

BULLETIN of the North American Manx Association



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

October, 1947

THE TORONTO CONVENTION

Visitors From The Island Add Much Interest

The 15th Convention of the North American Manx Association, held in Toronto on August 5-6-7-8, was truly a "Victory" celebration. From the get-together meeting or "Toronto Night" held on the evening of the 5th, until the curtain was rung down at the banquet and dance on the 8th, every one was in a gala mood and enjoyed each and every minute of the many joyous events which had been arranged for them by the Toronto Convention Committee, under the able leadership of Tom Moore, President of the Toronto Manx Society, the hosts. Due to the war, it had been six years since the Association had held a convention. So, in addition to partaking of the many pleasures arranged for them by the convention committee, all who were present in Toronto had a wonderful time renewing acquaintances with old friends, meeting new ones, and catching up on news of their friends during the intervening years. The Royal York Hotel, headquarters for the convention, is beautiful and well-arranged, and lent itself well to our purpose.

One of the highlights was the presence of a delegation from the Isle of Man. Official delegate for the World Manx Association was Mr. Charles Craine, their secretary. Others in the party were: Mr. Thomas R. Radcliffe, Mr. John Cleator, Mr. Philip Caine and sister, Mr. and Mrs. Alec Connell, Mr. Thomas Roberts and Mr. and Mrs. Birkenhead.

Guests were arriving and registering all day Tuesday and, in the evening, an informal get-together, known as "Toronto Night" and sponsored by the Toronto Manx Society, was held at the Royal York. Tom Moore opened the meeting by welcoming every one and introducing President Jim Mann of the North American Manx Association, who in turn introduced the N.A.M.A. officers and honored guests from the Isle of Man. Movies of previous conventions were shown by Vice President Alice Garrett of Rochester. A new sound film of the Isle of Man, brought to the convention by Mr. Craine, another which is the property of Frank Williamson, Secretary of the Toronto Manx Society, and Manx and other silent films belonging to Mr. Mylrea of Toronto also were shown. Mr. Craine had brought along a number

of recordings of Manx songs, and these, along with some community singing, rounded out a very pleasant evening.

The official opening of the convention took place in the Tudor Room of the Royal York on Wednesday morning. The singing of the National Anthems and Parade of Flags opened the meeting and the invocation was asked by the Rev. Wm. Bothwell of St. James Cathedral, Toronto. Because of other urgent business, Mayor R. H. Saunders of Toronto was unable to be at the meeting that morning, but Tom Moore welcomed the delegates on behalf of the city of Toronto and the Toronto Manx Society. He extended a special welcome to the visitors from the Isle of Man and said that the Manx of Toronto had already been repaid a hundredfold by the enthusiastic support and encouragement they had received not only from the North American Manx but from Manxmen at home in the little Island. President Mann of Winnipeg then extended his welcome to the delegates, especially mentioning those from the Isle of Man and said he hoped they would cherish the memory of the convention for the rest of their lives. He asked, when they return to the Isle of Man, that they tell our people over there that we are doing our part over here to keep alive the Manx tradition and pride of race so inherent in all of us. In closing, he suggested that each member of the Association endeavor to induce at least one other Manx person to join the organization during the coming year and stressed the point that a much larger membership was our goal.

After President Mann's address, the Secretary read letters and telegrams of greeting from members and friends in the Isle of Man, the United States and Canada, closing by reading the Annual Report on the year's work. The audited financial statement (appearing elsewhere in this issue) was then read by the Treasurer, and both reports were unanimously approved. The President instructed the Secretary to send cables of greeting from the convention to the Governor of the Island; our Hon. President Mrs. A. B. Crookall; and Mr. Richard Cain, President of the World Manx Association.

Votes of thanks for their good work were given to the Bulletin Committee, the Secretary, the Treasurer, and the Auditors—Messrs. J. E. Kelly and Robert Faragher of Cleveland.

During luncheon, served in the Royal York Roof Garden Dining Room, Past President John R. Cain of Cleveland was called upon for a few words. He complimented the Toronto Convention Committee and said he was sure that when the curtain was rung down on Friday night, this would go down in history as the finest convention of the Association. Other speakers at the luncheon were John Cleator of Ramsey, Thomas R. Radcliffe and Philip Caine of Douglas, and Stephen Quinney of Cleveland. A sightseeing tour of Toronto during the afternoon concluded at the Cenotaph, where Mayor Robert H. Saunders of Toronto was waiting to deliver his words of welcome. Then, on behalf of the N.A.M.A., President Mann placed a wreath at the Cenotaph's base, saying a few words in honor of Canadian-Manx and American-Manx boys who had paid the supreme sacrifice during the First and Second World Wars.

In the evening, a very enjoyable concert was given in the hotel. It was in the nature of a variety program and consisted of instrumental, vocal and dancing numbers, as well as novelty items.

The Thursday morning business session opened with a memorial service conducted by the Rev. Joseph Partridge of Sullivan, Illinois, our immediate past president. The service was in honor of those of our members and friends who had passed away since the last convention. Following this, some very interesting reports were given by delegates from various Manx Societies and communities scattered over the North American Continent. At this time, Charles Craine, Secretary of the World Manx Association, also spoke, stating that he brought greetings from the Governor of the Island, the World Manx Association and the people of the Isle of Man. He also extended an invitation for a Homecoming, to be sponsored by the Association in 1948.

Luncheon again was served in the hotel, this time in the ball room.

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THE NORTH AMERICAN MANX ASSOCIATION

OFFICERS 1947-48

Hon. President.....	Mrs. A. B. Crookall Douglas, Isle of Man
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The President's Message

"LOOKING FORWARD"

First of all I want to thank the Manx people of this Continent for bestowing on me, a fellow Manxman, the highest honor—President of the North American Manx Association.

My theme for the year is "Looking Forward"—always remembering the fine work done by those officers who have preceded me and without whom there would have been no N.A.M.A. today. By the same token the work we do now will be passed on to our children tomorrow.

May I pass on three suggestions to preserve and enlarge our Association:

First, let us all be members, and why not Mr. and Mrs.—two memberships—this would mean an extra "Bulletin" to send to a friend.

Secondly and most important, our young people have so many activities and have no time for Manx affairs—would it be possible for us to present to them a membership in the N.A.M.A. with the express wish that they keep it up. The future of the N.A.M.A. depends on these young people.

Thirdly, we should like to bring in as members people of Manx birth and Manx descent scattered throughout the Continent, so let's make it our job to interest any non-members we know.

This is your Society and your Bulletin. Our Editor will be glad to hear from you at any time with Society or individual news items.

Keep in mind our theme for the year—"Looking Forward."

Toronto Convention

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There being no organized program for the afternoon, President Mann again called upon members of the party from the Island for a few remarks. First to speak was Charles Craine, who complimented the Association on its Bulletin, stating that he even had had requests from people in Africa for odd copies. He spoke again about a Homecoming Trip to the Island, and said it had the backing of the Governor and the Manx Government. He paid tribute to the late W. D. Moore, a past president of the Association and said Mrs. Moore, being very appreciative of many messages of condolence sent to her, had asked him to extend her greetings to the Manx people over here. He said that the World Manx Association now had nearly fifty member societies and urged the N.A.M.A. to carry on its good work. The next speaker was Thomas R. Radcliffe, Editor of the Isle of Man Examiner. He told the assembly that he, as well as all others in the party from the Island, would be happy to take back messages from those assembled at the convention. He said they would see that the messages were delivered, with the sender's love, to anyone, anywhere in the Island. Philip Caine of the Isle of Man Times was then called upon. He said he thought of himself and the others in the party from the Island as being "sort of a bridge between the Isle of Man and here." He said it was their wish to "bring" some of the island with them, to tell how it is faring and to exchange information about friends and relatives. He, too, said they would gladly take messages back to the Island for those wishing to send them.

This luncheon meeting was brought to a close with a short recitation in Manx Gaelic by Mr. Enos Christian of Toronto—who then translated it into English.

The entertainment for Thursday evening was a very enjoyable boat ride across Lake Ontario and up the Niagara River to Queenstown and return, with dancing and community singing aboard, and the Manx flag flying from the mast.

Before closing I should like to congratulate the Toronto Manx for the wonderful Convention held in their City in August. They did a superb job and it reflects great credit on all of their Committees. Three cheers for the Toronto Manx.

It added greatly to the interest of the Convention to have as guests a party from the 'Iil' Island itself. It was a great pleasure to meet them all, and we are "Looking Forward" to seeing them at some future convention.

Let us all work together this year that we may "Preserve whatever is left to us of our ancient heritage."

W. Harry Kelly, President.

The final business session was held on Friday morning. After the singing of the National Anthems and the invocation, the President called for reports from Committees. The first to report was the one on Constitution and By-Laws. Upon their recommendation, the following changes were unanimously approved by the convention.

Dues of Regular members to be \$2.00 per annum.

Officers—President; First, Second and Third Vice Presidents; Corresponding and Recording Secretary; Financial Secretary and Treasurer; and a Bulletin Editor.

Duties for added office: The Bulletin Editor shall have entire charge of publication of The Bulletin.

Salaries—Combined salaries of Corresponding and Recording Secretary, Financial Secretary and Treasurer, and Bulletin Editor shall not exceed \$300.00 per annum.

The Time and Place Committee reported receipt of two invitations for 1948—one from Peoria, Illinois and the other from the Isle of Man. Mr. Craine, Secretary of the World Manx Association, then explained that the invitation from the Island was not for a convention but for a homecoming. The President agreed with Mr. Craine and explained that a homecoming had nothing to do with a convention, as our business and activities are confined to the North American Continent. Rev. Joseph Partridge of Sullivan, Illinois spoke in favor of Peoria, which was then unanimously selected as our convention city for 1948.

Election of officers followed report of the Nominating Committee, with added nominations from the floor. The following were elected:

Hon. Pres.....	Mr. A. B. Crookall Douglas
Hon. Vice Pres.....	Richard Cain Douglas
Hon. Vice Pres.....	Ramsey B. Moore Douglas
President.....	W. Harry Kelly Cleveland, Ohio
1st Vice Pres.....	Tom Moore Toronto, Ontario
2nd Vice Pres.....	Alice Garrett Rochester, N. Y.
3rd Vice Pres.....	J. Wilson Jenkinson Washington, D.C.
Rep. Ladies' Aux.....	Mrs. L. K. Abell Cleveland, Ohio
Rep. Breakfast Club..... Stephen H. Quinney Cleveland, Ohio
Corr. and Rec. Sec'y..... Claire M. Mylecraine Cleveland, Ohio
Fin. Sec'y and Treas..... R. W. Skillicorn Cleveland, Ohio
Bulletin Editor.....	Gertrude Cannell Lakewood, Ohio

In accepting election to the office of President, Mr. Kelly said that if everyone at the convention could take home at least 50% of the enthusiasm

they had while in Toronto, they would make the N.A.M.A. the greatest organization of its kind in the world. He continued, "There are three things we can do. First, we must become members ourselves; second, we must interest the young people in joining; and third, let's make our slogan this year—'Every Manx person I know to become a member of the N. A. M. A.'" He remarked upon the fine work done in the past, but stated that we need many more members, and asked that everyone at the convention pull toward that goal.

The Committee on Resolutions submitted a list of resolutions of thanks to those who had been responsible for the splendid success of the convention. They were, of course, unanimously adopted. President Mann then called Tom Moore, Chairman of the Convention Committee and his sub-committee chairmen to the front of the room, where he expressed the thanks of all assembled for the wonderful job they had done. He also thanked his fellow-officers for their cooperation. At this point, Past President John R. Cain of Cleveland complimented Mr. Mann and his officers and moved that they be given a rousing vote of thanks.

The convention banquet was held in the evening, so the afternoon was left free for shopping, sightseeing and visiting with friends. The Crystal Ballroom of the Royal York was a beautiful sight that evening, when all the delegates dressed in their "Sunday best" assembled for the convention banquet. It was truly a gala affair, with all visitors from the Island seated at the long speakers table with past and newly-elected N.A.M.A. officers. President Mann acted as Toastmaster and, when everyone had finished eating, called for the usual toasts to the heads of the Canadian, American and Manx governments. He then explained he had selected no special speakers for the evening, but would call upon the good friends who had traveled from the Isle of Man to attend this convention. The first speaker was Mr. Charles Craine, who said how much he had enjoyed the convention proceedings and appreciated all the courtesies extended to him and the others from the Island. He continued by saying that none of them ever would forget the trip, that it had been a wonderful experience and that they would take back many happy memories. He said that when the Association decided to have a Homecoming—perhaps in 1949—he hoped that everyone at the banquet would come. He also hoped that when individual parties visited the Island in the future they would contact him. He closed by reciting "The Manx Tay Party" and "Coortin'."

Mr. Craine was followed by Mr. Thomas Radcliffe, who entertained the audience with some amusing anecdotes. Miss Alice Caine was next and said she felt like Cinderella and that the convention had been a wonderful experience. She would always retain happy memories of the few

days in Toronto and closed by saying she hoped she and her brother would be able to come over again.

Mr. Philip Caine followed his sister and said he had long looked forward to the experience of meeting his fellow-countrymen in North America, but that the actual pleasure of the meeting had far exceeded his expectations. He spoke of the N.A.M.A. and expressed admiration for the patriotism maintained in the two great countries in which so many people from the Island have made their homes. He also admired the contribution made by these people in the building of those nations which still have before them a future of inestimable immensity.

Mr. John Cleator of Ramsey was the next speaker. He, too, spoke of his pleasure in being at the convention and said he had met so many friends from Ramsey, that he felt almost as if he were at home in the Island. In closing, he mentioned a new Manx grammar being brought out to perpetuate Manx-Gaelic, urging that copies be secured when available. An anecdote in Manx dialect brought his talk to a close.

Other guests from the Island were introduced and invited to talk, but, with the exception of Mr. Alec Connell of Douglas, all declined. Mr. Connell said he and his wife had enjoyed every minute of the convention and planned to come to another soon.

Past President John R. Cain of Cleveland, who was then called upon for a few words, said that to him the banquet had been an outstanding party. It was unusual, he thought, to be entertained by our visitors, instead of our entertaining them. He continued by complimenting the Toronto Manx Society on the splendid job they had done and concluded by expressing pride in his Manx heritage.

The newly-elected President of the Association, Mr. W. Harry Kelly of Cleveland, was the next speaker. He dwelt at some length upon the importance of increasing membership in the Association and said again that our slogan for the year should be "Every Manx person I know a member of this great organization." He said that the Bulletin was worth far more than the amount paid in dues; and suggested that parents pay the first membership fee for their children and present the cards with an expressed desire that they continue those memberships. The 1948 convention to be held in Peoria was the next item and he said he hoped that everyone who came to Toronto would also go to Peoria, suggesting the slogan, "Peoria, here we come!" He continued by saying the conclusion of his talk would be "Homeward Bound—Farewell Toronto," and asked that the convention spirit be taken along to the various homes. He complimented the Toronto Manx on the fine convention they had arranged and thanked them again.

Mr. Mann then again expressed his thanks to the Toronto Manx; and

Tom Moore, President of the Toronto Manx Society, replied by expressing appreciation for the many kind things which had been said to him and to his committee, saying that those remarks alone had more than repaid them for their efforts. He again thanked his committee and said they all would be in Peoria in 1948.

This brought the banquet to a close. The floor was cleared and dancing was the order for the rest of the evening. The usual finale took place at the end of the dance, when all assembled on the dance floor to sing the National Anthems and "Auld Lang Syne."

Many delegates stayed over in Toronto until Saturday to attend the Annual Picnic of the Toronto Manx Society, which was held at Centre Island, just a short distance out in the lake. The Island was a beautiful spot, the lunch excellent and the sports most enjoyable. Those who stayed for the picnic certainly were well repaid and had a grand time.

So—we have rung down the curtain on our Fifteenth Convention. And, what a wonderful convention it was! The entertainment and meals provided for the entire time left nothing to be desired. The convention committee, headed by Tom Moore, is entitled to every credit we can give them. They did a grand job! And now, we turn our eyes westward to Peoria. Let's not lose the enthusiasm created at the Toronto convention, and plan now to attend the next one in Peoria. As President Kelly says — PEORIA, HERE WE COME!

Respectfully submitted,

Claire M. Mylecraine, Secretary.

IT'S PEORIA IN 1948

The Peoria Manx Society is proud to have the honor of extending to all Manx people, near and far, a most cordial invitation to attend the Sixteenth Convention of the North American Manx Association, to be held in Peoria, Illinois in August, 1948.

We feel honored indeed that our city has been chosen for this purpose and we shall certainly do all in our power to make this one of the best conventions ever.

Situated as we are in the heart of the Mid-west, we are alike accessible to visitors from North, South, East and West.

So—plan NOW to come to Peoria in 1948! Watch THE BULLETIN for further details.

PEORIA MANX SOCIETY

Eva Kelly, Secretary

Isle of Man Visitors in Cleveland

Some of the Convention delegates from the Isle of Man who later visited Cleveland, were entertained on the evening of August 20 at a party sponsored by the North American Manx Association, and held in St. Stephen's Church Hall. The guests of honor were Mr. Charles Craine, Secretary of the world Manx Association, Mr. Tom Radcliffe, Editor of the "Examiner," and Mr. and Mrs. Alex Connell, all of Douglas. Mr. John Cleator or Ramsey was expected, but did not reach Cleveland until a few days later. Although it was one of those broiling hot nights experienced during the whole of August, the hall was filled to capacity with a fine representation of Cleveland Manx anxious to greet the guests from Home. It was a pleasure to see several faces not often present at Manx gatherings. The new N.A.M.A. President, W. Harry Kelly, was in the chair, and after the usual introductions, the Isle of Man visitors each addressed the meeting, extending good wishes from the Island and expressing their delight in their visit to the Manx of Canada and the States.

A short entertainment included musical numbers by Miss Claire Mylecraine and Joe Clucas, while "Charlie" Craine, in response to repeated demands, gave some of his ever-popular Manx dialect recitations.

Refreshments—which were both plentiful and dainty—were provided through the good offices of the daughters of Mr. James Crellin, rounding off the evening in a very satisfying manner!

Mr. Craine, who was leaving for

New York by a late train, was accompanied to the station by a group eager to wish him Good Luck and "Bon Voyage."

BULLETIN COMMITTEE

1947-48

One of the first duties performed by our new President, W. Harry Kelly, was to appoint a Bulletin Committee for the year just begun. They are the same people who have worked so diligently and conscientiously during the past several years to assure you of the kind of Bulletin you like: Claire M. Mylecraine, N.A.M.A. Secretary; John R. Cain; Mr. and Mrs. F. T. Gorry. At the recent Convention, Gertrude Cannell was elected Editor.

The centennial of the founding of the State of Utah was celebrated this year, and the Cannon Family, descendants of George Cannon the Manxman, who was among the first settlers, celebrated their Centennial Reunion on July 25 in Salt Lake City. For the occasion they prepared and distributed a booklet—"The Cannon Family Record of Participation in World War II"—a valuable document giving names, addresses, military rank and accomplishment of all Cannons who served America during the late conflict. They are to be congratulated on their enterprise in keeping an accurate historical record of their family since first coming to this country more than a hundred years ago.

TIME TO RENEW YOUR N.A.M.A. MEMBERSHIP DUES NOW TWO DOLLARS

At the Toronto Convention, members voted unanimously that yearly N.A.M.A. dues should be increased to two dollars.

First—because the one dollar rate does not (and never did) cover expenses,

Second—because they felt the Bulletin was worth more than one dollar to them,

Third—because under present high costs it would be necessary to reduce the size and number of Bulletins unless dues are increased.

This change has been incorporated in our Constitution and By-Laws, and we earnestly ask that everyone support it by sending in \$2.00 dues immediately to the NEW Financial Secretary-Treasurer: R. W. SKILLICORN, 4912 EAST 96th St., CLEVELAND 5, OHIO, using the enclosed application blank.

With this additional financial support we should be able to publish six Bulletins during 1947-48, instead of five as formerly, and four during each of the last two years. The same enthusiastic spirit which characterized the Convention meetings will make increased dues and more Bulletins a striking proof of the progress of the North American Manx Association.

NORTH AMERICAN MANX ASSOCIATION Balance Sheet

Financial Year 1946-47

RECEIPTS

Balance in Bank, August 31, 1946....	\$ 681.01
Balance on Hand, August 31, 1946....	27.94
Membership Dues.....	708.75
Donations	10.50
Interest on Savings Account.....	.64
	<u>\$1,428.84</u>

EXPENDITURES

Bulletins (4).....	\$ 609.93
Printing & Stationery.....	29.35
Postage — Bulletin.....	60.00
Postage — General.....	60.33
Salaries — Secretary & Treasurer....	250.00
Supplies	6.10
Telephone & Telegraph.....	13.96
Express & Hauling.....	2.92
Meeting (Cleveland) with Con- vention Chairman.....	2.45
Flowers	10.95
Ohio State Sales Tax.....	18.53
Bank charges & Canadian exchange..	8.19
	<u>\$1,072.71</u>

Balance in Bank, July 31, 1947.....	352.76
Balance on Hand, July 31, 1947....	3.37
	<u>\$1,428.84</u>

MEMBERSHIP as of July 31, 1947 (for 1946-47)

Life Members.....	16
Senior Members.....	678
Junior Members.....	3
Society Members.....	14
	<u>711</u>

Submitted, July 31, 1947:

GERTRUDE CANNELL,
Financial Sec'y-Treasurer.

Audited and found correct:

J. EDWIN KELLY
ROBERT A. FARAGHER

TORONTO CONVENTION

Balance Sheet

RECEIPTS

Registrations	\$2,492.92
Prize Distribution and Souvenirs	695.50
Souvenir Book Advertisements and Patrons.....	477.50
Donations	65.00
	<u>\$3,730.92</u>

EXPENDITURES

Luncheons and Banquet.....	\$1,295.60
Concert and Dance.....	290.00
Bus Tour.....	255.73
Boat	242.00
Badges	64.71
Sports	12.45
Souvenirs and Prize Distribution.....	207.22
Printing	465.71
Postage, Telegraph & Telephone.....	28.16
Wreath	35.00
Flowers	23.00
Equipment Rentals.....	41.42
Bank Exchange and Customs.....	23.70
Cleveland Meeting re Convention.....	30.70
Sundry Expenses.....	47.95
	<u>\$3,063.35</u>

Balance

	<u>\$ 667.57</u>
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NEWS OF THE MANX SOCIETIES

PEORIA

The Peoria Manx Society's annual picnic was held on Sunday, July 27, at Bradley Park, Peoria. It was well attended, and a most enjoyable time was had by all. All officers were re-elected for the coming year. They are:

- Hon. President.....Rev. J. C. Craine
 - President.....Frank L. Shimmin
 - Vice President.....Miss Anna Monier
 - Sec'y-Treas.....Miss Eva Kelly
- 554 Pine St., Chillicothe, Ill.

SAN FRANCISCO

Members of the Manx Society of San Francisco met on the evening of September 20 at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Frank Burnett on 7th Avenue. It was a very representative meeting, several out-of-town guests and about forty members being present. Guests of honor were Mrs. Chas. Morrison of Peel and daughter Mary, Mrs. William Lucas of Manchester, formerly of Peel (sisters of Mr. and Mrs. Wilfred Quayle), also Mrs. Davis of Canada, sister of Mrs. Tom Fayle of Petaluma, Calif. The visitors were welcomed by Mr. H. S. Corlett, the President, and gifts of personalized handkerchiefs were presented them as mementoes of their happy visit by the Treasurer, Mrs. Hilda Corlett. In acknowledging the gifts and kind thoughts, the visitors said they would never forget the kindness extended them by their Manx-American friends. They were impressed by the work being done by the Manx Societies here, and it had been a great pleasure to renew old friendships through this medium.

Mrs. Burnett had arranged the tables for the evening repast most suitably, with travel motifs of trains and planes, and there was abundance of good eats with bonnag and soda cake very much in evidence, and greatly enjoyed by all.

The next meeting will be held at the Wilfred Quayle home, 1537 20th Avenue, San Francisco—and Essie says that they are now thinking of their Christmas party and getting ready to start carol practice.

VANCOUVER

The annual picnic of the Vancouver Manx Society was held August 2 at Second Beach, Stanley Park, with a good attendance and perfect weather. Out-of-town friends included Mr. Mrs. and Miss Tregellis, visiting from Calgary, Alberta, guests of Mr. and Mrs. Theo. Kermode. Mr. Tregellis was formerly from Maughold, Isle of Man.

The Vancouver Manx Ladies' Auxiliary held a very enjoyable lunch at Stanley Park Pavilion in August. They are busy working for a Bazaar to be held in October.

NORTHEASTERN OHIO

The Northeastern Ohio Manx Society held a meeting Sunday night, September 21, at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Richard Karran, Geneva, with twenty members present. Mr. and Mrs. W. Harry Kelly of Cleveland were there and Mr. Kelly showed colored movies of the Isle of Man taken by their daughter Florence, which were particularly interesting to their members who had never been to the Island. (It is noteworthy that only three or four of the Northeastern Ohio Society are Manx by birth.) The next meeting will be held at the Euclid Club House, 222nd St. and Lake Shore Blvd., Euclid, Ohio, with Mrs. Irving Collins as hostess, the date being Friday night, October 17. A picnic lunch will be served after the meeting. It is hoped that as many as possible will make a point of attending this meeting.

NEBRASKA

The fall meeting of the Nebraska Manx Association was omitted this year on account of the death of Mrs. A. Kerruish. However, they expect to hold a Christmas party at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Duffek, 2509 B St., Lincoln. They are glad to welcome back to their Association, Mrs. Nell Morris and daughter Mona, and Mr. and Mrs. A. Watts, who have been away from Lincoln for some time.

GREATER NEW YORK

Members of the New York Manx Society held their annual picnic on July 19, and again were entertained by Mrs. S. Karran and Miss Eleanor Waterson at their home in Roslyn, L.I. Lunch, games and the inevitable "cooish" were thoroughly enjoyed. After supper at a business session the following officers were re-elected to serve for another year:

- Wilfred A. Corkish.....President
 - Mrs. Thos. Christian....Vice President
 - Miss Florence Gill.....Sec'y-Treasurer
- 825 St. Marks, Brooklyn, N.Y.

Three Manx families were received as new members of the New York Society. A welcoming committee was also designated to greet the Manx delegation to the Toronto Convention on arrival of SS MAURETANIA. The gathering broke up at a late hour after a vote of thanks to the hostesses was proposed by the President and warmly approved. It was agreed to meet again in the City for the annual dinner at the end of November.

LOS ANGELES

The Los Angeles Manx held their picnic on September 28 in Fern Dell, Griffith Park, and while a report on the event has not been received, they were anticipating a good crowd. Among those expected were Mr. and Mrs. Ed Christian of Fresno, who "just wouldn't miss that Manx Picnic." They were to be guests of Mr. and Mrs. Oscar Ward.

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

"We All Had Such A Grand Time"
If you were privileged to be in Toronto, we do not need to tell you what a grand time we had there. If you were among the few who were not with us, we do feel sorry for you. You missed one of the best conventions ever held. The Toronto folks certainly made us feel at home and kept us happy every minute and it would be hard to pick out the high spots. The time flew too rapidly leaving many a planned cooish still unaccomplished, and we all left reluctantly after the last good-bye was said. We all enjoyed meeting our friends from the Isle of Man. They added greatly to the convention.

The Ladies' Auxiliary meeting was well attended during a hot and busy afternoon. The following officers were elected to carry on during the coming year:

- Honorary Pres.....Mrs. Arthur Callow
- Toronto, Ontario
- President.....Mrs. Charles Malboeuf
- Lachine, Quebec
- 1st Vice-Pres.....Mrs. James W. Rogers
- Gates Mills, Ohio
- 2nd Vice-Pres.....Mrs. Tom Moore
- Toronto, Ontario
- Secretary.....Miss Alice Garrett
- Rochester, New York
- Treasurer.....Mrs. Carlton Garrett
- Rochester, New York
- N.A.M.A. Representative.....
-Mrs. Laurel Abell
- Cleveland, Ohio

We have a fine start and hope to make this an outstanding year. If we missed you in Toronto and you have not paid your dues, the new treasurer, Mrs. Carlton Garrett, 359 Hayward Avenue, Rochester 9, New York, will gladly receive your quarter. The price of a membership in our group is still a quarter, so take advantage of the one thing which will cost you the same as it did fifteen years ago.

The Toronto convention is written in our memory books. We have Peoria to look forward to—and the Ladies' Auxiliary must again be prepared to lend the helping hand.

- Mrs. Charles Malboeuf, President
- Miss Alice Garrett, Secretary

A Letter From A Manx Visitor

18 Broadway
Douglas, Isle of Man
August 27, 1947

Miss Claire M. Mylecraine, Secretary
North American Manx Association
10525 Baltic Road
Cleveland 2, Ohio.

Dear Miss Mylecraine:

I am taking this opportunity of penning a few lines whilst on the ocean en route for "Home Sweet Home."

It has been rather a choppy voyage, just making one feel a little bit uncomfortable. I want to say how pleased I was to meet you after having corresponded with you for so long as respective secretaries. We certainly had a pleasant time at the convention, which I consider was a great success, as was also your meeting at Cleveland.

I would like you to pass on my thanks and appreciation to all the Manx friends for their great kindness and for the wonderful reception they gave me. I felt I was taken right into their hearts. I shall never forget their generous spirit and real Manx homely manner. As I stated at the convention, it was one of the greatest thrills of my life. Tell the friends I will do my best to pass on their messages to loved ones on the Island.

I hope I may be able to give them all a special welcome when they come for the Great Homecoming in 1949. The World Manx Association will do their best to make the visit one of the most enjoyable ever held in Ellan Vannin. Trusting that all may accept these humble words of thanks,

Yours very sincerely,

Charles Craine
Hon. Secretary
World Manx Association

News of the Manx Societies

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BUFFALO

Most of the officers and several other members of the Buffalo Manx Society attended the Toronto Victory Convention and enjoyed the splendid program to the full. All extended thanks to the Toronto Manx Society and to the North American Manx Association.

Mrs. Manuel Trueba (Betty Caine) for many years Secretary of the Buffalo Manx Society and now living in Los Angeles has been visiting in Buffalo this summer and seeing many of her Manx friends again. The members expect to hold their first Fall meeting soon and renew the interest in, and work of the Society.

They feel the loss very deeply of two faithful members—Mrs. Edith A. Bury and Mrs. Thomas H. Sulkie, who passed away recently.

LADIES' AUXILIARY TO MONA'S RELIEF SOCIETY, CLEVELAND

At the June meeting of the Ladies' Auxiliary to the Mona's Relief Society the following officers were elected for 1947-48:

Mrs. J. P. Beiger.....President
Mrs. Fred Gorry.....1st Vice President
Mrs. Harrison Crellin.....
.....2nd Vice President
Mrs. Roy Bertsch.....Secretary
3061 Essex Rd., Cleveland Heights
Miss Alice Corlett.....Treasurer

Their first meeting of the present season took place on September 19 at the Y.M.C.A. on East 101st St., Cleveland, where they got off to a good start, having enough work on hand already to last all year! The Mona's Relief Ladies are expert "quilters" and the money they earn enables them to carry on their good work of lending a helping hand to less fortunate Manx people.

Toronto Convention Prize

Distribution Winners

Pat Moughtin, Cleveland, Table Cloth
H. Vine, Hamilton, Ont., Toaster
J. Lewin, Vancouver, B.C., Blankets
Wilf. Cowley, Islington, Ont., Bath Towels
E. Frisby, Kemptville, Ont., Pillow Cases
Jean McGeorge, Cleveland, Luncheon Cloth
Irene Wade, Richardson, Sask., Table Cloth
Wm. J. Shimmin, Virginia, Minn., Book Ends
Mrs. J. H. Taggart, Wenatchee, Wash., Dresser Set
Mrs. J. A. Moore, Burley, Kitsap Co., Wash., Table Cloth
Mrs. A. Morrison, Richmond Hill, Ont., Pound Note
C. Zavitz, Windsor, Ont., Dresser Scarf
Mrs. Edith C. Davis, Cleveland, Bath Set
Mr. McKissack, Cleveland, Blankets
Mrs. Mabel Greene, Toronto, Picture
F. D. Radcliffe, Auburn, N.Y., Perfume
Mrs. R. C. Kelly, Chicago, Ill., Cosmetic Set
W. H. Roberts, Willow Grove, Pa., Cups and Saucers
Miss N. Callow, Ishpeming, Mich., Cushion
Millie Caine, Galva, Ill., Iron

N. Watson, Cleveland, Serving Tray
Nellie DiMarco, Cleveland, Lamp
Margaret Kless, Cleveland, Pillow Cases
P. S. Cottier, Lakewood, Ohio, Bath Towels
D. H. Fenley, Toronto, Tea Pot
Ed. A. Crellin, Rowley, Mass., Stainless Knives
Mrs. H. Baker, Toronto, Pillow Cases
E. A. Boardman, Westwood, Mass., Umbrella
J. C. Rivers, Victoria, B.C., Clock
J. P. Kneen, Wickliffe, Ohio, Silver Dish
E. Craine, Waukegan, Ill., Pillow Cases
Eleanor Quirk, Davenport, Iowa, Tea Towels
B. McCleary, Toronto, Cushion
G. McKnight, Winnipeg, Pillow Cases
Mrs. H. Hughes, Cleveland, Pillow Case
R. E. Mylechreest, Middletown, Conn., Bed Set
A. Aagro, Hamilton, Ont., Silver Dish
Mrs. T. Corkan, Winnipeg, Celery Dish
W. B. Butterworth, Bay Village, Ohio, Hand-painted Glasses
Minnie Smith, Cleveland, Dresser Set
H. Crellin, Lincoln, Nebr., Serving Tray
W. Woff, Cleveland, Dresser Set
A. Mills, Toronto, Breakfast Set

A glowing tribute was paid to Mr. William Cubbon, ex-Director of the Manx Museum, by Prof. Carl Marstrander, Professor of Celtic in the University of Oslo, in an article appearing in the Oslo "Morgenbladet" of July 8 and reprinted in the Isle of Man Times. The article referred to the fact that Mr. Cubbon recently was created a Knight of the Order of St. Olav by the Norwegian Government, and said that his knowledge of the Isle of Man is inexhaustible. The Professor is himself the greatest Celtic scholar in Europe, and has paid three visits to the Isle of Man to study Celtic and Scandinavian remains.

Mr. T. A. Bridson of Douglas, the well-known Manx artist, and an interested reader of the Bulletin, in the past ten years has climbed every one of the 22 mountains in the Isle of Man—five of them during the past summer. His last climb was to the top of Mount Karran on the western side of Sulby Glen Road, and he says that the beauty of the view from there was beyond description. As Mr. Bridson is now 87 years of age, his record as a mountain climber is really something to talk about. He is a brother of Mrs. J. J. Kneen, widow of the famous Manx scholar.

OUR OWN PEOPLE

Mr. and Mrs. Ed Killip of Los Angeles, accompanied by Mrs. C. Corkhill of Douglas, Isle of Man, arrived in New York September 9 on the QUEEN ELIZABETH en route to Los Angeles. While in New York an enjoyable evening was spent at the home of the Corkish family in Floral Park. Mrs. Corkhill is to spend several months in the States before returning to Douglas, and will visit Los Angeles, Seattle and Vancouver. The Killips report that outgrown clothing would be very acceptable in the Isle of Man, there being, of course, no pre-war clothing left over for children. Incidentally, Mrs. Killip is acquiring two new pug dogs, which are being shipped over from England.

Southern California welcomes Mr. R. L. Hudson, who is an exchange teacher from London. His address for the year is: 710 W. Lemon St., Monrovia, Calif. He was born in Ramsey and is related to the Kneale family.

Another welcome addition to the Manx colony in Los Angeles is the John Cannell family of Chicago and Detroit. Mr. Cannell was born in Baldwin, Isle of Man. Their address is: 1526 N. Evergreen St., Burbank, Calif. They have been enjoying a visit from Mr. Cannell's brother and wife—Mr. and Mrs. Robert Cannell of Detroit.

The John Looney family of Alva, Okla., have been visiting the Ed Christians of Fresno and the Walter Moores of Bakersfield, besides enjoying sightseeing in California.

The Los Angeles Manx are marveling at the speed of returning Manx Americans via plane. The John Ker-mode family left London at 10:30 P.M. on a Sunday and arrived at the Los Angeles airport the next night, Monday, at 10:50 P.M.

Mr. John Christian and son Bob of Los Angeles have returned from their three-month holiday in the Isle of Man.

San Francisco Manx will miss Tom Cottier, who left for Alaska and expects to be stationed there for a year or more.

Tom Kelly of Seattle is a visitor in San Francisco, and reported to be looking remarkably hale and hearty.

Mrs. A. J. Strong of Santa Monica Calif., who was one of the oldest and staunchest members of the Los Angeles Manx Society, is now making her home with her son, Harry Cannell Strong, 1220 Hathaway Avenue, Lakewood, Ohio. She will always be remembered by her friends in Los Angeles.

During July, Mr. and Mrs. T. L. Killip and Mr. and Mrs. Fred Killip of Vancouver, spent a most enjoyable few days with Mrs. John Fargher, 3715 N. Cheyenne St., Tacoma, Wash. After that, the Killips went on to Seattle, where Mr. and Mrs. Fred spent a few days with Mr. and Mrs. Ed Hinds, 814 Thistle St., and the T. L. Killips stayed with Mr. and Mrs. R. Joughin, 1629 Harvard Avenue.

The Vancouver Manx are going to miss Mr. and Mrs. Fred Killip and daughter Dorothy, who sailed on the EMPRESS OF CANADA August 16 for England and the Isle of Man. At Eccles, near Manchester, they were guests of Mr. and Mrs. John A. Killip.

Mrs. Gawne of 744 East 19th Avenue, Vancouver, has had as guests this summer her daughter and son-in-law, Mr. and Mrs. Fielding, and children, from San Francisco.

Mrs. R. W. Killey and daughter Mona, 792 East 54th Ave., Vancouver, have been entertaining Mr. and Mrs. Tom Corkan of Winnipeg recently.

There has been quite a rush of visitors at the home of the Shimmins, 6544 Perry Avenue, Chicago. Ethel reports a visit from a Manx bride living near Mattoon, Ill.; followed by a visit from Betty Caine Trueba, who was driving through from Los Angeles to spend a vacation in her old home, Buffalo. From Oakland, Calif. came Mrs. Abegglen (Lois Kelly) who spent an enjoyable day with Ethel and Betty. Then along came Jim Mann, and the Shimmins had the pleasure of living the Convention all over again!

Ethel Shimmin is an expert at finding Manx people, and reports meeting a Mrs. Broadhurst who was returning to her home in Liverpool after a visit to her sister, Mrs. Angelbreck of Seattle. They were formerly Ethel and Annie Doran of Port St. Mary, Isle of Man.

Anne Shimmin, Ethel's sister-in-law, returned on the QUEEN ELIZABETH September 16 after a holiday spent with her father in Glasgow, and also in the Isle of Man.

Mr. and Mrs. Evan Crellin, Charles River, Mass. were very sorry they had to miss the Toronto Convention. However, they heard all about it from Flo and Fred Gorry, who motored down to visit them following the gathering. Mr. and Mrs. Crellin have been responsible for sending in several N.A.M.A. memberships—the latest, Robert Crellin, 1209 Boylston St., Boston, Mass., Evan's youngest brother.

Mr. James Hornall of Vancouver reports that his wife and daughter are having a long and very enjoyable stay in the Isle of Man, the daughter also attending school there. Mr. Hornall's brother, who lives in Arbuckle, Calif. paid him a visit this summer when returning from a motor trip to New York and Florida.

A recent Bulletin article "Manx Friends Down Under" aroused considerable interest. Mr. and Mrs. Albert Halsall, 2834 Georgia St., Vancouver, B.C., were delighted to find there the name of Mr. Halsall's sister, Mrs. Harold Corlett of Wiltoughby, Australia—formerly Emily Halsall of Douglas.

Walter J. Stevenson of 321 N. Lotus Avenue, Chicago, wrote some time ago that Mrs. Stevenson and Myra were enjoying a summer holiday in the Isle of Man, England and Switzerland, returning on August 12.

A happy week-end party took place at the home of Mr. and Mrs. John R. Cain of Cleveland when Stanley and Finlo Quine and Mrs. Will Crandell of Washington, D.C., dropped in for the Labor Day holiday. Mr. Harry Cain and daughter, Mrs. Charles Bartlett, of Akron joined the party.

It was "Peel Week" at the summer home of Mr. and Mrs. Forrest W. Eccles, Crystal Bay, Lake Tahoe, California, when no less than nine "Peel wans" met there the week of July 14. They were—Mrs. Eccles and her two sisters, the Misses Margaret and Hilda Kelly who are visitors from the Island; Wilfred and Essie Quayle of San Francisco and Essie's sisters, Mrs. James Cringle of Palo Alto and Mrs. William Lucas of Manchester, England; Wilfred Quayle's sister and niece, Mrs. Charles Morrison and daughter Mary, also visiting from Peel. Another guest was a Mrs. George Hall, not from Peel, but we are safe in saying she would be almost a native by the end of the week. Mrs. Morrison and Mrs. Lucas were met and entertained by the Shimmin family when passing through Chicago, and enjoyed a grand time with them and visited them on the return trip.

Recent visitors to Cleveland were Mrs. W. Lucas (nee Isabel Collister), Mrs. Charles Morrison (nee Emma Quayle) and Miss Mary Morrison who have spent a wonderful summer with their relatives in San Francisco and vicinity. While in Cleveland they were the house guests of Mr. and Mrs. John R. Cain and Mr. and Mrs. R. R. Gell and were also entertained by Mr. and Mrs. Fred T. Gorry. About thirty Manx friends attended a party held in their honor at the Cain residence. On October 2nd they sailed for home on the S. S. Mauretania.

Mrs. J. Sharpe of 341 Quebec Avenue, Toronto, who will be 88 next February 6, was delighted to have many friends who attended the Convention pay her a visit—Mr. J. Kewley of Milwaukee, Mr. and Mrs. F. Stanton of London, Ont., Mr. and Mrs. W. H. Kelly, Mr. and Mrs. W. K. Wood, Miss Ada Christian and Miss Anna Cubbon all of Cleveland, and Messrs. J. H. Cleator and P. W. Caine from the Isle of Man. Mrs. Sharpe was born in Ramsey and her parents, Mr. and Mrs. J. Boyde, were born in Sulby. She has three sons, and a daughter, Mrs. Donald Q. Kinrade, with whom she makes her home. Mr. Sharpe died some years ago in Chatham, Ont.

A letter from Mrs. J. M. Johnson of Riverside, Calif. tells of an interesting holiday in Napa, Calif., where she and her husband visited with Mr. and Mrs. R. Q. Hampton of Douglas, Isle of Man, who are here for a few months, visiting Mrs. Hampton's sister, Mrs. Carrie Norton in Napa, and brothers in Oregon. As these friends had not met for 25 years, it was a very pleasant reunion. Mrs. Johnson is Alice Teare, a daughter of the late Past President Daniel Teare and Mrs. Teare of Los Angeles.

Mrs. Ivy Colquitt of Toronto, who did such a good job of seeing that everyone was comfortably accommodated at the Convention, writes: "I want to extend sincere thanks to all who sent me such nice letters requesting room reservations. I am very pleased that they were satisfied, and it was indeed a pleasure to meet all my Manx friends. May God bless you all, and bring us together again next year." At the Toronto Manx Picnic Ivy had the misfortune to break her wrist when participating in the tug-of-war, and wishes to thank the many friends who sent cards and letters of sympathy.

Mr. and Mrs. James McCoomb of Port Erin have been visiting Mrs. J. E. Christian, 2033 West Blvd., Cleveland during September and while there a number of Manx friends were invited to meet them and renew old acquaintance.

Still in the Service is Pfc. Louis S. Mylchreest, son of Mr. and Mrs. Harry Mylchreest, 13405 Marston Avenue, Cleveland. Louis is with the paratroopers in the 350th Infantry Regiment, attached to the famous 88th "Blue Devils" Division, and is stationed at present in Italy.

A son, Childs Bradford, was recently born to Mr. and Mrs. Crosby Kelly, 3340 Wiscasset Avenue, Dearborn, Michigan.

A new member is Charles Kissack, Polson, Montana, who writes that he happened to see a Manx Bulletin—and joined up right away!

Congratulations to Mr. and Mrs. Ben Gregor, 14500 Orinoco Ave., East Cleveland, Ohio, who celebrated their twenty-fifth wedding anniversary on October 2nd.

Members who have enjoyed the poems of Miss Mona Kewish in "The Christian Advocate" and other magazines will be interested in knowing that her address is 4356 South Union Ave., Chicago 9, Ill.

MANX WEDDINGS

Elinor Dorothy, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Albert Halsall, and Mr. Thomas Towler, son of Mrs. N. Towler, were married recently in All Saints Anglican Church, Vancouver, B.C. The bride was attended by her sister, Miss Marjorie Halsall, and her six-year-old niece, Miss Lois Halsall. Mr. Robert Foster was best man, and ushers were Mr. Arthur Halsall, brother of the bride, and Mr. James Copeland.

Margaret M. Yetman, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. P. C. Yetman of Cleveland, and Francis C. Glunt, son of Mr. and Mrs. L. Evans, were married May 31 at the Bethany English Lutheran Church. An organ recital preceded the service and Mr. Douglas Cleator was soloist. Miss May Yetman was maid of honor and her cousin Miss Mona Moughtin and Mrs. K. Cook were bridesmaids. The best man was the bride's brother, Mr. Thomas Yetman and the ushers were Messrs. Wm. Mariner and Raymond Smith. A garden reception followed the ceremony at the home of the bride's parents. The happy couple spent their honeymoon in Canada.

Aida E. Creer, formerly of Waterbury, Conn., was married May 10 in New York City to Mr. Irving L. Moody. They are living in Morris, Conn.

On Saturday, August 16, at 8 P.M. in St. Andrews Wesley United Church, Vancouver, B. C., Alfred Charles, younger son of Mr. and Mrs. T. L. Killip, 1020 Harwood St., and Gladys Marjorie, only daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Arthur Yeomans, of Kerrisdale, Vancouver, were united in marriage by Rev. Willard Brewing of Toronto.

Mr. William H. Collister of Cleveland, and Miss Elsie Killey of Painesville, Ohio were married early in July and are residing at 54 Orchard Grove, Painesville.

James Lewis Cannell, Major, Army Air Forces, son of Mrs. J. S. Cannell, 3915 East 154th St., Cleveland, was married on August 2nd to Suzanne Catherine, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Forrest Dearborn Mead, at Emmanuel Episcopal Church, Rapid City, South Dakota. At the time of the wedding, Major Cannell was stationed at Rapid City, but has since been transferred to the Pentagon Building, Washington, D.C., where he is in the A.G. Office of the A.A.F. Hq.

Not often do a Manx wedding and a Convention come along together, but Miss Jean Mann, younger daughter of Past President and Mrs. James Y. Mann of Winnipeg, arrived on the last day of the Convention preparatory to getting ready for her marriage in Toronto on August 15. Jim now has two "Mrs. Connells" in his family, the Mann sisters having married two brothers by that name.

Congratulations and best wishes for life-long happiness to these newlyweds.

About a hundred years ago it was possible for a short time to travel to the Isle of Man from Liverpool by steamer for sixpence. This cut-throat rate was offered by the St. George Company, a competitor of the Isle of Man Steam Packet Company.

Speed records are not an exclusive feature of this high-pressure age. The old EMPRESS QUEEN, paddle steamer of the Isle of Man Steam Packet Company, made the run from Liverpool Landing Stage to Douglas Head in 3 hours and 5 minutes on September 13, 1897. The BEN-MY-CHREE, famous turbine steamer which performed distinguished duty in World War I, did the same crossing in 2 hours and 58 minutes on July 6, 1909. These speeds have never been equalled. The "Liverpool Echo" gives these and other interesting facts about the Isle of Man Steam Packet Company ships in some recent issues.

OBITUARIES

BLISS, Robin A., passed away on Saturday, July 12, at his home, 521 Columbia Terrace, Peoria, Ill., after a long illness. He leaves his widow, La Veda Bliss, and one son, Dr. Ted Bliss of Peoria.

BURY, Mrs. Edith (nee Reubens) passed away September 22 at her home in Gowanda, N.Y. after a long illness. She was the wife of the late Burt J. Bury, and is survived by a daughter, Mrs. Doris B. Sherman of Cleveland and a son, Burt J. Bury of Gowanda; and five grandchildren; also a brother, John Reubens, Ramsey, Isle of Man. Mrs. Bury was an enthusiastic worker in the Buffalo Manx Society of which she was a past president; also in the Ladies' Auxiliary to the North American Manx Association, of which also she was a past president. She was born in Sulby, Isle of Man.

CALLOW, William J., aged 81, died on September 4 at his home in Kirk Michael, Isle of Man. He was the father of John Callow of Cleveland, a past president of the Mona's Relief Society.

CANNELL, Mrs. Cassie Quirk, of "Borraine," Santon, Isle of Man, died in Noble's Hospital, Douglas, on July 29 and was buried in Peel cemetery. She is survived by her husband, James W. Cannell, daughter Maisie, and grandchild Voirrey; also a brother Forrest Quirk in Batley, Yorkshire, two sisters, Mrs. Cooke and Mrs. Isabel Rogers of Gates Mills, Ohio.

CLEATOR, Mrs. Eliza (nee Allen) of 4138 E. 110th St., Cleveland, passed away on September 30. She is survived by her husband, Frank; a son, Douglas and grandchild, Gary, and a brother Joseph in Douglas, Isle of Man. Mrs. Cleator was a most interested and energetic worker in the Mona's Relief Society and its Ladies' Auxiliary, and was a past president of the latter organization. Her childhood was spent in Foxdale, Isle of Man.

COWELL, Mattie (nee Latimer), passed away on July 18 at the home of her daughter, Mrs. Mona C. Finn, 2322 Rosecrans Blvd., San Diego, California. Born in Cleveland 88 years ago, she was still active at the time of her sudden passing. Her husband was the late Robert Cowell, former Omaha, Nebraska merchant. In addition to her daughter, Mrs. Cowell is survived by two granddaughters, Anna Helen and Mona Gwendolyn Finn.

CLUCAS, Gladys, passed away on September 22 at Peel, Isle of Man. She is survived by her mother, Mrs. T. Clucas; sisters and brothers Myrtle, Donald and Haydn all of Peel, and Percy of Toronto, Ontario. Miss Clucas was a niece of William Hall, formerly of Cleveland and now living in Florida, and Mrs. A. T. Hood of Cleveland.

CUBBON, William Richard, died July 31 at his home, 2632 Edgerton Road, Cleveland, at the age of 76. Of Manx descent, Mr. Cubbon was born in Cleveland and was a director of the Cleveland Savings & Loan Company (sometimes referred to as "The Manx Bank"). He is survived by his uncle, Thomas L. Gawne; his step-sister, Mrs. Edith Harrison Greig, and nieces and nephews. His wife, who died in 1944, was Miss Frances M. Kneale.

DAVIES, Mrs. Margaret (nee Cowley) passed away on September 2 in Cleveland, Ohio. She is survived by her brothers, Harrison E., Walter and Charles Lester Cowley. She was the wife of the late Benjamin Davies.

KELLY, Mrs. Christian Kennish, passed away May 18 at her farm home at Greeley, Colorado where she had lived 57 years. She was born at The Corony, Maughold, Isle of Man on December 31, 1854; came to the United States in 1870 with her father and mother, and their twelve children, settling at Mound City, Mo. Her father had been a member of the House of Keys in the Isle of Man. Mrs. Kelly was married in 1878 at Kewanee, Ill. to David Kelly, formerly of Knockaloe, Isle of Man, who died in 1928. She is survived by a brother, Thomas, and a sister, Mrs. William Tyson, both of Mound City, Mo.; six children, David E. and William R. Mrs. Oscar Riggs, Mrs. Gladys Carroll, of Greeley, Colo., Mrs. George A. MacDougall of Corpus Christi, Texas and Ralph K. Kelly, of Crockett, Calif.; many grandchildren and great-grandchildren.

KERRUISH, Mrs. Sarah Sayle, passed away on September 8 at Tecumseh, Nebraska. She was born in Douglas, Isle of Man. On coming to the United States in 1908 she resided in Bisbee, Arizona, where she married J. A. Kerruish, moving in 1918 to Chicago where they lived until 1946, when they moved to Elk Creek, Nebraska. She is survived by her husband, J. A. Kerruish; two daughters, Mrs. Mona Frank of Chicago and Mrs. Ann Robison of Elk Creek; seven grandchildren; four sisters and one brother, Mrs. F. Skelton, Epsom, England; Mrs. Florence Quayle, Winnipeg; Mrs. S. Kelley, Mrs. J. Corlett and Frank Sayle, Douglas, Isle of Man. She was an active member of the Chicago and Nebraska Manx Societies.

KNEALE, Mrs. Stanley, died on January 11, 1946, in Painesville, Ohio. She was born in the Isle of Man and is survived by a daughter, Mrs. Geo. W. Durand of Painesville.

LOONEY, Mrs. Jean, died August 13 at her home, 15 Gladstone St., Rochester, N.Y. She is survived by her husband, Alfred E. Looney; three sons, Bruce Donald, Robert and Lawrence; two sisters, Mrs. Isabelle Murray and Mrs. Nell Henderson; two brothers, John MacDonald of Rochester, and Alexander MacDonald of Aberdeen, Scotland. Of Scottish origin, Mrs. Looney was an active and popular member of the Rochester Manx group.

MARTIN, Fred, of Douglas, Isle of Man, died on September 28. He is survived by his wife, Elizabeth, and stepchildren Elizabeth, Ethel, Lillian and John in the Isle of Man, also Stephen Quinney of 21009 Clare Avenue, Bedford, Ohio.

PATRIC, Mrs. Jennie Quine, passed away July 21 at her home, 151 Laburnum Crescent, Rochester, N.Y. She was the wife of the late Milan W. Patric and is survived by several cousins.

QUIRK, Catherine E. of 7 Cowley's Terrace, Peel, Isle of Man. Miss Quirk made her home in Cleveland for a number of years. Survivors include nieces and nephews: Nellie and Tom Kneen, Laxey; Edith Kissack, Douglas; Fred Quane, Vancouver, B.C.; Robert S. Quirk, Mantua, Ohio and Thomas S. Quirk of Cleveland.

SULKIE, Mrs. Thomas H. (nee Margaret Callow) formerly of Douglas, Isle of Man, passed away on August 7 after a long illness, at the home of her son Thomas in Laurel, Md. She was the wife of the late Thomas H. Sulkie, and sister of the late Arthur Callow of Toronto, Ont. She is survived by her son Thomas and granddaughter. Mrs. Sulkie was a resident of Buffalo for many years, and an active member of the Manx Society there. Interment was at Buffalo.

WATTERSON, Dr. Walter H., of La Grange, Ill., died at his home on June 17 at the age of 72. He was born on a farm near Fairbury, Ill., his father having come from Port St. Mary, Isle of Man. He is survived by his wife, Willa; a son, Robert; a daughter, Mrs. Robert Hill and grandson James Hill. Dr. Watterson had a distinguished medical career, having served in a supervisory capacity in several hospitals in and near Chicago; also during World War I enlisted and served in several Army camps. Since 1936 he had been engaged in private practice.

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

THE MANX GATHERIN'

Bless me, and bless me now, ye're always agate of me for a yarn about our ones out in the big counthre, Spinnin' a yarn is one of me failin's, and herself is often givin' me glister for it. An' anyways theer'll be no res' on ye till I do it. Awright then, I'll tell ye about the Manx Gatherin' out in Canada.

Fus' thing I mus' tell yer how it comes about. Ye know, there's a big Manx Society that takes in the whole of America and Canada, an' Manx ones and their societies from all over can belong to it. "The North American Manx Association" they call it (God bless me, thass a big mouthful for the leks of me.) Now, once a year they have a gatherin', one year it's in Canada, and the next year in "the States" as they say out yandhar.

Now then, herself an' me was out to Cleveland purrin' a sight on the younges' gal, Kate. Now Kate was intarmined that herself an' me was goin' to the Manx gatherin' in Toronto, an' I could see that herself was morthal keen for goin'. Her people are all from over the south an' she was expectin' to meet with some of her relations at the gatherin'. She was wantin' to meet some dacent Manx ones, she said—too many Peel ones in Cleveland an' they have the newswes a whole day befoer it happens in Peel.

Well now, if ye're askin' me, us Manx ones from all over is tarred with the same stick. Them ones from over the south gets high and mighty sometimes, but thass the way it is for all an' thou'll get lave.

Anyways, who was I to be goin' agin me own wimmin; and then too, there was ones comin' out from the Isle of Man for the gatherin'. Charlie Craine and John Claytor from the World Manx, Tom Radcliffe from the "Examiner," Phil Caine from the "Times" and his sister along with him; a Mistress Bridson, a couple named Connell, a man named Roberts and a couple from Crosby named Birkenhead. So ye see, what could I do but pack me traps and go along.

Now them ones out yandhar don't think nothin' of travellin' hundreds of miles to go some place, but however we didn't take it all in one jump. We stopped one night at Niagara Falls an' I'm tellin' ye theer a gran' sight but I'll tell ye about them some other time. Well, the next mornin' we were in Toronto an' pullin' up alongside the place where the Manx doin's was to be. Aw now, a morthal gran' place, an' a-goin' up in the air I don't know how many storeys, an' a-feedin' an' sleepin' hundreds and hundreds of people; an' flunkers galore I'm tellin' ye. Yis, I was stickin' pretty close to herself, for us oul' Manx ones is not used to such goin's on, but Kate and her man was takin' it nice and aisy an' I knew we were in good hands.

No stairs in yandhar place, electric lifts to take ye up and down; an' bless me when we got to our room there, was a bed apiece for herself an' me. I could see that herself was morthal plazed with it all, so I jus' held me tongue. I'm tellin' ye, I was all moithered an' onaisy about it all tho, till the Manx ones began to come stravagin' in an' it wasn't long that for all I knew it was lek standin' on the top of the town talkin' to ye all here, an' jus' aitin' an' sleepin' in a lawdy-daw place. Aw bless me, theer they were, from down the north an' over the south, from the ais' and from the west, comin' from all parts of the big counthre an' a-gettin' together in no time an' a-takin' a joy on one another.

An' theer would be some ones comin' in that wouldn't know a sowl. "An' wheer are ye from?" "From Laxa" they'd say, or "Ramsa" or any place at all. An' somebody would see that they would be made knowin' to some one close to an' soon they would be claimin' relations, or they lived on the next farm, or they knew the family well. Loramassy, people, it done yer heart good to see them. An' what a lif' them ones would be gettin' urroy it, maybe not seein' a Manx sowl from one year's end to the other.

One woman comes in an' a falla asks "Are ye Manx?" "An' what do ye think I'm doin' here for?" she says. From Glenmeay she was, an' wantin' to meet Peel ones, an' it wasn't long till she was ding-dong with some of them.

Aw deed tho, there was some that come clane across the big counthre, an' days travellin' to get theer; Willie Cain an' wife from California an' comin' every year now, they said. An' oul' Sam Lewthwaite from Vancouver—aw, a nice gennalman. Herself an' him had their heads together often an' I'm thinkin' he mus' have been from over the south. (Mr. Lewthwaite comes from Douglas—Ed.) Then there was the Ken-naughts from Wyomin' an' the Costains from Montana. A tremenjus long ways them ones was comin' just to be with their own again.

Ye've often seen Manx ones goin' across the water an' comin' back more English till the English. Well there was an English one married on a Douglas man an' yander one was as proud as could be of her Manx friends. She could sing lek a bird, aisy and nacheral, an' they toul' me that the fancy flower decorations was all her doin's.

An' John Thomas Quilliam the policeman's daughter Mona, talkin' the oul' talk in her own quiet aisy way, jus' lek the day she left home years ago. An' Enos Christian from Douglas givin' us "The Wreck on the Kitterland" in the Manx Gaelic. I'm tellin' ye if I had been roun' that falla yer long I would have come back talkin' Manx Gaelic. Aw deed, it done me heart good to be meetin' with the leks of them.

"An' what about the doin's?" ye're askin'. Jus' houl' their horses, I'm comin' to that. The Toronto Manx ones had the plannin' of that, an' bless me sowl, it kept a falla busy keepin' up with it all. We had a sail on the lake, a bus ride roun' the town; two days we had a dinner in the mornin', an' a couple of concerts in the evenin', an' a dinner an' dance the last everin'.

The mornin's was the time they had their business meetin's an' I wasn't missin' a one. The big ones all sat at a long table in front of us an' there was jus' as many women as men sittin' theer. I'm thinkin' the women out theer get more of a finger in the pie till they do here.

Well, an' who was the Big Man? I'm thinkin' ye will all know him—Jimmy Mann that used to keep the bicycle shop in Kirk Mickel Street, yes, married on Thomas Craine the mason's daughter. Aw yiss, thass the falla, lives out theer in the oul' counthre in Canada. Ay, takin' order on them ones an' clavar no end on the talkin'. Sittin' on each side of him was two gels an' from what they were all sayin', they were the ones that kep' the boat sailin', an' everybody was singin' their praises an' very desarvin' of it from what I was hearin'. One was Gertrude Cannell, Joe Cannell the watchmaker's daughter from Douglas, gettin' in the money an' lookin' after it an' keepin' things strite was her job. Claire Mollycharane was the other one, doin' all the writin' an' the business, an' givin' the big man all the cues on what to do next. Smart ones I'm tellin' ye, an' lucky to have them.

The meetin' was taken up with welcome talks, a sarvice for the ones that had gone on, reports of societies and reports of committees, wheer they would have the next gatherin', an' the election of new officers for the next year.

The last night's dinner was the gran' time, with the Isle of Man ones the big speakers, Charlie Craine and John Claytor was puttin' them all in stitches with yarns in the oul' talk; Radcliffe tellin' them stories, an' what a good governor was in now; Phil Caine takin' them over in his own sincere way, an' his sister compeerin' herself to Cinderella, talkin' in a heart-feelin' manner. They were all full of thanks for the great time that they had an' I'm thinkin' they'll never forget it.

Well, all things come to an end, but yander ones was hangin' on to the last minute, hatin' to let go. But thass the way an' ye have to come to it, an' with the goodbyes it was all over for another year.

Now, as herself an' me got to bed that night, we were allowin' we had had the grandes' time, meetin' up with people we

hadn' seen since we were young an' full of the Jossyll. "Fus' rate holiday I ever had in me life" she said; not havin' to lif' a finger to do a hand's turn, not even make the bed, an' that for a woman thass always doin' that was a gran' thing, she was sayin'. An' we went off to sleep, two oul' Manx ones that were happy an' glad to have been with their own in a strange counthre an' a navar forgettin' it to their dyin' day.

God bless me sowl, I'll be havin' the spinnin' from talkin' so long an' I batthar be goin' me ways home or herself will be barzin' the door on me. Come, Johnny la, thou're goin' my way, an' a "Good everin' to ye all."

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CLEVELAND MANX SOCIETIES ANNUAL PICNIC

The annual "Manx Picnic" was held on August 23 at Euclid Beach Park, with a large number in attendance. With a beautiful day and many new faces to create interest, the event was a huge success. Sports took place during the afternoon, followed by a basket supper, the abundance of food drawing forth the wistful remark from a Manx visitor—"If only we had some of this in the Isle of Man." During the evening a get-together was held in the Annex building with Thomas Keig, Jr., President of the Mona's Relief Society in the chair, Solos by Joe Clucas of Cleveland, and recitations in Manx dialect by John Cleator of Ramsey, Isle of Man, followed by community singing, made the meeting a lively and enjoyable one. Mr. Keig introduced a number of Manx visitors from out of town—Mr. and Mrs. Tom Moore, Mr. and Mrs. Freu Caveen, Mr. and Mrs. Charles Moore and Mr. Joe Daugherty of Toronto; Mr. and Mrs. Alex Connell, Mr. John Cleator and Mr. Thomas Radcliffe from the Isle of Man; Mrs. Pritchard and Mrs. Walker from Minneapolis (nieces of Mr. and Mrs. Wm. Quine of 4476 West 157th Street); Mrs. William Kermode and daughter from Florida; Mr. Tom Kelly, Toledo; Mr. Sid Corkish, Buffalo; Mr. and Mrs. Dick Corkill, Detroit, Rev. and Mrs. Joe Partridge, Sullivan, Ill., and Mr. and Mrs. W. H. Collister, Painesville, Ohio. Mr. and Mrs. Connell were the house guests of Mr. and Mrs. Harry Kelly, while Mr. Radcliffe was the guest of Mr. and Mrs. John R. Cain.

A noteworthy feature of this picnic was the attendance of three families represented in four generations—Mr. James Crellin, Mrs. James T. Kewley and Mrs. A. S. Minor, who were accompanied by sons and daughters, grandchildren and great-grandchildren. These youthful-looking heads of families are to be congratulated on such a showing.

It was a late hour when the last lingering group left the Park—finding it difficult to break up the ever-interesting "cooish."