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MAKE THIS YOUR DATE IN '48 PEORIA • AUGUST 11-12-13

"Come to the Convention you Manx people all, for all are invited, the great and the small."

Peoria will be new to most of our convention goers, and it is new to Peoria Manx to handle the N.A.M.A. convention. But we are all working hard to make plans for your entertainment and comfort during your stay in our city. The Hotel Pere Marquette is well equipped to take care of all our needs, and it is conveniently located in the downtown area, close to shopping and entertainment districts. Peoria has long been one of the most popular convention cities in the middle west.

Once again, it is time to ask all our members and friends for their support in making our convention a financial success by reserving space in our souvenir program book. The usual charge of \$20.00 for a full page, \$10.00 half-page, \$5.00 quarter-page and \$2.50 card-size will apply. Names will be printed in the patron's list for \$1.00 each, the same as heretofore. We would appreciate a very early response to this appeal, so that our book will be ready to go to press at least one month before the convention. Please send your Society's greetings and your names and dollars to Dr. R. T. Bliss, 521 Columbia Terrace, Peoria, Illinois.

We have many gifts for our Prize Distribution, and each member will receive a book of tickets with this Bulletin. In this too, we ask your hearty support. Please help us make this convention a social and financial success. Our Society is small, but we are all doing our best to make your visit to Peoria something to remember.

So, come one, come all. Peoria will welcome you.

EVA KELLY, Secretary
Peoria Convention Committee

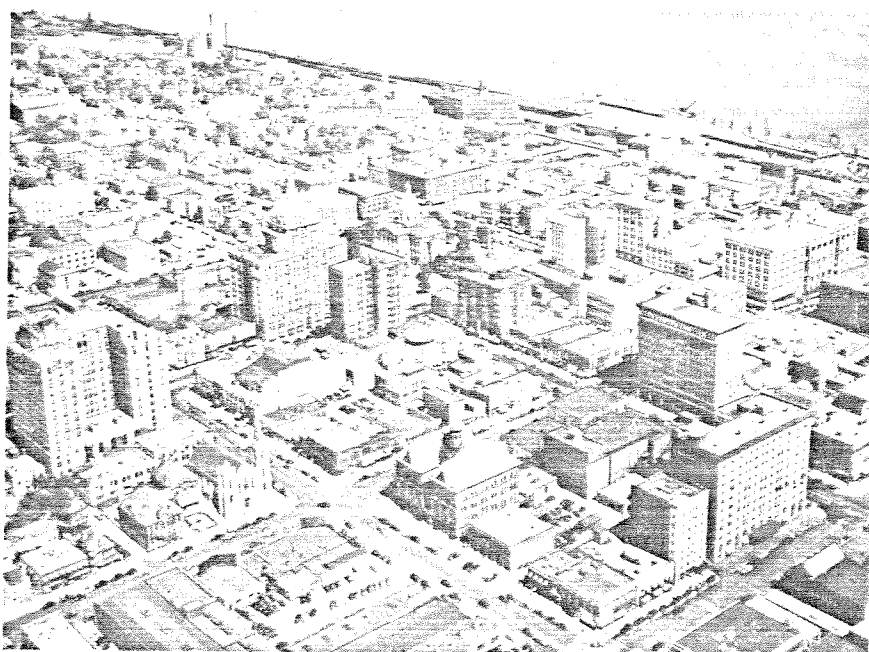
HOTEL RESERVATIONS

Dr. George C. Ashman, Sr., is Chairman of the Hotel Reservations Committee. His address is 306 Barker Avenue, Peoria 5, Illinois and he will be happy to assist you with your reservations. When you have decided what you desire in this respect, it is suggested that you communicate with him. Rates per day at the Pere Marquette—our convention hotel—are as follows:

Single room with bath.....	\$3.45, \$3.85, \$4.60 and \$5.00
Double room with bath	\$5.50, 5.80, \$6.50 and \$7.00
Twin-Bed room with bath.....	\$7.20, \$7.60, \$8.00 and \$10.00
Parlor suites (single or double occupancy)	\$12.00 and \$15.00 per day

Rates at a lower-priced hotel will be supplied upon request.

Make Your Reservations Early



AIR VIEW OF PEORIA BUSINESS DISTRICT. OUR CONVENTION HOTEL, THE PERE MARQUETTE, IS THE LARGE BUILDING IN THE LEFT CENTER.

Convention Prize Distribution

Enclosed with this Bulletin is a book of tickets for the usual prize distribution to be held at the convention. As you know, the Peoria Convention Committee needs pre-convention operating funds, and would appreciate the disposal of these tickets as soon as possible.

The prizes are well worth while and it should be easy for our members to dispose of them to their friends without any difficulty. Donations are the same as heretofore—10c per ticket, three tickets for 25c, or \$1.00 for a book of twelve. More tickets are available upon request.

Remittance for the enclosed book should be sent to:

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The President's Message

Time rolls by—it does not seem two months since our last Bulletin.

Speaking of Bulletins, few of us realize how much time and effort is spent in preparing one. Miss G. Cannell is Editor as you already know; members of the Committee are Mrs. Fred T. Gorry, Miss Claire Mylecraine, Mr. John R. Cain and Mr. Fred T. Gorry. The first step in preparing the Bulletin is to secure material—Miss Cannell writes to secretaries of the local societies notifying them that a Bulletin will be issued and asking for news items at a specified time. I'd like to say the local secretaries have been very cooperative. Incidentally when you have items of interest our Bulletin Editor will be glad to receive them.

The material received has to be typed and a meeting of the committee is then called at the office of Mr. John R. Cain, to whom we are very grateful for this accommodation. These meetings which are called for 8 o'clock usually last until midnight. Each member reads all material received, and each item is discussed—some cut a little because of space, etc. Each page of the Bulletin is planned, which means number of words and lines have to be counted, as there are so many to a page—so you see how particular they have to be and how exact.

The copy is then sent to the printer and a proof copy returned to Miss Cannell, who with Miss Mylecraine make a complete check of same, and when all errors are corrected the Bulletin is ready to be printed. Envelopes then have to be addressed, Bulletins folded and mailed. So when you receive your next Bulletin I want you to

TENTATIVE PROGRAM

SIXTEENTH CONVENTION — N.A.M.A.

TUESDAY—Reception and Registration Committees will be on hand all day to receive guests.

TUESDAY EVENING—Peoria Night. Informal get-together and entertainment at Hotel Pere Marquette.

WEDNESDAY, A. M.—Official opening of Convention—addresses of welcome. Business session.

WEDNESDAY P. M.—Luncheon at Pere Marquette. Bus tour of Peoria, or tour of local industries.

THURSDAY, A. M.—Business session and memorial service.

THURSDAY, P. M.—Luncheon at Pere Marquette. Committee meetings and meetings of N.A.M.A. Ladies' Auxiliary at the Pere Marquette.

THURSDAY EVENING—To be announced later.

FRIDAY A. M.—Business session and election of officers.

FRIDAY P. M.—Free afternoon for shopping.

FRIDAY EVENING—Banquet and dance at Hotel Pere Marquette.

SATURDAY—Picnic. All convention attendants are cordially invited.

REGISTRATION FEE — To be announced later.

remember the time and effort your Committee has put into it. I have attended all the meetings this year and have been amazed at the work entailed in getting a Bulletin into your hands.

I want to say "Thank You" to all committee members and I know the N.A.M.A. is fortunate in having them.

In closing I would like the members of North American Manx Association to know how much I appreciate their loyalty this year. When the dues were raised last year to two dollars, there was a feeling our membership would suffer, but up to date there are only a few who have overlooked paying their dues and we have added a good number of new members.

Let us rally round and finish up our year, which ends July 31st, by going over the top.

The Peoria Manx are making great preparations for the Convention, August 11th, 12th and 13th—so let's all meet there. It's the next best thing to a trip to the Isle of Man, for there you'll meet the "Quilliams, Quirks, Quayles, Collisters, Kellys" and a host of others, so here's hoping we see you all at the 1948 Manx Convention at Peoria.

W. HARRY KELLY,
President.

Train Trip to Peoria

Are You Interested?

The Association Secretary has secured data regarding a rail party from Cleveland to Peoria and return. Manx people from the Cleveland district, as well as those from points east who could join the party in Cleveland and those from points west who could join the party en route or in Chicago, are invited.

The party would leave Cleveland at 12:30 Tuesday noon (daylight savings-time), August 10 via New York Central and arrive in Peoria that evening at 8:35 P.M. (Peoria time). The return party would leave Peoria at 6:30 A.M., August 15 arriving in Cleveland at 6:20 P.M. Round trip coach fare is \$24.27, including 15% U.S. tax.

We have reserved a nominal number of seats on the Chicago, Rock Island & Pacific Railroad's Rocket train, which would serve us between Chicago and Peoria.

It is suggested that interested parties contact the Association Secretary—Claire M. Mylecraine, 10525 Baltic Road, Cleveland 2, Ohio, at an early date.

NEWS OF THE MANX SOCIETIES

VANCOUVER

About forty members of the Vancouver Manx Society attended a surprise party arranged by Mrs. Hazel Koronko in honor of her mother, Mrs. Robert McWaters, who was leaving to reside at Port McNeil, B.C., where her husband is employed. Contests, games and music made the evening a lively one, and the fact that the party proved a complete surprise made it doubly enjoyable. Relatives of Mrs. McWaters who were present included her mother, Mrs. Quaggan; sisters Mrs. Ross, Mrs. Rice and Miss Quaggan, and a brother, all from New Westminster, B. C. Mrs. McWaters has been treasurer of the Vancouver Manx Society for some years, and takes with her to her new home the best wishes of every member.

The Society held its annual Spring Concert on April 30, and no doubt an account of this event will be received later.

BISBEE

Since the first of the year, the Bisbee Manx Society has held meetings regularly every month. The January meeting was held at the home of Mr. and Mrs. J. J. Quill, at which time the following officers were elected and installed:

Alfred H. Kelly.....President
Mrs. J. J. Quill.....Vice President
Arnold Corrin.....Secretary
Mrs. Minnie Pearson.....Treasurer

The February, March and April meetings were held at the homes of Mr. and Mrs. Alfred H. Kelly, Mr. and Mrs. Arnold Corrin (Warren, Ariz.), and Mrs. Ivy Dillon (Warren, Ariz.) respectively. All of these gatherings were well attended and the singing of Manx songs could be heard blocks away! Quiz programs conducted at the meetings are enjoyed by everyone—to say nothing of the good things to eat such as flourcakes, buttermilk, bonnags, scones and tarts galore. And of course a cup of tay! With summer now in the offing, the Society is looking forward to its out-of-door meetings.

NORTHEASTERN OHIO

This Society reports having very interesting meetings, with a large number attending. Their May meeting, on the 16th, was held at Legion Hall, Hopkins Road, Mentor, with supper at 6 P.M.; hostesses, Mrs. James Kissack, Miss Ella Kelly and Mrs. Klee. The Cleveland Manx are always cordially invited to these famous suppers and are glad to take the opportunity for the drive out through the beautiful countryside and a happy evening with their neighbors of the North Eastern Society.

SAN FRANCISCO

Essie Quayle, Secretary of the Manx Society of San Francisco, sends the following description of a successful meeting: "Our Society met on Saturday, April 24, for our annual trek to Berkeley, where the ever hospitable doors of the Fred Callow's home were thrown open to us. This is an evening to which we always look forward with great zest. Our President, Mrs. Amy Satterlee, was unable to be with us, so our host very ably stepped into the breach. A pleasant feature of the evening was a surprise visit from Mr. and Mrs. James Hornall of Vancouver, B.C., who are spending a few weeks with Joe Hornall and wife at Arbuckle, Calif. Mrs. James Hornall, who with her daughter Joan has just recently returned from the Island, graciously gave a talk on her impressions and urged everyone to continue sending food parcels. She also sang the old Manx air "Home" in the Gaelic, which was a great treat.

"During the evening a message was received from Major Walter Smith, stationed at the Presidio, to say that some time he would enjoy showing the Society some movies he had taken in Italy. The Major is from Painesville, Ohio, and his father came from Douglas. We are very happy to renew the acquaintance of Major and Mrs. Smith, originally formed during the war. The Major also mentioned that he had noticed on the program for a Band Concert to be given the following afternoon, Haydn Wood's medley of "Manx Airs"; unfortunately many of us were unable to attend the concert. Another surprise which afforded great happiness was the arrival of a cable from Peel, conveying greetings from "Isabel, Emma and Mary"—(Morrison and Collister) who visited us last year. Altogether it was a good Manx week end!

"Our next meeting will be held at the Wilfred Quayle's home."

BUFFALO

The Buffalo Manx met on March 14 at the home of Mrs. Peake and her daughter Viola, with a good turnout of members to enjoy a very pleasant evening and greet a new member, Mrs. Patricia Leary (nee Kinley). The next meeting was arranged for Sunday, May 30 (Decoration Day) at the home of Mr. and Mrs. John Skillicorn, 158 Huntley Road, when the N.A.M.A. President, Harry Kelly of Cleveland, with Mrs. Kelly and daughter Florence will attend. Florence will show her moving pictures taken last year in the Isle of Man, and Walter Quilliam the popular Manx baritone, will be with the Cleveland party. "The Welcome mat will be out to Manx folk and friends from far and near who might care to be with us on this occasion," says Fred Towle, President of the Buffalo Society.

THE MONA'S RELIEF SOCIETY CLEVELAND, OHIO

In March, the Mona's Relief Society enjoyed seeing the color films taken in England by Miss Florence Kelly last summer. Also included were films of the Royal Wedding. There was a good attendance and refreshments were served.

The April meeting was followed by a card party and in May the official Cleveland Browns' football films were shown.

June 1st is the last meeting night until September 7th and will be followed by a card party to which we invite all Manx people and their friends.

Meetings are the first Tuesday of each month at St. Stephen's Church Hall, 863 East 150th St.

NEBRASKA

The annual spring meeting and dinner of the Nebraska Manx Society was held recently at the home of Mrs. Nell Morris, 1511 South 25th St., Lincoln, with 45 members present. At that time they made plans for their summer picnic, which will be held at Pioneer Park, Lincoln, on June 6. They are looking for a large turnout on that date.

TORONTO

The Toronto Manx Society's Mixed Bowling League has had a very successful season, ending with a banquet and dance, at which time the winning teams and individuals were awarded their prizes. Rivalry between the teams was very keen. The teams bore familiar Manx names—King Orrys, Bradda Heads, Traa-dy-hooars, Ellan Vannins, Villa Marinas and Cregneish Boys. The Bowling League met every Saturday night and was well patronized by young and old—and already arrangements are being made for next season.

The Toronto members of the Ladies' Auxiliary to the N.A.M.A. are busy raising funds to help the good cause. Mrs. Tom Moore held the first Euchre party at her home on April 24; Mrs. Fred Caveen, Mrs. Charlie Moore and Mrs. Williamson follow in line and no doubt a substantial sum will be raised through their efforts.

The annual picnic of the Toronto Manx will be held on Sunday, June 13, at Niagara Falls, and the members hope that Manx friends from Buffalo, Rochester and other places within reach will join them on that date as they did a couple of years ago, to the enjoyment of all present. The meeting place will be Victoria Park, and anyone desiring further details may write to Frank Williamson, Secretary, 138 Essex Street, Toronto, Ont.

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OUR OWN PEOPLE

In Los Angeles there are great preparations going forward for trips to the Isle of Man, which several members have planned this spring. The Oscar Wards were entertained at a farewell dinner by Mr. and Mrs. Edward Christian of Fresno. The William Mullens, just leaving for the Isle of Man, are loaning their home to Mr. and Mrs. William Brown, just returned, while the latter are looking round for a home to purchase. The Browns are from Cleveland.

Mrs. Jennie McDonnell of Los Angeles (formerly of Detroit) is expecting to hear soon that her husband, Leslie, who has been in New Zealand for the past three years, has arrived in Vancouver. She and son Douglas will join him there.

More comings and going in Los Angeles . . . John Callow of Crestline visiting friends around the city . . . Donald Bain on a business trip to Tucson, Arizona . . . Mr. and Mrs. Joe Rodger of Long Beach planning an auto trip to Salt Lake City and points west on their annual trek to Vancouver.

We have missed hearing from Arnold Corrin, Secretary of the Bisbee Manx, but a recent removal will account for it. The Corrins are now living in Warren, Arizona, Box 2152, and the news of Society doings which Arnold sent for this issue shows that they are all very much alive and on their toes. Arnold is a busy man, being Worshipful Master of the local Masonic Lodge and High Priest of the Chapter of Royal Arch Masons. Mrs. Corrin is active in the Eastern Star, having held an office for several years.

More news from Arizona . . . the William Kellys are now settled in their new home on the Canyon in Bisbee . . . John Quill reports his "John Quill Hotel" has had a busy winter season . . . Miss Peggy Gallagher, daughter of Mrs. Ivy Dillon, graduates May 28 from Tempe College, where she has been an honor student for the past four years.

It was nice to see Bob Anderson, who paid a flying visit to his old home in Cleveland a few weeks ago. He and Mrs. Anderson moved to St. Petersburg, Fla. nearly two years ago, where they soon "got their names in the papers" and gave a good account of themselves and of the Isle of Man. Last Christmas Bob had the pleasure of conducting some fine community singing when a large body of townspeople assembled on the pier at St. Petersburg to sing Christmas carols, and we are sure it must have been very inspiring.

It was a pleasure to hear from Mrs. Horace Smith of New Liskeard, Ontario, who writes that her husband's parents, Mr. and Mrs. Sydney Smith, celebrated their fifty-fifth wedding anniversary on April 3 at their home in Matheson, Ont. They came from Ramsey to Canada in 1913 and, with the exception of the years 1920-23 when they returned to Ramsey, have lived in Northern Ontario and a short while in Toronto. They have four sons, Jim, Horace, Syd and Bill, all of Ontario, and eleven grandchildren. Their eldest grandson, Sydney James, was fatally wounded over Germany while serving with the R.C.A.F. Congratulations to Mr. and Mrs. Sydney Smith on their record of fifty-five years together.

Funeral services were conducted on March 18 for Jack Quiggin, Machinist's Mate, 2nd Class, U. S. Navy, who was killed in action February 19, 1942, in Darwin, Australia. Jack was 24 years of age and was born in Cleveland. It will be remembered that he was the first Manx lad from Cleveland to lose his life in World War II. His mother, Mrs. Catherine Quiggin, lives at 22 Columbus Road, Bedford, also three brothers, Bernard, Roy and Clyde.

Mr. and Mrs. Alec Cannell, with Barbara and Bob, spent a couple of days in Cleveland recently at the home of their mother, Mrs. Joseph Cannell, 1492 Robinwood Avenue, while en route to Detroit, where Alec is now assistant manager of the Cunard White Star Line office there. They are living at 13114 Glenfield Avenue, Detroit.

Manx people will be delighted to know that Miss Norah Moore, the well known Manx soprano, has become a prima donna with the Sadler's Wells Opera Company of London. She made her debut on April 14 in the role of "Rosalinda" in "Die Fledermaus," and on that occasion received many telegrams and letters of congratulation from Manx people everywhere. Recently she recorded several Manx songs for the B.B.C. for rebroadcast, in which connection the "Northern Broadcasting News" commented: "Manx traditional and folk music is among the most beautiful in our islands." The friends of Mr. and Mrs. Noah Moore, particularly the Manx people in the States and Canada who met Mr. Moore during his visit last fall, will join in congratulations on their daughter's success.

The Cleveland Gold Medal, awarded annually to the top soloist in the Manx Musical Festival, was won this year by Arthur Quirk, son of Allen Quirk who also had been a winner of this coveted prize. Congratulations, Arthur!

Here are some Manx people visiting the Isle of Man this summer: Mrs. Nell Morris and daughter Mona of Lincoln, Nebraska . . . Mrs. Ann Kelly, Miss Mona Cannon and Percy Kelly of Rochester, N. Y. . . . Mrs. Charles Malboeuf (Mona Crellin) of Montreal, and her sister Mrs. Ernie Jacklin of Winnipeg . . . Frank Cleator of Cleveland and Tom Kelly, Toledo. May they all have a happy time!

John Garrett of Rochester, N. Y., who came from the Isle of Man 61 years ago, celebrated his 88th birthday recently with a family gathering at the home of his son, James L. Garrett, 338 Oakdale Drive, Rochester. Four generations were present. Mr. Garrett is still active in his building business, which he shares with three of his four sons. He planned and built many of Rochester's most beautiful residences and commercial buildings. His wife, Mrs. Sophia Christian Garrett, is a sister of the late John James Kewin of Close Lake, Andreas, Isle of Man, and is related to Deemster Cowley of Douglas.

Some of our Manx people have interesting hobbies which they tell us about occasionally. For instance, Arthur Teare, former secretary of the Edmonton Manx Society, is now secretary of the Edmonton Stamp Club. Here is Arthur's address, in case someone would like to exchange stamps with him—10863-93rd Street, Edmonton, Alberta. Mrs. James Gawne of Naramata, B.C. collects souvenir teaspoons. She writes: "Through the Bulletin I have made many friends and obtained spoons from Africa, Australia and other places. Would anyone drop me a card telling me the price and other particulars in different States where I could buy souvenir teaspoons?" No doubt some of us would like to help Mrs. Gawne with her collection. Fred Brew, 1870 Page Avenue, Cleveland, probably has one of the finest collection of rare Manx coins in existence. Let's hear about some more unusual hobbies followed up by our members.

Another newcomer from the Isle of Man has arrived in Toronto—Ernie (Pat) Caveen—and we all wish him the best of luck. At present he is staying with his uncle and aunt, Mr. and Mrs. Fred Caveen.

Another Manxwoman in the public eye is Nurse Margaret Kissack, whose picture you have seen, no doubt, in advertisements of the B. F. Goodrich Company's rubber products for home use. Nurse Kissack is a sister of "Jemmy Jem," whose Manx stories in the Bulletin have been enjoyed by many readers.

One of our good members, Miss Florence Q. Crellin of Akron, secretary to the head of the Public Library there, was recently elected clerk of the library's board of trustees. This is a newly created office, and Florence, who came from Peel, Isle of Man, is the first to hold the post.

Letters from Charlie Craine, John Cleator and others have told us so much about the wonderful spring weather they had in the Island this year, that we can almost smell the gorse and see the primroses blanketing the hedges.

William R. Morrison, who came from Peel, is still very keen on getting in touch with Manx people living in Florida. He regrets that in his extensive travels in this country, he has missed finding out, until too late, that there was a Manx Society in most of the cities he has visited. He makes up for it now by keeping in touch through the Bulletin. Florida Manx should take note of Mr. Morrison's address—2944 S.W. 14th St., Miami 35, Fla., drop him a line and arrange to see him some time.

Captain J. F. Corlett of London, who, with the British flair for understatement, refers to World War II as "the late unpleasantness," admits that though he is still soldiering, his ambition is to settle down some day in a small cottage in the Il Island where he was born. At present he commands the Officer Cadet Training Company of the King's Royal Rifle Corps, which, he tells us was formed in North America in the wars against the French before the Declaration of Independence! This regiment, he says, was originally trained in forest warfare by Colonials and friendly Indians and still march 147 steps to the minut as against 120 steps by ordinary infantry, and carry their rifles "at the trail,"—in the hand and not on the shoulder. This is an interesting bit of information about a historical regiment. Captain Corlett's address is 47 Nathan's Road, N. Wembley, Middlesex, England.

Miss May Yetman, 14624 Westland Avenue, Cleveland, writes that Miss Dorothy Quinn of Hayes End, Middlesex, England, niece of Mr. and Mrs. P. C. Yetman, arrived in the States on the QUEEN MARY on February 17, to make her home with the Yetmans. She made the trip with Mr. and Mrs. William Brown, who were returning to Cleveland.

MANX WEDDIN'S

Best wishes for a happy married life to Mr. and Mrs. Donald M. Cock, 102 Abbott Street, River Rouge, Michigan. Donald writes that he "took a wife" last Valentine's Day—February 14—and promptly made her a member of the N.A.M.A.

DO YOU REMEMBER?

This time our trip down Memory Lane begins at Victoria Street and our first stop is at Eaton's Arcade (close to the Grand Theatre), the shop where visitors to the Island bought souvenirs to take home. They made it their happy hunting ground and usually got what they wanted. The only things they couldn't buy at Eaton's were Manx kittens or a box of Manx kippers. Moving on, we come to the Grand Theatre, an imposing and attractive playhouse. Here, Mr. Alfred Heming, manager, brought the best of entertainment each week to the thousands of summer visitors. Something to suit all tastes was given in the way of current plays of the time. I remember two of them which may be familiar to you—"Floradora" and "Charley's Aunt." On Sunday evening, Professor Wood held "Professor Wood's Sunday Concerts"; maybe you remember them. Magic lantern slides were projected on a screen and explained by the Professor or his son as they went along. In between there was music a good soloist who sang at intervals. Around Christmastime the Douglas Choral Society staged a performance of a Gilbert & Sullivan comic opera. This was a yearly treat eagerly looked forward to by all music lovers and they were never disappointed. Who remembers Fred Minay and his peerless voice as "The Mikado" in the opera of that name, and as the Pirate King in the "Pirates of Penzance"? You will rarely hear a voice such as Mr. Fred Minay possessed.

Going up the street a little farther a sight greets you which makes your mouth water. It is in the windows of the two premier restaurants of Douglas—Bowling's and Wilson's, both very well known at that time. Huge roasts of sizzling and steaming meat stood appetizingly ready, with the rest of the excellent fare provided for the visitors, who always came back for more.

Now we are rounding the corner of Cottier & Cubbon's at Duke Street and I hear the siren of the "Sarah Blanche" coming in from Whitehaven with a cargo of coal, so let us hurry down to the harbor to see how the men unload that coal from ship to shore; it's quite a novelty and worth seeing. There are usually four unloaders, and they are young, robust and healthy men. They have to work fast, hard and steady, because they have a limited time to unload the vessel, which must go out again with the next tide. First, the men jump aboard, claiming the cargo. Then the hatches are taken off, the coal buckets are ready to be filled, the steam winch is in readiness and work begins. Buckets are filled, raised to the quayside to the waiting carts. As soon as one cart is filled, another takes its place, and this goes on until the vessel is unloaded and the coal safely stored in Joughin's coal yard on Fort Street or Sharpe's on Hill Street, or some other coal merchant's yard.

Up the quayside a little farther on

we meet the Swedes. Their sailing vessel has been here about a month, and the men are still unloading their cargo of timber. The Swedes are very friendly. I suppose we have something in common, according to old Manx history.

Going ahead a few steps we come to the last of the vessels moored at the quayside. We know the men aboard because we have seen them selling their Spanish onions from door to door in Douglas. Maybe my readers can remember these men. They were friendly fellows, but couldn't speak much English. They brought a cargo of onions from Valencia, Spain, and peddled them all over the Island. Their odd dress made them conspicuous. They carried their "strings" of onions on a stout wooden bar placed across their shoulders. Their way of saying "Spanish onions, very cheap!" was well known in Douglas, especially by all housekeepers.

The Douglas Harbour Commissioners owned a boat called the "Nancy Lee." Who remembers her? Captain Quirk had charge of this boat. She was oval-shaped and odd looking. Nearly all of the deck space was open, to take the dirt and rubble lifted from the harbour bed to deepen it. The only space left was a place for the red funnel of the boat, and a place for Captain Quirk to stand. The boat was loaded at low tide by a crew of men, and when tide floated it again the Captain and his crew put to sea and the loaded harbour refuse was shovelled into deep water. I took a trip once with Captain Quirk, and will not forget it.

It has been stimulating to my mind to recall what I have written, and it will be doubly pleasing to me if a similar reaction comes to the reader.

EDWARD BAWDEN,
R.D. 8, Box 195, Oakland
Johnstown, Pa.

We are all proud of the fact that the new radar station on the Victoria Pier at Douglas, Isle of Man is stated to be the first working harbor radar installation in the British Isles, and probably in the world. The apparatus sends a picture of ships and all surrounding objects to the radar screen in the control room where the Harbor Master can follow the movements of the vessels and "talk" them into the harbor by radio or loud-speaker. In February the steamer TYNWALD was guided into port through a fog by means of the device.

Recently a fine new Isle of Man steamer, SNAEFELL (fifth of that name) was launched at Cammel Laird's shipyard at Birkenhead. She follows the KING ORRY, MONA'S QUEEN and TYNWALD, all launched since the war, all of them designed to carry 2,300 passengers and with a speed of 21 knots.

OBITUARIES

- CHRISTIAN, Mrs. Dorothea Mary**, died recently at her home, Pomeroy House, Ramsey, Isle of Man. She was a daughter of the late Robert and Isabella Kerruish of Ballafayle, Maughold. Surviving are two sons, Edward Henry of Wallasey, England, and William Kerruish Christian of Rochester, N.Y., a former vice president of the Rochester Manx Society.
- COLQUITT, John (Jack) Edward**, passed away suddenly on August 3, 1947 in Chicago, Ill. He was a brother of William Colquitt and Mrs. Florrie Bedford of Toronto, and was a son of the late Richard Colquitt of Douglas, Isle of Man. He leaves a wife, two daughters and two sons.
- CORLETT, John James**, of Gibson's Landing, B.C., passed away on April 6 in his 80th year. Surviving are his wife, Euphemia; two sons, John, of Gibson's Landing and Henry of Namu, B.C.; a daughter, Mrs. A. S. Byfield, Esquimalt, B.C., and five grandchildren.
- COWLEY, Mrs. Flora Ellen (nee Cramer)** passed away on April 12 at Bladen, Nebraska at the age of 71. She is survived by her husband Charles, whose father came to America from the Isle of Man in a sailing vessel in 1868. Also surviving are two sons, Ralph of Hastings, Nebraska and Leonard of Dallas, Texas; grandchildren and great grandchildren; also a brother and a sister. Mrs. Cowley's mother, aged 93, also survives, while her father died only a few months ago at the age of 100.
- CURRIE, John J.** passed away in Clearwater, Florida on May 3. He is survived by his wife, Edna; a daughter Mrs. Bruce Kenedy, Independence, Ky.; sons Newton and Ernest R. Currie in Florida, and a brother, Thomas Q. Currie of Akron, Ohio. Mr. Currie formerly resided in Cleveland.
- GAWNE, John William**, of Selkirk, Manitoba, passed away on February 22. He was a son of Mrs. Gawne and the late William Gawne of 14 Brisbane Street, Douglas, Isle of Man.
- JOUGHIN, William**, aged 61, passed away at the Veterans Hospital in Lincoln, Nebraska on March 17. Surviving are his sister, Mrs. Eleanor (Nell) Morris of Lincoln; two brothers, Charles Evan of Douglas, Isle of Man and Thomas Gordon of Sydney, Australia; nieces and nephews. Mr. Joughin came from the Isle of Man to the United States in 1912 and served with the U.S. Army in World War I.
- KENNAUGH, Joseph**, passed away in Lansing, Michigan at the age of 86, and was buried on April 12 at Ishpeming, Michigan. Mr. Kennaugh was born in Foxdale, Isle of Man.
- MARSH, Mrs. Catherine Charlotte**, passed away on June 28, 1947 in Medicine Hat, Alberta, after a brief illness. She was born in Peel, Isle of Man in 1869, a daughter of Thomas and Anne Greggor, and came to Vancouver at the turn of the century, moving to Medicine Hat in 1917. Surviving are her husband, Frank; two daughters, Mrs. E. Sinclair and Mrs. Beth Hopkins; two sons, Dean and Gordon; twelve grandchildren and a great-grandchild. She was a sister of the late Robert Greggor, first president of the Vancouver Manx Society.
- MYLECRRAINE, Mrs. Alice G.**, passed away on April 28 at her home, 10525 Baltic Road, Cleveland, after a long illness. Mrs. Mylecraine, whose maiden name was Scott, was born in Cleveland and was the wife of the late William J. Mylecraine, whose father came from Peel, Isle of Man. She leaves two daughters, Irene M., and Claire, who is Corresponding Secretary of the North American Manx Association. In former years when her health permitted, Mrs. Mylecraine was a member of the Mona's Relief Society and its Ladies' Auxiliary, and was a past president of the G.A.R. Lodge in Cleveland.
- QUINE, William**, aged 67, passed away in Cleveland on April 6th. He is survived by his wife; three daughters, Mrs. Olive Brennan, Mrs. Eva Somers and Mrs. Dorothy Maxwell; a son John, of Dayton, Ohio; a sister Bessie, and three grandchildren. Mr. Quine, who lived at 13904 Castalia Avenue, had been in the employ of the City of Cleveland for forty years.
- SHIMMIN, Thomas**, aged 50, died on March 16 at his home, 5771 Joyce Road, Vancouver, B.C. He is survived by his wife, a sister in England and his stepmother in the Isle of Man (the former Miss Craine of Ballavar). Mr. Shimmin came from Ballastole, Braddan.
- WATTERSON, Peter Moore**, died on April 12 at his home, 305 N. Elmwood Street, Oak Park, Ill., aged 82. He is survived by two daughters, Florence E. Watterson and Mrs. Dorothy W. Nickelson, and two grandchildren. Mr. Watterson, who came from the south of the Isle of Man, was a faithful and valued member of the Chicago Manx Society.
- YETMAN, James Henry**, 62, of Abbeylands, Onchan, Isle of Man, died as the result of an accident on April 5. He leaves a widow and two stepchildren. He was a brother of Percy C. Yetman of 14624 Westland Avenue, Cleveland.

TAUBMAN, Dr. George P., 77, passed away March 12 at his home, 3551 Brayton Avenue, Long Beach, Calif. He is survived by his wife, Anne; and three children, Atty. George P. Taubman, Jr. and Mrs. Mary Way of Long Beach, and Mrs. Margaret Kirkpatrick of Eagle Rock. Born in the Isle of Man, Dr. Taubman came to the United States with his parents and for 24 years was pastor of the First Christian Church of Long Beach. He founded a men's Bible class which was said to be the world's largest, numbering 3500 members. He was a leader in many religious and patriotic activities.

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

News of the Manx Societies

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MONTREAL

A Christmas party for the children of members of the Montreal Manx Society was held at the home of Mrs. Eric Munro on December 20, 1947. Games were played, after which Santa Claus paid a visit, with a present for each child. A most enjoyable afternoon was spent by the children and the grownups who attended.

The young people of the Society were planning their first Spring Dance for April 30, and expect to make this an annual affair. The N.A.M.A. congratulates these young folks on starting a social activity of this kind, and hopes that others will follow suit.

The April meeting of the Montreal Manx took the form of a Bingo party. About thirty were present, and refreshments were served by the ladies.

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

Members of the Ladies' Auxiliary, who are scattered all over the United States and Canada, are carrying on various fund-raising projects. We sincerely hope whenever you are asked to help in these projects, you will do so and enjoy an evening of fun, or partake of some goodies from one of our baskets.

In case we have missed a member who would like to help, the treasurer, Mrs. Carlton Garrett, will gladly accept any contribution. There are so many ways you can raise a small sum of money, and in most cases your friends can enjoy an evening at a low cost. Each effort will help our treasury grow and likewise help the convention committee.

The Convention dates have been set and we are sure you too are looking forward to a gay time in Peoria. When the Manx get together, there is always a good time. It will be nice to see new faces and meet old friends. In the meantime, let's plan to meet at the Garden Party in Cleveland in July. That is a one-day convention with lots of fun!

Mrs. Charles Malboeuf, President
Miss Alice Garrett, Secretary
Mrs. Carlton Garrett, Treasurer,
359 Hayward Ave., Rochester 9,
N. Y.

N. A. M. A. MEETING - CLEVELAND - APRIL 16th

In the interests of membership and the forthcoming convention to be held at Peoria in August, the Cleveland officers of the North American Manx Association sponsored a meeting at the Hotel Cleveland in Cleveland on Friday evening, April 16, 1948. About seventy-five Manx people from the Cleveland district were present and displayed a keen interest in the proceedings.

Our able President, Mr. W. Harry Kelly, was in the chair, and opened the meeting by asking everyone to rise and sing the Manx National Anthem, "O Land of Our Birth." He welcomed those in attendance and stated that the reason for the meeting was to remind the Cleveland Manx, when planning vacations, to keep in mind the Peoria convention dates—August 11-12-13—about which the Secretary would tell them later. He proceeded by talking about membership and stated that there were only 14 states in the Union in which we do not have members. He said this probably would be reduced even to less than that number before the year was over. He then quoted membership figures, stating that nearly 600 had signed up during the current fiscal year and asked those in the room, who had not already paid for the current year, to do so before they left.

At this point, a tenor solo was sung by Mr. Joseph Clucas, after which Miss Gertrude Cannell, Bulletin Editor, was called upon for a few remarks. In introducing her, Mr. Kelly named the other members of the Bulletin Committee—Mr. and Mrs. F. T. Gorry, Mr. John R. Cain and Miss Claire M. Mylecraine. Miss Cannell thanked all who had helped so much by sending in news items for the Bulletin. She said our publication probably is appreciated more than the Cleveland people realize, as letters come in from all parts of North America to say the Bulletin is the writers' link with the Isle of Man. She closed by thanking the Bulletin Committee who had been such a help and inspiration in getting the material together.

After thanking Miss Cannell for her remarks, President Kelly again called upon Mr. Clucas and daughter, Miss Mona Clucas, who rendered a vocal duet.

The N.A.M.A. secretary, Miss Claire Mylecraine, was called upon at this point to talk about the forthcoming Convention. She told how plans were progressing and gave a brief resume of them, as printed elsewhere in this Bulletin. She made a plea for the cooperation of the Cleveland Manx in connection with the convention prize distribution and also listings in the patrons' section of the Souvenir Program Book.

Douglas Cleator then rendered a vocal solo, after which the Association Treasurer, Mr. R. W. Skillicorn, was called upon. He suggested that those who had no membership card

for the current year sign up before leaving the meeting, and said that all the dues collected would be used for the betterment of the Association.

At this point, the audience was invited to join in singing "Ramsey Town" which was followed by the President calling upon past president John R. Cain for an address. Mr. Cain said he was always proud and happy to be associated with anything Manx, which was particularly true in Cleveland, where the Manx people have held an honored position over many years. He continued, "The Manx rate first in Cleveland. I doubt very much if any other nationality group ranks with our Mona's Relief Society, which will be 100 years old in 1951." He said the Cleveland Manx were always ready to give a boost to anything Manx. The N.A.M.A. was formed in Cleveland, and he remarked that he knew that those who attended that organization meeting must have some marvelous and vivid memories. He continued by saying that the Association had gone outside of Cleveland to other cities, where conventions have been held, new friends made and acquaintances with old friends renewed.

"Cleveland has been honored three times," said Mr. Cain, "by having a president elected who was a Cleveland resident. John E. Christian was our first president. In 1933, I was honored by being made president, and I always will remember the fine support I had while I served as president. This year, we have elected another Cleveland man who has served both of our local societies—Mr. Harry Kelly.

"I don't know exactly what I can say to boost the North American Manx Association. Cleveland has gone all out at all times to support anything Manx. During the war we supported the Patrol Boat Fund and \$2500.00 of the \$6700.00 raised came from Cleveland, showing that Cleveland has always been in the lead.

"We have the N.A.M.A. Bulletin. I wish some of you could sit in on some of those Bulletin Committee meetings. We have letters from people everywhere. The only reason we don't publish some events is because information about them doesn't come in. If you would send the Editor items of interest, we would be very glad to publish them. Our Own People is of extreme interest in all parts of the country. In many communities, they have only six or eight at their local meetings, but when they read the Bulletin, they read about people they know. Items of interest in small town newspapers are things which are happening to people in that town, and so it is with our N.A.M.A. Bulletin. It is a paper for our people about our people."

Mr. Cain paid tribute also to Mr. Kelly, Miss Mylecraine, Miss Cannell and Mr. Skillicorn, all of Cleveland, stating that the Association is fortunate in having them directing

its activities. He then mentioned Mrs. L. K. Abell, Executive Representative for the N.A.M.A. Ladies' Auxiliary—that fine organization which is always ready to give the Convention Committees financial aid when they need it to get started.

He continued, "After twenty years, we ought to have gone much farther than we have with regard to membership. However, we only talk at these meetings to people who are interested. What we should try to do is to induce members of our families and our friends to become members. It costs a lot of money to get out the Bulletin—printing, envelopes and postage. You have a marvelous group of officers, but no matter how fine they are, no group of officers can do anything without an enthusiastic membership. Try to interest other people in our organization. Let's shoot at the 1000 mark for this year. If everyone will work toward that one goal, we would reach any goal we would set. Get behind Harry Kelly, so, this year, when he goes to Peoria, he will have the banner year of all years.

"They are sincere and working hard in Peoria. Now is the time to plan to be there for the convention. I hope our President will call another of these Booster Meetings closer to convention time. I am sure all of the officers here deeply appreciate your coming out tonight. Do all you can to interest other people who are outside the fold. We are members of the greatest race of people in the world. I have been filled with great pride, when reading reports in the Isle of Man newspapers about the fine things they are doing over there. Over here, we are doing all we are asked to do. We hold up our heads and do a good job.

"Support your local societies—no national group is stronger than its local organization—and let's work for the N.A.M.A. and its great and continued success."

President Kelly thanked Mr. Cain for his fine address and said he hoped everyone would try to remember some of his remarks.

Mrs. L. K. Abell of the Ladies' Auxiliary to the N.A.M.A. was then called upon. She stated that they were working hard for the convention and asked for support of the ladies in raising some pre-convention funds for Peoria.

After a vocal solo by Mr. Walter Quilliam, the President made his closing remarks. He said he wanted everyone to remember the dates of the Peoria Convention—August 11-12-13, and to set them aside now as days to be in Peoria. Those who go, he continued, would be well pleased—they would meet people they have forgotten all about and have a wonderful time. He suggested that people over here try to get friends and relations in the Isle of Man to come out to the

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convention. "While we know their funds are limited," he said, "and they can take out only a small amount of money, most of us would be only too glad to take care of them while they are in this country."

He continued, "Go to the convention yourself and interest others in going. Let's set a good example and tell the friends we meet that we are planning to go. Let's talk about the convention from now until August."

"All information regarding the convention will be in the Bulletin. Hotel rates out there are a little cheaper than they are in the East."

"Coming back to the membership drive, we have application blanks here. I wish everyone would take at least one, and try to get a new member. In going over our list, I notice names of families who have children who are not members of the N.A.M.A. If we are going to let the children get away, we will never get them into the organization later. Manx families are not large and if we constantly let our young people get away from us, ten or fifteen years from now, there is going to be a very small N.A.M.A. We don't want to preach about it, because our country here comes first. But, we do like to hold together or bind, as it were, the ties of the homeland. The Manx are rated among the peoples of the earth as one of the best. On very rare occasions do we find Manx people in any difficulties or entangled in any way with the law. We are good law-abiding people."

"Keep in mind the convention in August and also the payment of dues. The N.A.M.A., through the Bulletin, keeps Manx people throughout the land informed of Manx activities and fellow Manxmen. If we are going to the convention, let's tell our Manx friends we are going. Maybe they will then go too. If we are N.A.M.A. members, let's think of others who are not, but should be members, and try to get them to join. Keep in mind these things that are important to this organization. We appreciate your having come down here tonight."

Mr. Kelly then thanked the singers and speakers, especially Mr. Cain, and the meeting came to a close with the singing of "America."

Respectfully submitted,

CLAIRE M. MYLECRAINE, Sec'y

N.A.M.A. Garden Party Cleveland

The Cleveland officers of the North American Manx Association are sponsoring a pre-convention basket picnic and garden party at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Murry Hudgeon, 19008 Kinsman Road, Cleveland, on Saturday afternoon and evening, July 17.

You and your friends are invited to pack picnic baskets and come out to join in the fun. There will be games and entertainment for both young and old.

ARE YOU GOING?

Our Conventions provide a grand place to renew Manx friendships—and renewing these friendships are high spots in our lives. In the next Bulletin we hope to give a partial list of those who have signified their intention of being present in Peoria.

We will appreciate hearing from you as soon as possible so that your name may be included in this list. When your friends know you are going, it may be an incentive to them to make a special effort to join you . . . So, we are counting on YOU for this support, which will insure the success of the party in Peoria in August.

Drop a note to our Secretary, Miss Claire Mylecraine, 10525 Baltic Road, Cleveland 2, Ohio, telling her that you plan to be in Peoria.

New Members Still Joining

Here are some of the new members who have recently joined the N.A.M.A.: P. Clark, Boissevain, Manitoba; J. Kissack, Winnipeg; Mrs. E. Corlett, Toronto; Mrs. Francis Creer Calmes, Memphis, Tenn.; Arthur R. Roberts, Chetok, Wis.; Mrs. C. M. Boyle, Tacoma, Wash.; W. K. Wood, Mrs. Julia Corbe, T. E. Keig, Jr., Fred A. Lewin, all of Cleveland; Mrs. A. B. Kelly of Geneva, Ohio.

And here are the people who signed up these new members: Mrs. T. Quane, Melita, Manitoba; Tossie Clague, Winnipeg; Joe Daugherty, Toronto; Mrs. Chas. Haines, Iron River, Mich.; Miss Margaret Kelly, Superior, Wis.; Harry Kelly, Cleveland; John Lewin, Cleveland.

To all members, new and old—Keep on spreading the good word, and help us to reach our goal of 1000 members!

A letter has been received from John Cleator of Ramsey, who made himself so popular last year in Toronto, Cleveland and other places he visited during his stay. "When leaving Chicago to come to Cleveland," he says, "I bought a Tribune to read in the train, and was surprised to see a picture of a man who wanted to sell his town. It was a greater surprise to read that his name was James P. Cleator, of Arizona. Harry and Mary Kelly said 'He must be Manx—send him a Bulletin,' (a real live President!) A few weeks ago I had a letter thanking me for the Bulletin and revealing that he is the fourth son of Thomas Cleator, road surveyor of Glen Auldyn, near Ramsey, that he followed the sea until he was 20, having been twice around Cape Horn in a sailing ship—then started mining in California and afterward went prospecting from Mexico to British Columbia, settling in Arizona in 1899. He shows the true Viking spirit of the Manx and should be congratulated on placing his name on the map of North America! Naturally we Cleators are all proud of him."

THE L'LIL PEOPLE

Mr. and Mrs. J. T. Looney, 1102 Flynn Avenue, Alva, Okla., are rejoicing over the arrival of an 8-pound grandson, John Cecil, born April 25 in Bremerhaven, Germany, where the parents, M/Sgt. and Mrs. Mark H. Looney now live. Mrs. Looney was the former Miss Blanche Redhead of Dalton-in-Furness, England. Mr. and Mrs. Looney had hoped to visit them and see their new grandchild this summer, but circumstances have prevented this for the present.

A daughter was born April 19 to Mr. and Mrs. John A. Nind, of Toronto. The proud grandparents are Mr. and Mrs. Jack Bell of Montreal.

A daughter, Kathleen May, was born April 12 to Mr. and Mrs. Frank Glunt, 1406 West Clifton Blvd., Lakewood, Ohio. Mrs. Glunt is the former Margaret Yetman.

It was a red-letter day for Mr. and Mrs. James Gawne of Naramata, B.C., when the children of their four sons were christened at one time at a baptismal service in the Naramata United Church. The children were: Denna Marelene, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. James A. Gawne; Nancy Ann, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. John E. Gawne; Leonard James, son of Mr. and Mrs. Thomas W. Gawne; Arelene Ada, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Douglas Haig Gawne.

A daughter, Elaine Louise, was born last December 10 to Mr. and Mrs. Norman Cowin, 17412 Glenshire Road, Cleveland.

Congratulations to all these happy families!

In an interesting letter received from Donald Bain, 5019 Halldale Avenue, Los Angeles, he says—"When browsing around a bookstore recently, I picked up a book 'Stories of Favorite Hymns,' and almost the first thing that caught my eye was the old Manx hymn 'From Every Stormy Wind that Blows.' The story attached told that the writer, Hugh Stowell, was born at the Rectory at Ballaugh, Isle of Man, in 1799—after attending school at Douglas he went to Oxford—was a curate at several places and when he went to Salford, near Manchester, the Bishop was warned that the new curate might prove difficult on account of being "a dogged Manxman." But never did a parish have such a popular preacher! Throughout his life he was a tremendous power for good and his death at the age of 66 was deeply mourned." Donald says he loves this hymn, and the choirmaster at the church he attends sometimes has it sung especially in his honor. "From Every Stormy Wind that Blows" is indeed a favorite with many Manx people, and as Donald suggests, it brings thoughts of our native Isle.