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Christmas



Greetings

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

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Christmas Message From Our President

Manx Friends Everywhere:

It is with a great deal of pleasure, but with a little sadness, that I greet you at this holy time. As we come into this joyful season, we realize that peace does not reign over all the earth. I am thinking of the homeland with its blackouts and its fear of air raids, and I am sure that all the members and friends of the N.A.M.A. will pray with me that this war will soon be over.

It is nineteen hundred years and more since Jesus was born in Bethlehem, and the first Christmas service was held out under the Judean stars with an angel as the preacher, the heavenly host as the choir and the simple shepherds as the congregation. Not in some resplendent temple, stately palace or lordly mansion; but out under the sky of the templed hills, out in the fields where men who toiled, waited and watched for his coming, came the words of the angel, "Fear not: for behold, I bring you good tidings of great joy, which shall be to all people. For unto you is born this day in the city of David, a Savior, which is Christ the Lord. Ye shall find the babe wrapped in swaddling clothes, lying in a manger."

What a privilege did those shepherds enjoy, to hear the choir of heaven chant the birth-hymn of the Infant Redeemer of the World!

Yet the angelic proclamation of "peace on earth, good will to men" still echoes in the hearts of men who are ever more learning, as the slow



REV. JOSEPH PARTRIDGE
President N. A. M. A.

centuries pass, that only His Gospel can bring us into the way of peace and good-will. At Christmas time, that truth seems a little clearer and a little easier to practice than at any other season. Unselfishness spreads loving cheer around the world and the Christmas glow warms even saddened and troubled hearts.

For many, this will be a rather trying and lonely Christmas. There is a grave out in God's acre and a wound in your heart that was not there a year ago. There is a vacant chair that seems more empty every time you look at it. Some are feeling the

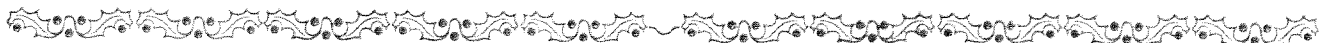
pinch of poverty and will grieve that they have so little to give. Some are going to be forgotten and will be desperately lonely. But whatever be your circumstances, there is One who will remember you. However humble your home, however lonely you may be, there is One Guest that will, if permitted, take up His abode with you. The humble Jesus from the manger in Bethlehem will come in and His presence makes Christmas. Receive Him as your guest and nothing can prevent you from having a Happy Christmas.

"It isn't far to Bethlehem town!
It's anywhere that Christ comes down
And finds in people's friendly face
A welcome and abiding place.
The road to Bethlehem runs right thru
The homes of folks like me and you."

Best wishes for a Happy Christmas to every member of the N.A.M.A. and every Manxman and woman residing on this North American continent, and to those on the little Island we love so well. May you see, through your tears, the Christ Child of Bethlehem beckoning the world to a peace that shall know no end.

May this be a joyous Christmas and may the New Year bring to you every wish.

Very sincerely,
JOSEPH PARTRIDGE.



N. A. M. A. Executives Extend Season's Greetings

Christmas, the birthday of the Christ child, is here again, and our homes are brightened with the thought of Santa Claus and the giving of gifts. In the European nations, the Christmas Season will be less celebrated during these troublesome times. Many of those who are near and dear to us are standing by, for what may come.

What a blessing the world would receive if these "War Mongers" would look upon Him whose birthday we are celebrating, and accept Him as the Prince of Peace—the Saviour of mankind.

Across the state and border line,
and the ocean too
This Bulletin bears my wishes
and a greeting true.

I hope that every gladness may bless your Christmas Day and that in the days which follow, new happiness may be born, and may God grant us His Peace.

RICHARD H. CORKILL,
Past President.



As the Merry Christmas Season again approaches, I am indeed glad to have this opportunity to extend to all my Manx friends everywhere greetings and best wishes for a most enjoyable Season.

My thoughts go out especially to all the ladies of the N.A.M.A. Auxiliary, scattered everywhere upon this continent and yet held together by a common cause and interest—the furtherance of Manx activities and friendships. May each year strengthen the bond that unites us, and increase our mutual helpfulness.

May this Holiday Season shed the Christmas spirit over the world and "Peace on Earth—Goodwill toward Men" become truly a reality. In the words of Tiny Tim, "God bless us, every one."

WILHELMINA ANDERSON,
Rep. N.A.M.A. Ladies' Auxiliary.



In behalf of all Washington men and women of Manx descent, I send greetings to Manx people in North America, the Isle of Man and the British Colonies. We hope that all will have a Happy Christmas and New Year, and that they will enjoy good health and prosperity throughout the coming year. Yn Ollick Genal as Blien Vie Noa.

J. WILSON JENKINSON,
Vice President.

Another Christmas brings another Christmas Bulletin with the many greetings from our friends in all parts of the continent. How much we enjoy it and look forward to receiving it! It is the next best thing to greeting each of these friends in person. It is with pleasure that I add my greetings to all my friends.

Here's to a very Merry Christmas,
With all that truly cheers,
Followed by the Happiest day
You've had in years and years.
That is my wish to all.

ALICE GARRETT,
Vice President.



At this time of year, our thoughts go back to those dear to us in the old land and to our friends throughout the world, more especially those connected with the North American Manx Association.

Life, after all, is a brief period, and we should endeavor to get the most out of it. Our greatest reward is friendship — without such we are lonely,—indeed, we are lost. Let's become more friendly by joining our own organization, the N.A.M.A., open at all times to receive Manx people and those of Manx descent. Let's help to preserve our ancient heritage.

With such strife and conflict in our midst today, it is only fitting that we should endeavor to create goodwill among men and nations, and may our efforts be rewarded.

Seasons greetings to all.

T. H. CORKAN,
Vice President.



It is always a joy to bring to mind at the Christmas Season the many, many Manx friends I have made through my connection with the North American Manx Association. To those whom I have had the pleasure of meeting personally; to those whom I have "met" through correspondence and whose hands I hope to clasp at some future date; and to the many with whom I have corresponded, but may never have the opportunity of meeting—I extend sincerest greetings at this Festive Season.

I am thinking especially of our friends and dear ones in the Island. May the Angel of Peace abide with them and keep them. May they too share the joys of Christmas and have happiness in the New Year.

CLAIRE M. MYLECRRAINE,
Corresponding and
Recording Secretary.

Our N.A.M.A. Christmas Bulletin is at your door again, and I am happy to extend the Season's Greetings to our many friends in North America, and to our loved ones in Ellan Vannin, for whom our hearts feel deeply at this time. We know that they are responding, whatever the cost. What a wonderful world this would be if we could always celebrate Christmas in peace and happiness. It is my sincere wish that the Manx folk throughout the world will enjoy a Safe and Happy Christmas, and a Bright and Prosperous New Year.

SIDNEY W. CORKISH,
Representative N.A.M.A.
Breakfast Club.



GREETINGS to Manx people and their friends, on both sides of the Atlantic! May Christmas be truly happy; may the New Year bring the fulfillment of all our best desires and aims and may next Christmas find us greeting each other in a world at peace!

GERTRUDE CANNELL,
Financial Sec'y-Treasurer.



SING SOFT AND LOW

Here is a Christmas carol which should interest all Manx people. The words are by the beloved Manx poetess "Cushag", the music, which unfortunately cannot be given here, by the equally beloved Miss M. L. Wood.

Sing soft and low, ye winds that blow
And whisper round this lowly shed,
Break not His sleep for shadows deep
Are drawing near His sacred Head.

Sing sweet and high, ye birds that fly,
But gently trill your tender theme,
Lest all too soon your joyous tune
Should wake Him from some
Heavenly dream.

Sing loud and strong ye Angel
Throng,
To Kings and shepherds bear the sign
That Peace on earth is come to birth
And lies amid the humble kine.

O let Him rest in His poor nest
While still His mother softly sings,
For well we know what tears will flow
Ere sorrows crown him King of Kings.

MONTREAL 1940 . . . AN INVITATION

The members of the Montreal Manx Society are looking forward with keen anticipation to the realization of their long-cherished hope of affording to all Manx people the opportunity of meeting their fellow-countrymen and enjoying a few days of fellowship with them in our beautiful City of Montreal, which provides such an interesting background for a gathering of this kind.

As far as the financial aspect of the situation is concerned, our Society will make every effort to keep all charges at a minimum. This will not mean that the attractiveness of our arrangements will suffer in any way. On the contrary, it is our intention to give every consideration to the quality of the accommodation and the entertainment to be provided, and we will spare no effort that will in any way tend to increase the pleasure or comfort of our guests.

Our invitation to be with us next August is extended to

every Manx man or woman on this Continent—and, of course, to all those living farther afield who find it possible to be here. We have no hesitation in urging you to come, for we know that the pleasure and profit to be obtained will be worth any effort which may be necessary to make participation in this gathering possible.

"From the Nors and the Sows and the East and the West,

There isn't a soul but is ast as a guest . . .

We ask the whole kit of you, herrings and sprats,

Your brothers and sisters, your dogs and your cats!"

(With apologies to W. H. Gill)

T. A. MOORE, Chairman

MONA CREGEEN,

Corresponding Secretary

Convention Committee

The Posy Corner

A big bouquet of orchids is due our new Vice-President, Mr. J. Wilson Jenkinson, Washington, D. C., for his work among the Manx during the month of September. When he left the Convention in Lincoln, he headed Westward, visiting Manx people in Colorado, Montana, Vancouver, Seattle, San Francisco, Los Angeles and several other points before returning to his home in Washington. He secured many new members for the North American Manx Association, to say nothing of the goodwill he scattered along the way. While in Los Angeles, he attended the September meeting of the Manx Society in that city, and their Secretary, Mr. T. Donald Bain, reports that in a well chosen speech, Mr. Jenkinson told them of the aims of the N.A.M.A. and of the good fellowship that comes with service in the Manx cause.

We quote below a few of Mr. Jenkinson's comments regarding his contacts with certain of the Manx people during his travels:

"Robert S. Killey, Treasurer of Pitkin County, Colorado, was unable to attend the Convention in Lincoln. His brother, Wm. H. Killey (Bill), and sisters, Emma and Rebecca, of Denver attended, however, and Bob no doubt now knows what he missed and is promising himself a visit to Montreal next August.

"Bill Killey enjoyed himself no end at Lincoln, and said so. He was wearing a beautiful Masonic ring given him by his sisters, and he kept posted as to the time by a watch presented to him by his lodge last year in recognition of his services as Worshipful Master in charge of the ceremonies incident to its 75th anniversary. It is hoped that attending Manx Conventions will become a habit with him. He advised that Tom Beck, a native of Laxey, had also been Master of his lodge two or three years previously. We would like to see Tom at some of our conventions.

"Bob Killey is High Priest of the Keystone Chapter of Royal Arch Masons in Aspen, Colorado. His Chapter recently was host to the

Grand Royal Arch Chapter of Colorado, led by Grand High Priest Hugh E. Clucas, a real Manxman and proud of it. Hugh Clucas is a well known Manxman of Colorado, and never fails to evince his interest in Manxmen by visiting them when he is in various places on his travels through the State. And it may be said, 'the happy the Manx are to see him, and to put the tappot on the hob in his honor and enjoy a cooish with him.' He was born at Kiomsliou, Foxdale, Isle of Man, came to the United States in 1875 and learned the machinist trade at Mt. Vernon, Ohio. He entered service with the Santa Fe in Kansas, later being transferred to Pueblo, Colorado, as Division Foreman, remaining in that capacity until his retirement after fifty years of service. He was married to Mattie Worden of Mansfield, Ohio, and three children were born to them.

"Harry Lace is a cousin of Mr. Clucas and is proud of his relationship. He reported he fully intended to be at the Lincoln Convention, but that indifferent health prevented him from being present. He promises himself a good time at Montreal next year, however.

"Manx folks are likely to be living anywhere on this Continent. Mr. John T. Clucas of St. Marks, and Mrs. Clucas (nee Edie Maddrell of Ballacallin, the Braaid) live at Greybull, Wyoming. I called on them and enjoyed talking with them about friends we knew and places in the Isle of Man we fondly remember. They have two sons and a daughter, the latter being Mrs. Leroy Atkins of Los Angeles."

About Things Manx

Looking back to far-off Christmas times in the Isle of Man, what do we see?

In Douglas, busy nights along Strand Street the week before Christmas—feathered fowl swinging in the flare of gaslights outside the shops—rows and rows of sugar mice and lively bustle.

Other surprising novelties in J. J. Kelly's and other sweet shops—Santa Claus (headquarters at Webb's)

mobbed by an army of youngsters—windows with cotton snowflakes and Christmas cards glittering with frost, holly and robin redbreasts. And up from the deserted Promenade, through dark and gusty Regent Street, Granville Street, Howard Street, the continuous boom of the surf, heard but not heeded in the

All over the Island, for a week or two before Christmas, small boys in draughty doorways singing "While Shepherds Watched"; the "callers" proclaiming in the early hours "a fine frosty morning"; choirs in the midnight streets on Christmas Eve—and on Christmas morning, the churches gloriously decked and ringing to the grand old hymn "Christians, Awake."

On St. Stephen's Day, the "Hunt the Wren" boys, keeping up a custom so old that its origin is no longer clear; jolly parties through the week, and a chance to see a fine performance of "Pinafore", "The Mikado" or other light opera by the Douglas Choral Union (long may they live), and on New Year's Eve, after the Watch Night Service and the solemn strains of "Days and Moments Quickly Flying", the excitement of welcoming the "Qualtagh", first person to enter the house in the New Year—one occasion when blondes are not preferred, but the "dark man" is the eagerly anticipated first-foot, to bring luck to the house.

It was a big event if there was enough frost to crackle in the "dubs" along the road, or enough snow to make slides and snowballs and put a white cap on old Snaefell, Greeba and Sliou Whallian. But stars were bright as diamonds in the sky swept clean by biting nor' easters which favored us all winter with their cold, invigorating breath, and within doors evenings were long and jolly around cosy firesides.

This year Christmas will be dark indeed in the Homeland. Yet, over the little Island, lying black and silent in the midst of the sounding sea, the Christmas stars will shine more brilliantly than ever, and Manx firesides will be warm and bright with faith, courage—and hope for the dawning of a New Year bringing Peace and Good Will to all mankind.

Christmas Greetings



SAN FRANCISCO

It is difficult to write a Christmas Greeting with the Angels of Peace hidden from view, and yet the message of Christmas still persists in our hearts and consciousness.

Christmas associations are connected so closely with childhood and home, that we cannot help but think of the thousands of families who are at this time homeless, and of those other families whose children will be missing from around the blazing yule-log. Many of the little Manx children will be sharing their Christmas pleasures with their little "evacuated" English cousins, and we trust that in time to come, it will prove to be a pleasant and fragrant memory for them.

We people of America are fortunate in being able to enjoy ourselves in peace and freedom, and still our minds and hearts are chained to the horrors and anxiety of our people across the seas. We can but wish that some measure of happiness will be theirs. Let us pray that the Christmas message of "Peace on Earth, Goodwill to Men" will be the ultimate outcome of the present holocaust.

Christmas greetings from the San Francisco Manx.

Essie Collister Quayle, Pres.
Warren Callow, Secy.



N.A.M.A. BREAKFAST CLUB

We are "Broadcasting" to every friend far and near, our very best and heartiest Christmas Cheer, and every sincere wish for a Happy and Healthful New Year.

Gordon Killip, Pres.
Josephine Sharp, Secy.



LADIES' AUXILIARY TO N.A.M.A.

We take pleasure in wishing all our good friends and members scattered over this broad continent the best of Christmas Cheer, and may it be followed by the Happiest of New Years.

A membership in the Ladies' Auxiliary would make a very good Christmas gift, and the cost would be but a quarter.

Mrs. T. H. Corkan, Pres.
Alice Garrett, Secy.

MONA'S MUTUAL BENEFIT SOCIETY, CLEVELAND, O.

The officers and members of the Mona's Mutual Benefit Society extend the best of good wishes for a happy and joyous Christmas and a most pleasant and prosperous New Year to all Manx people everywhere.

John F. Lewin, Pres.
Raby Kernode, Secy.



GREATER NEW YORK

The officers and all the members of the Manx Association of Greater New York send hearty greetings and sincere wishes for a Very Happy Christmas and a Peaceful New Year to all Manx people on this continent and elsewhere, particularly to those brave Manxmen doing their duty on the high seas and to the Manxmen and women living on the "Li'l Isle".

William Karran, Pres.
Florence Gill, Secy.



LOS ANGELES

The Manx people in Southern California are enjoying one of the mildest winters on record. After bountiful rains in September, the mountains and valleys are fresh and green, and it has been a joy to travel the highways and behold the beauties of the countryside. We are not unmindful of the trying times our kinsfolk in the Homeland are going through, and especially at this season of the year our thoughts and prayers go back to our beloved Mona's Isle.

So, with warm hearts for the many blessings we enjoy, we wish all our friends Peace and Goodwill, and may the New Year bring to all a realization of their fondest dreams.

Mary Caine Ward, Pres.
T. Donald Bain, Secy.



GALVA

A very Merry Christmas and a Happy and Prosperous New Year from the Galva Manx Society to its friends and neighbors the world over.

Tyrus Kelly, Pres.
Mrs. Ada Cubbon, Secy.

MONA'S RELIEF SOCIETY CLEVELAND, OHIO

The officers and members of the Mona's Relief Society extend to Manx Societies and Manx people everywhere sincere greetings for the Christmas Season and wish them much happiness in the New Year.

We think of our people in the homeland, knowing the joys of Christmas are dimmed by the great tragedy of war.

It is our sincere wish that very soon peace among men and nations will prevail and that happy days are ahead.

W. H. Kelly, Pres.
Lucille Fricke, Rec. Secy.
Amy C. Quayle, Fin. Secy.



LADIES' AUXILIARY TO THE MONA'S RELIEF SOCIETY, CLEVELAND, OHIO

"Fond memories of the past
Kind thoughts for the present
Good wishes for the future"

The Ladies' Auxiliary to the Mona's Relief Society extends these sincere greetings and adds our warm wishes for a very happy Christmas season and good fortune in the coming year.

Margaret J. Cain, Pres.
Amy C. Quayle, Secy.



TORONTO

A Merry Christmas and a brighter New Year to all our kinsfolk at home and abroad is the sincere wish of the officers and members of the Toronto Manx Society.

Frank Williamson, Pres.
Mona Downward, Secy.



BUFFALO

Peace on earth and goodwill toward men is the sincere wish of the officers and members of the Buffalo Manx Society. We extend the Season's Greetings to Manx friends everywhere.

Edith Bury, Pres.
Mary Skillicorn, Secy.



From Manx Societies



NEBRASKA

The members of the Nebraska Manx Association send friendly Greetings to Manx people the world over. We think especially of those who visited us this past summer. Our hearts go out in sympathy for those Manx people overseas and we pray that the Prince of Peace may soon reign and wars shall cease. As a real Christmas gift, may God give us all health and happiness, and a true desire to make the moments of the New Year rich in service to Him and to our fellowmen.

Thomas C. Robison, Pres.
Nell Joughin Morris, Secy.



VANCOUVER

The officers and members of the Vancouver Manx Society extend best wishes for Christmas and the New Year.

J. E. Costain, Pres.
Fred Killip, Secy.



BISBEE

The Bisbee Manx Society sends greeting to all Manx Societies and their members, wishing them a Merry Christmas and a Happy and Prosperous New Year.

Tom Hastie, Pres.
Arnold Corrin, Secy.



MONTREAL

The Executive and Members of the Montreal Manx Society extend Christmas greetings to all Manx people scattered throughout the world, not forgetting our Manx folk serving in His Majesty's Forces. Our one wish for the coming year is that peace and goodwill will be restored in sufficient time to allow all Manx people, and those of Manx descent, to join with us in 1940 to celebrate what we hope will be the largest Manx gathering ever sponsored by the North American Manx Association.

T. A. Moore, Pres.
Catherine C. Sloan, Secy.

CHICAGO

The officers and members of the Chicago Manx Society extend most cordial greetings to all Manx friends, both near and far, for happiness at Christmas and throughout the coming New Year.

How sweet is the Christmas story
As we turn to it each year,
A story of friends—and true ones,
Of laughter and good cheer.
How crowded are the pages
With remembrance warm and true,
And our glad Christmas wishes—
Like these we bring to you.

Charles Corrin, Pres.
Ethel M. Shimmin, Secy.



ROCHESTER

To our kinsfolk at home and abroad—the many friends we meet year after year at our Conventions—The Rochester Manx Society wishes each and every one a Merry, Merry Christmas and a Bright and Prosperous New Year.

Alice C. Garrett, Pres.
Dan W. Christian, Secy.



WINNIPEG

The Winnipeg Manx Society extends to the North American Manx Association, affiliated societies and friends Hearty Greetings for a Merry Christmas and a Happy and Prosperous New Year. May the spirit of goodwill prevail throughout the coming year.

J. Fick, Pres.
M. Quirk, Secy-Treas.



LADIES' AUXILIARY TO VANCOUVER

The Ladies' Auxiliary to the Vancouver Manx Society extends heartiest greetings to all Manx people everywhere. We hope that the New Year will bring happiness and prosperity to all.

Mrs. R. McWaters, Pres.
Mrs. A. Halsall, Secy.

DEROIT-WINDSOR

The Christmas Song

The Christmas song was in the air,
Its subtle charm felt everywhere;
From Rome and Athens in their
pride,

To every little countryside,
When o'er Judea's little town
The angel hosts came singing down.

The Christmas song is in the air,
One hears it ringing everywhere,
He hears it on the busy streets
From lips of everyone he meets;
And knows that still o'er every town
The angel hosts are singing down.

(W. L. Stidger)

The Manx of Detroit and Windsor sing this song to the world, and we wish all our Manx friends a very Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year.

Mrs. Chas. Richey, Pres.
R. Q. Cannell, Press Corr.



NORTHEASTERN OHIO

To our Manx friends of North America:

Long ago on a Christmas morn
Cheer in a golden star was born
As even now it is born anew
In the thoughts and wishes sent to
you,
And may that star the Wise Men
followed
In that land so far away
Shine upon you with God's blessing,
Bringing joy and peace to all.

Murray Morse, Pres.
Blanche Loomis Killey, Secy.



Space does not permit including the many greetings which Manx people throughout the continent are extending to their fellow-countrymen through the North American Manx Association. It is thrilling to know that at this glad season, no matter how many the miles between, Manx people are joined in heart and soul in wishing one another "A Happy Christmas and a Joyous New Year".



THE NORTH AMERICAN MANX ASSOCIATION

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A Suggestion To Manx Societies

Why not set aside a meeting night in the near future and call it "N.A.M.A. NIGHT"? Talks could be given on the scope of the North American Manx Association, its aims and ideals. It would be a fine opportunity for the Regional Director or one of the officers to obtain N.A.M.A. memberships.

Some Societies have in this manner been promoting the N.A.M.A. membership, sending in the dollars collected to the N.A.M.A. Financial Secretary.

The same thought underlies the North American Manx Association and the local Manx Societies—good fellowship among Manx people, and interest in things pertaining to the Isle of Man. It is "one for all, and all for one" for the happiness and success of all.

GERTRUDE CANNELL,
Financial Secy.-Treasurer.

Announcement to Members of the Breakfast Club

The important matter of the election of Breakfast Club officers for the year of 1940 was postponed in August, but will be held at the Hotel Carter in Cleveland at 2:30 P.M., Sunday, January 28, 1940.

All members are urgently requested to attend, if possible. If you cannot be present, send your choice to the Secretary, so it may be put before the meeting. Keep tuned in and swing along with your friends.

GORDON KILLIP,
President.

JOSEPHINE SHARP,
Secretary.

10820 Carnegie Ave., Cleveland, O.

NEWS OF THE MANX SOCIETIES

BISBEE

The November meeting of the Bisbee Manx Society was held at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Alfred Kelly in Bisbee. Their guest for the evening was Rev. Griffith Davis, Pastor of the Presbyterian Church, where they were to hold their Harvest Home Festival on November 19th. This was the first service of its kind ever held in the City of Bisbee. The church was beautifully decorated with the fruits of the harvest and music was provided by a choir of twenty-five under the direction of Mr. Fred H. Corrin, with Miss Ruth Kennaugh at the organ. On the following evening, a social was given at the church by the men's club, who had so ably assisted the Manx Society in making the Harvest Home a success. After the social, the fruits and vegetables were auctioned under the hammer of Mayor W. K. Caley of Bisbee, who is a Past President of the Bisbee Society, the entire proceeds going to the church. Our Bisbee friends suggest that other Manx Societies follow this plan each year.

Their December meeting was held at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Arnold Corrin in Lowell. Election of officers was postponed until the January meeting, and it was decided to sing Carols to the "shut-ins" in the district during Christmas week.

GREATER NEW YORK

The Manx Association of Greater New York held their fall meeting on November 16th at the Central Branch of the Y.M.C.A. in Brooklyn. After a very fine dinner, and due to the continued absence of their President, Mr. Wm. Karran, due to illness, the Vice President, Mr. Robert C. Cubbon, presided. It was suggested that they have a card party in January, and plans are in progress for a dinner, with some notable and distinguished guests, at one of the hotels for later in the spring. They are hoping that their President, who is recovering from his long illness, will be well enough to preside at their next meeting.

DETROIT-WINDSOR

The Detroit-Windsor Manx Society held its Ninth Annual Banquet on November 15th. Close to 100 attended and enjoyed a pleasant evening. After the dinner, the program consisted of the singing of the National Anthems, the reading of the message of President Partridge as printed in the October Bulletin, songs, an accordion solo, impersonations and an excellent talk by the Hon. Cyril Cane, British Consul for Ohio and Michigan. Dancing followed the program, with music furnished by Mrs. C. Richey and Messrs. Fred Tate and Dick Mercier.

VANCOUVER

Cambrian Hall in Vancouver was selected as the meeting place for the Vancouver Manx Society on November 10th, when they held their annual election of officers. The following were chosen:

President—J. E. Costain.
Vice President—Mrs. Thos. Killip.
Treasurer—Mrs. R. McWaters.
Secretary—Fred Killip, 2226 W. 8th Ave., Vancouver.

Committee—Mrs. Fred Killip, Mrs. M. Christian, Miss Mona Gell and Messrs. J. Clucas, Fayle and Sayle.

Mr. J. Connor and Mr. Thos. Killip were appointed as Auditors.

The meeting was of a dual character, being also a celebration of "Tom Brown Night." Passages from T. E. Brown's poems were read, and Manx songs were rendered.

The annual banquet and concert of this Society will be held on January 1, 1940 in I.O.O.F. Hall, Main Street at Sixth Avenue. Keep this date in mind!

NEBRASKA

During the summer, the Nebraska Manx Association held its annual election of officers, with the following results:

President—Thomas C. Robison, Elk Creek.

Vice President—Mrs. G. E. Humphrey, Crete.

Vice President—Mrs. T. D. Clark, Exeter.

Vice President—G. E. Abernathy, Elk Creek.

Secy.-Treas.—Mrs. J. W. Morris, 3091 U Street, Lincoln, Nebraska.

SEATTLE

The British Consul, Mr. Cecil A. Hope Gill, was an honored guest at the first winter meeting of the Seattle Society, held on November 25th. A Committee, consisting of Mr. Gill and Messrs. E. M. Kissack, Stanford Kissack, and J. D. Joiner was appointed by the President, Mr. Vick, to plan the Society's program for the coming year. They have already met and decided to hold four large quarterly meetings, which will take the form of a dance or some other entertainment, and eight smaller meetings to be held in the homes.

Mr. Gill spoke of the effort being made by the British-American War Relief and called attention to the big bazaar, which will be held in the Masonic Temple in Seattle on December 15th. They hope to raise many thousands of dollars for the relief of war-stricken areas abroad. Mrs. Gill is in charge of this Bazaar, and the Seattle Manx were invited to do their part—no matter how small. Many of their members plan to attend.

TORONTO

Thru their Secretary, Mrs. Mona Quilliam Downward, the Toronto Manx Society reports having had a "grand time" at their Hollantide supper. The tables were tastefully decorated and favors were provided for all. The entertainment which followed was first-class and concluded with a dance, everyone enjoying the old time Lancers, etc.

Their annual election of officers will be held on December 5th, and on December 23rd, they will have their Christmas Tree Party, when they hope to give the little ones a good time, with a special treat in store.

BUFFALO

The October meeting of the Buffalo Manx Society was held at the Willows Tea Room, when reports on the Lincoln Convention were made by Mrs. Jack Comish and Mr. Sidney Corkish. Miss Ruth Morrison, their Historian, entertained with an interesting talk, displaying baby pictures and humorous snaps, which caused much merriment.

A Halloween Masquerade Party was held at the home of Mr. and Mrs. John Skillicorn on October 27th and was a great success. Their Christmas Party will be at the Willows Tea Room on December 11th—turkey dinner and entertainment—Oh, Boy!

LADIES' AUXILIARY TO THE VANCOUVER

The Ladies' Auxiliary to the Vancouver Manx Society held a successful sale of work in the Cambrian Hall on the afternoon and evening of November 10th. A "Tom Brown" concert was also held in the evening—this being given by well known local Manx artists.

Two very enjoyable basket picnics were held by this group during the summer. On July 26th, they traveled by bus to Horseshoe Bay, and on August 23rd, they spent the day in Stanley Park.

Meetings of the Auxiliary are held on the fourth Wednesday of each month at the homes of members, such meetings being announced in the Vancouver papers.

WINNIPEG

The Winnipeg Manx Society held another successful Whist Drive and Dance on November 2nd. Khaki was very much in evidence, as some of their male members are serving their country and brought several soldier friends along.

MONTREAL

The October meeting of the Montreal Manx Society took the form of a concert. Some excellent talent was presented and everyone joined heartily in the vote of thanks to the artists. After the concert, refreshments were served, and then young and old joined in the dancing.

A Christmas program is planned for the December meeting, with the possibility that Santa Claus will pay his usual visit to the children.

SAN FRANCISCO

The Annual Meeting and Banquet of the San Francisco Manx Society was held on Saturday evening, October 28th. A fair-sized crowd turned out for the affair, and the following officers were elected for 1940:

President—Mrs. Wilfred Quayle.
Secretary—Warren Callow, 2370 Filbert St., San Francisco.

Treasurer—Mrs. Ivor Stokes.
Their Christmas Party is to be held on December 16th, when they will have the usual Christmas Tree and exchange of small gifts. Dancing and singing will round out a happy evening.

LADIES' AUXILIARY TO THE MONA'S RELIEF SOCIETY CLEVELAND, OHIO

The 40th Anniversary of the founding of the above society was celebrated with a Luncheon party at the Fenway Hall Hotel on Friday, December 8th—with 120 ladies in attendance.

Mrs. John R. Cain, president, presided and following her address of welcome she introduced the seven charter members, who were the honored guests. These were Mrs. T. R. Teare, Miss Amy C. Quayle, Miss Mary Hampton, Past Presidents; Mrs. W. C. Boyd, Mrs. Elmer Teare, Miss Chrissie Quayle and Miss Belle Teare. Each of these ladies and Mrs. Cain was presented with a beautiful corsage, a gift of the membership.

Other Past Presidents at the Speaker's table were Mrs. Frank Hogan, Mrs. A. U. Bartholomew, Miss Alice Corlett, Mrs. Roy Bertsch and Mrs. F. T. Gorry.

Mrs. T. R. Teare and Miss Amy C. Quayle, secretary for over 30 years gave interesting and inspiring talks, describing the formation of the Society and the splendid service it had performed in the 40 years of its existence.

As a token of appreciation of her many years of service, Miss Amy C. Quayle received a handbag from the membership.

Musical numbers by Mrs. James Forrester and Mrs. Douglas Cannell added much to the pleasure of the party.

Mr. W. H. Kelly, president, and Messrs. J. R. Cain, Robert Gorry, and Thomas Keig, past presidents of the Mona's Relief Society, were present and extended anniversary congratulations.

Assisting Mrs. Cain with arrangements were Mrs. Ada Sherman, Mrs. A. U. Bartholomew, Mrs. F. T. Gorry, Miss Alice Corlett, Miss Mary Hampton, Mrs. Roy Bertsch, Mrs. Theo. Kelly and Mrs. F. F. Cleator.

MONA'S RELIEF SOCIETY, CLEVELAND, OHIO

The regular monthly meeting was held on November 2nd, with Mr. W. Harry Kelly, President, presiding. Following the business session, a card party was held. There were about 125 people present, and all had a good

time. Table and door prizes were given, and refreshments were served. A goodly sum of money was raised, which goes to further the good work of the Relief Society.

At the December meeting of the Society, with the President, Mr. W. Harry Kelly, in the chair, the annual election of officers was held. The following were elected to serve for 1940:

President—W. H. Gorry.
Vice-President—Henry Watterson.
Recording Secretary—Mrs. Alan Fricke.

Financial Secretary—Miss Amy C. Quayle.

Relief Committee—Robert Gorry, Miss Mary Hampton and Mrs. C. J. Sutton.

Trustees—W. Harry Kelly, W. C. Kissack, and Jack Gell.

Historian—W. H. Collister.
The singing of "America" and refreshments brought the evening to a close.

MONA'S MUTUAL BENEFIT SOCIETY, CLEVELAND, O.

"Tom Brown Night", sponsored by the Mona's Mutual Benefit Society of Cleveland, was held on November 13th. Mr. W. H. Gorry had charge of the program, and Mr. Robert Gorry was Chairman of the evening. There were about 125 in attendance, and all enjoyed the program which consisted of duets by Messrs. Fred T. Gorry and Joseph Clucas, a recitation by Helen Gell, a reading from Tom Brown's Poems by Miss Gertrude Cannell, a vocal solo by Joseph Clucas, a violin solo by Mrs. Stead, a duet by Norman Cowin and a friend; and moving and sound pictures, which were shown by a friend of Mr. John Callow. The accompanist was Mr. W. J. Quilliam.

Several items, donated by some of the ladies, were raffled.

Refreshments were served and everyone had a real "Hollantide" night.

At the December meeting of the above society held December 11th, the following officers were elected:

President—John Callow
Vice-President—Alan Fricke
Financial Secretary—Roland Corlett
Recording Secretary—Raby Ker-mode

Treasurer—Norman Cowin
Trustees—John Watterson, Fred T. Gorry, John Lewin and Gordon Killip
Chaplain—Robert Gorry
Conductor—Jos. Clucas
Warden—Robert Cooil

Cleveland Manx Banquet

FRIDAY, JANUARY 26th has been selected as the date of the Annual Dinner, Entertainment and Dance of the Combined Manx Societies of Cleveland. Dinner will be served at seven o'clock at the Hotel Carter, East 9th and Prospect Avenue.

So . . . here's a New Year Resolution . . . Resolve to join your Manx friends that night . . . a real Manx welcome awaits you.

OUR OWN PEOPLE

Dr. Fred J. Kelley, Chief, Division of Higher Education, Office of Education entertained Captain J. O. Gawne, U.S.N., G. J. Callister Vice-Pres., American Potash Institute, Ewan Clague, Director of Research and Statistics, Social Security Agency, Ellsworth P. Killip, Assistant Curator and Botanist, Smithsonian Institute and J. W. Jenkinson at luncheon on November 30 in the Interior Building.

The names of the distinguished guests betray their Manx ancestry, and the gathering therefore may almost be considered as the first Manx Convention ever held in Washington. All enjoyed the "coolish" which naturally ensues when Manxmen foregather. It was fortunate that they were able to get together as they are busy men, frequently leaving town on business. The hope was expressed that circumstances would make it possible for all to meet again.

Tom N. Corlette, veteran deputy in Probate Court, is a cross-word puzzle fan from away back. He's been working such puzzles ever since they first appeared as daily features in our newspapers and now has reached the advanced stage of making them himself. Is working on a new kind now, which uses numerals instead of letters.

When he gets a minute free from his court duties he has his nose buried in a book—the dictionary. It's his favorite book when he's at home, too, at 1416 Vandemar Road, Cleveland Heights, Ohio.

A son, James Douglas, was born to Mr. and Mrs. James Robison of Elk Creek, Nebraska, on October 30th. Before her marriage, Mrs. Robison was Ann Kerruish, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Archie Kerruish of Chicago. Congratulations, Ann and Jim.

And here is real cause for DOUBLE congratulations! Mr. and Mrs. Wm. Hewitt of Winnipeg are now the proud parents of twin daughters. Many who attended the Winnipeg convention will remember Mr. and Mrs. Hewitt.

Miss Lois Abell, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Laurel Abell of Cleveland, was married to Mr. George Hricko on Saturday evening, November 18th, at the Trinity Baptist Church in Cleveland. Many Manx friends were among the two hundred in attendance. A motion picture of the wedding and the reception, which was held in the church dining room after the wedding, was taken by Mr. Percy Gaskell of Cleveland. The young couple received many lovely gifts and are now at home in their apartment in West 110th Street, Cleveland.

The Secretary of the Bisbee Society, Mr. Arnold Corrin, reports the illness of several of their members. We extend best wishes to all these people, and trust that they are now on the road to recovery.

Maryellen Robison, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. John Robison of Elk Creek, Nebraska, and a student at the Nebraska University, was placed 1st, 2nd and 3rd in three different events in which she rode at the riding contest held recently by the University Riding Club. She was also selected as a member of the University Girls' Soccer Team.

Here is an opportunity to do a good turn for a deserving Manx friend! Financial circumstances will not permit his subscribing to any of the Manx newspapers. He has been in poor health for some time and would be deeply grateful if some of our members or friends would send their copies of the papers along to him after they have read them. The Corresponding Secretary will be glad to furnish any interested parties with his name. We would like to provide him with weekly copies of all of the Manx papers, so in replying, please mention the one or ones you would like to send him.

Five members of the Toronto Manx Society are serving with His Majesty's Forces — Gordon Caveen, Harry Greene, Doug Fick, Gordon Downward and Bill Colquitt. We are proud of these young men, and wish them all the luck in the world!

We are sorry to report the death of the mother of Mrs. T. D. Clarke of Exeter, Nebraska, on October 21st. Mrs. Clarke is the wife of the Chairman of the Lincoln Convention Committee, and many of our members who met her this summer will join in expressing our sympathy to her.

Rev. J. Thos. Cowley, 1207 E. 7th Street, Newberg, Oregon, who has been in ill health for several years, would be pleased to hear from former residents of Laxey and Peel, especially any Cowleys, to whom he might possibly be related. He was born in Douglas and spent his boyhood in Laxey, where his father was in charge of the shoemaking department of the Laxey Co-Op Society Store. He wants also to be remembered to all of his old friends, especially John E. Christian of Cleveland and Lt. Col. W. S. Quirk, S.A., of Manasquan, N. J. Rev. Cowley enjoys the Bulletin and is greatly interested in all things Manx.

Mr. and Mrs. G. Cregeen, formerly of Winnipeg, are now at Wendigo Gold Mines, Kenora, Ontario.

OBITUARIES

Caine, Ida, of Akron, Ohio, passed on recently following an operation. She is survived by her husband, Bert and one daughter, Ida.

Cain, Mrs. W. J., of Vancouver, B. C., passed away in October. She came to Vancouver from Peel, Isle of Man, 42 years ago and has always been a real friend to many of the Manx people who migrated to Vancouver since that time. Her passing will be sadly felt by all who knew her.

Keig, Joseph B., J. P., passed on suddenly at his home "The Mount" in Ramsey, Isle of Man, on Thursday, October 19th. Mr. Keig was the youngest of a family of thirteen, being the son of the late Robert Keig, Ballacain, Ballaugh. He had an important position in the Isle of Man Bank for a great many years, was made a Justice of the Peace in 1933 and was Hon. Treasurer of the Ramsey and District Cottage Hospital for over thirty years. Surviving are his son, R. J. D. Keig, who is with the Admiralty Service; his brothers, T. E. and Richard of Ballaugh; and several nieces and nephews in the United States.

Ptak, Maude A. (nee Cashin), of Cleveland, passed away November 28th. She was a granddaughter of the late William Cashin, custodian of Peel Castle. She is survived by her husband Ladimer J. and one son, Ladimer G.

Robinson, Mrs. Alex, age 93, passed away October 27th. She was a daughter of Jonathan Kaneen, whose family came to Cleveland over 100 years ago from the Isle of Man. Mrs. Robinson was born on the site where the Cleveland Terminal now stands and was the oldest member of the Ladies' Auxiliary to the Mona's Relief Society. Surviving her are two daughters, Mrs. May Chatham with whom she lived, Mrs. Belle Carr, and two sons Arthur and Alex Robinson.

Teare, Miss Nellie J., passed away suddenly at her home in Rochester, New York, on Thursday, November 23rd. Miss Teare was an active and interested member of the Rochester Manx Society, also of the North American Manx Association. She is survived by two cousins, Miss Minnie J. Brown of Rochester, and Mr. Alfred Teare of Santa Fe, New Mexico.

To the relatives and friends of the above, we extend heartfelt sympathy.

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