

The Season's Greetings

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

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A Christmas Message From Our President

Again it is Christmas and in this issue of our Bulletin you will read all the messages of love and good will expressed by your Executives.

In the year that has passed, many things have happened, and we have had to reconstruct our lives to suit the conditions brought upon us by this terrible war. The untold sufferings of millions of people throughout the world, caused by the ambitions of a group of madmen who sought to impose their will on the whole world, gives us cause to ponder and think of that great Manx whose birthday we are celebrating and who gave His life so that our world would be a better place to live in. Now, once again, that privilege has been challenged, and we have no alternative other than to fight and win—no matter what the sacrifice, or how great the odds.

My only hope is that this time it will be final, and that "when the lights do go on again all over the world" it will be to shine on a more happy and peaceful one, that the men and women who helped to win the war will be rewarded by some of the comforts that should come with peace and that the rank and file may be spared the miseries which have usually

been their compensation in the past.

At this time, I would like to express on behalf of your Executives and myself our sincere thanks to all our members and



friends for the splendid manner in which they answered our appeals for support in the last year. We felt handicapped, especially when it became necessary to postpone our Convention, but even with all the calls imposed on you, you all came for-

ward to the support of our N.A. M.A., and by your generosity, we have been able to carry on. Now, let us keep our resolve to preserve our Association for the future comfort and benefit of our people.

While the war lasts, we have to carry on as best we can. The officers in charge have that responsibility, and I am sure that we hope to be able to give a good account of our stewardship when we resume our usual mode of life again and hold our delayed Toronto Convention in celebration of a complete and final victory.

I feel that my message would not be complete if I did not refer to the magnificent effort put forward by our beloved Island to the job of winning the war. We seem to have Manx men and women fighting on every front, doing their duty in their quiet and determined manner.

In conclusion, my best wishes and greetings for this Christmas Season to all Manx people, no matter where they may be located, and to all the men and women in the service of their country—good luck, good health and the sincere thanks of all of us.

Fraternally yours,
James Y. Mann, President.

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

It is a pleasure to extend greetings through our special messenger, the Bulletin, which will be in touch with so many of our Manx friends and relatives throughout the world. The Christmas Bulletin is like a cheery Christmas caller.

In these days of rationing, it is a comfort to know that there is no limitation to our greetings and our prayers and that they can still go forth to our friends, who are perhaps scattered over greater areas than they have been in many a year.

Christmas festivities may be limited this year, but we can still have the spirit of Christmas that is so much a part of us. With this spirit, there must always be a Christmas. It is our hope that Peace on Earth, for which our men are fighting today, may be soon a reality, and that they will be with us in person to celebrate a joyous Christmas before another year has ended. May you all have a Merry Christmas, one that will stay in your hearts for days and days and may your New Year be bright with new hopes and cheer.

Alice Garrett, Vice President



We are privileged to live in a land hardly touched by the ravages of war, but as time goes on, we will be called upon to give more of our time, more of our money, more of our spirit and more of our life in the support of our boys now fighting everywhere to preserve this, our way of life.

I know that all Manx people everywhere will never let down until Victory is won, and may the Peace to come be a lasting one, in the Spirit of the Season we are about to celebrate.

Season's greetings from

Walter D. Skillicorn,
Vice President



We are all looking forward with renewed hope to a better and happier Christmas and New Year, and to the time when Manx folks can again meet and greet as of yore.

With best wishes for Christmas and the New Year.

Edith A. Bury, Representative
N.A.M.A. Ladies' Auxiliary.

This year finds many of our members in all branches of the armed forces, doing their best to keep the flags of the United Nations flying, and we shall not fail you. As we celebrate this great birthday of the Christ Child, we shall be thinking of you, and my earnest wish for all is that amidst the struggle and conflict, you may have a Merry Christmas and that the New Year will bring with it peace and happiness for all.

Pvt. Richard H. Corkill,
Representative N.A.M.A.
Breakfast Club.
Co. B, 4th Med. Trng. Bn.
3rd Platoon No. 1229,
Camp Pickett, Va.



Heartiest Greetings of the Season to Manx people everywhere—with a specially warm thought for men and women in the Service, who are spending this holiday time away from home and loved ones.

Christmas finds us at war because our enemies have attempted to force on the world a "new order" which is opposed to our most hallowed traditions. This has served only to strengthen our faith, and today we repeat with triumphant joy the old, old message—

Good Christian men, rejoice
With heart and soul and voice!
Give ye heed to what we say,
News! News!
Jesus Christ is born today!

Gertrude Cannell,
Financial Sec'y-Treas.



Again it gives me much pleasure to wish my many Manx friends the Greetings of the Holiday Season. Let us all hope and pray that by the time another Christmas rolls around, the world again will be at peace. I wish especially to greet our boys who are serving in the forces of the United Nations and to let them know that we are pulling for them here at home. So, with every good wish to all of you,

Claire M. Mytecraine, Sec'y.

In a short time, God willing, we will celebrate the birthday of our Lord, and rejoice in the knowledge of His ultimate triumph as the Prince of Peace when wars will no more cause death and destruction and create misery and woe. For the present, we can only pray that an honorable and lasting peace may be achieved by the freedom loving nations in the not too distant future.

Dark as the prospect may appear, yet, knowing that righteousness will prevail even unto the ends of the earth, we take heart and send our greetings to loved ones in the homeland, in the United States, Canada and elsewhere, and especially to our boys in the Allied Armies and Navies.

The Manx ones in Washington and Baltimore wish all Manx folk a Happy Christmas and New Year, with plenty to "ate" and good health and happiness throughout the coming year.

J. Wilson Jenkinson, Vice Pres.
Washington, D. C.



Greetings From The World Manx Association

The Committee and officers of the World Manx Association send Heartiest Greetings to the North American Manx Association and all Manx friends, wishing you, in the old familiar way, a Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year.

Once more it is Christmas, the sacred time of happy memories, when our thoughts turn to our kinsfolk and friends scattered throughout the world. We especially remember our men and women serving in the forces of the United Nations in this fight for freedom and justice. While remembering all, let us keep the old Manx customs of celebrating Christmas by decorating, Carol singing, greeting friends, clean healthy merrymaking, and trying to comfort those in sorrow or distress.

We pray that the Message of Christmas—"Peace on Earth, Good Will to Men"—may soon become an accomplished fact, and that the New Year may be a truly Happy one.

Richard Cain, President
Charles Craine, Hon. Sec'y

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About Things Manx

A NEW YEAR'S WALK TO THE TOP OF SNAEFELL

What do childhood memories recall of Christmas holidays in the Isle of Man? After the choirs, saluting Christmas morning, after the stockings and the Christmas dinner, the games and the mince pies, there was a whole week of Christmas joys. The Hunt the Wren boys, and the warmed-up plum pudding on St. Stephen's Day; Christmas parties where tables were festive with quivering jellies, pyramids of apples and oranges, and the white frosting of Christmas cakes; long evenings by the family fireside in the blissful company of new books and a contented cat. We sang "Here's to King Christmas", and Christmas was King indeed, with his crown of red-berried holly and his robe of diamond-spangled night sky—a match for the bright eyes of his devoted subjects. Then came New Year's Eve, and we Douglas children were told that if we went down to the marketplace we would see a man with a nose for every day in the year, and that night there was the thrill of hearing the bells ring out on the stroke of midnight and the sirens hooting from the Harbour; there was the greeting of friends returning from the Watch Night Service, and seeing who would be the Qualtagh; and not least of the delights of this magic midnight hour was to hear the bells of St. Thomas playing familiar hymn tunes to usher in the New Year.

And then New Year's Day, and despite the holly and mistletoe there was an unexplainable urge to do something different. Once in my recollection that urge took the form of a hike to the top of Snaefell and back—a hardy New Year resolution for four or five youngsters. It was a still, cold morning, with a gossamer veil of frosty damp in the air. Along Glencrutchery Road and up past Hillberry the hoar frost crusted roofs and ground; the sun was the bright centre of a wide, misty halo. There

was no one else abroad on this fine frosty New Year's morning; all to ourselves we had the magnificent road with its high hedges, from which in summer we used to watch the motor races, and now in imagination could see and hear those demon-like machines as they came roaring down stretch after stretch of the mountain road, the driver hunched over his wheel, the mechanic hanging over the side, his ear nearly touching the ground as he listened to the hum of the tires. Down below, Douglas Bay showed as a streak of steel-blue and the Head loomed solid in the haze. But at Creg-ny-Baa (favorite breathing place for char-a-bancs in the good old summertime) the advancing day brings a change. The mist is dispersing; the Bay below begins to sparkle, and the green grass emerges from its white coat. The road climbs on, a gentle, gradual ascent that tires no one; Keppel Gate is reached and passed, and the beautiful Manx central mountain range opens up in a panorama that astonishes us, slope upon slope, hill after hill—Greeba, Colden, Injebreck at the head of West Baldwin valley, then Carraghan, Penny-Pot and straight ahead, topping them all, old Snaefell itself. In summer these hillsides will be glowing with the glory of golden gorse and purple heather, crowned with snowy clouds against a brilliant sky, but now the scene is quiet, subdued—just the long, brown slopes dreaming in the pale sunshine—but the nearer fields are green, and a solitary daisy winks an eye at the roadside.

The road ascends so gradually all the way from Douglas that when at last we come to the mountain there is only a few minutes' climb to the top. Here is the view we have come to see—a view unique in the whole world. There are mightier mountains—Snaefell is an infant among the earth's giants; there are views more stupendous—but from no other height can you see five kingdoms! Here on Snaefell is the very heart of the British Isles; here we see the coasts of England, Scotland, Ireland, Wales, and beneath our feet our own Isle of Man. From no other point can the five countries be seen at one time, and it is a heart-touching and heart-stirring sight. On that New Year's Day those distant coasts shone silvery under the pale blue sky, and the Island spread below us its familiar bays and headlands, hills and fields and valleys, from Maughold to Spanish Head, from Laxey to Cronk-ny-Iree Lhaa—"our own Island Kingdom, enthroned on the deep."

Standing on top of old Snaefell in the chill brightness of that January day it seemed that Winter had in truth taken his crown of holly and departed, and here with our eyes we were seeing the turn of the year come to the sister Islands; feeling the breath of Spring in the pale sunshine and in the smile of a wayside daisy.

Today in imagination we stand again on the summit of Snaefell and see the sister countries, tranquil and free with the encircling sea around and between, meeting the turn of the tide of war with the same serenity of faith with which they met its most

furious blows. Those beloved shores, those native seas will mean Home to Britons to the end of time. We who have our roots there—we and the millions on this side of the Atlantic who claim the traditions, the ideals and the code of Britain as our natural heritage—join in wishing to our brothers and friends there, as we wish one another here, a Happy—and ever Happier—New Year!

Gertrude Cannell.

Manx - Americans and Manx - Canadians In The Armed Forces

The following boys have joined the Armed Forces of the United States and Canada since our last Bulletin was published:

TORONTO

Private Frank Caveen, 48th Highlanders, Camp Bordon, Ontario (No. B132864), son of Mr. and Mrs. Fred Caveen, 34 Eastwood Road, Toronto.

VANCOUVER

T. S. Killip, son of Mr. and Mrs. T. L. Killip, 1020 Harwood Street, Vancouver.

E. J. Costain, son of Mr. and Mrs. J. E. Costain, 2346 E. 3rd Ave., Vancouver.

Kenneth C. Christian, son of Mrs. M. Christian, 4305 Prince Albert St., Vancouver.

George A. Ross, son of Mr. and Mrs. G. P. Ross, 905—10th St., New Westminster, B. C.

K. G. Logan, son of Mr. and Mrs. C. Logan, 2808 Commercial Drive, Vancouver.

R. Bohlmer, son-in-law of Mr. and Mrs. C. Gell, 545 E. 22nd Ave., Vancouver.

TORONTO

A.C. 2 W. W. Beddow, R.199311, R.C.A.F., Manning Depot, Toronto. Son of Mr. and Mrs. W. Beddow, 51 Beechwood Ave., Mount Dennis, Toronto 9, Ontario.

MISCELLANEOUS

Private John D. Farquhar, Co. K., R. R. C., Camp Devens, Mass. Son of Mr. and Mrs. John Farquhar, Ipswich, Mass.

GALVA

Pvt. John R. Brew, E.R.C. L.S.D. N.S. Signal Corps, Ashland, Ky. Son of Mr. and Mrs. John C. Brew, Galva, Ill.

Harold Kewish, son of Mr. and Mrs. James Kewish, Galva, Ill.

Frank O. Kennaugh, son of Mrs. Eleanor Kennaugh, Galva, Ill.

William Kewish, son of Mr. and Mrs. Harvey Kewish, Galva, Ill.

James Kewley, son of Mr. and Mrs. Walter Kewley, Galva, Ill.

George Craine, son of Mr. George Craine, Galva, Ill.

Merle Craine, nephew of Mr. and Mrs. W. C. Emery, Galva, Ill.

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Christmas Greetings

SAN FRANCISCO

"Greetings from the City of the
'Golden Gate'"

"Ollick Gennal"

Surely this year we have more reason to wish each other the "Compliments of the Season." We have been lifted out of the slough of dark despair into the bright field of hope, and we face the coming new year with our Faith and Trust restored.

Let us stick to the wheel, with vigilance as our watchword, so that each person and each society may pull its weight to ultimate and early victory.

Let us then have a Happy Christmas and look forward with courage to a happier and brighter New Year.

We of San Francisco greet our Manx friends of the United States and Canada, or wherever they may be, with the old Manx wish of "Happiness to This House".

Ivor Stokes, Pres.

Essie Quayle, Sec'y.



BUFFALO

The members of the Buffalo Manx Society extend Season's Greetings and hope that the dark clouds of war will have rolled by and brighter and happier days will gladden the hearts of all before another Christmas.

Fred Towle, Pres.

Mary Skillicorn, Sec'y.



MONTREAL

The Montreal Manx Society sends greetings for a Very Happy Christmas and Bright and Joyous New Year to all Manx people throughout North America and the World.

Douglas Corlett, Pres.

Mrs. Eric Munro, Sec'y.

VANCOUVER

The Vancouver Manx Society sends greetings to every Manx Society affiliated with the N.A.M.A., and wishes one and all a Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year—and may the prospects of peace and good will to men grow brighter every day.

J. E. Costain, Pres.

Alice M. M. Killip, Sec'y.



BISBEE

The Bisbee Manx Society sends Christmas Greetings to all Societies and Manx people everywhere, especially to those boys who are serving their country in the Armed Forces.

W. K. Caley, Pres.

Arnold Corrin, Sec'y.



MONA'S MUTUAL BENEFIT SOCIETY, CLEVELAND

The Mona's Mutual Benefit Society sends greetings to our Manx Societies all over the world. May Peace on Earth, Good Will toward men come soon.

Alan Fricke, Pres.

Roland Corlett, Fin. Sec'y.

Wm. H. Gorry, Rec. Sec'y.



GREATER NEW YORK

Never before in the long history of the human race has the existing order of civilization been so threatened, and by evil so thoroughly organized. This is the time when kinship should come into its own. And it does. Our blood tingles at the deeds of our brothers who are fighting for freedom, and to them we send all the wishes that THE SEASON'S GREETINGS can mean.

James C. Tyson, Pres.

Lillie Christian, Vice Pres.

Florence M. Gill, Sec'y.

NEBRASKA

The officers and members of the Nebraska Manx Association send warmest Christmas Greetings and every good wish for the New Year to Manx people everywhere. We think especially of our folks in the Isle of Man, on the high seas and throughout the war-torn countries the world over. We pray that Peace will soon come to this troubled world and end the terrors of this war. God bless our dear ones wherever they are and we would include all service men and women who are so nobly doing their duty. May we on this continent (though we too are at war) be thankful for the many blessings we still enjoy and be willing to share what we have with those less fortunate than ourselves.

Mrs. Harry R. Crellin, Pres.

Mrs. Nell J. Morris, Sec'y-Treas.



ROCHESTER

With the sincere hope that the coming year will bring peace and happiness throughout the world, the Rochester Manx Society sends greetings to our kinsfolk at home and abroad.

Alfred Looney, Pres.

Dan W. Christian, Sec'y.



TORONTO

Cordial Christmas and New Year Greetings to our kinsfolk at home and abroad. May the message of "Peace on Earth, Good Will toward men" abide with us all.

Tom Moore, Pres.

Moira Downward, Sec'y.



LOS ANGELES

The Los Angeles Manx Society extends "full rations" of good will and cheer to everyone listening in. May no home be without comfort and happiness throughout the Christmas holiday, and may all Manx boys in service around this globe be safe and well.

Wm. Mullen, Pres.

Mary Caine Ward, Sec'y.



From Manx Societies



GALVA

The Galva Manx Society wishes all our Manx Societies throughout the world a Very Merry Christmas and a Peaceful New Year.

Tyrus T. Kelly, Pres.
Ada Cubbon, Sec'y.



NORTH EASTERN OHIO

The North Eastern Ohio Manx extend Holiday Greetings through the Christmas Story:

"The age old story heard
Again at Christmas time,
With cheer in every word!
And may the Story, as it's told,
Bring new joy and peace
And blessings that throughout the
year
Will constantly increase!"

Emma Cowle, Pres.
Lizzie Harrison, Vice Pres.
Blanche Killey, Sec'y.



MONA'S RELIEF, CLEVELAND

The officers and members of the Mona's Relief Society of Cleveland extend greetings for Christmas and the coming year to all societies and Manx people throughout the world.

John H. Gell, Pres.
Virginia Foster, Sec'y.



LADIES' AUXILIARY TO MONA'S RELIEF, CLEVELAND

The Ladies' Auxiliary to the Mona's Relief Society extends Christmas greetings and every good wish for the coming year to Manx friends and their families everywhere. Our thoughts are particularly with those in the service of our country, at home and abroad, and it is our sincere hope that they will soon be reunited with their families.

Margaret J. Cain, Pres.
Mona A. Bertsch, Sec'y.

N.A.M.A. BREAKFAST CLUB

The officers and members of the Breakfast Club wish to extend to all Manx people the world over, Best Wishes for a Merry Christmas and a Happy, Prosperous and Victorious New Year.

Pvt. Stephen H. Quinney, Sec'y-Treas.
1520th Service Unit, Sta. Comp.
Post Hq. & Hq. Co.
Fort Hayes, Columbus, Ohio.



DETROIT-WINDSOR

The officers and members of the Detroit-Windsor Manx Society wish all Manx people, wherever they may be, a Merry Christmas and a Happy and Peaceful New Year.

A. Gough, Pres.
Miss N. K. Upham, Sec'y.



N.A.M.A. LADIES' AUXILIARY

The officers of the Ladies' Auxiliary to the N.A.M.A. extend to all our members and Manx friends scattered throughout the world, the heartiest of Christmas greetings, and may your fondest hopes and expectations be realized in the New Year.

Mrs. L. Abell, Pres.
Miss Alice Garrett, Sec'y.



PEORIA

To Manx people everywhere the Peoria Manx Society sends Christmas greetings, with a prayer and a hope for peace in the coming year.

Rev. J. C. Craine, Hon. Pres.
Frank Shimmin, Pres.
Eva Kelly, Sec'y.

CHICAGO

A Sacrificial New Year

The advent of the New Year brings substantial encouragement to the liberty-loving peoples of the world. New rays of hope appearing on the horizons of far flung battle fronts cause us to take fresh courage and to press with unabated vigor the global war for freedom. The forward march of the dictators' armies has been checked. In order that they may be thrown back and eventually crushed, never to rise again, will still require our united efforts and a large measure of sacrifice.

Appalling though the loss of human life, widespread the destruction of homes, of property and of armament, and intense the suffering and deprivation of our fighting forces, this all will be endured if the right of the individual to freedom of thought and liberty of action be assured to us and to free men everywhere.

Our sympathy goes out to our own Manx people, whether on the Island, in Canada, the United States, or the distant lands across the sea, whose sons shall have made the supreme sacrifice or who have suffered unspeakably in the tragic experiences of war during four years already passed.

May those of us who at home have dwelt in comparative safety and comfort, going about our daily tasks as usual, highly resolve that those "drops of blood, of sweat and tears" shall not have been expended in vain. Moreover that we shall without murmur or complaint make any sacrifice necessary to assure that our world, as the immortal Lincoln referring to this Nation in his memorable Gettysburg address said, "under God shall have a new birth of freedom and that the Government of the people, by the people and for the people shall not perish from the earth".

May God bless and keep as in the Hollow of His Hand every son and daughter of Ellan Vannin on land or sea who nobly serve in freedom's cause, and thus in the end help "to preserve whate'er is left to us of ancient heritage", in a truer and larger sense than ever before.

Thomas C. Kelly, Pres.
Ethel M. Shimmin, Sec'y.



NEWS OF THE MANX SOCIETIES

TORONTO

CHICAGO

The annual dinner of the Chicago Manx Society took place at the Stevens Building Restaurant in Chicago on September 18th. Over fifty people attended and their guest speaker was the new British Consul General, Mr. W. H. Gallienne. The Rev. T. Harry Kelly introduced the speaker, and Mrs. R. C. Kelly gave an amusing one act play. Miss Mildred Ross sang and a few remarks by Dr. J. J. Moore brought the evening to an early close, leaving plenty of time for a "coolish" before departing for their homes.

VANCOUVER

The Annual Meeting and Election of Officers of the Vancouver Manx Society was held in October, and most of the executives were re-elected:

President.....J. E. Costain
Vice President.....Mrs. Fred Killip
Secretary.....Mrs. T. L. Killip,
1020 Harwood St., Vancouver
Treasurer.....Mrs. R. McWaters
Committee—Mesdames Killey, W. Christian and Irwin, and Messrs. R. Fayle, J. W. Clucas and T. L. Killip.

The members of this society are looking forward with pleasure to meeting many old friends and "old timers" at their Annual Banquet, Concert and Dance on January 1, 1943. They extend an invitation to Manx people outside of Vancouver, whose gasoline ration will permit them to travel.

BISBEE

The October meeting of the Bisbee Manx Society, held at the home of Mr. and Mrs. James Kennaugh, was well attended. Miss Ruth Kennaugh led the singing of good old songs, and everyone had an enjoyable evening.

Their November meeting was in celebration of the 9th anniversary of the Society. A buffet supper was served and business was dispensed with so the entire evening could be devoted to having a good time. The birthday cake for this party was provided by Mrs. Caley.

MONTREAL

The December meeting of the Montreal Society will be held on the 8th inst. and will take the form of Carol Singing and a talk by the Rev. C. G. Smith on "Dickens' Christmas Carol".

BUFFALO

The October meeting of the Buffalo Manx Society was held at the home of Mr. and Mrs. John Skillicorn and was a Hallowe'en Party. The society's Christmas party was held on December 9th.

SAN FRANCISCO

The annual meeting and election of officers of the San Francisco Manx Society was held in November, and the following were chosen to serve the society for the coming year:

President.....Ivor Stokes
Vice President.....Ernest Rhodes
2nd Vice Pres.....
.....Capt. David Maeth, M.C.
Treasurer.....Mrs. Ivor Stokes
Secretary.....Mrs. W. Quayle,
1537—20th Ave., San Francisco

Their October meeting was held at the home of Mrs. Frank Burnett. Mr. William Radcliffe of Australia was the guest of honor on this occasion. He is a nephew of the late Inspector Shimmin of Peel, and also a nephew of Mr. Charles Gill of Douglas. Mr. Radcliffe has lived in Australia for fifteen years and was ever so pleased to meet with people from "home". He was later entertained at the homes of several of the members of the society.

The proceeds of their Christmas party, to be held in December, will be turned over to the British Benevolent Fund.

GREATER NEW YORK

Miss Florence Gill, Secretary of the Manx Society of Greater New York, was hostess for their fall meeting. A splendid supper was provided by Miss Gill, and after the business for the evening had been taken care of, they all enjoyed a happy time together. It is reported, however, that they missed several of their members who are on active duty in defense work and others who are now residing some distance from the city.

Their new Manx banner was given great prominence by Mr. Alfred Anderson, who carried it at a very impressive service of the Patriotic Societies held on November 22nd in the Cathedral of St. John the Divine. After the service, Mr. and Mrs. Anderson entertained the Manx at their home. They all enjoyed the delightful supper served by Mrs. Anderson, and also the entertainment prepared by their daughter, Grace, and her husband, Stuart Seaman.

Several members of this society also attended a recent concert at Town Hall in New York. It was sponsored by the Scottish Cultural Society, and Jim Tyson, President of the Manx Society of New York, was the accompanist.

DETROIT-WINDSOR

The Annual Dinner of the Detroit-Windsor Manx Society was held on December 2nd at the Pallister Tea Rooms in Detroit. A fine turkey dinner was served and enjoyed by all present. Their annual Christmas Party was being held at St. Andrews Hall, Detroit, on December 8th.

Manx Societies, like the ladies, are privileged to change their minds! Scheduled arrangements of the Toronto Manx Society for a theatre party instead of the usual Hollantide Social were altered to a "Hot Pot Supper" and the change in plans proved successful. The supper was held at the home of the Fred Caveens, and while the recipe was not strictly Manx, everyone enjoyed the hot dish and good things provided. Two sailor guests of the evening were Bob Quine and Frank Corris of Schumacher, Ontario, both of whom are stationed in Toronto. After the inner man had been well looked after, tables were cleared and all enjoyed the dancing which followed. Mr. Enos Christian rendered the "Manx Wedding" and "The Pride of Port LeMurra". Fred Caveen and Tom Moore sang "Alouette" with trimmings, and Bill Gibson had everyone in stitches with his breezy yarns. Mr. Frank Williamson sang "Kelly the Carman", the crowd helping him out in the chorus. Yes—it had all the theatre parties beaten by miles, and already there are threats for a repetition very soon.

Their election of officers took place at the October meeting, with the following results:

President.....Tom Moore
Vice President.....Charlie Moore
Treasurer.....Mrs. Frank Williamson
Financial Secy.....Mrs. W. Gibson
Secretary.....Mrs. Gordon Downward,
60 Marchmount Road, Toronto
Asst. Secretary.....Mrs. Tom Moore
Committee—Mr. and Mrs. F. Caveen,
Mrs. E. Clague and Mr. Frank Williamson.

In his speech at this meeting reviewing the work of the society for the past year, the President stated that since 1940 to the present time, 33,000 smokes had been sent to the overseas boys. This is truly a commendable record, considering the small membership of this society and the many other demands upon their purses.

LOS ANGELES

The November meeting of the Los Angeles Manx Society was held at the Oscar Ward home, 1818 West 81st Street, Los Angeles, with the following co-hosts and hostesses: Mrs. Louise and Miss Helen Meredith, Mrs. Lou Sadewater, Mrs. Ila Lloyd, Mr. and Mrs. Richard Pilkington, and Mr. and Mrs. Oscar Ward. About forty were present, enjoying a talking and singing fest, also the scones, cake, tea and coffee which were served later.

Because of gas rationing, the annual dinner of this Society will be held on Jan. 8th at Clifton's Cafeteria, where all can go on bus or street car. Further plans for the Society will be determined at that meeting.

**MONA'S RELIEF SOCIETY,
CLEVELAND**

Another year of the Mona's Relief Society has been brought to a close. The meetings were well attended this year and all enjoyed the entertainments and refreshments, as well as the business meetings conducted by the retiring President, Mr. John H. Gell.

At the December meeting of the above Society, Mrs. Edwin Gawne (nee Eleanor Karran) of Geneva, Ohio, who has recently returned from the Isle of Man, gave a very interesting talk descriptive of war-time conditions there.

A fine entertainment depicting in song and story events since the formation of the Mona's Relief Society in 1851 was presented by Mr. and Mrs. F. T. Gorry, Miss C. M. Mylecraine, and Mr. R. G. Anderson. The narrator was Miss Gertrude Cannell and the accompanist, Mr. John Lane. The president, Mr. John H. Gell, presided.

At the installation of officers, to be held on January 5th, the following will be installed:

President.....John Callow
 Vice President.....Fred Brew
 Financial Sec'y.....W. H. Kissack
 Recording Sec'y.....Virginia C. Foster
 Treasurer.....John F. Lewin
 Trustees—W. H. Kelly, W. H. Gorry and John H. Gell.
 Relief Committee—Robert Gorry, Mary Hampton and Mrs. C. J. Sutton.
 Historian.....W. H. Collister

**LADIES' AUXILIARY TO
MONA'S RELIEF**

A very successful luncheon was arranged by the Ladies' Auxiliary to the Mona's Relief Society of Cleveland on Friday, November 6th. Over ninety people attended to partake of the excellent lunch and enjoyed a very pleasant afternoon.

The next meeting, on December 18th, will be a Christmas party, when gifts will be exchanged. A hearty welcome will be extended to all who come. The ladies never let a Christmas pass without remembering members and children of members who are temporarily unfortunate. Each one is remembered with a nice little check, which in the aggregate amounts to about \$100.00, and the ladies always enjoy doing it.

NEBRASKA

Owing to a severe snow storm, the Nebraska Manx Association did not have their regular Christmas meeting on December 6th, as scheduled. However, Mrs. Harry Crellin and her sister, Mrs. George Humphrey, with her husband and family, did venture out and they, along with two service men from the Lincoln Air Base, met at the home of Mrs. J. W. Morris in Lincoln, who entertained them at dinner. They hope to have their meeting later in December, if it is possible to make the necessary arrangements.

OUR OWN PEOPLE

While it is now a long time after the event, we are taking this first opportunity to congratulate Mr. and Mrs. Ralph E. Coffman of R. R. 9, Topeka, Kansas, who were married on January 14 last. Mrs. Coffman is well known to most of us as Miss Florence Joyce, and with her parents she attended, and greatly enjoyed, the Lincoln Convention several years ago.

Pvt. Vernon R. McKissack, son of Mr. and Mrs. Tom McKissack of Cleveland, is a young man of talent who already has his name before the public. He is responsible for a daily cartoon in the Cleveland Plain Dealer entitled "Fighting Dollars—Stamp, Stamp, the Boys are Marching", the object of which, of course, is to promote the sale of War Bonds and Stamps. He has continued the series even while away at camp in Wyoming. "The boys in camp, too, invest part of their pay in War Stamps", writes Pvt. McKissack.

Two more old friends who discovered each other through the Bulletin are Mr. Thomas Faragher of R. D. No 2, Newton, New Jersey, and Mr. Wm. H. Gorry of 1345 East 143rd St., East Cleveland, Ohio. They knew each other in Peel, and later both worked in Douglas and boarded together at Shimmin's in Circular Road, in the late 'eighties.

Mrs. John F. Lewin, 13615 Fourth Ave., East Cleveland, was pleased to receive a letter from Liverpool recently from the sister of a sailor in the Royal Navy who had been given a pair of sea boot stockings knitted by Mrs. Lewin for the British War Relief Society. The sailor is Jimmy Malone and he was so pleased to receive such a fine gift that he wishes to thank the good American friends who so kindly sent these useful articles.

Congratulations to Mr. and Mrs. T. Quayle of Broadview, Saskatchewan, who attained their 53rd wedding anniversary on November 13th. Both are well and active, writes their daughter, Mrs. J. Melvin, also of Broadview. This family come from Douglas and are enthusiastic N.A. M.A. members.

Mr. and Mrs. John R. Cain of Cleveland had a real thrill over Thanksgiving this year—when they had a surprise visit from their nephew, Pilot Officer Norman Speedie of the Royal Canadian Air Force. He was accompanied by a fellow pilot officer, Roy Elliott, whose home is in New Zealand.

To meet these young men a "Party" was held at the Cain home with about 40 Manx people attending.

Norman is also the nephew of Mr. T. Harry Cain of Akron where part of his furlough was spent. Both of these young men are now instructors at Ottawa.

Has a Cleveland family failed to receive membership cards in return for \$2.00 sent in several weeks ago? This sum was received without name and address being given. Please inform the Financial Secretary!

Another Manx wedding! Miss Marjorie Ruth Holroyd was married on November 13th in Inglewood, California, to Mr. Richard W. Bell, son of Mr. and Mrs. Wm. Bell of Elyria, Ohio, and brother of Miss Dorothy Bell, President of Bradford Junior College, Bradford, Mass. Congratulations to these newlyweds!

The Toronto Manx Society reports having received mail from Sgt. Harry Greene, formerly of Toronto, who was wounded and taken prisoner in the Dieppe raid. They state, however, that there is still no word of Charlie Christian of Toronto.

Jim Tyson, President of the Manx Society of Greater New York, writes: "Henry Lace of Ramsey, who comes into New York frequently on a big Navy merchant ship, visited me last week. It is inspiring to know of the generous spirit and sportsmanship of a countryman who already has been the victim of torpedoes five times in this war."

Miss Marion Kissack, daughter of Mrs. Kissack and the late Mr. Ernest M. Kissack of 4142—44th Ave., S. W., Seattle, Wash., and Lieut. Hoffman of the U. S. Army Air Corps, son of Mr. and Mrs. Michael Hoffman of Nanuet, N.Y., were married on October 17th in Austin, Texas. They are living temporarily in San Francisco.

Percy Clucas of Toronto writes that his cousin Hall Clucas, formerly of the ill-fated S. S. Georgic, has been reported missing at sea. He is a nephew of Mrs. Hood of Coit Road, Cleveland, and W. H. Hall, Woodside Ave., Cleveland.

A noteworthy record of public service is shown by Mr. Robert Killey of Aspen, Colorado, who has just been re-elected Treasurer of Pitkin County for his 12th term—or 23rd year. He is the third oldest county treasurer in the State of Colorado.

A nephew of Mr. Harry Lace of Denver, Colo., Sergt. George Percy Lace of the R.A.F., has been awarded the Distinguished Flying Medal for gallantry in flying operations against the enemy. Sergt. Lace's home is in Barrow-in-Furness, England. We heartily congratulate him and his family on this recognition of gallant conduct.

Miss Mary L. Hodgson of Rochester, Minnesota, whom many of us met at the Lincoln Convention and again at Buffalo last year, spent a few days of her summer vacation in Winnipeg. While there Miss Hodgson tried to contact some of the Manx people and did meet a son of Mr. and Mrs. Wm. Quayle whom she had met at Lincoln. She hopes to see more of the Manx on another trip.

OBITUARIES

Collister, John F., passed away in Cleveland on October 27th. Born in the Isle of Man, he was brought to Cleveland when 4 years old, and was a clothing salesman for more than 50 years, first with the John Wageman & Sons Company, and latterly with the Halle Brothers Company.

Jeffcott, John Edward, of Victoria, B.C., passed away on November 23rd at the age of 86. He was born in the Isle of Man, coming to Canada in 1882, and was the son of a former High Bailiff of Castletown.

Kermode, Mathew H., passed on at Alhambra, California on August 29th at the age of 63. He came from the Eary, Isle of Man.

Kissack, Ernest Malin, passed away at the family home, 4142-44th Street, S.W., Seattle, Washington, on September 19th after an illness of nearly two years. He was the son of John Kissack and Jane Teare Kissack of Douglas, Isle of Man, and came to this continent when a young man, settling in Seattle in 1916. He is survived by his widow, Elizabeth E. (nee Johnston); a daughter, Mrs. Marion Hoffman; two sons, Edwin and Stanford; also four grandchildren and two sisters.

Lewthwaite, Ambrose, passed away at his home in Powell River, B.C., on November 17th. He was a member of the N.A.M.A. and is survived by his widow; a daughter Mona, of Powell River; and two brothers, Samuel of Vancouver and Martin of the Isle of Man.

Nelson, Samuel F., husband of the late Eleanor and father of Bella, Amy, George, Eleanor, Jeanie and Katherine passed away on November 11th at his late residence, 2154 West 96th St., Cleveland.

Reimer, Mrs. Maggie A., a lifelong resident of Cleveland, passed away at her home, 2504 Marlboro Road, Cleveland Heights on October 26th at the age of 90 years. Both her parents came from the Isle of Man almost 100 years ago. Mrs. Reimer was a member of the Mona's Relief Society, a good friend to the Ladies' Auxiliary and always interested in Manx activities. Surviving her are three nieces, Mrs. Edna Scott, Mrs. Eleanor Radcliffe and Miss Ruth Radcliffe.

Quiggin, John D., husband of Catherine and father of Bernard, Roy, Clyde and the late Jack died in Cleveland November 16th. He was a brother of Harry Quiggin, 13604 Fourth avenue, East Cleveland, and was born in the Isle of Man.

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

ARMED FORCES

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Driver G. E. Joughlin, H.Q. Company, 35th Bn., Home Forces, Australia. Nephew of Mrs. J. W. Morris, Lincoln.

Richard M. Kelly, Ph. M 2/C, U. S. Naval Training Hospital, Corpus Christi, Texas. Son of Mr. Charles Kelly, Nebraska City, Nebr.

P.F.C. Richard A. Munsell, A.S.N. 38008889 U. S. Army, Btry. D. 198 C. A. (AA), A.P.O. 919 c/o Postmaster, San Francisco, Calif. Nephew of Miss Munsell, Rising City, Nebr.

Sgt. L. R. Crellin, A.P.O. 1227, 81st Bomb. Sqr. 12th Bomb. Group, New York, N. Y. Nephew of Mr. R. B. Crellin, Ewing, Nebr.

CLEVELAND

Private Charles H. Kelly, 24 Tech. Sch. Sq. (Sp.) Section C, Fort Logan, Colo. (U. S. Army Air Corps). Son of Mr. Charles Kelly, Hayden Ave., East Cleveland, Ohio.

Stanley Coole, A.S., Co. 10 132, Section E, U. S. N., Navy Pier, Chicago. Son of Mr. and Mrs. Tom Coole, 3281 East 139th St., Cleveland.

A. C. Ralph Harper, Squadron I, Group 3, Class 43 E, Maxwell Field, Ala.

Pvt. Wm. Robt. Callow, Co. B, 3rd Bn., AFRTC No. 3532004, Fort Knox, Ky. Son of Mr. and Mrs. Harry Callow, Cleveland.

Briton J. Rogers, U. S. Marine Corps, Parris Island, S. C. Son of Mrs. Jas. Rogers, Gates Mills, Ohio.

P.F.C. James D. Moughtin, 39020-303, Hq. Btry. 2 Bn., 98th C. A. (A. A.) A.P.O. 958, c/o Postmaster, San Francisco, Calif.

Pvt. Ken Moughtin, 35013660, 6th F.A. Medical Detachment, A.P.O. 37, c/o Postmaster, San Francisco, Calif.

Sgt. Bernard Moughtin, Med. Detachment, Scott Field, Ill. (Three last-mentioned boys are sons of Mr. and Mrs. Jos. Moughtin, 855 Greyton Road, Cleveland Heights.

Pvt. S. H. Quinney, 1520th Service Unit, Sta. Comp. Post Hq. & Hq. Co., Fort Hayes, Columbus, Ohio.

Pvt. Tom Yetman, 366th Technical School, Sqd. Spec., Barracks 749, Lowry Field No. 2, Denver, Colo. Son of Mr. and Mrs. Percy C. Yetman, 14624 Westland Ave., Cleveland.

Pvt. Vernon R. McKissack, Co. C, 2nd Q.M.T.R., Building 354, Fort Francis E. Warren, Wyo. Son of Mr. and Mrs. Tom McKissack, 3392 West 130th St., Cleveland.

S. Sgt. C. B. Dyer, Hq. Btry., 98th Div. Artry., Camp Breckinridge, Ky. Husband of Mrs. Mona Stables Dyer.

Douglas Nicholl, A.F.S., Post Office, Fort Knox, Ky. Son of Mr. and Mrs. Thos. Nicholl, Cleveland.

Pvt. H. B. Corlette, 1637th C.A. S.C., U. S. Army, Coyne Elec'l School, 500 S. Paulina St., Chicago, Ill. Son of Mr. Tom Corlette, Cuyahoga County Court House, Cleveland.

Irwin Anderson, husband of Mrs. Elsie Quine Anderson, formerly of Cleveland.

Private Lincoln Mylechraine Co. B, Platoon 2, 11th General Hospital, Camp Livingston, La. Son of Fred Mylechraine, 2535 E. 83rd Street.

"The Mutiny on the Bounty" echoes down the years and continues to provide current news. From a Barrow-in-Furness paper it appears that descendants of First Mate Fletcher Christian, on Pitcairn Island, have sent to the Red Cross and St. John War Organization, walking sticks carved with their own names, for wounded soldiers.

LOOK Magazine of December 15th devotes almost a page to an article and photograph featuring Charles F. Sayle, whose forebears, says the article, "came to America on a packet boat from the Isle of Man." Mr. Sayle was born in Cleveland, worked on a Great Lakes freighter and afterwards (true to his ancestry) followed the sea, sailing on a fishing schooner out of Gloucester, Mass. At his home on Nantucket Island he pursued his hobby of building ship models, which commanded high prices and made him nationally famous. He has now given up this fascinating work in order to devote his remarkable skill to the country's service, in building model planes for the Army Air Corps, and is living at present in New Jersey.

The Isle of Man appears in the pages of the September 26th issue of "The New Yorker" in a charming article by Grace Flandrau. It tells of a visit paid by the writer when a child of twelve, to some connections of her people, a Manx family of Peel. She describes living with these people in a storybook atmosphere in the big old house fronting the Bay and Castle; the Victorian furniture, the heavy curtains, deep carpets and the glowing coal fires in every room, and above all the continuous feast of fairy lore, goblins and ghost stories, which were told her in the matter-of-fact way which children love—a story-telling gift which we all know seemed to be possessed by our parents and grandparents. The title of the article "What do you see, dear Enid" is derived from the fact that Enid, a member of the family, claimed the power of "seeing" the invisible—particularly the forecast of coming events in the fire. Miss Flandrau was thoroughly happy in this fascinating household. "When finally I was taken away" she says, "I had the feeling of having left home behind."