

From Sanne to Minnesota!

Andreas Carlsson was born in 1840 Kåtebol, Sanne in Bohuslän.

His father was Carl Magnus Johansson and his mother was the widow Sara Eriksdotter.

The family consisted most likely of some half-sisters and brothers from the mothers earlier marriage and their 3 common children.

1864, 24 years of age Andreas married the 5 years older Britta Maria Danielsdotter and the next year she gave birth to a daughter that died at birth. 5 days later also Britta died. The family at that time lived in Ryr, Sanne, Bohuslän.

1868 he married the four year older Kristina Eriksdotter from Högsäter in Dalsland.

They lived in Högsäter and the same year their son Karl Verner was born on 6 October.

1870 they had moved to Guntorp in Rännelanda where Johan Edvard was born 29 August this year.

1873 there was a new place for the family, Kåtebol in Bohuslän and 1 of Mars Sara Ulrika was born. She only lived for one year.

One year later 1874 a new daughter was born April 2 and she also got the name Sara Ulrika.

1877 a son called Alfred was born in Krokstad 17 of July and the next year 1878 Feb 22 Kristina died.

The van load was going once more, this time to Prästhökesäter in Rölanda, Dalsland where they lived 1879.

Andreas one year later got married, this time to Anna Lena Svensdotter from Sanne.

1880 Feb 18 Wilhelm Leonard, my grandfather was born, and less than a year later

1883 Feb 8 was Hulda Maria born.

1885 they moved again, this time to Lurketorp in Rölanda and Anna Natalia was born Oct 27.

Once again, they moved, 1887 they lived in Delefors in Gesäter, Dalsland. Karl Verner lived in Bäcke, Dalsland and the next year their last child Agnis Viktoria was born Feb 20.

The next years Andreas and his family moved several times, first to Famshed in Dalskog, Dalsland and later the same year to Skållerud, Dalsland 1890, 1891 to Ingridbyn, Dalsland finally the same year to Upperuds Bruk where he lived to his death 1904. He died by drowning in the river.

1889 Sara Ullerika lived in Håbyn, Färgelanda, Dalsland in another family

The rest of the family lived in a small cottage just by the water in Upperud. The cottage still exists now owned by a family I know.

Anna Lena died in Upperud 1896.

What I have found Andreas worked as a miller most of his life, maybe the reason for their frequently change of place to live. I have also been told Andreas was sometimes drinking and that can of course also have been the reason as well as the cause of his drowning.



Andreas Carlsson



Anna-Lena Svensdotter

Their Children dropped off from the family one by one.

Karl Verner lived 1887 in Bäcken, Bäcke, Dalsland.

1894 he lived in Dalskog and emigrated to Kristiania in Norway.

Later he came back and lived in Forsbo, Upperruds Bruk.

The house he lived in is pulled down but I was there quite many times as a kid.

In Upperrud Karl Verner had a slaughterhouse that might have been the same house that now is used as a wood storage. He sold and bought animals and also was a butcher. He died in Upperrud 1916.

When he died unfriendship came up between Johan and Wilhelm.

They had some business together, among them a small mill in Ingribyn that there are some court papers around.

My mother told me that my Aunt Ella got the inheritance from Karl Verner, and that made Johan very upset. He had travelled from Norway for the funeral and slept over at the house of Wilhelm.

One morning he had left. That is the story I have been told and that should also be the reason for my grandparents and Aunt/Uncles not wanting to have any contact with the Norwegian part of the family. My father and my aunt Barbro was as far as I know the only ones trying to keep the contact from the Swedish side.



Karl Verner to the Right

Johan Emigrated according to the church books to USA 1889 but we have not been able to verify this.

He anyway 1898 was married in Kristiania in Norway and a lot more about that is to read in the story from Dag Lökke.



Johan and Hilda

Wilhelm married 1908 Olga Hermansdotter from Ryr in Skållerud, Dalsland and they got 6 children, Ella, Sven, Elof, Alf, Sture and Barbro. Olga was the daughter of a skipper from Ryr.



Wilhelm & Olga's house

Wilhelm was a carpenter and worked as a foreman at the carpentry at the paper mills in Upperud, Håverud and Åsensbruk.

He built a house in Åsensbruk, one of the first houses not owned by the company, and as he had hired people to do the job he must have had a quite good economical situation I guess.

The house still exists and is now owned by a family from Germany.

Wille, that was what he was called, and also my father was called so, had problems with kidney stones and I was told he once came home in the evening and had pain. He had been crawling from Håverud to his house along the railway by the lake. That was 2km of crawling. Many years later they suspected he had got a thrombus and they tried to solve that problem with the heat from a bulb. As far as I know it did not succeed and he died.

Ella who under long periods as young was at sanitarium for her lung problems, TBC I guess, later had a newsstand of her own in the village Åsensbruk. The first one at "Nelssons" but later she had a new one built at the other side of the road.

Sven, my father, married Ella Johansson daughter of Emma Johansson born in Flo, Skaraborgs Län. They bought a small house in Bränna, just south of Åsensbruk.

My father had for some years a small carpentry, not far away from his house, where he among other things built garden furniture that was sold by Ferdinand Lundqvist in Göteborg.

He and my mother had a lot of apple trees and a greenhouse where they got vegetables they sold.

Later he sold the carpentry and worked as a gardener at the director's house at the paper mills. At that time he and my mother planted around 5000 bulbs in their garden every year. It was bulbs they bought from a cut flower gardener in Gothenburg.

Thereafter he worked in the storehouse at the paper mill, and the last years he was responsible for the junkyard and also responsible for handling of incoming chemicals on railroad.

He had a small business at home where he made paper wool. He bought paper from the paper mill and also from some others and made wool that was used for coffins all over the country. I earned a lot of money by helping him there.

As young he was a soccer goalkeeper. He also was a swimmer and he was skiing.

My mother was working at the paper mill until my birth. Thereafter she was a housewife and helped people with sewing. She also was doing a lot of embroidery.

Elof worked as carpenter at the paper mill and he also was a part-time fireman.

He was playing soccer and was a leader in Håfreströms soccer team.

Alf died only 9 years old.

Barbro worked at the paper mill before she got married to Rune Ungerman from Kungälv, Bohuslän.

They lived in Vävra outside Kungälv where he had road carriers. They got 3 children, Ulla, Kjell and Anette.

Sture worked at the paper mill for his whole life.



Olga & Vilhelm with 2 of the kids

Ella, Elof and Sture lived together in the house of their father Wilhelm in Åsensbruk.

Sara Ulrika emigrated 1901 to US where she the same year married Charles Envil in Minneapolis, Minnesota.

Alfred left Sweden together with Sara.

Charles and Sara had 4 children Clifford, Melvin, Evelyn and Carl.

Melvin was married to Gertrude Schartz and they both seems to have been working for the US Army.

Charles had a saloon on Excelsior Ave in Minneapolis. One day Charles had been to the doctor who told him that his heart was giving out. Sarah was on her way to the doctor's office to pick him up and he died on the street in downtown Minneapolis (in front of the doctor's office before she could get there. Sara arriving in her carriage, pregnant with Carl, found Charles dead on the street outside. Sara had to take care of 3 kids, the saloon and her sorrow at the same time as she was pregnant.

She got at least help with the saloon by her brother Alfred.

The story above was told by one of our relatives in Minnesota.

Carl Envil was born shortly after Charles death.

Carl and his wife Rose Jenneke got five children 4 of them living in Minneapolis, Susan, Roger, Laurie and Sarah. Sharon died in 1999.

Alfred married Ida Enlund from Finland and they got 3 children, where still one, Sterling, lives in Culver City close to Los Angeles. He has 3 children as far as I know.

Vernon and Wilford was gardeners in Minneapolis.

Vernon was married to Jeanette Dvorak and Wilford to Sylvia Joos.

Both had no children.

Hulda emigrated to US 1903 was married to Oskar Ekdahl in Minneapolis.

Oscar Ekdahl had his roots in Dädesjö, Småland and he was a carpenter.

The family lived on a farm in Scandia, Minnesota.

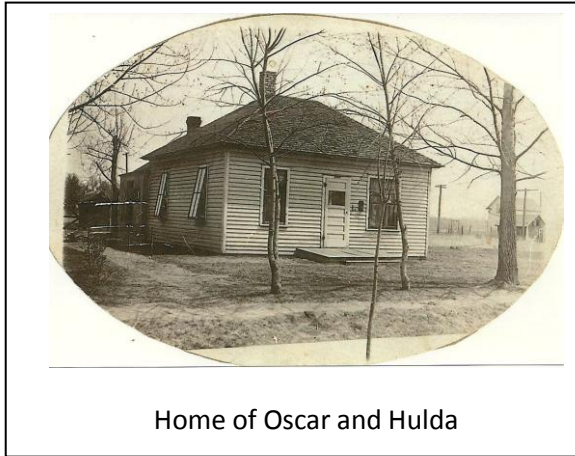
They got 4 children Donald, Helen, Richard and Irene.

Donald was married to June Moey and they had 3 children, Donna, Gail and Danny.

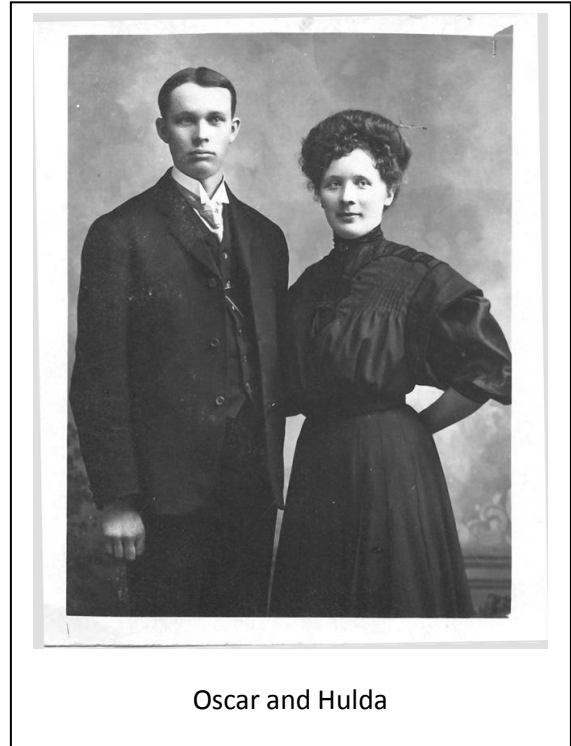
Helen was as far as I know not married.



Tali and Sarah



Home of Oscar and Hulda



Oscar and Hulda

Richard was married to Marge Swanson and they had three children.

Dick (Richard) married to Carol and with one daughter Tersea and 2 daughters from a previous marriage with Ann Chase, Gail and Paige all living in Vancouver, Washington.

Diane is married to Bob Strehle. They have 3 children and lives in Eugene, Oregon.

Bob (Robert) lives in Florida and is married to Jill.

Irene was married to Paul Parsons and they lived in Minneapolis.

Their children are Jerry living in Phoenix, Arizona.

Jim.

Deeann who is living in Minneapolis and Paul also living in Minneapolis.

Jeannie.

Natalia (called Tali) emigrated together with Agnes 1905 to US and Minneapolis. She was never married.

Agnes married Emil Ericksson from Högsäter, Dalsland who was a cousin of her half sister Sara.



The family lived on a farm in Grantsburg, Wisconsin.

They got 3 children Jack, Harriet and Deloris.

Jack was married to Alice and later Eileen who had 2 children from before.

Harriet was married to Oscar Valsvik whose parents came from Vik in Sogn in Norway and she lives in Minneapolis.

Harriet has 2 children Gary and Victoria. I have contact with Victoria more or less every week.

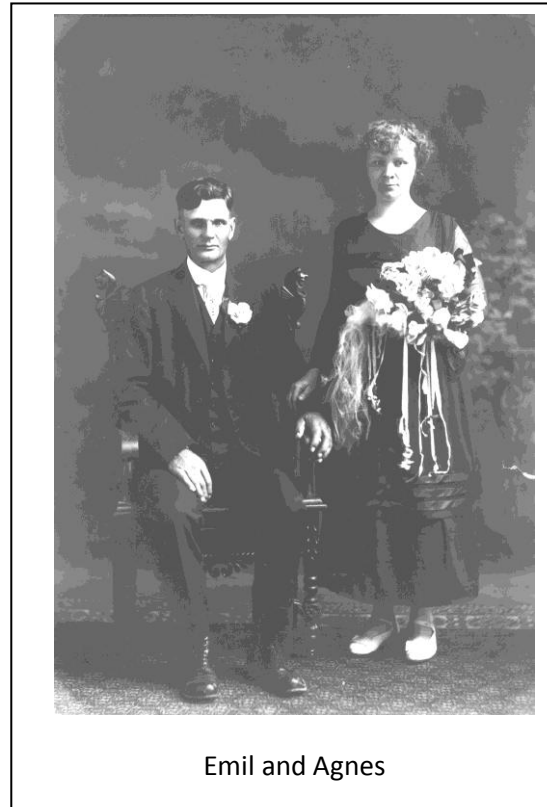
Victoria, who before worked at Star Tribune in Minneapolis, is married to David West.

David's roots are in Lyrestad, Västergötland, Sweden.

They live in Plymouth, Minnesota.

Gary lives in Minneapolis.

Deloris was married to Don Stringfellow and she lives in Eugene, Oregon.



This is what I know for the moment; if anyone has additional information or wants me to change/remove or hide some information please let me know.