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MANX SOCIETIES IN WARTIME

Local Groups Still Carrying On, Despite Wartime Difficulties

VANCOUVER

The 26th Annual Reunion Banquet, Concert and Dance of the Vancouver Manx Society was held at the I.O.O.F. Hall in Vancouver on January 1st. The weather was fine and the committee provided a wonderful dinner. It is reported by their Secretary, Mrs. Alice M. M. Killip, that the evening was a complete success from every point of view and that they were especially pleased to have so many young people present to enjoy the dancing.

This Society held its regular monthly Whist Drives in January and February and had excellent attendance at both parties. Their Annual Spring Concert will be held on March 31st.

VANCOUVER'S LADIES' AUXILIARY

The Ladies' Auxiliary to the Vancouver Manx Society held its eighth Anniversary Tea on Wednesday, January 26th, at the home of Mrs. R. McWaters, 5402 Carleton Street, Vancouver. In the absence of the President, Mrs. Stevenson, the Vice-President, Mrs. E. Gelling, took charge. Music was arranged and conducted by Mrs. T. Killip, with Mrs. E. Kewley at the piano. Solos were rendered by Mrs. H. J. Bamsey, duets by Mrs. F. Crompton and Mrs. J. Hornall, readings by Mrs. R. Young and several numbers were sung by the Manx Ladies' Choir.

The meeting was attended by a good number of interested friends, and tea was poured by Mrs. E. Gelling and Mrs. J. Clucas. The birthday cake, made and donated by Mrs. Ada Stevenson, was cut by a pioneer member of the Auxiliary, Mrs. Gawne.

MONTREAL

A very successful Military Whist was held by the Montreal Manx Society on February 15th at Rialto Hall in Montreal. The proceeds were for the benefit of the Manx Prisoners of War Fund. The regular meeting of this Society was held on February 1st, when a social evening of entertainment, games and refreshments was enjoyed by all.

MONA'S RELIEF SOCIETY, CLEVELAND

Installation of officers for 1944 was the feature of the February meeting of the Mona's Relief Society. This ceremony, usually held in January was postponed due to small attendance at the January meeting, bad weather and prevalent illness being the cause. The officers for this year are:

President—John Callow
Vice-President—Fred Gorry
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Historian—W. H. Collister

Mr. R. H. Cooil was appointed Receptionist and Mr. Frank Cleator in charge of entertainment, has already introduced some very pleasing guest soloists. The March meeting night, as stated in another item, was turned over to the Cleveland Manx Servicemen's Fund Committee for their card party.

The April 4th meeting will be "N. A. M. A. Night" and Mr. Cleator has assigned the program to the local N. A. M. A. officers. Miss Mylecraine has arranged with the Chorus of the Cleveland Diesel Engine Division of General Motors, to entertain the members with a program of choral and solo music. Cleveland Manx! be sure to come down that night and enjoy a fine program—April 4th, 8 P.M., Standard Theatre Building.

The Mona's Relief Society started the year in a splendid manner by investing \$3,000 from its funds in War Bonds, in support of the Fourth War Loan.

LOS ANGELES

The Los Angeles Manx will meet at Foresters' Hall in Los Angeles on Friday, March 31st. They had a wonderful time at their Christmas party and are hoping for a good turn-out and another fine time at this meeting.

LADIES' AUXILIARY TO MONA'S RELIEF SOCIETY

A very successful luncheon was held at the Y.M.C.A., East 105th St., Cleveland, on Friday, March 3rd, when almost 100 people turned out. Mrs. F. F. Cleator is president of the Society and with her band of willing workers served a most appetizing meal. These luncheons become more popular all the time and several of the menfolk put in an appearance to swell the crowd. Mrs. B. C. Greggor and Mrs. Janette Marcus arranged the menu.

BUFFALO

The Buffalo Manx Society met at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Walter Skillicorn, 77 Fernhill Avenue, Buffalo, on February 13th for a Valentine Party. The weather was cold and the snow was deep, so attendance was somewhat below the usual number. Those who did venture out, however, enjoyed the excellent supper which had been prepared and spent a very pleasant evening among Manx friends.

SAN FRANCISCO

The February meeting of the San Francisco Manx Society was held at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Ivor Stokes. The Secretary of this Society, Mrs. Wilfred Quayle, reports that it was a very successful meeting, despite the falling off in attendance, due to transportation and other problems of wartime conditions. Their next meeting will be at the Fred Callow home in Berkeley, where they always have such a grand time. The San Francisco Manx ladies still knit and sew for the War Relief Agencies and continue to entertain any chance soldiers or sailors who come their way.

DETROIT-WINDSOR

The members of the Detroit-Windsor Manx Society met at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Robt. Q. Cannell in Berkley, Michigan, for their Christmas party and meeting. No meetings have been held by this group since that time, but they expect to hold their regular out-of-doors meetings during the summer months.

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The President's Message

My Fellow Manx People:

With this issue will come signs of spring, when most people feel relieved at the passing of the winter season. We have to face our problems for the present year to carry on our work and to improve on it for the benefit and comfort of our members. We also appeal to our readers to try to procure a new member during the year, and thank those who have already done this.

I would like to thank C.B.S. Radio Station at Vancouver, B. C., for the wonderful Manx program they put on under their popular "Songs of Empire" broadcast, with Percy Harvey's Orchestra, on Sunday, January 30th. I feel sure that anyone who heard this must have enjoyed a real treat and felt proud of the remarks made by the announcer.

One of the problems we have to face is the fact that, due to the war and so many of their members being in the armed forces, several of our Societies have had to curtail their activities until the conclusion of hostilities. However, as our Association is making rapid strides forward, I should like to suggest that members of these Societies avail themselves of the opportunity of joining the North American Manx Association. If we can be of any assistance to these Societies when the war is over, we should be pleased to help.

Regardless of the number of members who can attend it is our hope that all local societies will continue to schedule regular meetings. In this way, when peace is restored, the societies can more easily resume pre-war activities.

JAMES Y. MANN, President.

News of the Manx Societies

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BISBEE

The Bisbee Manx Society held its January meeting at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Wm. H. Kelly on Art Street, Bisbee. Their February Meeting was at the home of Rev. and Mrs. Griffith Davies on Quality Hill, Bisbee. Both of these meetings were well attended. The following newly-elected officers for 1944 were installed at the January meeting:

President—Rev. Griffith Davies
Vice-President—Mrs. Ida Corrin
Secretary—Arnold Corrin
Treasurer—Cecil Corrin
Trustees—J. J. Quill, A. H. Kelly
and W. H. Kelly.

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

Once again the Ladies' Auxiliary to the N. A. M. A. reminds all members who have not paid their dues, that they should do so now. It will be our way of helping the N. A. M. A. carry on for another year.

We are all doing our best to help the war effort, and should continue to do so, but we cannot neglect doing our share to keep intact the friendships which the N. A. M. A. has brought us.

Just as surely as we shall have a glorious victory, we shall have our conventions again, and that is the reason why we must make every effort to carry on now.

We welcome new members, and any who might like to join may send their dues (25c) to Miss Alice Garrett, 359 Hayward Avenue, Rochester, New York, or to Miss Mary Hampton, 3277 Cedarbrook Road, Cleveland Heights, Ohio.

Thanking you for your support in previous years,

AMY ABELL, President.

Manx Committee Entertains at Intercultural Library

Cleveland's Intercultural Library assigned Sunday, March 5, for the Manx Committee to present their national program in the Library auditorium. Mrs. James Forrester, Chairman of Entertainment for the Manx group, arranged the program, and the many who braved bad weather to attend, enjoyed an interesting and instructive afternoon. Mr. Harrison Crellin talked on Manx racial backgrounds, followed by showing of Manx views by Miss Lily Harrison with commentary by Rev. W. H. Christian; Manxland's T. E. Brown and the changing period in which he lived were interestingly described by Mrs. Eleanor Kelly Ruedy. Manx part songs and solos were rendered to illustrate the characteristics of our national music, with explanatory comments by Mr. W. Harry Kelly. Those participating were Mr. and Mrs. F. T. Gorry, Mrs. Ben Greggor, Mr. Joe Clucas, Mr. and Mrs. James Forrester, with Mrs. Douglas Cannell as accompanist.

TORONTO

The semi-monthly euchre parties of the Toronto Manx Society are still being well attended. They report that many pleasant evenings have been spent in this way during the winter months. So far this year, the Tom Moores, the Charlie Moores and the Frank Williamsons have held Euchres in their homes.

The annual picnic of this Society will be held at Port Dalhousie, Ontario, on July 8th. As in previous years, they are extending an invitation to their Manx-American neighbors to join them on this occasion.

CLEVELAND MANX SOCIETIES SERVICE FUND

Snowing and blowing in typical style for a Manx "night out," the weather still did not daunt over 90 people who turned out for a card party held March 7th for the Cleveland Manx Servicemen's Fund. The opportunity was created by the Mona's Relief Society turning over the time and place to the Servicemen's Fund Committee, following their regular monthly meeting. Socially and financially, the evening was voted one of the best yet, realizing considerably over \$100 from sale of tickets and special donations toward this cause, so close to all hearts. Table prizes, door prizes and refreshments added to the success of the evening.

From Mrs. Olive Qualtrough Turville, R.F.D. 4, Madison, Wisconsin, comes a newspaper clipping headed: "Only Manx Church in Nation is Torn Down." This is the "Laxey Church" of Linden, Wisconsin, which several years ago was featured by Bob Ripley in "Believe It Or Not." At about the same time, it was the subject of an article published in the Bulletin, written by Mr. James H. Killey, 2836 Wentworth Avenue, Milwaukee, Wisconsin. The following is quoted from Mrs. Turville's clipping:

"Another historic landmark of national significance disappeared recently when the old Manx Church in the town of Linden, known as the Laxey Church, was razed by John Callow, Mineral Point. It was the only Manx Church in the country.

"The aged sandstone structure, more than 75 years old, got its name from the community on the Isle of Man from which its founders came. The front wall of the building, including the finely arched doorway, has been left standing as a monument.

"Original trustees of the church were James Hudgeon, James Callow, Thomas Kelly, John Cowley and William Harris. Construction of the masonry was by Phil Allen, Sr., Mineral Point, and the carpentry by Robert Radeliff, a Manxman from Cleveland, Ohio.

"Laxey churchyard is the last resting place of many of the early settlers of the area, and steps have been taken to make certain that the cemetery is given proper care."

THE CANNON FAMILY

Pioneers Of The Young West

Salt Lake City, handsome metropolis of the State of Utah, today has a population of about 140,000. But a hundred years ago, a few traders were the only white men acquainted with the shores of the Great Salt Lake. It was in 1847 that Brigham Young brought his band of followers to that lonely land in the shadow of the Rocky Mountains, and laid the foundations of a new American city and state.

There is a family whose dramatic story is so interwoven with the development of this region that there is scarcely a phase of Utah's history which has not been touched with the fire of their energy, influenced by their courage, inspired by their vigorous leadership and tireless industry. They are the Cannon family, sons and daughters of George Cannon and Ann Quayle, of Peel, Isle of Man.

Married in 1825, this Manx couple went to Liverpool to live, where Mr. Cannon worked at his trade of carpenter. In 1840 they were visited by a relative from America, John Taylor, who years earlier had married Mr. Cannon's sister. John Taylor was an Elder of the Church of Jesus Christ of Latter Day Saints, whose headquarters were then at Nauvoo, Illinois. The Cannon family listened to Elder Taylor's talks on his faith; interest ripened to enthusiasm, and the decision was made to emigrate to America to join the brethren in the new land.

Mrs. Cannon, in delicate health at the time, had a strong feeling that she would not live long enough to see the shores of America. Nevertheless, the parents and their six children embarked on September 17, 1842 on the ship *Sidney*, bound for New Orleans. Mrs. Cannon's premonitions were correct; this devoted Manxwoman who had carried forward the family's plans with courage and determination, rapidly declined during the voyage, died and was buried at sea on October 28.

On November 11 the bereaved family reached New Orleans. But this was not journey's end. Up the Mississippi River, 800 miles and more, they still had to travel by steamboat to reach the little river city of Nauvoo, Illinois. The season was late; at St. Louis, winter overtook them; low water and rapidly forming ice made it impossible to go farther. So the Cannon family weathered the winter in a log house near St. Louis, continuing up the river in the spring, to arrive in April at Nauvoo.

In the new home, Mr. Cannon built a carpenter shop and found plenty of demand for his trade. Lonely, and with his three younger children requiring care, he married again—a

Miss White who had been a fellow-passenger on the ship from England. But in 1844, the year following their arrival, there broke such violent demonstrations against the Mormons that all normal routine in the little city was disrupted and Mr. Cannon was obliged to go to St. Louis to find employment. Barely had he arrived there when he died suddenly, in August 1844. So these two parents, who fulfilled their urgent desire to bring their family to the new country, lived long enough only to see their immediate aim accomplished—but not to enjoy any fruits of their sacrifices.

The orphaned Cannon children were fortunate in having their uncle and aunt Taylor to take a parental interest in them. Also, the oldest son, George Quayle Cannon, and Mary Alice, the oldest daughter, had a strong sense of responsibility toward their brothers and sisters.

Beginning in 1846 occurred the great migration of the Latter Day Saints, driven by mob frenzy from their homes in Nauvoo, across the Mississippi into Iowa. Anyone who saw, a few years ago, that great motion picture "Brigham Young," will have a vivid impression of the horrors of that flight across the river, with wagons, cattle, household goods, children—the subsequent long, cruelly hard journey, hundreds upon hundreds of miles across the prairies, then into the mountains—finally to arrive at the Valley of the Great Salt Lake, where Brigham Young decided the pilgrims should establish their home. And among these courageous pioneers were those Manx youngsters—the Cannon children—who tramped and jolted across those unknown miles, fulfilling the dream of their parents of a new and promised home. Among the travellers was also the widowed second wife of Mr. Cannon and her infant daughter—who had never seen her father.

George Quayle Cannon, oldest of the family, was a young man of twenty at this time. He was in the advance guard of the band of pioneers—was with the men who broke and trained steers at the frontier of the unknown West and drove them along on the rest of the journey. At Salt Lake he was allotted a piece of land, and here, when the sounds of human industry for the first time broke the age-old silence and solitude of this lonely region, a Manx lad was starting work on a home for his brothers and sisters, still far behind on the long and toilsome journey. Shortly after arrival, however, he was sent with others to California as a gold miner to help earn for the needs of the Salt Lake community. But he found work which paid even better—as manager of a trading post at \$50 per day! Those were the rugged days

of the "forty-niners" when the West was indeed young, gold was plentiful and money flowed.

In 1850 young George Q. Cannon was called by his Church to go on a mission to the Hawaiian islands, where he was highly successful. Later he spent four years in England and on the European continent. As passing years brought rapid change and development in America's new West, his dynamic energy spread his capacity for usefulness in many directions. The 1860's brought the railroads to Utah, and George Q. Cannon was among their most active promoters and organizers. He was president of Utah's first Power and Light Company; was active in the newspaper field; was on the directorship of a long list of business enterprises—one of which was the Union Pacific Railroad.

In 1872 this man of extraordinary talent and ability was elected Territorial Delegate to Congress from Utah, and served no less than five terms. So striking was his genial and magnetic personality that it was said of him in Washington that no other man was personally acquainted with so many of the country's notables. His death in 1901 was nationally mourned. His name lives as one of the outstanding pioneers of the Young West. In the governmental field his mantle fell on his son, Frank J. Cannon, who was first U. S. Senator from Utah when the Territory became a State.

The same unquenchable energy and public-spirited benevolence were characteristic of all members of the Cannon family. Ann Cannon Woodbury was a moving influence in the development of two important industries of Utah—bee culture and silk manufacture. Angus M. Cannon was responsible for opening up new sections of the vast Utah territory. The great irrigation system which transformed a barren district in Utah to a productive region was accomplished through his efforts and influence. His wife, Mrs. Martha Cannon, in the 1890's was elected State Senator—the first woman in the nation to hold such office. Today, their son, James H. Cannon, is president of the Cannon Electric Development Company of Los Angeles.

This Manx family whose pioneer life began in bereavement, tragedy and bitter hardship, went forward through worthy and distinguished careers to success, honor and ripe old age.

This article gives but an outline of the Cannon story. For the information, we are indebted to the volume "George Cannon, Immigrant," com-

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OUR OWN PEOPLE

Our Manx friends in Rochester, New York had their first opportunity to entertain a real Manx serviceman—right from Douglas. He was Ken Halsall, son of Mrs. and the late Wilfred Halsall of Douglas. Ken is with the British Navy and is in training at Brunswick, Maine. He managed to get ten days' leave recently in order to visit his grandmother, Mrs. Ann Kelly, 129 Cady Street, Rochester. His address is R. K. Halsall, FX105-903, S.B.N.O., U.S.N. Air Station, Brunswick, Maine.

Another visitor was Reggie Cannon of Ramsey, of the Royal Navy, who while on leave made a trip to Cleveland with a friend from his ship and spent several days with Mr. and Mrs. Wm. Collister, 4116 East 144th Street. On their return journey the boys made a stopover in Buffalo and met several of the Manx people there.

Manxmen make friends wherever they meet. The January 14 issue of the Denver, "Rocky Mountain News," under the heading "Couple of Manxmen in Denver," shows a photograph of Mr. John T. Caine, III of Chicago, Manager of the National Western Stock Show, Horse Show and Rodeo, with Bob Quayle, a young lad from Ault, Colorado, the latter grooming his Aberdeen-Angus heifer, prize-winner in the show. The article describes an interview with Mr. Caine, in which, when asked about his friendship with the boy, whom he had not met before, Mr. Caine replied—"Bob Quayle and I are Manxmen . . . Bob may come from Ault, Colorado and I may come from Chicago—but we're just a couple of Manxmen from the Isle of Man in the Irish Sea—where we used to raise cattle that were cattle, eh Bob?" The clipping was sent us by Mr. William R. Kelly of Greeley, Colorado, who adds—"The grandfather of Bobby Quayle was Walter E. Quayle, formerly of Iowa, a prominent farmer and livestock man in Colorado. He paid a visit to the Isle of Man only a few years ago."

Congratulations and best wishes to Ensign and Mrs. William Southard Corlett, who were married at Uniontown, Pennsylvania on December 26th. Ensign Corlett is the son of Mr. and Mrs. Spencer Corlett of Hudson, Ohio, and is the great-great-grandson of an early settler in Cleveland, W. H. Kelly. Mrs. Corlett was the former Elsie Beerbower of Uniontown.

Mr. and Mrs. Fred Williamson, formerly of Schaefer Road, Detroit, Michigan, have moved to Pasadena, California. We join their many friends in wishing them much happiness in their new home.

Warrant Officer Jim Christian of the Royal Canadian Air Force, son of Mr. and Mrs. D. F. Christian, Vancouver, and grandson of Mrs. E. J. Higgins, Douglas, I.O.M., who was shot down over Germany a year ago, and taken prisoner, writes home to say that he has met his cousin from Douglas, Syd Higgins, who with several other Manxmen was taken prisoner at Crete and is in the same prison camp. As Jim had visited the "Li'l Isle" only a week before his last flight, he was able to answer the eager questions of the Manx boys about conditions there. How he came to contact his cousin is not clear, as he had no knowledge that he was in the same camp, and as there are 20,000 British prisoners in the camp it is remarkable that they should meet at all. Lewis Higgins, a brother of Syd, resides in Detroit, Mich.

W/O Christian, before visiting the Island, had occasion to fly over it. He scribbled a note and dropped it out of the plane, asking the fender to deliver it to his grandmother's address. Four days later the note was picked up on Douglas Head and duly delivered as directed, to Mrs. E. J. Higgins.

One of our newer members is James C. Brayden, 826 Madison Avenue, Albany, New York. His mother has been one of our members for many years and has interested her son through passing her Bulletins along to him. Mr. Brayden tells us that he was born in Ramsey and came to Albany with his parents over fifty years ago, when just a small lad. His paternal grandfather was Capt. Thomas H. Brayden, Harbor Master of Ramsey in the 1880's and 1890's.

Here is an interesting coincidence which occurred recently in San Francisco. It seems that Matt Collister, formerly of Glen Maye and now a resident of San Francisco, met with an accident at a certain street car intersection. A few weeks later another Manxman of the same name, William Collister, formerly of Liverpool, met with a similar accident at the very same intersection. May we suggest that the Collisters avoid that corner in the future? Incidentally, both gentlemen are rapidly gaining their good health.

Three brothers, living far apart, find mutual interest in the pages of the Manx Bulletin. They are the Corlett brothers—Stanley Dodd Corlett of Fremont, Ohio, Dan C. of Cheboygan, Mich., and C. Maynard of Nampa, Idaho. Mr. Stanley Corlett's son Maynard recently moved from Fremont to 429 Market Street, San Francisco, Calif., where we know he could find many Manx friends.

A wedding of interest in Vancouver took place on December 13th, when Miss Vera Mildred Christian was married to Pvt. Charles Scott Henry, R.C.O.C. The bride is the only daughter of Mrs. M. Christian, 4305 Prince Albert Street, Vancouver, and the late Wm. M. Christian. Private Henry is the son of Mr. and Mrs. Wm. Henry, Burnaby, Vancouver. Our best wishes are extended to these newly-weds!

We have mentioned with pride the progress of David J. Teare of Cleveland, now based in Italy, whose latest promotion, on December 1st, gave him the rank of First Lieutenant. He is a Flight Leader, holds the Air Medal and three Oak Leaf Clusters, and Cleveland Manx are happy to congratulate David and his proud mother, Mrs. Ralph Cowin, 3264 West 114th Street.

Lieut. Teare has participated in 40 bombing missions and piloted the lead plane of the formation of Mitchell bombers that demolished the Italian city of Cassino March 15th.

Another of our young Manx-American heroes is Lieut. Thomas H. Cowell, Bomber Group Leader, also stationed in Italy, who has to his credit, thirty missions successfully accomplished, including operations over the Brenner Pass; holds six Flying Medals and two Oak Leaf Clusters. He has a great reputation as a navigator. We are told that his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Marshall Cowell, 1601 G St., S. E., Washington, D. C. are mighty proud these days. And no wonder!

Our good friend, Ivy Colquitt of Toronto, certainly does her part to help with the war effort. Besides working in one of Toronto's war plants, she has just made her NINTH blood donation. This is a big job for a little woman, and all credit is due Ivy for her unselfish work.

WANTED INFORMATION! The Secretary will appreciate any information which any of our members can provide with regard to the present whereabouts of one Ralph Keruish, who was born in the Isle of Man and who lived at 223 East 10th Avenue, Homestead, Pennsylvania in about 1903. His daughter, Dorothy, who has not heard from or seen her father since that time, when he left Homestead, is anxious to get in touch with him or other members of his family.

Mr. and Mrs. Percy Clucas, 405 Bedford Park Avenue, Toronto, are proud to announce a new arrival—John—born on December 2, 1943. Congratulations to the Clucas family!

A daughter, Mary Lynn Christian, was born to Mr. and Mrs. C. W. Christian, 920 East 30th Avenue, Vancouver, B. C., on February 20, 1944. Mr. Christian is the son of Mrs. M. Christian, 4305 Prince Albert Street, Vancouver. His sister Vera's wedding is covered in another item in this column.

Mona Downward, former secretary of the Toronto Manx Society, had a good reason for feeling proud recently. Her eldest son, Alan, was home on leave after graduating as a Navigator in the R.C.A.F., receiving his wings and a commission. We imagine that father Downward, who has been overseas for over four years, will feel proud too. Best wishes to this young flyer!

J. E. Harrison, son of Mr. and Mrs. Ted Harrison, 1196 Bender Avenue, East Cleveland, has recently been promoted to the rank of Major. Major Harrison was born in the Isle of Man and came to America as a small boy with his parents. He enlisted in 1941 and Cleveland Manx will be pleased to hear of his fine progress and promotion.

Another of our Manx boys who is "getting places" in military service is James L. Cannell, son of Mr. and Mrs. James S. Cannell of 3915 E. 154th Street, Cleveland, Ohio. James recently was promoted from First Lieutenant to Captain at Plant Field, Tampa, Florida, where he is attached to the Third Army Air Force Headquarters. Congratulations to this young man also!

Thomas Faragher, R.D. No. 2 Newton, New Jersey, has pleasant memories of boyhood days in Marown, Isle of Man. He recalls no less than ten families named Kelly, living within one mile of his home on Greeba. Among them, one John "Beg" Kelly, was an old sailor with a badly maimed leg, who had served under Nelson at Trafalgar.

Fred Caley of Bisbee, Arizona recently was discharged from the Armed Forces because of an injured leg. He is now living in Los Cruces, New Mexico, where he also is employed. He is the son of W. K. Caley, former president of the Bisbee Society, who now resides in California.

Mr. Arnold Corrin, Secretary of the Bisbee Manx Society, attended the convention of the International Brotherhood of Boilermakers, which was held in Kansas City, Missouri, early in February.

In the March and May Bulletins of 1942, we suggested that our readers write a young Manxman who at that time was stationed on this side of the Atlantic. He was L. A. C. Gale, J. K., of the R.A.F., and was located in Florida, later being transferred to Edmonton, Alberta. His mother is Mrs. Nellie Gale of Colby, Isle of Man. We are sorry to report that his cousin, Edith Cubbon of Bremerton, Wash., has reported that this young man has been reported as missing in action over Europe.

Gordon Rogers, son of Mrs. Isabel Rogers of Gates Mills, Ohio, graduated with honors from Engineering Technical School, Air Corps, at Sheppard Field, Texas, and has been promoted to the rank of sergeant after eight months in the service. He is now resuming his studies at Aerial Engineering Technical School at Salt Lake City.

Steve Kelly, 9520 Marah Avenue, Cleveland, has a nephew, Gunner W. Kelly, Onchan, Isle of Man, who in addition to his duties in the British Army has been winning laurels as an athlete. A champion runner he recently won the Regimental Cross Country Championship, this climaxing other successes which included the Regimental Three Mile, Inter-Regimental Three Mile and a Cross Country Three Mile Race. In addition, Gunner Kelly led his regimental team into third place in the "News of the World" Relay Race.

Few in number, our Florida friends are keenly interested in things Manx and in making contacts with one another. Mrs. Victor Banks, 2943 Algonquin Avenue, Jacksonville, Fla., would love to meet more Manx people. Her maiden name was Shimmin and she was born at Delavan, Wisconsin where her grandparents located on coming to the States in 1845. Mrs. Banks' sister, a new member, is Mrs. L. G. Foster, 415 East Walnut St., Stockton, Calif.

And speaking of Florida—Mr. and Mrs. James Moughton, Box 396, Sanford, have maintained a long and faithful interest in the N. A. M. A. Mr. Moughton has lived in the States for 56 years; a long-time resident of Sanford, he organized the Municipal Zoo there, in which he still takes an active interest.

"I have one son serving in Italy," writes Mrs. Margaret T. Holmes, 2324 So. Cincinnati Ave., Tulsa, Okla., "another in the Pacific in the Navy, a grandson in the Solomons, another at Treasure Island, Calif. and one at San Diego, Calif." Quite a record from one family!

Madock Davies, son of the Rev. and Mrs. Griffith Davies of Bisbee, Arizona, recently graduated from Officer Candidate School at Camp Barkley, Texas, and was commissioned a 2nd Lieutenant in the Medical Corps. After a short visit with his parents, he and his wife returned to Camp Barkley, where he is stationed as an Administrative Officer. Hearty congratulations, Lt. Davies!

Laxey folk should write to our new member Jack Wade, Richardson, Saskatchewan. He sends greetings to Harry Kelly, Herbert Caine and Norman Cowin of Cleveland; Mrs. Kelly (nee Agnes Kewley) of Toledo, Ohio; also the Quayles from Agneash, who are somewhere in Michigan, he believes. Jack is a cousin of our long-standing members—Mrs. Ernie Jacklin of Winnipeg and Miss Mona Crelin of Montreal.

The new address of H. Vincent Shimmin, visiting Manxman whose aim is to meet Manx people wherever he goes, is P.O. H. Vincent Shimmin, 169756, R.C.A.F., Sea Island, B. C. Hearty congratulations to him on his commission—January 18—as Pilot Officer. An "international Manxman," Vincent has obtained several new N. A. M. A. members for us during his travels in Canada.

A visitor to the Isle of Man last fall was Lieut. Col. T. W. Gillard, son of our member Mr. T. W. Gillard of Portland, Oregon. He stayed with his uncle Walter C. Craine, M.H.K., and during his visit both were entertained at luncheon at Government House by Earl and Countess Granville, and subsequently taken by the Governor to visit Castletown and Rushen Abbey. The visit proved a most enjoyable one to all concerned.

Mr. and Mrs. Lewis Young, 17511 Miles Avenue, Cleveland, are proud of having their family of sons actively serving on world fronts. Lewis, age 23, is in Italy with a Military Police unit; Richard, 21, is an Air Cadet in the Naval Air Corps; and Willard, 19, a gunner in the Navy, is "somewhere in the Atlantic." The youngest boy, Alvin, after graduating from high school in June, plans to attend Army Radio School.

Our popular Manx singer, Walter J. Stevenson, was bass soloist at a musicale given by The Lake Forest Music Club on Sunday, February 6th. Among his numbers he included "When Childher Plays," musical arrangement of T. E. Brown's well-known lines; and "Arrane Ashoonagh dy Vannin." Mrs. Stevenson accompanied.

Meredith—Mrs. Louise (nee Cannell), of Los Angeles, passed away recently at the age of 83 years. She is survived by her daughter, Helen, and by her cousins, Mrs. Mary Caine Ward of Los Angeles and Mrs. Isabel Shimmin of Pasadena, California. Interment was in Portland, Oregon.

Quayle—Miss Amy C., died at her home in East Cleveland on January 30th. She was born in Laxey, Isle of Man and came to Cleveland with her family at the age of ten. For more than 35 years she was secretary of the Mona's Relief Society, and for a long period was also secretary to the Ladies' Auxiliary to that group. She filled these offices as long as her health permitted, and her name has become a household word with Manx people in the Cleveland area. She is survived by her sister, Miss Chrissie Quayle, with whom she made her home.

Redmond—Mrs. Mona M., (nee Cowley) died January 16th at her home in Cleveland. Mrs. Redmond was a former resident of North Olmsted, Ohio, and is survived by her sisters, Cora Kneen, Lottie Kelly, Lois Gallup, Gertrude Cowley, Edith Bailey and Myrtle Bosch. She was a life member of the North American Manx Association.

Teare—Miss Isabelle J., Cleveland Heights, died on February 5th. Miss Teare was born on a farm in Warrensville, Ohio, where her parents were pioneer Manx settlers. She is survived by her nephews Otto and Ray Eastwood and niece Mertie S. Teare, and her brother-in-law William C. Boyd. She was a faithful member of the Ladies' Auxiliary to the Mona's Relief Society.

Whittaker—Mrs. Alice, of Brimfield, Illinois, passed away on December 14th. She was 82 years of age and was the daughter of the late Joseph and Margaret Gelling, who were natives of the Isle of Man. Mrs. Whittaker was keenly interested in everything Manx and was a member of our Association.

Woods—William, son of the late Captain Woods of Douglas, Isle of Man, passed on in February. He was a faithful member of the San Francisco Manx Society and is survived by his wife and daughter, Evelyn, both of San Francisco.

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

Perhaps not all of us have heard of Manxland's magnificent contribution—one million two hundred thousand pounds, or nearly six million dollars—in Britain's "Wings for Victory" campaign last year.

CANNON FAMILY

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piled by John Q. Cannon, eldest son of George Quayle Cannon. A copy was presented to the N. A. M. A. Treasurer by Mr. Edwin Q. Cannon, a son of George Quayle Cannon, and a member of the North American Manx Association, as is also Miss Ann Cannon.

In compiling their book, members of the family visited the Isle of Man to trace, with loving interest, the ancestry of George Cannon and Ann Quayle, who met and married in Peel so many years ago; to visit the Manx scenes known to their forefathers before them for generations. All this, with a brief story of the Isle of Man, and details of the careers of the Cannon sons and daughters, make up a worthy and inspiring record of pride of family, race and background, and pride in the adopted land served so well by the children of George Cannon, Manxman, and his wife, Ann Quayle . . . from Peel.

If YOU possess interesting information relating to pioneer life in America, send it in to the Secretary or the Treasurer. It does not need to be in form ready for publication—newspaper clippings, personal recollections, and so on, which can be weaved together into a connected account will be quite satisfactory. The information does not need to go back 100 years—in some communities of the States and Canada, pioneer communities are fifty years old and less.

We are indebted to Mr. J. Wilson Jenkinson of Washington, and to Mr. William R. Kelly of Greeley, Colorado, for additional information regarding a distinguished Corlett family previously mentioned in the Bulletin. Major General Charles Harrison Corlett ("Cowboy Pete"), commander of the 7th Infantry Division, has won added laurels since the Aleutian campaign by the capture of Kwajalein Island in the Marshalls. General Corlett was born at Burchard, Nebraska, 55 years ago, came out of World War I with three citations for conspicuous service and has since spent many years managing a large New Mexico ranch. He is one of the Army's top-ranking generals in the Pacific area. Regarding his brother, George Corlett of Monte Vista, Colorado, Mr. William Kelly writes—"He was twice lieutenant governor, and one time adjutant general of Colorado, was a major in World War I, is distinguished in irrigation development of Colorado as well as in law, has large ranching interests—and was my roommate at the University of Colorado in 1901! A son is captain in the Marines and a daughter, Vera, was lieutenant in the WACs. They are a remarkable family—of interest to all Manx men and women."

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:

CLEVELAND

Robert D. Corlett, A.S., Co. 1940, U.S.N.T.S., Great Lakes, Illinois, and David E. Cortlett, A.S., Co. 274, U.S.N.T.S., Great Lakes, Illinois, sons of Mr. and Mrs. Ed Corlett, 4915 East 108th St., Cleveland, Ohio.

John Edward Corlett, A.S., Co. 410, U.S.N.T.S., Great Lakes, Ill. Husband of Mrs. Jack Corlett, 21207 Kenyon Drive, Maple Heights, Ohio.

Pvt. Wm. Castell, Co. A, 65th Bn., 14th Regt. Inf. Reg. Trng. Camp, Camp Fannin, Texas. Son of Mr. and Mrs. Wm. H. Castell, 3138 East 102nd St., Cleveland.

WINNIPEG

Pte. J. T. Condell, Canadian Army Overseas, son of Mrs. Kate Kewish Condell and the late Doctor Condell of Brandon, Manitoba.

Sergt. Jack Collister, R.C.A.F. Overseas, son of Sergt. (R.C.M.P.) H. and Mrs. Collister, Brandon, Manitoba.

VANCOUVER

A.C. 2 J. B. Phillips, R. 289160, No. 3 "M" Depot, Edmonton, Alberta. Son of Mr. and Mrs. J. G. Phillips, Errington, Vancouver Island, B. C.

MISCELLANEOUS

Pvt. Robert T. Cubbon, ASN 39201844, Co. Q, 3rd Repl. Bn., A.P.O. 763 c/o Postmaster, New York. Son of Mr. and Mrs. Cubbon, Seattle, Wash.

PEORIA

Cecil Kelly, S.F. 3/c, S.R.U. Bldg. 662, Navy Yard, Philadelphia, Pa. Son of Mrs. A. J. Kelly, 1610 Knoxville, Ave., Peoria, Ill.

The following interesting item appeared in a Buffalo, New York newspaper a few weeks ago and we believe is worthy of repetition:

AGE FAILS TO DAUNT

Age failed to daunt an old woman who, after her small business had been hit by the war, went to the office of the Distress Committee in Douglas, Isle of Man, and asked for help. "Definitely a case for a financial grant," said the chairman. "Oh no," she said, "I wouldn't take the money as a gift. Give me five years after the war is over, and I'll pay back every penny." The chairman smilingly assented, and asked, "How old are you?" "Eighty," she replied.

An Ancient Celtic Prayer

Bee lossey sollys roym,
Bee rollage stiuree harrym,
Bee cassan rea foym,
As bochilley dooie my yei,
Jiu, nocht as son dy-bragh!

Be Thou a bright flame before me,
Be Thou a guiding star above me,
Be Thou a smooth path below me
And a kindly shepherd behind me,
Today, tonight, and for ever!

These words were used as a Christmas card some years ago by Mr. William Cubbon, retired curator of the Manx Museum in Douglas.

Make It True

The war can be won
Or the war can be lost
By the people who still are at home
There's work to be done
And tremendous the cost
For a freedom that must be our own

There's guns to be made
And there's tanks to be rushed
Yes, and food and supplies and the like

There's keels to be laid
And there's jobs to be pushed
All before we can knock out the Reich

But how would you feel
In a far-away land
Where you labor and sweat, maybe die
If you knew that some heel
With the purse strings in hand
Merely grumbles and yawns "Oh my"

Yes, the war can be won
And the battles made short
With the help of you people back there.

And I hope everyone
Will remember that thought
For I'm sure you can see that it's fair

So until we return
From our journeys abroad
Please remember it's all up to you.
And whatever we earn
Through the strength of our sword
Make it live! Make it last! Make it true!

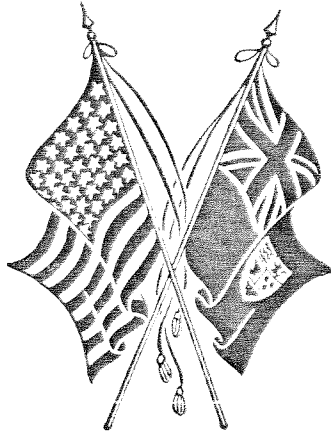
Lieut. Ernest W. Caine
U.S. Army, India

The writer of the above poem is a son of Mr. W. E. Caine, formerly of Peel and now of California, U.S.A., where he is employed in a big ship building firm. The firm had 20,000 copies of Mr. Caine's son's poem printed and distributed among its employees.

—Reprinted from Peel City Guardian

Carrots weighing 2½ to 3 pounds are grown by the Cannell Brothers of Whakatane, New Zealand. Stanley Cannell reports that they are digging in all the time in their assignment of feeding the Forces. The great success of these Manx brothers (from Kirk Michael) in raising root vegetables has won considerable comment in the New Zealand press.

"These Honored Dead"



"... that from these honored dead we take increased devotion to that cause for which they gave the last full measure of devotion — that we here highly resolve that these dead shall not have died in vain—"

Donald L. Chase, Milwaukee, Wisconsin.
C. Christian, Toronto, Ontario.
Edward H. Collister, Shaker Heights, Ohio.
Thomas Collister, Rochester, New York.
Charles Murray Edwards, Windsor, Ontario.
Douglas Fick, Toronto, Ontario.
Jack Quiggin, Bedford, Ohio.

MISSING

Dudley Sidney Champion, Dorval, P. Q.
Thomas Cottier, Winnipeg, Manitoba
John Stanley Kelly, Revelstoke, B. C.
James Edward Moore, Winnipeg, Manitoba.
W. D. Moore, Montreal, P. Q.

PRISONERS

James Christian, Vancouver, B. C.
R. E. Fick, Winnipeg, Manitoba
Harry Greene, Toronto, Ontario.
Fred Kelly, Lomita, California.
Jack Rogers, Bisbee, Arizona.
Richard G. Rogers, Bisbee, Arizona.

Most of us have heard of the Manx financier, Sir Mark Wilks Collet (Corlett) and a few dates and details will be of interest. He was a connection of Colonel Mark Wilks (Manx Governor of St. Helena when Napoleon was in exile there, and Speaker of the House of Keys in 1823). Sir Mark Wilks Collet was born in 1816, was a partner in the firm of Brown, Shipley & Co., old-established international banking house of London; in 1885 became Deputy Governor and in 1887 Governor of the Bank of England, retiring in 1899. He was a

Director of the Bank from 1866 to his death in 1905. His only daughter, Lina Susan Penelope, married Frederick Henry Norman, J.P., of Hertfordshire, England, and their son—the Right Hon. Montagu Collet Norman—is the present Governor of the Bank of England, and one of the greatest figures in the world of finance today. Mr. Norman and his wife visit the Isle of Man from time to time, to stay with Mr. Norman's uncle Sir Mark Collet, and Lady Collet, at Ballamanagh, Sulby.