

# BULLETIN of the North American Manx Association



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

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## IT'S BACK TO WINDSOR IN 1950 AFTER SIXTEEN LONG YEARS

AUGUST 8-11

### From the General Chairman

Our Convention is now only four months away, and you will be making plans for your vacation. Windsor wants you to spend yours with old friends and new whom you always meet at the Convention.

Committees have been formed to make it a worthwhile and successful convention befitting our Manx friends. I am sure you will go home at the end of the week pleased that you attended.

We are looking forward to meeting you all.

RICHARD K. MERCER,  
Convention Chairman.

### Souvenir Book

What would a Manx Convention be without a souvenir program book? Why, it would be like a fisherman going on a fishing trip and forgetting his tackle—and then, a great disappointment.

Are you going to disappoint someone when he receives his book and fails to find your name among those on the patrons' list?

You will want to read the Greetings from the Homeland, and the beauty of the thing is it contains the convention programs, the National Anthems and Manx Songs. When the convention is over, this book will be

a souvenir of another Manx Reunion.

In a few days, your mailman will leave with you a form to fill out and return with your greeting or name for the Patrons' List. Please take care of it right away, as you will want your name in the book. Rates are as usual:

Full Page.....	\$20.00
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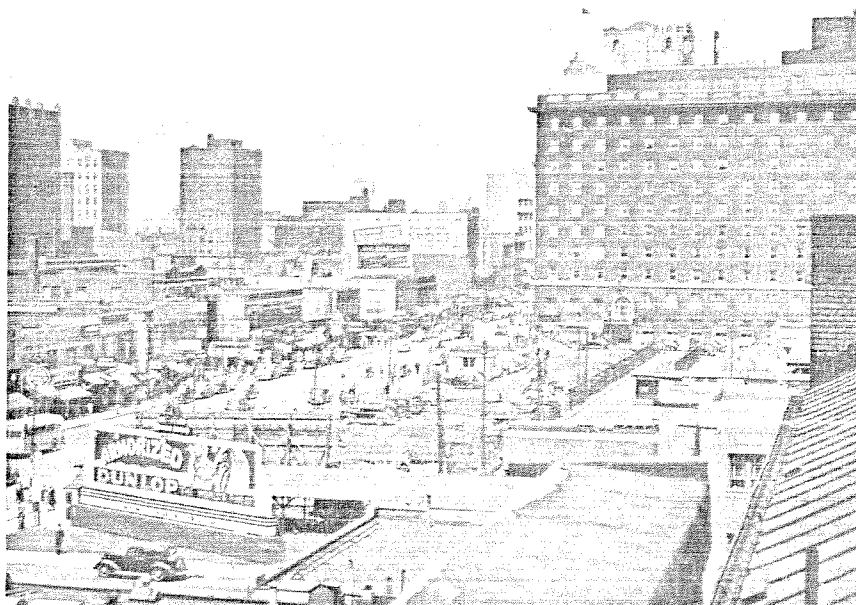
R. H. CORKILL, Chairman  
Souvenir Book Committee

### Reception

The Reception Committee extends a hearty welcome to all members of the N.A.M.A. and looks forward to greeting each one of you in person this summer at the Convention in Windsor, Ontario. This is your opportunity to renew friendships made at former conventions and also to meet new members.

New friends are urged to make themselves known to someone wearing a Reception Committee badge and every effort will be made to make your stay in our City a pleasant one.

MRS. S. LAMBERTON,  
MRS. L. K. CAMPBELL  
Co-Chairmen,  
Reception Committee.



WINDSOR, ONTARIO. HOTEL PRINCE EDWARD IN BACKGROUND

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### The President's Message

Now winter is over, and in many cities the clocks have been put ahead one hour. Our thoughts naturally turn now to the outdoor life, picnics, fishing, swimming and vacations in general.

With this issue of our Bulletin giving many details about the Manx Convention to be held in the City of Windsor in August, let us plan to spend one week of our vacation in Canada and attend the Convention. This Bulletin shows that our good friends in Detroit and Windsor have been working hard all winter and have arranged a splendid program for our enjoyment from August 8 to 11.

It is three years since we held a convention in Canada. We had no conventions during the war years, and it was the Manx of Toronto who gave us a fresh start with their Victory Convention in 1947. I believe the Detroit-Windsor Manx will give us added enthusiasm to go forward with even greater determination.

I recall with a feeling of pride and satisfaction the conventions held in various Canadian cities—Montreal, Toronto, Hamilton, London, Windsor and Winnipeg. With the continued loyal support and hospitality of Manx Canadians we shall maintain the friendly spirit and high standard of Manx Conventions held in Canada.

As for Manx Americans—most of us like a trip to Canada once a year,

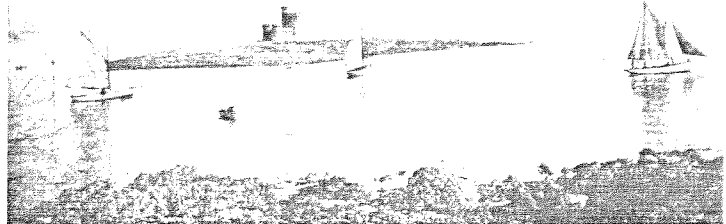
## OUR TRIP TO DOUGLAS

(Continued from March issue)

After we had watched the landing of many thousands of Bank Holiday visitors at the Victoria Pier, we returned to Strand Street, and it was evident that all those people had arrived there before us, because it was with difficulty we pressed our way through this narrow street. It seemed as though everyone wanted to be there at the same time, each bent on buying something to take back home—a souvenir of the lovely Isle of Man, no doubt. Strand Street is—or was then—winding and narrow, lined with shops, and so attractive did it

Street on our way to Upper Buck's Road where we were staying. On our way, we noticed that Douglas had a good many churches along the route—we counted at least seven—and were told that practically every church denomination is represented in Douglas.

Next day we made an excursion to the lighthouse across the Harbor, crossing on a ferry. After leaving the boat we descended a long flight of steps into a sort of grotto or secluded bay called Port Skillion, just



TOWER OF REFUGE, DOUGLAS BAY

seem to the people that there was hardly walking space in its entire width and no vehicle ventured there. We believed that practically everything could be bought in Strand Street shops—"from a needle to an anchor" as the saying goes. We made a few purchases and were well satisfied with both price and quality. We were also pleased with the helpfulness and courtesy shown to us by the salespeople in all the shops we visited—sale or no sale.

Leaving Strand Street we went through Duke Street and up Victoria

and Windsor is an ideally situated location.

So, whether we live in Canada or the U.S.A., let's make a date to go to the City of Windsor, August 8 to 11. Make your hotel reservation early. This will be a grand convention, and we can do our share towards making it so by attending. Let's all support the Detroit-Windsor Manx.

We cannot all visit our own dear Ellan Vannin, but many can in spirit and memory visualize its lovely tranquility when meeting at the convention in Windsor this summer.

W. HARRY KELLY,  
President

large enough for a swimming pool. Here a very stout teacher was giving a lesson in swimming, and after watching for a while we climbed a steep and stony path along the rocks to the lighthouse. Being from an inland city we had never been in a lighthouse, so we were greatly interested in the living apartments of the keeper adjoining the lighthouse, and in climbing the winding stairs to the top, where the reflectors are so placed that six flashes are seen in quick succession in a quarter of a minute, followed by an equal period of darkness. The light may be seen at a distance of 20 miles.

We then climbed to the top of Douglas Head, where there is a magnificent view of the Bay and the surrounding waters, and of the ships that come and go. Here one can take an electric tram and ride along the cliffside, high above the sea, in and among the steep crags. This Marine Drive extends as far as Port Soderick—a 25-minute ride over a road cut out of solid rock, along the face of the cliff. The scenery is of the wildest and most majestic grandeur.

We descended Douglas Head by way of the incline cable railway, riding without conductor or porter—a unique sensation—to the ferry, where

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## OUR OWN PEOPLE

Mr. and Mrs. Tom Moore and Mr. and Mrs. Ross Howe of Toronto visited Buffalo during Easter week, going on from there to Rochester where they spent a pleasant week end with the Hayward Avenue Garretts.

In response to an appeal from the Ward Public Library in Peel, Isle of Man, Florence Crellin who is a librarian in Akron, Ohio, collected no fewer than 27 books from the staff at the Akron Public Library and has sent them off to Peel. The collection included fiction, biography and essays. Congratulations to Florence on a fine job. The Trustees of the Ward Public Library at Peel will welcome worthwhile books in any category, so anyone who has used volumes, in good condition, which they would like to donate, should send the books directly to them.

Edward Bawden of Johnstown, Pa., makes reference in his story in this Bulletin to the Marine Drive and electric tramway, Douglas to Port Soderick, one of the most spectacular and scenic drives in the Island. Mr. Bawden, in a letter to the Editor, says that his father was the first man to go over the top of the cliff to investigate whether conditions were favorable for building the road. Hired by the contractors for this responsible and risky job, he was lowered from the top by a stout rope tied round his body, and attached to a bar driven into the ground above—sea and rocks below him and sky above. No wonder his son is still thrilled by the memory of this feat.

Alice Garrett, Secretary N.A.M.A. Ladies' Auxiliary, spent an enjoyable holiday in Bermuda in April.

Mr. and Mrs. C. Edwin Cottier and Noreen, formerly of Cleveland, have moved into their new home at 309 North Buena Vista Street, Burbank, California.

The William Mullen and John Christian families of Los Angeles recently enjoyed a trip to San Diego where they made several calls on Manx people, and visited the Ramsey-built ship STAR OF INDIA which is anchored there, and is used as a Sea Scout training ship.

The well-known Manx singers, Miss Norah Moore and Mr. Lewis Gale, recently made recordings for the London Transmission Service, the records to be distributed for broadcasting throughout the world, including, of course, the United States and Canada. In some of the recordings, the soloists were featured along with the Radcliffe Male Voice Choir.

New members welcomed recently by the San Francisco Manx Society were Miss Eva Kelly, former secretary of the Peoria Manx Society, and her cousin Phil Hintridge, who live in El Cerrito.

Evelyn Wood, a former Treasurer of the San Francisco Manx Society, recently became Mrs. Alf Dalby.

Cecil Teare, editor Ramsey Courier, and Gibson Teare, now visiting in the States, were in San Francisco about the middle of April, leaving there on the 21st to visit their brother Malcolm in Oregon. They were entertained by Mr. and Mrs. Wilfred Quayle, who invited several friends to their home to meet them. Mr. and Mrs. Joe Hornall from Arbuckle took the Teares on a long drive to see the sights of San Francisco.

The San Francisco Manx Society received a special invitation to a preview of Queen Mary's rug, which was exhibited at a museum in San Francisco during the latter part of April.

Nick Vaughan Thomas, son of Mrs. R. V. Thomas (Marjorie Clague) of San Francisco, is at present visiting England and the Isle of Man. In the Island he will make his headquarters at Castletown, home town of the Clague family.

Tom Radcliffe, "Isle of Man Examiner" Editor-in-Chief, who has been with us at two post-war N.A.M.A. Conventions (1947 and 1949) has been breaking new ground this last winter. With Mrs. Radcliffe, he made a tour of Australia and New Zealand, in the course of which they met many Manx settlers, and had some very interesting experiences. Manx Societies in New Zealand organized meetings in Auckland, Wellington and Hamilton, at each of which the visitors were given a very warm welcome. In Australia, Manx people in Sydney, Melbourne, Adelaide and Perth were delighted to meet and entertain the tourists. Mr. Radcliffe broadcast several talks about the Isle of Man in Sydney and Wellington during the trip. He tells us that quite a party of New Zealand Manx will visit their native Ellan Vannin this summer.

Probably our oldest life member is Mrs. M. E. Morton, Route 6, Box 929, Tacoma, Wash. Mrs. Morton writes—"I'm in my 90th year, and doing fine." Congratulations!

Arthur Callister, son of Mrs. E. Callister, Virginia, Minn. was in Cleveland during the week of May 8, attending the Foundrymen's Convention. He took the opportunity of telephoning several Manx people, including the Bulletin Editor, and was impressed by the number of Manx names in the Cleveland telephone directory. He said he was having a grand time, his only disappointment being that the Indians were not playing on the home ground that week. The Callister family came to the United States from Lower Foxdale, Isle of Man, soon after the turn of the century, Arthur being a small boy at the time. They have lived for the most part in Northern Michigan and Minnesota.

Another Manxman visiting Cleveland the week of May 8 for the Foundrymen's Convention was Robert Gregg of San Marino, Calif. Mr. Gregg came from Douglas, Isle of Man and recently visited the Island for the first time in 43 years.

Going to the Isle of Man—John Skillicorn, Bedford, Ohio, by plane in May. Planning to go—Mrs. G. E. Humphrey, Lincoln, Nebraska. From Rochester—J. Henry Quine left on SS. MEDIA on May 12 for an indefinite stay in the Island, and Dan and Betty Christian sail on the BRITANNIC on June 1st for a three-month holiday in the Isle of Man and in Whitehaven, England. Mr. and Mrs. Walter Moran of Cleveland also will make the trip by plane.

Mr. and Mrs. Frank Mealin, from Ramsey celebrated their Golden Wedding anniversary at their home, 1593 West 46th St., Los Angeles on April 2. Many Manx friends attended to wish them well, and many more years of wedded life. Congratulations!

Grace Ward Quilliam and Joyce Corlett of Douglas, Isle of Man are writing a series of articles on the Isle of Man, which are being published in the Liverpool Echo, The Countryman's Diary, and several other English magazines. Mrs. Quilliam, a niece of Oscar Ward of Los Angeles, is a native of Portland, Ore., and is active in gathering the folklore of the Isle of Man in connection with the Manx Museum and the Antiquarian Society. She was the organizer of a recent exhibit of Manx folklore in Ramsey. Grace and Joyce write under the name of Corlett Ward, and have more than a dozen articles to their credit. Excerpts from one of their articles were published in the March Bulletin.

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# MORE NEWS ABOUT DETROIT

## Detroit-Windsor Convention Committee

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R. H. Corkill, Secretary.  
G. Fletcher, Treasurer.

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Transportation.....R. A. Cannell  
Reception.....Mrs. S. Lamberton  
and Mrs. L. K. Campbell  
Souvenir Program.....R. H. Corkill  
Hotel  
Reservations.....Mrs. R. K. Mercer  
1544 Hall Ave., Windsor  
Entertainment.....Mrs. G. Fletcher  
Photo Display.....H. Mercer

## Ways and Means

The success of the convention being held in Windsor depends a lot upon the Ways and Means Committee. And, we in turn depend upon the loyal Manx people who are proud of their ancient heritage to support us to the best of their ability.

As chairman, I have received good response to date and I am very thankful to you all. With this issue of The Bulletin, you will receive a book of tickets and the prizes donated for it are excellent. So please contact your friends. Your cooperation will be greatly appreciated by the committee.

Hope to see you in Windsor!

FLORENCE HALL CORNELL,  
Chairman.

## Publicity

Greetings and a special invitation to meet with us in Windsor, Ontario, August 8-11 and be the guests of the only international Manx Society in the world—Detroit & Windsor Society, under two grand flags, the Stars and Stripes and the Union Jack.

When you arrive, you will find out for yourself that the only difference between these two great cities—Detroit and Windsor—will be in time, Windsor being one hour ahead of Detroit.

To Manx-Americans: Don't forget your naturalization papers, if you are a naturalized citizen. If you are not a U. S. citizen, be sure to secure a re-entry permit from your local immigration office. If you were born in the U. S., have some identification with you—such as a birth certificate, library card, auto club membership card, or something of that sort. If you are driving from some point in the United States, you will need your automobile registration card to enter Canada.

We already have been informed of two visitors who will be here direct from the Isle of Man. They are John Gell of Port St. Mary, a school teacher and Manx language authority; and Donald Lindsay of Ramsey, a nephew of Mr. and Mrs. W. Harry Kelly.

Our Manx people here are working hard to entertain you, and when you come, bring your music with you and contact the Entertainment Committee. We gave you a good time in 1934, and are prepared to repeat in 1950.

R. H. CORKILL,  
Convention  
Committee Secretary.

### Entertainment

Here we are coming nearer and nearer to another N.A.M.A. Convention. And that means we Manx people are going to get together again for another jolly good time! We in Windsor are doing all in our power to make your stay a happy one—and that to Manx people always means lots of music. We hope you will come prepared to join in the fun.

MRS. G. A. FLETCHER,  
Chairman,  
Entertainment Committee.

## TENTATIVE PROGRAM

### Detroit-Windsor Convention

August 8-11, 1950

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

**TUESDAY EVENING**—Detroit-Windsor night. Informal get-together and entertainment at Prince Edward Hotel.

**WEDNESDAY A.M.**—Official opening of convention. Addresses of welcome. Business session.

**WEDNESDAY P.M.**—Luncheon at Prince Edward Hotel. Bus tour of Windsor and Detroit. Entertainment in the evening at Prince Edward Hotel.

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

**THURSDAY P.M.**—Luncheon at Prince Edward. Committee meetings and meeting of N.A.M.A. Ladies' Auxiliary at Prince Edward.

**THURSDAY EVENING**—Moonlight ride on Detroit River.

**FRIDAY A.M.**—Business session, reports of committees and election of officers.

**FRIDAY P.M.**—Free afternoon for shopping.

**FRIDAY EVENING**—Banquet and ball at Prince Edward Hotel.

REGISTRATION FEE — \$11.00

# WINDSOR CONVENTION PLANS

## Make Your Hotel Reservation Early

The Prince Edward Hotel is Convention Headquarters this year. It is the finest hotel in Windsor and located directly opposite the Tunnel Exit, our connecting link between downtown Detroit and Windsor; also in the heart of the shopping district and theatres. The room rates for the Convention are as follows:

- Single Room, with bath.....From 3.50 to \$7.00
- Double Room (Double Bed)....From \$6.00 to \$8.00
- (Twin Beds)..... From 7.50 to \$10.00
- Two Connecting Rooms for three persons.....\$12.50

Reservations may be made by writing Mrs. R. K. Mercer, 1544 Hall Avenue, Windsor, Ontario. Please make your reservation early and be assured of the accomodation you desire.

(Mrs.) MARY A. MERCER,  
Chairman,  
Hotel Reservations.

## Registration

The registration committee is eagerly awaiting your arrival at our convention here in Windsor, August 8 to 11, and are looking forward to assisting you in securing your badges, souvenir books, and tickets.

We welcome to our city of Windsor, the Sun Parlor of Canada, all American and Canadian Manxmen. We promise to make your stay here a happy one and one long to be remembered.

JEAN MUNRO,  
Chairman,  
Registration Committee.

## Refreshments

The Refreshments Committee is very happy to invite all Manx friends to the Detroit-Windsor Convention. We are looking forward to a very fine time—and what is a convention without good food? Our Refreshment Committee is on the job and we know you will enjoy your meals while here.

MRS. R. H. CORKILL,  
MRS. L. CORNELL,  
Co-Chairmen,  
Refreshment Committee.

## Detroit-Windsor Prize Distribution

The winners in a prize distribution sponsored by the Detroit-Windsor Convention Committee to raise pre-convention funds were announced recently. The drawing took place at their meeting on Saturday, May 6.

Mrs. Zimmerman of Rochester, Michigan, won the hand made quilt; and Miss Haines of Wegaunee, Mich, won the pillow cases.

## To Members Living In Places Without a Manx Society

If you haven't a local Manx Secretary who will send your personal news items to us for publication, don't hesitate to write direct to the Bulletin Editor. The column "Our Own People" is really a little "visit" among Manx friends, and we all enjoy it. What we want is to get news from "all over," so again—if you haven't a local secretary, send news of yourself and family to:

Miss Gertrude Cannell  
Bulletin Editor, N.A.M.A.  
1492 Robinwood Avenue  
Lakewood 7, Ohio.

## OUR OWN PEOPLE

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### MANX WEDDIN'S

At a pretty wedding in Vancouver, B. C., Marjorie Aileen Halsall became the bride of John Parker Lumb on April 8. The All Saints Anglican Church choir, of which the bride is a member, sang during the ceremony. Marjorie is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. A. E. Halsall of Vancouver. She has appeared many times on the musical programs for which the Vancouver Manx are noted.

### THE L'IL PEOPLE

The Manx population of Toronto has been increased by two recent births—a son to Mr. and Mrs. Jim Martin (nee Norma Moore)—and a son to Mr. and Mrs. R. Martin (nee Joyce Moore). Both these young mothers are daughters of Mrs. Moore and the late Charles Moore of Toronto.

A son William Wade, was born March 16th to Mr. and Mrs. Wade Kissack. The proud grandparents are Mr. and Mrs. W. C. Kissack of 23500 Fairmount Blvd., Shaker Heights, Ohio.

## OUR TRIP TO DOUGLAS

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we again crossed the Harbor, accompanied by the music of the entertainers. Douglas has fine transportation for the public, and among the many means of getting about, one of the most popular is the horse-car, which, however, only runs the length of the Promenade.

One day we saw a Manx cat on the hedge of the house where we were staying. It looked frightened, as though it sensed that we were "foreigners." On Saturday, the last day of our stay, we enjoyed visiting the market, where there were fresh vegetables and flowers, meat and poultry, brought in by farmers. In the fish market there were many kinds of fish, including eels. Of course the ever-present herring was there. The herring fisheries form an important industry of the Island.

Our visit is drawing to a close, and

a delightful one it has been. Douglas has not disappointed us—on the other hand, we feel bountifully repaid for our journey. Our admiration and love for the place have increased, and we feel richer for the friendships formed—our dreams are more than realized. The Manx people are honest, industrious and kind—friendly and sociable—and it is with real pleasure we contemplate making a return visit some day."

Edward Bawden,  
1749 Bedford Pike,  
Johnstown, Pa.

(The above is the second installment of a description of a trip to Douglas, Isle of Man, as it would have appeared to an English visitor nearly half a century ago—and as it was when Mr. Bawden last saw it.)

# NEWS OF THE MANX SOCIETIES

## MONTREAL

The last two monthly meetings of the Montreal Manx Society were held at the North Branch "Y." A "Court Whist" and a "Social Evening" were the features of these two meetings. Both were well attended by Montreal Manx and their friends.

## SAN FRANCISCO

At their February meeting the San Francisco Manx turned out in full force to see the colored films taken in the Isle of Man by Mrs. Wm. Roseman (Florence Kelly) of Cleveland. During the showing, Mrs. James Cringie sang "Oh Island of Mona," and Ivor Stokes, "Ramsey Town," both highly appropriate. Several out-of-town members came specially for the occasion, including Mr. and Mrs. H. S. Corlett from Placerville, and Mrs. E. S. Corlett from Sacramento. The tables were decorated with spring blossoms, and all voted it a most enjoyable evening.

At the annual election held at their March meeting, the 1949 slate was returned to office by unanimous vote:

President.....H. P. Callister  
Vice President..... Fred Callow  
Treasurer..... Mrs. George Hall  
Secretary.....Mrs. Wilfred Quayle

During the business meeting which followed, Mrs. George Hall and Mrs. Wilfred Quayle were appointed delegates to the newly formed "Society of Nationalities of San Francisco," sponsored by Governor Warren of California and Mayor Elmer Robinson of San Francisco, to promote goodwill and better knowledge of neighbors from different countries. It is a local and non-political group.

Letters were read from recipients of parcels sent to England and the Isle of Man by the Society, and the evening was enlivened by an excellent program of vocal and violin music, by Tom Fayle from Petaluma, Mrs. James Cringie, Mrs. F. Jones, and Ivor Stokes.

On April 22 the Society was to make its annual trek to Berkeley for a meeting at Mr. and Mrs. Fred Callow's home, an event always anticipated with pleasure and thoroughly enjoyed.

## VANCOUVER LADIES' AUXILIARY

The Vancouver Manx Ladies celebrated the 14th Anniversary of their Society in February, with a tea and program of entertainment at the home of Mrs. T. L. Killip, 1020 Harwood Street. Mrs. Killip is carrying on as Secretary for the Ladies' Auxiliary, in place of Mrs. Rawlinson, who resigned.

## DETROIT-WINDSOR

The April meeting of this Society was an especially enjoyable one, when the members from Detroit and Windsor motored out to Pontiac to meet at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Braid. They were happy to meet several Manx people of Pontiac and vicinity who attended the meeting. A short business session was followed by a showing of colored pictures taken by Mr. Braid in the Isle of Man, London, Paris and Scotland, after which refreshments were served. The 52 persons present thoroughly enjoyed this very successful evening—and all are now looking forward to meeting friends, old and new, at the Convention in August.

## MONA'S RELIEF SOCIETY CLEVELAND

Recent meetings have been made more interesting by hearing reports from members who have been visiting the Isle of Man. At the April meeting, Mr. Louis Roach brought greetings from the Island and described details of his visit, adding that the Homeland looks as lovely as ever. He journeyed both ways by plane and expects to make a return visit later this year.

All enjoyed the pleasant hour following the April business meeting. Sound films in color, "Ohio Wild Life" and "Beautiful Ohio," were shown through courtesy of Standard Oil Company of Ohio, arrangements having been made by Mrs. R. W. Skillicorn.

The May meeting was followed by musical entertainment provided by Victor Anderson and Morgan Thomas, accompanied by Miss Edna Anderson. The program was excellent and was highly appreciated.

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

## NORTH EASTERN OHIO

The North Eastern Ohio Manx met on Sunday, April 16, at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Richard Karran, Geneva. Among the 35 who attended were Manx people from Chardon, Painesville, Mentor, Geneva, Gates Mills, Rock Creek and a few who drove out from Cleveland. After an excellent picnic supper, a general business discussion was held, and everyone enjoyed a very pleasant evening. The May meeting will be at the home of Mr. and Mrs. C. E. Bieder, 107 Swan St., Geneva.

## N.A.M.A. LADIES' AUXILIARY

The N.A.M.A. Ladies hope you are planning to be at Windsor in August for the Convention, to participate in the joy which so many Manx people have experienced while spending a week with friends and relatives who have journeyed from near and far—a joy which they insist can only be compared to a visit to the Isle of Man.

As a pre-Convention activity, the N.A.M.A. Ladies will sponsor a Garden Party to take place in Cleveland on Saturday, July 15, at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Murry Hudgeon, 19008 Kinsman Blvd., Shaker Heights. The Hudgeons have graciously extended this hospitality on many past occasions, and the Manx have spent happy summer afternoons and evenings under the trees of their extensive lawn. So make a note of the date, July 15, and plan to go out to Hudgeon's with a picnic basket. There will be a bake sale in the afternoon, community singing in the evening,—and you will have the opportunity of hearing the latest news about Convention arrangements.

## NEBRASKA

This Society cancelled its usual Spring meeting this year, but the Annual Picnic and election of officers will be held in June, probably on the second Sunday, at the home of Mrs. Thomas Kelley, 1511 South 25th St., Lincoln.

On the evening of Easter Sunday, several of the members met for a social evening at the home of Mr. and Mrs. G. E. Humphrey (Lila Crellin). The guest of honor was Archie Keruish of Chicago. Those present were: Mr. and Mrs. Arthur Watts, Mrs. H. Crellin, Mr. and Mrs. James Robison, Mrs. Thomas Kelley and daughter Mona Morris. At the close of a very happy evening, where everyone was glad to have a cooish with Archie, he departed for Chicago, where he now makes his home with his daughter, Mrs. Leroy Frank.

## Attention—Cleveland Manx

On Sunday afternoon, June 25, the combined Manx Societies of Cleveland will hold a Church Service at Centenary Methodist Church, Fairmount Boulevard and Richmond Road. The service, conducted by Rev. J. E. Heaps, will commence at 4 p. m. There will be special music. All are invited. Bring a picnic lunch and stay for the evening.

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## MEET YOUR OFFICERS . . .

. . . By GERTRUDE CANNELL

There is a Manxwoman whose name is associated with two famous western cities—Peel of the golden sunsets and San Francisco of the Golden Gate. Essie Quayle is at home in either place.

She was born in Peel, a daughter of Captain John Thomas Callister and his wife Catherine Jane Kelly. Captain Callister was with the Isle of Man Steam Packet Company. Essie's grandfather, John Kelly, was skipper of the fishing vessel "EX Emma" out of Peel. She has a brother, Captain Frank Callister, with the Straits SS. Company, married and living at his home port, Singapore. They're a salt-water family.



MRS. W. C. QUAYLE

Second Vice President, N. A. M. A.

Another brother, H. P. Callister, married, lives in San Mateo, Calif., and is president of the San Francisco Manx Society. Two sisters, Mrs. W. H. Lucas and Mrs. Bertram Lucas live in Manchester, England; another sister, Katie (Mrs. James Cringle), in Palo Alto, Calif. A brother, Johnny, was killed in World War 1; another, Willie, died some time ago in Mobile, Ala.

Essie attended the Clothworker's School in Peel; afterwards went into the confectionery business there with her three sisters, and ran the Central Cafe. She was well known in the Island's musical and dramatic activities, and holds several certificates from the Annual Manx Music Festival for vocal work. She was a member of Christopher Shimmin's "Peel Players." During World War I she organized many concert parties which travelled about the Island and

raised large sums for charity and for war relief.

The roving spirit of the Manx won't allow them to stay home, no matter how lovely the spot, and in October, 1926, Essie was married in Vancouver, B. C. to Wilfred Crellin Quayle, son of John Quayle and Emma Elizabeth Crellin. Mr. Quayle, Sr. was a member of the House of Keys for Glenfaba at the time of his death. Wilfred was born in Glenmoye; later lived in Peel and attended the Wesleyan Day School; went on from there to the Higher Grade School in Douglas. Since their marriage, Essie and Wilfred have lived in or near San Francisco. Essie has been secretary of the San Francisco Manx Society ever since its inauguration in 1931—except for two years when she was president. At the 1949 Convention in Cleveland she was elected Second Vice President of the N.A.M.A.

Essie's heart is so big and her energy so overflowing that she takes many strenuous activities in her stride. She is vice president of the United British Society of San Francisco. During the recent war she worked steadily for British War Relief in the Knitting and Packing Department, also was a leader in knitting and money-raising projects with the Manx—in fact, the San Francisco Manx still donate about \$55.00 a year for overseas parcels. Music is among Essie's chief delights and she has been a member of the Palo Alto Operatic Society and the Russian Operatic Society of San Francisco.

In 1939 Essie visited the Isle of Man with her brother Frank. She loved every bit of it, especially old haunts, old friends, Peel Hill and the headlands. She would like to go again with Wilfred. She visited Cleveland in 1939, and again for the 1949 Convention with Wilfred and her sister Katie, and has happy memories of the "Manx Capital."

Essie and Wilfred live at 1537 20th Avenue, San Francisco—an address so familiar it is like another name for "open house." They have a cocker spaniel named Gypsy and a Manx cat, Greeba. Essie is happy in everything she does; likes music of all kinds, travelling, gardening, home life, and people; enjoys reading, especially biographies, historical novels, travel books, magazines and mysteries; loves a good play, film or symphony concert. She likes people to be natural, and considers that those who possess tolerance, understanding and loyalty are pretty sure to have most other desirable qualities.

She is 5 feet 7 inches tall, has blue eyes, light brown hair turning gray, and a smile that chases gloom from all within its radius. It is not a bit surprising that she has friends

among people of all nationalities—neither is it surprising to know that one of her chief delights is keeping in touch with old friends in all parts of the world. The charm of that smile and voice and a warm and glowing personality have brought Peel very close to San Francisco—and both places close to all the Manx folk who know Essie personally or through the Bulletin. May we see and hear from her often, and for a long, long time to come.

## News of the Manx Societies

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### VANCOUVER

The Vancouver Manx Society had a good turn-out for its New Year's Banquet, Concert and Dance, held on January 2. Everyone enjoyed the dinner and excellent program, while the dance gave a festive climax to the evening. Out-of-town guests welcomed were Mr. and Mrs. John Fick of Winnipeg, and the former Mrs. Stewart of Seattle—no longer a visitor, as she is now Mrs. Arthur Woods of Vancouver.

In February the Society held its monthly Whist Drive, and in March, its annual Spring Concert. Beside the fine program of musical items, movies were shown through the courtesy of the British Columbia Electric Railway Company. During the evening a hand-tooled leather wallet was presented to William Mudie, who has sung at every concert since the founding of the Vancouver Manx Society 40 years ago. The Manx Three Legs was tooled on one side of the wallet; Mr. Mudie's initials on the other.

In April the Society held another of its monthly Whist Drives. A letter from Reg Kissack, now in the Isle of Man, was enjoyed by the members.

### TORONTO

The Toronto Manx Society held a meeting on April 21 at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Gibson, 270 Salem Avenue, at which time plans were laid for summer season activities. Included in the program will be social evenings, euchre parties, and of course the Annual Picnic, which is to be held at Niagara Falls, on June 18. The Toronto Manx Picnic is a most enjoyable event, and anyone who desires to go should write the Secretary, Frank Williamson, 61 Steeles Avenue East, R.R. No. 1, York Mills, Ontario, who will be glad to give additional details. The Toronto Manx will welcome any Manx friends from over the border, as well as Manx Canadians who can attend. The picnic, of course, will be on the Canadian side, the basket lunch to be eaten in the Victoria Park Pavilion.

# O B I T U A R I E S

ALLEN, Emma, passed away at her home in Toronto in December, 1949. She is survived by her husband and one daughter. Mrs. Allen, whose maiden name was Taubman, was born in Castletown, Isle of Man, and was a cousin of Mrs. Hugh Corteen of Buffalo. She was President of the Toronto Manx Society in 1938.

ARNOLD, Mary, of Colby, Isle of Man, passed away on March 15 in her 76th year. Miss Arnold is survived by her sister, Mrs. George Williamson of Lachine, Quebec.

CAIN, George H., age 67, of 23814 Cliff Drive, Bay Village, near Cleveland, Ohio, passed away suddenly on May 9 while on a visit to his son in Detroit. He is survived by his wife, Mary E.; two sons, George H. Jr. of Detroit and Jack D. of Bay Village; four grandchildren; a brother Harry in Detroit, and a sister, Mrs. Dorsman, in the Isle of Man. Mr. Cain was born in Sulby, Isle of Man, and came to the States 45 years ago. He has lived in Detroit and Cleveland, and was in the employ of the Pittsburgh Steamship Company, Cleveland, as assistant superintendent of hull repairs for many years. Previous to that he was employed by the Nicholson Steamship Company of Detroit.

CLARK, Ida, passed away in Jacksonville, Fla. on March 25. Miss Clark formerly resided in Cleveland, at 15200 Miles Avenue, a pioneer farm home where she kept house for her cousins, the Boyd brothers, descendants of early Manx settlers. She is survived by several nieces and nephews.

CORRIN, Frank D., died on December 6, 1949 at 2830 Glen Drive, Vancouver, B. C., in his 66th year. He is survived by his wife; a son, Douglas F.; a daughter, Mrs. J. Mitchell; three grandchildren, all of Vancouver; three sisters and a brother in the Isle of Man.

GRAY, Esther (nee Crellin), passed away on April 18 at Mentor, Ohio, after a long illness. She was born in 1870 in Leroy, Ohio, youngest of the five children of John and Jane Harrison Crellin, early Manx settlers.

CUTHBERTSON, Alice, 68, died at her home, 532 East 348th St., Eastlake, near Cleveland, Ohio, on April 19. She came from Laxey, Isle of Man, and was a sister of the late John and Robert McCaa. In 1912 she was married in Cleveland to Robert Cuthbertson, who survives her. Also surviving are a son; three daughters; a brother, Andrew McCaa of Chagrin Falls, Ohio; two sisters, Mrs. Elizabeth Newell in the Isle of Man, and Miss Janet McCaa in England.

JOUGHIN, Douglas, passed away on March 14 at his home, 5854 Lancaster St., Vancouver, B. C., in his 65th year. Surviving are his wife; three sons, William, Philip and Stanley; a daughter Margaret; a brother and four sisters.

KELLEY, Thomas, aged 79, passed away on March 23 at his home, 1511 South 25th St., Lincoln, Nebr. Surviving are his wife, Eleanor May, president of the Nebraska Manx Assn.; a daughter, Mrs. Mona Highfield, Washington Court House, Ohio; a son, Thomas, Toledo, Ohio; six grandchildren; two brothers, Stanley in the Isle of Man, and John in Western Australia; a sister, Mrs. Jessie Ball, and a niece, Mrs. W. E. Greggor, both in the Isle of Man; and a step-daughter, Miss Mona Jane Morris of Lincoln, Nebr. Mr. Kelley came to Cleveland from the Isle of Man in 1889; later spent some years in South Africa, eventually returning to the States where he lived in Toledo, Ohio for about 40 years. He moved to Lincoln in 1948.

MITCHELL, Margaret, passed away suddenly on March 24 at her home, 445 Jones Avenue, Toronto. She is survived by her husband; twin children Angela and Michael aged 7, and Barbara, aged 3; and parents, Mr. and Mrs. Alex Connell of Douglas, Isle of Man, who visited her at the time of the Toronto Convention in 1947.

STONE, Fred A., of 1185 Virginia Avenue, Lakewood, Ohio, died on March 24 at the age of 68. He leaves his wife, Mona (nee Cubbon); a son, Fred A., Jr.; a daughter, Mrs. Pauline W. Myers; a sister, Mrs. Stanley; and grandchildren. Before his retirement three years ago, Mr. Stone was chief accountant at the Pittsburgh Steamship Company.

QUAGGAN, Elizabeth Ann, (nee Lealand) passed away on January 24 in New Westminster, B. C. at the age of 91. She is survived by two daughters, Mrs. R. McWaters and Mrs. Annie Rice, Vancouver; a son, William D., New Westminster; 17 grandchildren, 19 great-grandchildren and one great-great-grandchild. Mrs. Quaggan was born in Douglas and lived in British Columbia for the last 58 years. She was one of the original members of the Vancouver Manx Society.

SUTTON, William Jackson, passed away on April 17 at Fairfield, Iowa. He is survived by his wife, Fern, and his mother, Mrs. Caroline J. Sutton, of Cleveland. An only son, William J., Jr., was killed in Belgium during the recent war. Mr. Sutton, who suffered ill health for many years, was a veteran of World War I. Burial was in Cleveland.

WESTOVER, Bessie Ward, aged 81, passed away in Bakersfield, Calif. on April 11. She is survived by her sons, Edward Corkill of Calgary, Alberta; Tom and Harry of Fallon, Nevada; James of Escondido, Calif.; Will of Porterville, Calif.; daughters Mrs. Bessie Moore of Bakersfield and Mrs. Daisy Powers of Bishop, Calif.; brothers Oscar Ward of Los Angeles and Marshall Ward of Onchan, Isle of Man; a sister, Mrs. Rebecca Garden of Tauranga, New Zealand; grandchildren and great-grandchildren. Mrs. Westover was born in Maughold, Isle of Man.

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

In reporting the death of Mr. Andrew T. Hood in the March Bulletin, it was inadvertently stated that he is survived by his wife Lillie, nee Greggor. Mrs. Hood's maiden name was Hall. We apologize for the error.

## The Manxman's Prayer

Oh, lovely Ellan Vannin!  
 Oh, Isle so dear to me!  
 To see you is to love you  
 And nevermore be free.  
 Your blossom-scented breezes,  
 The gull's discordant cry,  
 Your misty heads and lovely glens,  
 What more could man desire?  
 And when life's day is over  
 And my eyes no longer see,  
 Oh, lovely Ellan Vannin,  
 May I ever rest with thee.

A. O'Donnell

