

OBITUARIES

Signe Johansson

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Close to 105, Swedish 1924 Olympian Signe Johansson, married name Engdahl, passed away yesterday, May 9, at a hospital in Stockholm. In recent years and up to her death, she was the oldest living Olympian in any country, according to Olympic historians.

Signe placed 5th in the Olympic springboard diving event in Paris. She also competed in athletics, member of the Swedish team placing 4th at 4x110 y at the Women's World Games in 1926, and in 1921--27 in bandy (goalkeeper). Signe Dagmar Charlotta Johansson was born May 27,

1905, in Stockholm. In 1929, she married a fellow-athlete, Nils Engdahl (1898--1983), Olympic athletics medallist in 1920 (bronze at 400 m) and 1924 (silver at 4x400 m).

Her sister-in-law to be, Märta Johansson, competed in the same Olympic event as Signe, but was eliminated in round one.

Ove Karlsson