINTAINS CLASSES IN ENGLISH

The evening classes in the English language conducted by the Swedish Ebenezer Lutheran Church at Foster avenue and N. Paulina street, have a larger attendance than in any previous year. The instructor is Dr. A. Mattson, who invited all those interested to attend these free classes.

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Svenska Tribunen-Nyheter, May 28, 1924.

**BOWMANVILLE NURSES GRADUATE**

Graduation exercises were held last Wednesday in the Englewood Mission Church, 59th and Carpenter Streets, for fourteen nurses who have completed their three-year course in the training school of the Bowmanville Hospital.

The graduating class and their friends and relatives who attended the ceremony were addressed by Dr. O. Theo Roberg and Dr. Timmerman, of the hospital staff, and by Pastor Algoth Ohlson, the new director of North Park College. Between speeches, Professor Frank Earnest and the violinist Elmer Swanson, both of the North Park Music Conservatory, entertained the audience with song and music; they were assisted by the church choir.

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Afterwards, refreshments were served in the basement dining room.

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Svenska Tribunen-Nyheter, May 7, 1924.

### NURSES GRADUATE

Nurses in the graduating class of the Augustana Hospital's training school received their diplomas at a festive ceremony in the Irving Park Swedish Lutheran Church last Thursday afternoon. The church is located at Belle Plaine and Harding Avenues.

E. I. Erickson, superintendent of the hospital, addressed the nurses and their many relatives and friends who were in attendance. Speeches were also made by Pastor Gottfred Nelson, Pastor Oscar E. Liden, and Dr. Edward Ochser, of the hospital's medical staff. The latter spoke on "The Development of the Nurse's Vocation". Between speeches, the church choir rendered several appropriate song numbers.

There were thirty-eight nurses in the graduating class.

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Svenska Tribunen-Nyheter, Dec. 5, 1923.

THE BIBLE INSTITUTE

The Bible Institute of the Swedish Evangelical Free Church will hold its annual graduation exercises next Thursday, December 13, at 8 P. M. in the Elim Evangelical Free Church, Peoria and 60th Streets. There are sixteen students in the graduating class. Professors A. L. Wedell and Gustav Edwards of the Institute will speak. The public is invited.

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Svenska Tribunen-Nyheter, Oct. 17, 1923.

SWEDISH SCHOOL WINS RECOGNITION BY THE  
BOARD OF EDUCATION

As previously reported by this paper, the Lake View Free Church, 3516 Sheffield Avenue, opened a night school some months ago for newly arrived Swedes who wish to learn English under competent instructors. From the beginning it was evident that this school was fulfilling its task in an excellent manner, and the number of pupils grew from week to week until there is now an enrollment of 433. Directing the school is the congregation's pastor, Harry Lindblom, who is a university graduate. He and a young woman, a public school teacher, are the head instructors, and they have several assistants.

The high standards maintained are evidenced by the fact that the Board of Education has now recognized the school as being fully equal to the city's own night schools. From now on the plan of instruction will follow closely that of the public night schools; and at the end of the course the pupils

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will receive the same kind of diploma as that issued by the Board of Education after the completion of the corresponding public night-school course. Such a diploma will be of value when the recipient later applies for citizenship.

In connection with its school the church also conducts an employment bureau, which tries to find jobs for the pupils. No fee is charged.

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Svenska Tribunen-Nyheter, Sept. 26, 1923.

### INSTRUCTION IN ENGLISH FOR NEWCOMERS

We have on several occasions commented on the laudable interest the young Swedes who have arrived here during the past year have shown in learning the English language as quickly as possible. In order to help these ambitious newcomers, several Swedish churches in the city have started night schools where they may receive instruction by competent teachers, in most cases entirely without charge.

The following churches have taken up this activity:

The Trinity Swedish Lutheran Church, located at Seminary and Barry Avenues. Its night school, comprising four classes, is attended by some two hundred pupils. Classes meet Monday and Wednesday nights.

The Swedish Free Church, 3516 Sheffield Avenue, opened its night school a couple of months ago, and it has now about four hundred pupils and four teachers. Classes meet Monday and Friday nights.

The Saron Swedish Lutheran Church, Shakespeare Avenue and Richmond Street,

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offers English instruction Monday and Friday nights at eight o'clock.  
There is no charge.

The Swedish Lutheran Messiah Church, Waller Avenue and Iowa Street, in Austin, offers instruction in English every Monday and Wednesday night. The instructor is Sylvia Johnson, who is a teacher in the public schools.

The Ebenezer Swedish Lutheran Church, Paulina Street and Foster Avenue, is giving instruction to about two hundred and fifty pupils. There are four teachers.

The Swedish Baptist Church, in Ravenswood, is also conducting a night school. The congregations pastor, P. Engelbrekth, is the instructor.

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Svenska Tribunen-Nyheter, Sept. 5, 1923.

### LEARN ENGLISH

A course in English for Swedish newcomers is being given at the Ebenezer Swedish Lutheran Church, Foster Avenue and Paulina Streets. More than two hundred pupils are taking advantage of this opportunity. The instructors are a Mr. Karlfeldt, a university graduate, and the Highland sisters of Evanston, who are teachers in the Chicago public schools. Classes meet Monday and Friday nights.

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Svenska Tribunen-Nyheter, July 25, 1923.

### A LAUDABLE UNDERTAKING

A few weeks ago the Swedish Free Church in Lake View opened a school for Swedish newcomers who wish to learn English. The response has been highly encouraging, and two classes have now been formed, with a total of 230 pupils. The classes meet every Monday night, and instruction is free.

The congregation's pastor, Harry Lindblom, and Edith Johnson are the teachers. Years ago, the pastor was a student at one of the universities here, and he is a graduate pharmacist. Miss Johnson is employed as a teacher in the public schools, and is also a Sunday school teacher. The English instruction includes spelling, reading, and conversation.

The church is located at 3516 Sheffield Avenue, just north of Newport Avenue.

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Svenska Tribunen-Nyheter, May 2, 1923.

DR. TOFFTEEN RETURNS TO CHICAGO

[Half-tone, one column-fifth of a page, picture of  
Dr. Olof A. Toffteen]

When Dr. Olof A. Toffteen, noted educator and Assyriologist, left Chicago in 1920 on an extensive study trip to Europe, his departure was regretted by many, since it caused the temporary closing of the Scandia Institute, which was founded and operated by him, and which had earned a splendid reputation as an educational institution. However, Dr. Toffteen returned to the city a few days ago, and plans to reopen the Institute in the near future.

He went first to France and Belgium, and from there to Germany, where he traveled extensively. Later, he went to Sweden where he remained for nine months. He then returned to Berlin, and lived there until he embarked for America.

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Dr. Toffteen is again making his home at 4753 Dover Street, and is now looking for suitable quarters for his school. For the time being, his teaching activities are limited to tutoring, but he expects to reopen the Scandia Institute next fall.

Needless to say, his many friends here are happy to have him back after his long absence.

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Svenska Tribunen-Nyheter, Jan. 31, 1923.

### INTERESTING LECTURE

Heinrich W. Maurer delivered a very interesting lecture on "Immigration and Its Causes" at the last meeting of the Swedish Study League, which was held last Friday in its building on Newport Avenue. He pointed out that it has always been economic conditions which have caused great masses of people to move from one country to another. The speaker did not agree that it was love of freedom which caused the establishment of the first American colonies. Many of the early immigrants were liberty-loving men and women, to be sure, but, according to Maurer, the driving force behind their migration was the desire to make money.

The lecture was the first in a series of three dealing with "The Agricultural Immigrant".

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Svenska Tribunen-Nyheter, July 6, 1921.

SWEDISH SUMMER SCHOOL

A schoolteacher who received her education in Sweden, and who is now teaching in an American institution, will conduct a school for Swedish-American children during the summer. Boys and girls between the ages of six and thirteen may attend, and instruction will be given in the Swedish language, Swedish history, and Biblical history. The classes will be held in the Swedish Mission Church of Lake View, School and Osgood Streets.

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Svenska Tribunen-Nyheter, May 11, 1921.

### NURSES GRADUATE

Augustana Hospital's Training School for Nurses held its twenty-fifth annual commencement exercises last Wednesday. Twenty-one nurses graduated and are now ready to go out among the sick and suffering and do their work of mercy.

The ceremonies took place in the Saron Swedish Lutheran Church, Shakespeare Avenue and Richmond Street. It was filled to capacity by friends and relatives of the graduates.

The program consisted of songs, music and speeches by officials of the hospital. The diplomas were given out by the superintendent [of the hospital], Dr. M. Wahlstrom.

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NORTH PARK COLLEGE

[Advertisement]

The Mission Covenant's School in Chicago, established in 1891, opens its thirtieth school year on September 6, 1920 in the following departments:

1. The theological seminary; for the training of pastors and missionaries. Pupils are admitted only on the recommendation of congregations and pastors.
2. The junior college; a two-year course for young men and young women who have graduated from high school, and wish to prepare for the university.
3. The high school; offering four parallel four-year courses for boys and girls who have completed the eight classes of grade school.
4. The business school; offering practical, up-to-date training in book-keeping, stenography, typing, and other subjects needed in a thorough business course.

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5. The two-year high school course; offering a combination high school and business course. It is designed for boys and girls who want additional schooling, but are not able to take a full high school course.

6. Elementary courses; for young persons, and for mature persons who need some formal instruction in English and also want to continue their general education.

7. The school of music; where competent instructors give lessons on the piano and violin. Harmony, voice, and the history of music are also taught. Graduates are qualified music teachers.

8. The correspondence school; for Sunday School teachers, and those seeking knowledge and understanding of the Bible and the teaching thereof. Graduates are qualified Sunday School teachers.

There is a Christian atmosphere about the school, and good comradeship prevails. The staff is composed of experienced teachers.

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Students participate in gymnastics and athletics.

Our catalogue gives information about courses, expenses, and other details of interest to prospective students. Write to D. Nyvall, president, 3225 Foster Avenue, Chicago, Illinois.

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Svenska Tribunen-Nyheter, May 5, 1920.

### NURSES GRADUATE

Members of the twenty-fifth graduating class of Augustana Hospital Training School for Nurses received their diplomas during a ceremony held last Friday evening in the Irving Park Swedish Lutheran Church.

A program of song and music added color to the graduation exercises, and Dr. Wahlstrom, the chief of staff of the hospital, and two other doctors addressed the audience.

Forty-six nurses received their diplomas, certifying that they have completed the required three years of training.

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Svenska Tribunen-Nyheter, Dec. 21, 1915.

THE LAKEVIEW EVENING SCHOOL



This night school, which is affiliated with North Park College, will continue its classes after New Year's Day. The chief course is English, elementary and advanced, and the school offers a fine opportunity to obtain thorough instruction in the fundamentals of the language.

Classes meet twice a week, from 8 to 10 P. M., at 928-938 Belmont Avenue. Students who are planning to attend the school during the next term are requested to register as early as possible, so that proper arrangements can be made. Mr. A. B. Ost, of the University of Chicago, is the instructor.

Svenska Kuriren, Aug. 19, 1915.

[NEW PROFESSORS HIRED]

The Scandia Academy has engaged new professors in mathematics and in stenography. There has been lively request for graduates from the academy by the export firms of the city.





Svenska Kuriren, Dec. 17, 1914.

[SWEDISH SCHOOL OPENS WINTER TERM]

Skandia Academy will begin its next term Monday, January 4. Instructions will be given in English, German, French, Swedish, Latin, Greek, Business Arithmetic, History, Physics, and Chemistry. The Academy is located at 403 Union Bank Building.



Svenska Kuriren, July 31, 1913.

SCANDIA ACADEMY

The Scandia Academy is growing very popular among Swedish-Americans in Chicago and elsewhere. Letters have been received from persons living in Michigan and other States inquiring about the Academy. Many teachers here and in Sweden have sent in their applications to become members of the Academy's faculty. Dr. O. A. Toffteen is the director.



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Svenska Kuriren, July 3, 1913.

A SWEDISH COLLEGE IN CHICAGO

On September 15, a new Swedish College will be opened, named "Scandia Academy," and available for the Swedish-American population in Chicago, according to announcement by the director, Doc. O. A. Tufften.



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Svenska Kuriren, June 3, 1911.

"THE ASSOCIATION FOR THE ADVANCEMENT OF SCANDINAVIAN STUDIES"

A club, "The Association for the Advancement of Scandinavian studies," was formed last Saturday at Hitchcock Hall enrolling seventy-four members. Most of them are teaching the Scandinavian languages as professors at various universities in this country. The following were elected officers: Prof. Julius E. Olson, president of University of Wisconsin; Prof. Julius Mauritzson, vice-president of Augustana College; Prof. George T. Flom, secretary-treasurer of Illinois University. The executive committee of the association consists of the following persons, elected for three years: Prof. A. Louis Elmquist, Northwestern University; Prof. Gisle Bothne, Minnesota University; those for two years: Ernst W. Olson, Chicago, Prof. William H. Scofield, Harvard University; those for one year: Prof. A. A. Stromberg, Minnesota University; Prof. C.N. Gould, Chicago University.



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During the first sessions of the association addresses concerning Scandinavian subjects were made by Professor Flom, Prof. A.M. Sturtevant, Dr. Lee M. Hollander, Dr. Henry G. Leach, Prof. Julius Olson, and Prof. Julius Mauritzson.



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Svenska Tribunen-Nyheter, Aug. 23, 1910.

### SWEDISH CHURCH SCHOOL

The day school which has been conducted by the Swedish Trinity Church this summer for Swedish-American children closed for the season last week.

The classes were attended by 142 children, ranging in ages between eight and fifteen, who received instruction in Swedish and other subjects which served to acquaint them with the history and customs of the land of their ancestors.

The pastor of the church, Gottfred Nelson, was in charge.



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Svenska Amerikanaren, June 24, 1909.

SWEDES GRADUATE WITH HONOR IN MUSIC

At the close of the last semester of the Chicago Musical College, the following Swedes graduated with exceptional honors: Miss Elizabeth Freeman was awarded a diamond medal for playing the violin; Miss Charlotte Johnson of Glen Ellyn, daughter of the publisher of the Swedish Kuriren, received a diamond medal for being the best student, and a gold medal for her performance at the piano; Mr. Warner R. Nelson received a gold medal as the best student in the harmony class; Miss Hilda E. G. Erickson was given a silver medal as a pianist; Miss Edna Victoria Swanson was given a diamond medal for singing; and Ethel A. Lund was given a silver medal for harmony.



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Svenska Tribunen, Jan. 30, 1906.

NORTH PARK COLLEGE EXPANDS

The North Park College is prospering and expanding. The school is now represented in the Loop by a branch known as the North Park School of Music, located in rooms 407 and 408 in Kimball Hall. This musical branch has an efficient staff of teachers, among whom are: Sigfried Laurin, A. Francke, and Blanche Waldenstrom. Prof. Laurin is principal of the school of music, a fact alone which should sufficiently guarantee the success of this enterprise. We feel that the college displayed wisdom in opening the musical branch, and also by adding such efficient teachers to its educational faculty.





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Svenska Tribunen, Oct. 8, 1902.

[A VISIT TO THE UNIVERSITY OF CHICAGO]

About four hundred of the delegates, who have been participating at the Swedish Baptists 50th Jubilee visited the University of Chicago last week. The visitors were received and greeted at the Kent Theater by President Harper, Prof. H. P. Judson, and Prof. S. Matthews. A response was made by Professors Lagergren and Edgren. The Swedish Baptists have a certain reason to be interested in the University because their own seminary at Morgan Park is now affiliated with the University of Chicago.



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Svenska Tribunen, May 7, 1902.

[MAY FESTIVAL.]

The North Park College gave a successful May 1st festival with an outing to Rosehill in the morning, and giving a concert at the College Hall at night. The commencement exercises will be held May 29 and 30.



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Svenska Tribunen, Feb. 6, 1890.

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HOLD GRADUATION EXERCISES

Graduation exercises were held last Saturday, February 1, in the Swedish School of Midwifery, 189 E. Huron Street. Among the graduates were three Scandinavian women: Mrs. Gudivia Jacobson, Miss Hannan Bahrd and Mrs. Ella Olsen.

This school, which is being conducted by Dr. Sven Windrow, with Miss Anna Malmquist as his chief Assistant, fills a great need in our community, and certainly not least for our Swedish women, of whom not many would be in a position to attend the regular American institutions teaching this subject. It is the only Swedish school, of its kind in the United States, and as a school of this type it enjoys a well-earned reputation. The new course, now in progress, numbers eight students.

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LECTURE

Professor A. J. Carlson of the University of Chicago gave a very interesting lecture on "Heredity" last Friday night in Cafe Idrott's auditorium. The lecture was one of a series which is being sponsored by the Swedish Educational League.

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Svenska Tribunen-Nyheter, Oct. 7, 1931.

### THE SWEDISH CULTURAL LEAGUE OPENS LECTURE SEASON

The annual series of lectures which the Swedish Cultural League has been presenting for several years in Cafe Idrott's lecture hall, 3204 Wilton Avenue, will begin next Friday, October 16. It is now sixteen years since the League was founded.

These lectures have always attracted much attention, and made the League very popular in the district. The program for the coming season has been planned so as to represent a variety of interests and points of view. Some of the lecturers are well known from previous years, while others will appear for the first time, and it is evident that the lecture committee has done its best to secure a representative group of speakers, that will maintain the reputation which the League has earned in the past.

At the first meeting, Dr. C. G. Wallenius will talk on "Some Swedish

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Contributions to World History," and a program of song and music will be presented. The two following lectures will be given by Ralph Chaplin, who will talk on the two famous literary figures, Emile Zola and Don Quixote.

On November 20, a new feature will be introduced, namely a debate. The very controversial issue of prohibition will be debated, and Attorneys Sheldon and Mozart will take opposite sides. On January 8, a Karlfeldt evening will be arranged. [Translator's note: Karlfeldt is a noted Swedish author and poet]. All in all twenty-two lectures will be given during the season, which will close March 25. Announcements regarding each meeting will be found in this newspaper from time to time, and detailed information may be obtained from the League's secretary, Gunnar Adolfson, 3206 Wilton Avenue. The admission to single lectures is twenty-five cents, and season tickets cost two dollars!

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### LECTURES

The lecture season of the Swedish Cultural League will begin Friday, October 24. These annual series of lectures arranged by the League have become more and more popular, and Swedes living in the Lake View district are waiting for them to start every fall. Last year there was some dissatisfaction because so few of the lectures were given in the Swedish language, and for the coming season the committee has engaged more speakers who can speak Swedish. Among the lecturers who will return this season we note Dr. C. G. Wallenius, who will relate tales and memories from the island of Gottland, Ralph Chaplin, who continues his interesting talks on American literary personalities, and Professor Joranson, who will discuss the topic, "Is History a Science"? Dr. Schneider will show colored slides of beauty spots in the West, and Professor Harper will lecture on "Soviet Russia". Docent Malmstrom, of the University of Lund, will discuss modern Swedish lyric literature and also the place of sports in modern society. His final lecture will deal with Kretschmer's psychology.

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A social gathering will be arranged on February 6, with a program of music and song and other entertainment.

Season tickets for all the lectures cost two dollars, while the admission to single lectures is twenty-five cents.

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### ANOTHER STUDY COURSE

The Illinois branch of the Scandinavian Workers' Cultural League will hold its usual summer course July 28--August 3, and it will be held at Sherwood Camp, which is located in beautiful surroundings on Lake Villa. Students will thus also have an opportunity to enjoy swimming and fishing.

The program includes lectures on the following subjects: "Co-operation," by Dr. Sandberg; "The History of the Labor Movement," by E. Bechtold; "Medical Science," by Dr. Lawson; "Marxism," by A. Pearson; "The Temperance Movement," by Ivar Johnson and "The School Systems of the United States and of the Soviet Union". (Name of lecturer not given). At night various educational and entertainment features will be presented around the campfire.

The fee has been set at one dollar per day, which comes to seven dollars for the entire course, including board and sleeping quarters. More detailed information may be obtained by writing to the League's secretary, Sven Westberg,

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SWEDISH STUDY COURSES

(Editorial)

As reported a couple of weeks ago, three district lodges of the Illinois Scandinavian Grand Lodge of the Order of Good Templars have been making preparations for a study course, which is to be given in the Good Templar Park at Lake Geneva from August 4 to August 7 inclusive. The plans are now complete, and the program for the series of meetings is much like that which has been adopted by the leaders of similar summer courses given in Sweden. Youths from various communities in this part of the country are given an opportunity to attend open-air classes, where they will receive instruction in the many activities carried on by the Order of Good Templars, as well as in other subjects of educational value.

We do not know whether or not outsiders are invited to attend this course, but

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its leaders undoubtedly desire as large an attendance as possible. For the larger the number of pupils, the more publicity will be obtained for the activities of the Order, and the more widely will the ideas and ideals for which it stands be distributed. The location of this summer school is particularly well suited for its purposes, and the beautiful park is an ideal place in which to spend a week, especially for the city worker who seldom has a chance to breathe the fresh, invigorating country air.

This summer course is a laudable undertaking, and those who have taken the initiative and have done the preparatory work deserve credit. Let us hope that other organizations will follow the example which this organization is setting. The study courses and lecture series which are being given during the winter are of great value, but why should these activities be discontinued as soon as the warm season sets in? In most of our societies, work is practically at a standstill during the summer, and the slack might well be taken up by study courses and lectures. And if such activities could be carried on in the open so much the better. Students would then benefit both mentally and physically.

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This study course which will open August 4 will not be the first one of its kind to be held here. A similar one was given a few years ago, also in the Good Templar Park, under the direction of the noted proponent of popular education, Professor Olson, from Sweden. He delivered a series of highly interesting lectures. That course was sponsored by another organization, but the majority of those who attended it were Good Templars. The Order may therefore be said to have been the leader in this field, and other organizations should follow. We have particularly in mind our many well-conducted sick benefit associations. They too have popular education on their program. But for various reasons that phase of their activities has been somewhat neglected.

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THE LECTURE SEASON BEGINS

Next Friday evening, October 11, the Lake View Swedish Study League opens its October, 1929--March, 1930, season in its old quarters, the hall of the Cafe Idrott. Included in the evening's program is an address by the noted educator, Dr. C. G. Wallenius.

During the remaining three months of the year, the lecture schedule will be as follows:

October 18: "Educating Yourself," by Harold G. Shields, of the University of Chicago; October 25: "The Rise of Medieval Towns," by Professor Einar Joranson, of the University of Chicago; November 1: "Social Psychology," by Dr. Edward N. Schoolman; November 8: "The Tragedy of the Reconstruction after the Civil War--the Reformer Thaddeus Stevens," by Dr. Heinrich H. Maurer; November 15: "The Tragedy of the Reconstruction after the Civil War--the Soldier U. S. Grant," also by Dr. Heinrich H. Maurer; November 22: "Suggestions on the Judgment of

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Pictures," by George E. Downing, of the Chicago Art Institute; November 29:  
"Grand Canyon, Bryce Canyon, and Zion National Park," by Dr. C. O. Schneider;  
December 6: "American Literature--Walt Whitman," by Ralph Chaplin; December 13:  
"American Literature--Theodore Dreiser," also by Ralph Chaplin.

Following each lecture, a musical program and other entertainment will be given.



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NEW STUDY COURSE IN GOOD TEMPLAR PARK

The Illinois department of the Scandinavian Workers' Educational League is planning to arrange a new study course this year. For that purpose it has approached the management of Good Templar Park in Geneva, and an arrangement has been made whereby the park is at the League's disposal from July 29 to August 5 inclusive. Those who attended similar courses in previous years know that they are very interesting and educational, and this year a special effort has been made to present a particularly fine program.

Among those engaged to deliver lectures are Carl Sandburg, Carl Haessler, Ralph Chaplin, and Dr. Lawson. Discussion on a variety of topics will take place every evening, and an effort is being made to combine pleasure with utility.

The committee on arrangements has issued an announcement, from which we quote:

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"We urge all who are interested, not only those who belong to the Educational League, but others also, to support this Course. It is open for all who wish to attend. The fee is only ten dollars, which entitles the student to food for six days, sleeping quarters in a tent for the same length of time, and the privilege of attending all lectures, participating in discussions, etc.

"Applications should be mailed as soon as possible to Gunnar Adolfson, 2306 Wilton Avenue, who will also give all information requested about the course. With the application should be enclosed five dollars as a down payment on the fee.

"By authorization,

"The Arrangement Committee."

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A LECTURE ON THOMAS PAINE

At the meeting of the Lake View Swedish Cultural Society last Friday night in Idrott's Hall, 3204 Wilton Avenue, Attorney Joseph Sheldon lectured on "Thomas Paine, Statesman and Freethinker". The large audience listened with keen interest to the life story of this remarkable American. The Violinist Arvid Anderson furnished the musical entertainment.

Next Friday, Gustaff Bjork will lecture on "Lindbergh, a Name in American History".

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**LECTURE**

The Lake View Swedish Cultural Association opened its spring season last Friday with a meeting in Idrott's Hall, 3204 Wilton Avenue, at which Fred Leighton lectured on "Old Mexico, Its Indians and Prehistoric Civilization". Leighton has spent much time in Mexico, and is familiar with its geography and culture and with the life of its people.

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The second part of this lecture will be given next Friday, and throughout the season other lectures dealing with educational topics will be offered every week.

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[SWEDISH ECONOMIST TO LECTURE HERE]



The Internationally Famous Swedish Economist, Professor Gustaf Cassel, is in Chicago for the purpose of delivering a series of lectures at the University of Chicago,

His sojourn in America up to now has been devoted chiefly to lecture engagements at the Universities of Philadelphia, Princeton, Yale, Harvard and Cornell. In these lectures he explained and discussed the program outlined by him before the Finance Committee of the House of Representatives at Washington, D.C., and which embodies a systematic application of a process to avoid the unnecessary fluctuations of the value of gold.

Professor Cassel's first lecture in Chicago was held last Monday in the Mandel Hall at the U. of C. His subject was "International Trade, Capital Movements and Exchanges." This afternoon he will lecture at the same place on "The Utility of Foreign Investments" and again on June 27 on "The War Debts."

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SWEDISH ROYALTY VISITS AMERICA

Prince Wilhelm of Sweden has arrived in America and is visiting and lecturing in the East.

His lecture in Chicago is scheduled for March 2nd at Orchestra Hall. The subject will be "Hunting Big Game in Pygmy Land." It is probable that more than one lecture will be delivered by the Prince while in Chicago.

Prince Wilhelm enjoys international fame as an explorer and big game hunter. His books on these subjects have been translated into French, English, and German. He also has had success as a poet and a playwright. His play, On Board, had its premiere just recently at the Royal Dramatic Theatre in Stockholm.

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MRS. EBBA NORMAN GOULD LECTURES ON "ELLEN KEY".

Ellen Key, the Swedish Authoress, was the topic of Mrs. Ebba Norman Gould's lecture given before the Lake View Swedish Study League last Wednesday. A record crowd attended this lecture, which was delivered in faultless and highly enjoyable Swedish. A special mention of this is being more because of the lecturer's American birth, although of Swedish parentage, but the main reason may be found in the fact that her husband is none other than the eminent professor of Scandinavian and Germanic literature, University of Chicago, Dr. Chester N. Gould.

Prof. Gould will be the lecturer at the Leagues' next meeting, Dec. 8th. His subject will be "The Old Icelandic Sagas."



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Under the Auspices of

THE AMERICAN DAUGHTERS OF SWEDEN

Miss Alma Hedin  
from Stockholm, Sweden,  
will lecture on

A Swedish Jane Addams  
and

"The Flower Fund"

Sunday, April 13th, at 3 P.M.  
at the

Trinity Lutheran Parish Home  
Cor. Barry Ave. & Osgood St.

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Singing by  
The Northland Ladies Trio

Admission 50¢





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ORCHESTRA HALL  
216 So. Michigan Ave.

Monday eve. at 8:15, Oct. 26th  
Tuesday P.M. at 2:30, Oct. 27th

Arrangements have been made for presentment to the Chicago public

Captain Roald  
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Famous Explorer of the North & South Poles  
Discoverer of the South Pole

The Topic for his lecture:

"Our Airplane Dash to the North Pole"

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### THE INTERNATIONAL QUESTION

"The International Economic Question" was the topic of an address delivered last Monday, the 19th, before members of the Hamilton Club of Chicago by the eminent Swedish statesman and parliamentarian, Baron Theodor Adelsward, President of the Inter-Parliamentary Union, which has concluded its annual conference at Washington, D.C.

He stated that American economic interests in Europe are so great, and the political angles by virtue thereof so intricate, a European war would necessarily involve the United States.

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Svenska Kuriren, Oct. 8, 1925

LECTURE ON "WALT WHITMAN"



Lake View Swedish Educational Society held its first meeting of the season yesterday, at which the prominent Chicago lecturer, Major Thornton A. Mills, spoke on "Walt Whitman, the most Loved and worst Hated American Poet."

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CARL LINDHAGEN



The Lord Mayor of Stockholm  
- Socialist member of the Swedish Upper House -  
will visit Chicago and deliver a lecture on  
"En Varbrytning i Statskonsten"  
(An Awakening in Governmental Policies)

Friday, Oct. 16  
at 8:00 P.M. at  
Hunting House  
4616 N. Clark St.

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Sunday, Oct. 18  
at 3:00 P.M. at  
Midway Masonic Temple  
6115 Cottage Grove Ave.

Musical programs on both occasions will be furnished by  
The Northland Trio, Chicago Swedish Glee Club,  
Nordstjernan Singing Club and Verdandi Orchestra.

Assist with your presence to give a hearty welcome  
to this real friend of the common people.

The Committee.

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Svenska Kuriren, Mar. 26, 1925.

LECTURES AND BANQUET PLANNED



Two lectures will be delivered at the regular monthly meeting of the Swedish Engineers' Society next Saturday, March 28th, beginning at 7:00 P.M. and preceded by the regular dinner. The first lecture will be on "Methods of Communications" by Mr. S.C. Summerfield of the Western Electric Company and the subject of the second one will be "The Waterway Laboratory of the Stockholm Institute of Technology" and will be delivered by Lieutenant Eric Lindquist, a civil engineer from Stockholm on a visit here.

The annual banquet and ball of the Society will be given in the Club House, next Saturday, April 4th, at 8:00 P.M. This affair will be given in honor of the Ladies Auxiliary.

Svenska Kuriren, March 5, 1925

LECTURE ON AFRICA

Dr. Amandus Johnson, author and scientist, is scheduled to deliver a lecture next Tuesday, at 8:00 P.M., at the Swedish Lutheran Ebenezer Church at the corner of Foster and Paulina Avenues. Dr. Johnson will talk on his extensive travels and research work in Africa, from which continent he recently returned after a sojourn of two years.

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Svenska Kuriren, Feb. 19, 1925

LECTURE ON THE "FATHER OF OUR COUNTRY"

"George Washington, the American Gentleman" will be the subject of a lecture to be delivered next Sunday at the University of Wisconsin, Madison, Wisconsin, by Mr. George Walter Johnson, a Chicago lawyer.

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SWEDISH EDUCATIONAL SOCIETY

The Academic Assembly is the name of the auxiliary organization formed last week by members of the lecture class, and students of the specialized branches, conducted by Dr. Olof A. Toffteen, formerly Rector of the Scandia Academy, and professor of Semitic languages at the Western Theological Seminary. The subject of Dr. Toffteen's lecture last Sunday was, "Was Jesus a Jew?"





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#### THE VERDANDI STUDY LEAGUE

The series of lectures which Verdandi arranged last winter attracted much interest and were very well attended. Many people have been wondering, therefore, whether the program would be continued this season. We are happy to be able to report that it will. A new series of lectures on educational topics will start tonight, and for the opening program Verdandi has secured the celebrated author Carl Sandburg, who has already made a name for himself in American literature and whose works are widely read. The lecture will be delivered in English, and he will discuss modern literature, including his own contributions. In addition, he will sing to guitar accompaniment, and it is certain to be an interesting and entertaining evening. The place is Idrott's building, 3206 Wilton Avenue.

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THE SWEDISH STUDY LEAGUE

At its last meeting, held in the Good Templars' building on Newpost Avenue, the Swedish Study League was addressed by Dr. C. G. Wallenius, who lectured on "The History of the Political Parties in the United States". The house was well filled by an appreciative audience, which followed the instructive talk with great interest. The lecture will be continued at the next meeting, which will be held October 24 in the same place.

The Northland Trio **entertained** with song and music.

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Svenska Tribunen-Nyheter, Dec. 12, 1923.

### VERDANDI STUDY SOCIETY

The study course in architecture offered by the Verdandi Study Society opened last Wednesday night in the Idrott restaurant's new building, Belmont and Wilton Avenues. A large audience filled the lecture room, but unfortunately the lecturer, librarian Einar Soderwall, who was to give the introductory talk on "India's Art," was prevented by illness from attending. He has recovered, however, and will talk tonight on the same topic.

On the opening night, last-minute arrangements were made and entertainment consisting of song, music, and recitations was provided, so that the evening was in no sense wasted by the large audience which had gathered. Similar entertainment will be given following each lecture.

This lecture course offers a fine opportunity for those who desire really educational and intellectual entertainment.

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Svenska Tribunen-Nyheter, Nov. 21, 1923.

LECTURE

"Youth, Athletics and Alcohol" was the topic of a lecture given by the noted lecturer Carl Holmsten, before the Good Templar Lodge Svea, No. 8, in Link's Hall last Sunday night. The public had been invited, and the hall was well filled, in spite of the fact that several other important Swedish gatherings took place that same night.

The lecture was received with great interest, and many declared that they had never heard a more interesting and instructive talk on this subject.

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[GOOD TEMPLARS SPONSOR] LECTURES

The Good Templars want to remind the public of the adult education course which will be given next Saturday and Sunday in the clubhouse at 647 East 61st Street.

On Saturday there will be a lecture at 6 P. M. and one at 8 P. M. Dr. C. G. Wallenius will open the series with a talk on "Nordic Culture"; he will be followed by Pastor Eric Scherstrom, who will discuss "The Present Position of the Prohibition Cause".

On Sunday afternoon there will also be two lectures, one at three and the other at four-thirty. Professor Einar Joranson will lecture on "Victor Rydberg," and editor Jacob Bonggren will speak on "The Rivalry between Idealistic and Realistic Literature in the Eighties". [Translator's note: The reference is probably to Swedish and other Scandinavian

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The series will be concluded with a social gathering Sunday evening. The program offers song and music by well-known performers. Editor Herman Cederblad will speak on "Physical and Spiritual Development".

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LECTURES

The study circle "Ljus" (light), consisting of members of the Independent Order of Good Templars, opens its season next Sunday with a meeting at which the blind lecturer Morris Levin will talk about Shakespeare and his works. The program also includes music.

During the coming winter, two meetings per month will be held, and among those who will address the study circle during the season are Donald McQueen, Professor Frederic Starr, Professor Einar Joranson, Dr. Johnson, John Keracher, and Editor Oscar W. Larson.

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THE SWEDISH STUDY LEAGUE

The League has just announced its program for the coming season, which extends from September 30, 1921, to April 28, 1922. On the former date a meeting will be held at which Editor Herman Cederblad will speak on "The Importance of Educational Work." The next lecture of the season will be given by Dr. Herman Lundborg, of the University of Uppsala, Sweden, on "Racial Hygiene and its Problems." Later on, Donald A. McQueen, high-school teacher, will give a series of lectures under the headings "A Study of Institutions," with the following subdivisions: 1. "Law and Government"; 2. "Religion"; 3. "Science and Industry"; 4. "Civilization Today."

After the start of the new year there will be lectures by Benjamin Mills and Editor Oscar W. Larson, who will speak on "The Art of Public Speaking" and "Socialism and Communism," respectively. Then follow two talks by Irwin St. John Tucker under the common heading, "The Empires of the North." The first one will deal with "The Sea Empire--the Vikings", while the other one will be



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on "The Land Empire--Gusavus Adolphus".

Towards the end of the season Dr. Einar Joranson will give a series of lectures on "The Background of Nineteenth Century Europe."

The final meeting will be held April 28, and it is planned to make it a festive event. Several individuals and clubs have promised to attend meetings throughout the work-year and to contribute to the entertainment with music and song. All in all, the League's 1921-22 season looks very promising.

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Svenska Tribunen-Nyheter, Apr. 27, 1921.

### LECTURE

The famous Swedish-American scientist and head of the Departments of Physiology and Pharmacology of the University of Chicago, Professor A. J. Carlson, lectured before the Swedish Study League last Friday night in the hall on Newport Avenue. The topic was, "Swedish Contributions to Physiology and Medicine". He outlined the life work of several Swedes who through their researches in these branches of science have earned the gratitude of their fellow men.

At times the learned professor became almost too technical for an audience of laymen. But the lecture was both interesting and instructive. We are sure everyone in the audience went home filled with awe and admiration for our men of science, who through years of painstaking work add to human knowledge, progress, and happiness.

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Svenska Tribunen-Nyheter, Mar. 16, 1921.

### LECTURES

The seventh lecture in the study course given by the South Side Good Templars will be delivered next Sunday afternoon at three o'clock by Professor Carrol Lane Fenton of the University of Chicago. He will speak on "The Origin of the Earth".

The Independent Order of Good Templars and the Swedish Study League have arranged a joint meeting, which will be held in the Templars' Building at 1041 Newport Avenue. Donald A. McQueen will speak on "The Inherent Failure of Capitalism". The title of the lecture sounds interesting. The program also includes songs and music. The meeting will start at 8 P. M.

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THE STUDY LEAGUE

At the League's meeting last Friday in the Good Templar Hall, 1041 Newport Avenue, Dr. F. A. Lundberg gave a lecture on "Aristotle."

This lecture was the first in a series of six. They all will deal with interesting and educational topics under the heading "From the Past to the Present."

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LECTURE

At the meeting of the Swedish Study League last Friday in its hall on Newport Avenue, Professor Donald McQueen gave a lecture on Karl Marx, which the large audience listened to with rapt attention.

Professor McQueen is now teaching at the Morgan Park High School, and on this occasion he generously took the place of Irwin St. John Tucker, who was originally scheduled to address the League.

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GOOD TEMPLARS' LECTURE SERIES

The course of popular educational lectures which the Illinois Scandinavian Grand Lodge of the Independent Order of Good Templars arranged here in Chicago came to a close last Sunday. The course lasted for four days, during which time six lectures were given, five in the English language. There were also several conferences among study leaders from the various lodges of the Order.

The introductory lecture was given last Thursday by Morris Levin who spoke on the life and work of the famous Helen Keller. On Friday, New Year's Eve, a party was arranged, and Editor Oscar W. Larson gave an informal talk. Recitations, songs, and music made up the rest of the program, and everybody had an enjoyable time.

On Saturday, two lectures were given. In the afternoon Maude Ball spoke on "Man and His Work". This was undoubtedly the most interesting lecture of the

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entire series. In the evening, St. John Tucker lectured on "The Old Norse Religion"; he considered several parallels of the social problems of today.

John Keracher lectured Sunday afternoon, and in the evening a party was given for all those who had participated in the lecture course, and their friends. The highlight of the evening was a talk by Mary O'Reilly entitled "What Is the Matter with Our Schools?" Another number on the program was the playing of a scene from Soderberg's play "Gertrude". The rest of the program was rich and varied, and provided a fitting finish for the lecture series.

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THE SWEDISH STUDY LEAGUE

At the League's meeting last Friday night in the Good Templar Building on Newport Avenue, Clarence Darrow, the famous criminal lawyer, gave a very interesting lecture on Leo Tolstoy. The hall was filled almost to capacity.

The next lecture will be given November 26, when Arthur M. Lewis will speak on "The Life and Work of Charles Darwin".

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Svenska Tribunen-Nyheter, May 5, 1920.

ATTENTION SOCIETIES AND CLUBS!

Organizations that wish to arrange for lectures on educational topics for their members have a treat in store for them. The well-known lecturer, Jenny Velander, is returning from a tour of the West, and will spend a few weeks in the city; during that time she will be available for lecture engagements. She has an extensive repertoire of instructive topics in a variety of fields, such as: "Cultural Geography as a Course of Study in Schools and in Self-Education;" "Sweden's Most Important Problem of Today"; "The Responsibility of Women in Regard to Our Great Social and Political Movements"; "Political Association and Disassociation"; "A Comparison between German and Scandinavian Educational Ideals"; "The Motor Car as Commercial Pioneer"; "The Modern Woman and Modern Dress"; "Sweden Just Now"; "The Language and its Role in Culture Building"; "Trends in Present Day Temperance Work"; "The Child and Alcohol"; and "Democratic Rebirth."

According to the original plans, Mrs. Velander was to lecture before Good

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Templar lodges only, but since she intends to remain here a couple of weeks longer than first thought, it has been decided to allow other organizations to avail themselves of this rare opportunity. It is not often that such a distinguished lecturer as Mrs. Velander visits our city; so as many people as possible should hear her.

Organizations that wish to arrange for one or more lectures should, without delay, get in touch with C. O. Engstrom, 2849 Abbott Court, who is the secretary of the Scandinavian Grand Lodge of Illinois of the Independent Order of Good Templars (I. O. G. T.).

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Svenska Tribunen-Nyheter, Mar. 17, 1920.

### THE SWEDISH STUDY LEAGUE

Carl Skogsberg's lecture before the Swedish Study League last Friday, on Mark Twain, the famous American author and humorist, did not draw as large a crowd as one would expect, but those who did attend the lecture were amply rewarded.

The lecturer opened by comparing Mark Twain with other great authors of modern times, and pointed to certain similarities between him and Hans Christian Andersen, the beloved Danish creator of beautiful fairy tales. He then went on to give an outline of the author's life, and an analysis of some of his best-known works.

The meeting was presided over by Axel G. S. Johnson, president of the organization. Following the lecture, a letter from the secretary of the Swedish National Society of Chicago was read, in which the Study League was requested to appoint two regular delegates to represent it at the



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Society's meetings. After some discussion it was decided to do so.



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Svenska Kuriren, Jan. 22, 1920.

SWEDISH STUDY SOCIETY

On Friday, January 23, at 8:15 P.M. there will be an illustrated lecture in astronomy. This will be the first in a series of three lectures by Professor E. J. Moulton. These lectures will be continued on January 13 and February 13.

On Saturday, January 24 there will be a social for members of the society and their friends. With the use of the stereopticon, a series of beautiful pictures will be shown.

Coffee will be served free of charge to all present.

Admission is free to members both evenings. Fifteen cents admission will be charged for non-members.



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ABRAHAM LINCOLN, THE DEMOCRAT

"Abraham Lincoln, the Democrat" is the subject of the lecture to be given by Mr. Carl Skogsberg before the Swedish Study Society on Friday, February 14, two days after Lincoln's birthday.

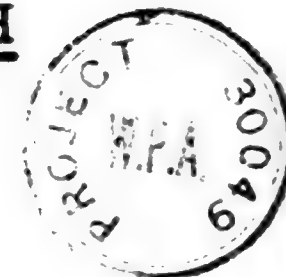
After the lecture refreshments will be served and plans will be discussed for the work of the coming year.



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Svenska Kuriren (Swedish Courier), Jan. 30, 1919.



### SWEDISH CONTRIBUTIONS TO SCIENCE

"Swedish Contributions to Science" is the subject of a series of free public lectures, which will be given in the Chicago Academy of Science lecture room, in the Museum building, the first and third Fridays of February, March, and April, at 8 P. M.

These lectures will be held under the auspices of the Swedish Study Society in conjunction with the Academy. The first lecture, which will be held Friday, Feb. 7, will deal with Linne as a zoologist. The lecturer is Dr. W.A. Lacy, Professor of Zoology at Northwestern University. The following four lectures will deal with Swedish research into botany, chemistry, physics, and mathematics. The lecturers are authorities on these subjects at the University of Chicago and Northwestern University, Professors John M. Coulter, Julius Stieklitz, Henry Crew, and Leonard E. Dickson.

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The final lecture, by Mr. J. Christian Bay, the director of the John Crerar Library medical division, comes also as a representation of Swedish North Pole expeditions.

These lectures, in which American scientists will present the work of Swedish scientists, should be of the greatest interest for the Swedes of Chicago. It is hoped that they will avail themselves of this unique opportunity to hear how Swedish scientific discoveries are regarded in scientific circles in this country.



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Debate

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There will be a debate at I.O.G.T. (Independent Order of Good Templars) Hall, 1041 Newport Avenue, Sunday, February 9, at 4 P.M. The subject will be Prohibition. The teams consist of: Affirmative, Dr. Ben Reitman; Negative, Mr. John Loughman.

The discussion circle "Free Thoughts," of the Study Society Verandi (Free Thoughts) meets Tuesdays at 8 P.M., at "Idrott," 930 Belmont Avenue.



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MEETING DATES ANNOUNCED

The discussion circle, "Free Thoughts", of the Study Society Verdandi, meets Tuesdays at 8 p.m., at Idrott Hall, 930 Belmont Avenue.



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SWEDISH STUDY SOCIETY

Alderman John C. Kennedy will continue his lectures on "Cooperation" before the Swedish Study Society next Friday, at the I.O.G.T. hall, 1041 Newport Avenue. This lecture which is the last of the series will deal with "productive cooperation."

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**PUBLIC MEETING**

(Editorial)

Swedish-American Ladies Society of Chicago, which has taken upon itself to furnish the "U.S. Government" with a fully equipped Red Cross Ambulance, has announced a large patriotic meeting to be held in Butler House 3212 Broadway, Thursday, Jan. 10th at 8:00 o'clock P.M. At this meeting Mrs. Fletcher Dobyn will speak on the Red Cross work. The Swedish Ladies Trio will render a few of their many beautiful songs. Everybody is invited to be present at this meeting and learn what their ladies are doing, and what is left to be done. Admission is free and it is highly desirable, that every Swedish woman, who reads this invitation, harken to the call for this patriotic cause.

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Svenska Kuriren, Mar. 9, 1916.

[TO HOLD MASS MEETING]

The Scandinavians of the South Side are invited to attend a Scandinavian mass meeting to be held at Lundquist's Hall, 61st and Morgan Streets, Wednesday, March 15, at 8 o'clock P.M. Topic for the meeting: "The Mass Murder of Workingmen in Industry and in War."

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Svenska Kuriren, Feb. 3, 1916.

[TO LECTURE ABOUT SWEDEN]

The well-known Swedish Journalist, Mr. Mauritz Enderstedt, member of the Swedish parliament, is in Chicago at present. On coming Sunday at 4 o'clock P.M., he will lecture about Sweden in the hall of the Swedish Club. He will discuss the internal politics of Sweden, and also the international situation as related to our old country. The lecture will be illustrated by one hundred and twenty views from various parts of Sweden.

After the lecture the speaker will conduct open forum concerning Sweden and the Swedes. Without desiring to reflect upon previous lectures from Sweden, we beg to state, that Mr. Enderstedt will bring us information from Sweden, not merely greetings.



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Svenska Kuriren, Oct. 28, 1915.

Free Lectures

The Scandinavian Socialist Clubs of Chicago have arranged for free lectures at Pearson's Hall, St. Charles, October 31. The topic will be "The Causes of the War and the Conditions of Lasting Peace."

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THE GOOD TEMPLARS' LECTURE COURSE

Professor C. G. Wallenius is scheduled to lecture on the subject "the Road to Culture" on February 28 at 4 P.M. The lecture will be given at Eagle Hall, Springfield and North Avenues.

The second lecture in the series, "Tuberculosis and its Relationship to Alcohol", will be given by Dr. John Lindquist on March 7, 5 P.M., at Colonial Hall, 5436 Wentworth Avenue.

The final lecture of the series will be given on March 14, 7 P.M., at Unold Hall in La Grange. Professor Wallenius will speak on "Abraham Lincoln".





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THE GOOD TEMPLARS' STUDY COURSE

The eighth lecture of the series arranged by the Good Templars [a temperance society] was given January 8, in Race Hall, 4153 Irving Park Boulevard. The subject was "Ears and Eyes and How to Care for Them"; the lecturer was Dr. William A. Peterson. The following day he lectured in the Royal League Hall, 536 North Parkside Avenue, on the subject "Why We Age".

The next lecture in the series will be given by Professor John E. Hillberg, in the Auditorium, on Davis Street, Evanston, on the subject "Implements of War".



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THE ORDER OF VASA

A new lodge of this order organized January 28 at Lippman Hall, at the initiative of the district master, Carl Festin. There are 62 charter members.

The following officers were elected: chairman, Sigfrid Larson; vice-chairman, Victor Larson; recording secretaries, Adolf Johnson and N. Olson; financial secretary, John M. Anderson; treasurer, Oscar C. Lindberg; chaplain, P. N. Blomstrand; ceremony master. C. G. Nelson.

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THE SWEDISH-AMERICAN WOMEN'S CLUB

The Swedish-American Women's Club held its annual meeting January 14, and elected the following officers: chairman: Mrs. Othelia Myhrman; vice-chairman: Mrs. Bertha Estborn; recording secretary: Mrs. Hanna Frost; corresponding secretary: Mrs. Alma Lindblom; treasurer: Mrs. Emma Hermanson; trustees: Mrs. Ellen Wennerberg, Mrs. Matila Larson, and Mrs. Olivia Nelson. The club decided to make arrangements for its second lecture to be held next month.



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SOCIALISTIC ADDRESSES BY GUS BERG

A number of Socialistic addresses will be given by Gus Berg, organizer for the Scandinavian Socialistic Workers' Society of the Socialistic Labor Party at different places in Chicago, and in the vicinity. Mr. Berg, who is from Portland, Oregon, is said to be one of the best Swedish Socialists in America.

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[SOPHIA SOCIETY LECTURE]

An unusually interesting lecture was given last Friday in the Methodist Episcopal Church, Clark and Washington Streets, by Mrs. C. O. Young, under the auspices of the Sophia Society, the well-known Swedish charity organization.

The subject was Tegner's undying "Frithiof's Saga," and Mrs. Young gave her audience a word picture of the Swedish Saga period which held it spellbound from beginning to end, and which was rewarded with the most enthusiastic applause.

Attorney George Q. Johnson told briefly of the work done by the Sophia Society among sick and unfortunate people, mostly of Swedish nationality. Similar lectures, accompanied by other entertainment, will be given by this Society from time to time, alternately in the Swedish and in the English language, and the public has here a chance to support a good cause and at



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the same time enjoy an instructive and interesting evening.



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Svenska Amerikanaren, Dec. 16, 1909.

### LECTURE TOUR

Miss Hedvig, of the Peterson Commission, who has been on the editorial staff of the Stockholm Blade for several years, is here to study American life and accomplishments. She carries recommendations from Archbishop Ekman, General Director Sigfrid Wieselgren, and the writer, Selma Lagerlof. She will be in Chicago during the later part of January, and will give lectures on the subjects: "Swedish-Americans in Sweden," and "Stockholm Now and Before." The lectures will be accompanied by lantern slides.



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Svenska Amerikanaren, Nov. 5, 1908.

### SWEDEN'S HISTORY OF LONG AGO

Oscar Montelius gave a lecture Thursday evening at Association Hall, 155 La Salle Street, and although his lecture was important enough to attract a large crowd, the attendance was smaller than expected.

The lecture was the first of three arranged by the Swedish Historical Society of America. Dr. Joshua Lindahl introduced Professor Montelius.

Professor Montelius, a lecturer of great ability, spoke on "Iron Ages," a subject in which he is Sweden's foremost authority. He limited his lecture to a discussion of the use of iron from the so-called historical period to the period when its use became universal.

The Iron Age varies in different countries. In Scandinavia iron was first used about 400 years B. C. instead of bronze.

It was the latter half of the Iron Age that the lecturer discussed. The beginning of the Iron Age in Sweden goes back a long time in history.





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Although we are little acquainted with prehistorical periods in the north lands, we know iron was used there in various weapons and other articles which have been preserved since that time, that is, for about two thousand years or longer. We have been fortunate enough to discover these objects to bear witness to the early use of iron. They reveal the culture of the people, their religious habits, and the fact that our pagan forefathers lived in a higher plane of culture than is generally thought. It has been established beyond all doubt that travel between Sweden and Europe went on in those times. This fact is recorded in history where it is shown that in Southern Europe there are traces of the Swedes that went there to trade. It was just to such discoveries that Professor Montelius devoted most of his lecture. The things he explained being so important, we wonder why so many people missed the opportunity of listening to him.

The second lecture was held Saturday evening at the Emmanuel Church on



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Sedgwick Street. As expected, the attendance at this lecture was larger than at the previous one. The lecturer explained the use of articles by our northern forefathers during the Bronze Age. Even in 1500 B. C. in the most remote parts of the land there was a culture which came in contact with the European and Greek cultures. It is thus that we account for traces of foreign influence in the North, and influence which reveals itself in our forefathers' methods of manufacture and their records of foreign trade. In those times both iron and silver were unknown, and all weapons were made of bronze or gold. Copper and tin, the raw materials for bronze, were purchased from other countries. This is born by the fact that although copper mines were unknown in Sweden, its inhabitants made many articles of molded bronze. The speaker showed pictures of bronze swords, axes, needles, and other articles, explaining their development, both as to use and ornamentation.

Men's wearing apparel during these old periods was made of wool and was



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held up by a belt or strap over the shoulders. Women's dresses were made of the same material, and their headdresses were similar to the ones of today. One of the most important accomplishments was the way in which our ancestors chipped stones during the Bronze age. Writing was unknown then, and our only clues to this old culture are the objects that were used.

These articles show that the prehistoric Northerners owned animals and implements to cultivate the land, that they planted oats, wheat, and corn, and that rye was unknown. Toward the end of his lecture the professor spoke of a time 2,500 or 3,000 years ago when the waters of the Adriatic extended over the Alps and to the foot of Denmark.

On Friday evening the Swedish Historical Society gave a banquet in honor of Professor Montelius. This banquet was original in that the guests did not have to listen to any speeches.



Svenska Amerikanaren, Oct. 22, 1908

A NOTABLE VISITOR

In an earlier issue of this paper, we mentioned the coming lecture tour in America by Prof. Oscar Montelius, and we now announce that October 29 and 31 have been set for two of his lectures. Our countrymen will have the opportunity of hearing him speak twice about the past and present of Sweden, which in itself will be interesting enough to attract a large audience.

The following is a short biography of this noted lecturer: Oscar Montelius was born Sept. 9, 1843, in Stockholm. In 1861 he entered college and graduated as doctor in 1869. While still a young student, he showed a leaning to public speaking. In 1880 he was sent to Vitterhet Historic Academy, and only last year he was appointed to its Historical Antique Department. Montelius has brought forth



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epoch-making accomplishments in his work. He stands out as an authority in the educational world and is considered one of the foremost authorities on the question of culture during ancient times. The results of his research have been published in several large volumes. Our old fatherland's oldest historian, Prof. Montelius, is not only one of our great authorities on historical writing's, but also one of our most talented speakers. During his visit here he spoke at various universities about the lives of the old Northmen.



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Svenska Tribunen-Nyheter, Oct. 16, 1906.

ATTORNEY HARRY OLSEN DELIVERS A LECTURE

Harry Olsen, the esteemed Swedish-American attorney who is a candidate for election as Chief Justice of the Municipal Court of Chicago, gave a very good lecture recently at the First Baptist Church, 31st Street and South Park Avenue, under the auspices of the Young Men's League. He made the statement that Chicago seems to be the haven of criminals from all over the world and that we have more lawbreakers than London, with its 4,500,000 inhabitants, to say nothing of New York City, our country's largest city.



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Svenska Tribunen-Nyheter, Oct. 2, 1906.

LECTURE BY DR. JOHN A. ENANDER

On Thursday evening, September 27, Dr. John A. Enander, one of Chicago's most outstanding Swedes, delivered his promised lecture on his recent tour of Sweden. This is the most interesting and authentic lecture we have heard and it was thoroughly appreciated by a capacity audience in the Svenska Evangeliska Lutherska Kyrkan (Swedish Evangelical Lutheran Church), at Barry and Seminary Avenues.



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Svenska Tribunen, Jan. 30, 1906.

[SWEDISH NATIONAL LEAGUE SPONSORS LECTURE]

Dr. Otto Nordenskjold, our famous Chicago Swedish explorer and scientist, gave a very interesting lecture with stereoptican views as a part of the mid-winter festival held by the Swedish National League of Chicago. The festival was held on Thursday, January 25, in the Theodore Thomas Orchestra Hall.

The musical portion of the program was exceptionally good, including the following home talent offerings:

Dahlmarsch (Valley March) by Widens, Harmony and Orpheum male choruses, directed by Joel Mossberg.

Abt's Morgonsang (Morning Song)

Swedish Ladies Quartette

Fredin's Gotland

Orpheus Male Chorus

Insane scene from "Lucia de Lammermoor"

Mrs. Hanna Butler





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Grugs Den Store, Hvide Flok (The Vast Un-numbered Throng)

Harmony Male Chorus.

Following the concert and lecture, Dr. Nordenskjold and Director Mossberg were honored by the vast assembly at the Hall, all joining in singing well-known Swedish songs.

Following the festival, the banquet, served in honor of these two favorites of Chicago's Swedish Colony, drew a packed banquet hall. Dr. A. J. Carlson, from the University of Chicago, serving as toastmaster, honored the honor guests in a really artistic and masterly manner.

The packed Orchestra Hall and the Victoria Hall are evidences of the most hearty co-operation existing between all groups in Chicago's Swedish colony.



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Svenska Nyheter, Sept. 5, 1905.

SWEDISH LECTURER TO SPEAK

Lecturer P. P. Waldenstrom arrived in Chicago last Wednesday from Sweden. On Thursday afternoon, he preached in the Mission Church, corner of Osgood and School streets, Lake View, and on Friday evening in the Bethany Church, Garfield Boulevard. On Saturday afternoon, he was the chief speaker in the meeting hall of North Park College at Kedzie and Foster Avenues. His lecture at the latter place referred principally to the relations between Sweden and Norway.



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Svenska Nyheter, May 30, 1905.

LECTURE ON SCANDINAVIAN FRATERNITIES

Mr. Erland Bjornberg, the organizer of the Scandinavian Fraternity of America, will speak at Belmont Hall, corner of North Clark Street and Belmont Avenue, on Wednesday May 31, 8 P.M. The topic of the lecture is the "Origin and Growth of the Scandinavian Fraternity." There will be music and singing. After the lecture, a lodge will be organized under the auspices of the Fraternity, which is the largest and most widely distributed Scandinavian organization in America. Both women and men are admitted to membership.



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Svenska Nyheter, Mar. 14, 1905.

[A NEW SWEDISH SOCIETY]

"Sons of the North," a society recently organized on the north side, last Monday elected officers for the first half-year. The following were elected: Frank O. DeSaix, president; C. Youngsberg, recording secretary; H. A. Halvorsen, financial secretary; O. Nelsen, treasurer. The trustees are: Rev. E. Lundin; A. Halquist; O. P. Hultin. . . . The society has rented a large hall for its meetings, 210 Oak Street, and already it has a large number of members. The objective of the society is to give the members practice and pleasure on moral ground, and to work for their development physically, morally, and intellectually. The society also seeks, through speeches, discussions, readings, etc., to work for the maintenance of patriotic attitudes among the Swedes, particularly those in Chicago, and also among those living elsewhere within the United States.



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Svenska Nyheter, Jan. 10, 1905.

[DELLGREN TO LECTURE]

At the meeting next Sunday of the First Swedish Unitarian Church, the Rev. August Dellgren, the pastor, will speak on the topic "How the poor are being cared for in England." The meeting will be held at Wells Hall, North Clark Street, at 11:30 o'clock A. M. Everybody is welcome.

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THE LIBERTY LEAGUE MEETS

The Liberty League holds its meetings every Sunday afternoon at three o'clock in Voltz Hall, corner of Chicago Avenue and Wells Street. On Sunday February 21, Attorney Petterson will speak on the topic, "The Past and the Present".....

On Sunday, March 6, Mr. Charles Rohn will lecture on the witch trials during the sixteenth and the seventeenth centuries. Following every lecture, there is an open forum and discussion. No admission fee is charged.



Svenska Nyheter, Dec. 1, 1903.

[ SWEDISH-AMERICAN NEW CHURCH TO GIVE LECTURE COURSE ]



Under the auspices of the Swedish-American New Church Association, a series of lectures will be given by Dr. John Headsten at the Swedish Odd Fellows' Hall, 120 East Chicago Avenue. The first lecture will be on Sunday, December 13, at half past three.

All the lectures will deal with the teachings of the New Church, and in his first lecture, Mr. Headsten will speak on the subject: "Who was Emanuel Swedenborg?"

Swedes ought not miss these lectures which will to some extent acquaint them with the lofty principles of life advocated by this great thinker.

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Svenska Nyheter, Apr. 28, 1903.

PROFESSOR HALLBERG AND FAITH HEALING

(Review)

"Healing by faith is neither Christian nor scientific. It is one of the semi-medical, semi-religious occurrences which is peculiar to all ages, having science for its mother, ignorance for its nurse, and which has its best support in fanaticism and egotism." Thus spoke our fellow-Swede, Professor C. S. Hallberg, the other day in a lecture given by him at the closing festivities of Chicago College of Pharmacy here in the city. The topic of his lecture was "The Materia Medica of Christian Science."

In support of the assertion referred to, Professor Hallberg stated: Aesculapus, the god of medical science in the old Hellas is depicted as a man carrying a cane around which a snake is coiled, a symbol of life and death. The poisonous snake symbolizes death, but when the snake is controlled by man, and the snake put in his right place, then it becomes the symbol of life and indicates that death dealing poisons may save life instead of destroying it, if suitably prepared and applied.



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The origin of this symbol is found in the act of Moses of erecting the copper snake in the wilderness, and the symbol was later referred to and acknowledged by Christ. Thus we find the highest exponent of law and the highest exponent of love united in a symbol which becomes what may be called the "weapon" for the profession, the objective of which is to mitigate pain and suffering, and to heal diseases.

Not only did the Savior and his disciples teach the healing of diseases by means of medicine, but the former made it a point to urge the latter to speak well of the men of medicine. Paul did not heal the stomach troubles of Timatheus by a faith cure, or by prayer, but prescribed the use of wine for him. Lucas the evangelist, who, according to the records, was himself a doctor, did not believe in healing by faith, while he accompanied Paul on his travels, caring for the latter's health so that he could continue his work as a preacher.

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The faith healer seems to forget that the healing of diseases merely should be

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considered an accident. To preserve health and to prevent disease are the main objectives of the medical profession. What could the movement for healing by faith be able to accomplish, that is against epidemics such as have destroyed the lives of millions in the past? The methods of the faith healer would never bring the desired results.

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Svenska Tribunen, Nov. 19, 1902.

[ A NEW CLUB ]

The newly founded Scandinavian Discussion Club will meet every Saturday at 363 Sedgwick Street. The topic for the meeting Nov. 22 is - "Have the Unions performed any good for the working class?"



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Svenska Tribunen, Mar. 12, 1902.

LECTURE

Mrs. Nels Bouveng gave a lecture last Friday at the Adam School. His topic was, "Travels in Sweden". The attendance was large and many could not gain entrance.



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Svenska Tribunen, Nov. 13, 1901.

RELIGIOUS REFORMATION; WALDENSTROM IN CHICAGO

In Sweden the reformation was brought about without appreciable concussion. The power of the preachers diminished gradually after their severance from the Catholic Church, which was too strict for the freedom-loving Swedes. The too strict ecclesiastic doctrines needed to be further liberalized.

The philosophy taught by Spencer in Germany, was brought to Sweden by Grubb, who after having been a professor at the University of Greifswald, became a preacher in Umea, Sweden, in 1711. The Swedish Priest was reluctant to give ground and he fought with tenacity the theory of spiritual freedom. "Were it not for the so-called Free Church, religious freedom would not be a fact even at this late date,"



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said Professor Waldenstrom. A more congenial atmosphere is now prevalent between the old Lutheran Church, and all other Protestant denominations in Sweden than could have been expected from the manner in which the old church fought the reformation from within; almost as stubbornly as it opposed the ancient Catholic Church.

Professor Waldenstrom will lecture at North Park College next Wednesday.



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Svenska Tribunen, Nov. 6, 1901.

LEKTOR WALDENSTROM

Lektor Waldenstrom known for his rather liberal interpretation of religion and church laws is in Chicago.

Last Sunday he spoke at the North Side and South Side Mission churches. Both churches were filled by people eager to hear the lecturer.

Last Monday Waldenstrom spoke before the student body of North Park College, expounding the so-called Free Church Movement in Sweden. Tonight he will speak at the Bethania Church, Garfield Boulevard and Fifth avenue, on the subject "The Higher Critique."

A great festival will be held Sunday, Dec. 1, at the Auditorium, where Waldenstrom will be the main speaker. The next three weeks he will spend lecturing throughout adjacent states.



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INTERESTING LECTURE

p.11.....An especially interesting lecture was given by the widely ~~traveled~~ editor of Jamtlands-Posten (Jamtland-Post), V. Hugo Wickstrom, Ph. D. on the significant subject "Varer Svenske" (Be Swedish) last Sunday afternoon at Phoenix Hall, 324 East Division Street, before an unusually large and attentive audience. In a concise, biographical talk, Editor Jakob Bonggren introduced the already well-known lecturer to the large audience, which welcomed Dr. Wickstrom with applause on his appearance. The lecture began by expressing his longing to meet his many countrymen in America, a longing which he found so much more justified since America now has nearly half as many ~~descendants~~ of the sons of the North as old mother Svea herself.

Then he began to expound his subject: "Varer Svenske" (Be Swedish) and said that this was an exhortation which concerns countrymen here as well as in Sweden. As a speaking proof of the possibility of remaining Swedes, even in a foreign country, and an example worthy of being followed, he now held up the little Swedish colony,



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Gammal Svenskby, down on the Black Sea's shores in South Russia. In an entertaining manner the speaker depicted the colony's history, describing how the Swedes in Gammal Svenskby (Old Swedish Village) preserved the Swedish language, the Swedish outlook and not so few of the Swedish customs in spite of the fact that they have been pressed from all sides. If the Swedish people's origin has any meaning, if culture's hearth has any birth-right, then, even "the good Swedish" should be preserved, the speaker said, and held up in this connection that middle and Southern Sweden, according to newer investigations, is the original home of the Aryan people. Sweden, he pointed out, has never been conquered by foreign people, its old mythology is profounder and nobler, its conception of the right is cleaner, its laws better and its history greater-in-kind than any other people. In regard to spiritual culture, Sweden takes its place among the world's noblest nations, likewise, also, its learned men are counted among the world's greatest. The language of the Swedish people is sonorous, its literature is beautiful, its arts are recognized, and its schools are superior. For these reasons, and many others, which were touched upon, the speaker said "the good Swedish" should be preserved. Toward the end of the lecture the speaker told how important it was for Sweden that "the good Swedish" be preserved in

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this country. Threatening times were near for the old country, and then the native-land would need both spiritual and material aid from the Swedish people in America. The lecture closed with a warm greeting from the native-land to its sons in the far West. Besides the lecture, on the program, there was a beautiful baritone solo by Christ. Brusell, two well-rendered violin solos by Miss Appelon, and a pair of arresting songs by Miss Elina Malmborg. Dr. Enander thanked the lecturer on behalf of the audience, and sent greetings to the beloved native country in the high North, through the lecturer.

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VARER SVENSKE! (BE SWEDES)

p.11.....The Swedish Cultural Institute has succeeded in making arrangements with the well-known Swedish author, newspaper-man, and travel-lecturer Dr. Hugo Wickstrom, Ph.D. from Ostersund, for a lecture here in the city. This lecture will be held next Sunday afternoon, May twenty-sixth, at 4:00 P.M. in Phoenix Hall, 324 East Division Street, where the famous speaker will discourse on the subject so fraught with meaning to Swedish-Americans, namely: "Varer Svenske" (Be Swedes), and we dare fortell that the public will enjoy a real festive hour since the lecturer is an orator who can in a masterly manner express "arans och hjaltarnes sprak" (language of honor and heroes).

Dr. Hugo Wickstrom has made for himself an honored name as an author and lecturer, not only in the old native land, but even far beyond its borders. Everywhere where he has appeared his lectures have been heard with the utmost interest by the large audiences; he has been the subject of much praise by the Swedish press for the substantial material, concise form and easy-to-understand manner of presentation which has marked



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his lectures, and which by these means have become enjoyable even for the great public.

The lecturer has made wide travels in foreign lands, and among other countries, has visited Palestine, where Jerusalem especially was the subject of his unusual talent for observation. He has delineated his past travels in an interesting book, which is highly thought of by critics and the public, just off the press in Sweden. The eminent traveler who has newly arrived from Japan and China, has of late lectured at Spokane, Denver, Omaha, Minneapolis and other places, where Swedes in greater numbers are to be found and has everywhere enjoyed the greatest acclaim.

Seldom is offered such an interesting and elevating event as the affair at Phoenix Hall next Sunday promises to be, and one may predict that it will be very well attended.

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**LIBERTY LODGE**

p.11.....Liberty Lodge, Number Three, I.O.G.T. last Sunday evening held a successful affair at Jaeger's Hall. The popular temperance lecturer, A. S. Sather, from Rice Lake, Wisconsin, gave a talk, which was illustrated with stereopticon slides. They depicted saloon-life, and certain aspects of the Boer War. Before and after the lecture there was singing and declamations.

After the program coffee and ice-cream was served.

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INTERNATIONAL BROTHERHOOD LEAGUE

p.11.....The International Brotherhood League will have a public meeting next Sunday morning, at 10:45 A. M. at Wells Hall, 1631 North Clark Street. Interesting lecture and good music.

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Svenska Tribunen, Apr. 3, 1901.



SWEDISH CULTURAL INSTITUTE

p.11..... The lecture at the Swedish Cultural Institute at Speltz Hall, Lake View, last Sunday afternoon was attended by an attentive audience. Countrymen and Countrywomen from both the South and West sides attended, but, strangely enough there were fewer from Lake View than expected from that section.

Miss Margaret Dahlstrom sang a very beautiful song, accompanied by Mrs. Engstrom. Pastor Leonard Stromberg gave a lecture on "Religion and Culture". It was characterized by lofty ideals and noble thought. After this Mr. A. Hagman sang two Swedish songs. They were request numbers. The program ended with a declamation concerning the native land.

Next Sunday at three P.M. the well-known Editor, Poet and Man of Letters, Dr. Jacob Songgren will lecture on **Swedish**, and Swedish-American Literature. During The Last Twenty Years."

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Other numbers on the program will be music and song.

Since meetings of various kinds are held at the same time in different halls in the same building, it is to be carefully noted that the Cultural Institute Lectures are held in the large hall. Its entrance is to the right at the top of the stairs.

Admission is free, and the lectures begin at three P.M. sharp. Those who wish to secure good seats should come early.



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**STEREOPTICON LECTURE**

p.11.....A stereopticon lecture featuring Sweden and Norway will be given at the Swedish Lutheran Gethsemane Church, May and Huron Streets, this evening and tomorrow evening the twentieth and twenty-first of March. Tickets to both lectures are fifty cents. Mr. O. A. Thorp's beautiful slides will be shown. The popular lecturer insures the public a real return for their money.

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SWEDISH CULTURAL INSTITUTE LECTURE

p.11.....The Swedish Cultural Institute's Lecture was held last Sunday afternoon at Spels Hall in Lake View before a full house. After a male chorus, under Mr. Dufvas' direction had rendered two beautiful Swedish songs, Professor D. Nyvall, President of North Park College gave a very interesting lecture on "The Meaning of Fantasy in Regard to Character." The justly famous Mapart Octette then sang two songs, which were well received by the audience. Mr. Frithiof Malmquist recited between the numbers the poem "Sveaborg" by John Ludvig Runeberg.

Next Sunday at three P.M. C. A. Evald will deliver a lecture entitled "Greetings from the Reformation's Homeland." The program also offers music and song by the best of talent.

Countrymen and country-women are most heartily invited. Admission is free.

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INTERNATIONAL BROTHERHOOD LEAGUE

p.11.....The International Brotherhood League, Lodge 45, whose membership consists of Scandinavians is to conduct its public meeting next Sunday afternoon at Wells Hall, 1631 N. Clark Street. Good music. Admission free.

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SWEDISH CULTURAL INSTITUTE

p.11. Last Saturday, Pastor G. A. Hagstrom, gave an interesting and educational lecture on the subject: "World Conditions at the Time of Christ's Appearance." This was followed by singing by Miss Frida Eklund.

Next Sunday, Professor Nyvall, President of North Park College, will lecture on "The Meaning of Fantasy in Relation to Character," after which the Mozart Octett and Chorus, under the direction of Mr. Dufvas, will entertain. The lecture will begin at three P.M. sharp. Admission is free. All countrymen are cordially invited.



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### THE YOUNG WOMAN'S FRIENDLY CLUB

The Young Woman's Friendly Club is the name of a society which was organized among the servants girls of Oak Park last Thursday. The society's aim is to awaken interest in the community; place the members in a position to be mutually helpful; prepare an opportunity for them to take up useful broadening studies, and to work for the recognition of those worthy, who are engaged in social endeavors. Besides this, to help the needy outside the organization.

The club's annual meeting will be held the first Thursday in October, and regular weekly meetings will be held the first and third Thursday of each month.

At the weekly meetings, a program of literary and musical endeavors will be held, when various questions will be discussed, and subjects to broaden interest will be approached by speakers invited for that purpose.

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At the first meeting the club members have as their subject for study and consideration: "India, and her People." Mr. Frank Moore, librarian at the Scoville library will lecture. India is of special interest to the members since it is their purpose to aid the native-born Hindu Missionary, Premdita Ramabai, in her work among the young widows of India.

About twenty servant girls joined the organization at its first meeting. Among them were the following: Ada Stackelberg, Annie Anderson, Mary Lyman, Jennie Olson, Sophie Larson, Mary Anderson, Alma Larson, Christine Rosdell, Agnes Carlson, Ida Peterson, Louise Haglund, Ida Knut, Clara Vigren, and Freda Qwiberg.

A large number of girls have given notice that it is their aim to join the organization, and it is expected therefore, that the membership will soon be quite worthy of notice.

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LECTURE AT SWEDISH CULTURAL INSTITUTE



The Swedish Cultural Institute at Spelz Hall, at North Clark Street in Lake View, last Sunday was well attended. The program offered a beautiful solo by Dr. E. O. Benson, who sang "Du Gamla, Du Friska, Du F Jallhoga Nord" (Thou Old, Thou Sound, Thou North With Mountains High).

After this followed two excellent violin solos by Professor C. F. Frederickson, a masterful temperance declamation by Miss Elizabeth Swanstrom, and an especially pithy lecture on the care of health, by Dr. C.O. Young. Next Sunday, editor A. Shon will deliver a lecture at the same place on Erik Janssonism in Helsingland, whose followers emigrated at last, and founded the colony of Bishop Hill in Illinois.

The program will also offer songs, music and declamations. The lecture will begin at three P.M. Admission is free.

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Svenska Tribunen, June 22, 1892.

AMONG OUR ENGINEERS



The Scandinavian Engineering Society of Chicago held its regular monthly meeting last Thursday, at the Sherman House, under the presidency of Allan Strale. A discussion on "The Relative Features of Rope and Belt Transmissions" was opened by the society's first vice president, E. T. Sederholm, who holds the position of chief engineer of the Fraser & Chalmer's Engine Works. A discussion of the same subject will be resumed at the society's next monthly meeting, at which time a written treatise on the subject, will be read by N. A. Christensen, who is a consulting engineer with the above mentioned firm. Non-members are invited to take part in these instructive discussions.



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Svenska Tribunen, June 19, 1890

### AN INTERESTING LECTURE

was delivered last Saturday at the Central Music Hall by Professor R.B. Anderson, the former American Ambassador to Denmark.

He spoke of the Norsemen's (the men from the North) explorations of America long before the days of Columbus. He gave an interesting account of the expeditions made to America by our forefathers in the tenth, eleventh, twelfth and thirteenth centuries, and drew a word-picture of the history of the first Norseman's colony on American soil. This colony was founded in the year 1007, in what is now Massachusetts, by Thorfinn Karlsefne and his wife Gudrid, who arrived here accompanied by 151 men and 7 women. It is claimed that Gudrid gave birth to the first white child born on the American continent. This child, a boy, later became known as Snorre Thorfinson, from whom the world-famous Danish sculptor, Thorwaldsen, among others, claims his ancestry. All in all it was a very interesting and educational lecture, which was deserving of a much larger audience than the one present that evening.

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Svenska Tribunen, June 1, 1880.

## LECTURE ABOUT SWEDEN.

Miss Marie A. Brown gave a very interesting lecture last Thursday night at Fairbanks Hall attended by a large group of Scandinavians and a few Americans. She showed great knowledge of the history and geography of Sweden. She also showed fine pictures of different parts of the Scandinavian countries and the larger cities, Stockholm, Upsala, Gothenburg, Kristiania and Copenhagen.

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THE SWEDISH NATIONALITY IN AMERICA.

Editor J.A.Enander gave a lecture last Wednesday in the Immanuel Church. His topic was: "The Swedish Nationality in America." Mr. Enander's lecture was very interesting. He predicted that the Swedish nationality in the United States was going to have a great influence upon the future life and progress of America. "The main thing for us Swedes," he said, "is not only to preserve and defend the manly Nordic character we have inherited from our forefathers, but also to adopt all the good we will find among our American brethren."

Forty million inhabitants in this country are attentively observing us, watching us and the work we are doing for the good of this canny nation. Our duties are great and we have a responsibility both as citizens and as church members.

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NEW SWEDISH GOLF CLUB

The Nordic Country Club is the official name of an organization just formed by business and professional of Swedish birth and descent in Chicago. At a consideration of \$100,000 they have purchased a 200-acre tract of land in Du Page County, a few miles west of the City Limits and not far from Irving Park Boulevard. An eighteen hole golf course will be built and plans for the club house have already been approved. In addition there will be built an outdoor swimming pool and a ski hill. When completed the project will cost about \$300,000.

The original organizers were the following Chicago Swedes: Attorney C. Hilding Anderson; Herman W. Carlson; Capt. Ernest G. Dahl; Thomas S. Friend; Nels O. Johnson, Nils J. Lindskoog; Attorney C. Hjalmar Lundquist; E.F.T. Lindquist; Chas. H. Rosberg; Edward E. Streed and Rudolph W.N. West.

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SWEDISH GYMNASTIC CLUB FORMED HERE

A meeting was held last Thursday in Cafe Idrott by persons interested in gymnastics, and about thirty people attended. Herbert Swalgren presided and explained why the meeting had been called. After some discussion it was decided to form a society for the purpose of engaging in gymnastics and physical culture and to encourage the interest in such activities among Swedes in Chicago. The following officers were elected: Herbert Swalgren, president, Ruth Soderstrom, secretary, and Carl Tapper, treasurer.

Interest in gymnastics has not been lacking among Chicago Swedes, but for certain reasons, among them being the difficulty of obtaining suitable quarters, nothing has come of it until now. At this meeting the question of location was taken up, and Herbert Swalgren and Axel Weeberts were appointed to investigate the possibilities and submit recommendations at a later meeting.

The members have planned to start practice in February and to form one troupe

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for ladies and one for men. Fifteen persons of both sexes signed up as members of such troupes at the end of the meeting.

The question of a name for the organization was also discussed, but a final decision was postponed, since it was considered to be too important for a hasty decision. It was pointed out that this club is to represent not only Swedish gymnastics but also Sweden itself as a leader in physical culture.

The next meeting will be held Monday, February 1, and everyone who is interested is invited to attend. Judging by the interest which was evidenced last Thursday, there is every reason to believe that this gymnastic club will be successful and will fill a long felt need among our countrymen in Chicago.

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[TRIUMPH FOR CHICAGO]

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The 60-game Inter-City Bowling Match between Chicago and Cleveland, Ohio, was won by Chicago in the concluding game the other day. The finalists were our countryman, Adolph Carlson of Chicago, and S. Mercurio of Cleveland. Carlson won with 387 pins. The total points for the 60 games were 13,201 for Carlson and 12,814 for Mercurio. Mr. Carlson also pocketed \$1,000 as his prize for winning the match.



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Svenska Kuriren, Jan. 3, 1929.

HALL WINS SHOOTING PRIZE

To hit the bull's eye is evidently not any effort for our well-known countryman, County Architect Eric E. Hall. At the annual "turkey shoot" arranged last week by the Lincoln Park Shooting Club, Mr. Hall's score was one hundred percent, thereby giving him first prize. Four contestants scored ninety-eight per cent, and three, nine-seven percent.



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Svenska Kuriren, June 7, 1928.

[THUNHOLM IN SWEDEN]

John G. Thunholm, President of the Swedish American Athletic Association of Chicago, is at present on a visit in Sweden, partly on business and partly to see his folks in his hometown, Stockholm.

He brought with him from Chicago a check in the sum of 5,000 Swedish Kroner (about \$1,600.00) to be presented to the Swedish Olympic Games Committee as a contribution from the Swedish-American athletes in Chicago toward the Swedish participation in the games this summer at Antwerp.



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Svenska Kuriren, June 7, 1928.

FREBERG DEFEATS MUNN

In the Wrestling Bout on Decoration Day at Riverview Park, John Freberg, the Swedish champion, defeated Wayne "Big" Munn, the "Giant among Wrestlers." The first fall was won by Munn in twenty-three minutes, the second fall by Freberg in nine minutes, and the third and deciding fall also by Freberg in one and one half minutes.

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Svenska Kuriren, May 31, 1928.

[PEEL CUP PLAYOFF]

The final game for the Peel Cup was played last Sunday at the De Paul University Field between the Swedish-American Athletic Association's first team and the professional Sparta Athletic Club. The result was a 3-2 victory for the professional club, after a hard fought game, which displayed great skill on both sides. The deciding goal was made by Sparta on a penalty kick.

This game was a re-play of the finals for the coveted Peel Cup last Sunday at the Soldier's Field, at which neither of the above teams were able to score.

SOCCER RESULTS



The Soccer Football Season in Chicago is now well under way and "our boys" have proven that they are in fine mettle.

Two weeks ago last Sunday the Swedish-American Athletic Association's team defeated the German Club by a score of 8-3, and the Sunday before last they proved their fortitude by beating the Waverly Ball Club by 8-0. Again last Sunday they came out victors with 5-0 against the Ulster United.

Last Sunday saw two other soccer victories for the Swedish colors. The north-side Liberty team beat the Lyons by 5-3, and the south side Linnia team handed the Chicago Sports Club a 3-1 defeat.

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"THE CHICAGO SWEDISH CHESS CLUB"

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played a chess tournament against the Chicago Chess and Checker Club the other day.  
The result was 6 - 2 in favor of the Swedes.

SWEDISH CHESS CLUB LEADS

The Swedish Chess Club of Chicago is leading its rival clubs in the City Chess Tournaments now being played.

The positions among the five leading contestants are as follows:

	WON	LOST
Swedish Chess Club	45	19
City Club of Chicago	48½	20½
Northwest Chess Club	33	23
Chicago Chess Club	29½	23½
Commonwealth Edison Co.	32	24



Svenska Kuriren, Jan. 26, 1928.

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THE SWEDISH WRESTLERS WON

The Central Amateur Athletic Union's ninth annual wrestling championship tournaments have just been held in Chicago and ended in an overwhelming victory for the Swedish-American Athletic Association.

Final Score: Swedish-American A.A. 33 points:  
Hamlin Park and American boys' Commonwealth 10 points each:  
Danish-American A.A. 9 points and  
Pulaski Park A.A. 5 points.



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LIBERTY BALL CLUB

This is the name of a new Swedish Athletic Club just organized on Chicago's north side. Mr. Gust Bengtson is the Club's president and Mr. O. C. Hendrikson its secretary. The club meetings will be held at 1806 Foster Avenue.

Svenska Kuriren, March 31, 1927

STOCKHOLM AND MATE WIN SIX-DAY BIKE RACE

Carl Stockholm and Franko Georgetti, riding as a team, won the 6-Day Bicycle Race arranged at the Dexter Pavilion and just concluded.

Mr. Stockholm is Swedish, as we all know. He operates several dry-cleaning and dyeing stores in Chicago.

**[S. A. A. A. MEETS]**

p.11....**Swedish American Athletic Association at its annual meeting elected the following officers for the coming year:**

**President, John G. Thunholm; vice president, A. Berg; treasurer, Ernie Johnson; financial secretary, Nils Carlson; assistant financial secretary, O. Munson; recording secretary, C. Palmquist; assistant financial secretary, Sven Felldin; custodian; H. England; trustees, S. Young; Gust. Carlson; G. Wihlborg; O. Nord, and J. Nord.**

**The annual amateur wrestling championship matches are near at hand. The great Central Athletic Amateur Union Championship matches in all weight-classes for the Midwestern States, will be held on Friday, the 28th, and Saturday, the 29th in Swedish American Athletic Association Clubhouse at 752 Barry Avenue. As in previous years Swedish-American Athletic Association and its wrestling coach,**



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Carl Goranson, has also this year been entrusted with the responsibility of arranging these competitions. During the last three years the Swedish-American Athletic Association has carried home the lions share of points. The club, which this year receives the highest number of points, will be awarded an honorary prize donated by F. Stevenson. The respective winners in the different classes will receive S.A.A.'s Gold-Silver and Bronze Medals.

A review of this fall's football results shows our club to be well placed in the International League's 1st Division, with only three points behind the leaders and it hopes to be able to go thru the spring season without defeat, and thus qualify for the "finals". During the fall season twelve games were played, and seven won, two were draws and three lost, total goals scored 34, and 17 last. The scores were: Harry Johnson 9, Norling 8; Stuve Franzen 4; Carl Johnson 3; Hugo Johnson 3, "Pete" Petterson 2, and Edw. Bjorklund, C. Hultgren, "Knecken" Johanson, Harry Johanson, B. Rosen and Wicksell each one goal.

In its ordinary lineup the football team has mustered the following players reading from goal: Torsten Erickson, G. Wihlberg, Nelson (Vesperman), Sven

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Felldin, S. Hagman, Edw. Bjorklund, Carl Johnson II, "Pete" Petterson, "Knecken" Johanson, Harry Johanson, Morling and Hugo Johnson.

At the start of the season "Gotland" Hultgren left for Detroit, where he now plays on a Swedish team. Just before the end of the year the team's captain and G.H.B., Sven Hagman, left for San Francisco, where his football playing ability is in demand. Both of these boys are expected back in Chicago in the spring.

Ernie Olson the old "all around athlete and football player" is manager with Gust. Carlson as his assistant.

The club's reserve team has successfully played in the 2nd Division. It has usually mustered the following players: T. Hagg, H. Carlson, Friman, Hedendahl, V.Lindberg, "Texas" Arvidson, Benno Anderson, Arnold Anderson, Hilding, "Osse" Carlson, E. Ek. Sten Carlson and Wally Johnson also played a few games. (H.J.)

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## JOHN FRIEBERG DEFEATS JOE STECHER

The much heralded wrestling bout between the holder of the World's Championship in Heavy-weight Wrestling, Joe Stecher, and our countryman, John Frieberg, took place Friday, 19th, at the Northside Turner Hall. The outcome was a victory for Frieberg. There were no falls on either side during the one-hour period of wrestling, but Frieberg won overwhelmingly on points.

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A FIGHT TO A FINISH  
for the  
World Championship

In Heavy-Weight Wrestling

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John Frieberg

- vs -

Joe Stecher

will be staged at  
The Northside Turner Hall  
820 N. Clark St.  
Friday, March 19, 8:15 P.M.

The Season's Greatest Wrestling Sensation!  
Don't miss it!

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SWEDES VICTORIOUS IN CHESS

The chess match arranged by the "Chicago Chess League" between the Swedish Chess Club and the University of Chicago Chess Club, the other day, resulted in a  $4\frac{1}{2}$  -  $3\frac{1}{2}$  victory for the Swedes.

This is a very notable victory, as the University of Chicago Club is considered on a par with the Chicago Chess Club, which will be the Swedes' Club next opponent.



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Svenska Kuriren, Feb. 4, 1926**SWEDES WIN CHESS CHAMPIONSHIP**

The Chicago chess championship was again awarded the Swedish Chess Club by virtue of the Club's victory, the other day, over the German Chess Club. The final match comprised eight games, of which the Swedes won seven and lost one. The winning players were A. Bjuren, F. Strand, G. Nystrom, F. Oberg, I. Nordstrom, E. Johanson and H. Gustafson. The losing player was N. Hansen.

Svenska Kuriren, Dec. 24, 1925

**SWEDES WIN CHESS CHAMPIONSHIP**

The Chicago chess championship was won by the Swedish Chess Club of Chicago at the city-wide tournament held last week. The finalists in class one were the Swedes and the Commonwealth Edison Chess Club, and the outcome was 4-3 in favor of the Swedes.

The Swedish players were: H. Lundblad, G. Nystrom, F. Oberg, H. Gustavson, H.G. Reinhold, E. Gustavson, H. Gabrielson and W. Johnson.

Svenska Kuriren, Nov. 26, 1925

**SWEDES WIN SOCCER CHAMPIONSHIP**

The International League Soccer Football championship of Chicago was won last Sunday by the "Swedish American Athletic Association". The opposing team in the final game, which was played at Winnemac Park, was the "Jugo-Slavia Football Club", and the result of the hard-fought battle was 1-0 in the Swedes' favor.

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## GUS NYLUND AGAIN VICTORIOUS

The most important sailing event of the season, the race from Michigan City to Chicago, 38 $\frac{1}{2}$  nautical miles, took place last Sunday and was won by our almost unbeatable yachtsman, Gus Nylund, in his sail boat, "Springtime." The prize was the highly coveted Stratford cup valued at \$2,500, which has to be won by the same individual skipper three times before it becomes his permanent property. This is Nylund's second victory of the trophy.--Besides Nylund, the crew aboard "Springtime" consisted of Ralph Johnson, Gust Johnson and Uno Gustafson.

We take this occasion to point out, as we have done before, that "Springtime" was designed and built by Mr. Nylund, himself.

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Svenska Kuriren, April 9, 1925

ADVOCATES WOMEN'S ATHLETICS

To encourage athletics among women, Carl Skytte, President of the "Junior Journal Club" of Chicago, advocates the formation of girls' athletic teams within the club, and a women's sports director or coach be hired for that purpose.

Mr. Skytte is a son of the late Bernard Skytte, was for many years business manager of the Chicago Swedish weekly newspaper, Gamla O. Nya Hemlandet.

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Svenska Kuriren, Apr. 2, 1925.

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ATHLETICS

The National Soccer Football Championship was captured by the "All-Star" team from Toledo, Ohio, at the game played against the Swedish-American Athletic Association, last Sunday at Riverview Park. The score was 2-1.

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## JOHN FRIEBERG VS. TOMMY DRAAKE

A very interesting wrestling bout took place Tuesday, at K.P. Hall in Roseland. The opponents were John Frieberg, our Swedish Champion, and Tommy Draake, The Dutch Champion, the latter having gained quite a reputation for having offered "Strangler" Lewis serious resistance at a recent wrestling bout. However, Frieberg did away with Draake in two consecutive falls, the first in thirty-four minutes and the second in four minutes.

In this connection, we are able to record another victory for our champion, a victory of greatest importance in the World of Wrestling. Hans Steinke, because of his unusual size and strength, called "the German Elephant", some time ago, pledged or wagered a sum of \$500.00 that he can defeat Frieberg inside of one hour or else lose the \$500 and declare himself defeated. This challenge was accepted by Frieberg and the battle took place Sunday afternoon at Belmont Hall. Not only did Steinke lose his five hundred dollars, but our Johnny had the best of the bout from beginning to end, but neither one could press his opponent's shoulders to the floor.

Frieberg has now been challenged by Jess Westergard, who also lays claims to being a champion Swedish wrestler.



[FRIEBERG WINS HARD BOUT]

John Frieberg and Bill Demetral, two of the top notchers in the world of wrestling, met last Sunday in a "fight-to-the-finish", in a one-fall bout, at Belmont Hall. Since these two wrestlers, last met, a few months ago, Demetral had met and defeated Stanislaus Zbyszko, so there was a widespread doubt about the outcome of this fight. However, Frieberg emerged the victor.

It was one of the hardest fought battles ever witnessed and it lasted close to one hour. By frequent applications of "wristlocks" on his Greek opponent, Frieberg finally won the bout.

In one of the preliminaries, our promising countryman, Johnny Carlin, defeated in two out of three falls, Dick McCarthy, the war-time champion.



Svenska Kuriren, March 5, 1925

SOCCKER FOOTBALL IN SNOW AND COLD

The very cold weather, last Sunday, and a snow covered field did not stop the scheduled game between the Swedish-American Athletic Association and the German Club at Riverview Park. It did retard the attendance, though, and only about 200 spectators were brave enough to witness the contest, which ended in a 7-2 victory for the Swedes.

Svenska Kuriren, Feb. 12, 1925

**SWEDISH-AMERICAN ATHLETIC ASSOCIATION SPONSORS INDOOR SOCCER FOOTBALL**

Invitations have been sent out by the "Swedish-American Athletic Association" to the seven leading local soccer football clubs to participate in a series of indoor matches, staged tomorrow at the Broadway Armory, corner Broadway and Thorndale Avenue. The matches will be played according to special rules and by the "elimination method," each match to be of twenty minutes' duration, with the exception of the semi-finals and finals which will take thirty minutes each.

In addition to the ambulatory cup donated by Mr. Cummings to the victorious team, the sponsoring club will award each player of the team a gold **medal** commemorating the event.

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Svenska Kuriren, Jan. 25, 1925

## John Vrieberg vs. Bill Demetral

John Frieberg, well-known wrestler, took on his ill-tempered colleague, Bill Bemetral, at the Star and Garter Theatre a few nights ago. Johnny had the best of the bout all the way through, but as the clock struck midnight, the whistle blew and the bout finished in a draw.

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Svenska Kuriren, Jan. 8, 1925**AMATEUR WRESTLING.**

The Swedish-American Athletic Association's Annual tournament for amateur wrestlers commences Saturday, Jan. 10th, 7:00 P.M. The tournament, which is open to all amateurs in Illinois, has drawn contestants from the foremost local wrestling clubs as well as from Joliet, Waukegan, and other towns. From all indications it promises to be the outstanding wrestling event of the season.

The 1924 Championship went to the present sponsors, (the "Swedish-American Athletic Association") who, no doubt will try their best to retain the title.

All classes will be represented all the way from 112 pounds up to heavy-weights. The bouts will be held in the Club's gymnasium, 752 Barry Avenue, cor. N. Clark street.

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JOHN FRIEBERG, WRESTLER

Joe Stecher was unable to defeat John Frieborg of Chicago, when the two "gladiators" met on February 5 at Springfield, Massachusetts. On the contrary, John Frieborg came out with flying colors. And since Stecher is considered the second best wrestler in the country, one understands what this victory means to our countryman.

Stecher had agreed to throw Frieborg twice within ninety minutes, or, if he could not accomplish this, he would consider himself beaten. He was unable to throw the Swede within the time set. Instead there were a number of times when he himself, was in danger



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of being "laid flat". For Frieberg had, time and again, applied a powerful toe-hold to his opponent, which, if it had been completely locked, is synonymous with "good night", for the one on whom it is applied.

Stecher applied his well-known scissor-hold once or twice against Frieberg, the hold which few have been able to win over. But the second time he attempted it, Frieberg felt the press of his opponent's powerful legs around his own mid-section. It is there the hold does the so-called trick. He understood at once, and responded with a toe-hold so powerful that Stecher was forced to give up his hold.



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The match on the whole was defined as gentlemanly on both sides. None of the so-called "rough stuff" was used, which made the contest so much the more interesting and enjoyable. It also obtained for both men many new admirers, the winner, especially. Frieberg was the aggressor practically throughout the match.

This victory earns for Frieberg the right to meet the champion in the heavyweight division, Earl Caddock. If he wins in his contest against Caddock, we will have a Swedish world champion in wrestling.



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Svenska Kuriren, Aug. 16, 1917.

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On August 26, at 2:00 P.M. in Grant Park, the well-known Danish-American, Christian Christensen will perform. He will run a mile; walk a mile; row a mile; swim a mile and bicycle a mile; all in less than one hour. Christensen is thirty-four years old.





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Svenska Kuriren, July 13, 1916.

(Editorial)

p.11.....The world famous Swedish athletic leader, Director, J. S. Edstrom, - well-known here as the "main-spring" in the Olympic Games" in Stockholm 1912, has, for some time together with his family, been visiting Chicago, where he has many relatives and a host of friends from earlier visits here.

Mr. Edstrom is half Chicagoan. His wife who he married in 1899 is the daughter of the merchant Oscar Theodoe Randall. Mr. Edstrom is one of Sweden's best known and most popular personalities; this is largely due to his leadership in athletics, but also to his jovial and upright dealings with all. Mr. Edstrom is not a stranger in America.



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During the nineties he was for several years connected with many of our largest electrical power companies. At present he is chief for Sweden's largest electric company "Allmänna Svenska" in Vesteras.

Monday Mr. Edstrom will leave for Canada, and it is his intention to make his return voyage to Sweden on the steamship Stockholm, which ship also brought him here.

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Svenska Kuriren, Feb. 3, 1916.

DEDICATE HALL

The Swedish American Athletic Association last Saturday dedicated its new hall in the Buckingham Building, corner of Clark Street and Buckingham Place.

Svenska Tribunen-Nyheter, Dec. 21, 1915.

THE SCANDINAVIAN-AMERICAN ATHLETIC UNION OF ILLINOIS

The annual membership meeting of the Scandinavian-American Athletic Union was held December 11 in the Sherman Hotel. The following officers were elected: A. W. Sundene, president; C. Christensen, first vice-president; L. H. Rodde, secretary of protocol; B. Gundersen, corresponding secretary; Oseen Munson, treasurer; A. Shelstrom, athletic director.

The organization aims to promote co-operation in the sphere of athletics and sports among Scandinavians in this section of the country. During the three years of its existence it has obtained gratifying results, and Swedish, Norwegian, and Danish clubs are working together for the common cause. Scandinavian clubs are holding their own in competition with organizations of this kind operated by other nationalities.



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Svenska Kuriren, Dec. 9, 1915.

[SPORTS]

On account of its victory over the Caledonia Football Club, the Swedish Football Club has qualified as competitor for the Peels Bowl.

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Svenska Kuriren, Oct. 28, 1915.

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WON ONE BATTLE, LOST ONE

The Swedish Athletic Club's football team won in their competition against the Caledonia Club, last Sunday, score 4 to 1.

In their competition against the Hungarian Club they lost, score 3 to 0.

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Svenska Kuriren, Oct. 7, 1915.

[LOSE TO ENGLISH]

The First Football Team of the Swedish Athletic Association was defeated on the home field by the English team last Sunday. The result was 1 to 0 in favor of the English.



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Svenska Kuriren, Aug. 19, 1915.

[SPORTS]

The Swedish American Sports Club had arranged for a sports meet at Gardner Park, last Sunday. Athletes from Norwegian and Danish sports clubs had been invited and competition in the various sports was lively. While the results attained were not startling, yet they were encouraging, of good grade throughout.

As between the clubs represented, the Swedish-American Athletic Association was declared winner with twenty-three points.





Svenska Kuriren, June 10, 1915.

**GREAT SPORTS ACTIVITY**

Great sports activity took place last Sunday in Brand's Park, arranged by the large Norwegian club "Sleipner," which had invited several other sports clubs to compete in sports of various kinds.

The weather was ideal, the audience large, and the results attained better than had been the case at similar meets during the past few years.

The "Sleipner" won the first prize in the general competition in general, but the Swedish Athletic Club of Chicago came in as a close second.

Five sports clubs participated.

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### THE SWEDISH-AMERICAN ATHLETIC CLUB

A general membership meeting of the Swedish-American Athletic Club was held on January 8, in the clubrooms at 3055 Sheffield Avenue, and was attended by almost all members, proving that they take an active interest in the welfare of the organization. The report indicated that 1914 was a very active and successful year for the Club. The membership steadily increased, and at the turn of the year stood at 260. The athletic facilities have been improved, particularly the gymnasium to which a dressing room has been added.

Practice in gymnastics is held every Tuesday and Thursday night under the instruction of Dr. Carl G. Rydin. The wrestlers practice every Wednesday night and Sunday morning, and most of the members are active athletes.

It was decided that the Club should also take up hockey, and members who already have developed some skill in this game were urged to join the team,



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which will probably see action during the ice races arranged by the Western Skating Association to take place in Garfield Park on January 17.

August Putkanen and Fred Holmes, the Club's ablest wrestlers, will compete in the Illinois Athletic Club's championship matches on January 16. George Odin is president of the Club.



Svenska Kuriren, Nov. 26, 1914.

SWEDISH FOOTBALL TEAM WINS

The Chicago-Swedish Athletic Club Soccer Football team played its last series match for this season last Thursday against the Calumet Park Team on the latter's field.

The outlook for the Swedes seemed to be uncertain at first, but later on they showed themselves equal to the tasks, and won the game with a score of 3 to 0, and therewith the first prize in the series for this season. They have won eight matches out of nine, and made forty-seven goals, losing only ten, which is a very good record. The club's second team played the same day against the English team, Armour Square, and won 5 to 3. The club will hold its first dance Saturday at Viking Temple.



Svenska Kuriren, Nov. 5, 1914.

### SWEDISH ATHLETES VICTORIOUS

The Soccer football team of the Chicago-Swedish Athletic Club played its sixth football match of the season last Sunday with the Ogden Park team on the latter's field. The match was one of the hardest and most interesting in which the Swedish team ever has entered, but in spite of the English team's energetic attempt, the Swedish team was acclaimed the winner at the end of the match with a score of 3-0. The Swedish team up to the present unconquered, with six victories in six matches, whereas it has taken thirty-nine goals and only lost three, which is said to be unusual.

The next match will be played this coming Sunday against last year's champions, the Lincoln Park team, on their field at Winnemac Avenue and Robey Street.



Svenska Kuriren, Sept. 3, 1914.

CHICAGO SWEDISH ATHLETIC CLUB

The Chicago-Swedish Athletic Club was formed on August 21 through the combination of the athletic clubs, Scandia, Sparta, and Brage. The friends of Swedish athletes in Chicago have always wanted to create one big athletic club, instead of having too many small ones. These three clubs have won many prizes for wrestling at the Scandinavian-American Union's mastership races. Sparta has many good football players.

The following officers were elected: Chairman, T. Andren; vice-chairman, R. Reistad; secretary, Fred Holmes; financial secretary, Ernst Swahn; treasurer, Harold Revin; and the athletic manager, Oscar Munson. The club has two hundred fifty members.



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Svenska Kuriren, May 7, 1914.

SWEDISH GYMNASTICS IN CHICAGO SCHOOLS

Swedish gymnastics has been introduced at the following schools: at Armstrong, Brown, Ingman, and Drake. This is a result of the tireless efforts of our well-known countryman and member of the School Board, Charles S. Peterson. Dr. C. G. Rydin has been appointed as instructor of gymnastics.



Svenska Kåreiren, Feb. 5, 1914.

THE SWEDISH GYMNASTIC AND ATHLETES' CLUB SVMA

The Swedish Gymnastic and Athletes' Club has elected the following officers for 1914 namely; chairman: Robert Carlson; vice chairman: Emil Gustafson; secretary: Brynolf Nelson; financial secretary: Hjalmar Dahlberg; treasurer: Nore Jerlstrom; club master: John Freeberg; marshall: E. Horn; auditors: A. Finnstrom and H. Jerlstrom; instructors: H. J. Dahlberg and Emil Gustavson.





Svenska Kuriren, Oct. 30, 1913.

THE SWEDISH OLYMPIC SOCIETY IN THE UNITED STATES

The Swedish Olympic Society now has a branch in Chicago with Charles T. Green as chairman, Dr. Axel Werelius vice-chairman, Gust Hallbom treasurer, and Carl G. Lonnerblad, secretary. The headquarters are located in New York. The society was founded for the purpose of collecting funds through various entertainments such as social gatherings and feasts. These funds will soon be used for the participation of Swedish-American athletes as representatives of Sweden at the olympics in Berlin, 1916. Several prominent countrymen in Chicago have promised to supported the newly formed branch and a committee has been elected, consisting of several influential Swedes in Chicago, to work for this purpose.



Svenska Kuriren, Aug. 28, 1913.

SCANDINAVIAN-AMERICAN ATHLETIC UNION OF ILLINOIS

The Scandinavian-American Athletic Union of Illinois was organized here in Chicago and consists of four Swedish athletic clubs: Scandia, Brage, Eskil and the Swedish Gymnastic and Athletic Club and two Norwegian clubs: Sleipner and the Norwegian Athletic Club. The following officers were elected: president, George Odin; vice-president, B. Riestad; secretaries, H. Grevin and A. L. Hellstrom; treasurer, H. Gullogh; financial directors, J. Hanson and J. Johnson.



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CHICAGO'S OLYMPIC GAMES AND THE SWEDISH PRESS IN SWEDEN

(Editorial)



Some newspapers in Sweden have resented the protest which the Svenska Kuriren voiced in its columns lately. We sounded a warning to the athletes in Sweden not to come to America to participate with director Peterson and his Chicago Olympic games, because of the poor arrangements he had made for the affair. Only one athlete in Sweden responded to Mr. Peterson's invitation.

A Swedish weekly newspaper in Chicago, Hemlandet, is angry because we dared to voice our opinion in the matter, but we have only told our countrymen in Sweden and in the United States the truth concerning director Peterson's Olympic games in Chicago, and we dare to stand for this, our opinion.

Svenska Kuriren, July 3, 1913.

THE OLYMPIC WEEK

(Editorial)

The widely announced Olympic week in Chicago has been a failure so far. Mayor Harrison opened the races last Saturday when he read a message from President Wilson which a group of Boy Scouts brought from Washington, D. C.

The Swedish Singers, composed of 380 men, appeared on the program Sunday night before a crowd of 9,000, and they presented a well executed program seldom heard here before. Nevertheless, we must state that the affair was a failure from the viewpoint of athletes and the committee on arrangements. The committee in charge did not seem to know their business. The athletes in Sweden, who did not accept director Peterson's tempting invitation to come here and participate in his games, are to be congratulated.

Several thousands of school children presented plays and dances Monday, Tuesday, and Wednesday. There will be master races Friday and Saturday.



Svenska Kuriren, June 26, 1913.

THE GREAT INTERNATIONAL ATHLETIC CARNIVAL

The great International Athletic Carnival will be held at Grant Park, June 28 to July 6. Six hundred of the country's most prominent amateur athletes will participate, and thousands of school children will also appear on the program.

Sunday, June 29, will be "The Swedes' Day," and a grand Swedish concert will be given in the evening at Grant Park Stadium by the Swedish Olympic Game Chorus, consisting of four hundred voices, under the direction of Hjalmar Nilson.



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THE OLYMPICS IN CHICAGO

(Editorial)

The latest newspapers from Sweden tell us that a great international athlete's feast has been scheduled to be held here in Chicago at Grant Park from June 28 to July 6 this year, and that our countryman, Mr. Charles S. Peterson, after a conference with Mr. Everett C. Brown, the director-general of the races, offered to pay the travelling expenses for a Swede participating in the feast of the Swedish athletes, who won the first prize at the Olympics last summer.

The races are supposed to be grand, but in spite of all this, there seems

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to be some doubt if the Swedish athletes ought to avail themselves of this opportunity.

We agree with the Swedish newspapers in praising Mr. Peterson's generosity, which deserves our gratitude, whether he himself will pay for these expenses or, as we have heard, will only make the necessary arrangements. Mr. Peterson must know, of course, from whence the money will be available, otherwise, he would not have made such an announcement to the Swedish press. However, the question is: would it be sensible for the Swedish athletes to accept Mr. Peterson's offer and make the journey across the Atlantic to participate in the affair? We, who know the conditions here in Chicago, feel that the proposal is too loosely constructed. We are now in the middle of May, and the Olympics are supposed to start within

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six weeks. What preparations are made? Is the foundation to the great proposed Stadium building in Chicago laid? Or are we going to be satisfied with the erection of a few temporary galleries and call it "Stadium?" The planned Olympics have already got a "black eye" when the chairman for the International Olympic had forbidden that the name "Olympic" be used. Instead, one has to be satisfied with the more humble title, "Champion." The proposal has not been received here in the United States with any enthusiasm. Our opinion is that our countrymen in Sweden ought to be familiar with all these conditions before they accept Mr. Peterson's invitation.

The proposal to arrange a giant chorus for the occasion seems to be reasonable, and also Mrs. Young's promise to let 20,000 school children



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participate in the affair. But all in all, the whole business seems to have such little preparation, that we doubt it would be a success.

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Svenska Kuriren, Oct. 14, 1911.

"SCANDIA" THE WINNER

In a competition between the gymnastic and the athletic clubs, "Scandia," "Vormarts," "Sleipner," and "Svenska Gymnastikklubben," the first mentioned was the winner. Scandia's team consisted of six men, among them was Mr. G. Ljunggren, who went to Sweden to train for the Olympics there next year.



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Svenska Tribunen-Nyheter, Jan. 11, 1910.

SPORTS AND EDUCATION

(Editorial)



Educators all over the country are now beginning to consider sports from the proper point of view, namely, as an important factor in any educational system and as part of the training to which every child and older student is entitled.

During the last few years, sports, particularly as practiced within our institutions of higher learning, have developed in the wrong direction, and have become, so to speak, a marketable commodity which is being sold to the highest bidder. Some big schools put such emphasis on sports that they are in danger of neglecting the welfare of their general student body for the benefit of a select few, and in smaller institutions physical training has almost been abandoned.

To have an opportunity to play is part of any child's birthright, and the child

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should be given a chance to participate in such games which tend to promote fine manhood and womanhood and to develop a capacity for leadership. If this is not done the race will gradually degenerate.

The popular conception of sports places the emphasis on the spectacular, and the match between Jeffries and the Negro, Johnson, which is to take place next July 4, provides a fine opportunity to observe this attitude. Judging by the excitement caused by this proposed fight one might think the future welfare of both races depended on the outcome of this struggle. This kind of sentiment means money to those clever men who make a good living by exploiting it.



Svenska Kuriren, Mar. 7, 1908.

THE SCANDIA GYMNASTIC AND ATHLETIC CLUB

Chicago has taken the initiative to found a Gymnastic and Athletic Society in the Western States similar to what the Swedish athletes did in the east three years ago. The club will try to build up a large and strong organization and through cooperation and yearly races it hopes to boost the interest for Swedish gymnastics forward, and to extend the working field.

Everybody interested in this matter is cordially invited to a meeting to be held Sunday, Mar. 22, at **Glecks Hall**. A committee of two persons will be chosen to lead the meeting. All correspondence should be forwarded to Scandia Gymnastic and Athletic Club, 327 Sedgwick Street, Chicago, Illinois.



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SCANDIA GYMNASTIC AND ATHLETIC CLUB.

This club has undertaken to organize a gymnastic club for women, by those who have recently taken over the management of the club. A meeting will be held to discuss this question the first Tuesday in December at Standard Hall, 576 Larrabee St. The club management also has in mind organizing other gymnastic clubs into an organization to be called the Western Union of Swedish Gymnastics. Therefore, the Chicago and nearby gymnastic societies will be written to and advised to select delegates for a convention to be held in the near future.

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Svenska Amerikanaren, Sept. 24, 1907.

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THE SCANDIA GYMNASTIC AND ATHLETIC CLUB

The club holds their annual dance and showing of the cups and prizes won at the North Side Turner Hall next Saturday evening October 5, 1907.

Svenska Tribunen, July 8, 1903.

LODGE BRAHE PLEASURE CLUB

This lodge was incorporated as the Brahe Pleasure Club last Oct. 28th. The following eight persons are charter members: Nels J. Lindstrand, Axel Borg, Alfred Anderson, John W. Youngberg, Chas. Bylin, Frank Swanson, Edward Isberg, and John A. Kling.

The Lodge Beahé has 461 members, all in good standing, and has a reserve in its treasury of more than \$4,000.



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Svenska Tribunen, Jan. 8, 1902.

PROMINENT SWEDE WINS IN SKATE MEET

Charles Erickson, a member of the Monitor Club, won the first prize at the Skate races at Humboldt Park, New Year's Day. He rode the fixed distance, two miles, in six minutes and seven seconds.

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Svenska Tribunen, May 29, 1901.

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CHARLES G. JOHNSON, HIGH-DIVER

p.11. Charles G. Johnson, who is of Swedish descent, astonished the pleasure seekers at San Louci Park all this week, when he climbs up to a height of eighty feet, and shoots down into a little lagoon, six feet deep, in his high-diving act.

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Svenska Tribunen, Jan. 16, 1901.

A PLEASANT AFFAIR

p. 16. A pleasant affair in all respects was the masquerade ball given by the Monitor Cycling Club last Saturday evening at Phoenix Hall. The hall was crowded to the doors with flowering youth and with life and spirit. The dance went on until far into the night. Bjornson's Orchestra supplied the music.

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Svenska Tribunen, Nov. 21, 1894.

ST. AUSGARIUS GYMNASIUM ROOM.

St. Ausgarius gymnasium room in the basement of St. Ausgarius Swedish Episcopal Church at Sedgwick St. was opened last Thursday with a concert. The attendance was good.

Svenska Tribunen, July 6, 1892.

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### A STRONG CHICAGO SWEDE

One of the strongest men in Chicago, if not the strongest, is our countryman Gustaf Engstrom, who is employed by the hardware wholesale firm Hibbard, Spencer & Bartlett Co. Engstrom is twenty-five years old, single and resides at 92 Milton, Ave. He is six feet tall and weighs 200 pounds; he is well-proportioned, but there is nothing in his appearance that indicates especially his unusual physical strength. Objects weighing 500-600 pounds are lifted off the floor by Engstrom as if they were sacks of cotton. It is an easy matter for him to throw into the wagons big crates of sheet metal that weigh 400 lbs. apiece. A barrel filled with parts of iron and weighing 600 and 800 lbs. does not cause him to exert himself to any great degree. He lifts 400 lbs. with one hand. Engstrom does not know his own strength and makes no affair of it. We may add that he is well liked by his employers and popular among his comrades at work.

Svenska Tribunen, October 1, 1891

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**SWEDE WINS BICYCLE RACE.**

The Century Bicycle Club of Chicago was the sponsor of a 50-mile bicycle race held last week. The race was won by our countryman, John Erickson, who, by the way, is president of the local Columbia Bicycle Club.

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**GYMNASTIC EXHIBITION.**

The Swedish Gymnastic Association gave an exhibition last Saturday at the Swedish Music Hall on 31st St. The troupe of gymnasts displayed great skill and received well-earned applause from a large audience. The affair wound up with a ball.

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THE SWEDENBORG BUST UNVEILED

The bust of Emanuel Swedenborg, one of Sweden's greatest sons, was unveiled last Saturday. The memorial is located on a small island in the Lincoln Park lagoon, which is connected with the mainland by a bridge, and it is a worthy tribute to the memory of this world-famous Swedish scientist and philosopher.

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The unveiling ceremony was attended by a large number of people, among them most of the leading Swedes in Chicago and high city officials.

The chairman of the monument committee, C. S. Peterson, introduced Dr. Wallenius, who outlined Swedenborg's life and work. Other speakers were Congressman Carl R. Chindblom, who conveyed a personal greeting from

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President Coolidge and read a letter written for the occasion by the Chief Executive; and the Swedish Minister to Washington, Axel Wallenberg, who came here from the capitol to attend the ceremony. Mayor Dever was represented by Corporation Counsel Hornstein, who paid tribute to Chicago's Swedes in flattering terms.

Minister Wallenberg presented the bust to the Chicago Park Board, which was represented by former mayor William Hale Thompson. The memorial was covered by an American and a Swedish flag, and the actual unveiling was done by Lola De Dardel, the little daughter of the Swedish consul in Chicago. Mr. Thompson accepted the bust on behalf of the Park Board with a brief speech, in which he stressed the constructive qualities of the Swedish people in the field of ideas as well as in erecting structures of steel and concrete. [Translator's note: The reference is to the prominence of Swedes in Chicago's building industry.] The ceremony ended when everyone joined in the singing of "America".

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Our readers may remember that it was Mrs. L. Brackett Bishop, of Chicago, who originated the idea of placing this memorial in some public square or park in Chicago. She owned the bust, and donated it to Chicago's Swedes, who then gave it to the city. Mr. and Mrs. Brackett Bishop were also present at the ceremony.

An especially festive touch was provided by the presence of hundreds of Swedish-American singers, who were holding their great convention here in Chicago last week.

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Svenska Tribunen-Nyheter, Jan. 24, 1923.

THE SWEDENBORG BUST TO LINCOLN PARK

The bust of Emanuel Swedenborg, donated to the Swedes of Chicago by Mrs. L. Brackett Bishop, as announced in the columns of this paper a couple of weeks ago, will be placed in Lincoln Park. C. S. Peterson has obtained a formal promise to that effect, and the Park Board has been gracious enough to invite the Swedes to choose the place in which they want the bust to stand. This choice was made last Sunday, when a committee, headed by C. S. Peterson and accompanied by J. A. Torstenson of the Lincoln Park Board, explored the park in order to find the most suitable place. It was decided to put the memorial on the northern end of beautiful Simmon Island, which is near the lake. The terrain here is somewhat elevated, so that the bust will be seen from a long distance. It is an ideal spot on which to erect a memorial to this great Swedish naturalist and mystic.

The bust is four feet high, and is to be placed on a base eight feet high.

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Thus, the total height of the memorial will be twelve feet. It will be surrounded by flower beds and fountains.

Architect Andrew Sandegren has offered to make the drawings for the base, and they will be ready in a couple of weeks. The cost of the base and of putting the bust in place will be paid by Swedenborg's countrymen in Chicago. The money is being raised by subscription.

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THE SWEDENBORG BUST

[Half-tone, one column-sixth of a page,  
photograph of the bust of Emanuel Swedenborg]

Some time last summer it was reported that Mrs. L. Brackett Bishop, 4339 Drexel Boulevard, had in her possession a bust of the famous Swedish scientist, Emanuel Swedenborg, and that she wanted it to become the property of the Swedes of Chicago, to be placed in some club or, possibly, in a park. For a while, nothing more was heard of it; but last week it began to look as if Mrs. Bishop's plan might become a reality. Preparations are under way to place the bust in Lincoln Park, where a statue of another world-renowned Swedish scientist, Carl Von Linne, has been standing for more than twenty-five years.

Mrs. Bishop paid one thousand dollars for the bust, which was modeled by the well-known Swedish sculptor, Adolf Jonsson. It is thus an authentic work

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of art.

If present plans work out, and the bust finds a permanent place in Lincoln Park, the credit should go to our countryman, C. S. Peterson. He undertook the task of getting the Lincoln Park Board interested in the idea. A member of the Board, Samuel Gessler, has promised his support.

The estimated cost of the base on which the bust is to rest is one thousand dollars, which sum is to be raised by subscription. It is hoped that the Swedish public of Chicago will be sufficiently interested in the project to contribute this amount.

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THE ENANDER MEMORIAL STONE UNVEILED

A great number of the city's Swedes made their way to Oakhill Cemetery last Sunday to attend the unveiling of the memorial stone which has been placed on the grave of the late Dr. John A. Enander.

The grave is located on the top of a small hill, and is flanked by great trees, forming a guard of honor, as it were. On it there now stands the beautiful memorial which has been erected by American Swedes in tribute to their greatest leader.

The stone is of light brown Swedish granite. On its front face is placed the likeness of Dr. Enander in copper relief, done by the artist Carl J. Nilsson; there is also the following inscription: "John A. Enander. Born, May 22, 1842. Died, September 9, 1910". And at the bottom: "This stone was erected by Swedes in America, and unveiled May 22, 1921."

After the unveiling ceremony was completed, a program of song and music was

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presented, and Dr. Philip Andreen delivered a speech in which he paid homage to this great Swedish-American leader.

The stone was delivered by the monument firm of Gust Kalzen, of Geneva, Illinois. its cost was \$3,000.

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#### THE SEPULCHRAL MONUMENT ON DR. ENANDER'S GRAVE

The J. A. Enander Memorial Committee of the Westgotha Brotherhood consisting of J. A. Freedain, C. Hjalmar Lundquist, and Fredrik Larsson, sent out invitations to the Swedish public asking them to attend a meeting at the Svithiod Club to be held last Tuesday. The object of this meeting was to draw up a resolution on the matter of a memorial for the late Dr. John A. Enander. For this memorial the committee had arranged a collection which showed good results. The net receipts came to about \$1,500. In spite of the most discouraging difficulties, such as, the war and its aftermath, it is a real testimonial to the public interest in the Enander Memorial and the pious zeal among those who have enkindled and sustained it. This meeting was not as well attended as the committee had wished, but there were sufficient people present to attain the object of the meeting. It was decided to purchase a memorial with the money already collected. As had been proposed the memorial should be a sepulchral monument of Swedish granite bearing a medallion from a sketch by the artist Carl J. Nilsson and it should be completed by May 22, the birthday of

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Dr. Enander. In the meantime, the collection was to be continued. A committee was selected to supervise the collections and to make preparations for the memorial. This committee represents not only the Westgotha Brotherhood, by the selection of J. A. Freedain, but the entire Swedish-American public. Another Swedish mass meeting is scheduled for tomorrow, at the same time and place, for further deliberation on this subject.

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### JOHN ERICSSON MEMORIAL

The John Ericsson Memorial Committee, at a meeting at the Hotel La Salle decided upon another meeting for the members of the committee in the West. This meeting was a continuation of the one held on February 8, in New York City for the members of the committee East of Chicago, with Mr. John Aspegren as chairman.

At this meeting in Chicago, Mr. Aspegren was also present, and was elected chairman. Others present were Chas. L. Eckman of Jamestown, New York; Charles Hallberg of Ottumwa, Iowa; bank director Henry S. Henschen, Chicago; city engineer John Ericsson, Chicago; C. S. Peterson, (secretary of the meeting); director T. P. Seeburg of Chicago; Mr. John Lokrantz, who assisted at the New York assembly. At an elegant luncheon, the meeting was opened with a speech of welcome by Mr. Henschen. The chairman of the meeting thereupon unfolded in a rather long, interesting address, the aim of the assembly. He pointed out that a number of places in the capitol city had been offered

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for the erection of a worthy memorial to John Ericsson.

The best site for this purpose is, according to the unanimous view of competent judges, located in Potomac Park, beside the magnificent Lincoln Memorial, which is now being constructed under the supervision of architect Henry M. Bason and the guidance of the noted sculptor, French.

The John Ericsson monument, however, may not have this location on any other terms than that it be erected in such a manner that it harmonizes with the Lincoln Memorial. The chairman and committee decided that these terms should be met. Thus, John Ericsson would be in the company of the greatest man of his time President Lincoln. Another point in favor of this location is that anyone viewing the Lincoln Memorial could not overlook its companion piece erected in memory of the man of Swedish descent who, during President Lincoln's darkest hours, by his inventive genius, made possible one of the most decisive victories of the loyal North. Mr. Aspegren also pointed out

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that the monument to John Ericsson does not necessarily have to be a statue, for, as he said, John Ericsson never won his great renown through his appearance, but through his works. John Ericsson's life and works are to be represented in the memorial. The sculptor, French, has submitted a proposal to the committee for a monument to our countryman.

The proposed memorial consists of a fountain, sixty feet in diameter and nine feet in height, constituting four different sections, in which would be a portrait of John Ericsson, and allegorical figures from the life of the great man.

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[MONUMENT FOR JOHN A. ENANDER]

We Americans of Swedish descent or birth should appreciate the unselfish work which Vestgota Gille has taken upon its shoulders, of raising a fund of \$2000 for a monument to be erected on the grave of the late editor John A. Enander in Oak Hill Cemetery. Since the sixties to the turn of the century, no one individual has contributed so much towards the enlightenment of the Swedish-Americans concerning their duties as American citizens as has Doctor Enander. This will not only immortalize the memory of this personality, but this will also be a token of our contributions to American history during the last half of the century.

Other nations are honoring the memory of their leading men. Should not we do the same? If we neglect this we show our weakness, and we as well as our work then deserve to be forgotten. But we must be united and strong! Through co-operation and worthy deeds we must show our united



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strength, and thus occupy the niche in history to which we are entitled. What we have won honestly, we should keep. Shame would be heaped upon us, if we failed to do our duty.

Towards this fund, \$1410 has already been contributed. The world war should not be a hindrance. The committee is thankful for every little amount received.

Kindly forward contributions to Mr. John A. Fredain, 2449 Pensacola Ave., Chicago, Ill.

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(Editorial)

We have been asked to publish two letters to the John Ericson Committee (Memorial) from U.S. Senator Williams and Secretary of the Navy Daniels regarding the meeting held March 10, 1917 in Chicago.

The sum of \$25,000 is to be raised by this committee for a suitable Memorial commemorating John Ericson's services to his adopted land.

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THE JOHN ERICSSON MONUMENT

(Editorial)

p.7. Congress appropriated \$35,000 towards the erection of a monument to our renowned countryman John Ericsson. A committee of three persons has also been appointed to handle the erection of this monument. This committee consists of Senator Wm. D. Sharp, Congressman James L. Slayden and Secretary of the Navy Josephus Daniels. Mr. Daniels is the committee's chairman.

The committee has sent out a letter advising of the formation of an advisory committee of thirty-five well-known Swedish-Americans to work in unison with the congressional committee to further the project.

This latter committee consist of the following persons: S. Adolf Eckberg, chairman; John Aspegren, Hans Lagerlof, John J. Bergquist, G. Hilmer Lundbeck, Emil F. Johnson, Axel S. Hedman, Chas K. Johanson, Albin Gustafson, Eric Oberg, Dr. Johannes H. Hoving, A. G. Liftner, Charles A. Ogren, Frank Carlson, Gus

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Pearson-Wern; Carl E. Bohman and Dr. F. G. Leach all of New York, N.Y.; Edward C. Westman, A. Lanquist; Henry S. Henschen; John Ericsson and C. S. Peterson of Chicago; P. A. Peterson of Rockford, Ill.; J. E. Chillberg, of Seattle, Wash.; C. L. Eckman and Samuel A. Carlson of Jamestown, N.Y.; George N. Jeppson, Worchester, Mass.; Swan J. Turnblad, Minneapolis, Minn.; Ruben Heidenblad, Worchester, Mass.; Nelson G. Thorson, Omaha, Neb.; Oscar E. Lindblom, McKeesport, Pa.; F. O. Hoagland, Hartford, Conn.; Dr. Theo. O. Peterson, Brooklyn, N.Y.; Dr. J. E. Westerlund, Cambridge, Ill.; and Casimir von Phelps, Bethlehem, Pa.

In the first place the committee's work will be to receive plans for the monument and to prepare adequately for appropriate festivities in connection with the dedication. Further, the committee must decide whether or not \$35,000. is sufficient for a worthy monument to an eminently worthy son, Captain Ericsson.

The letter calls attention to the fact that the monuments erected in Washington to the memory of Baron von Steuben, Pulaski, Rochambeau and others were raised through public subscription, whereas the John Ericsson monument is the first of

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its kind sponsored by the government. It is considered desirable that the Art Academy of Stockholm be invited to submit competitive plans for the monument; also that the committee visit Sweden and request that the Swedish Nation be represented at the dedication, for example, by the Crown Prince and a Man-of-War.

The Swedish-American advisory committee will have its first meeting at Hotel Vanderbilt on November 25, 1916, beginning with a luncheon at one o'clock. Invited to the meeting are: Colonel Wm. C. Church; Royal Swedish Minister, W. A. F. Ekengren and Consul General Magnus Clarholm, New York, N. Y.

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THE SWEDISH FLOWER KING

(Editorial)

p.l..... Next Tuesday it will be twenty-five years since Carl von Linne' found his place in Lincoln Park - as a replica of "Dyfverman's" statue in "Humlegaarden."

The commemoration ceremonies will take place next Sunday, and an enormous crowd is certain to be present.

It was at a meeting on June 7, 1887, that our countrymen here laid down the foundation for a Linne' monument society. At this meeting Mr. C.J.Sundall was in the chair, with Mr. C.F.Paterson as secretary. At the Board of Directors'

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meeting about a month later, the following officers were chosen: Dr. John A. Enander, President, C.J.Sundell, Robert Lindblom, R.S.Peterson, O.G.Lange, P.M. Almini, Andrew Chaiser and P.W.Wilson, Vice Presidents; Lawrence Hesselroth, Rec. Sec'y.; Victor Tengwald, Cor. Secy.; H.P.Brucewitz and C.Eklund, Contr. Secy.; C. Widestrand, Fin. Secy. and John R. Lindgreen, Treas.

Dr. Enander resigned as President in March 1889 and was followed in office by Robert Lindblom and Andrew Chaiser. Of the old directors the following are still alive: Chas. Eklund, near ninety years old, Oscar F. Widman, Sam Freeman, Gustof Swenson and A. Strombeck.

The collection of funds was pursued energetically and in November 1888 the order for the monument was placed with Otto Meyer & Co., Stockholm.

The cost of the statue is \$62,000, to which must be added the cost of the granite base.

The four allegoric figures at the base were missed for a long time and were finally

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substituted with four flower urns, but at last even Linne' in Lincoln Park received his "four wives," as the popular expression likes to term them.

Dedication took place Saturday May 23, 1891 in the presence of an enormous crowd of people, the greatest gathering of our people we have ever had here. In the parade, which preceded the dedication, four thousand persons participated, as did fourteen musicians, who to the tunes of "Bjorneborgarnes' March" filed into the park and formed a square around the statue. The unveiling speech was made by Robert Lindblom, whose daughter pulled away the cover. In behalf of the park commissioners and the State, speeches were made by Gen. Stockton and Mayor Washburne. The Swedish Glee Club, under the direction of Prof. John R. Ortengren, sang; C.F. Peterson read a poem of his own for this occasion, and Dr. Enander gave an historical lecture of Linne' and his work.

After the ceremonies people gathered at Thielmas Garden and Inn, where an animated atmosphere prevailed the rest of the evening.

For Sunday a grand memorial parade has been arranged with a large number of organizations: The Singers League, the National Dancers, the lodges Svea and North Star, Svithiod lodge, Ladies of Svithiod, I.O.G.T., society Gustaf II Adolf,

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Viking lodge, Ladies of Vikings, the societies Thor and Unity, Vasa lodge, Scandinavian League, Swedish Engineers Society, Swedish-American Athletic Club, Soldiers League, etc. Music will be furnished by Vikings Band, speech by John E. Ericsson, chairman of the committee, songs by the United Singers League, Swedish festival speech by Professor J.E.Hillberg, song by Swedish Ladies Trio, festival poem by Werner Melinder, English speech by professor John M. Coulter of Chicago University and by United States Minister to Stockholm, Ira Nelson Morris.

Dr. Sven Windrow, who was Chief Marshal at the dedication ceremonies twenty-five years ago has been appointed Honorary Marshal to lead the parade alongside of the Marshal Knute G. Carlson.

The parade starts at Belmont and Clark Avenues at 2 o'clock P.M., and about 25,000 people are expected to take part. All meet at the music pavilion in Lincoln Park at 3 o'clock P.M.



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A CALL TO SWEDISH AMERICANS

"West Gota Gille" of Chicago, founded by Dr. J. A. Enander, January 3, 1902, hereby wished to extend an appeal to our countrymen in America, to contribute towards the erection of a national monument on the grave of the last Doctor Johan Alfred Enander at the Swedish Cemetary, Oak Hill, in Chicago.

For more than five years Dr. Enander's earthly remains have rested in mother earth with only a small insignificant marker on his grave.

Dr. Enander's work was of such great scope, his work to retain and preserve Swedish traditions among our scattered countrymen in the new world of such importance, that his memory is well worth a national monument on his resting place.

In order to make this possible, all our countrymen and women, near and far away, who appreciate Dr. Enander's unselfish work for the preservation of Swedish Language, Literature, History and Culture in America, must join hands in this most worthy under-

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taking. By doing so we show ourselves appreciative of everything noble and elevating, which through Dr. Enander and his contemporaries was done at a time, when open cosmopolitanism held sway and threatened to drown our own nationalism.

Great was Dr. Enander as Poet, Speaker, Author, and Editor, he was greater as a true son of Svea.

His greatest work as Swedish Biographer expresses it, was this, that, "He kept the Swedish Flame ever burning during a critical period, when it might have gone out forever in America."

He always reminded his countrymen of our inheritance from the old land, which is the noblest and richest of gifts, and should ever be revered.

His contemporaries in America had left Sweden during a time, when the nationalistic feeling was at the lowest ebb ever known. To have awakened latent and slumbering senses back to activity within the thousands of Sweden's sons and daughters in America, that is Dr. Enander's grand deed.

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Dr. Enander has not of course been alone in this work, many there are who share his honors, but no one will deny him the right to the first place.

To him and the men, who, during this critical period, stood at his side, we can justly apply these proud words: "They made the Swedish scattered folks into a nation again.

Is not the memory of such a man and his work worthy of immortalization through a national monument?

We firmly believe it is, and we are also of the opinion, that our countrymen agree to this unanimously.

And it is to these that we turn with an appeal for contributions of funds, small or large amounts, according to the heart and pocketbook of each. If we all lend a hand and pull together, we are bound to succeed.

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Contributions should be sent the President of "West Gota Gille," Mr. John A. Freedain, 842 Fletcher Street, Chicago, Illinois. All contributions received by him will be made public in the Swedish American Press.

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Svenska Kuriren, Feb. 26, 1914.

MONUMENT IN MEMORY OF CAPTAIN JOHN ERICSSON

It has been suggested that a monument be erected in honor of Captain John Ericsson, the constructor and builder of The Monitor. The Hon. John J. Fitzgerald of New York has introduced a bill in the United States Congress, calling for an appropriation of \$100,000 for the purpose.

The following resolution was passed at the regular meeting of the Grand Lodge of the Order of Viking on February 14 in Chicago:

"Whereas it has come to our notice, that a bill has been introduced in the U. S. Congress by the Hon. John J. Fitzgerald of New York, calling for an appropriation of \$100,000 for the purpose of erecting a monument in memory of the constructor and builder of the 'Monitor,' Capt. John Ericsson, and

"Whereas it is the sense of this body of patriotic Swedish-Americans



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that a nation as great and rich as ours should in some fitting way honor the memory of those men who in the hour of need did some great service to the country, and

"Whereas Capt. John Ericsson, through the building of the 'Monitor' not only checked 'Merrimac's' triumphant path towards the North, but also revolutionized naval warfare, therefore,

"Be it resolved that the Independent Order of Vikings, in convention assembled in the City of Chicago on the 14th day of February, 1914, commend this bill, and urgently and respectfully request all Swedish-American Societies to urge their respective Honorable U. S. Senators and Honorable U. S. Representatives to favor this bill in honor of our illustrious countryman, and further

"Be it resolved, that a copy of this resolution be furnished to each



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delegate of this convention to be forwarded to his respective Honorable U. S. Senator and Honorable U. S. Representative, a copy also to be forwarded by the Grand Lodge to the two Honorable U. S. Senators of Illinois and each Honorable Representative of Chicago, and further

"Be it resolved that this resolution be printed in the Vikingen, our official organ, and released to the Swedish-American press, and further

"Be it resolved that we urge all subordinate lodges to pass similar resolutions and forward same to proper parties."



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Svenska Tribunen, Oct. 1, 1902.

A MONUMENT TO CAPTAIN JOHN ERICSSON

The Swedish-American Republican Central Club will give a reception and banquet for the candidates of Cook County endorsed on the Republican ticket. The banquet will be held Wednesday, Oct. 8, at Drill Hall in the Masonic Temple at Randolph and State Street. The net income from the banquet will be turned over to create a fund for the erection of a suitable monument in Chicago in memory of our noble countryman Captain John Ericsson. A committee is in charge of the banquet.





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Svenska Tribunen, Oct. 16, 1901.

### LEIF ERICSON STATUE

The Norsemen of Chicago have honored the memory of Leif Ericson by erecting a magnificent statue of this Viking in Humboldt Park.

The statue was unveiled last Saturday and more than fifteen different Norwegian organizations took part in the ceremony.

In spite of the cold weather, a great number of carriages wended their way from Skandia Hall to Humboldt Park.

Mr. A. I. Eluig greeted the Norsemen and introduced O. A. Thorp, who delivered the unveiling address.

Mr. Thorp spoke of the Vikings' discovery of America, on whose shore between latitude 40 and 47, they founded a new colony, their number being about one



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The Norwegian Singing Society sang the Norwegian National Anthem.

The statue was dedicated to the West Park Board of Chicago by Mr. L. E. Olson. It was duly received by the Park's president, F. A. Bongo, in a short address of acceptance.

The cost of the statue is about \$10,000, which amount has been in the process of accumulation since 1892. At a banquet later in the Sherman House, the banker Paul O. Stensland spoke.



Svenska Tribunen, Jan. 10, 1894.

DALLIN'S BRONZE STATUE TO LINCOLN PARK.

A bronze statue of an Indian on a horse, made by the prominent Swedish artist, A.E. Dallin, which was exhibited at The World's Fair last year, has been purchased by Judge Lambert Tree for \$10,000 and donated by him to be erected at Lincoln Park. The motif of the statue is purely American. It shows an Indian, riding on his horse, holding a staff with an attached feather, which is a token, among the Indians, that the horseman is coming for a peaceful purpose.

The artist has called his work "A Peace Token." The statue was at the Paris Exhibition in 1890, where it was highly recommended. It was rewarded with a medal and diploma at the World's Fair in Chicago, 1893.

Svenska Tribunen, March 15, 1893.

THE LINNEAN MONUMENT,  
LINCOLN PARK, CHICAGO.

The four figures belonging to the Linnean Statue were placed around the monument last Saturday at Lincoln Park, thus making it complete. The main statue of Linne was unveiled May 23, 1891, and was delivered to the commissioners of Lincoln Park but the four smaller figures were not ready. They are now in their places, figures of women six feet high and representing Botany, Zoology, Mineralogy and Chemistry. The Botany Statue carries a flower in one hand and in the other a magnifying glass. The Zoology figure has a bird and a butterfly; Mineralogy investigates a mineral, and Chemistry is holding a mortar in the left hand and a pestle in the right. The Statue cost \$25,000 and was donated by Swedes in America, particularly in Chicago.

Svenska Tribunen, August 3, 1892.



THE LINNE MONUMENT ONCE MORE.

The Linne Monument Society has received word from the Meyer Art Foundry, Ltd., Stockholm, Sweden, that the four allegory, supplementary figures will be ready for shipment in the early part of October next. This indicates that the erection of the statue may perhaps take place this year.

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**BENEFIT CONCERT FOR THE LINNÉ MONUMENT.**

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A concert was given last Thursday evening, April 28, under the auspices of the Linné Monument Society. This affair, which was held at the Svea Hall, proved a great success and no doubt will yield a handsome profit to be added to the fund for the defraying of the expenses for the four Allegory figures and their erection.

To stimulate the interest for this concert, the Real Estate firm of Jernberg & Rylander had donated a building lot worth \$1,000 to go to the holder of the lucky ticket. Much to the dismay of all the hard-working Chicago Swedes, who had bought more tickets than the hall had seats, the lot went to a temporary visitor, A.W. Elmquist, from Burlington, Iowa.

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MORE ABOUT THE LINNE MEMORIAL

Word has been received from Stockholm, Sweden, that the models for the four allegorical figures, to be placed around the Linne monument in Lincoln Park have been completed and that they now are going to the foundry to be executed in bronze. From there they will be shipped to Chicago.

An intermezzo of sadness is to be recorded in connection with these works of art. The sculpture of the models, the celebrated Swedish artist C. T. Dyfverman, died just a couple of days after the completion and final official inspection and approval of his work.

Chicago Tribune, May 24, 1891.

PRESENTED TO THE CITY  
UNVEILING OF THE LINNE STATUE AT LINCOLN PARK

With the sun shing from a cloudless sky on the trees and flowers which were his life study and surrounded by thousands of admiring fellow countrymen, the statue of Carl Von Linne in Lincoln Park was unveiled yesterday and formally became the property of the people of Chicago. The Swedish-American population of the city joined with visitors of that race from the Northwest in honoring the memory of Sweden's illustrious botanist, doctor, chemist, and zoologist.

All the Swedish societies of Chicago, supplemented by labor organizations, several brass bands and prominent Swedish-American citizens in carriages rendezvoused at 155 East Chicago Avenue shortly after two o'clock. Marshaled by D. R. Sven Windrow, who wore the uniform of a select Knight of America, the procession passed between crowds of spectators via Dearborn Avenue to the park in the following order: Platoon of Police, Marshalls and Adjutant, Guard of Honor, Select Knights of America, Invited guests in carriages, directors of Swedish Linnean Association of Chicago, Society Svea



Chicago Tribune, May 24, 1891.

Odd Fellows, First Swedish Lodge, Society of the North Star, headed by Swedish Gymnasium Society; Court Vega, Independent Order of Foresters, Independent Order of Svithiod, Scandinavian Society Kronan, Society Bolder, Society Thor, Courts Linne Stockholm and Tegner A. O. Foresters of America, Society Gustavos Adolphus, Society Dunee, Society Baltic, Harmony Knights of Pythias, Vikings, Alpha Literary Club, Society Linne, Independent Order of Good Templars, and Workingmen's Societies.

### A Brilliant Spectacle

The procession was a brilliant spectacle. Most of the societies were uniformed and their gorgeous silk banners, mingling with the Norwegian, Swedish, Danish, and American national flags, added luster to the scene. As the procession turned into the Stockton Drive and advanced toward the statue, the thousands of citizens, women and children, who crowded around the platform and monument turned an admiring eye upon the approaching host and cheered lustily. From the platform as far as the eye could reach almost on all sides were to be seen people of all classes, equally divided as to sex, the typical Swedish features naturally predominating.

Chicago Tribune, May 24, 1891.

After a patriotic selection by the band on the platform, Robert Lindholm, president of the Linnean Association, removed his hat, advanced to the front of the platform and delivered the presentation speech which was frequently interrupted by applause. He said:

#### The Presentation

"In the name of the Swedish Linnean Monument Association, I have the honor and pleasure of presenting to the Commissioners of Lincoln Park and to the City of Chicago, a statue of Carl Von Linne, the naturalist, the doctor, the chemist, and the founder of scientific botany.

"When we concluded to testify our regard for our adopted country and our favorite city in a proper and enduring manner, it did not take long for us to decide upon Linne as the best representative of that scientific foundation upon which rests the constitution, the government, and the wonderful development of the industrial resources of the great Republic of North America. Not that our native land is poor in great men, for no country has a greater percentage. Thrones have tottered at the beck, and empires have been disposed of by Swedish statesmen. Oppressed Europe has appealed to Swedish

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arms for deliverance, and have in vain.....

Linne was in science what the old American pioneers were in industry. He embarked upon unknown seas. He left old landmarks behind him and made his own roads through the labyrinths of natural science, and he staked out these roads so plainly that his followers could not lose their way. He divided the vegetable kingdom into twenty-four classes and the animal kingdom into six classes. These classes he divided into orders; the orders he subdivided into genera and these again into species, and by so doing brought order out of chaos, and made it possible for his investigators to pursue their investigations intelligently. He never claimed that his classification (based on outward semblances) was a scientific basis and he hinted at the changes that were subsequently advocated by Curie, who made anatomy the basis for clarification, but Linne knew that no one man could hope to accomplish in his life a purely scientific classification, and he made the easiest road he could, knowing that some road was necessary before any progress could be made, and science today is traveling on his roads.

The idea of different sex in plants, dreamed of by Aristotle 2,000 years before was first promulgated by Linne and made use of in his classification. He published scientific works mostly in Latin, commenced with his system of

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nature, embraced nearly every branch of natural science as well as medicine, and there are twenty-eight in number.

As Mr. Lindholm uttered the last word his eleven year old daughter Vesta, attired in a Swedish peasant dress and garlanded with carnations and smilax, pulled the cord attached to the top of the statue. After a few seconds of suspense the flags of Norway, Sweden, and the United States, parting and falling to the base of the monument revealed to the view of the great throng the bronze feature of Carl Von Linne.

The Illinois Staats Zeitung, May 23, 1891.

LINNE'S MONUMENT.

A grateful generation will give deserved tribute to the immortal Linne, father of botany, by dedicating his monument in Lincoln Park today. The festivities are to be held under the auspices of the Linnean Monument Association and several Swedish and Scandinavian clubs, which affiliated themselves with the movement. The point of departure will be at 155 East Chicago Ave. at 2 P.M. From there the members march to Lincoln Park. Music and speeches are on the program. A continuation of the festivities will be given at Thielmann's Summer Garden, north of the park, where a wonderful concert, both instrumental and vocal, will bring the celebration to a fitting end.

The speaker's list contains such well known names as Mr. Robert Lindblom, Dr. F. . . Larson, Mayor Washburne, etc.



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The statue of Linne is thirty-nine feet high; its cost, including the allegorical figures which belong to the monument and to be added later, is \$22,000. The figure in itself is fourteen and one-half feet tall. The location is at the continuation of Fullerton Ave., in Lincoln Park. The money has been donated mostly by the Swedes of Chicago. The monument is a copy of the Linne memorial of Stockholm, which was dedicated several years ago. The figure comes from the atelier of Otto Meyer & Co., the model, however, is the work of C.J.Defoeman. The granite work for the pedestal is the product of contractor Anderson of Prose Hill. ....

The officials who founded the Linne' Association are: Robert Lindbloom, Pres., and eleven others, almost all of whom are Swedish.

The arrangements which have been made for today, will undoubtedly induce thousands to go to Lincoln Park. All honor to the Swedes, who intend to perpetuate the memory of their famous countryman. It is a duty for the German to participate in the festival which has been given in honor of the renowned scientist.





Svenska Tribunen, April 2, 1891.

MORE ABOUT THE LINNE' MONUMENT

The Linne' Monument Society held its regular monthly meeting last week. The proposal of the "Committee of Nine" to issue 4,000 Linne' medals was approved of, the medals to sell at twenty-five cents apiece. The "Committee of Twelve" submitted a plan of celebrations in connection with the dedicatory ceremonies on May 23rd. To these plans we will refer more fully in a later issue, but may it be said that there will be a grand concert and a banquet to be held in the evening of the day of the dedication of the monument. The question of the four flanking, allegory figures, again gave cause to an animated discussion, but it is apparent that the problem is nearing solution.

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The Illinois Staats-Zeitung, Mar. 3, 1891.

### SCANDIA HALL

The Scandia Hall, located on Ohio St., near Milwaukee Ave., has been built by the Scandinavian Labor Association and will be dedicated on Thursday, the twelfth day of March. It is a four story building, which cost \$70,000. The ground area is 60x116 ft. A hall on the second floor has a capacity of 1,200 people; its dimensions are 60x70 ft., it is two stories high.

A lovely stage and ornate curtains on which the three nationalities, Swedes, Norwegians and Danes have been depicted by portraits of famous men and other symbols, are a special ornament of the hall. The Scandinavian Labor Association has about one thousand members and its officers are the following: John Clsen, pres., N.M. Sonme, librarian, John Nelson, legal adviser.



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Svenska Tribunen, August 7, 1890

FOR THE BENEFIT OF THE LINNÉ MONUMENT FUND

the various Swedish societies of Chicago will hold a joint mammoth picnic in Gardner's Park on Sunday, August 24. The most elaborate preparations are being made to make this picnic an outstanding event in the history of Swedish people of Chicago, to which end the following societies are uniting their best efforts: Svithiod; Nordstjernan; Iduna; Svea; Kronan; Vega; Engelbrekt; Balder; Gustav Adolf II; and the Swedish Glee Club.

In this connection we will cite the report just made by the financial secretary of the Linné Memorial Fund Society. He states that a sum of not less than \$1,376. has been made to the Society's treasury during the month of July and that the contributions up to and including July 31 totalled \$12,463.81.

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THE LINNÉ MONUMENT SOCIETY



met last week to discuss several questions of major importance.

It was reported that the freight charges for the transportation of the Linné statue from Sweden to Boston will amount to 25 pounds sterling, or approximately \$150., and it was decided at the meeting to leave decision of the matter to the firm of Meyer & Company in Sweden. Another report was to the effect that the Grand Trunk Railway had promised to ship the monument via this railroad from Boston to Chicago free of charge. An offer from a sculptural artist in Stockholm to accompany the statue across to Chicago and to supervise the assembling and erection of the statue was declined, inasmuch as a competent person, at a considerably lower rate, can be found locally.

Mr. Robert Lindblom renewed at this meeting his previously stated desire to be relieved of his duties as chairman of the Society and its executive committee, inasmuch as he is about to go to Europe and may be absent from Chicago for possibly a whole year. This gave cause to a lengthy discussion which resulted in an appeal to Mr. Lindblom to retain the presidency of the Society, especially in view of the fact that the burden of chairmanship in his absence could be placed upon the shoulders of the seven vice-presidents of the Society.



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Mr. Lindblom thankfully acknowledged the "vote of confidence" accorded him, and consented to remain in his capacity.

At this juncture mention was made of the fact that the by-laws of the Society provide that the presidential gavel, in the absence of the president, shall be in the hands of the vice-presidents in the order they are recorded. In view of the possibility of the regular president's lengthy absence, and particularly in view of the lack of interest displayed by the first vice-president, the meeting decided to suspend the rules and elect an executive president to serve during the absence of Mr. Lindblom. The roll call showed that the required majority was present, and Mr. Andrew Chaiser was duly elected to fill the position.

The treasurer reported that a cash sum of \$10,844.81 had been paid into the fund and was at this time at the Society's disposal. An additional sum of \$4,000. has been pledged and will be in the treasury by August 1.



The Illinois Staats Zeitung, January 3, 1890.

### THE LINNE MEMORIAL

The Scandinavians know how to give their festivities a certain historical significance by including living pictures and even dramatic presentations of important events. They are masters in this respect. During the first half of the season, the state of the North Side Turnhall often functioned as a pictorial show place, where Gustav Adolphos' deeds of valor and the prowess of Nordic heroes were depicted. The local Swedes arranged a similar festival at the Armory of the Second Regiment, last Wednesday, which helped considerably in producing more funds for the Linne Memorial. This historic Wednesday marks an important botanical achievement which was realized 160 years ago. Linne at the time had just completed his now famous system of plant classification, the family and specie enumerating method. This occurrence was the incentive for the celebration. Four Swedish Knights, armed with lances and garbed in 16th century costume, paraded as guards before the entrance to the hall. On the highly decorated stage, scenes from the Fridjof saga (and others) by the famous Swedish author, E. Tegner, were presented, followed by rustic dances in national costume. Linne's compatriots intend to erect a monument in Lincoln Park to perpetuate his memory. It is said that considerable sums have been contributed for this purpose

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THE LINNE' MONUMENT SOCIETY.

The interest in contributing to the fund for the erection of a statue to Linne' is steadily increasing. Many different societies in the middle west are working hard and with great enthusiasm for this purpose.

Many societies are arranging lectures, concerts, balls, and bazaars and are taking in hundreds of dollars in admission fees.

A meeting was held last Tuesday night with the committee of the Linne' Society. The chairman reported that he had held a conference with the Commissioners of Lincoln Park the other day concerning a place for the statue. It was decided that the greenhouse should be demolished and its place be given to the new monument among the flowers. A letter from sculptor Dyverman, Stockholm, Sweden, was read at the meeting. Dyverman offered to deliver to the committee models of the statue for 9,000 Swedish kronen, and the foundry factory, Meijer & Co., Stockholm offered to cast the whole monument in copper for

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50,000 and in zinc for 10,000 Swedish kronen.

After the letter was read the chairman said he did not think it necessary to raise the suggested 40,000 then. He thought that \$28,000 should be enough. Several speakers said that no conclusion should be reached until there was at least \$10,000 in the treasury of the fund.

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A STATUE OF KARL von LINNE

A mass meeting was held on June 7th at Svea Hall to consider a proposal to erect a statue in honor of Karl von Linne in Lincoln Park. The proposal was accepted with great enthusiasm, and the persons present appointed a committee of forty-five to handle the affair. The monument is going to be raised in the name of the Swedish-Americans in the United States and with their financial support.

The committee elected the following as officers: President, John A. Enander, vice presidents: C.J.Sundell, Rob.Lindblom, P.M.Almin; P.S. Peterson, O.G.Lange, P.W.Nilson and A. Chaiser. Secretaries: L.Hasselroth, V.Tengwald, H.W.Brusewitz and C.Eklund, Treasurer, J.R.Lindgren, Fin. Sec. L.Widestrand.

The General Committee made this appeal in The Swedish Tribune today:

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"It has been suggested that the intended monument should be a copy of the one erected in Stockholm, Sweden a couple of years ago. About \$40,000 is needed for the purpose. We, therefore, ask you, our countrymen, to co-operate with us.

Linne' was a Swede of world-wide fame as a scientist. We Swedes in America should, therefore, honor him by erecting his statue in a place where men can seek rest after a busy day or week. Linne' gave to the world his beautiful truths of the life of the flowers. We, therefore, ask you for your contribution to enable us to erect this monument. in Lincoln Park in Chicago. If 40,000 Swedish-Americans gave \$1.00 each we would have the needed money in a couple of months.

If someone should ask why the statue should be erected in Chicago we answer



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this: The largest Swedish colony is located in Chicago. Chicago is the most centrally located of all the large cities in the United States, and is the binding link between East and West, South and North. Chicago is the most cosmopolitan city in America. It is, therefore, most fitting that the statue should be raised here. The genius of Linne' was of such magnitude that he belongs to the whole world. ...

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## AN ANNIVERSARY

(Editorial)

The Order of Svithiod, the well-known sick benefit and insurance society, is now observing the fiftieth anniversary of its founding. This marks the second important anniversary of this kind in a year. Last June the Viking Order, an organization conducted along similar lines, celebrated its fortieth year of existence with appropriate festivities.

On such occasions we are reminded of the fact that the large Swedish organizations in this country are no longer to be considered as being in the trial stage, or as temporary affairs that flourish one year, only to be dissolved the next. It is true that most of these organizations have passed through periods strewn with difficulties, when the outlook was so discouraging that less optimistic members were about ready to give up. But as far as the larger groups are concerned, that is past history. Their activities

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are expanding steadily even though unemployment and other circumstances may slow them up temporarily.

We take it for granted that the veterans of the Svithiod Order will be feted on this occasion, and nobody should begrudge them the tribute which is their just due. They laid the foundation and were the builders of the organization, formulating its principles and living up to them during the first difficult years. The experience which they gained has helped them in guiding its later development. If anybody deserves thanks these men certainly do, for their years of faithful work without thought of compensation or other personal gains. Thanks to them, Svithiod is now up in front among Swedish-American societies. However, the Svithiod Order, with its present membership and large financial resources, does not represent the work of a few. It may be true that a few outstanding men have contributed so greatly to its progress that their names will always be associated with it. The fact remains that it is the loyalty of the great majority of members, the rank and file, which has made that progress

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possible. And that goes for every Swedish-American organization which from a small beginning has branched out and become national in scope.

The Order's activities during the past fifty years speak for themselves. Large sums have been paid out in sick benefits life insurance, and donations to worthy causes. During the last few years both the Vasa Order and the Viking Order have opened homes where old members who have no near relatives may spend the evening of their life in peace and tranquility.

The veterans of Vasa have every reason to be proud of their achievement and we offer them and the entire membership of the Order our most hearty felicitations.

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NORDSTJARNAN, CHICAGO'S OLDEST SWEDISH SOCIETY,  
OBSERVES FIFTIETH ANNIVERSARY OF ITS FOUNDING

The sick benefit society Nordstjarnan (The North Star), well known among the older generation of Chicago Swedes, will observe the fiftieth anniversary of its founding next Monday. This organization, the oldest of its kind in the city, came into existence December 16, 1879, and there were sixteen charter members.

The society Nordstjarnan was originally organized as a singing society, and inasmuch as the present Nordstjarnan Singing Club was formed by members of the former, that club can also celebrate its fiftieth anniversary this year.

In the fall of 1880 some musical instruments were purchased, and members of

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III H Nordstjarnan began to rehearse musical numbers regularly. This marked the beginning of the later so popular Nordstjarnan orchestra. This band, its members dressed in blue uniforms, attracted much attention when it took part in parades and public festivities arranged by Swedish-American organizations of that period.

The society made its first public appearance March 20, 1880, in Svea Hall on the North Side, and on the occasion of its second anniversary, which was celebrated in Loellner's Hall on Blue Island Avenue, the wives and sweethearts of the members surprised them by presenting the society with a Swedish flag which they themselves had made.

During the first few years Nordstjarnan's activities were primarily of an intellectual and cultural nature, and within a short time it possessed a quite extensive library. A few years ago the entire collection of books was

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III H given to the Swedish Home for the Aged in Evanston. The society also arranged evening entertainments, with lectures and discussions on educational topics, which became very popular with the public. On such occasions the choir and the orchestra would also take part in the program, and on account of these and similar beneficial activities, Nordstjarnan won a high place in the esteem of Chicago's Swedes.

At intervals this society even arranged public festivals, and during the winter season it hired such places as the First Regiment Armory and the Coliseum Annex for its public balls. No other single Swedish organization ever dared to try such undertakings.

During the past half century Nordstjarnan has paid out \$51,121 in sick benefits, and \$26,892 for funeral expenses. In addition, \$2,116 has been spent in the form of gifts and cash aid to members and others in need. A

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III H considerable amount of money has also been required to keep the choir and orchestra going. In the spring of 1893 the society sent \$1,000 for the relief of the people of Norrland, Sweden, and just before that it aided fire victims in the cities of Umea and Sundsvall.

Of the sixteen charter members seven have passed away in the course of time. The society's first president was Lee Borell, and the present one is Chas. H. Lindberg, who has served in that capacity since January 1, 1923.

Sunday, December 15, members and friends of Nordstjarnan will celebrate the jubilee at a festive gathering.

[Translator's note: In the title of this article Nordstjarnan is designated as the oldest Swedish society in Chicago. Evidently this is not correct. According to Page 1, lines 5 & 6, it is the oldest of its kind, that is the oldest sick benefit society.]

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Svenska Kuriren, Aug. 1, 1929.

THE INDEPENDENT ORDER OF SVITHIOD

The Independent Order of Svithiod has recently held its 37th annual Grand Lodge convention, at which 138 delegates from the Order's 73 lodges were present.

From the Grand Lodge secretary's report we make the following extracts:  
During the period July 1, 1928--June 30, 1929, 1,388 new members have joined the Order; out of this number, 914 have joined since the beginning of 1929. The total membership at the end of the fiscal year was 16,030. Six new lodges have been organized during this last 12 months.

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The finances of the Svithiod Order are in excellent condition and show a very satisfactory increase over the previous year. Thus the assets of the Grand Lodge total the huge sum of \$1,360,232.71 and the combined individual assets of the lodges a total of \$427,865.66, or a grand total of \$1,788,198.37. Practically all of the assets of the Grand Lodge are invested in first mortgages bearing interest at the rate of 6%.



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Since the Order came into existence 37 years ago, a total sum of \$2,769,970.46 has been paid out to members on life insurance policies, for sick and funeral benefits, and in donations.

The Order's Old Peoples Home on Lake Minnetonka in Minnesota is now the haven for 18 aged members. During the last year the incumbrance on the property was reduced by \$10,000, or from \$35,000 to \$25,000.

Election of officers for the ensuing year was in order and resulted as follows: Andrew Rasmussen, Grand Master; Dr. Herman G. Almquist, Vice Grand Master; Otto Hanson, Grand Lodge secretary; August Lindeberg, Grand Lodge treasurer, and Dr. Carl G. Rydin, Chief Examining Physician.

The retiring secretary, Mr. John A. Sandgren, of Chicago, has held this position within the Grand Lodge for the last 27 years. Other activities necessitated his withdrawal. He was made the object of great ovations and received many tokens of appreciation for his dutiful service.

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Svenska Kuriren, April 25, 1929.

CELEBRATE ANNIVERSARY

Valkyria Lodge No. 1 of the Independent Order Ladies of Vikings celebrated its 25th anniversary last Wednesday by an animated banquet at the Verdani Hall, 5015 N. Clark St.

The lodge was organized on April 17th 1904, by wives and daughters of members of the Frithiof Lodge. There were 17 charter members, 10 of whom have died or moved away. The remaining seven were present at this banquet as guests of honor.

The Valkyria Lodge is the original women's lodge out of which the Independent Order Ladies of Vikings has grown into a powerful organization. There are now a number of lodges and the membership runs into thousands. The Valkyria Lodge now has more than 400 members and more than \$7,000 in its treasury.



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The Grand Lodge of the Independent Order of Svithiod has published its financial report for the year 1928. The income during the year was \$234,707.38, of which sum \$60,609.71 represents interest on invested capital. The disbursements amounted to \$126,929.26, of which amount \$88,200.00 was paid out to beneficiaries under policies of deceased members, and a sum of \$21,264.59 to defray diverse expenses in connection with the Order's property in Minnesota. Miscellaneous disbursements totalled \$19,464.67. The Grand Lodge's total assets December 31, 1928 were \$1,300,493.37, out of which a sum of \$1,142,800.00 is invested in mortgages bearing interest at an average rate of 6%.

Policies in force aggregate \$8,685,200.00, and the total membership of the Order is 15,922, divided among 67 lodges.

The various lodges during 1928 paid out \$71,422.80 in sick benefits, \$6,445.25 in funeral benefits, and \$5,930.40 in donations. The total combined resources of the various lodges and the Grand Lodge amount to \$1,728,359.03, which shows an increase of \$142,660.25 over 1927.

The estimated value of the Svithiod's Old People's Home at Birch Bluff, Excelsior, Minnesota, is \$120,580.00, subject to an incumbrance of \$35,000, which, in view of its existence of only four years, must be considered a very successful result. At present fifteen aged members are being cared for at this home.

Svenska Kuriren, May 24, 1928.

[CONVENTION]



The Illinois District Lodge of the SCANDINAVIAN FRATERNITY OF AMERICA held its 20th. annual convention last Friday and Saturday.

The following figures are extracts from the district secretary's annual report: Total membership of the lodges within the district on Jan. 1st. 1928: 5,502; cash on hand by the lodges: \$54,342.43; members departed by death during 1927: 34; disbursements in sick and funeral benefits during 1927: \$41,190.59. The total assets of the District Lodge at the end of the year amounted to \$70,342.72. Ten new lodges had been organized during the year, bringing the total up to 38.

It was further reported that pledges totalling \$30,000. had been made toward the district lodge's building fund that of this amount \$8,000. already had been collected.

The election of officers for the ensuing term resulted as follows: Thorsten Thorstenson, District Chairman; Ralph Johnson, vice dist. chairman; Carl P. Johnson, district sec'y. and Oscar T. Anderson, district treasurer.

Svenska Kuriren, May 10, 1928.

TWENTIETH ANNUAL MEETING

The Illinois District Lodge of the Order of Vasa held its 20th annual meeting last Friday and Saturday.

The district secretary's report shows that 544 new members had joined the various lodges in Illinois during the year of 1927, thereby increasing the membership to 12,584. The combined assets of the lodges showed an increase from \$163,294.05 to \$178,507.95. In sick benefits during 1927 the lodges had paid out a sum of \$43,666.55 and in funeral benefits \$10,100.00, or a total of \$53,766.55. The grand total corresponding figure for the twenty years of the Order's existence in Illinois is \$445,283.68.



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[AID SOCIETY MEETS]

Linnea Aid Society in the Englewood District held its annual meeting recently in the Swedish Methodist Church at 60th St. and Union Ave.

The reports show that the Society during 1927 distributed \$3,925.96 in cash among sick and needy Swedish people, in addition to the distribution of 115 baskets at last Christmas. Besides, a subscription started among the members for the Swedish Ter-Centenary Jubilee Fund has to date brought \$1,397.75.



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Svenska Kuriren, October 27, 1927

Irving Park Lodge No.20 of the Order of Svithiod celebrated its 25th anniversary last Saturday by a banquet at the Myrtle Masonic Temple.

From its modest beginning October, 1902, the lodge now has grown to a membership of 577. Its contributions to the grand lodge during these years total \$62,000. Approximately \$25,000 has been paid to its members in sick and funeral benefits. The lodge has in its own treasury a sum of \$13,480.

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### THE VIKING LODGE

The Viking Lodge held its thirty-sixth Grand Lodge meeting in the South Side Viking Temple, Chicago, June 17 and 18. The meeting was opened by the Lodge's chief executive officer, Mr. Felix Johnson, in the presence of 136 delegates from 59 Fylken (districts).

Transactions Friday evening were confined to reading the protocol and reports of the activities during the last year. Grand Secretary Eric Thulin reported the acquisition of 1506 new members, making a grand total of 12,578 active members and 127 inactive. Several new districts were organized within the year; namely Portland, Oregon, Denver, Colorado, Des Moines, Iowa, and Benton Harbor, Michigan. Fifteen members passed on to their reward, for whom \$26,200 was paid out in insurance.

Receipts of the Grand Lodge last year were \$148,852.85; disbursements,

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\$56,561.77; and resources at May 1 were \$169,061.14, an increase over the year preceding of \$92,291.08. The market value of the Lodge's insurance fund at the end of the year was 116.158%, an increase of 7.258% over the year preceding. The report further stated that the Lodge's Old Peoples Home at Gurnee, Illinois, had five inmates; two had passed away within the year. Friday's meeting ended at 11 P. M., and the session was resumed early on Saturday morning, when several important questions came up and caused a lively discussion.

A proposal to change or amend the constitution in order to admit women was discussed and rejected. The point brought out was that the Lodge had existed for thirty-seven years and had grown to be one of the strongest in the country without having to open its doors to the ladies, who ought to support their affiliated Lodge, the Ladies of the Vikings. The Lodge's property, Viking's Valhalla, which heretofore had been managed and controlled by the executive board, was turned over to a committee of five members elected at the Grand Lodge meeting. The reason for this was that the executive board must devote

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its time to the Lodge's work and progress.

The delegation from Nebraska, with the Lodge's organizer, Mr. Emil Peterson, as spokesman, invited the Grand Lodge to Omaha for its 1928 meeting. In this connection half a dozen telegrams were read, from the Mayor of Omaha as well as from many leading clubs in that city, all supporting the Omaha Vikings' invitation. After a lively debate the invitation was enthusiastically accepted.

In the course of the day a telegram was dispatched to the aviator hero Charles Lindberg, congratulating him on his great exploit.

As Grand Officers for the ensuing year the following members were elected: Grand Chief, George R. Swanson, Frithjof District Number 6; Vice Grand Chief, John Swanson, Ring District Number 18; Grand Secretary, Eric Thulin, Gotha District Number 14 (re-elected); Grand Treasurer, Alfred Hult, Drake District

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Number 3 (re-elected); executive board, Felix Johnson, Brage District, John A. Linden, Frithjof District, Allen Johnson, Drake District, Henry Nordholm, Brage District, John H. Nelson, Ivar District, Axel Nelson, Engel Brekt District, Gust Westerberg, Ellida District, Adolf L. Johnson, Runan District, Alfred Sandstedt, Norden District, George Hanson, Progressive District, and Axel Wessman, Vikingarne District; finance committee, Arvid Benson, Vikingarne District, Oscar Magnuson, Yngne District, and A. E. Anderson, Angantyr District; directors of the Lodge's property Viking's Valhalla, Sexton Bruce, Drake District, Alfred Sandstedt, Nordeni District, Oscar Ostrom, Sigurd District, Olaf Hanson, Brage District, and Axel Swanson, Hjalmar District; law committee, Hugo Erickson, Yngve District, Albin Johnson, Drake District, and David Bjorkman, Engelbrekt District; members of Supreme Council, Carl Carlson, Valhalla District, Victor Ericson, Sten Sture District, and Fred Karlzen, Mimer District.

The installation of the new officers was conducted by the former Grand Chiefs,

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Herman Carlson and Gustaf D. Carlson, assisted by John Klingstedt. Business was concluded at 9 P. M., and all the members marched down to the banquet hall, where the tables were set.

The banquet, at which two hundred were present, was opened by the president of the Viking Temple's house committee, Mr. Rognar Anderson, who welcomed the Grand Lodge to its first meeting in its largest and newest building, and he then presented the Grand Secretary, Eric Thulin, as master of ceremonies for the banquet. Music was furnished by an excellent orchestra, supplemented by several solos sung by members. The Northland Trio sang a number of popular songs, old and new. As proof of their popularity, they are already engaged to sing at the banquet in Omaha next year. Our countryman, the tenor Hjalmar Orm, who in his short visit to Chicago has already sung himself into the hearts of Chicago Swedes, entertained with several numbers.

The newly elected Grand Chief, Mr. George Swanson, delivered his maiden speech

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and presented to his predecessor, Felix Johnson, the Lodge's emblem in gold as a particular token of appreciation to the Lodge's highest officer of the previous year. Mr. Johnson thanked him for the honor with emotion. Axel C. Peterson of Moline had tuned his lyre for a song for the Skaningar in Chicago. Editor Frithjof Malmquist gave a splendid lecture on our countrymen's share in the world's historic achievements and dwelt in particular on the two aviators, Erik Nelson and Charles A. Lindberg. Shorter speeches were made by Mrs. Anna Stohl, president of the Ladies of the Vikings, Carl Lisell, Edward G. Forsten, and Albert Eck, the latter two being delegates from Portland, Oregon, and Benton Harbor, Michigan, respectively, and speaking as representatives of the new lodges. The banquet lasted until midnight.

On Sunday morning an excursion was made to Viking's Volhalla, where a herring breakfast was served.

The newly elected Grand Chief, George Swanson, is a painting contractor. He was born at Trollhattan, Sweden, June 5, 1892, and came here when he was quite

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young. He lives with his wife Olga and one daughter at 2924 Berteau Avenue.

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[HOLD ANNUAL MEETING]

The Grand Lodge of the Order of Vikings held its 36th annual meeting at the new South Side Viking Temple last Friday and Saturday, June 17-18.

From the secretary's report we quote as follows: The Order has gained 1,506 new members during the last fiscal year, the total membership now being 12,578; 85 members have died during the same period, and in death benefits has been paid out a total sum of \$26,200; the assets of the grand lodge show an increase of \$92,291.08 over and above the preceding year; 4 new lodges have been organized during the fiscal year.

To succeed Mr. Felix Johnson as the Order's Grand Master was elected Mr. George R. Swanson, a member of Frithiof Lodge No. 6 of Chicago.

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[LADIES' LODGE MEETS]

The Grand Lodge meeting of the Ladies Order of Vikings was held May 14th, at the Engineers' Club on Wrightwood Ave.

The financial report showed that the total membership on April 30th was 5,473 and that \$4,200 had been paid out in funeral benefits during the fiscal year. The cash on hand held by the Grand Lodge was \$12,366.07 and by the various lodges of the Ladies' Order \$70,373.87, or a total of \$82,739.94.

Mrs. Anna Stohl was elected Grand Master for the ensuing year.

Svenska Kuriren, Feb. 17, 1927.

ORDER OF VIKINGS' REPORT FOR 1926

(Editorial)

(This report is given herewith in the abbreviated form supplied us by the Order's secretary, Erik Thulin.)

The annual report of the Independent Order of Vikings for last year shows that 1,208 new members were admitted, making a total membership of 12,268, not including the sixty-nine members without insurance. The membership is spread over sixty-three districts, one of which, in Des Moines, Iowa, was organized during the year.

The Order operates in the following states: Illinois, Iowa, Indiana, Michigan, Minnesota, Nebraska, New York, Ohio, Wisconsin, and Utah. Receipts of the Grand Lodge during the year amounted to \$136,058.68. Disbursements were \$55,999.94, leaving a balance for the year of \$80,058.74. Of the Grand

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Lodge's funds, \$490,010.39 are placed in first mortgages, \$77,640.07 in properties, and the balance in banks. Resources of the Grand Lodge amount to \$585,837.66. The amount of \$28,500.00 was paid out for insurance during the past year. Since the Order was organized insurance policies amounting to \$259,925 have been paid out. The district's funds amount to \$262,367.12, an increase of \$16,120.72. In sick benefits \$48,945.10 was paid out during the year, or a total of \$500,190 since the Order's inception.

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"VASTGOTA GILLE " TWENTY-FIVE YEARS OLD.

Its 25th anniversary was celebrated, Dec. 10th, by "Vastgota Gille", (the West-Gothic Guild), at a banquet held at the "Svithiod Club" on Wrightwood Avenue. Principal speakers were Assistant Corporation Counsel C. Hjalmar Lundquist and John A. Linden. A highly enjoyable vocal program was given by Mrs. Sigrid Borgstrom-Peterson, soprano, and Joel Mossberg, baritone.

The newly elected president gave a resume of the guilds' twenty-five years of activity in Chicago, and that there are now 250 members and not less than \$11,000 in the treasury. Among other assets, the guild lists a small little church in the home province of Vastergotland in Sweden, which has been transformed into a museum.

Only those hailing from Vastergotland are eligible to membership in the society.

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Order of Svithiod's

Autumn Carnival

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Harvest Festival

at

Good-Templar Park

Sunday, September 19, 1926

Athletic Contests between Swedes, Norwegians,  
Dances, and Finns

Music by Rostrom's Orchestra -- Singing by the "Bellman Chorus"

Svenska Kuriren, July 1, 1926

ANNUAL MEETING OF THE "VIKING " ORDER

The 34th Annual Grand Lodge Meeting of the Order of Viking was held last Friday and Saturday in "Valhalla," the Order's new sanctuary, recently completed at Gurnee, Ill. Officers elected were: Felix Johnson, Grandmaster, George R. Swanson, Vice Grandmaster, Erik Thulin, Grand Lodge Secretary, Alfred Hult, Treasurer.

The report of the treasurer showed that the Order has a membership of 12,460, which is an increase of 1,265 during the fiscal year 1925-26. The receipts during the same period have totalled \$111,960.50, and the outgo was \$59,998.25. The total amount of money at the Grand Lodge's disposal at the end of the fiscal year was \$526,770.06, which sum does not include the individual assets of the sixty-two Lodges comprising the Order.

Svenska Kuriren, May 20, 1926

A NEW "VIKING TEMPLE" IN CHICAGO

Impressive ceremonies accompanied the laying last Sunday of the cornerstone of the South-Side, "Viking" Temple, 69th and Emerald Avenue. American and Swedish flags, and those in the colors of the Order of Vikings were artistically displayed. The "Viking Band" played, and the "Iduna Singing Club" rendered enjoyable selections. Addresses were made by Grand Master Gust Westerberg and others, and the laying of the cornerstone was performed by Erik Thulin, Grand Lodge Secretary.

This temple, which is being built by and for the South-side Viking Lodges, is estimated to cost in the neighborhood of \$300,000.





Svenska Kuriren, Feb. 4, 1926.

[SVITHOID ANNUAL REPORT]

The Order of Svithoid, during 1925, gained 1,680 new members and added not less than \$141,869.91 to its treasury, according to the annual report just published by Mr. John A. Sandgren, secretary of the grand lodge. In deaths, sick benefits, and donations to needy members, a total of \$142,373.23 has been disbursed by the Order during 1925. The total resources of the Order on December 31st showed \$1,236,631.83, not including the property on Lake Minnetonka, near Minneapolis, Minnesota, which is intended for the erection of a Home for Aged Members of the Order.

Since the Order was founded in Chicago about 46 years ago, it has paid out a total of \$1,330,655.00 in death benefits, \$693,529.90 in sick benefits, \$126,159.35 in funeral costs, and \$51,281.89 in donations to needy members and charitable institutions.

Svenska Kuriren, Feb. 3, 1926

ANNUAL MEETING OF THE "SVITHIOD" ORDER

The Independent Order of Svithiod has held its annual meeting and from various reports we publish extracts from that of the Financial Secretary.

Membership increased by 1,446 new members in 1926 and Dec. 31, 1926, there was a total of 16,099 members. The number of lodges is now **sixty-six**. Total assets of the Grand Lodge on Dec. 31st amounted to \$1,029,875.11 which shows a gain of \$103,031.14 over 1925. Cash on hand and securities held by the various lodges amounted to \$388,794.93, making the grand total owned by the Order \$1,418,670.84.

With particular interest we note that the Order's separate "Old People's Home Fund", during its three short years of existence, has grown to \$49,814.20 which was accumulated through voluntary contributions. Plans for the Home have been drawn and construction will begin within the near future.

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BIG BAZAAR AND FAIR

- "Varnamo Marknad" -

will be held by

Svithiod Lodge No. 1, I. O. of S.

at Belmont Hall

Thursday, Friday, Saturday and Sunday

Nov. 19-20-21-22

at 8 P.M., except 3 P.M. on Sunday

A Master-Six Buick auto will be given away!

--Dancing - Music - Singing every night--

Tickets \$.25

Svenska Kuriren, Feb. 12, 1925

ORDER OF VIKINGS

The financial report of the Order of Vikings for 1924 has just been published, and we quote the figures: 1,346 new members were inducted into the Order during 1924, making a total of 12,359. Seventy-four members died during 1924 and the death benefits made \$21,500.

Insurance policies in effect Dec. 31st totalled \$3,161,200. The income during the past year was \$96,704.36 and the outgo \$43,296.77. Total cash funds of the Order on Dec. 31st amounted to \$448,004.84, which shows an increase over 1923 of \$93,407.59. The Chicago Lodges during 1924 have paid a sum of \$45,170.90 in sick and death benefits and donations. Total resources of the Chicago Lodges amount to \$218,214.70.

The Grand Lodge meeting of the Order will be held in June in "Valhalla", Gurnee, Illinois.

Svenska Tribunen-Nyheter, Dec. 28, 1921.

### BUILDING ACTIVITIES

Architect John A. Nyden has completed the drawings for two large apartment buildings which are to be erected on the North Side. One of them will be located on the northeast corner of Brompton and Pine Grove Avenues; it will be three stories high, and will contain sixty apartments. It will be built for C. R. Gleason at an estimated cost of \$250,000. The other building will be located on the southeast corner of Winthrop Avenue and Greenlake Terrace; it will be a three-story structure, containing forty-two apartments. The estimated cost is \$200,000, and Mr. Gleason will be the owner.

Architect Paul F. Olson has delivered the drawings for a three-story apartment building which is to be built for G. W. Costello on Ainslie Street, between Sheridan Road and Lake Michigan, at an estimated cost of \$100,000. It will contain twenty-four apartments.

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ACTIVE IN SWEDISH-AMERICAN SOCIETIES

[Half-tone, one column, sixth of a page,  
full-face picture of Richard Flodberg.]

As reported in last week's issue, Richard Flodberg, of 3317 Herndon Street, Chicago, has recently been elected head of the Vasa Order's District Lodge No. 8, of the Illinois District. The election took place during the organization's annual meeting, which was held in Moline, Illinois, March 5 and 6.

Flodberg belongs to the Harmoni Lodge No. 313 of this city, and is one of its founders. Formerly he was a member of the Oscar II Lodge No. 129, and has been associated with the Vasa Order for twelve years.

It is safe to say that Flodberg is one of the most popular men in the organization. He enjoys the confidence and good will of all, and his words and judgment carry weight when important decisions are to be made. In

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discussions involving the policies and welfare of his lodge his keen intelligence, together with his respect for the opinions of others, are apparent. These qualities more than make up for any shortcomings he may have as an orator.

Flodberg was born in Varmland, Sweden, July 21, 1880, and came to America at the age of 20. His first three years in this country were spent in Bridgeport, Connecticut, but in 1903 he moved to Chicago, where he has made his home ever since. He is a plumber by trade.

Since Flodberg joined the Vasa Order, he has held many offices within that organization. He has served as secretary, president, vice-president, and master of ceremonies, and in the Harmoni Lodge, of which he is now vice-president, he has also served as financial secretary. In addition, he served on the executive committee of the District Lodge, and was a delegate to the convention of the Grand Lodge in Jamestown, in 1912. Finally, for many years he has been, and still is, a delegate to the Swedish National

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Association of Chicago.

Besides being a very active member of the Vasa Order, Flodberg also belongs to the Independent Order of Good Templars, the Svithiod order and to the Loyal Order of Moose. He has taken an active part in the affairs of the co-operative restaurant "Idrott" since it was opened, and is now on its board of directors.

In 1914 he married Esther W. Lundberg.

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SVITHIOD YEARLY REPORT

The yearly report of the work done by The Independent Order of Svithiod during the year of 1918 has been published. The secretary, John A. Sandgren, therein points out that despite certain unfavorable circumstances as for instance, the fact that a large number of members served in the nation's army and navy, which meant increased risk and addition to expenses as did also the pneumonia epidemic, progress has been made. There is an increase, both in membership and of funds. The following is a short summary of the financial status of the lodge:

Assessed income of the Grand Lodge	\$93,420.25
Interest on loans	\$13,650.95
Other income	\$10,006.53
Total	\$117,077.73



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**Expenses:**

Insurance benefits	\$65,550.00
Administration expenses	\$ 9,152.35
<b>Total</b>	<b>\$75,702.35</b>

Thus funds have increased with \$42,375.38. Assets of the Grand lodge increased to \$298,825.90.

Nine hundred seventy-six new members have been admitted, which is a fact of importance, considering the circumstances. Mortality has been greater than usual during the last three months due to the influenza and pneumonia epidemics, which were responsible for no less than sixty deaths.

During the first nine months of the year, the mortality rate stayed at the average of sixty. Thus, total deaths during the year numbered one hundred



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and twenty.

More than six hundred members served in the war. Nine are reported dead from illness, or killed on the battlefield. They are: John B. Johnson, Chicago; Anton W. H. Lundell, Chicago Heights, Ill.; Oscar S. Anderson, Chicago; Thomas Edward Anderson, Chicago; Andrew Oswald Anderson, Chicago Heights; John Stone, Chicago; John Edward Eckhart, Chicago; James Salle, Joliet, Ill.; Arvid Gustav Johnson, Rockford, Ill.

The total membership on the thirty-first of December, 1918, was 9,846, carrying a total insurance of \$5,800,400. There are one hundred and ninety-eight honorary members, bringing the total to 10,044. The total number of lodges is fifty-eight. \$31,715.59 in sick benefits have been paid through the lodges; funeral benefits, \$7,100, and donations, \$1,161.47. Total cash on hand in all the lodges: \$169,988.17, showing an increase of about \$12,000. Altogether, the total assets of the Order amount to \$468,814.07, of which \$35,500. are invested in Liberty Bonds and War Savings Stamps. Since the organization of the Order, the following payments have



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been made:

Life insurance benefits to 1,100 members.

To beneficiaries of deceased members	\$872,855.00
Sick benefits	\$416,127.40
Funeral benefits	\$ 83,772.52
Donations	\$ 32,384.31
Total	\$1,405,139.23

Svenska Kuriren, July 23, 1915

GREAT GAINS MADE BY "SVITHIOD" ORDER

The Independent Order of Svithiod has gained 819 new members since the beginning of the year, according to the semi-annual report just published. The same report states that the Order has paid out \$39,550 in sick and death benefits since Jan. 1st. The total resources of the Svithiod Order on June 30th amounted to \$1,147,098.55, which shows an increase of more than \$50,000 since Jan. 1st.

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THE SWEDISH METHODISTS' AID SOCIETY

The thirty-seventh annual membership meeting of the Swedish Methodists' Aid Society was held last week, and the report was very encouraging. During 1914 the membership increased by 182 and was, as of January 1, 1915, 5,359. It has doubled during the last fifteen years.

The organization is unique in that during the thirty-seven years of its existence its membership fee has not been increased and no extra assessments levied. A membership certificate costs \$1,000, and persons between the ages of eighteen and fifty of Scandinavian ancestry, who are members of an evangelical congregation are eligible.

The insurance department at Springfield, as well as other experts, give this Society the highest rating. Its president is August H. Skoglund; Frank A. Johnson, secretary; John L. Alstrin, treasurer. Requests for detailed information about the organization should be addressed to Frank A. Johnson, 167 West Washington Street, Chicago.



Svenska Kuriren, June 18, 1914.

THE SWEDISH TYPOGRAPHICAL SOCIETY

The Swedish Typographical Society, No. 247, I. T. U., held its regular meeting June 12. Axel F. Carlen was elected chairman, and F. R. Malmgren, was elected secretary. The annual summer festival of the society will be held at Kolze, Illinois, Sunday, July 12.

A resolution of sympathy was made and passed concerning the death of Eric Conrad Elm, who was one of the Society's charter members, and its first corresponding secretary. He died May 10. It was decided to send a copy of the resolution to his sisters, to the Swedish press in Chicago, to publish the resolution in The Typographical Journal, and also to insert it into the records of the Society.



Svenska Kuriren, May 14, 1914.

THE SWEDISH NATIONAL SOCIETY

The Swedish National Society held a well attended meeting in its building, 140 North Dearborn Street on May 5. A man whom the Society had helped some seventeen years ago, showed his appreciation by sending a check for \$150. The president of North Park College, Doctor David Nyvall, became affiliated with the Society.

The report of the charity committee was read, showing that many countrymen had received help in one form or another from the Society. The Festival Committee presented its report concerning the planned Swedish Patriotic Feast to be held at Orchestra Hall, Saturday, May 30.





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[INDUCTION OF NEW MEMBERS INTO SCANDINAVIAN BROTHERHOOD OF AMERICA]

The Scandinavian Brotherhood of America held a public reception and ball last Sunday night at the Coliseum Annex. Five hundred new members were accepted into the Brotherhood. About 3000 members attended the festival. Chief Justice Harry Olson was the speaker for the evening.



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MEMBERSHIP DRIVE

The Scandinavian Fraternal League, a national sick benefit and funeral aid organization, has been recently conducting an energetic campaign in Chicago, with the result that 500 new members will be inducted into eleven of its Chicago and vicinity lodges at a ceremony to be held in the Coliseum Annex on Sunday evening, March 29. Superior Court Judge Harry Olson will speak, and there will be drill demonstrations, dancing, and other entertainment.

The league has now some 18,000 members, men and women, almost as many as the Danish Brotherhood, and its monthly membership paper, of the same type as that of the Sons of Norway, shows a nice annual profit.

The majority of members are Swedish but the president is a Dane, and so is the district president of the Chicago lodges.



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At the meeting in the Coliseum there will be an opportunity to learn more about the league's program and working methods.

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ANNUAL MEETING OF THE ORDER OF VASA OF AMERICA

The District Lodge Illinois of the Order of Vasa in America held its annual meeting at Verdandi Hall. Nine persons were elected officers. The Order now has about 35,000 members and has lodges in every state of the Union.



Svenska Kuriren, Mar. 5, 1914.

[THE VIKING'S VALHALLA SOCIETY ELECTS OFFICERS]

The directors of the Viking's Valhalla Society has elected the following officers: Chairman, Frithiof Malmquist; first vice-chairman, Mrs. Magnuson; second vice-chairman, Mrs. Minnie Carlson; third vice-chairman, Mrs. Hanna Johnson; recording secretary, Oscar Magnusson; financial secretary, E. E. Edholm, and treasurer, Herman Carlson.



Svenska Kuriren, Mar. 5, 1914.

[MEETING OF THE SWEDISH NATIONAL SOCIETY]



The regular monthly meeting of the Swedish National Society was held Tuesday, Mar 3. The Charity Committee's report was presented, and it showed that much poverty and need has prevailed even among our countrymen during the last month, caused by the great unemployment problem. The society has been very active in helping most of the needy. The Festival Committee reported that beautiful Glenwood Park has been rented for the Society's twenty-first annual midsummer Feast, to be held Sunday, June 28. It was also announced that the Committee had signed a contract with Baroness Signe Rappe, prima donna of the Swedish Royal Opera in Stockholm, assuring her appearance at a concert together with the Swedish National Chorus, to be held at Orchestra Hall on May 30. Miss Rappe, daughter of the former Secretary of War, General Rappe, has also been engaged to appear at the grand singing festivals to be held at Minneapolis, June 8 and 9.

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[ANNUAL REPORT OF THE INDEPENDENT ORDER LADIES OF SVITHIOD]



The Independent Order Ladies of Svithiod has presented its report for 1913. There are twenty-three branches of the Order, and total assets amount to \$40,874,61. The membership increased last year and is now 3,971. The Order paid out \$10,050 in sick benefits last year, \$1,975 for funeral help, and \$272.75 was donated to the needy.

Svenska Kuriren, Feb. 26, 1914.

ANNUAL MEETING OF THE VIKINGS' VALHALLA SOCIETY

The annual meeting of the Vikings' Valhalla Society was held February 15 at Viking Temple. Reports were presented and approved. It was suggested that the purchase of the property at Gurnee, Ill., should be considered and that a committee should be appointed to handle this business. A motion for this purpose was made and passed, and five persons were elected to serve as a committee. Fifteen members were elected to serve as officers for 1914.





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Svenska Kuriren, Feb. 26, 1914.

ANNUAL REPORT OF THE ORDER OF VIKING

The Grand Secretary of the Order of Viking has presented a report for last year. The assets of the Grand Order amounted to \$46,499.86 on December 31, 1913. Total assets of all the branches together with the Grand Order amounted to \$76,950.22.



Svenska Kuriren, Feb. 19, 1914.

[ANNUAL MEETING OF INDEPENDENT ORDER LADIES OF VIKINGS]



The annual meeting of the Independent Order Ladies of Vikings was held at Verdandi Hall last Saturday, with sixty delegates present. They represented thirty-one branch lodges. The Order has a membership of 2,500 and has branches in various cities in Illinois, Wisconsin and Nebraska.

The officers elected for 1914 are: Margaret Johnson, Hanna Johnson, Anna Olson, Augusta Anderson, Hanna Morberg, Anna Larson and Matilda Peterson.

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ANNUAL REPORT OF THE INDEPENDENT ORDER OF SVITHIOD



Secretary John A. Sandgren has now sent out his annual report concerning the work of the order during 1913, showing that the Grand Order's assets were \$117,301.74 on Dec. 31, 1913. The assets of the local Orders amounted to \$127,791.14. The total assets of the Order amount to \$245,292.48.

The auditors, Henry R. Hedberg, Henry B. Engstrom, and Chas. E. Carlson, have examined the Order's accounts and found them correct. They also commended the officers for their excellent work. The well-known attorney, Nels B. Olson, is now the Grand Master of the Order.

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### THE SWEDISH NATIONAL SOCIETY

The Swedish National Society held its regular monthly meeting last Tuesday. The auditing committee's report was read and approved. The charity Committee's report was also read and approved. The committee had financially assisted many poor countrymen and obtained work for fifty unemployed.

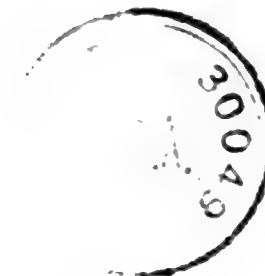
The society decided to express its hearty thanks to the retiring Swedish consul, Henry S. Henschen, and to the consulate secretary, Carl Gustaf Lindwall, for their interest in the work of the society, which they have shown at many times, both morally and financially.



Svenska Kuriren, Jan. 15, 1914.

SOPHIA BENEFIT SOCIETY

The Sophia Benefit Society, connected with Washington Park Hospital, held its annual meeting January 6, when the following persons were elected to serve as officers during 1914: chairman: Mrs. C. E. Anderson; vice-chairman: Mrs. J. W. Hillstrom; recording secretary: Miss Olivia Hjarpe; financial secretary: Mrs. A. Ahlgren; corresponding secretary: Miss Emma Lind; and treasurer: Miss Nellie Hillstrom.



Svenska Kuriren, Jan. 8, 1914.

THE SWEDISH NATIONAL SOCIETY

The Swedish National Society held its annual meeting January 6, and elected the following officers for 1914: Chairman: Chas. S. J. Erickson; 1st vice-chairman: Ernst Behmer; 2nd vice-chairman: Mrs. Clara Petterson; recording secretary: Carl G. Lindwall; corresponding secretary: Othelia Myhrman; financial secretary: Nils Hokanson; treasurer: Henry Mollsen; sergeant-at-arms: Alma Lindblom. Trustees are: Nils Graham, Werner Anderson, and Mrs. Olivia Nelson; directors are: Charles Bostrom, Charles P. Linder, and Mrs. Ida Anderson.

Officers were also elected to serve in the Charity committee, membership committee, law committee, feast committee, and auditing committee. A resolution was made and passed to send a letter of sympathy to the family of Frans Albin Lindstrand, who died recently. He was one of the many founders of the Society, and its chairman for years.



Svenska Kuriren, Dec. 25, 1913.

HILDING LODGE NO. 9, I. O. S.

The Hilding Lodge, No. 9, I. O. S., has elected the following officers: Grand Master: Albert Johnson, vice-Grand Master: Gust. Ekholm; recording secretary: Alexander Woods; financial secretary: Einar E. Weden; treasurer: John A. Swanson; chief: Gust. Carlson; secretary, to the trustees: E. G. Bursell; examining Doctors: J. E. Larson and Olof Olson.



Svenska Kuriren, Dec. 25, 1913.

RAVENSWOOD LODGE NO. 47, I. O. S.

A new Lodge of The Independent Order of Svithiod was organized in Chicago, December 21, at Montrose Hall named "Ravenswood Lodge No. 47." The organization took place in the presence of the officers of the Grand Lodge of the Order and some two hundred other members. Emil Stein was in charge of the ceremonial. The new Lodge started with thirty-three charter members. Applications from ten persons are pending.

The following officers were installed: Grandmaster: Gust. Engberg; vice Grandmaster: Carl Hult; recording secretary Gust. L. Carlson; financial secretary: G. Torsten Flodin; treasurer; Carl P. Linder; Chief; Oscar Gustafson; examining Doctor: Carl R. Petterson. Trustees: John Johnson, Otto J. Welander, Axel Roth, P. Alfred Anderson and Chas. Levin. The traditional "smorgasbord" was served after the meeting, and speeches were made by the officers of the Grand Lodge, Nels H. Olson, John A. Sandgren, Knutes Carlson, and others.







Svenska Kuriren, Dec. 25, 1913.

GYLFE LODGE NO. 6, I. O. S.

The Gylfe Lodge No. 6, I. O. S. of South Chicago has elected the following officers: Grand Master, Joseph Erickson; vice Grand Master, John Lind; recording secretary, August Nelson; financial secretary, Herman Nelson; treasurer, John E. Tyden; chief, Fred Nyberg; secretary to the trustees, Otto Carlson; examining Doctor, E. Algot Bergstrom. The following delegates to the Grand Lodge were elected; namely, August Lofgren, Oscar Helstedt, and John E. Tyden.

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BALDER LODGE NO. 12, I. O. S.

The Balder Lodge No. 12, I. O. S., has elected the following officers:  
Grand Master: August Lindeberg; vice-Grand Master: Andrew Linden;  
recording secretary: Ernst Ancharstrand; financial secretary: Charles  
E. Carlson; treasurer: Alfred Anderson; chief: F. G. E. Cedervall;  
secretary to the trustees: Gust Olson; examining Doctor: Emil Nels  
Larson. Charles E. Carlson and Gust Olson were elected delegates to  
the Grand Lodge.



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Svenska Kuriren, Dec. 25, 1913.

ANDRE LODGE NO. 10, I. O. S.

The Andre Lodge No. 10, I. O. S., has elected as Grand Master: P. E. Peahrson; vice-Grand Master; Ture Granberg; recording secretary: Emil Lindberg; financial secretary: Oscar Swardstrom; treasurer; Oscar Johnson; chief: Victor Johnson; secretary to the trustees: Frank Engstrom; examining Doctor: W. R. Fitzel.



Svenska Kuriren, Dec. 25, 1913.

STOCKHOLM LODGE NO. 13, I. O. S.

The Stockholm Lodge No. 13, I. O. S., has elected the following officers: Grand Master: C. H. Sandin; vice-Grand Master: Aug. Barkman; recording secretary: John A. Nilson; financial secretary; Edward Anderson; treasurer: Martin Peterson; chief: John Bergstrom; secretary to the trustees: Frans Hillberg; examining Doctor: C. Klaus.



Svenska Kuriren, Sept. 11, 1913.

THE SWEDISH NATIONAL ASSOCIATION

The September meeting of the Swedish National Association was well attended. According to a report, several needy persons had received financial help during the past month. Honorable A. O. Eberhart, honorary member and governor of Minnesota sent the following telegram which was read at the meeting:

"Mr. F. A. Lindstrand, Swedish National Association, Chicago, Illinois.

"Upon returning to the city I found the beautifully engrossed and framed copy of the resolution for my honorary membership in your Association. It was a most pleasant surprise as well as an interesting reminder of my visit with you on the occasion of the last festival at Elliott's Park. The photographs were also received and I wish to express my sincere thanks to you personally as well as through you to the Association for this kind remembrance. I shall always cherish this occasion as one of the most pleasant memories of my life. With best wishes I am, very sincerely yours, A. O. Eberhart, Governor."



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Svenska Kuriren, June 5, 1913.

### THE ORDER OF SVITHIOD

The Grand Lodge annual meeting of the Order of Svithiod was held at the Hotel Sherman May 30, and 31. Ninety-four delegates were present representing forty-four of the forty-six lodges of the order, with a membership of 8,500. Reports were read and approved. There is \$74,393.36 in the treasury. The records showed that payments have been made during 1912 in regard to life insurance, sick benefits, and funeral help.

The following officers were elected for 1913: Grand Master: Nels H. Olson, Chicago; Vice-Grand Master: Max Anderson, Spokane, Wash.; secretary: John A. Sandgren, Chicago; treasurer: Knut S. Carlson, Chicago; Chief Doctor: Doctor A. T. Paulson. Members of the executive committee were also elected. The newly elected Grand Master was born in Sweden, and is now a prominent attorney in Chicago. About three hundred persons attended the banquet.



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Svenska Kuriren, June 5, 1913.

A sightseeing tour took many of the delegates through Chicago's parks and boulevards. Lunch was served after the trip at Verdandi Hall at Edgewater. The Military Council of Uniform Rank gave a banquet at the Sherman Hotel for the delegates Sunday evening which was attended by seventy-five persons. This gathering brought the convention to a close.



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Svenska Kuriren, May 15, 1913.

THE SWEDISH NATIONAL ASSOCIATION

The regular monthly meeting of the Swedish National Association was held May 6 in its new, extensive place at 140 North Dearborn Street. The following directors were elected: H. S. Henschen, C. S. Peterson, Fritz Schoultz, Nils Hokanson, F. A. Larson, Gust. Hallbom, C. Ellison, Charles J. Erickson, and Frank Gustafson.

The association decided to help several persons in need, and to make arrangements for its annual midsummer festival to be held at Elliott's Park, July 22. A committee was selected.





Svenska Kuriren, Apr. 24, 1913.

THE HOME FOR THE AGED ASSOCIATION

This association held its annual meeting April 7, at the La Salle Hotel. Minutes were read and approved. There is a net income in the treasury of \$7,806.61. The following officers were elected: President, attorney Nels H. Olson; vice-president; Dr. John A. Christenson; recording secretary, H. Olson; financial secretary, L. V. Hult; treasurer, Gustaf Hallbom. Other officers are: E. J. Carlson, Chas. Gustavson, S. A. Bergeman, George Erickson, J. F. Anderson, Hanna Nelson, and Ella Swanson.

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Svenska Kuriren, Apr. 3, 1913.

HILDING LODGE NO. 9, I. O. S.

Last Saturday, this lodge celebrated its fifteenth annual feast. The festival address was delivered by attorney J. Sheldon. Supper was served to about six hundred persons, who later danced.



Svenska Kuriren, Mar. 20, 1913.

ASTRID LODGE NO. 14, LADIES I. O. S.

This lodge elected officers for 1913. Among them are: Lina Johnson, chairman; Ellen Roseen, vice-chairman; Hulda Svenson, recording secretary; Anna Warner, financial secretary; Lina Carlson, treasurer; all were re-elected.



Svenska Kuriren, Feb. 13, 1913.

SOCIETY NOTICES

The Hyde Park Observatory No. 87, held its annual meeting last Friday. The former officers were re-elected.

The Grand Lodge of Ind. Order of Viking held its twenty-second annual meeting last Friday and Saturday in the Viking Temple. Among the officers elected were: Henry Nordblom from the Brage Lodge, Chicago, as Grand Chief; and C. E. Cronlof, as Vice-Grand Chief.



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Svenska Kuriren, Feb. 13, 1913.

THE SWEDISH NATIONAL ASSOCIATION

This society held its annual meeting on February 5, with its founder F. A. Lindstrand as chairman. Mrs. O. Myhrman presented a complete report regarding its finances as well as its activity during 1910, 1911, and 1912. During this time 8,910 persons had been provided with work by the Association in almost every state of the Union and representing almost every profession, from the common laborer to the civil engineer; \$2,376.86 has been allotted to the needy; besides other help rendered in cash to buy railroad and steamship tickets for sick and poor people.

The following officers were elected for 1913: F. A. Lindstrand, chairman; Geo. Engstrom, first vice-chairman; Mrs. Mina Anderson, second vice-chairman; Karl Lindvall, recording secretary; Mrs. O. Myhrman, corresponding secretary (re-elected for the nineteenth time); Max Blumenthal, financial secretary; Charles Bostrom, treasurer; Mrs. Alma Lindblom, sergeant-at-arms. Trustees: Nils Graham, Werner Anderson, Mrs. Ellen Wennerberg.

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The Association decided to hold its annual midwinter festival together with the Swedish National Chorus at Orchestra Hall, Sunday, March 9, and its usual midsummer festival at Elliott's Park, Sunday, June 23, 1913.



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Svenska Kuriren, Jan. 23, 1913.

SCANDIA LODGE NO. 27, I. O. S.

This society arranged a public installation of officers, the ceremony being led by the secretary of the Grand Lodge, John A. Sandgren, who was assisted by Joseph Hedenblad.



Svenska Kuriren, Jan. 9, 1913.

KING OSCAR LODGE NO. 855, OF A. F. AND A. M.

This lodge installed its officers on Dec. 29. Among them were: Alfred A. Norton, worship master; Edward H. Titus, senior warden; Charles H. Rosberg, junior warden; Edward A. Linn, treasurer; Nels J. Johnson, secretary; Nels O. Johnson, chaplain.

The meeting ended with a program composed of bass singer Gustaf Holmquist, soprano singer Mrs. Marie G. Zendt, alto singer Miss Barbara Wait, and a quartet.



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Svenska Kuriren, June 10, 1911.

THE SWEDISH NATIONAL ASSOCIATION



The Charity Committee of the Swedish National Association held its meeting June 5. The report was read. Many poor had been given financial assistance, either in payment of their room rent, or to buy food. The Swedish Consumption Sanitarium at Denver was also remembered with a donation. Swedish immigrants who have recently come to this country, and other Swedish strangers were cared for.

The association will celebrate its annual Midsummer Feast at Elliot's park, June 25, when the well known Froding and Bellman interpreter-engineer, Torkel Scholander, from Stockholm, Sweden, will present his famous songs. An address will be made by Mr. Hjalmar Nilson, chairman of the Swedish Singing Society in Minneapolis, and other cities.

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Svenska Kuriren, Apr. 15, 1911.

MANHEM LODGE I.O.V.

The 37th branch of Independent Order of Viking, was organized at Highwood, Illinois with a membership of twenty-nine on the initiative of N.J. Lindskog, the secretary of Viking. The new local lodge took the name "Manhem."

Officers were elected, and so were trustees for the new lodge.



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Svenska Kuriren, Apr. 8, 1911.

SOPHIA BENEFIT SOCIETY OF WASHINGTON PARK HOSPITAL

The Sophia Benefit Society of the Washington Park Hospital re-elected its Board of Directors, namely; Mrs. C.C. Anderson, chairman; Mrs. J. W. Millstrom, first vice-chairman; Miss Anna Lind, second vice-chairman; Mrs. J.A. Lingberg, corresponding secretary; Mrs. J. Rolfe, recording secretary; Mrs. A. Ahlgren, financial secretary; Miss Nellie Millstrom, treasurer, Mrs. Ida Sandquist, chaplain. The trustees are: Mrs. O.E. Olson, Mrs. C. Blom, Mrs. J. Larson.

The society has collected \$6,305.50 since it started its activity, and paid out \$5,692.20 to the sick in need. The society is different from other similar societies, because it is helping not only its own members, but also any of our countrymen, who are poor, sick, or otherwise in need of help.



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Svenska Kuriren, Mar. 4, 1911.

THE SWEDISH NATIONAL SOCIETY

The charity committee of the Swedish National Society held its monthly meeting February 20. Reports were read. \$517.24 was delivered to the committee from the proceeds of the charity feast at Viking Temple. Several donations were made to institutions, and to individuals in need of help. C. W. Nelson, Stro, Sweden, has sent in a gift of \$10 to the committee.

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Svenska Kuriren, Jan. 28, 1911.

THE ANNUAL MEETING OF THE

VASA ORDER

The Illinois District Lodge of Vasa Order held its 18th annual meeting at Market Hall, Pullman. The lodge has a membership of 1,291 in the state of Illinois. The total membership of the Order is 16,000.

The purpose of the Order is to assist members in sickness, and with funeral help.

The following officers were elected: District Master, Oscar Geyer, Chicago; J. F. Carlson, Lemont, district secretary; and Carl Festin, district treasurer.



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Svenska Kuriren, Jan. 7, 1911.

FRITHOIF LODGE NO. 6, I.O.V.

The annual meeting of the Frithoif Lodge No. 6, I.O.V. was held at Heims Hall December 28, when officers were elected for 1911.

Ring Lodge No. 8, I.O.S., one of the largest lodge of Svithiod, has elected officers to serve for 1911.

Verdandi Lodge No. 3, I.O.S. has over 500 members now, and has its own lodge building at 5015-17 North Clark Street. The lodge has elected officers for 1911.



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Svenska Tribunen-Nyheter, Oct. 25, 1910.

VERDANDI LODGE IN NEW HOME

[Half-tone, two columns--sixth of a page, front view of Verdandi's new lodge building.]

We present above a picture of the newly erected home of Verdandi Lodge No. 3, Independent Order of Svithiod, at 5015 North Clark Street.

The building, which has just been completed, is modern in every respect, containing stores, office suites, a large, well-appointed auditorium, ballroom, dining room, kitchen, and other facilities required in an up-to-date lodge hall.

Alfred Nelson was the contractor, and the building plans were prepared by Architect A. Sandegren.



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Svenska Tribunen-Nyheter, June 14, 1910.

### NEW LODGE HOME

What might be called preliminary dedication ceremonies were held last Saturday in the new, stately home of Lodge No. 2, of the Independent Order of Vikings, at Sheffield Avenue and School Street. No less than 130 new members were initiated into the Lodge, which is one of the most active in the entire order, and now has about nine hundred members. The roomy and modern auditorium was filled almost to capacity, and the audience was in high spirits. Several bands participated.

The plans for this impressive lodge building, the first Viking home in Chicago, were prepared by Architect Andrew E. Norman, who also supervised the construction. The outside architecture is attractive, and the inside arrangements are in good taste. Those who have been in charge of the work have certainly done a good job. When fully completed, the building will have cost about \$50,000. The formal dedication will take place in the fall.





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Svenska Tribunen-Nyheter, Feb. 1, 1910.

MEETING OF THE SWEDISH METHODISTS' AID SOCIETY

The Swedish Methodists' Aid Society held its annual general membership meeting here a short time ago. According to the report, the organization now has 4,458 members. The gross income last year was \$53,086.74; disbursements, including \$38,000 to the families of thirty-eight members who passed away during the year, amounted to \$49,964.13, leaving a net operating profit of \$3,122.61.

The Society owns securities worth \$39,453.11, and its total assets are valued at \$43,243.05. It has 117 branches with 3,379 members and, in addition, 479 nonorganized members. New officers were elected at the meeting.

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Translator's note: This is a Midwestern or possibly a national organization, with a large Chicago membership.



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A NEW SVITHIOD LODGE

Last Tuesday, a new Svithiod Lodge was organized in Northwest Hall at North and Western Avenues. This new local of the Independent Order of Svithiod took the name of "Central No. 42." It will hold its meetings in the Masonic Temple on the ninth floor. The charter members numbered fifty-two. This is the first Svithiod lodge with by-laws and rituals written in English. All of the previously organized lodges have used the Swedish language.

Officers of the new lodge are: S. M.: Franklin C. Lundquist; V. S. M.: Wallace H. Johnson; P. S.: Charles E. Sward; F. S.: Henry H. Hedberg; Treasurer, Otto Hamburg. About three hundred people were present at the inaugural ceremonies of the lodge.

Note: The initials preceding names do presumably signify titles of the Order. (Editor).



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Svenska Tribunen-Nyheter, Oct. 19, 1909.

### NEW LODGE BUILDING



Brage Lodge No. 2 of the Independent Order of Vikings laid the cornerstone of its new home at Sheffield Avenue and School Street at a festive ceremony last Sunday. Brage is the first Swedish lodge in Chicago to have its own building, and for this reason, the occasion was particularly significant. At two o'clock in the afternoon, members of the Viking order gathered in and about Clifton Hall, and marched in an impressive parade through the streets of Lake View. Several other lodges also participated, carrying their standards and banners.

The ceremony at the building site was opened by the order's grand master, Editor Frederick Malmquist, and the Viking's orchestra then played several numbers of Swedish music. The Orpheus Singing Club sang "Wonderful Land," "Our Country," and other fine Swedish songs, whereafter the grand master laid the cornerstone.

Reverend Herman Lindskog was the main speaker, and pointed out that the modern

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Swedish Vikings do not come to these shores to raid and spread terror, but to do their share in building up a new continent and creating a new and better society. He also declared that this cornerstone was much more than merely the foundation of a lodge building, since it also signified the cornerstone of Swedish culture, tradition, and achievement in a new land.

Mr. Malmquist, in his speech, called attention to the fact that Brage, during its seventeen years of existence, has grown from a small beginning into one of the largest lodges of the Viking order, with a membership of almost eight hundred. Whether members or not, all Swedes join in wishing Brage continued success in its new building.



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Svenska Tribunen, May 7, 1909.

[ANNIVERSARY]

Svithiöd Lodge No. 1, I. O. S. celebrated its 22nd annual May festival at the North Side Turner Hall. A Swedish folk farce, called "Nerkingarne", was presented by the Swedish theater society.



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THE VIKINGS

The Independent Order of Vikings held a joint meeting of all its lodges a few days ago and the thirty-two member lodges sent fifty-seven delegates.

The secretary read the report, according to which the Order's total expenditures last year amounted to \$12,108.89, and the gross income was \$16,918.96, leaving a net profit of \$4,810.07 for the year. Cash on hand as of December 31, 1908 was \$23,205.18.

The combined cash balance of all the lodges was \$41,994.85, an increase of \$5,784.55 as compared to the preceding year.

During the past year \$12,655.30 was paid out in sick benefits, and \$6,600



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for funeral aid. The thirty-two lodges have a combined membership of 4,361. New executive officers were elected.

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When the formal meeting was over the Vikings partook of an excellent supper and listened to several speeches.

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LADIES OF SVITHIOD

The Ladies of Svithiod Order held a joint lodge meeting last week in Overbeck's Hall, on West Fullerton Avenue.

According to the published report the order now has seventeen member lodges with an aggregate membership of 1,892. Its treasury has on hand more than \$15,000 in cash, and during 1908 some \$4,000 was paid out in insurance, sick benefits, and gifts.

In the near future the Order will have its own publication.





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### LINNEA AID SOCIETY

This society held its annual meeting and reports were turned in regarding its work for the Englewood Hospital. The society now has 386 members. The total income was \$1,391.94. The society has paid the expenses of twenty-six patients at the hospital totaling \$757.03. A Linnea Room has been equipped at the hospital at a cost of \$249.01. To the Tuberculosis Sanitarium at Denver, they have donated \$150. Smaller amounts have been donated to various needy persons. The following members were elected officers for the year 1909: Mrs. C. A. Vallentin, chairman; Mrs. E. Nelson, second vice-chairman; Mrs. C. Wick, third vice-chairman; Mrs. T. Soderstrom, fourth vice-chairman; Mrs. E. J. Johnson, fifth vice-chairman; Mrs. C. Bolin, recording secretary; Mrs. C. Osterholm, financial secretary; Mrs. Robert Anderson, corresponding secretary; Mrs. H. A. Nelson treasurer; Mrs. C. Bolin, chairman of the sick benefit committee.



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The society is well organized and accomplishes a great deal of good among needy people. Much honor is due the members of this society.



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LINNEA [SOCIETY HOLDS MEETING]



The Englewood Hospital Aid Society Linnea held its annual membership meeting January 8.

The report submitted by its board of directors stated that the Society now has 386 members and its income during the past year amounted to \$1,391.94. Twenty-six patients at the hospital received aid aggregating \$757.03, and a Linnea room has been completely furnished at a cost of \$249.01. A gift of \$150 was presented to the tuberculosis sanitarium at Denver, Colorado, and smaller amounts were given to a number of needy persons.

New officers were elected.

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The Linnea is a well organized and managed society which does much good among sick and needy people.

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Svenska Amerikanaren, Nov. 26, 1908.

### INGEBORG CELEBRATES ITS TENTH ANNIVERSARY

The women's society Ingeborg, celebrated its tenth anniversary last Sunday afternoon with a great festival at the South Side Turner Hall. The program was opened with an address of welcome by the chairman of the society, Mrs. Ida Johnson. A Chicago trio composed of A. V. Hedir, Miss Elsie Larson, and Miss Elvira Alberg sang. The Iduna Military Band rendered music.

The speaker for the evening was G. Bernhard Anderson, who spoke, in his splendid way, of the great need for the work now being done by the women's society, and gave some data of their accomplishments. Since it was organized on November 25, 1898, the women's society Ingeborg, has paid out \$5,598 to members who were ill, and \$786 for burial expenses; it has donated \$91.75 to members, and \$45 to families not members.

The society has also donated \$25.00 to the needy in Norway, and \$206.15 to the same in Sweden; to Swedes in San Francisco, \$130.50; to the Swedish Old People's Home in Park Ridge, \$415.00; and to the tubercular sanatorium in Denver, \$200. At the close of their fiscal year, July 1, the society had a cash balance of



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\$8,100.53 and a membership of 452.

A splendid dinner was served after the program, and a dance followed, closing the celebration. The whole affair was successfully carried out, to the satisfaction of all its members. To Hanna Johnson and those who with her ten years ago laid the foundations of the society, and to those who later joined it, we express our hearty thanks.

During the program, a diamond brooch was to be given Miss Johnson for her faithful work, but she firmly refused to accept it. Later, it was given to her privately.



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SOUTH SIDE SWEDISH WOMENS CLUB

Last Wednesday evening at Palmer Park Assembly Hall in Pullman a splendid program was given, songs by the Norden Singers Club and by Mrs. Pfeil. Also a splendid talk by Miss Ethel Bird in English. The societies purpose is to help the sick and needy Swedish people; the purpose of this meeting was to acquaint people who really wished to help this cause.

Mrs. Enoch Anderson 2607-112th Street Roseland is one of the leaders and she is always ready to give information regarding the organizations useful work.

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THE SWEDISH-AMERICAN OLD SETTLER SOCIETY

The Swedish-American Old Settler Society held their yearly feast and banquet, Sunday, October 25, at 2:00 P.M. at Hamonybengen Club, 1535 Aldine Avenue. All those who have been in this country thirty years, who were born in Sweden, are eligible to belong to the society. All inquiries should be addressed to the President, Pehr. W. Nilsson, 1727 N. Clark Street, or Secretary E. G. Lubeck, 67 Dearborn Street.

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GUSTAF ADOLF II AND REGINA VON EMMERITZ.

In the Auditorium last Sunday, the play of the above title was the big attraction. It was with this play that the Swedish National Society celebrated its mid-winter festival, and it was through the efforts of the Swedish dramatic players under Ernst Behmer's leadership, and with the cooperation of John R. Ortengren's Harmony Singers Club, Iduna Military Band, and Meck's Orchestra, that this program was presented.

Before the curtain went up for the first act, advocate G. Bern Anderson made a presentation speech of a bust of King Oscar II, to the Swedish National Society; the bust was made by C.J. Nilsson. It was displayed on a pedestal draped with the Swedish flag. To say that the presentation and the explanation of the background of the gift was not ample, would be complaining, because the bust is a real work of art.

As for the play, taking it as a whole, scene after scene, was one of comfort and rest. It was apparent that the artists, now as always, when they



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have to present something of the bound foreman, they find it hard to tramp on each others feet, and possibly they found it hard to make themselves heard, maybe we should point out that which often happened, that even the scenario's and the statistitions more than once worked hard to find the proper setting. On the other hand one found crafty workmanship on the scenes and splendidly directed dialogues. Among the outstanding character roles was Behmer's in Hieronymus, even if we do not wish to wholeheartedly agree on this, Mr. Behmer's understanding of this character was well carried out, he has no doubt worked hard to perfect the character role, many of the difficulties which were noticed two years ago when he played it were absent now.

Miss Ostergren's Regina was fully as interesting as two years ago from beginning to end and is entitled to the highest of commendation.

Professor Ortengren playing the role of Gustaf II Adolf's played the part to the approval of the audience from beginning to end, and, particularly, in the fourth act, the big scene which no doubt is the most difficult, he performed with marked effect. Although we have more than once said in private that no

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one in Chicago could better fill this kingly role than Professor Ortengren, and, while we have not at this time any contradictions on this score, he did not seem to be at his best. His always warm and congenial voice, his dramatic, and friendly countenance are strong factors along with gestures of his presentation.

Ernst Lindblom's Captain Larson was amusing in every respect and won well deserved praise. Carl Liljegrens first Von Emmeritz was not what we had expected. Honorable Liljegrens who always carries out his roles so well did not on this occasion seem to get much pep into his work. Honorable Gunnar Brandt made as good a Bertel as we have ever seen in Chicago, but he should not become overjoyed at this because we have never seen the role very well played. Ida Anderson's Merners Dorothy filled her place well in the play.

Signe martenson was good as Katchen, and while she sang in low tones, she sang beautifully which cannot be said of the Munk's or "Kattarnes" masses. All of the players did as well as expected.

The play was not a huge financial success as there were many empty seats, but we hope that there will soon be another entertainment as highly enjoyable.

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Svenska Kuriren, Dec. 28, 1907.

### THE ORDER OF VASA

The Order of Vasa is a live strong, and widely spread organization with headquarters in Providence, R. I. The Order is now trying to extend itself to the central and western states and intends to found a new lodge here in Chicago, and in other places. The Great Master of the Order, Olof Wallster, and deputy T. S. Osterberg, are here for that special purpose.

The Order has been in existence for about eleven years, and has already six district lodges and 130 local lodges, with a membership of 11,000, and a mutual fund of approximately \$100,000. The Order is very widespread in the eastern states, but has lodges in Pennsylvania and in California, also. Its purpose is to render help to the sick, and those in need; to unite the Swedes, and to foster a social atmosphere among them. The Order does hope to get money enough to build a Home for Aged very soon.

A meeting will be held next Friday at Geneva Hall, 1-3 North Clark Street



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to discuss plans for the extension of the Order in and outside Chicago.  
Everybody interested is cordially invited to attend this meeting.



Svenska Amerikanaren, Oct. 15, 1907.

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### THE LARGEST SWEDISH LODGE IN CHICAGO

Without a doubt the Brage No. 2 of the Viking Order Lodge is the largest. Last Thursday evening 633 members were counted and fifty new ones were taken in. The meeting was held in the Phoenix large Hall, which was decorated with Swedish and American flags. Besides that, side by side were hung the Swedish weapons. A forest of palms was arranged one end of the hall and here thirty members from another lodge of Bratgurmannen between three-hundred or four-hundred were present at this meeting. The officers of Brage and of Odin had charge of the ceremony. A quartet from the Orpheim sang lively songs. Comrades Otto Nelson and Ernst Ekberg thanked the public, who were invited to lunch and smokes.

Svenska Amerikanaren, Sept. 17, 1907.

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WHAT DOES THE SWEDISH NATIONAL SOCIETY ACCOMPLISH?

The above question is asked daily by various persons. Instead of asking this question they should investigate for themselves, but they go through life with closed eyes. The best opportunity to find the answer is to become interested in the activities and achievements of the society, which seems to be, strangely enough, better known to the American institutions of charity than to the Swedish-American societies of Chicago.

You will not believe it if I tell you that the society secured employment for about six thousand men and women within a year, because you cannot understand that in this egotistical world people can be found who have sympathy for the suffering and the needy.

Neither will you understand if we say that thousands of dollars are spent freely for food, coal, etc., for the unfortunates who have lost the battle for the almighty dollar, and who are in need of bread.

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The Swedish National Society renders assistance and service as far as it is able to do so. Any one in need of help and desiring it, is given assistance: The aged are placed in Old People's Homes; the incurable sick are placed in charitable institutions best suited for them; those afflicted with tuberculosis are sent to better climates; and release is obtained for those who are sent to prison innocently. Now you may understand that the society can carry on this work with your friend's help. With every ticket you buy for the society's summer or winter festival, you help us feed the hungry, clothe the naked, and house the homeless. When you sit in the theater and watch the performances of the pretty actresses, somewhere on the North, South or West Side a little old lady eats her bread with tears of gratitude. These tears of gratitude belong to you, because you have helped her to this bread. As often you come to our festival, just as often you help the poor unfortunates to food and milk, as well as to fuel.

Respectfully,  
Svenska National Forbundet

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CENTRAL SOCIETY'S MEETING

The Central Society met on the 9th of this month. Forty-seven delegates from different localities were present and a report from the management of the Old People's Home for the month of August was accepted. The income for the past summer was \$350.08, Swedish Lutheran Emanuel Church was \$32.00, Frithiof Lodge No. 5 I.O.S. and Miner Lodge No. 4 I.O.S. \$20.00, Mrs. C. A. Bergland Cambridge, Illinois \$5.00 and other incomes were \$41.50, altogether \$473.58. Expenditures for the home's upkeep were \$174.30.

Mrs. Anna Lycknells tried to get into the home but from reports was unable to do so. In the home at present there are nineteen old people, and others who wish to come in are being investigated. Emanuel Church has had a large number of people trying to get in which was lucky. At the same time others have come to the home to investigate and has brought and served coffee to the old people. For this the society is offering thanks.

It has been decided to hold a bazaar in the fall of 1908, and it is urging the delegates



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for next year to work as hard as possible to make this bazaar a huge success as possible.

A committee was appointed to look into the question of buying more land, for example; twenty-acres so that the home can be expanded; the matter was left to the trustees for further consideration. Nels H. Olson was elected secretary instead of Albin W. Fridell who resigned as he is leaving the city.

Svenska Amerikanaren, Aug. 6, 1907.

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SWEDISH NATIONAL SOCIETY

The Swedish National Society held their monthly meeting July 29. The committee for the free employment service reported that during the past month work was obtained for 555 men and 295 women, all together 850 persons. During the same time the society has given \$362.67 to the poor and sick. Among the sick the society has sent four back to Sweden, two to Colorado, three to Alabama and one to Indian Territory. Besides this the society gave \$100.00 to the Swedish Consumptive Hospital in Denver, Colorado which is being built, and \$50.00 to the Bethesda Tuberculosis Sanitarium near Denver, Colorado.

The committee that had charge of the midsummer festival at Elliotts Park handed in their report, together with \$1,988.40 which was taken in from this festival. To the committee is due thanks for successfully carrying out in a grand homeland manner the most successful midsummer festival ever held in Chicago. The society has even rented Elliotts Park for the Sundays June 21 and 28, 1908 for their midsummer festival. So that they may be sure that during the winter months that especially needy Swedes, and those particularly who may be victims of tuberculosis and do not have capital enough to go to old peoples homes, the society will run a large bazaar in February. Committees were appointed to make arrangements.

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Svenska Kuriren, Aug. 3, 1907.

[SWEDISH SOCIETY MEETS]

The Swedish National Society, held its regular monthly meeting last Monday. The board of directors reported that during July, 850 persons secured employment through the efforts of the Society, and that poor and sick people have received \$362.67. The Society donated \$100 to the Swedish Consumptive Hospital in Denver, Colorado, now under erection, and \$50 to Bethesda Tuberculosis Sanatorium, outside Denver. The net profit from the Midsummer Festival, in Elliott's Park, amounted to \$1,988.40. A bazaar will be held next February for the benefit of the poor and sick. The following were appointed directors for the bazaar: Attorney George E. Q. Johnson, Mrs. Othelia Myhrman, Mrs. Martha S. Hall, Miss Hanna Johnson, Editor, Frithiod Malmqvist, and Mr. Gust. Vigren.

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Svenska Kuriren, June 29, 1907.

THE SCANDINAVIAN GOOD TEMPLAR ALLIANCE

The members of the lodges of the Alliance made a pleasure trip last Sunday to Michigan City aboard the steamer Theodore Roosevelt. Upon their arrival there, they formed a parade and marched to the park where the outline was scheduled to take place. The program included several speeches and the I. O. G. T. music corps.



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### SWEDISH NATIONAL SOCIETY

This Chicago organization has done a great deal for the Swedish men and women and now for the fourteenth time, they invite the Swedish people to Elliotts Park to celebrate midsummer day in a real Swedish way. Year after year multitudes have taken part in these celebrations; we have grown and this year promises even more. The Swedish government's representative M. Lagercrantz has kindly promised the Swedish son's and daughter's in Chicago a warm welcome from the fosterland, and their appreciation of Chicago's splendid work, and the proceeds of the midsummer festival will be used to help the needy of our landsmen which are growing daily in numbers.

Swedish National Society has made itself well known for its philanthropy, and also for its charitable work. Some six-thousand Swedish men and women, have free of charge distributed help through this society: to widows, fatherless cripples, and the sick, to the extent of hundreds of dollars worth. Old people have been placed in old peoples homes, the unfortunate and needy have been given a great deal of financial help.

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It so happens the society not long ago were able to secure the freedom from prison John A. Nordgren who had a thirty year sentence. He was a member of Svithiod Lodge No. 1. In order to continue such work and to enlarge on it, the Chicago Swede societies should attend the midsummer festival at Elliots Park, June 23 and take part in this splendid work, and to get the full value of the program.

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SINGING SOCIETY

This society held a meeting last Monday at the First Methodist Church to make arrangements with the choir for the large midsummer festival in Columbia Park to be held in the evening of June 23rd. The meeting was attended by most of the singers, and under the leadership of Professor Ortengren. The choir will give a program which will surely please the public especially all lovers of Swedish songs.

This singing society has more than any other Swedish organizations lifted the Swedish name and upheld interest in the Fatherland's Songs. When asked to celebrate the 200th anniversary as a memory to Swedish honored son Carl VonLinne, this society was not asleep. Where ever you find a Svithiod Society you will know that it is of the group that renders the greatest financial help to people from Sweden.

In the past year this Society has donated over \$300,000. to the needy in the form of help for the sick, and care of widows and orphans. In 1906 they paid out over

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\$48,000. When a member and countryman had been unfortunate, it was the National Society that took the matter in hand, the money necessary was obtained among the members of Svithiod Society. When a burial place was necessary for this member a grant was made, later the Svithiod Society also befriended his son and found a home for him. When the question came up about supporting a non-secretarian old people's home in Park Ridge, Illinois, Svithiod members were always ready to take up offerings and to make donations. At the Society's midsummer festival at Columbia Park you may rest assured if you attend you will receive full value for your money.



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Svenska Kuriren, June 1, 1907.

THE SWEDISH NATIONAL SOCIETY

The Swedish National Society has provided work for 708 persons, and financial aid for others during the month of May.

The committee for the Swedish Midsummer festival, to be held June 23, reported that the Swedish Ambassador to the United States, Herman L. F. Lagercrantz, promised to be present at the feast, and bring greetings from "Old Mother Svea." It was also reported that His Royal Highness, Prince Wilhelm, who will visit the Exhibition in Jamestown this summer, has accepted the invitation of the Society to visit Chicago, as the guest of the Society. It is expected that the Swedish-Americans in Chicago will give the prince a warm and hearty welcome.

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THE INDEPENDENT ORDER OF SVITHIOD

Thirty-seven new members joined last Saturday the Mimer Lodge No. 4 of the Independent Order of Svithiod. The Order, which now has 5,400 members, will participate in the Swedish Midsummer festival to be given June 23 at Columbia Park.



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Svenska Amerikanaren, Apr. 9, 1907.

SWEDISH NATIONAL SOCIETIES MONTHLY REPORT.

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Since the 12th of February, until this date, the Swedish National Society has secured work for five hundred thirty-eight men, and one hundred seventy six women. During the same time the Society has donated to the needy, the sum of \$442.08. An old Swedish lady eighty-eight years old was directly given help by the Society, and also by the Mission Friends Home of Bowmanville. A sum of \$209.77 was obtained to buy railroad and ocean transportation for thirteen persons, who, due to illness had to seek other climates. Of these, four were sent to Sweden, five to Denver, Colo., one to Iowa, one to Michigan, and two to Nebraska. The Society wishes to thank the Augustana Hospital for free hospitalization for an ill woman.

Large preparations are being made for the Society's Mid-summer festival, which will be held in Elliott's Park on a Mid-summer evening. The proceeds from this will be used to help a worthy cause for needy Swedish people, so we hope our countrymen will go to Elliott's Park on this day.

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The officers of the Society for Apr. 5, 1907 are: George E. Q. Johnson,  
and Othelia Myhrman.

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Svenska Kuriren, Mar. 2, 1907.



The Swedish-American Women's Club will hold a bazaar at Belmont Hall March 7, 8, and 9 for the benefit of poor countrymen suffering from consumption.

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Svenska Kuriren, Feb. 23, 1907.

INDEPENDENT ORDER OF VIKINGS



The Independent Order of Vikings held its annual meeting last Saturday in the hall of the Swedish Glee Club, with seventy-seven delegates present. The following officers were elected: Great Chief, Frithiof Malmquist, re-elected; Vice-Great Chief, John A. Linden; Great Secretary, Anders Hessel, re-elected; Great Treasurer, Herman Carlson; and Great Organizer, Anders Hemwall. Officers for the Executive Committee, as well as for the Finance Committee, were also elected.

The Order, which has been very active during 1906, has 29 lodges, with a membership of 3,966; it has paid out \$10,032.76 in sick benefits, and \$4,490 in funeral benefits, to its members. Five new lodges were instituted during last year.

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Svenska Amerikanaren, Jan. 22, 1907.

### THE LAKE VIEW HOSPITAL AID SOCIETY

On Tuesday evening in Dr. Wald's home 1584 Buckingham Place a very interesting social was held in honor of the Lake View Hospital Aid Society. The invited guests numbered over two-hundred, among them many of the most prominent Swedish residents. Dr. Wald spoke in well chosen words of the good the society had done for the afflicted and expressed his appreciation of the progress in the society's work. He expressed the hope that all Swedes with hearts in the right place would work in their own way for the progress of the Society. The membership now numbers over two-hundred, and the society was organized in 1905.

The other speakers were Pastor Alfred Anderson and Henry Nelson, Dr. Farney of the Lake View American Methodist Church and Gross Stephenson.

Songs were sung by Miss Mabel Anderson, Miss Ruth Hallgren, Miss H. Thelin, Hon. Anthony and The Austin Quartette.



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All luck to Dr. Wald the Society's President who has already done so much for the Lake View Hospital Aid Society and we agree with Pastor Anderson that Dr. Wald has proved himself a capable workman, by his energy and wise management.

The first bazaar of the society will be held in Claremont Hall, 1630 North Clark Street Friday and Saturday March 1st and 2nd 1907. If we are interested in this bazaar it will be a real success as the society's concerts were given before.



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Svenska Kuriren, Jan. 12, 1907.

THE SWEDISH NATIONAL SOCIETY

The Swedish National Society held its annual meeting January 4.

A very interesting report was presented and approved. Four thousand seven hundred and forty-five persons were given work through the society, and \$1,244.35 was divided among needy people.

Several sick and poor persons have been sent home to Sweden, Norway, and to different places in the United States through the Society.

Arrangements are being made for the Society's Midwinter festival February 10 at the Auditorium.

The following officers were elected: Geo. E. Q. Johnson, president; C. A. Vallentin, 1st. vice-president; Miss Hanna Johnson, 2nd. vice-president; Carl Vedberg, recording secretary; Mrs. Othelia Myhrman, corresponding secretary; William Westerlund, treasurer; Gust. Vigran. Trustees: J. A. Westerlund, Mrs. Clara Peterson, and Dr. C. O. Young. Mrs. Myhrman was re-elected manager of the free employment bureau.



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Svenska Tribunen-Nyheter, July 10, 1906.

THE SVITHIOD ORDER

The last six months have been the most progressive half-year period experienced by the Svithiod order, especially because of the increased membership. Four new local lodges were organized in the Chicago district in which no less than 514 new members have been taken in. In addition to these there are sixty-eight whose applications were accepted, raising to 582 the total accepted applications.

The total membership of the Svithiod order is 4,526 in the thirty-two local lodges. During the period seventeen thousand dollars for insurance have been paid. The cooperation of the Chicago district locals is again being demonstrated by the active work done in arranging for the combined picnic, of Svithiod and Svenska Sangeforbundet (Swedish Singers League), which will be held at Elliotts Park on July 29, 1906. The previous picnics of these **two** organizations were real successes.



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Svenska Tribunen-Nyheter, July 10, 1906.

SWEDISH-AMERICAN CHARITY

(Editorial)



A remarkably pleasing characteristic of the Swedish-American press is its willingness to give our people due credit for its outstanding good points: intelligence, business ability, morality and charitable activities. This characteristic of the press is credited by our countrymen as being a most encouraging attitude.

The attitude of the press is based on a thorough knowledge of the fundamental principles of the Swede--his intelligence and his natural born desire to "Do unto others as ye would have them do unto you"; his almost invariable practice of making the Golden Rule a guide for his entire life.

The desire of this and hundreds of other publications, at present, is to turn the public spotlight on the charity of the ~~Swedish~~-American. During

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the past few years especially, their building of hospitals, [has been remarkable], not only in Chicago, but in every city where the Swedish colony circles invariably cooperated in successfully establishing a substantial organization for the welfare of their countrymen.

Many of the large lodges and church denominations have practiced, and still, practice cooperation in establishing substantial homes for the aged and orphanages. In this respect the Swedish colony of Chicago has proved its right to be regarded as an ideal, whose activities and spirit are examples worth following in every Swedish community in this or any other country in the world.

While our Chicago Swedes believe that "Charity begins at home," they are an example of willingness to let the rays of charitable warmth shine wherever they may be needed and where they are beneficial. There is only one thing a real Swede finds impossible to do, that is, to harden his heart or let it

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turn into a block of ice when his countryman especially, and the world in general, is stricken by a catastrophe that makes a fellowman helpless.

The old saying that "blood is thicker than water" is proved beyond a shadow of a doubt by our Swedish colony and similar communities wherever they are located.

Svenska Tribunen, June 12, 1906.

SKANDINAVISKA BRORAFORBUNDET AF AMERICA  
(The Scandinavian Brotherhood of America)

(Summary)

On June 5, 1906, still another local lodge was organized at Hand's hall at 70th Street and Stony Island Avenue.

John A. Sonbergh, from Bradford, Pa., the secretary of the Grand Lodge, installed the officers.

List of officers: . . . . .

Following the ceremonial installation, Mr. Sonbergh spoke very impressively of the history of the Brotherhood, its aim, its financial standing, and the fraternal friendship extended to a traveling member by his brothers, wherever they meet each other throughout the United States. The new local lodge will



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be known as "Trohet" (Allegiance or Faithfulness) No. 70 and will meet on the second and fourth Friday of every month. We wish them prosperity.



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Svenska Tribunen, May 29, 1906.

THE CENTRAL FEDERATION OF CHICAGO AND OTHER  
SWEDISH BENEVOLENT SOCIETIES REPORT

The Central Federation of Chicago lodges and various other groups of Chicago Swedes held their monthly business meeting on May 22, 1906. Reports of various officers were read and accepted. A most gratifying report was that of the financial committee, composed of Charles Gustafson, Gust Odman, and Henry Schreil. [items of receipts and disbursements are omitted; totals only are given].

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Total receipts (including Bal. \$1332.68 on hand)	\$3,597.22
Disbursements to May 1, 1906	<u>2,108.50</u>
Balance on hand--May 1, 1906	\$1,488.72

Of the \$1800 appropriated by the committee for the current expenses of the





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Home for the Aged, a balance of \$145.58 on hand was reported.

During the past fiscal year this organization, maintaining the Swedish Home for the Aged, located at Morgan Park, has bought a burial section of a nearby cemetery where deceased inmates of the home will be interred. To date, two of the inmates have been laid to rest in the section bought.

At present, there are sixteen aged inmates at the home where they are looked after by a well trained and thoroughly experienced nurse.

The Home is valued at twelve thousand and is free from all debt. The last claim against the home was paid with proceeds of a wonderful bazaar held over a year ago.

As one and all can readily understand the maintenance of an institution of this size is not child's play either in supervising or raising necessary

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funds voluntarily. Since the home is now free of debts, the task is much lighter and pleasing to all who are interested.

The maintenance committee is one hundred percent optimistic, for it is supported in its work by thirty-nine lodges, whose delegates never miss a meeting, and who, until now, have not disappointed the committee in any way. The Home is the only Swedish Home for the Aged in Chicago or any nearby city, hence, the Chicago Swedish colony is not at all backward in supporting the activities of this wonderful institution.

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Svenska Tribunen, Apr. 17, 1906.

[A BANQUET IN HONOR OF AXEL BLOMFELT]

An exceptionally high class banquet was held on Tuesday Apr. 10, by the Svithiod Grand Lodge in honor of Axel Blomfelt, treasurer of the Grand Lodge. It was celebrating his forty-eighth birthday.

The banquet was suggested and put on by the Verdandi local lodge of Chicago and was held at the popular festival hall of the Finstad and Johnson restaurant.

Although the banquet was sponsored by the Verdandi local, of which Mr. Blomfelt was a member, every Chicago local was well represented; over a hundred enjoyed the celebration.

Mr. Blomfelt was visited at his home by a committee in a special automobile in which he was brought to Finstad and Johnson's large, well selected place, where the surprise reached its peak and where all friends partook of the excellent foods prepared for the occasion.

Mr. John Sandgren officiated as master of ceremonies. Mr. Axel Schott bade



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the assembly welcome, making a very appropriate speech on the occasion, [in honor of] the highly esteemed brother, in whose honor they had gathered.

Mr. Blomfelt was presented a beautiful silver loving-cup as a token of appreciation for his untiring activity, both in local and grand lodge service. Blomfelt's modest statement that he had only done his duty throughout and that he had not earned such an honor was made very short by the applause awarded him by a full house that insisted that he deserved even more honors.

Attorney Bernard Anderson, John Ericson, and Alderman Bihl spoke of Blomfelt's service; so did Joseph G. Sheldon, president of the Svithiod Grand Lodge.



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Svenska Tribunen, Mar. 20, 1906.

[WOMEN'S DIVISION OF ORDER OF VIKINGS HOLD ANNUAL MEETING]

The Grand Lodge of the Independent Order Ladies of Vikings held their annual convention at 120 East Chicago Avenue on February 24. Twenty delegates represented the six local lodges, all of Chicago. Anna Nelson welcomed the delegates, expressing the pleasure of being able again to hold real annual meetings, and plans for a prosperous future which now looks so promising. The secretary reported 172 new members during the past year, bringing the present membership up to 553. During the past year, their disbursements included \$352 for sick benefits. Balance on hand is now \$2,434.79.

The officers for the coming year are: president, Anna Nelson; vice-president, J. Hanson; Treasurer, Mrs. Emma Frid; deputy, Linni Carlson; marshall, Mrs. Emma Berglund; guards, Jenni Anderson and Mrs. Lindeni; **all** prominent and active in other Swedish circles as well.

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Svenska Tribunen, Jan. 23, 1906.

SVEA LODGE CELEBRATES ITS FORTY-NINTH ANNIVERSARY

The Svea lodge celebrated its forty-ninth anniversary on last Sunday at its hall on Chicago Avenue with a well-arranged social evening. Svea is the oldest Swedish lodge in Chicago. It has a present membership of fifty-seven. Svea's financial standing is very good, there being \$4,215.10 in the treasury. Among the disbursements during the past year are two notable items; sick benefits to members amounted to \$630, and furnishing a room completely at the Swedish Old People's Home in Park Ridge, an expenditure of \$100.

Svenska Tribunen, Jan. 16, 1906.

PROSPEROUS SVITHIOD LODGE

The Svithiod lodge during 1905 has experienced the most substantial growth of its history. No less than 828 new members have been taken in, which figure exceeds that of 1913, the former record year. The number lost or expelled is far less than that of 1913. The membership increased to 4,132, of which 4,073 are in good financial standing. On Sunday, January 14, another strong local was installed in Peoria by the Chicago branch.



Svenska Nyheter, Oct. 31, 1905.

MASS RECEPTION OF NEW MEMBERS

The lodge, Brage of the Order of Vikings, had a highly successful meeting last Thursday in the great auditorium of the Phoenix Hall. Sixty-three young boys joined the lodge on that occasion. An excellent dinner was served at the conclusion of the meeting, proving to the new Vikings that the time of jolly parties has not yet left us.

The president of the lodge, J. W. Johnson, the examining physician, Doctor Wald, and the grand chief of the Order, spoke encouragingly to the members. Brage is the largest lodge of the Order of Vikings, and perhaps, the biggest Swedish lodge in America, having 601 members in . . . good standing. Its treasury is in proportion to its membership. The expenses for the evening were \$49, and the income \$375., so that the Sons of Brage are on the upward way.





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Svenska Nyheter, Oct. 24, 1905.

A PROGRESSIVE VIKING LODGE



Drake lodge #3, I. O. V. with boasting may claim to be one of the most progressive of all the twenty-two lodges in the Order of Vikings. The Order has its chief source in Lake View, and from that place have come the greatest influx of lodge members from the very time of its organization, thirteen years ago.

On Thursday evening of last week, the second regular conference for this month was held. A large accession of new members was anticipated, and on account of this, it was doubted whether the old meeting place in Wells Hall, at Clark and Fletcher Streets, would be large enough to accommodate the crowd.

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For this reason, Claremont Hall (old Spelz Hall) was rented for the evening's meeting. This proved fortunate, for even this larger hall became crowded by the more than three hundred members and adherents who attended the meeting. Thirty-six new members were received into the lodge. The membership now has been increased to three hundred forty-five. A uniformed sextet, directed by Mr. Holmberg, furnished the music in connection with the reception of new members. Afterwards, those present enjoyed singing by a quartet from Orphei Singing Club. Frithiof Malmquist, Grand Chief of the Vikings, was the speaker of the evening. His speech was well prepared and received. Past Grand Chief Herman Carlson spoke amid strong applause. Al Person initiated riotous applause with his jolly ditties as he presented the members of the committee on ceremonies, all of whom wore their Viking regalias.

Refreshments were served.

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Great jubilation arose when the question was brought up of the removal of the "Herring salad" from the Swedish flag of the lodge, and it was resolved that in the future the flag should contain only the blue and yellow colors. The whole gathering was one of jollity and good humor. In conclusion, it may be said that the lodge boasts a sick benefit fund of \$4,200.

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Svenska Nyheter, Sept. 5, 1905.

WASHINGTON PARK HOSPITAL

(Halftone, 4" x 4")

The photo shown above is a picture of the new building to be added to the Swedish Washington Park Hospital wing. The building is to be erected at 60th Street, near Vincennes Avenue. The cornerstone of this building was laid yesterday during the picnic held in Washington Park by the Sophia Aid Society. . . .

Professor Jules Mauritzson from Augustana College, at Rock Island, functioned at the laying of the corner stone. Speeches were delivered by Doctor J. A. Enander, Mr. G. E. Q. Johnson, and the Reverend C. O. Lofgren, presiding elder for the Swedish M. E. Church in Chicago. A band furnished music, and Norden Singing Club sang. Wrestling and various types of play were on the program for the day, and the picnic, starting at 2 P.M. did not end until 10 P.M. Admission was free, and the income from refreshments sold was

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applied to the fund for free beds at the hospital for needy Swedes in Chicago, who require hospital treatment.

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Svenska Nyheter, May 23, 1905.

MAY FESTIVAL CELEBRATED BY SWEDISH LODGES

The Svithiod lodges, Mimer and Svea, will hold a May festival on Saturday evening at Wicker Park Hall. The program offers, among others, singing by the Linne Ladies' quartette; a solo by Miss Becklin; violin solo by C. O. Nelson; and a speech by Editor F. A. Lindstrand. There will also be the crowning of the queen of May.

Companion Court New Monitor held a very cozy May Festival last Saturday at Turner Hall on the North-side. In spite of the heavy rain, the festival was well attended. Miss Josephine Anderson was crowned the queen of May. Miss Anna Westberg received the second largest number of votes.



Svenska Nyheter, Apr. 25, 1905.

[DRAKE LODGE]

Last Thursday evening, the Drake Lodge, No. 3, I. O. V., accepted a large number of new members at the Wells Hall, 1629 N. Clark Street, the regular meeting place for the lodge. No less than twenty-one new members joined the lodge on this occasion increasing the membership to 325, and it is probable that there will be a continued increase in the membership during the coming summer. A pleasant luncheon was served by the lodge on the occasion, so that the members received full satisfaction, both of physical and mental needs.



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Svenska Nyheter, Feb. 28, 1905.

[MEETING OF INDEPENDENT ORDER OF VIKINGS]

The Great-Lodge of the Independent Order of Vikings held its regular meeting at Odd Fellows Hall, 120 E. Chicago Avenue, Saturday, February 18.

The meeting was opened at 9 o'clock, by the president Herman Carlson. All delegates except two were present. These two, however, were represented by substitutes. The officers for 1904 presented their reports. The report by the Great-Secretary indicated that the order, during the past year has made good progress..... The committee on finance reported that they audited all the accounts of the Order and found them correct. The committee recommended that the cabinet of the past year be declared free from financial





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responsibility to the Order. The reports were accepted by the meeting.

The following officers were elected for the coming year: Great-President Frithjof Malmquist, 69 E. Kinzie Street; Vice-Great-President Chas. E. Anderson, 330 N. Franklin Street; Great-Secretary, A. Hessel, 1248 Aldine Avenue; Great-Treasurer John Anderson, 1546 N. Clark Street; Great-Organizer, Fred L. Person, 2090 N. Hermitage Avenue. Elected as members of the executive committee were: Herman Carlson, Oscar Victorin, A. Hemwall, L. M. Edquist, Henry Lind, Axel W. Bergquist. Elected as finance committee were: Alex Holm, Otto Anderson, John Peterson. Elected as law committee were: Nils Lindskoog, Elias Olson, Olof Ohlson. Announcers elected were: L. M. Edquist and Victor Lind. As police John Bloom and A. Waxberg. Appointed as revision committee were: Alex Holm, Otto Anderson, Edward Broberg. The bond of the Great-Treasurer was set at \$3,000.; that of the Great-Secretary at \$2,000.



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The dues to the Great-Lodge were set at ten cents each lodge member, per quarter. Several motions were made for changes in the constitution. These, with other bills for the advancement of the Order, were presented to the meeting and were ordered to be sent to the individual lodges for their action.

The next Great-Lodge meeting is to be held in Chicago, February, 1906.

The meeting was adjourned at 10 o'clock, after which a banquet was held for the delegates, in the adjoining club room.

The cash held by the Great-Lodge on December 31, amounted to \$9,209.05. The cash in the treasuries of the individual lodges amounted to \$20,189.29. In sick and burial aid \$11,049.50 has been paid during the year.



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The membership list shows 2,598 members in good standing. Applications for membership, rejected, and members excluded from the Lodge, 369; deceased members, 25.

The number of lodges on December 31, was eighteen. Two new lodges have been organized since January 1; one in Joliet, the other in Omaha.

The Order of the Vikings is considered one of the most vital and vigorous Swedish societies in America, and it is constantly gaining new members from among our young countrymen in America.



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[ANNUAL MEETING OF I. O. S.]

The Independent Order of Svithiod held its annual meeting in this city on Wednesday, February 3. Forty-three delegates were present, representing twenty-seven lodges. The meeting was called to order by Mr. Olof Pearson, in Room 210, of the Masonic Temple. In a happy manner Mr. Pearson welcomed the delegates and congratulated them on the development of the Order, and its strong financial condition.....

Since it was organized, about fifteen years ago, the Order has paid the following amounts as benefits to members of the various lodges:

- 1.) Insurance to 199 deceased members, \$167,480;
  - 2.) Aid in illness, \$90,379.63;
  - 3.) Burial aid, \$20,806.68;
  - 4.) Donations, \$9,576;
- Total, \$288,242.31.



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The fact that such large amounts have been paid to members during the past years clearly indicates the extent of the activity of the organization; . it also constitutes evidence that co-operation and union will accomplish much.

The cost of \$1,000 life insurance amounted during the past year to \$11.80, and for \$500 insurance, the cost was \$5.90. The contribution to the sick benefit fund is about \$6 per member, per year.....

During the past year, 623 people have applied for membership in the Order, and 516 have been admitted. Two new lodges have been organized, and there are now twenty-seven lodges with a total membership of 3,634.



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The revision committee, consisting of Alfred Wickstrom, J. Jansson, and N. O. Wiberg have gone over the accounts of the Svithiod and reported them in good order, and correct in every way. The capital of the Order has been deposited in the State Bank of Chicago.

Officers for the coming year were elected as follows: President, H. E. Hanson; vice-president, John Erickson, Rockford, Illinois; secretary, John Sandgren; treasurer, Axel Blomfeldt. Members of the executive committee were elected as follows: J. G. Sheldon, Nels Molin, C. A. Anderson, Nels Linn, John Brunzell, C. A. Carlson. Trustees were elected as follows: Olof Pearson, Gust Dahlgren, H. Hedin, E. T. Carlson, A. Fagerson. Dr. James



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A. Nelson was appointed supervising physician. The revision committee consists of the following: Axel Dahl, A. P. Olson, Frank Lindquist.

The committee appointed at the last annual meeting for the purpose of making proposals for changes in the constitution of the Order, reported and their recommendations were adopted in general. It may truly be said that this meeting was outstanding in regard to the prevailing harmony and evidenced honest effort to put into effect laws to strengthen the Order. All the delegates expressed their satisfaction with the decisions made, convinced that they would contribute to the advancement of the interests of the Order.

After the conclusion of the business meeting, the delegates gathered for



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supper in the Swedish Businessmen's Club, where speeches and entertainment brought the gathering of the order to a happy conclusion.





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Svenska Nyheter, Feb. 7, 1905.

SWEDISH-AMERICAN WOMEN'S CLUB

The Swedish-American Women's Club held its monthly entertainment last Friday evening at the elegant residence of Mr. and Mrs. Oscar Ostergren, 2939 Vernon Avenue. In spite of the inclement weather, a large number was present to enjoy the program which was exceptionally good. The musical numbers presented by Mrs. Hausch, nee von Zedeler, and her two daughters, were especially enjoyed. Their instruments were violin and flute. Mrs. Ostergren filled her place as hostess with her usual tact and capability, and the refreshments served were of the very best.

The income from the entertainment was very liberal, due especially to a large donation by Mr. Klas Ostergren. The money is to be used for the alleviation of need among our poorer countrymen.



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FROM THE SWEDISH NATIONAL LEAGUE'S ANNUAL REPORT

During 1904 the League has found employment for 2,166 men and 1,496 women through its free bureau at 80 Dearborn Street [no designation of South or North is given], and during the same period also distributed \$937.56 among needy families.

Through cooperation with the Chicago Bureau of Charities, it has been able to obtain reduced railroad fares for sick countrymen who have gone to various parts of the country in order to benefit from a more suitable climate, and the aggregate reductions amounted to \$313.30. In the same manner assistance amounting to \$95.00 was given to job-seekers without funds, who were thus enabled to travel to localities where work was waiting for them.

Due to the League's efforts the United States Government has granted free transportation back to Sweden for six persons, who had been here only a few months, and who already before their arrival or soon after had contracted chronic diseases which disabled them.



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The League has also made encouraging progress in its efforts to obtain the release of John Nordgren who was convicted of having murdered his wife and sentenced to thirty years in the penitentiary, but who is believed to be innocent of this crime. For his defense fund the League collected \$638.59 during the year, which sum was added to the \$1,509.55 that remained unused in 1903. The expenditures in connection with the case during 1904 amounted to \$2,148.14, of which \$2000.00 went to the defense attorney, W. S. Elliott.

The League's income during the year now ending was \$3,501.17, and cash on hand as of January 1, 1905, is \$362.76.





Svenska Nyheter, Mar. 1, 1904.

THE GREAT LODGE OF INDEPENDENT ORDER OF VIKINGS MEETS

The Great Lodge of the Independent Order of Vikings held its annual meeting at 120 East Chicago Avenue, on February 20 and 21. Fifteen lodges were represented, forty-two delegates were present. The report of the work of the year was given by the executive committee. The Great organizer reported that six new lodges had been organized during the year; that several were in the process of organization, and that one would be ready for initiation in a few days. The press committee reported through its manager on the activity of the Vikingen during the past year.

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Several important motions for the advancement of the Order were presented and discussed. After full consideration, these motions will be presented to the various lodges for action.

The next meeting of the Great Lodge will be held in Chicago, some time during the month of February next year.

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Svenska Nyheter, Feb. 2, 1904.

[SWEDISH-AMERICAN WOMAN'S CLUB ENTERTAINS]



The Swedish-American Woman's Club entertained with a party last Wednesday evening, the proceeds from which will go to the Home of Mercy at Bowmanville. The affair was held at Mr. and Mrs. Hall's attractive home, 1655 Fletcher Street. So great was the number of guests that the Hall apartment was not large enough [to accommodate everyone], but Messrs. Eklof and Nelson, who have apartments in the same building, were kind enough to place their rooms at the disposal of the Club.

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About a hundred and fifty people attended. Coffee and cake were served at the end of the entertainment.

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Svenska Nyheter, Dec. 22, 1903.

[REPORT OF] SWEDISH NATIONAL ASSOCIATION.

The Swedish National Association, strong and powerful by virtue of the combined support of the Swedes in Chicago, is responsible to the Swedish-speaking population in Chicago for the activities of the Association, and for this reason begs to present to its friends and supporters a few leaves [from the book] of its history and activities during the past year.

Through the free employment bureau maintained by the Association, 3,367 Swedes have gained employment--2,305 men and 1,062 women. In many cases, the applicants were unfamiliar with the language of our country, and for these especially, the need for employment was imperative. The minimum cost of gaining employment through some agency rendering the service for a fee could not be less than two dollars per applicant, or \$6,734 for the entire number. The value of the activity of the Association along these lines is therefore easily recognized.



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The Association extends a helping hand to many destitute Swedes. During the past year, aid has been rendered in 208 cases to the total amount of \$910.65. Widows and abandoned wives with many children have always been given the preference when aid was to be granted. The destitute in Norrland, Sweden were aided with \$354, and an elderly unemployed man was provided for at the Home of Mercy in Bowmansville.

In hundreds of other ways the Association has aided needy Swedes, both men and women. Ailing people have been sent to Colorado, to California, to Oregon, and to the southern States, there to regain their health and strength. Some have been sent home to Sweden to recuperate. Swedes lacking employment have been sent, without cost to them, to Minnesota, Nebraska, and other States, where the Association had secured work for them.

To the extent possible with the means at its command, the Association has given clothes, lodging, and food to Swedes who were in need.



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The Swedish National Association has always done its best to assist unfortunate compatriots. As is well known, the Association has made efforts to obtain a new trial for John Nordgren, who has been found guilty of murdering his wife. Strong doubts were felt as to the guilt of John Nordgren, but Judge Chetlain refused to grant a new trial. The Association has appealed his decision. The expenses in connection with the appeal will amount to about two thousand dollars.

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The activities of the Association are being supported exclusively by the funds accruing from the two great annual festivals arranged by the Association: the midsummer festival, held annually in one of the attractive parks in the neighborhood of the city and usually attended by some ten to twenty thousand people; and the midwinter festival, held annually in the Auditorum, the largest and most expensive theater in the city. Through their attendance at these festivals, our Swedish-Americans become supporters of the worthy activities carried on by the Association.





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On the tenth and eleventh of February, the famous play by Jules Verne, "Around the World in Eighty Days", will be presented by the Association as the midwinter festival play. We welcome all Swedish-Americans to this festival, and in the name of the sick and the poor among our compatriots in the city, we express in advance our gratitude to all those who will attend.

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AN APPEAL BY THE SWEDISH NATIONAL ASSOCIATION

To the Swedish-Americans:

Once more a year has passed, full of hard work and rich in experience for the Swedish National Association and its officers. But we also realize that the year has been notable for the progress achieved in the noble task which has been the honor and strength of the Association since it was first organized. Willingly did the Swedes in Chicago stand by the Association with advice and deeds, of which there has been such great need. For every day Swedes come to this country to whom the lines from Havamal might well apply: "A man without friends, however strong he may be, will die like a tree in the desert." This saying is as true today as it was a thousand years ago; it has perhaps even more relevance for the Swedes coming to a strange country than for their relatives who remain at home in the North. For all about us we find compatriots who lack friends, who lack bread, who are weak



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and without employment. The plight of these people is worse than sad, and dark looms the future ahead of them. Many of them suffer in silence; not a complaint reaches your ears, not a sigh disturbs your heart. It is in behalf of these unfortunate compatriots of ours--male and female--....that we appeal, in the name of the Swedish National Association, to the Swedish-Americans in general and to our Swedish societies in Chicago in particular for the same warmhearted support of our work and activities during the coming year as was rendered during the year that is gone.



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Svenska Nyheter, Dec. 8, 1903.

[SWEDISH-AMERICAN WOMEN'S CLUB GIVES BENEFIT CONCERT]

The concert at the Studebaker Music Salon last Saturday evening was attended by a grateful public. The enjoyable program opened with an organ solo by Professor Emanuel Anderson. A mixed chorus under the direction of Mr. Axel Hvassman then presented Oscar Lindblad's "Dalkarlesang" (Song of the Valley Men), after which the noted young violinist Carl Oscar Nelson.... played "Fantasiae Apposionate". He was wildly applauded. Then the male chorus sang "Herliga Land" (Glorious Land), and Professor John R. Ortengren sang a number of baritone solos in his usual excellent manner.... Professor David Nyvall delivered a touching speech on "Home and Mercy". Once more the male chorus and the violinist favored the audience with some numbers, and Elizabeth Svanstrom recited "Slag i Saken" (Battle for the Cause). The mixed chorus sang Gounod's "Gallia" as the program came to an end..... The proceeds from the concert will be given to the hospital maintained by the Swedish Mission Association in Bowmanville, where hundreds and hundreds of ailing Swedes are given care.



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[SWEDISH-AMERICAN WOMEN'S CLUB TO GIVE BENEFIT CONCERT]



For the benefit of the Swedish-American Home of Mercy in Bowmansville, the Swedish-American Women's Club will give a first-class musical soiree this Saturday evening at Studebaker's Music Hall, 203 Michigan Avenue. The unselfish purpose of this undertaking should in itself suffice to draw thousands of Swedish-American men and women to this literary and musical event, even had the committee decided to engage only second-class talent for the program.

Actually, however, the committee has persuaded the very best among the Swedish musicians, singers, and speakers to take part, and thus the following outstanding Swedes will be heard at the entertainment: Professor David Nyvall; Professor John R. Ortengren; Miss Elizabeth Swanstrom; Mr. Carl Oscar Nelson; and Mr. Emanuel Anderson. In addition there will be a large mixed chorus.

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THE LODGE LJUSBRINGEREN TO HOLD FESTIVAL

The lodge Ljusbringeren (Bringer of light) is arranging for a great festival on Sunday December 13, at 7 P. M. The festival will be held in Volts Hall, corner of Chicago Avenue and Wells Street. Mr. Axel Ahlstedt will speak on the topic, "The Red Flag of Universal Brotherhood."

After the speech, a dialogue in drama form will be rendered. In addition there will be music and singing.





Svenska Nyheter, Oct. 27, 1903.

[VART HEM AND SVEA, OF I. O. G. T., HOLD MASS MEETING]

A mass meeting, under the auspices of the lodges Vart Hem and Svea, of the I.O.G.T., held last Sunday, was very well attended.

The meeting was opened with music by the Bellman Trio, after which Dr. Jacob Bonggren read an ode to Mr. David Holmgren, a member of the Swedish parliament. Mr. Holmgren was afterwards introduced to the audience by Editor Frans Albin, and gave a brilliant speech.

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Mr. Holmgren's speech was followed by songs by Mr. Robert Johnson, and by the Linnea ladies' quartette. Both Mr. Johnson and the ladies of the quartet deserve praise for their beautiful singing.

Svenska Nyheter, Oct. 20, 1903.

JUPITER LODGE, I. O. G. T. ENTERTAINS

The Jupiter lodge of I.O.G.T. gave a well-attended entertainment last Saturday evening at Three Links Club House, North Clark Street. The program consisted of singing, music, speeches, and readings. Afterward there was dancing. The music was furnished by the Bellman Mandolin Club; Miss Maude Payne; Miss Elffi Peterson; Messrs. E. Renstjerna and H. Falk. The speech of welcome was delivered by Mr. J. E. Odell. The singing was done by Concordia Sextet and by Miss Ellen Eklund. Mr. S. Bergstedt read an ode written by himself for the occasion.





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THE HISTORY OF THE ORDER OF VIKINGS  
Activities of Chicago Order

One of the most effective means for preserving our mellifluous Swedish language on this side of the Atlantic is undoubtedly the growth of Swedish societies, which today are more vigorous and extensive than ever before. Within the world of Swedish societies in Chicago, the Order of Vikings, with its fifteen vigorous, youthful lodges, occupies a prominent, perhaps the foremost, place.

The origin of the Order goes back to 1890. Some keen-minded, clear-sighted sons of the Vikings who had found their living quarters in the mountainous North too cramped met and swore by the age-old sword of Odin that they would organize a society, the fame of which would spread far and wide over the land. Thus the Society of Vikings, which later became the "Order of Vikings", was organized on June 2, 1890. The organizers were Messrs. C. Carlson, G. A. Carlson, C. Henry, N. Hallerts, A. Johnson, V. Muerling, E. Muerling,

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C. H. Victorin, R. Walden, and A. Walden. These eleven young idealists dedicated their society to the ideal of genuine universal brotherhood. They held regular meetings where they sought a free and open exchange of ideas with no restrictions on topic, and with full respect for one another's opinions.

But times were changing, and the young men changed with them. They began to realize that the provision of sick benefits and burial assistance was an important function in a society such as they had organized (at first they had considered this function as merely incidental), and they made haste to include these benefits within the scope of their organization.

We do not intend to discuss the wisdom of the change thus made in the original plan for the society; laws higher than those we are ordinarily willing to acknowledge rule and guide the fortunes of individuals as well as the fate of society at large. If the changes in the original plans had not been necessary, they would probably have not been made.

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As is the case with many societies which are still young and of insignificant membership, the Society of Vikings held its early meetings in the houses of the members. But by October of the year of its origin, the Society had become quite strong, and the Vikings hired Meyers' Hall, corner of Sedgwick and Siegel Streets, for their meetings. The name "Vikings" had already begun to become known and respected within the world of Swedish societies in Chicago. When the Linne statue in Lincoln Park was unveiled in the spring of 1891, the Society of Vikings won strong approval among the Swedes in the city because of the numerical strength and manly bearing of its membership in the parade which the Swedish societies had arranged in honor of the day.

The Society developed rapidly in strength and influence, and soon had a membership of more than four hundred. At this time, at the suggestion of Mr. J. P. Lundell, a committee was appointed to consider plans for a new and broader form of administration and activity. The results of the work of this committee were presented to the members at a meeting in September, and the Committee's recommendations were adopted. Delegates were chosen, and at a convention held October 3,

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1892 the Grand Lodge of the Independent Order of Vikings was founded. The delegates to this meeting of the Vikings were Messrs. A. Holm, A. Carlson, G. Carlson, G. Johnson, O. Anderson, G. Bird, C. H. Victorin, P. A. Noren, A. M. Soderlin, N. P. Grimborg, F. Lind, and A. Walden.

The primary purposes of the Grand Lodge were: to organize and maintain subordinate lodges; to form a common center where social activities could be held; to arrange for the opening of a reading room; to seek to disseminate good literature among the members; and, as soon as possible, to establish a fund to provide ordinary burial assistance or life insurance.

True to its characteristic initiative, the new Grand Lodge took immediate steps for the realization of its adopted goal. Two months after it had been created, the organization had the pleasure of initiating the first lodge organized under the Order, Brage No. 2. Three more lodges were organized during the winter: Drake No. 3, Angantyr No. 4, and Frey No. 5, all affiliated with the I. O. V. [Independent Order of Vikings]. In addition, public

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lectures were given and a library was established.

For nearly two years the work continued along the lines laid down. Then the demand for....life insurance and sick benefit provisions became so strong that energetic steps had to be taken to arrange for these provisions. The first difficulty encountered by the committee that had been appointed to organize these provisions was that the charter under which the Order had been incorporated was too indefinite to insure complete confidence in the days to come. Various opinions were advanced regarding this problem. Some members held that inasmuch as the I. O. V. had been incorporated under the same laws (act of April 18, 1872) as all the other Swedish societies of this kind, as well as a number of similar American societies, the charter ought to be good enough to meet the future needs of the I. O. V. But this group finally yielded, and a new charter was applied for in the spring of 1895....The requirements for obtaining a charter under the insurance law of 1893 were so exacting, however, that not until November 30, 1895 could the new charter be obtained. On that date the Grand Lodge received from Superintendent of Insurance Bradford K. Durfee

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the following certificate: [Translator's note: This certificate is reproduced in English, and the following is a faithful copy.]

"Certificate of Incorporation

"State of Illinois,  
"Insurance Department,  
"Bradford Durfee, Superintendent.

"To All Whom These Presents Shall Come:  
"Greeting.

"Whereas, A certificate of association, duly signed and acknowledged, having been filed in the Insurance Department of the State of Illinois, on the thirtieth day of November, A. D. 1895, for the organization of the Grand Lodge of the Independent Order of Vikings under and in accordance with the act entitled: 'An act to provide for the organization and management of fraternal beneficiary

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societies for the purpose of furnishing life indemnity or pecuniary benefits to beneficiaries of deceased members or accident or permanent indemnity disability to members hereof; and to control such societies of this State, and providing and fixing the punishment for violation of the provisions thereof, and to repeal all laws now existing which conflict herewith,' approved June 21, 1895, in force July, 1895, a copy of which certificate is hereto attached.

"Now, therefore, I, Bradford K. Durfee, Insurance Superintendent of the State of Illinois, by virtue of the powers vested in me by the act aforesaid, do hereby certify that the Grand Lodge of the Independent Order of Vikings is a legally organized Fraternal Beneficiary Society, under the laws of this State.

"In testimony whereof I hereunto subscribe my name and affix the seal of my office, at Springfield, State of Illinois, this thirtieth day of November, A. D., 1895.

"Bradford K. Durfee,  
"Insurance Superintendent"

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Much labor had already been expended upon the revision of the constitution of the Grand Lodge, as well as that of the subordinate lodges, in order to make their provisions correspond, and for the control of the new and, now, chief purpose of the Grand Lodge--life insurance.

In accordance with decisions adopted previously, the new life insurance and burial assistance provisions became operative. Two months after these provisions became effective, deaths had occurred which necessitated the payment of sixteen hundred dollars. No assessments had been received by the Grand Lodge at that time, and it was necessary to apply money from the capital fund of the Grand Lodge to the settlement of the claims. The plan according to which the assessment table had been calculated has been found, however, to be sound, and the assessments have proven ample to indemnify the capital fund, and, in addition, to make possible the setting aside of a guarantee fund for future emergencies. No claims have thus far been made against the fund which have not been paid.

The objectives of the Order as well as those of the Grand Lodge are:

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A. The Objectives of the Order

1. To unite into one brotherhood, men of Swedish ancestry, of good health and character, between the ages of twenty-one and forty-five, in order to become strong, morally, intellectually, and financially, through unified endeavor.
2. To arrange for the payment of sick aid and burial assistance in accordance with the constitution of the Grand Lodge and the statutes of the subordinate lodges.

B. The Objectives of the Great Lodge

1. To maintain the Order in vigorous condition and to extend it through the organization of new lodges.
2. To control the general burial fund of the Order in accordance with the constitution of the Order.
3. To see to it that a fund for sick aid is maintained within each subordinate lodge, for payment to members of the lodge in case of illness, in accordance with the statutes of the individual lodges.
4. To insure that the subordinate lodges adhere closely to their statutes

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as well as to the constitution of the Order.

The substantial internal development evidenced within the Order during the past few years will undoubtedly provide the impetus for further growth in the near future, both in regard to increase in membership as well as in the organization of new lodges. It seems probable that the time is not far off when the insignia of the I. O. V. will be in evidence all over the United States, wherever groups of Swedes are found. Especially is it to be expected that the Order will win adherence among the Swedes within the state of Illinois, since it is the only society among our countrymen in the state--with the exception of the Methodist Burial Society--which is under state supervision and which is privileged under the laws of the state to make assessments for the payment of insurance claims.

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During the period from 1896 and 1903, forty-one members died. They were insured for a total of \$13,100. During the same period, \$15,968.68 has been paid in sick aid.

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The need of a magazine for the Order was recognized several years ago, and on May 15, 1899 the first number of the Vikingen (The Viking) appeared. Since then the paper has been published regularly every month and sent to the homes of the members. The leaders in this undertaking were E. Emelin, [first] editor, and Otto Anderson, manager. Subsequent editors include Messrs. Otto Craelius, Axel Ahlstedt, and Anders Hessel, the present editor.

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REPORT OF GRAND LODGE OF INDEPENDENT ORDER OF VIKINGS

Brief report of the activities of the Grand Lodge of the Independent Order of the Vikings during the period from January 1, 1903 to June 30, 1903 inclusive:

Amount in the treasury on Jan. 1, 1903	\$ 5029.33	
Income during six months	\$ 3382.60	
		\$ 8,411.98
Burial aid during the same period	\$ 1,100.00	
Current expenses	\$ 812.69	\$ 1,912.69
Amount in the treasury on July 1		\$ 6,499.29
Increase in the treasury of the Grand Lodge	\$ 1,469.01	
Increase in the treasury of subsidiary lodges		\$ 13,918.99
	Total	\$ 20,418.28

348 new members have been added to the list. Total membership is now 3,075. The amounts paid out for aid to the sick and the donations made during the period by subsidiary lodges total \$2,867.68.



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Respectfully submitted by  
Eric Forsell Grand Secretary.

Chicago, Aug. 12, 1903.

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Svenska Nyheter, July 22, 1903.

[A NEW LODGE OF THE ORDER OF VIKINGS]

A new lodge of the Order of Vikings will be organized next Saturday evening in the Hyde Park district. The organizational meeting will be held at 5526 Lake Park Avenue.



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Svenska Nyheter, July 21, 1903.

[THE ORDER OF THE VIKINGS HOLDS PICNIC]

The Order of the Vikings held a grand picnic at Elliott's Park last Sunday. The [weather was perfect] and more than two thousand Swedish-American men and women took advantage of the opportunity to shake off the dust of the city [amidst beautiful surroundings]. They did enjoy the change, and the picnic was one of lively participation by those present from start to finish. The official program for the day was not long but it was excellent. After a brief introductory speech by Grand Chief Herman Carlson, Editor F. A. Lindstrand gave a heart-to-heart talk to the Vikings about their history past and present. The speech made a strong impression if one can judge from the hearty applause. A poem for the occasion, written by Editor Malmquist, was read by the author and evoked enthusiastic applause. The Vikings' band lived up to its reputation. The rope-pulling contest between the lodges Frithiof #6 and Runan #7 resulted in defeat for the latter,

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but it required vigorous pulling by the Frithiof boys to win the battle. All the thirteen lodges of the Order were well represented, but the prize for the fullest representation goes to the next-to-the-youngest lodge, Balder #12, DeKalb, Illinois....The day was splendid; everybody was pleased, and the Vikings have shown once more that they are able to accomplish something fine when they set out to do so.



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Svenska Nyheter, June 9, 1903.

[THE SOCIETY SVEA ELECTS]

On Thursday, June 4, the Society Svea held its semi-annual meeting at its meeting hall, corner of Belmont and Racine Avenues. Officers were elected as follows: president, J. G. Hultgren; vice-president, Axel E. Back; recording secretary, A. E. Peterson; financial secretary, Charles T. Funk; treasurer, A. W. Nelson; librarian, J. E. Tengberg; sergeant at arms, P. A. Nieman. At present, the society owns the largest Swedish library in America.





Svenska Nyheter, May 19, 1903.

[ST. ANSGARIUS BENEVOLENT ASSOCIATION ANNIVERSARY]

Last Saturday, St. Ansgarius Benevolent Association celebrated its seventh anniversary with a pleasant social at its meeting hall, 97 Sedgwick Street. Speecket, singing, music, and readings, made up the program. After a piano solo by Miss Helen Johnson, the choir of the church sang, "The Lark Sings in the Sky." Miss Strom sang "Jerusalem." Readings were given by the five year. old Blanche Schogren, and the comic reader, Ernst Ekberg. The Reverend Lindskog followed with a speech for the occasion, and then Miss Karin Lindskog played an excellent violin solo.

The secretary of the Association, Mr. Axel Erickson, presented a brief review of the activities of the Association, and Miss Tillie Bolander gave a vocal solo. With that the secretary declared the program concluded, and ... the crowd found its way back to the serving room of the church where coffee and ice cream were served.

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Svenska Tribunen, Jan. 14, 1903.

VERNANDI LODGE I. O. S.

Next Saturday, Jan. 31, Vernandi Lodge No. 3 will give a masquerade ball in Spetz Hall, 1630 North Clark St.

This ball will bring to a close one of the Lodge's most active and pleasant months. Prizes will be given to those wearing the most original costumes.



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Svenska Tribunen, Dec. 17, 1902.

[A NEW SOCIETY]

"Svithiod's Dottrar" is the name of a one-year-old society consisting of daughters of the members of Svithiod Lodge No. 1. The society celebrated its first annual festival last Saturday with a program consisting of speeches, song and music.



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Svenska Tribunen, Dec. 5, 1902.

[A FINE BEGINNING]

Svea Dottrar, a women's society, gave an evening performance last Saturday at Henning's Hall, which was packed to the door. The interesting program consisted of music, song, recital, and a tableau presenting Svea, and her daughters. Dancing followed after the program. This was the first performance the society had arranged since it was organized. There are now 50 members in the society.



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Svenska Tribunen, Sept. 24, 1902.

[A NEW SVITHIOD LODGE]

A new Svithiod Lodge of I. O. S., has been founded in Irving Park lately. Officers were elected.



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Svenska Tribunen, Aug. 20, 1902.

[NEW SWEDISH LODGE]

A new Svithiod Lodge named "Andree" has been founded in South Chicago with a membership of forty-six.



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Svenska Tribunen, Aug. 6, 1902.

[ACTIVITIES OF INDEPENDENT ORDER OF SVITHIOD]

Ten branches of the Grand Lodge of the Independent Order of Svithiod arranged a mutual picnic at the beautiful Alton Park last Sunday. Four trains carried some 4,000 persons to the park, A large crowd came by street cars from Joliet, and neighboring places. It was estimated that over 5,000 persons attended the picnic.

An extraordinary program was arranged. Speeches were delivered by Editor F. A. Lindstrand and Attorney Bernard Anderson. The Lake View Sextet and Frithiof male choruses sang.

The Order of Svithiod consists of nineteen branches, with a total membership of 3,000. The Order paid out to its members during 1901 \$21,000 in life insurance, \$1,407.50 in funeral help, \$8,098 in sick benefits, and 643.13 in donations, making a total of \$31,048.63.





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Svenska Tribunen, Aug. 6, 1902.

[ACTIVITIES OF ODIN LODGE NO. 8, I. O. V.]

Odin Lodge No. 8, I. O. V. installed its directors last Friday, July 11. They are: And. Hemwall, chairman; Emil Pantzer, vice-chairman; and J. P. Carlson, recording secretary. The ceremony was conducted by the Grand Lodge deputies, Axel Holm and Aug. Person. Two new banners were dedicated and presented to the Lodge. The program for the evening consisted of Music, songs, and addresses.



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Svenska Tribunen, May 21, 1902.

[A NEW CLUB]

Several members of the Svithiod Lodge No. 1, I. O. S. organized a new club two weeks ago, and called it "Svithiod Pleasure Club." The new club which, has an enrollment of 250 members, gave a banquet last Sunday. The officers elected by the new club are Bernard Peterson, president; H. J. Hedin, secretary, and P. J. Plantin, treasurer.



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Svenska Tribunen, Apr. 23, 1902.

CHARITY CONCERT

The Swedish National Society gave a well-attended charity concert last Saturday night at Bush Temple of Music. The program was well chosen. Speakers were Attorney G. Bernard Anderson, Chicago and Dr. Carl Sundbeck, Sweden, the latter brought forth greetings from that country.



Svenska Tribunen, Apr. 9, 1902.

[ANNIVERSARY]

The Drake Lodge No 3, I. O. V. celebrated its tenth anniversary last Saturday at Spelz Hall with a splendid program of song, music, and speeches. The celebration ended up with dancing.



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Svenska Tribunen, Feb. 26, 1902.

[ANNIVERSARY]

First Swedish Lodge of Odd Fellows No. 479 celebrated its 30th anniversary last Saturday night. This lodge is the oldest Swedish Odd Fellow Lodge in this State. It started with ten members and there are now two hundred.



Svenska Tribunen, Feb. 19, 1902.

ANNUAL MEETING

The Grand Lodge of the Order of Svithiod held its annual meeting last Wednesday. All the seventeen branch lodges were represented by delegates. The chairman, J. P. Johnson, greeted them. The total membership is now 2,500.

A new lodge will be founded in Englewood. Insurance amounting to \$20,000 has been paid out during 1901 to beneficiaries of deceased members. Officers were elected.

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Svenska Tribunen, Feb. 19, 1902.

MASQUERADE

The Iduna Charity Society held its 17th annual prize masquerade ball last Saturday night at the South Side Turner Hall, which was filled to overflowing. Prizes were awarded to the ones wearing the best costumes.



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Svenska Tribunen, Feb. 5, 1902.

[MASQUERADE BALL]

The Nordstjernan Society's 22nd annual masquerade ball was held last Saturday night at the First Regiment Armory and was attended by some 2,000 persons. Prizes were awarded.





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Svenska Tribunen, Jan. 29, 1902.

THE SWEDISH NATIONAL SOCIETY

One of the most active organizations in the field of helping our needy countrymen in Chicago is The Swedish National Society. Last year it distributed \$1,200 to the poor not to mention the activity of its free employment bureau. The society is now making plans for a midwinter festival to be held at the Auditorium Feb. 6, when a Swedish historical play will be presented.



Svenska Tribunen, Jan. 15, 1902.



THE SWEDISH NATIONAL SOCIETY ELECTS NEW OFFICERS

The Swedish National Society held its annual meeting last week and elected the following officers: Chairman: S. A. Nelson; 1st vice-Chairman: Charles Bengtson; 2nd vice-chairman: Mrs. Gronlund; recording secretary: Oscar Olander; corresponding secretary: Mrs. Othelia Myhrman; treasurer: K. E. Ostergren; sergeant-at-arms: Louis Magnuson, Otto Anderson was elected director. There was a balance in the treasury of \$1,469.91.

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Svenska Tribunen, Jan. 15, 1902.

SWEDISH WOMEN PLAN BENEFIT FEAST

The Swedish-American Women's Club held its annual meeting last Friday and elected officers for the year 1902. The club is planning a feast to be held at Phoenix hall, February 14 for the benefit of the poor.



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Svenska Tribunen, Jan. 8, 1902.

THE SWEDISH NATIONAL SOCIETY PRESENTS BENEFIT PLAY

A Swedish historical play, called "Engelbrekt and his Dalkarlar" by Aug. Blanche, will be presented at the Auditorium February 6 by the Swedish National Society. The income from the play goes to needy countrymen.



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Svenska Tribunen, Jan. 1, 1902.

THE SWEDISH NATIONAL SOCIETY

The Swedish National Society, a well-known benevolent Society, has been **very** successful in helping needy countrymen during the past year. Over a thousand men and six hundred women have received employment during last year through the efforts of the Society. Over \$1,100 has been distributed to poor people. The society is supported from the income of its Midsummer outdoor festivals and winter feasts at the Auditorium. Such a feast will be held there this year on February 6.



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Svenska Tribunen, Dec. 11, 1901.

### SVEA SOCIETY'S NEW HOME

Chicago's oldest Swedish organization, The Svea Society, will soon move into a new home at Belmont and Lakeview Avenues. The address is 1205 Belmont Avenue. Here, the members will be much better accommodated, with a large meeting hall, a service room, a library, and smoking and reading rooms. On the opening day, Editor F. A. Lindstrand made a fine speech, and Miss Mary Nelson sang several numbers in a beautiful voice and pleasing manner.

The Society was organized as the Inca Society in 1857, and was incorporated in 1862. Its first meeting place was at Wells and Kinzie Streets. The founders of the Society include some of our best-known countrymen: Captain Halbrand, ex-Sheriff Nelson, Captain Molenborg, P. J. Hussander, Mr. Billings, and Mr. Jocknick.

One of the Society's oldest living members is Mr. Sven Olin, who became a member in 1859.



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In the year 1883, the Society added a sick benefit department, which also pays death benefits. The members pay into this fund \$6 annually; a \$6 weekly sick benefit is paid out, and \$50 towards funeral expenses. About \$10,500 has been distributed for these purposes. The Society has among its assets a reserve fund of \$4,500, an additional \$3,000 invested in property, and a library containing 1500 volumes.

Our well-known countryman, George J. Olson, county agent, is president of the Society. The Board of Directors consists of John G. Hullgren, John Lindgren, Charles Funk, A. W. Nelson, John E. Tengberg, and Peter Nelson. The present membership is more than 150, which number, we are told, will soon be doubled, in view of the fact that Svea now can entertain its members and friends in these splendid new quarters.



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Svenska Tribunen, Nov. 20, 1901.

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### BALDER'S FESTIVAL

The Balder Society celebrated last Sunday its 20th anniversary in the South Side Turner Hall.

Eleven Charter Members, three of whom are still living, initiated this society twenty years ago. The three surviving charter members, A. Lindstrand, C. F. Nelson, and F. Wilson, will attend the festival.

For the last twenty years more than 250 new members were added to the original thirteen.



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Svenska Tribunen, Nov. 6, 1901.

SVITHOID LODGE

Last Saturday the Svithoid Singing Club gave its first banquet of the season at its hall on Wrightwood Avenue. More than two hundred members were present. Smargardbard (Buffet-Luncheon) was served to all.



Svenska Tribunen, Aug. 7, 1901.

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MEETING OF SCANDINAVIAN MUTUAL AID SOCIETY

The local branch of the Scandinavian Mutual Aid Association, which was recently formed in Lake View had its first meeting in the Trinity Church July 8.

All members of the Galesbury, now living in Lake View, are particularly urged to attend. The next meeting will be held Monday, August 8.

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Svenska Tribunen (Swedish Tribune), June 19, 1901.

### VASA SOCIETY CELEBRATES

The yearly festival of the Vasa Society was celebrated Saturday evening at Leddy's Hall, Wentworth Avenue and 31st Street. The celebrants filled the large hall. The program included speaking, singing and music.

President C. Holmquist, opened the festival with a prayer, and a male chorus, from Pullman, sang Lindblad's "Stridsbon" (Battle-prayer). This chorus, which sang beautifully, gave a number of other selections, including "Hor Oss Svea, Moder For Oss Alla," (Hear Us Svea, Mother of Us All); "Hor Oss Herre Fader At Oss Alla" (Hear Us Lord, Father to Us All). A quartet consisting of Miss Julia Tornquist and Miss Amanda Jungblom, and Mr. Rester Forsberg, and Mr. Carl Rydell was applauded loudly. A piano duet was played by Miss Emma Byquist and Miss Edith Olson. Dr. Peterson was one of the featured speakers of the evening. After the program ice cream and cake was served.

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Svenska Tribunen, May 29, 1901.

TO GALESBURG

p.11..In company with about twenty members of the widely-branching Svithiod order, this newspaper's reporter took a trip to Galesburg, Illinois, with the praiseworthy aim in mind of writing one thing and another, about the trip and the purpose, for the many readers of Svenska Tribunen. The hands of the station clock pointed to twenty minutes after nine, when we, or more correctly, the train rolled out of the station, straight for the much praised Galesburg. It forward went, like the raging of waters.

At noon, we reached our destination, and five minutes later were at Brown's Hotel. Dr. A.G.Nyvall, from Moreland, and we, soon became accustomed to the lively little city. We found a coachman's stall on one of the back streets, and, therein, a horse and buggy. An eyelash flash and later, we found ourselves driving around the city, taking in the sights. The outsider often

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sees what the native does not observe. So also, with us on our helter-skelter course. Outside of the fine looking, spacious, and busy business houses, which almost without exception, belong to our countrymen, there stood the stateliest coaches hitched to small shaggy horses taken straight from the plow. One saw at once, that the small creatures of nature, felt themselves lost in their richly mounted harness, like a pretty nosed young maid from Smaland, when she, for the first time, puts on a hat, adorned with stuffed birds and wax flowers. One needed only to look upon these equipages to realize that the farmers in the vicinity of Galesburg do not do things peace-meal.

At eight o'clock in the evening the Svithiod boys from Chicago and Moline, certain members from the lodge, Frey No. 16 of Moline, who had arrived on the afternoon train, went to work of organizing the Independent Order of Svithiod as first lodge in Galesburg, Vasa, Number 17. The lodge was instituted with forty

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charter members, and fourteen applications were received for the next meeting. After the lodge work was completed, an unusual supper was served, and about one hundred persons partook. Immediately after the delicate dishes were out of sight, the lodge's grand master asked for the floor, gave thanks from the grand lodge, to all the Galesburg folks, who worked to get a lodge organized in their city. Special distinction for zealous work was given to Mr. Oscar Thorelius, in the form of a gold medal presented by the grand lodge. Mr. Thorelius felt himself a little embarrassed by the distinction, but as a man of the world, and apothecary by profession, he considered himself doubly obliged to answer the fine words of the grand master. He made an attempt, but became lost. His faithful dog, Prince, in the meantime, saved the situation by nicely scolding the whole company. After this little, not at all, unpleasant interruption in the program, our Chicago lawyer, Mr. Sheldon, was introduced, and gave a fine little talk to the assembly. Thereafter, there was singing by an amateur quartette and, a few words by Dr. Carl Nyblad, pastor of the Swedish Episcopal Church, of Galesburg, and

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corresponding secretary in the newly organized lodge. Short talks were also given by Mr. Axel Blomfeldt and Dr. A. G. Nyvall of Chicago, George Sandberg and others from Moline and Galesburg. Two poems in which the newly organized lodge was wished every success were then read, the former written by editor Nils Mannow, and the latter by your reporter.

By O. A. Linder.

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Svenska Tribunen, May 15, 1901.

VIKINGS VISIT MOLINE

p.11.... At the railway station in Moline we were met by a few hundred Swedes, and led by a band, we marched up to the meeting hall. Supper was in order at the Windsor Hotel at midnight under the most happy circumstances. Speeches were given by former Mayor Gustaf Swensson, his son Dr. J.G. Swensson, and Leo Allen of Moline, also by lodge president, A.W. Jonnson, lodge treasurer, Herman Carlson: Vice-president, A. Libjenstrom, lodge secretary Eric Torsell, editor of order's organ, Vikingen (The Viking), Axel Ahlstedt, all of Chicago. In addition there were songs by Henry Anderson and a declamation by the undersigned (Frithiof Malmquist).



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Svenska Tribunen, Apr.10,1901.

#### A NEW VETERAN'S CLUB

p.11....A veteran's club was organized by members of the I.O.S. at a meeting held at Three Links Hall on Chicago Avenue last Saturday evening. Admission to the new club is won only by those persons who have been members of Svithiod at least twenty years. About one hundred men and women came. The oldest veteran was Dr. Holm who is now seventy-one years; and the youngest Dr. Johnson, who is forty-two years. One of the leading members among these "oldsters" is Mr. Frank Lindquist, who delivered a speech of welcome. After him appeared Mr. J.P.Johnson, who in an interesting talk dwelled upon the past history of the Svithiod Society.

Appropriate songs were enjoyed thru the beautiful singing of the Lake View Sextette. The singers were encored again and again. Instrumental music

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was rendered by Messrs. Lehman, violin, and Victor Svenson, piano.

A festival poem, composed by Mr. J.P. Vest, was read on the occasion by the author.

The women gave a fine luncheon during the happy evening.

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Svenska Tribunen, Feb. 27, 1901.

SCANDINAVIAN MUTUAL AID

West Side members of the Scandinavian Mutual Aid Association are invited to a meeting at the Lutheran Gethsemane Church on the corner of May and Huron streets, next Saturday evening, March 2.

Plans for the future work of this society will be the chief topic of consideration as well as the meeting soon to be held in Galesburg.

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Svenska Tribunen, Feb. 27, 1901.

**BENEFIT AGENCY ORGANIZED**

p.11.....The Swedish Evangelical Lutheran Baptist Sick and Funeral Benefit Association sent in their articles of incorporation to the Secretary of State in Springfield, last Wednesday is a Benefit Agency .

The incorporators are A. P. Fors, John Westberg and Carl G. Lind.

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Skandinaven (Daily Edition), Apr. 16, 1900.

MANHEIM LODGE HOLDS DANCE

Manheim Lodge No. 2, Independent Order of Svithiod held a successful ball at Wicker Park Hall on Saturday evening. The Order in question receives only Swedes as members.



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Svenska Tribunen, April 28, 1897.

ST.AUSGARIUS BENOVELENT ASSOCIATION.

St.Ausgarius Benovelent Association held its first festival at Phonix Hall last Thursday. Doctor Arvid H. Wimmermark greeted the people and told them that the membership had increased from 108 to 148. Miss Emilia Bornholt sang two soprano solos. .. Miss Karin Lindskog played two violin solos, and Messrs. Pallin and Lindblom sang both a duet and solos. The Rev. Herman Lindskog, pastor of the church, delivered the festival address. Over three hundred persons attended the affair.



Svenska Tribunen, May 25, 1892.

SWEDISH ORGANIZATION CELEBRATES SEVENTEENTH ANNIVERSARY

The Swedish Vasa Society recently held its seventeenth annual meeting, at which time installation of new officers took place and an appropriate program was given.

The reports for the fiscal year just ended shows that the Society is steadily progressing and that its good work among the Swedish people of Chicago is markedly increasing. During the past year a sum of \$1,436 in sick benefits has been paid out to fifty-six members; two deaths among the members had occurred during the year, making the total present membership 172. The income during the year was \$2,742.87 and the disbursements \$2,172.70. The total assets of the Society Vasa, in cash and first-rate securities amount to \$3,570.07.

Svenska Tribunen, March 23, 1892.



NEW SWEDISH CLUB HOUSE

The Linnaeus Club some time ago sent out invitations to its members to subscribe toward the erection of a new club house. The shares were to cost \$20 apiece, and the estimated cost of the building to be between \$20,000 and \$30,000.

We have now been informed that a sum of \$10,000 already has been guaranteed. This is quick work and speaks well for the success of the plan and the organization as a whole. The Executive Committee is composed of the following men, all known as energetic and progressive spokesmen of our race: W. Hussander; G. A. Bohman; Charles Netterstrom; J. N. Lawson and C. O. Williamson. The latter, as we all know, is the Cook County Agent.





**NEW SVITHIOD LODGE**

On Monday, December 21, a new lodge of the Independent Order of Svithiod was organized on the South Side. The name of the lodge is Frithiof No.5, I.O.S.

Following are the officers elected for the first semi-annual term: A.G. West, chairman; S. Franson, vice chairman; F.R. Franson, recording secretary; E. Lindskog, financial secretary; H. Sandberg, treasurer; Dr. A. Winemark, examining physician.

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Svenska Tribunen, July 31, 1890.

[VASA SOCIETY MEETS]

The Swedish Vasa Society of Chicago held its 15th. annual meeting the other day. Mr. J. F. Jerner was reelected to the presidency of the society.

The various reports showed that the Society's activities during the last fiscal year were larger than during the 1888-1889 season. A sum of \$1,294. was paid out in sick and funeral benefits in the last year. The Society's treasury now has \$4,025.86.



Svenska Tribunen, May 2, 1883.

INDEPENDENT ORDER OF SVITHIOD.

The Independent Order of Svithiod arranged its May Festival last Saturday at Turner Hall. The stage was adorned with flowers, palms, and colored lanterns. Nevan's orchestra presented good music. Forty members of the order sang. Miss Hanna Netterstrom was chosen and crowned as May Bride with a crown made up of flowers. Eight hundred persons attended the affair.

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Svenska Tribunen-Nyheter, Dec. 12, 1923.

### NEW VIKING HOME ON THE SOUTH SIDE

Thanks to energetic work and successful campaigning, the South Side lodges of the Viking Order have enjoyed a great increase in membership as well as in their cash balances during the last few years. Consequently, the question of building a home of their own has been under consideration for some time. A conveniently located site has been finally found, and the project has already progressed to the point where a building lot has been bought. It is located on the northeast corner of 69th Street and Emerald Avenue. Its dimensions are 148 by 98 feet, the long side facing 69th Street.

Nine lodges are co-operating in the undertaking, namely: Angantyr, No. 4; Frei, No. 5; Runan, No. 7; Harald, No. 13; Gotha, No. 14; Valhalla, No. 21; Sten Sture, No. 45; Harmony, No. 53; and Trygg, No. 55. They are represented by the following trustees: John L. Alvin, A. E. Anderson, and John Johnson. The well-known attorney and real-estate man, John A. Linden, who is himself

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a member and former Grand Master of the Order, acted as broker.

Definite building plans have not yet been decided upon. The project involves the expenditure of roughly one hundred thousand dollars.

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Svenska Kuriren, Jan. 30, 1919.

SCANDIA LIFE NOW NAMED  
"MUTUAL TRUST LIFE INSURANCE COMPANY"

The annual meeting of the policy-holders of the Scandia Life Insurance Company was held at the Hotel La Salle on January 23. It was made known that the year 1918 was the best year in the history of the company.

New insurance for the year totals over twelve million dollars. Premiums now total \$3,694,317.62, and the amount of insurance in force is over thirty seven million dollars. The net surplus is more than \$407,639.13.

The directors, whose terms have expired are: Charles E. Wallin of Minneapolis, Minnesota; A. G. Anderson of Fergus Falls, Minnesota; A. J. Lawrence of Paxton, Illinois; C. E. Johnson of Galesburg, Illinois; and Andrew Klingman of Chicago, Illinois, were all re-elected for a term of three years.



Svenska Kuriren, Jan. 30, 1919.

One of the more prominent business matters concerned the change of the name of the company. In regard to this question, the president of the company had the following to say in his yearly report: "Some one may ask, perhaps, this question: 'Why must the name be changed?' The answer is simple enough. We live and operate exclusively in America. This company should, therefore, have a modern, American name, a name which needs no further explanation. Broadly speaking, it does not matter much what kind of name a company carries, but it may happen that a name is misinterpreted, which often leads to erroneous conclusions. "Scandia Life" is certainly a good name, but it has often been responsible for the idea that it is a foreign company. For this reason, the policyholders have deemed it wise to change the name. The change will have no effect whatsoever on the insurance policies taken out before this date, and no evidence of identification is necessary either."

When the resolution regarding the change of name was placed before the assembly every vote, a total of 449, was in favor of the change. Thus,



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"Scandia Life" hereafter will be known under the name of "The Mutual Trust Life Insurance Company."

After the meeting the directors convened, and re-elected the same officers for the next year, namely; President, Nils A. Nelson; vice-president and adviser in legal matters, Edwin A. Olson; secretary-treasurer, C. H. Boman; company physician, Dr. William A. Peterson; actuary Irvin L. Grimes.

In the evening, the yearly banquet was held at the Hotel La Salle. More than one hundred agents from ten different states participated. The president of the company introduced the vice-president, Edwin A. Olson as master of ceremonies. The various speakers were; L. A. Anderson, actuary at the Wisconsin Insurance Department; Congressman Carl R. Chindblom, and Rev. M. E. Borders, Chicago.



Svenska Kuriren, Jan. 30, 1919.

During the year 1918 the disbursements have been unusually large, due to the large number of deaths, as has been the case in other life insurance enterprises, also. But "Scandia Life" has already had an adequate surplus on hand so the company went through the influenza epidemic with flying colors.

The company maintains the same rate of premiums which falls due next May 1. During the year 1919 the company hopes to issue new insurance for not less than fifteen million dollars.



Svenska Kuriren, Feb. 3, 1916.

(Editorial)



p.11.....Scandia Life Insurance Company, held its 10th annual meeting last week here in Chicago. Over fifty of the company's General Agents from Illinois, Iowa, Nebrasks, Minnesota, North and South Dakota, Michigan and Connecticut were present. The agents meeting was held Tuesday and Wednesday at La Salle Hotel, where the company last Wednesday gave a banquet for its agents and others interested. At the banquet, the company's president Mr. N. A. Nelson, expressed the company's appreciation of the splendid work performed by the agents during the past year, whereupon he gave the word to the company's vice president, legal adviser and chief of the agent personal, Mr. Edwin A. Plsen, who then assumed the duties of the evening's "master of ceremonies." After an invigorating speech, in which he told of the company's accomplishment and what great things they were looking forward to, he introduced Judge Rufus Monroe Potts, Life Insurance Inspector for the State of Illinois. Mr. Potts confined his speech to insurance and particularly praised the company's splendid financial situation. He also advised the agents to invite



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prospective clients to write to the State's Insurance Department, in case any doubt arose as to this company's ability to meet its obligations. The next speaker was Mr. Henry S. Henschen, Director of The State Bank of Chicago, who spoke on the necessity of life insurance for all, rich or poor.

The former corporation counsel of the state Mr. Edward J. Brundage and the former insurance inspector Mr. Fred W. Potter, delivered forceful addresses. All participants at the banquet were presented with silver cuff links with the initials of the Scandia Life Insurance Society engraved upon them.

The policy-holders' meeting was held Thursday at LaSalle Hotel. Reports from the president, secretary, treasurer and auditing committee were read and received with enthusiasm. The reports showed, the company had enjoyed a most successful year. New policies were issued amounting to nearly \$6,000,000.00, receipts increased with \$300,000.00 and net profits with more than \$50,000.00, total insurance in force was \$23,000,000.00, gross receipts were \$2,110,000.00 and cash on hand \$554,000.00.

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At the meeting five directors were to be elected. The retiring directors were: Charles E. Walin, Minneapolis, Minnesota; A. G. Anderson, Fergus Falls, Minnesota; T. F. Northwall, Omaha, Nebraska; A. J. Lawrence, Paxton, Illinois, and Theodor Freemon, Chicago, Illinois. These gentlemen were all unanimously re-elected as directors.

After this meeting the Board of Directors came together and elected the following officers: President, N. A. Nelson; Vice President and Legal Adviser, Edw. A. Olsen; Secretary-Treasurer, C. H. Boman; Chief Surgeon, Dr. Wm. A. Peterson; Actuary T. L. Grimes.

Judging from all reports, the work progresses steadily and all indications are, that 1916 will be a successful year.

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ACANDIA LIFE INSURANCE COMPANY

Acandia Life Insurance Company held its 10th annual meeting in Chicago last week. Fifty general agents from states where the company is doing business were present. Insurance for nearly \$6,000,000 had been written during the year, making the past year the most successful in the history of the company. Total insurance amount now is \$23,000,000.

Henry S. Henschen, treasurer of the Chicago State Bank, delivered a speech about the importance of insurance.

Banquet was held on Wednesday evening at the La Salle Hotel.

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Svenska Kuriren, Nov. 26, 1914.

CHARITY BALL

The Balder society's committee, "For help and pleasure" will give a charity ball at Rosalie Hall Saturday, December 5 for the benefit of the sick and needy Swedes.



Svenska Kuriren, Apr. 23, 1914.

INDEPENDENT ORDER OF SVITHIOD

The Independent Order of Svithiod now has over 8,500 members, and its assets exceed \$245,000. The Order paid out \$12,100 to its members for insurance during March and April of this year.





Svenska Kuriren, Jan. 29, 1914.

SCANDIA LIFE INSURANCE COMPANY

The Scandia Life Insurance Company held its ninth annual meeting last Thursday at Hotel La Salle here. The reports which were read and approved, showed that the company has been very successful last year. There was \$1,507,440.70 in the treasury December 31, 1913. C. H. Boman, E. E. Strandberg, Edwin A. Olson, and I.M. Anderson, all from Chicago, and Alfred G. Larson from Rockford, were elected members of the Board of Directors, who, in their turn, elected the following officers: president: N. A. Nelson; vice-president: E. A. Olson; secretary: C. H. Boman; treasurer: I. M. Anderson; Doctor: William A. Peterson.



Svenska Kyriren, Jan. 1, 1914.

**THE BETHESDA SICK BENEFIT SOCIETY**

The Bethesda Sick Benefit Society of Hyde Park held its annual meeting last Saturday night. The following officers were elected: chairman: Doctor V. H. Hegstrom; vice-chairman: C. G. Norman; secretary: Signe Elverson; financial secretary: Oscar Johnson; treasurer: Matila Carlson. The society is planning to hold a Washington Festival, February 21.



Svenska Nyheter, Dec. 5, 1905.

SCANDIA INSURANCE COMPANY

(Advertisement)

The Scandia Life Insurance Company has its main office at 159 LaSalle Street, Chicago. It is the only Scandinavian corporation in America which issues life insurance of every type. On account of the care shown by this company in executing contracts, it is practically impossible for the insured to lose his rights. If for any reason he should wish to discontinue payment of premiums he may obtain Extended or Paid-Up insurance, thus being safeguarded, without extra expenses. Loan values and cash values are also connected with all the insurance policies.

For further information write the main office.



Svenska Nyheter, Apr. 18, 1905.

[TWO INSURANCE COMPANIES COMBINE]

The Scandia Mutual Life Insurance Company held a meeting in this city, on April 12. The meeting was very well attended, and its deliberations were also continued the following day. The question at issue was whether or not to reorganize and unite with the Scandia Life Insurance Company so as to form from the two companies, a life insurance company on the principles of the so - called "old line" companies. Both days the discussion was very animated, and the protagonists of union of the two companies won the day. Of 5,070 votes cast, in person or by authorization, 3,689 favored the union while 1,220 opposed it. Thus the reorganization plan may be said to have been adopted overwhelmingly.....

Directors for the coming three years were elected, as were also the executive officers.



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To The Members of Scandia Mutual Life Insurance Company:

As we are gathered here for our annual meeting, our thoughts linger with satisfaction over the activity of our society during the past year. Letters received from every section of our country testify to the high regard in which the society and its activity is held; the general attitude is that since the time of society's reorganization, the results of our work have been highly satisfactory. The objections which at first were raised against the "liens" which had been called and for which it was found necessary to assess against the letters of membership given by the original society seem to have lost their force. The members in question have no doubt realized that however troublesome the "liens" were, yet they were both necessary and equitable. From many of the hundreds of our countrymen, we have received grateful letters during the past year. These members have received financial aid on the occasion of the passing away of relatives, also members of our society. The knowledge that we are thus instrumental in allaying the bitterness of sorrow in many a home through the extension



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of financial aid is encouraging. For many cases, except for the financial aid received from Scandia Mutual, physical suffering would have been added to the bereavement, and we have reason to be gratified at having been instrumental in thus extending aid when hours are dark.....

A total of 1,025 new members have been gained during the past year. They constitute eloquent testimony of the confidence reposed in the society by our people, but also of the energetic work of our agents. The popular confidence in our society needs to be guarded, and its value appreciated; for we know from experience that without this confidence, neither agents nor officers can make their efforts for development bear fruit. For this reason, we need to perform our duties here in such a manner as to maintain and even increase the confidence in our work now in evidence among our people. The total membership of the association is now 8,870. The net increase in membership during the year is 582. The average age of our members is somewhat lower now than last year, a fact of great importance for our association. The governors of the society have considered it their duty to appoint the best possible agents in districts where the field



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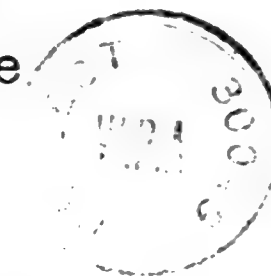
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seemed promising. This has caused greater expenses, but the expenses have not been wasted; they have brought good returns. It is of the greatest importance for our society to gain accession of young blood. We have also made effort to get able and conscientious physicians to examine those seeking membership. This has increased costs considerably, but the board is convinced that there is no more effective means of saving for the society than by being most careful in accepting new members. One single mistake in this regard may cost the society more money than that of the salary of any one of these officials. During the year, Scandia has taken care of all its financial obligations, insurance amounts, as well as current expenses. In addition, the reserve fund has been increased by \$58,987.45, so that this fund now has risen to \$387,619.96.

We believe that the members of the Society have, by this time, in some measure studied the proposal to change the constitution, which was presented some time ago by the board of directors, so that now they are able to act intelligently on those proposals. The board did not present to the members this proposal to an important change in the constitution of our



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society without having first considered the matter carefully. We have become convinced that the interests of Scandia demanded our presentation of the proposal to the members. At the same time, we have not for one moment been oblivious to the fact that the directors are but the servants of the society as at present constituted; the board of directors can, for reason of this fact, initiate no change not contributory to the welfare of the society. The board of directors, however, became convinced that a change as proposed will be of great benefit as regard the future of our society. It was, therefore, considered a duty by the board to place the matter before the members. The full and only purpose of the proposed change is to make it possible for Scandia Mutual Life Insurance Company to issue letters of membership of a type which our people, and especially our young people, desire. The proposed change in the Society's constitution is the means, under the laws, by which the purpose mentioned can be realized. After the change has been made, the society remains constituted of the same members as before, and will be, in fact, the same society. The value of the present membership letters will not be altered, and "assessments" will be issued





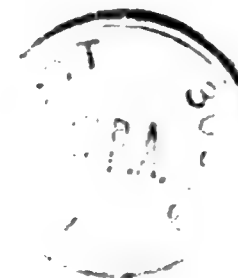
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monthly for them as hitherto. But we are convinced that it is our duty to meet the constantly increasing requests that letters of membership be offered which, while costing more, offer advantages which those issued under the present rules cannot offer. If we do not meet these demands, other corporations will gladly meet them, and in so doing, cause a great, and perhaps disastrous loss to our society. We beg to remind our members that as time goes on it becomes ever more difficult for insurance societies using the "assessment" method to persist. Thus, for example, we are not now permitted to insure in several states where there are large colonies of our people; New York, the New England states, Wisconsin, Kansas, and several other states. If our society accepts the proposal for re-organization presented by the board of directors, we will be enabled to send our representatives into all the states in the Union, and there will be the very best prospects that our people may build up a very strong insurance company. As far as we have been able to ascertain, the proposal for change in our constitution has been met with general acceptance by our members. Many requests for information have been contained in the letters received from



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various parts of the country, but no one has expressed any dislike to the proposal itself, while most of the letters have applauded it warmly. It needs to be added that the re-organized new corporation has merely the significance of making possible the indicated change in the policy of the society, and we beg to express the wish that the name of the society may remain unchanged.

Respectfully submitted,  
L. G. Abrahamson, President.  
Chicago, January 26, 1905.

As a result of the meeting (referred to in Pres. Abrahamson's report, Tr.) Scandia Life Insurance Company was consolidated with Scandia Mutual Life Insurance Company by nearly a unanimous vote. 4,010 votes were cast for the consolidation and 320 votes against it. The society will remain a mutual life insurance company, the directors to be elected by the members, as in the past.

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From the report of the secretary, it appears that during the past year, \$136,369.17 was paid in death claims, and that all losses has been adjusted satisfactorily. The reserve fund has increased by \$58,987.45. The reserve capital is now \$387,619.96, and the total capital, including "liens", amounts to \$1,541,705.73.

During the year, 1,025 new members were accepted; 128 members died, and 227 discontinued their membership for various causes. The net increase in membership during the year is 582.



Svenska Tribunen, Dec. 17, 1902.

[INSURANCE CO. REPORTS]

The Scandia Mutual Life Insurance Company held its annual meeting Dec. 10. Reports were read and approved. Officers were elected. It was decided that branches of the company should be established in various cities. Dr. L. G. Abrahamson was elected president, E. P. Strandberg, vice-president, C. H. Boman, secretary, and N. A. Nelson, treasurer.



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Svenska Tribunen, July 30, 1902.

[NEW SWEDISH SOCIETY]

The Scandia Mutual Life Insurance Company of Chicago, was incorporated last week by Nils A. Olson, Martin Noyd, and John Anderson.



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Svenska Tribunen, July 23, 1902.

[ SWEDISH SOCIETY TO AID SICK ]

Vestgota Gille has instituted a sick benefit fund to which every member contributes 50 cents a month. New members were received at a meeting last Friday.



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Svenska Tribunen, Mar. 5, 1902.

[ FESTIVAL ]

The Sick Benefit Society Linne celebrated its 14th annual festival last Saturday at Boulevard Hall, Englewood. The attendance was large, and the program consisted of speeches, songs and music, Refreshments were served.



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Aid**



Svenska Tribunen-Nyheter, May 18, 1932.

FUND RAISING CAMPAIGN FOR AUGUSTANA HOSPITAL

At a recent meeting of the Illinois Conference of the Augustana Synod, which owns and operates the Augustana Hospital here, it was decided to open a fund raising campaign. The Board of Directors is now preparing plans for the drive which is expected to bring \$150,000 into the Hospital's treasury. This sum is needed in order to retire bonded debt which falls due this year. Due to the reduced income caused by the depression it is absolutely necessary to reduce the debt in order to operate on a sound financial basis.

The drive will take place during the week of June 12 to June 19, and campaign managers are now arranging meetings which are to be held here in Chicago as well as in Rockford, Galesburg, and also in Chesterton, Indiana, and St. Joseph, Michigan, preparatory to the opening of the actual drive. At these meetings campaign workers will be given instructions.

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Svenska Tribunen-Nyheter, May 18, 1932.

Individual subscriptions are already being received even now, and it is reported that they have already reached the sum of \$34,000. In one single Augustana congregation on Chicago's North Side four thousand dollars have been pledged. Such a beginning bodes well for the success of the campaign.

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THE COLONY OF MERCY

We have received the following letter in behalf of the new charitable institution, the Colony of Mercy:

"The attention of Swedish organizations, as well as individuals, is being attracted increasingly to the Colony of Mercy. In the beginning, most people considered the plan too ambitious ever to be realized. But the idea was longingly cherished, and one could only admire the courage of Pastor Elof Johnson, who never lost faith.

"But this impossible idea has now taken hold among the Swedish-American public here, and especially among the pastors of the various Swedish congregations. Several meetings have been arranged, and the enthusiasm is mounting. Last Monday, a well-attended meeting was held in the Morrison Hotel at the initiative of Emil Skoglund, who is one of the originators of the plan. Many new charter members have signed up, and have donated one thousand dollars each to the proposed Colony. It is hoped that after the

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Easter holidays the movement will gain added momentum.

"As most of the Tribunen's readers already know, the plan consists in establishing a charitable institution which will receive incurable Swedish-American patients, mental cases, and persons who are convalescing from severe illnesses. It will be located in the vicinity of Elgin, Illinois. Those who wish to contribute to this humane cause may present their donations to the pastor of their own church, who will forward them to the Finance Committee, or they may send their contributions directly to Pastor Elof Johnson, 1650 Foster Avenue, Chicago, Illinois.

"Let those of us who enjoy good health, and other of life's blessings, get together and help our less fortunate countrymen! And who knows? This home may well open its doors for any of us some time."

Svenska Kuriren, Aug. 4, 1927.

THE SWEDISH SANATORIUM

Now is the time for those afflicted with weak lungs to plan where to spend the fall and winter. Many thoughts go to the Swedish Sanatorium at Denver, Colorado, and every week we receive many requests for accommodations.

As quickly as possible we are trying to provide space for these sufferers. During the month of July we received eight patients from different parts of the country. Another who has been promised room is a lady missionary, who has just returned from China, where she lost her health while aiding others. She was permitted to stay with friends for a while, but it was impossible for them to give her the care she needed. She is without any means and was in a rather difficult plight. Someone then thought of the Swedish Sanatorium. After proper inquiry, the management offered to take her in.

We are doing a good and noble work, and our institution is worthy of the full confidence and support of our people.

Gustf Nywall

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Svenska Kuriren, March 24, 1927

GENEREROUS DONATION

A donation of \$5,000 to the Swedish Tuberculosis Sanitarium has just been made by Mrs. Ragnhild Hedman, widow of the late manufacturer and inventor, Max Hedman.

Only about two months ago Mrs. Hedman made a similar donation to the Swedish Old Peoples Home in Evanston.



Svenska Kuriren, Mar. 10, 1927.

THE SWEDISH SANATORIUM

In this morning's mail we received a letter from which we quote the following:

"The undersigned is a Swedish immigrant who has been in this country only two years. He has become ill and needs treatment in a sanatorium. Will you be so kind as to furnish me with the information necessary to obtain this service. An early reply will greatly oblige,

Yours truly....."

Imagine, if you can, the many disappointments and heartaches which this young man reveals in his letter. He left Sweden only two years ago, filled with high hopes of finding better opportunities to earn his living and perhaps thereby to help his aging parents. He probably came from a poor home where there were many mouths to feed.

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But now it is he who needs help. Friends and countrymen, this young man is one of the many, many boys and girls who are knocking at our door. Let us speed up our work, so that we can say to these poor and sick: "Come, we have a place for you!" Friends, do not forget the Sanatorium!

Gustaf Hywall



Svenska Kuriren, April 30, 1925

NEW SWEDISH HOSPITAL NEARING COMPLETION

The New Augustana Hospital is now well under way. The building will be eight stories high and of fire-proof construction. The total cost of this ultra-modern hospital is estimated at \$900,000, which is being raised by the issuance of first mortgage gold bonds at 6% interest. The location of the new hospital is at Sedgwick St. and Garfield Ave., and the sponsor is the Illinois Conference of the Augustana Synod.

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THE SANITARIUM CAMPAIGN CONCLUDED

As has been previously announced, a group of Swedish women residing on the South Side volunteered to raise a sum of \$15,000 towards the so-called Chicago Pavillion of the Swedish Tuberculosis Sanitarium in Denver, Colo. This amount has now been raised, and a few hundred dollars besides, which will be used for furnishings.

This announcement was made at a meeting of the executive committee last Tuesday, in the home of Mrs. C.L. Anderson, 924 Hyde Park Boulevard.

The following ladies have taken an active part in the work: Mrs. N.A. Nelson, chairman; Mrs. John A. Nylin, secretary; Mrs. Victor Bovik, assistant secretary; and Mrs. C.L. Anderson, treasurer.

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Svenska Tribunen-Nyheter, Oct. 11, 1922.

TO RAISE FUNDS FOR SYNOD HOSPITALS

[Half-tone, one column-sixth of a page  
picture of Dr. C. E. Hoffsten  
and Dr. M. Wahlstrom]

A campaign for the purpose of raising funds for the two hospitals operated by the Illinois Conference of the Augustana Synod, the Augustana Hospital in Chicago and the Lutheran Hospital in Moline, will open October 15, and continue through October 22. Plans for this campaign have been under way for some time, and took final form September 8, when the pastors of the Conference met in the old Immanuel Church here to observe the centennial of the birth of the great Swedish-American religious leader, Dr. Erland Carlson. At this meeting the time for the campaign was decided upon, and also the definite sum which was to be its goal, namely \$250,000. Dr. C. E. Hoffsten, pastor of the Grace congregation consented to serve as campaign manager, and district managers and assistants were selected. Pastor L. E. Jones is in charge of

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the publicity department.

During this campaign, every member of the congregations which belong to the Conference will be canvassed. This method has brought good results before, and it is expected that it will do so again. Pledge cards will be distributed among the congregations; on these cards contributors are to put down the amount they wish to give, and the sum pledged may be paid in installments.

With respect to the division of the money obtained, it has been decided that the collections from the three Chicago districts are to go to the Augustana Hospital, and those from the Rock Island district to the hospital in Moline. However, each contributor has the right to say which institution is to benefit from his gift.

Of the money collected outside the districts just mentioned, seventy per cent

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will go to the Chicago hospital, and thirty per cent to the one in Moline. But here, also, the provision is made that the giver himself may make his own choice.

It should be pointed out that this marks the first time that a general request has been made to all congregations within the Conference for support of these hospitals, and this support is now very much needed. The Augustana Hospital must be enlarged if it is to fill the heavy demands that are being made upon it. The campaign of February, 1920, brought \$163,000, and the proceeds from the one that is now about to start are estimated at \$150,000, making a total of \$313,000. When, to this, is added the sum which the sale of the present hospital building will bring, the total building fund will reach some \$600,000. It is considered that this amount, together with the necessary loan, will be sufficient to finance the hospital's building plan, which was decided upon a couple of years ago. The Lutheran Hospital in Moline has some debt, and needs \$100,000 for the liquidation of it, and for the current

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construction program.

These two hospitals are not to be considered as charitable institutions, but the free medical services which are given each year represent a considerable sum.

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According to a written statement given out by Dr. M. Wahlstrom, superintendent of Augustana, in connection with the coming campaign, the value of free services given by this hospital since 1917 averages \$10,776.24 per year. This does not include the five or six hundred free operations performed every year, representing a cash value of between fifty and sixty thousand dollars. To this must be added other services donated by the medical staff.

Those in charge of the campaign are very optimistic. So far, all signs point

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toward success. On September 19 the nurses of the Augustana Hospital, at a banquet given for them by the campaign committee, pledged a total of \$3,175. Fifty-seven nurses were present, so the average donation was fifty-six dollars. Since then, many other nurses have sent in their pledge cards. On September 23, alumni of the hospital's school of nursing gathered and pledged \$1,675, an average of sixty-seven dollars per person. Hundreds of other nurses, who obtained their training at Augustana, and who are now working in other parts of the country, have indicated their desire to help make the drive a success. There is no better way in which they can show their gratitude to their alma mater, and they are setting an example which we hope will be followed by all members of all congregations in the Conference.

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Svenska Tribunen-Nyheter, Sept. 21, 1921.

THE SWEDISH NATIONAL SANITARIUM

(Editorial)

The Tribunen-Nyheter and other Swedish-American newspapers have repeatedly reported on the activities for the benefit of the Swedish Sanitarium in Denver, Colorado, and have urged their readers to support this institution as generously as they possibly can. It represents one of the most deserving causes ever placed before the Swedish-American public. A campaign is now being conducted for the purpose of soliciting funds with which to expand the facilities of the sanitarium, so that it can care for more patients. The drive is directed by the energetic Dr. Julius Lincoln, and has progressed quite well so far.

It cannot be denied, however, that our Swedish-American public has not responded to the appeal as readily as one might expect, and there has been no united effort in behalf of this humanitarian undertaking, which really



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deserves a place close to the heart of every one of our countrymen. We are inclined to believe that this state of affairs is due to thoughtlessness rather than to willful negligence. When our Swedish-Americans become fully aware of the importance of this cause, we are sure they will come through as they have done so many times in the past, when appeals were made to them in behalf of unfortunate fellowmen.

Dr. Lincoln has proposed that the date on which we celebrate the memory of King Gustaf Adolf be designated as a special "Sanitarium Day". We like the idea, and sincerely hope that it will be observed in every community where Swedes have made their homes. [Translator's note: Gustaf Adolf (also called Gustavus Adolphus) was a Swedish king whose memory is revered by the Swedish nation. He is best known for his participation in the Thirty Years' War.] The selection of this date should particularly appeal to our church people, for whom the memory of the hero king is of special significance.

It is of interest to study statistics on the prevalence of tuberculosis

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among Swedish-Americans. According to the latest tables, twelve thousand of them have the disease, and last year five thousand died from it. About twenty-five per cent of those that are sick have no money and no relatives or friends from whom they can get any help. The Swedish National Sanitarium in Denver represents the only attempt made by our nationals to aid these unfortunate countrymen. As a rule, Swedish consumptive patients do not like to be among strangers in state institutions, whereas they thrive in the Swedish sanitarium, where life is more like a family affair. Since the sanitarium was established, about three thousand persons have applied for admission, and at the present time it can care for only thirty-seven.

By observing "Sanitarium Day" on the same date on which we celebrate the memory of Sweden's greatest king, this good cause should receive new impetus. Let us all do our share so that the very first observance will bring in enough money to finance the planned expansion of the sanitarium, and that the subsequent observances will take care of its maintenance.

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Let us not leave to their fate those of our unfortunate countrymen who are struck by the terrible white plague. Let us help them!

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SWEDISH TUBERCULOSIS SANITARIUM

Up to this time \$230.38 has been collected and given over to the Swedish Tuberculosis Sanitarium in Denver. The collection will not be completed until the end of this month. For this reason the total sum is expected to be considerably larger than the one quoted above.



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Svenska Tribunen-Nyheter, Feb. 16, 1915.

### AUGUSTANA HOSPITAL

The annual report for 1914 has just been published, and shows that during that year 3,194 persons were cared for at the hospital--1,366 men and 1,828 women. The total number of hospitalization days amounted to 57,450. Doctors performed 1,580 operations, and 3,013 patients were discharged as improved or completely cured, while 192 died during treatment.

The gross income for the year amounted to \$123,705.12, of which \$112,644.46 came from paying patients, \$985.83 from congregations of the Illinois Conference of the Augustana Synod, \$144.57 from the Superior Conference, \$1,557.36 from various societies and individuals, and income from all other sources amounted to \$8,372.90. Total disbursements during the same period totaled \$121,887.66. Cash on hand, as of January 1, 1915, was \$1,817.46.



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Svenska Tribunen-Nyheter, May 3, 1910.

### THE SWEDISH SANITARIUM

The Swedish Tuberculosis Sanitarium in Denver, Colorado has often been the subject of flattering comment from both Swedish and non-Swedish sources, and prominent Chicagoans have demonstrated deep interest in this undertaking in conversations with its Chicago representative, Reverend Carl O. Dahlen.

Last Wednesday a meeting, to which the general public was invited, was held in the Swedish Mission Church, Osgood and School Streets, at which the main speaker was Chicago's Health Commissioner, Dr. William Evans, who lectured on the topic, "Tuberculosis, Its Treatment and Cure". After having been introduced in a witty speech by City Sealer John Kjellander, Dr. Evans complimented the Swedes on their spirit of co-operation which had made possible the Denver institution. He then went on with a very interesting and instructive discourse on tuberculosis, in which he expressed the hope that other national groups would follow the example of the Swedes.



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Later Reverend Dahlen told of the policies and accomplishments of the sanitarium in Denver. Between the speeches a chorus entertained with song and music. The meeting, which was attended chiefly by Swedish-Americans, was very successful and did much to stimulate the interest in good health habits, with particular reference to tuberculosis.



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Svenska Tribunen-Nyheter, Mar. 29, 1910.

NEW MISSION HOME AND HOSPITAL

The Swedish Lutherans of this city have just purchased a building on La Salle Street, for the purpose of establishing a mission home and hospital. The Swedish Lutheran City Mission, headed by Reverend Gottfried Nelson of the Trinity Church, is behind the undertaking. The building is valued at \$30,000.





Svenska Tribunen-Nyheter, Mar. 15, 1910.

THE SWEDISH TUBERCULOSIS SANITARIUM

The Swedish-American public is taking a heartening and ever-increasing interest in the Swedish Tuberculosis Sanitarium in Denver, Colorado. Meetings have been held in various parts of the city and donations are pouring in. Reverend Carl O. Dahllen, who is now devoting all his time to this cause, is elated over the results so far obtained. During his short stay in Chicago one hundred persons have pledged ten dollars each, and ten others have pledged one hundred dollars apiece. If this keeps up he will not only reach the goal set for this city, but will go beyond it.

On Thursday, March 24, a mass meeting will be held at Belmont Hall, Belmont Avenue and Clark Street, with Municipal Court Justice Harry Olson presiding, for the purpose of stimulating interest in the fund-raising campaign. Admission is free and the public is invited.



Svenska Tribunen-Nyheter, Jan. 18, 1910.

FOR THE SANITARIUM

The Swedish societies in Lake View gave a joint entertainment last Saturday, the proceeds of which were to be given to the Swedish National Sanitarium at Denver, Colorado. The large Trinity Church was filled almost to capacity by an audience which was anxious to demonstrate its sympathy for the good cause in a practical manner. The entertainment was fine, consisting mostly of music and singing. The evening was also a success financially.

Similar affairs will be arranged in Chicago and vicinity from time to time, and we do not have to urge the Swedish-American public to support so worthy a cause.



Svenska Amerikanaren, Dec. 16, 1909.

IN THE INTEREST OF TUBERCULOSIS

We are all more or less acquainted with the battle being waged against the dreaded disease, tuberculosis, both **here** and in other countries. Not least in our native country. We know it as the "White Plague," or "consumption," as it is often called.

You may also know that in Chicago we have a Swedish Tuberculosis Institute, with offices at 158 Adams Street, and also the Edward Sanitarium at Naperville, Illinois.

The Chicago institute is attended by the best tuberculosis specialists in the city. The president is Dr. Henry B. Favall, member of the Augustana Hospital Staff. The institution is only in its third year, but it has already accomplished some splendid work. One of the **worst** problems is the financial question, but progress has been made by adopting the method used in Sweden, namely, by selling good will stamps. Last year, a sum of \$3000 was thus collected here in Chicago.



Svenska Amerikanaren, Dec. 16, 1909.

The workers at the Augustana Hospital sold \$176.48 worth of these stamps. On Augustana Hospital Day, an additional \$159.19 worth of stamps were sold at the stamp stand. This year, our workers will sell the stamps through the Red Cross Association. On December 18 and December 20 at the Post Office on Clark Street near North Avenue, and at the entrance to Lincoln Park. All Swedes should buy these stamps so as to support the splendid cause involved, and so that our Augustana workers may obtain good results.

