

Date July 26/72

Place Oslo

Student-byen

After leaving Svalbard we stopped at Umaney for refueling. It took 1 1/2 hours but it took was new to get the rest. This seemed to me at least the hardest part of our journey (that first 1 hour in the air). We felt so special with our coverage & the stewards took them & put them in the frig for us so they were nice & fresh when we dipped down into Oslo Capital of Norway. We stayed at a Student-byen (residence) Had a feather tick & recovered our lost sleep. Peter seemed to feel better. There was a long walk from plane to

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Place Halden

the main station. Phoned Victor who seemed pleased & letted. She will meet us in Halden. The people all seemed dressed quite similar to us. - perhaps a bit more casual. We had a habit for supper - very good. The country is beautiful & wooded.

Walter & Peter went to explore the subway while E. & I

haste on postcards. We had thought to take the subway but with all our baggage we will take the bus. I asked

John Eriksonstad. He sounded nice but we won't get to see them when we get back.

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Place Rönnehamn Sweden

Joan Olson will come to the train this morning as we go to Halden. Here too we just company with E. & Walter who are going to Slingsjö this afternoon. Walter talked to Phyllis Peterson last night. Joanne & her 4 daughters & Dean are all there & she says Slingsjö will never be the same again!!

Halden: Rönnehamn

Sheila Lindgren met us at the train & I was struck by the resemblance between her & my brother Carl. She is 64 years old speaks excellent English & is a very vibrant efficient person.

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Date Hälsten & Rösen

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On the way to Rösen she took us to see the graves of some of the Vikings & on the border of Sweden where a bridge crosses a river or fjord. She showed us the place in the mountains ^{overlooking the} where the Germans guarded the bridge during the war. "No Norwegians were allowed to cross!" We did not need to go through customs. So then to Rösenhamn which is unbelievably beautiful with its mountains (not high) rocks & fjords. At Rösen we left the car & Greta took us in a small boat to an island where she has a lovely summer home. I am so proud of Peter.

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Date June 26.

Place Rösen

He is able to converse both in Norwegian & English & seems also interested in my relations which Jensen gives me no end. Greta is a good cook - our first meal was herring & tiny little new potatoes & "kroketter" - She then took us out for a ride on the boat. She showed us the "North Sea" across which lies England 2 hrs by air. I picked shells & some small ones which can be strung as a necklace. She had some again to a feast of "smoked" beautifully prepared waffles (hot & very crisp & thin) with Multer jam - Tacked to Marie Keyrell who will meet us in Stockholm the night at 8 o'clock.

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Date June 27, '04

Place STOCKHOLM.

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Date June 28

Place Stockholm.

The railway journey to Stockholm took us 8 hours & was a little tiring but well worth it. Southern Sweden is unbelievably beautiful. From the mountains on the west, we came upon neat leaf farms. Modern machinery was much in evidence but what thrilled me most were these "red" houses with white trim tucked in among the spruce & birch trees reminding me of so many songs, mother song of "Den lilla stugan invid gräset".

I recognized Sam & Märtha immediately on the platform.

Sam is a very warm & friendly person - Märtha also very sweet & friendly. To-day July 28 was a day we will not soon forget. Märtha took us on a boat ride on the Östra sjö (East sea) right past the royal palace & past many large ships anchored in the harbor. Russian fleet was in & they had beautiful ships. Also striking was a ship from Holland. We sailed through the Stockholm Archipelago (group of islands very picturesque) & to an island where Märtha

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Date 28 - 29 June.
Place Stockholm

Had a summer home Christian & the 2 children were there & we again had "Stimming" with dill & strawberries. Stimming as far as we can make out, seem like fresh smelts. Christian then took us home to Stockholm by car & In-morrow Bo. Retzen & brother of Marika will come & get us at 11 o'clock more of that later.

June 29 To-day has been an unbelievably satisfying & wonderful day. Bo. Retzen brother of Marika came - tall & an extremely handsome

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man - kind, intelligent. Extremely interested in old history of all kinds. It was an hours ride to a place in the country where he is holidaying & where there is a large Mucking stable where 190 cows were milked last night \$6 at a time. We also saw fields of rye & wheat & barley very lush & all headed out. He took us around all day showing us points of interest - rocky burial grounds - a castle of an old king etc. We ate herring & potatoes for lunch. Herring was spiced with something like anchovies (not so strong) on it.

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they put whipped cream & green onions (tops of small onions) on the evening meal we were served marinated salmon & fresh raspberries & more cream. Cheese & flat breads are served at all meals but there are no rich sweet desserts like we had in Canada & we feel so much better. Peter still has swelling on the one knee but it seems a little better.

This afternoon Chris & I are going into the old city this afternoon & I will shop

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Stockholm

How interesting to see the old city of Stockholm - some streets extremely narrow where no car can go. They cater to tourists & there are many high priced shops. I have bought a few things such as wooden butter knives etc. Chris also for Gail, Carol & Kathleen & Angelo. Dick Matt's brother to Chris was home & was also with us. We then went to Chris' for supper & had Pike. That Sten-Ake for the first time.

Sat. Sam Regnell took us to Skansen - what an interesting trip that was!

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Skansen, Stockholm

He is economic advisor ^{& director} to Skansen & has his office there. He will be pensioned in Aug. but will be on call as a consultant for a year.

We saw glass blowing for the first time & of course because we were with Sam they called me up to blow glass & as I blew the crowd cheered "Heia Rut Heia Rut." but no one knew me so I was not the slightest bit embarrassed. Then Sam asked us to push some glass which he gave us as a memory of the event. Then to see old houses & reminiscences

of the homes that mother & father lived in - an old church, where Sten Åke & Chri were married extremely beautiful. Inside were graves of famous people. We also by the way visited the palace & had our picture taken with the guard. There also we visited the beautiful Domkyrka where the royal family worships. Again inside were graves & large stones on the floor where kings were buried.

Sten went to church - this church was also beautiful & many memories crowded in on

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July 3

Lygnatorp

me as we sang & repeated the Creed. I thought I had forgotten all my Swedish but I could repeat join right in with the Creed & the Lord's Prayer. Afterwards 4 children were baptized among which were Chris & Sten Åke's. They paraded in the church all together from the back. After ~~wards~~ we went to Sten's family ^{home} for salad-meat & "jard gubbar" (strawberries) we have had them so much here.

We then took the plane to Sundsvall & Greta a first cousin met us with a taxi

and took us to Lygnatorp. It is beautiful with its high hills & ~~spruce~~ spruce laden. 2 days we walked to the beautiful Church at Lygnatorp where Uncle Johan played the organ for 50 yrs. The church is ~~from~~ ^{refined} 1757 A.D. Some part of it is from 1450. It is kept up beautifully. Greta sat down & played the pipe organ for us & sang Children of the heavenly father. She has a trained voice quite beautiful. Her sister is supposed to be well trained in piano & organ & sings also. We will not be seeing her. She is named in Sollefteå.

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Ljustorp

4 to-day Ingrid, Gunnar
 & Nils are coming here
 (cousin & husband). They are
 missionaries home on furlough
 & we can get a ride up to
 Ljochale (350 m.) so we shall pay
 for the gas. There are some
 consens we will see en route.
 Greta does not seem well.
 & she has Maria Riith's little
 12 yr old daughter helping her.
 Greta has post cards & stamps
 & has arranged for rides etc
 for us. I cannot understand
 & she can even think to do
 all these things for us. She
 certainly is an extremely kind person.

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Ljustorp "Ornskoldsvik"

& her father extremely well
 thought of. They have had many
 big days in honor of him. Greta
 says I look like her mother especially
 the nose & side view but that I
 am much smaller. These people
 here are more simple folks
 than in Stockholm — I must
 not forget to tell about Bengt
 Lager's house, striking resem-
 blance to the king's, his house
 was fantastic in Stockholm.
 On the road to Ornskoldsvik
 we saw many picturesque
 places. We went over
 Angermanälven which
 was very beautiful.

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Holmsund

by Umea

At Oansholdvik we met Kjell Harding & his wife & cousin on my father's homestead. His home was beautifully furnished & his wife had prepared such a lovely meal (which was also served beautifully). Coffee in the front room. Kjell was so much like father in look & pattern. Had the same flat bald pate at the back & he was cozy & easy to talk to.

To Holmsund & to Sten & Melcher Selstroms. Their houses very lovely

At Sten's especially the furnishings & pictures were extremely nice & in good taste & what a meal — "fancy flat breads with butter — potatoes salad — salmon — meat balls — eggs with asparagus cream sauce — (Potatoes, cauliflower peas & carrots) ^{TV} A great big bowl of strawberries whipped cream with ice cream coffee & papers — Then to Melcher Selstroms for coffee flat breads & torte, & now to bed. (2 beds together make queerly we would say in Canada) To morrow it is

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Lyckele -

on to Lyckele - with Gunnar & Ingrid Holm. who are lovely & we enjoy them so much. Scenery consists of lakes & (perhaps) small mountains where evergreen grow right to the top - I understand we will see "Spell" (mountains) in Vilhelmina where we are hoping to attend church on Sunday.

When we came to Lyckele we met Olga Holmgren & Oscar. Had supper there. Later we attended our first Pentecostal Convention (5-10 thousand people) quite different from

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→ Toruman.

anything we had been used to but we especially enjoyed the Swedish singing of a very talented, trained voice of a girl. Gunnar & Ingrid then took us to Toruman that night where we stayed at the home of Mrs Gunnar Lännergren a cousin. Here we met Harry & Otto & their wives also May Britt & Ernst Lännergren who owned the Ester industries in Norrland. Talk about feasting, beer & meat, breads and "jordgubben" & Kaffe. From here we took the train

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Velhelmina

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Bäcksele

to Velhelmina the place where mother used to attend church. There was so much on my heart that my mother's father who longed for to come back were never able to do so. unlamented. We were met by Joes Petterson a very nice neat & quiet cousin. Had coffee here & then to Bäcksele where Mother was born & where we were to stay. First dinner at Elias Hansson's & then we passed mother's home where she had been born & lived before she came to Sweden & to Ernst & Ruth Lundborn. She was a

cousin. She had a lovely home, one room was entirely furnished with lovely old things well preserved, & I visited Church at Velhelmina on Sunday — where we also attended the wedding of a young couple complete in colorful costumes belonging to an earlier day. Volens & minnessons led the young couple thru the main street in Velhelmina & we followed. Rather fun. We met & ate at Beddo Samuelson &

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Latakberg
Lappland.

at Latakberg we met an-
other coach Oskewidbey
a few men & his 2 pretty
girls. Anna especially
was lovely.

Otto Sehlstrom & his wife
Bert & son Leif came &
took us to Rute (a sister to
Aunt & Bert Sehlstrom whom
we had met before). All

of these comes were especially
nice. Otto took us over
to Trondheim in Norway
Peder ~~was~~ invited and
took all the Norwegian
flags much to their
delight.

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Trondheim Norway
Bergen

Trondheim's domkirke a
beautiful church built
many centuries ago was
lovely but dark & I at
least got quite cold. We
were all glad to get into
the car & they then took
us to the airport. We
landed at Bergen at 5.30.
& Co. Walter had already
come by boat (one that
skims over the surface
~~over the~~ and so very fast).
We stayed overnight & then
took a ride up a very high
mountain which looked over
the city - very beautiful

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Bergen. Stavanger

Law over first fish market
(some line) being sold. This
was interesting. We went
the same way back by
boat & were very comfortable
(4 hours) & then to Petri's
house. She is in bed & has
a nurse who comes each ~~week~~
to attend to her needs & she
has a 16 yr old girl who is very
nice & dependable. I
stayed there & we went to Alfred
Peter & Alfred both have a
nice smile & seem to be so
kind. We have to go to
Harmi on Monday. To-
day we go to Dean, Opali men

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Stavanger

comes also to Stavanger
which is a beautiful place
& we are looking forward
to a bit of shopping here.
Have seen some beautiful
sweaters. Walter has gotten
one. They say Norway has
become more & more costly
to live in. In Sweden they
complain of the high cost
of living. Half of their salaries
is taken up with tax. This
seems such a lot to us.

Father (Pete) Walter & Dean
went deep sea fishing —
no luck, but I guess
they had few fish they were
used to.

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Stanger
(Sat)Stanger
Sunday

We plan on going to shop for sweaters or something to-morrow!!!

Shopping - with E. & Walt + Dean, Pider. I only hope the sweaters we got are acceptable to Ange. + Richard. We are hoping to get something else in Sabres for Gail + Carol + Kay. We shall see now on Karmay. on Mon. we leave Stanger by boat. So are looking forward to this. We also meet Sophie to-morrow + shall write more later.

A very quiet Sunday but we all got dressed up + that's how a good sermon on the radio. Many churches here are on "fury" (holiday). In Sweden they had "semester" which was equally odd to us. We had dinner at Peter's + then went to see Sofie - It is rather pitiful but she is determined to help the three kids + this she will never get really well, she will perhaps find something to do. Alfie is very sweet + kind to her.

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Stranoger

Seen - Monday.

The home^(shopkeeper) where she
was living is very modern
& very new - really nice
& there was no smell, such
as is sometimes found in
old folk's homes.

We left Monday for
Harmony & were met at
the pier by Tabicha, Maria
Johanne, Jacob, Hansak
also Magnus Johansson
Peter & I stayed at Maria
Hakanson - lovely old
home & again we enjoyed
the service bed ticks - here
of Judo Thetad, each time she
loved these patcher ticks.

We heard from Michael &
Lillian & also Lucretia.
I was so glad to hear from
home & that there was rain.
Wonderful!! 10 day we did
some more shiping. Harmony
is rocky but exceedingly
picturesque. Juss Const-
antly amazed at the
beautiful houses that
I have seen. To-day
we took a tour up a
mountain where the
Germans had a stronghold
in the war - well concealed
shelters & gun bunkers
were grim reminders of
another time which was not pleasant.

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Mon. on

Stavanger

↳ back back to Stavanger.

to church in Norway
The big churches are
on ferries in Norway
as there is no sun services
any place.

The five sisters Johanna
Dabith, Hannah, Marie & Ann
are wonderful hostesses &
continue from day to day
to make our stay most
pleasant - such food
& such hospitality. It
was hard to leave this
unforgettable island. For
somehow deep in my
heart is the feeling we
will not meet again and

this week. So it is back
to Stavanger. Alfred & Petra
who are writing for us.

Peter & Walter are again
mowing the yard. for Alfred
There is washing & ironing
& I have appointed myself
official "Berry Inspector"
Alfred & Petras yards have
a variety of currants
ripe beer - Stockbeer
etc + they all taste
delightful when they are
ripe. I did some more
shopping - Walt left.
Then for Stockholm & will come
to Oslo Fri or Sat. morn.

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Flouringer -
At Alfredo's.

Flouringer

Papie came home to-day
She requires a lot of work
& I hope she won't be home
too long for Alfredo's sake
Had a wonderful time
around the table. Alfredo
made one of his famous
speeches. Somehow I
think he ran for life
more squarely than most
of us. He said things
were not so good on Tacta
now. But he firmly
believed that this two
would work together
for good & that there
was some reason which

for all this which would
unfold as time went
on. He thanked us
for coming & E.V.
thanked him for everything
he had done for us.
Peter & I sang together
again as we have
done so often through
out all our trip - The
minister shared a psalm
& a blessing which made
a perfect ending to
this trip which will never
be forgotten. To-morrow
we leave for Oshawa Canada
& home !!