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To: Nancy Sable (granddaughter
of Hjalmar Severson)

Hi Nancy,

Thought about this the other night. The attached photo is of our uncles and their wives, grandmothers and grandfathers, with cousin Bertil from Sweden. This photo was taken around 1955, and it represents the "first contact" from a relative in Sweden to relatives in America. I believe Bertil (Anders son) first made contact with my Uncle Ernie. (Adolf's son). He was the youngest Severson living in Naugatuck, CT, and Bertil wanted someone to manage a construction business for him in Chicago.

Ernie was never going to move to Chicago, but Bertil decided to come anyway and meet the Connecticut relatives. He spent time at Uncle Axel's house and met your grandparents, (Hjalmar and Margaret Severson), Axel and Lisa Severson and my grandmother Charlotta Johansson Severson). Later on, he came down to our house (Arvid Severson, Adolf's son) and he was very much interested in how our little house was built. I was about 10 yr old and took the day off from school. Remember he gave me a souvenir from Sweden ... a wooden match box, which I still have to this day. I am going to label this photo "first contact"

Hope you enjoy one more story from the recesses of my mind!

Best to you all, Elaine

Sent from my iPad



Back row
 Cousin
 from
 Sweden

Margaret
 Svensson

Elmer
 Svensson

front row

Lisa Svensson

Charlotta
 Svensson

axel Svensson