

The Season's Greetings

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

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A Christmas Message From Our President

"It came upon the midnight clear,
That glorious song of old,
From Angels bending near the earth
To touch their harps of gold.
Peace on the Earth, Good Will to Men
From Heaven's All-Gracious King!
The world in solemn stillness lay
To hear the Angels sing."

A MERRY CHRISTMAS AND A
HAPPY NEW YEAR TO ALL!

To this familiar greeting I should like to add—May this also be a Peaceful Year!

Although we are at peace, nominally at least, it is a fact that unrest and strife are rampant all over the world. Hunger and want exist in many lands. In some countries men are seeking power and more power, which can only lead to fear, oppression and hardship for thousands. Yet in spite of all this, Christmas strikes a note in the hearts of all mankind, and it is in the hearts of men that we must

lay the foundation for World Peace.

We should forget our petty differences regarding race, color and creed, and believe in the universal brotherhood of man. At Christmas we display more charity and neighborliness than at any other season—if this spirit persisted the whole year round, it would go far to bring peace and happiness to mankind. Let us think of these things while we exchange gifts and cards, remembering that these are just symbolic of the true meaning of Christmas. The Great Giver has set the supreme example, for "He gave his only begotten Son," who was heralded by the Angels' song of "Peace on Earth, Good Will to Men."

This is the season of remembrance also, and naturally our thoughts go back to our childhood. To some of us this means Christmas in the Island home—to others it revives memories equally dear of a childhood home in the States or Canada. But Christmas

meant the same thing to all of us, no matter where we were born—carols, holly wreaths, mistletoe, hanging stockings on the mantelpiece, the story of Santa Claus coming down the chimney (which we all believed, of course!)—and then the good things to eat which also form part of this memory, make and keep Christmas the most joyous season of all.

To Manx people at home and in every country in the world—Best Wishes for a Very Happy Christmas and a Bright and Prosperous New Year!

"The joy of Christmas meetings—

Of a home that's bright with cheer—

The joy of looking forward

To a new and pleasant year—

May these be yours at Christmas

In the very fullest measure.

And leave you happy memories

That you will always treasure."

W. HARRY KELLY, President.



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

Once again we are fast approaching the time of year when we stop our daily tasks to give thought, consideration and good cheer to our fellow man. We look back upon new friendships formed during the year, and we also realize the ever strengthening ties of old friendships. It is through the medium of this Bulletin that a large number of our friendships are made, and I am very happy to be given the opportunity of wishing all Manx people wherever they may be, a Very Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year.

Tom Moore,
First Vice President.



It is a pleasure to wish all Manx people everywhere a Very Merry Christmas and a Bright and Prosperous New Year.

Frank L. Shimmin,
Third Vice President.



My dear Manx Friends:

Once again let me send you, one and all, my sincere greetings for Christmas and the New Year.

I should like to say how pleased I am that it was decided to hold next year's convention in Cleveland, to celebrate the 21st Anniversary of the North American Manx Association. I am sure it will be a great success. I am sure also, that everyone will agree that during the years that have passed, much happiness has been spread among our people throughout this American continent by means of the Association. Although we must admit that our membership has not yet been as high as it should, nevertheless the loyalty and help received from those who appreciate the efforts of the officers has been sufficient reward.

My kindest wishes to all, and may the coming year bring that measure of happiness so necessary to us all.

James Y. Mann, Past President.

"Then let us all be merry
And sing with cheerful voice,
For we have good occasion now,
THIS CHRISTMAS TO REJOICE."

As another Festive Season approaches and we all hope for Peace and Goodwill toward men, may I, on behalf of the officers and members of the N.A.M.A. Breakfast Club, extend Cordial Greetings to all Manx friends all over the world, and best wishes for a Merry Christmas and a Happy and Prosperous New Year.

Stephen H. Quinney,
Rep. N.A.M.A. Breakfast Club.



Once again as the season of "Peace on earth, goodwill toward men" approaches, our thoughts turn to friends old and new, here and abroad. I wish each and every one of you all the joys of the season, and much happiness in the coming year.

Mrs. Amy Abell,
Rep. N.A.M.A. Ladies' Auxiliary.



"I will honor Christmas in my heart, and try to keep it every day in the year. I will live in the Past, the Present, and the Future." That vow was made by a gentleman very well known to us, although we have never seen him; his name is Scrooge. The lives of most Manx people are guided by this principle, without having to be taught the important lesson, as was the case with Scrooge. Whenever Manx people gather, and in every Manx home, there is jollity, friendliness, helpfulness, affection—everything we associate with the true Christmas spirit. In fact, a Manx home makes one feel that it is always Christmas there. May this spirit continue! May Christmas and every day be truly happy for all Manx people, and may the New Year renew itself every day in fresh hope and continued prosperity.

Gertrude Cannell,
N.A.M.A. Bulletin Editor.

The magic spell of Christmas will soon be here again and with the anticipation of that exciting day, our hearts are filled with the joy of remembering others. We have all experienced the thrill of receiving a surprise card or package from someone we had not heard from nor seen in a long time; perhaps not a large nor costly token, but it was the surprise of getting it that made our Christmas a merrier one. It also made the donor's Christmas happier, and I hope we can all experience that same happiness by doing something that will give someone a brighter Christmas.

Each year the Bulletin serves as a messenger for our Manx folks all over the world bringing Christmas greetings. It is a pleasure to add my greetings again, with the sincere wish that my Manx friends everywhere have a Very Merry Christmas. May all your wishes come true, and give you lasting Happiness and Good Health throughout the New Year.

"It isn't th' gifts y' get—
All wrapped an' fancy tied,
It's what y' give—an' what y' share—
An' the way y' feel inside!"

Alice Garrett,
Second Vice President.



A Merry Christmas and a New Year filled with Peace, Happiness and all the good things of life is my wish to N.A.M.A. members and Manx friends.

Claire M. Mylecraine,
Secretary.



Christmas awakens our strongest and most cherished associations, and we draw many pleasures from their recollection. To all Manx people everywhere, Hearty Greetings and Sincere Wishes for a Happy Christmas and a Prosperous New Year.

Robert W. Skillicorn,
Financial Secretary-Treasurer.

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OUR OWN PEOPLE

James J. Quill, son of John J. and Gertrude Quill of Bisbee, is a student at Arizona State College, Flagstaff, and was recently honored by being selected for inclusion in "Who's Who in American Universities and Colleges."

Visitors in Bisbee recently were Mr. and Mrs. Ralph Kelly of Phoenix. Ralph, who is a son of President Alfred Kelly of the Bisbee Society, is office manager of the Phoenix branch of the National Biscuit Company.

Mr. and Mrs. William Kelly of Bisbee returned recently from a three-week vacation in Montana, Wyoming, Idaho, Washington and California, where they called on many Manx friends and relatives.

Rev. Robert George Quiggin, formerly of Ottawa, Ont., is now pastor of the First Baptist Church at Kingston, Ont. He would like to know any Manx folk in that vicinity.

"A charming Manx lady from Port Erin, who attended the Peoria Convention was Miss Emily Cain," writes Wilfred Corkish, President of the New York Manx Society. "Before her departure Miss Cain was the honored guest at a dinner party given by Mrs. Sadie Karran of Roslyn, N. Y. The guests included Miss Florence Gill, Mr. and Mrs. Wilfred A. Corkish and Miss Eleanor Waterson. Judging by the accumulation of messages and addresses gathered at Peoria, New York and other places for the home folk, Miss Cain will be quite busy on her return."

Mrs. Wilfred Corkish of the New York Manx Society recently suffered the loss of two sisters on the Island under tragic circumstances. Miss Anna Corlett of Ellanrhemie Farm, returning home from Ballaugh Methodist Church on August 22 was thrown from her bicycle and died in Ramsey Hospital. On October 26, Catherine, wife of Mr. John C. Quark, Ballavodan, Kirk Andreas, suffered a heart attack and passed away immediately. Both families are prominently identified with Methodist circles in the north of the Island.

Alec Cannell of Cunard-White Star Ltd., Detroit, is spending a few weeks in England on business.

Mrs. C. J. Sutton, formerly of Cleveland and more recently of Fairfield, Iowa, is enjoying a trip through the West, and reports being entertained at the homes of Mrs. Wilfred Quayle in San Francisco and Mrs. Oscar Ward in Los Angeles.

Mr. and Mrs. Frank Moore, 2810 West 95th Street, Seattle, Washington, stopped in Cleveland for a few days while en route to Detroit recently. They also spent some time in Chicago and in Los Angeles during their trip.

Word was received by George Connell of Chicago of the death of his father, Edward Connell of 83 Circular Road, Douglas, at the age of 92—and at the same time he learned of the death of his sister, Mrs. Jennie Connell Callow, who passed away September 21 in Sydney, Australia.

The Toronto Manx have had the pleasure of welcoming another arrival from the Isle of Man. This is Don Cubban from Onchan, who is an actor by profession under the name of Don Sinclair. He has had considerable experience in broadcasting and television in London, England. They extend Don best wishes for good luck in his new home.

MANX WEDDINGS

Miss Elaine Howard and William Moore, who, like their parents, Mr. and Mrs. William Howard and Mr. and Mrs. John Moore, are staunch members of the New York Manx Society, were married in New York on November 21. Elaine and Bill met for the first time at the Society's annual dinner in 1947. Bill is a tall, handsome ex-GI with battle stars, citations and wounds, and Elaine is a slim, pretty brunette—so anything could happen—and did! At this year's annual dinner President Wilfred Corkish referred to the happy couple in glowing terms, and presented them with a sum of money from the members of the New York Society as a wedding gift.

Mary Louise Rogers, daughter of the late Mrs. Elsie Rogers of Bisbee, was married recently to Richard Luques in Tokyo, Japan, where both were civilian employees. The bride was given away by her brother, Jack Rogers of San Diego, California. Bulletin readers may recall that Jack was a prisoner of the Japs in Manchuria for almost four years, having been a member of the "Death March" of Bataan.

Fred L. Corrin, son of Mr. and Mrs. Cecil H. Corrin, and Madeline Malcolm, both of Bisbee, were married on March 4 at the home of the bride's sister. Fred was discharged from the Army last February, and both he and "Maddy" are now attending New Mexico State Teachers' College, Silver City, New Mexico.

Another Arizona wedding was that of Peggy Gallagher, daughter of Ivy Corrin Dillon, who was married on August 14 to Donald Van Camp, at the Covenant Presbyterian Church of Bisbee. The bride's three uncles, Fred, Arnold and Cecil Corrin were the vocalists. The wedding dress, as well as dresses for the maid of honor, four bridesmaids and flower girl, were fashioned by the bride's mother from designs by Charles LeMaire, costume designer of Twentieth-Century Fox Film Company. "Peggy," who graduated from Arizona State College in May, is now teaching in the public schools at Tucson, Arizona.

Mrs. Nell Morris and Thomas Kelley of Toledo, Ohio, were married October 3 in the Elm Park Methodist Church, Lincoln, Nebraska. The Nebraska Manx join in wishing them every happiness.

Fred Brew's famous Manx coin collection has been mentioned more than once in the Bulletin. His latest addition, a rather rare "token," is stamped on one side "Douglas Bank Token, One Shilling British, 1811." On the other side there is a picture of Peel Castle with a boat in the foreground. Fred is a very active member of the Cleveland Manx.

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Christmas Greetings

ROCHESTER

Merry Christmas and a Bright and Prosperous New Year to one and all at home and abroad—with a special greeting to our good friends in Peoria and Galva, who gave us such a wonderful time at our Convention last August—also a special greeting to our old friends we meet year after year at our wonderful Conventions—the Kellys—the Cains—the Shimmins—and all the rest!

Alf E. Looney, President.
Dan W. Christian, Secretary.
31 Nellis Park,
Rochester, N. Y.

TORONTO

The officers and members of the Toronto Manx Society join in sending greetings to all Manx and their friends. The year is drawing to a close; to some it has brought happiness, to others tears; success to some, and failure to others. But the message that came to the world nearly two thousand years ago is still the same, and we all cling to the hope that the message will soon be fulfilled and we shall see Peace on Earth and Good Will toward all men.

Tom Moore, President.
Frank Williamson, Secretary.
138 Essex St.,
Toronto, Ont.

BUFFALO

To fellow members and friends of the N.A.M.A., the members of the Buffalo Manx Society extend heartiest greetings and best wishes to all, for a Very Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year.

Fred Towle, President.
Mary Skillicorn, Secretary.
171 Jewett Ave.,
Buffalo 14, N. Y.

GREATER NEW YORK

The members of the Manx Society of Greater New York extend cordial and sincere Greetings of the Season to all their friends at home and abroad.

A JOYOUS CHRISTMAS AND A HAPPY NEW YEAR TO ALL.

Wilfred A. Corkish, President.
John Moore, Vice President.
Mrs. Thos. Christian, Secy.-Treas.
4305 21st Avenue, Astoria,
Long Island, N. Y.

SAN FRANCISCO

Once again it is the great pleasure of the members and friends of the San Francisco Manx Society to extend to their kith and kin in the N.A.M.A., the Season's Greetings and good wishes for a Very Merry Christmas and a Happy and Prosperous New Year.

As we grow older, the Christmases seem to come around more quickly, and old ties and customs seem to be knit into our lives ever more closely. How lovely it is to find in the mail at Christmas, greetings from far-off friends and kindly recollections of former days.

This Christmas many will be looking forward with pleasure to the Big Gathering in Cleveland, and "the talk is goin' aroun'" that some of the old gang from San Francisco and points west will be there. Here's hoping—and again—MERRY CHRISTMAS.

Mrs. Amy Satterlee, President
Essie Quayle, Hon. Secretary.
1537 20th Avenue,
San Francisco, Calif.

N.A.M.A. LADIES' AUXILIARY

"Everywhere, Everywhere, Christmas Tonight!"

The officers of the Ladies' Auxiliary to the N.A.M.A. are happy to extend to all our members and friends that old familiar greeting which is still as good as new—A Merry Christmas to you all and a New Year bright with Happiness.

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

NORTH EASTERN OHIO MANX SOCIETY

The North Eastern Ohio Manx send Holiday Greetings to Manx people everywhere.

Mrs. A. Killey, President.
Mrs. Mabel Quine, Secretary.
338 Willow Drive
Painesville, Ohio.

BISBEE

The Bisbee Manx Society extends greetings to all members of the North American Manx Association and to all Manx people throughout the world, and wishes to each and all, a Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year.

Alfred H. Kelly, President.
Arnold Corrin, Secretary.
Box 2152, Warren, Arizona.

N.A.M.A. BREAKFAST CLUB

With the festive season just around the corner, the officers and members of the N.A.M.A. Breakfast Club wish Manx friends the world over the old familiar greeting—A Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year.

Two resolutions for all members: Renew your N.A.M.A. membership—and—Renew your Breakfast Club membership.

Sidney Corkish, President.
Stephen H. Quinney, Secy.-Treas.
82 Palmetto Street,
Bedford, Ohio.

THE MONA'S RELIEF SOCIETY CLEVELAND, OHIO

The officers and members of the Mona's Relief Society are happy to extend holiday greetings to Manx friends wherever they may be at this Christmas Season.

It is our sincere wish that the year ahead will bring continued success to the North American Manx Association and to Manx Societies everywhere.

We look forward with great pleasure to greeting many of our friends in Cleveland next August.

Thomas Keig, Jr., President.
Elinor Cain, Cor. Secretary.
488 East 126th St.,
Cleveland 8, Ohio.

LADIES AUXILIARY TO MONA'S RELIEF SOCIETY

The Ladies' Auxiliary to the Mona's Relief Society of Cleveland send their Holiday Greetings:

"There's never a Christmas morning,
There's never an old year ends,
But somebody thinks of someone,
Old days, old times—and Manx friends."

Mrs. J. P. Bieger, President.
Mrs. J. Marcus, Secretary.
4410 Ardmore,
South Euclid, Ohio.

PEORIA

It is with real pleasure and satisfaction that we send Christmas Greetings to the Manx people at this Yuletide. Having met so many of you this past year, we feel it is quite personal now to wish you a Very Merry Christmas.

Frank L. Shimmin, President.
Eva Kelly, Secretary.
554 Pine St.,
Chillicothe, Ill.



From Manx Societies



News of the Manx Societies

NEBRASKA

The officers and members of the Nebraska Manx Society extend sincere Season's Greetings to Manx friends everywhere. We hope that Christmastide will bring much peace and happiness to every home.

Mrs. Thos. Kelly, President.
Mrs. Glady Watts and Mrs. Kitty Crellin, Secretaries.
901 South 25th,
Lincoln, Nebraska.

VANCOUVER

The Vancouver Manx Society extends hearty greetings to all Manx Societies, and wishes continued success to the Bulletin. A Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year to all Manxmen everywhere.

Heywood Costain, President.
Mrs. Mona Wirsten, Secretary.
1950 West First Avenue,
Vancouver.

DETROIT-WINDSOR

Greetings and best wishes for Christmas! If your Christmas holidays will be as pleasant as the days we spent in Peoria last August, you will have a glorious time.

If your N.A.M.A. dues are not renewed, then this should be the first item on your Christmas shopping list . . . or a membership for a fellow Manxman would be an ideal Christmas gift. And our first resolution for 1949 should be "Each one reach one."

Merry Christmas to all!

R. H. Corkill, President.
Mrs. N. Mawson, Secy.-Treas.
9247 Hartwell,
Detroit 4, Mich.

GALVA

Greetings and all good wishes for a Very Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year to all our friends near and far, and a special greeting to the friends we met in Peoria this summer.

Stanley Gawne, President.
Ada Cubbon, Secretary-Treasurer.
Galva, Ill.

MONA'S MUTUAL BENEFIT SOCIETY, CLEVELAND

The officers and members of the Mona's Mutual Benefit Society wish to Manxmen, wherever they may be, a Merry Christmas and a Happy and Prosperous New Year.

Herbert A. Quayle, President.
Roland Corlett, Secretary.
11414 Union Ave.,
Cleveland, Ohio.

GREATER NEW YORK

Members of the Manx Society of Greater New York held their Annual Dinner and election of officers at Ros-off's on November 14. After a splendid dinner, attended by most of the members as well as invited guests, Wilfred Corkish, the President, announced that Miss Florence Gill had decided to retire from the office of Secretary-Treasurer after serving since the society was organized. High praise and gratitude were expressed for her unselfish labors and loyalty to the society through the years. "Her sunny disposition and smiling face will still enliven the meetings, however," writes Mr. Corkish, "as Florrie remains an active member." Wilfred A. Corkish was re-elected President; John Moore was elected Vice President; Mrs. Thomas Christian, Secretary and Treasurer.

BUFFALO

Fred Towle, President of this Society, says that "news is scarce around Buffalo." However, they were holding a meeting at his home, 112 Deerpark Avenue, on November 21, so maybe they will have lots to tell us next time.

NEBRASKA

Though widely separated, the Manx of Nebraska are still doing their part. Their annual Christmas party was planned for December 5, at the home of the president, Mrs. Thomas Kelly, 1511 25th St., Lincoln, with exchange of gifts and a showing of films taken by Mrs. Kelly during her recent visit to the Isle of Man.

TORONTO

The Society held its HOLLANTIDE Party at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Frank Williamson on Friday, November 12. A most enjoyable evening was spent with games, a sing-song—and of course, refreshments. Don Cubbon, recently arrived from the Isle of Man, gave a fine demonstration of his talent as a musical entertainer, with song and accompaniment. Everything added up to a real Manx party.

VANCOUVER

At their September meeting the Vancouver Manx welcomed Mr. and Mrs. H. Callister who were visiting Mr. and Mrs. J. E. Costain. Mr. Callister is Chief of Police in Brandon, Manitoba. Newcomers to the Society were Mr. and Mrs. McDermott, originally from Port St. Mary, later of Detroit, and now living in Vancouver; also Mr. and Mrs. Kibstead from London, England, who are now making their home in Vancouver.

The Vancouver Manx Ladies' Auxiliary held a successful bazaar and afternoon tea on October 29. A prize distribution was part of the program, first prize being a beautiful linen lunch cloth with deep crochet lace, made and donated by Mrs. Varley; second prize, lovely silver-plated cream and sugar set on tray, donated by Mr. Arthur Cain; third, pair embroidered pillow cases given by the Ladies' Auxiliary.

The following officers were elected by the Vancouver Manx Society at their meeting held on October 29:

Honorary President, Mrs. Gawne.
Hon. Vice-Presidents, W. J. Cain, Sam Lowthwaite.
Past President, J. W. Clucas.
President, Heywood Costain, 2561 McGill St., Vancouver.
Vice-President, R. Bohemier.
Secretary, Mrs. J. Wirsten, 1950 West First Ave.
Treasurer, Mrs. R. Bohemier.
Committee, J. Wirsten, Mrs. Kelley, Mr. McDermott, J. E. Costain, Mr. and Mrs. George Cain, Mr. and Mrs. T. L. Kilip.

MONA'S RELIEF SOCIETY CLEVELAND, OHIO

Following the November business meeting of the Mona's Relief Society, Mr. and Mrs. Stanley Chilcott of Peeli expressed their thanks for the many kindnesses shown them while visiting Cleveland. Mr. Chilcott also favored the group with a solo. They sailed for home on the Britannic on November 20.

Mr. James Kissack of Mentor, Ohio gave several readings from T. E. Brown. Refreshments were served and completed a happy evening.

The January meeting will be held Tuesday, January 4th, at St. Stephen's Church Hall, 809 East 150th Street.

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MEET YOUR OFFICERS . . .

. . . By GERTRUDE CANNELL

If you were at Buffalo in 1941, attending the last pre-war Manx Convention, you will remember a young man who arrived in time for the final meeting. He had obtained special wartime permission to cross the border from Canada specially to invite the N.A.M.A. to hold its convention in Toronto the following year. That "following year" was prolonged into six years, but the Manx of Toronto kept their chins up and never stopped planning for what they decided was to be called the Victory Convention. In 1947 that Victory Convention was celebrated in grand style,



TOM MOORE
First Vice-President, N. A. M. A.

and that young fellow who brought the invitation in 1941 was its General Chairman.

To us he is just "Tom Moore," but his full name is Thomas Henry. He is a son of Willie Moore, whose father, Harry Moore, was a well-known carter in Douglas. His mother, Katie Karren of Cregneish, was a daughter of Thomas Karren, mate on SS. TYR-CONNELL for many years. He has two sisters, Mrs. Madge Howe and Mrs. Mona Clague, and a brother, Douglas. In the Isle of Man he has an aunt and uncle in Port St. Mary. Mrs. Thomas Cain, and Harry Karren; in Castletown he has another aunt, Mrs. Tom Kewin.

Tom was born in Douglas, but went to the Port St. Mary's Boys' School. He came to Toronto with his family

when he was twelve, and in the course of time went to work for the Canadian General Insurance Company. He is an accountant and has been with the same firm for twenty-two years. He married young, and when one has seen his wife, Violet, it is not surprising. "Vi" is Canadian for three generations back, of Scotch origin; she likes the Manx, and she and Tom are hoping to visit the Island one of these days to renew acquaintance with the fine representatives of Manxland who have been visiting these shores—during the Toronto Convention as well as since then. They have a son and daughter—Bill, aged 20, who is a keen hockey player; and Betty, aged 15. They have a dog named Blackie who is lord of the manor—thoroughly spoiled but, says Tom, "still my dog."

Tom is fond of outdoor sport and has played football a lot, beginning with schooldays in the Isle of Man when he played with the Port St. Mary Shield team. Since then he played pretty continuously in Toronto and Windsor until recent years. Nowadays his active sports are bowling and curling, but he enjoys baseball and hockey from the sidelines. Gardening is one of his hobbies, and in the way of reading, he keeps up with the magazines and newspapers. He likes to sing, but says that whenever he suggests doing so the Toronto Manx always change the subject. However, he thinks Manx community or choral singing the best in the world, and says we should have more of it at conventions. He is very fond of band music; finds four times a year quite often enough for the movies, although admits he did enjoy those he-men, Clark Gable and Charles Laughton in "Mutiny on the Bounty" some years ago . . . and finds Betty Grable not hard to look at.

He was at the first Toronto Convention in 1929, and naturally has always been "around the Manx." President of the Toronto Manx Society since 1939, he led them through years of hoping and preparation to a triumphant climax in the Victory Convention—at which time he was elected First Vice President of the North American Manx Association.

Tom stands 5 feet 8 inches tall and weighs 165 pounds; has light brown hair and light grey eyes. He has a serious, earnest manner which does not conceal a keen sense of humor. He has a Canadian accent, is very effective on the platform and always has something to say that is worth hearing. The quality he admires most in people is sincerity, and he has difficulty getting along with "swelled heads." We are sure that Tom will be in Cleveland next August for the Convention, so come and meet him if you have never done so—and if you have, come and meet him again.

Cleveland Convention Committee Elects Officers

At a meeting held recently, the Cleveland Convention Executive Committee elected the following officers:

John R. Cain, General Chairman.
Thomas Keig, Jr., Vice Chairman.
Claire M. Mylecraine, Secretary.
Mrs. Fred T. Gorry, Treasurer.

Chairmen for special committees will be appointed shortly, and announcement made in the next Bulletin. The Convention will be held in the Hotel Cleveland on August 2-6, 1949.

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

August 1, 1948

Bank balance as of August, 1947\$ 29.69

RECEIPTS

Membership dues	\$ 27.00	
Donations	189.55	
		297.55

		\$228.24

DISBURSEMENTS

Postage	\$ 1.50	
Dues to N.A.M.A.	3.00	
Printing	16.75	
Souvenir Booklet	25.00	
Donation to Peoria Convention Committee	60.00	
Card Project	25.45	
Canadian exchange30	
Petty Cash	2.10	

Total Receipts	\$228.24	\$129.19
Total Disbursements	129.19	

Balance in Bank	99.14	
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MRS. CARLTON GARRETT, Treasurer.

GREETINGS FROM WORLD MANX ASSOCIATION

Douglas, Isle of Man

Christmas, 1948

Dear Kinsfolk:

Christmas! The time when we celebrate the anniversary of the birth of Christ who came to bring Peace and Hope to mankind on earth.

It is fitting, therefore, that our thoughts and best wishes should go out to friends at this season scattered throughout the world.

Sweetest memories rekindle in all hearts and we in Ellan Vannin send Heartiest Greetings to Manxmen and women everywhere—using the old familiar, yet sincere, greetings of "A Very Merry Christmas and Happy New Year."

Richard Cain, President.
Sep. Kelly, Hon. Treasurer.
Charles Craine, Hon. Secretary.

OBITUARIES

CAIN, Frank, passed away on October 13 in Sharon, Pa. He was born on April 4, 1889, in Peel, Isle of Man, a son of Radcliffe and Annie Cain, and came to Sharon about forty years ago, where he lived with his brother John who died four years ago. His sister-in-law, Mrs. Gertrude Cain, survives.

COOLE, James, passed away September 8 in Buffalo, N. Y. He is survived by his wife, Irene, and brothers, Elmer and Richard. His father, the late Richard Coole, was born in Braddan, Isle of Man, and his mother, the late Elizabeth Moore Coole, in Port St. Mary.

CORRIN, Mrs. Margaret Hall, passed away in Bisbee, Arizona, on May 13, 1948, at the age of 78. She was born in Peel, Isle of Man, a daughter of James and Elizabeth Hall, and came to Cleveland in 1892. Later she returned to the Isle of Man and married Frederick Thomas Corrin of Foxdale. The family eventually returned to America and settled in Bisbee. Surviving are her husband, Fred T. Corrin; three sons, Arnold, Cecil and Fred, all of Warren, Arizona; three daughters, Mrs. Ivy L. Dillon, Warren; Mrs. Richard G. Rogers, Arlington, Va.; and Mrs. Lee Vandivier, Long Beach, Calif.; twelve grandchildren and five great-grandchildren; three sisters, Mrs. A. T. Hood, Cleveland; Mrs. Thomas Lucas and Mrs. James E. Lucas, both of Peel, Isle of Man, and a brother, William, Hall of St. Petersburg, Florida.

FARAGHER, Thomas H., of Newton, New Jersey, passed away on June 14 after a long illness. He was born on Greeba Mountain, Isle of Man, a son of William and Anna Kewley Faragher. His wife was the late Louise Johnson Hult, and he is survived by an only daughter, Dorothy, with whom he lived. Mr. Faragher was a veteran of the Spanish-American War.

SUTTON, Pvt. William J., Jr. Services were held on November 13 in Lakewood, Ohio, for Pvt. Sutton, who was killed on December 14, 1944, in the Battle of the Bulge while serving with the 302nd Combat Engineers. He was 29 years old. He was the only son of Mr. and Mrs. William J. Sutton, formerly of Cleveland and now residing in Fairfield, Iowa, and a grandson of Mrs. Carrie J. Sutton.

CORKHILL, Clara M. of Rochester, N. Y., passed away on October 6. She is survived by her brother, Frank W., and a nephew, William T. Corkhill.

LEWIN, John F., aged 73, passed away in Cleveland on November 2. He is survived by his wife Neta, nee Quirk; daughters, Mrs. Gladys Moran and Mrs. Mona Halter; a son, Frederick; and a brother, Arthur, in South Africa. Mr. Lewin came to Cleveland from the Isle of Man more than 40 years ago and established a mason contracting business. He was active in Masonic and church affairs, and was a well known and popular member of the Manx societies, where his willing support and cheerful disposition will be greatly missed. Mr. Lewin retired from business in 1931, and due to ill health has spent each winter in Florida. Both Mr. and Mrs. Lewin came from Peel.

MOORE, Charles D., passed away suddenly on November 13 at Toronto, Ontario, at the age of 50. He was born in Mount Havelock, Douglas, and has lived in Toronto nearly 40 years. During World War I he served in the Royal Canadian Artillery. Mr. Moore was a very popular and active member of the Toronto Manx Society and will be greatly missed. He is survived by his wife and four daughters, Tom Moore, First Vice President of the N.A.M.A., is a nephew.

STEWART, Martha A., passed away November 25 at her home, 1777 Carlyon Road, East Cleveland, Ohio. She was a daughter of early Cleveland settlers, Henry and Catherine Stewart, and is survived by two sisters, Judith H. and Jeanette. Miss Stewart was a well-known school principal, having during her career been head of four different Cleveland schools until her retirement in 1938.

TRUEBA, J. Manuel, passed away suddenly in Los Angeles on September 28. He is survived by his wife, Betty Caine Trueba, former secretary of the Buffalo Manx Society, and two children by a previous marriage, Mary Louise and John.

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

OUR OWN PEOPLE

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Mr. and Mrs. T. L. Killip, 1020 Harwood St., Vancouver, had the pleasure of a three-weeks' visit in August from Mrs. Killip's sister, Mrs. A. A. Blair of Winnipeg, and her daughter, Mildred.

Mr. and Mrs. Frank L. Shimmick of Peoria celebrated their Silver Wedding anniversary on November 3. They received many lovely gifts, including one from the Peoria Manx Society with the best wishes of the group.

It was a Grand Trip

Mr. Joe Daugherty of Toronto, who took a trip home last summer and spent the first part of his holiday in a Liverpool hospital, sends a humorous account of what turned out after all to be a very enjoyable visit.

"I left Halifax April 7. After a rather rough time we were nearing the coast of Britain, and someone must have sent word that I was coming, for the result was a city car to meet me at the boat—no trouble with immigration or customs! I was driven to the Royal Building (Royal Infirmary) where I stayed over several weeks. Then a friend called for me with his car, took me down to the Manx boat past the police and a heap of thousands of people. After a rough passage I felt fit enough to walk to the top of Snaefell, but soon was all in!

"An absence of 45 years has told a tale; the friends I used to work with and swim and dance with I had to be introduced to—some came up and made themselves known to me. The few I really knew were those who were over here recently. I had an invitation from Mr. Cain, President of the World Manx Association, to a little banquet where I met a number of old-time visitors from America.

"The yachts in Douglas Bay haven't changed a bit, but the seaweed that used to be drawn up from the beach by teams or horses now goes up by motor truck. The garden and the fountain are glorious; the buses too are up to date. I had tea at the Villa Marina with Mr. and Mrs. Corbett (Mayor of Douglas) and some more new friends.

"I must thank all the Manx people who came to see me in that Royal building in Liverpool, not forgetting Mr. Corbett who came over from the Isle of Man, Liverpool. I understand, is the most bombed city in Britain outside of London, but the only thing that seems to bother the people is that they are not able to buy much of anything. I spent a week with a friend in Liverpool before returning."

REMINISCING ABOUT A LONG-AGO CHRISTMAS

(Written some time ago by the late Charles D. Moore of Toronto, who passed away suddenly on November 13th.)

It's the day before Christmas, and Mom says I can stay out late so I'll be good and tired and Father Christmas won't wake me when he calls. I dress in my Sunday suit, shine my shoes, wash my face, and with a real silver shilling all my own burning a hole in my pocket, I sally forth, determined to paint the town red—or something.

My first call is to Sharpe the iron-mongers on Prospect Hill where I saw a bull's-eye lantern in the window, with a real lamp wick and a shutter that makes it go black when you turn it with your hand and it only costs sixpence! Just think, soon it will be all mine. When I get there I nearly have heart failure as he said he had sold the last one, but he would have another look anyway. Sure enough, he found one. Seeing it was Christmastide he said he would put some sweet oil in it to make it burn. He's a nice man all right. He is Mr. Sharpe's little boy, only he's not little any more—he's as big as a giant and I often see him walking in front of the Volunteers when they go out marching, and he waves a great big pole in front of them all the while.

Now down to see the shops; Coole the grocer at the top of Victoria Street looks nice with all those boxes of bonbons, fancy Christmas cake, lemon peel and nuts. But look what's here in the other window—a big almanac of a horse and sulky. I'll bet that's a picture of Coole's Mona—she wins all the races.

Now across the road to Ruth the butcher; he sure has a lot of geese and great sides of beef with ribbons on them. On the sign over the door there is a lion and unicorn which says "Purveyors by Special Appointment to His Majesty." I bet they send this one with the red ribbon to the Queen. I bet she likes Manx beef all right.

Next stop of interest is Halsall the Tailor's. Boy, oh boy, just look at that model with the sailor suit and long pants, and just look at that whistle on the cord around his neck and the nice hat with H.M.S. NELSON in gold letters. But what's doing in the other window around the corner? There's a lot of people looking at something, so I push myself to the front and a man tells me they are small models depicting some of the town's best known characters. Over there is Tommy the Wad, and there Twig the Holly, Auntie Mary, Diddles Martin, Jack the Gunner, Pear's Soap, I Mel Mook, Fat Jack, Jack Straw—

there are so many of them that I forget them.

The next point of interest is Broad-bent's with electric lights in the windows (I wonder how he blows them out), then on to Duke Street. Away I go over to Witherspoon's for a ha'p'orth of common mixtures, but once inside the shop, change my mind, and seeing I am still well in the dough decide to plunge and get a pennyworth of London mixtures instead. They are all jujubes and creams. Then I go into Makings to have some chips and peas with a bottle of cider to wash them down. Better count my wealth while I am here—twopence left. I am still comparatively rich so have another split of chips and peas.

Here comes Jacob with his cornet and he starts to play Christmas carols, and I think I had better go home. I don't want to be too late getting my stockings hung up. Gee, but I'm tired. I think I'll let one eye have a little sleep, and then when it wakes up I can let the other one rest. I think I will count sheep to keep awake . . . one, two, threee, fourrr, fi—What's that? It must be morning!

Suddenly I spy my stockings filled out as though they would burst. I'm all fingers unravelling the contents, an apple, an orange, nuts and sweets of all kinds, Manx knobs, hanky pank, ally sloper with little spoons to eat them with, cocoanut haystacks, caramel pods, everlasting strips, brandy snaps, barber poles, sugar pigs, conversation lozenges and a chocolate chump.

But what's this at the bottom? A real jews harp! Wait till you hear what else—a shiny mouth organ. Wait till the kids hear me play this. I try to get everyone up to see all the things I got, but nobody seems interested for they chase me back to bed where I practice a few tunes.

Eventually I venture downstairs where I find Dad in front of the open fire busting the goose, and the rest of the family busy with this, that or the other. I don't feel like breakfast and am anxious to show off my mouth organ so away I go. Sure enough there is Johnny Kewley across the street. "Hi, there Mousey," (that's what all the kids call him) "Look what I got!" His eyes popped out when he saw and he wanted to know if it would play tunes.

"Sure," I replied, "do you want to hear me play 'Soldiers of the Queen,' I can't play it all the way through yet but I can play the first line and I am going to practice and practice and when I can play it all the way through they might let me play it at the Sat-

urday Night penny concerts in the Wellington Hall. What did you say, Mousey? You want to have a blow? Well, be very careful 'cause if you blow too hard it will break the little thing inside that makes the notes.

"What did Father Christmas bring you, Mousey? A watch, eh? It just looks like a real one, doesn't it? You know, I think that next to MY father, Father Christmas is the bestest man in the whole world. I'm hungry, so goodbye for now, Mousey."

(The moral of this story is that I still think that the kids of those days got more kick out of an 18c mouth organ than the present crop of youngsters with their \$18 electric train.)

News of the Manx Societies

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SAN FRANCISCO

The Christmas party of the San Francisco Manx was scheduled for December 11, and we are told by their Secretary, Essie Quayle, that this has become a very popular annual affair—so much so that members of various British Societies, when once invited, ask if they can come again. The Society holds open house that night, and the supper of bannag, scones, fruit cake, mince pies and so on is always enjoyed. It is preceded by a nice seasonable program and exchange of gifts from the tree.

At the October meeting, the members enjoyed meeting Mrs. C. J. Sutton of Cleveland, who is taking a trip through the West and South.

NORTH EASTERN OHIO

The November meeting of the Manx of North Eastern Ohio was held on November 21 at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Albert Killey, 59 Hartshorn Drive, Painesville, Ohio.

CHICAGO

The Chicago Manx Society held its Annual Dinner in the Stevens Building Restaurant on October 2, with 50 present. Speaker of the evening was the British Consul General, Arthur Marlow, whose address was greatly enjoyed. Mrs. R. C. Kelly gave a reading, and Walter Stevenson, accompanied by Mrs. Stevenson, entertained with some solos. Movies taken by several people at the Peoria Convention last summer were shown, as well as President Harry Kelly's films taken in the Isle of Man by his daughter. Out-of-town guests were Mr. and Mrs. Thomas Monier of Galva and Miss Elizabeth Craine of Waukegan, Ill. Mr. and Mrs. Robert Corkhill, formerly of Topeka, Kansas, and now resident in Chicago, were present for the first time.

New Year Resolutions . . .

Resolve to join the N. A. M. A. and also to get a new member . . . thus helping us to reach our goal of 1000 members.

Resolve to attend the 21st Birthday Convention party in Cleveland Aug. 2-6, 1949. 