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"To preserve whate'er is left to us of ancient heritage"

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TENTATIVE PLANS MADE!

A joint meeting of the Buffalo Manx Society and the N. A. M. A. was held at Buffalo on May 2. That the interest is increasing was evident by a much larger attendance than the first meeting.

The officers of the various Societies who attended are as follows: Mr. J. R. Cain, Vice-President and Mr. A. B. Kelly, Secretary N. A. M. A. of Cleveland; Mr. C. G. Kerruish, President and Miss B. Caine, Secretary, Buffalo Manx Society; Mr. Arthur Callow, President, Toronto Manx Society; Mr. Jack Bridson, President Akron Manx Society; and Mr. W. Quilliam of Cleveland.

Letters were received from London, Ontario, and Rochester, N. Y., pledging full support for the Convention.

Mr. C. G. Kerruish, opened the proceedings. He stated the object of the meeting was to choose a secondary hotel, list committees, create publicity and arrange for souvenir book. He then turned the meeting over to Mr. John R. Cain.

Mr. Cain gave a brief outline of the previous conventions, and what they has done to create good will among our Manx people. He believed the fine program they had prepared for 1931 would make Buffalo the best Convention yet, and it would be the means of increasing membership in the Buffalo Society. He then presented the revised tentative program, and invited an informal discussion. He stated that while the program might be changed as found best later, it gave them something to work on. The suggested registration fee was \$8.00 for adults and \$4.00 for children. In addition to the program it was hoped to have a party and other entertainment for the children.

Mr. Arthur Callow in an inspiring talk stated that the success of the Toronto Convention was due to the fact that everyone became enthusiastic and worked hard. He stated that though Buffalo was a small Society they had advantages over any other city because of their location. It was an ideal spot for a holiday. He thought the Hotel Statler proposition a wonderful one and their cooperation would go far to make the event successful. He also said that Toronto had only 35 members in 1927 and since the Convention it had grown to 250.

He thought Buffalo could make a similar gain. He promised every support possible to make this Convention the success it should be.

Mr. Bridson, President, Akron Society, said he came to Buffalo to look

ler Hotel had planned for the meeting, were added inducements. He felt sure with the help from the N. A. M. A., the support of the Manx Societies and individuals they would have a wonderful meeting.

Mr. Walter Quilliam, of Cleveland, stated that he was sure Cleveland would be pleased to furnish talent for the entertainment features. He suggested, however, that through the Bulletin all societies and individuals be asked to contribute. He hoped, as at Toronto, a broadcast could be arranged and also suggested a grand concert with community singing the afternoon of August 13th, for those wishing to stay around the hotel. He would be pleased to arrange these programs and help in every way possible.

Mr. A. B. Kelly gave a very fine report on the support and reservations already promised which reached over 200. He was sure that from this early response the ultimate registration would be at least 400. Enthusiasm was growing and they must all keep up this enthusiasm. Many enquiries had been received regarding registration fee and entertainment and he was glad to state they would now be able to give all this information in the next Bulletin. He urged cooperation of all Societies. He was glad to see Mr. Callow present. He knew the support of Toronto would help Buffalo a great deal. He advised the Secretary of the Buffalo Society to write to the Secretaries of the various Manx Societies asking for a donation toward the Souvenir Booklet. He stated \$50.00 worth of advertising had already been promised from Cleveland.

A number of the ladies discussed ways and means of raising funds.

Mrs. A. Callow of Toronto offered the ladies advice and assistance. She was thanked by the ladies present, Mrs. Sulkie, Mrs. R. Kelly, Mrs. Kerruish, Mrs. and Miss Skillicorn, Mrs. Corkill and others.

The meeting was very interesting and everyone was enthused. The members of the Buffalo Society were happy to know they were assured of such fine support and they are going ahead with the aim to improve on the meetings at Cleveland and Toronto if possible. Mr. Kerruish thanked the visitors for their presence and promise of support.

TENTATIVE PROGRAM!

Wednesday, August 12th

Registration for Buffalo Society and any guests who have arrived early, thus relieving the congestion of Thursday morning.

Thursday, August 13th

9:30 or 10:00 Opening of Convention.
Invocation.
Welcome by Mayor of Buffalo.
Response—Hon. Pres. A. B. Crookall, Isle of Man.
N. A. M. A. President or presiding officer takes charge.
Reports. Speakers as selected.

1:00 Luncheon.

2:30 Informal concert, community singing and visiting until 4:30.

7:00 Dinner dance and entertainment. Two or three short addresses. Dinner in Fillmore room—dancing in ballroom—no delay in clearing floor.

Friday, August 14th

10:00 Convention opens. Report of delegates—and other business.

12:30 Luncheon.

2:30 Drive around city, and to Niagara Falls—American and Canadian side—escorted by motorcycle officers—Dinner on Canadian side—Entertainment between courses—Everyone staying to see the Falls illuminated from Canadian side.

Saturday, August 15th

10:00 Convention opens. Report of committees—Election of officers and other unfinished business.

2:30 Picnic sponsored by Buffalo Manx Society at Crystal Park, where sports will be held and a general good time assured for everyone.

Suggested Registration Fee

Adults	\$8.00
Children	4.00

things over and to help them all possible to make the 1931 Convention a success. He was satisfied that this would be the best Manx reunion as Buffalo was centrally located, and easy of access. The cheap traveling rate and the fine accommodation the Stat-

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OFFICERS 1931

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Let Us Be Your Hosts This Summer!

We are sponsoring this 1931 Reunion with our friends the Buffalo Manx Society, and again invite you all to come to Buffalo, August 13th, 14th and 15th.

We will guarantee you a wonderful three days of entertainment. You will meet friends from all parts of this great continent and from our Island home with the latest news of our dear Ellan Vannin.

Those of you who were at the Cleveland and Toronto reunions remember the pleasure we had in meeting old school-chums and friends you had not seen in years. This will happen again. Even the wonderful programme we have planned for you will be insignificant when you meet these old friends. You will want to talk over old times, and the time will be too short. This pleasure will live with you long after you have returned home.

"Let us be your hosts."

Make your plans early and when you plan let us help you. Everything is arranged for you in advance. You are assured of the kind of accommodation you want. You know exactly what it will cost before you leave home and you are assured that this cost covers every necessary item of expense. Not a worry—not a care. Nothing to do but go.

Treat yourself, wife and family to this great event (Especially the children, as we are making special plans for their entertainment. They will be the ones to run our future reunions.) Come with us and your friends to Buffalo.

We received many additional memberships last month, but we need many more. We are again inviting you to join us. It is only that odd dollar but you would be surprised what it will do collectively towards the uniting of the Manx people of North America.

Send it today.

ART. B. KELLY, Secy.
2711 Dover Avenue, Cleveland.

From Akron, Ohio

I appreciate the opportunity of being present at the meeting of the Buffalo Manx Society. I was delighted with the fine spirit they have. What a great reunion they are planning—to my mind the biggest affair ever.

Great praise is due to Mr. Kerruish, their President and his coworkers. They are only small in number—in fact the smallest Manx Society I know of—yet they have already accomplished a good deal and the fine arrangements for our well-being leave nothing to be desired.

This is to be a real get-together with social visits, fine lunches and a big banquet at this wonderful hotel, the Statler, the management of which has gone all the way to make us happy. The ballroom where we will hold our dance is the finest I have ever seen.

Friday is the day of days. What a great time we are going to have on that sight-seeing trip! Buffalo, Niagara Falls, American and Canadian sides—dinner in Canada—staying to see the Falls illuminated—the most wonderful sight I know. Can you visualize it?

I can hardly wait until August. Saturday, that fine picnic at Crystal Beach, where sports and a general good time will be had. How about getting a partner for the three-legged race and bringing home a souvenir prize?

To me it is astonishing how we can have all this provided for so low a registration fee.

What wonderful cooperation the N. A. M. A. is giving Buffalo and how hard all are working to make this an outstanding success! I sincerely hope that we Manx people will not fail you in this gigantic enterprise of promoting such a fine spirit of fellowship on this continent.

I appreciate your Bulletin very much and realize how hard your officers are working to make the N. A. M. A. greater.

Now I appeal to all Manx people everywhere to rally round the N. A. M. A. and give these officers the support they so richly deserve. Let's make this membership thousands instead of hundreds. Then the N. A. M. A. can fulfill the great things they anticipate, the uplifting and fellowship of man. Success to you in the great work you are doing and again success to the Buffalo Society. I feel sure with the spirit that they have they will prevail, so here's backing them to the limit.

Fraternally yours,

JACK BRIDSON,

President of Akron Manx Society.

Good Luck

Tom Keig, Vice President of the Mona's Relief Society, Cleveland, and who has always been very active in all our Manx activities in Cleveland for many years, is leaving our city to make his home in Montreal, Quebec.

May we congratulate Tom on his new position and wish him and his family good health, good luck and prosperity. We know all the Cleveland Manx will miss him.

Los Angeles Manx Society

Scotch Night of the Los Angeles Manx Society was held Friday evening, March 27th, 1931. Mr. Jack Innes, popular Scotch Comedian, and his concert party entertained us for the fifth year in succession. The program was as follows:

Bagpipe selections, Wm. Bald; Soft Shoe and Challenge Buck and Wing Dances, by Miss Vivian Larkhart and Master Dick Quine; Songs selected, Mrs. Jack Innes; Harmonica Selections, by John Hay; Highland Fling and Sword Dance, by Miss Barbara Harrison; Songs Selected, James Shaw; Reading, Mrs. Ogilvie; Harry Lauder Impersonations Jack Innes; Accompanist, Mrs. Edward Storey.

During the refreshment period Mr. Jack Innes and his party were heartily thanked for their splendid entertainment. "Scotch Night" is always very popular with the L. A. Manx, one hundred and forty members and friends being present. Master Dick Quine, young son of a L. A. Manxman, and grandson of Mrs. Emily Quine, danced himself into the hearts of all. He and his partner, Miss Vivian Larkhart, were called back time after time. Mrs. Edward Storey was the recipient of congratulations and hearty thanks for her splendid work as accompanist. After typical Scotch refreshments were served, an impromptu dance was the order of the day, Mrs. Storey again presiding at the piano.

During the present business depression it is appropriate to hold a Hard Time Party. So we gathered on Friday, April 24th, 1931, dressed in the oldest costumes we could lay hands on. Our Vice-President, Mr. W. R. Callister, who was ordered to preside by our President, Mr. Teare, displayed a week's old beard and dressed as a tramp. Mr. and Mrs. Storey wore very unique, or "antique," costumes. Mr. Storey remarked that his suit had "come of age," being made in Douglas in the year 1910. All in all the hard time costumes proved of much interest and amusement. Toward the close of the evening Mr. Joe Rogers appeared in a dress suit and tall silk hat of the vintage of twenty-five years ago, this outfit also being a product of a Douglas merchant; and he sang a number of Scotch songs which went over big. Joe certainly knows what we like and is always willing to do his part to make our Society the success it is. Dancing was enjoyed to a late hour. The hard time principle was carried out in regard to refreshments also, each member supplying his own, the Society supplying tea.

Mrs. Daniel Teare, ignoring the "Theme Song" of the evening, presented the Society with a check for fifty dollars toward our funds. This is the fourth year Mrs. Teare has so generously shown her interest in L. A. Manx affairs. The loud applause that followed was evidence of the great esteem we all hold for Mrs. Teare.

An event that is always well attended is our Annual Picnic which takes place at Sycamore Grove, Los Angeles, Saturday, June 27th, 1931. This will be a great Manx day, and all visiting Manxmen and women are cordially invited to join us. It's an all day affair, from ten A. M. to dark.

T. DONALD BAIN, Secy.

HOW MANY MORE THOUGHT THIS?

"Thanks for your signed editorial in the Bulletin. I have been getting it for some time and enjoyed it but did not know just how it lived. Naturally I knew that it cost considerable to send it out but I had got the notion into my stupid old head that our "Local" must be contributing to its support.

"Unfortunately my work prevents me attending as many meetings as I would like and when I do go I meet so many old friends that my intention to inquire about the "Bulletin" has always been sidetracked.

"I would suggest that you follow up your editorial with an occasional notice calling attention to overdue subscriptions."

W. H. KELLY,
1832 Georgia Street, E.
Vancouver, B. C.

We are glad to get Mr. Kelly's letter on this matter and again appeal to our readers direct for their support. While we have the moral support of the Manx Societies, it is the individual who must send us his dues direct. This is our only means of support. If you have not sent in your dollar—won't you do it TODAY? We need that support if we are to continue.

Invitation From Our Vice-President and Treasurer

By DR. J. J. MOORE, Vice-President

The enthusiasm shown in the recent inter city meeting at Buffalo when so many Manx societies were represented at a preliminary get together for the annual convention demonstrates that this year's convention of the N. A. M. A. will be one that no Manx man or woman can well afford to miss. The strong incentive to meet one's childhood playmates will never decrease and the equally keen urge to see again those friends whom we have made at former conventions should stimulate all to be there. While we have had only three meetings their results have been far reaching and enduring.

One can never forget the revival spirit of that first convention at Cleveland so ably managed by John Christian, our first president, whose mind conceived and whose energetic action resulted in the formation of the N. A. M. A. He is not only actually but literally a builder. Standing stalworthy by his side is our honorary president A. B. Crookall who always thinks of the home folks and has done so much in keeping us close to them in the "home coming" trips, those more than pleasant vacations which will continue while Manx lasts, and then we have our present leader, Dan Teare, from the land of sunshine, eloquent in words, sincere in spirit who last year led our homecomers to their "ain folk" and gave of himself so generously.

From out of the north comes Arthur Callow who has regenerated a new society under the stimulation of making our second convention such an outstanding success.

From Cleveland and Chicago come our indefatigable secretary and treasurer Arthur Kelly and Fred Boyde. Then there are so many others who should be mentioned if space permitted all of whom we want to meet again.

Some gentle souls have left us and hands that we clasped are still. However they have left us beautiful memories.

Pleasant memories of pleasant times with good friends. What more is there left to desire and that is what you have at a Manx convention.

Our last meetings have been concerned with getting acquainted and organization. This year our main theme for discussion will be on what we can do for those Manx youths who come to our lands. This topic is of important interest to everyone.

It is hoped that the home land will

send a large delegation and it is necessary for Canada and the United States to have a host of Manx men and women to greet them. So au revoir until we meet again in Buffalo.

By FRED BOYDE, Treasurer

The time is fast approaching when we will hold our next Convention in the city of Buffalo.

It is certainly very gratifying to learn that so many are making arrangements to be present. What a privilege is ours to attend and take part in a convention of our people, where you meet so many of your friends and make new ones.

Our Association has reached the place that the meeting of friends and having a good time will not suffice. We must concern ourselves with questions more important to the Manx folks at home and abroad.

What service can we render to the coming generation of Manx boys and girls! There is not a doubt that Canada and the United States have better opportunities for our young people who surely will follow our footsteps and find homes in a new country. In this complex age it is not fair to the youth of the Island to invite them here and have no program for their welfare. I recall a scene of two young men that came to our city. The reception they received was a slap on the back and "Hurrah, boys, you are in God's Country." What they needed was medical attention, employment and a place to live that would partly fill the loss of home they had recently left. Manx folks, like others, have lonely hours and long for the touch of a friendly hand or a kind word spoken. A good deed done will linger in the memory of those receiving same.

The officers are arranging a program that will be helpful and entertaining, and are counting on you for your ideas and plans that will build up our Association that it may accomplish the ideals for which it stands.

We have been very fortunate in having the assistance of the Insular press. The publicity given our Association is in a large measure responsible for our success. Also we are indebted to those who made the trip from the Island with the object of being a help in working out our problems. Their example ought to inspire us who live in Canada and the States to attend, even if it should mean a sacrifice in time and money.

Come, help us put it over at Buffalo. It can be done!

Mona's Relief Society, Cleveland

The last meeting before summer recess will be held at the Pythian Temple, 919 Huron Road, on Thursday, June 4th. The entertainment will be furnished by the Cleveland Juveniles. Judge Steuer will give an address.

Vancouver Manx Society

Just a few words from the West! Our season ended last night with a Whist and Bridge. Usually, the last meeting takes the form of a Concert, but as the weather out here gets warm in May, and the evenings are so glorious out-of-doors, it was decided to have the Concert in April and finish with cards in May.

On April 14th, our Vancouver Manx Choir, under the leadership of Miss Agnes A. Gregor, B. A., gave a very enjoyable and varied programme. The president of the Society, Mr. Samuel Cain, occupied the chair. One would like to mention the names of those taking part, but as there were many items, it would take too much space. We were very pleased to have our good old "Stand-bys" charm us again with their performances, and were also delighted to welcome some new artists.

Since Christmas, we have also given concerts at the Seamen's Institute, the Shaughnessy Hospital, and the Old People's Home. All our efforts were much appreciated by those who are more or less shut-in.

We hope to hold a picnic in August, which will be a link to hold us together during the summer.

We regret to record the passing away of Mr. P. McKnight, one of our faithful members for a number of years.

We wish the Buffalo Convention much success, and await further news.

I enclose fee for "Bulletin" which we read with much interest. If I may add a personal note, it has been the means of placing me in correspondence with some friends, (also from Lonan) whom I have not heard of for many years, and who are now in Tacoma, Washington, and not far away. I hope to see them soon.

I have also had a letter from a namesake in Salt Lake City. Sorry we could not establish a relationship.

With best wishes for the success of the Bulletin, I remain,

Yours very sincerely,

(Mrs.) ALICE M. M. KILLIP, Secy.

Congratulations

For the first time in its history, the Will county board of Illinois, will have a woman sitting as one of its members after the town elections April 7. Mrs. Margaret Keig, of Lockport, was nominated as one of the republican candidates for assistant supervisor from that township in the caucus last Saturday night, and since she has no opposition her election is certain.

We congratulate Mrs. Keig.

Arizona Manx — Attention!

We people of the wide open spaces are to me, too far apart, and being people that are proud of the place of our birth, and the Celtic blood that flows in our veins, should put forth an effort to get closer together.

Therefore, I am making this appeal to every Manxman and woman in Arizona, especially the Warren District, to cooperate with me in forming a Manx Society in the City of Bisbee. Those who are interested in this movement please communicate with me at Box 3332, Lowell, Arizona.

Sincerely yours,
ARNOLD CORRIN.

Mr. Corrin has forwarded us the names of 28 Manx families living in the district of Bisbee. We have placed same on our mailing list and will help Mr. Corrin in any way in his endeavor to form an Arizona Manx Society. Get together, folks, and you'll be surprised the good times you'll have.

Accommodation

The HOTEL STATLER has been chosen official headquarters for our Fourth Annual Convention. All the meetings, luncheons and banquet will be held at this fine hotel. They are cooperating in every way to make your visit a happy one. Statler Hotels and Service have no superiors.

The FAIRFAX HOTEL, 715 Delaware Avenue, the most beautiful avenue in Buffalo, fifteen minutes

walk from the Statler, also with bus service direct to headquarters, has been chosen as secondary hotel for sleeping accommodation. The Fairfax has truly been named "A Family Hotel of Distinction."

Room rates for both these hotels will be gladly furnished on request by

Art B. Kelly, Secretary,
2711 Dover Avenue, Cleveland, Ohio
or Miss Betty Caine,
354 Minnesota Avenue, Buffalo, N. Y.

FROM LONDON, ONTARIO!

By Philip Kissack, Third Vice-President, N. A. M. A.

Home, kindred friends and country, these
Are things with which we never part,
From clime to clime, o'er land and seas,
We bear them with us in our heart;
Ah yes, 'tis hard to feel resigned
When these, all these, are left behind.

So sang the poet J. Montgomery nearly a century ago, and I sometimes think that he must have been born Manx, or at least in some way connected with the Manx nation, as he so fittingly expresses the sentiments of the Manx people wherever they are found exiled away from their own homeland. There is not one person of Manx birth or Manx descent who does not at sometime or other long for his own home and country or that of his forefathers. No doubt the same sentiment is in other nationalities but it is more pronounced in the Manx than in any other people.

Since it is impossible for us all to live in our own country with our own kindred and friends or to visit them as often as we would like to, then the formation of the North American Manx Association with its yearly conventions supplies a long felt want. The issue of the bulletin at the small cost of only one dollar a year. Only the cost of a few gallons of gas or a visit or two to the theatre keeps us all in touch with each other, often do we not see the names of those we knew in the days of long ago.

As regards the conventions. Only those who have been there know the thrill of what it means. No words of mine can express what it means to the loyal Manx person, who perhaps has been hungering for years to feel the grip of the hand of their own people or to hear again the soft sweet cadence of our own tongue. To me, it means to be able for a few days to forget the strain and stress of our American life, and to live again, if only for a short time, the days we used to know; to meet with those who understand our own nature, who know the longings and aspirations of our hearts.

Surely, there is no need to ask the question. Why should I go to the convention? But rather, why should I stay at home when so many of my friends will be there? Is there any valid reason why I should not be there? Let me urge you to sit down

and seriously consider the reasons why you should meet with us this summer. I feel sure that after very little thought you will find plenty of reasons why you should be there. Then having decided to go to Buffalo, may I ask you to sit down and write a letter to that relative or friend you so often wished to see again. Tell them of the reasons why you are going and urge them with all earnestness possible to meet you there. The joy of meeting them will recompense you for all. No words can describe the joy of it all.

Now a final word to those who have not been fortunate enough to claim the Island as their birthplace, but who have had the good fortune to be born of Manx parents or being united to some one who is of Manx birth or descent. To all such, a hearty welcome is given. Come and see what sort of folks we Manx people are. We are proud of our country, our history and all that pertains to Manx life and character.

At the close of our Toronto convention, I asked an English gentleman who had been present all the time with his Manx wife, how he had enjoyed himself. His answer was to this effect. "When I decided to come with my wife it was only for her sake as I always thought that the Manx were clannish." But, he continued, "this has been the best three days that I have had since coming to Canada. The Manx are clannish all right, but they have made a Manxman out of me. I was welcomed with open arms and it was impossible for any one to be made more welcome than I was. I am more proud today of my Manx wife and her people than ever I was before."

Now come and see what a great time we will all have. We will be so glad to meet you or make your acquaintance for the first time.

As will be seen by the last Bulletin, some of our members have passed over. This may possibly be our last chance of meeting that relative or friend we longed for or looked forward to meeting again. The uncertainty of the future strongly urges us to take advantage of this coming opportunity.

PHILIP KISSACK,
970 Dame St.,
London, Ontario, Canada.

FROM HERE AND THERE!

Mrs. G. Taubman, 67 West Lynn Avenue, Toronto—"Enclosed find \$1.00 for Bulletin. Please keep on sending same as it certainly is very interesting."

Mrs. G. C. Ashman, Peoria, Illinois—"Enclosed find membership. We enjoy your Bulletin more and more. I wish I could join you at Buffalo. Some day our turn is coming."

James Quilleash, Houlton, Oregon—"Enclosed find my membership. I enjoy reading your Bulletin. I hope we can hold a convention in Portland, Oregon, some time."

Mrs. L. E. Russell, 1 Haylock St., Toronto—"Enclosed please find my membership to the N. A. M. A. Here's hoping for a big meeting at Buffalo."

L. G. Collister, County Treasurer, Cuyahoga County, Cleveland, Ohio—"Am enclosing check to help to carry the Manx Bulletin along. It's real interesting and can't understand why you don't have 1000 members. Hope to be at Buffalo."

Mr. W. H. Sayle, 1782 Radnor Road, Cleveland Heights, Ohio—"Enclosed please find my mothers membership. She enjoys the Bulletin very much, as she is not able to attend the Manx meetings."

W. W. Watterson, 1099 West Forest Rd., Lakewood, Ohio—"Enclosed find check for dues for Bulletin for 3 years I enjoy same."

Mrs. S. Lamberton, 449 May Avenue, Windsor, Ontario, Canada—"Enclosed find membership. I enjoy Bulletin very much. Had a wonderful Manx meeting in Windsor last month. 41 members were present. We are looking forward to the Buffalo reunion."

George T. Walker, Washington, Pa—"Enclosed find my membership. Enjoy reading your Bulletin very much. Thinking over our pleasant trip to the Island last year."

W. J. Callister, 131 Main St., Rochester, N. Y—"Enclosed find membership. I enjoy it very much. Best wishes for the success of the N. A. M. A."

Winnipeg Manx Society

May we add at this time our sincere wishes for a successful Convention to be held this year in Buffalo.

Let us prove that the correspondent who referred in a recent article in the Isle of Man Times as the Conventions "Being a wash-out and only held for rich people," was entirely wrong in his uncalled-for criticism of such a worthy movement. Any person who attended the Toronto Convention certainly realized what a wonderful asset just being "Manx" meant.

The Bulletin is a wonderful means of communication and is deserving of all support in its efforts to cement the friendship of Manx people scattered all over this continent. By all means let us try and keep this our own Manx publication going now that it has got started and let us try and increase the news items which will be of interest to all of us. It is certainly worth a dollar of anybody's money to be kept in touch through this means of the happenings of various kinds which means so much to our mutual happiness.

Surely amongst all the numbers of Manx folk in America and Canada we can get at least 1000 who will be willing to contribute the \$1.00 which is asked and which is necessary to carry on with to enable the N. A. M. A. to carry out its aims and objects.

One thing that can never be said about Manx people is that they are too clannish as is often applied to other races. It sometimes would appear that it would be better if we were a little more so in our own interests especially.

In conclusion, let us again express the good wishes and support of the Winnipeg Manx for the success of the coming Buffalo Convention.

JAS. Y. MANN, President.

At the annual general meeting of the above Society, held April 30th, 1931, the following officers and committees were elected for 1931: Hon. President, Mr. R. W. Killey; President, Mr. Jas. Y. Mann; Vice President, Mr. John Pick; Secretary, Mr. Wm. Quayle, 114 Hart Ave., Elmwood, Winnipeg; Treasurer, Mr. Geo. Killey; Auditor, Mr. Ernie Jacklin; Committee, Mr. Thos. Corkan, Mr. Harry Cailey, Mr. Hewitt; Committee Ladies, Mrs. R. W. Killey, Mrs. Jacklin, Mrs. Cregeen, Mrs. Shore.

Chicago Manx Society

There was a good attendance at the regular monthly meeting of the above Society at the home of Mr. and Mrs. T. Stanek, 508 N. Elmwood Avenue, on May 9th.

Dr. J. J. Moore spoke on the Buffalo Convention and urged all to make a special effort to be present. Several of the members expressed their intention of attending the Convention.

Mr. J. R. Kerruish of Douglas, who is visiting with his son, J. R. Kerruish, Jr., was present and was made honorary member of the Society.

It was decided to hold the annual picnic in July.

Refreshments were served by the hostess and a good time was enjoyed by all.

Fred Boyde, Secy.