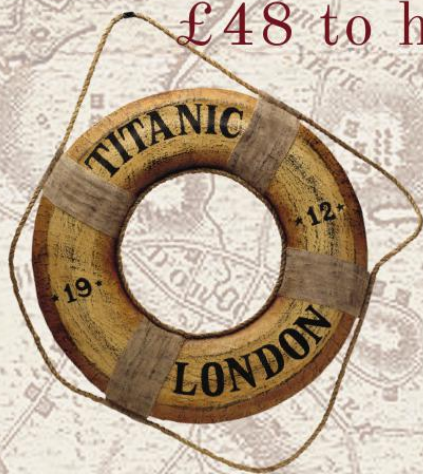


JAN VIKTOR BENGTSSON

Background



Jan Viktor Bengtsson was born on July 7, 1885 in Fagered, Halland, Sweden. For four years Jan worked in Lia sawmill, 4 km from his home, but he also took part in railway construction in Denmark in 1909 or 1910. He boarded the Titanic at Southampton as a third class passenger with his two brothers. Jan Bengtsson died in the sinking and his body, if recovered, was never identified, both of his brothers survived. His family at first believed that he had been saved but after a few weeks the final confirmation of his death came from White Star. The Mansion House Fund paid £48 to his parents with an additional sum, £75 damage claims paid.



JOHANNES KALVIK Background



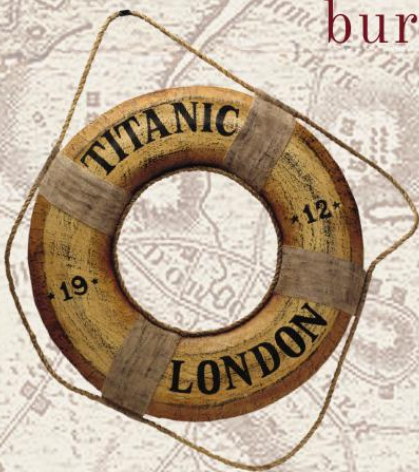
Johannes Kalvik was born in Hordaland, Norway on December 2, 1890. The death of his mother in 1911 perhaps compelled him to seek bigger opportunities in the USA. His brother had emigrated to Montana several years previous but had disappeared. Johannes decided to travel to the US to search for his brother. He went by boat from Haugesund to Newcastle and from there by train to Southampton where he boarded Titanic as a third class passenger. Johannes died in the sinking. His body, if recovered, was never identified. In later years it transpired that Johannes' brother was killed not long after his arrival in the USA in a gunfight between cattlemen and homesteaders.



LESLIE WILLIAMS Background



Leslie Williams was born in Tonypany, Glamorgan, Wales during the summer of 1888. Leslie was married in 1910 to Lillie Thomas (and the couple had a son. Leslie was described as a blacksmith's striker, and he was also a professional boxer (bantamweight) and was travelling to the USA under contract for a series of boxing contests. His ring weight was 122 lbs and he was regarded as a promising fighter. He boarded the Titanic at Southampton as a third class passenger. Leslie Williams was lost in the sinking. Williams' body was later recovered by the MacKay Bennett and was buried at sea on April 22, 1912.



MARGARET RICE Background



Margaret Norton was born at Glasses Lane in Athlone, Co Westmeath, Ireland on October 5, 1872. Margaret was married to William Rice on June 18, 1898. Margaret was described as a "factory girl." The entire family crossed into the USA from Canada in January 1909. Margaret and her sons soon returned to Ireland where they still had relatives. She and her three sons boarded Titanic at Queenstown as third class passengers. On the night of the sinking Mrs. Rice stood on the deck, clutching her youngest son to her breast and with the other boys holding on to her skirts. The entire family was lost in the sinking and only Mrs. Rice's body was recovered by the Mackay Bennett.



PEHR MYHRMAN Background



Pehr Myhrman was born in Sollefteå, Västernorrland, Sweden on October 10, 1893. He was educated in Kirstinehamn, Värmland and worked there for a number of years in a hardware store as a clerk. Pehr boarded the Titanic at Southampton as a third class passenger and he was bound for the home of his uncle in Chicago, Illinois. Pehr was lost in the sinking and his body, if recovered, was never identified. His uncle and aunt, clutching his photograph, waited in Chicago for the arrival of a train carrying Titanic survivors to that city, desperately seeking information as to his whereabouts. His parents were awarded £48 from the charity fund a further amount of £50.



AGDA LINDAHL Background



Agda Lindahl was born in Stockholm, Sweden on December 19, 1886. Agda's father had owned his own business but upon his death, it was revealed that the company had been on the verge of bankruptcy. The family decided to emigrate to the United States. In 1912 Agda had returned to Stockholm to visit her uncle. She boarded the Titanic at Southampton as a third class passenger. Agda died in the sinking and her body, if recovered, was never identified. The Mansion House Fund paid, via the Swedish consulate in New York, £48 to her mother and her brother Helge in Sweden.



ANNA DANBOM Background



Anna Brogren was born March 10, 1884. Anna was married to Ernst Danbom and they had a son Gilbert. They lived in Stanton, Iowa. The Danbom family alongs with Anna's sister boarded the Titanic at Southampton as third class passengers. Anna Danbom's body, if recovered, was never identified. The relatives were not considered in need of money from the relief fund. 462 Kr and an extra 184.80 Kr damage claim was paid to mother of Anna for the loss of both of her daughters.



ANTHONY ABBING Background



Anthony Abbing was born in Cincinnati, Ohio on May 11, 1870. Anthony became a blacksmith and in 1908 the still unmarried 38-year-old accepted contract work in South Africa and remained there for three years. He was returning to Cincinnati and boarded the Titanic at Southampton as a third-class passenger. Since there seems to be absolutely no mention of him in anyone's testimony, he may have remained locked down in steerage, never having had a chance to save himself. His body, if recovered, was never identified.



CATHERINE PETERS Background



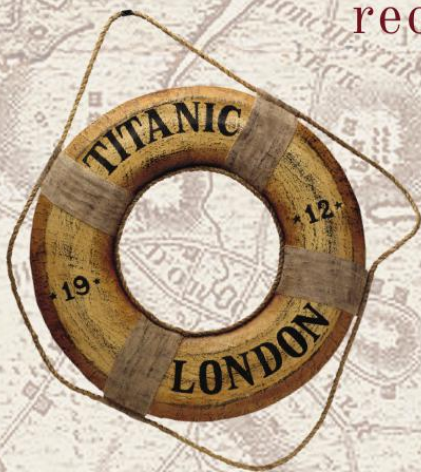
Catherine "Katie" Peters was born in Ballydrehid near Clonmel in Co Tipperary, Ireland on July 18, 1884. She emigrated in 1906 aboard the Oceanic to New York. Katie returned to Ireland to visit her family around late 1911. On her return voyage she boarded the Titanic as a third class passenger. A travel companion of Catherine said that she never sensed any urgency but implored Catherine to follow her, she ended up leaving her alone and never saw Catherine Peters again. Katie Peters died in the sinking and her body, if recovered, was never identified. Her estate, valued at a meagre £64, was administered to her father.



EDITH PEACOCK Background



Edith Nile was born at Carnkie in Illogan, Cornwall, England on January 20, 1885. Edith worked as a tin dresser and was later married around 1907 to Benjamin Peacock. The couple had two children. Benjamin emigrated to America in 1911 and later sent for his family. To welcome his children, he purchased a baby carriage for his newborn son and toys for his daughter. Edith and her children boarded the Titanic at Southampton on April 10, 1912 as third class passengers. On the night of the sinking when all functional lifeboats had already left the ship, a steward trying to assist Edith and her children. Mrs. Peacock and her two children were lost in the sinking. Their bodies, if recovered, were never identified.



JAMES GEORGE REED Background



James George Reed was born in Cardiff, Glamorgan, Wales, on December 27, 1893. James was a butcher. James boarded the Titanic at Southampton on April 10, 1912 as a third-class passenger. His destination and reason for travelling are not known. He died in the sinking, and his body, if recovered, was never identified. A brass plaque was erected in James' memory at Trinity Methodist Church.

