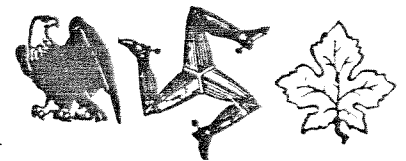


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"To preserve whate'er is left to us of ancient heritage"

July, 1952

Come To Rochester . . . August 12th to 15th A GOOD TIME IN STORE FOR ALL

Yes, indeed, "The Thing to do in '52" is to head toward Rochester, New York. We hope you have arrived at that conclusion and are planning to be with the Manx in Rochester, New York on August 12, 13, 14, 15.

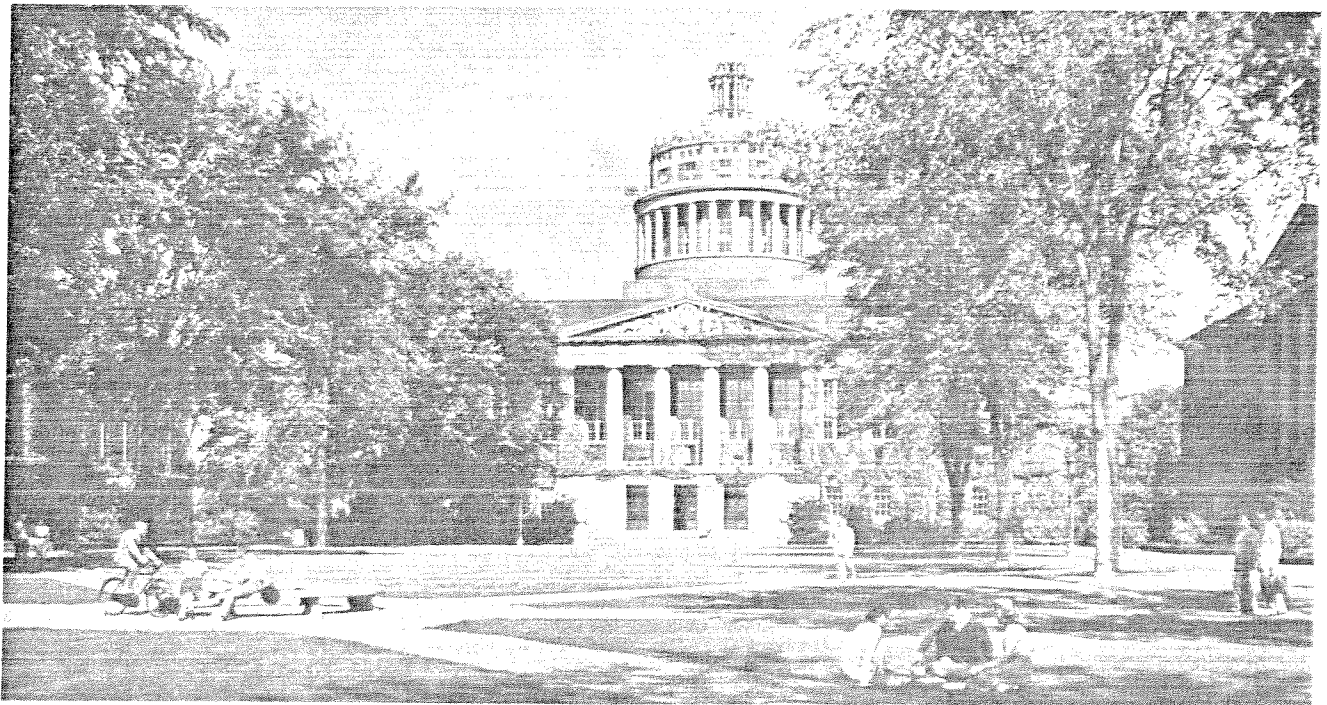
Your Rochester Convention Committee concluded some months ago that "The Thing to Do in '52" was to prepare for a real good convention, and then set about doing everything possible to make the 1952 Convention a real good one. We know that a small group of good workers can produce the same good-quality product as a large group, but they work harder and longer to accomplish the result. We have indeed worked hard and we are very confident the results accomplished to date are of the best quality. It will be difficult to surpass other N.A.M.A. Conventions, but if it can be done, we want to do it.

Each item on our program has fallen into its special groove until a program which assures you a good convention is practically complete. It awaits now only that last-minute polish which any hostess gives her best sterling just prior to the arrival of the guests.

It is now entirely up to you. Make your hotel reservations immediately if you have not done so. No hostess appreciates an unexpected guest when her rooms are filled because she cannot accommodate them as well as she would like to.

YOU are the important part of any convention. The Convention Committee needs YOU to make the convention a success and YOU must be present to enjoy a cooish with an old friend, to enjoy meeting an old schoolmate you had not anticipated seeing. These are just a few of the

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The President's Message

By the time this message reaches you, we will be just a few weeks away from our annual convention at Rochester, New York. Our Manx friends in and around Rochester are working hard and doing everything they possibly can to insure your comfort and enjoyment while in their city. I am hoping that many of you are coming to Rochester. Since we have not met in that city for many years, there should be a number of new faces to welcome to our great annual gathering.

Although costs have steadily gone up, there will be no increase in the registration fee. This is made possible through anticipation of the same generous support you have given in the past to our Souvenir Program and other efforts which assist in meeting convention expenses. I appeal to you for a continuance of this splendid assistance.

This is the last Bulletin before the convention, and I would like to extend sincere thanks to the officers and members for their loyalty and support this past year. Also I want to mention those responsible for getting out our Manx Bulletin, as I believe all those fortunate enough to have this publication come to their homes will agree that our Bulletin Committee has done a splendid job this year. The happiness and joy spread by The Bulletin is tremendous, the news reaching all parts of this large Continent and also many distant parts of the world. I am sure that you will all join with me in saying to our officers and other workers, "Thanks for a swell job well done—keep up the good work."

Best wishes to you all until we meet in Rochester.

TOM MOORE, President

TENTATIVE PROGRAM SECOND ROCHESTER CONVENTION

AUGUST 12-15, 1952

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

TUESDAY EVENING—Rochester night. Informal get-together and entertainment at the Seneca Hotel.

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

WEDNESDAY P. M.—Luncheon, Seneca Hotel ballroom. Bus tour of Rochester terminating at Newport House for dinner and entertainment.

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

THURSDAY P. M.—Luncheon in Ballroom, Seneca Hotel.

THURSDAY EVENING—Entertainment in Seneca Hotel.

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

FRIDAY EVENING—Banquet and Grand Ball in Ballroom, Seneca Hotel.

REGISTRATION FEE — \$12.50

HOTEL RESERVATIONS

The hotel reservation card, which you received with the letter describing Rochester to you, is a convenient and easy method by which you may reserve your room at the Hotel Seneca. Check your preference immediately and return the card. No postage is required. Then you will be sure of a room, whereas if you think tomorrow will be soon enough, you may not be able to secure the room you would like.

We shall be glad to get your reservation by letter, if you prefer, or if by any chance you did not receive a card. In any event, please make your reservation as soon as possible!

Prices are:

Room with running water and double bath.....	1 person—\$4.25
	two persons—\$6.50
Room with shower.....	one person—\$5.25-5.75
Room with tub or tub and shower and double bed...one person—	\$5.75-6.25-7.25
Room with bath and double bed.....	two persons—\$8.00-9.00-10.50-11.00
Room with bath and twin beds.....	two persons—\$9.00-9.50-10.00-10.50-12.00
Room with bath.....	three persons—\$3.50 to 4.00 per person
Room with bath.....	four persons—\$3.00 per person

DO IT TODAY—MAIL YOUR CARD

MRS. DAN CHRISTIAN, Chairman
Hotel Reservation Committee

Come to Rochester

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thrills you cannot enjoy if YOU remain at home or go elsewhere for a vacation with the idea that you will skip the convention for one year. They can be, and will be enjoyed, in Rochester, New York, August 12, 13, 14, 15.

So decide now if you have not done so before, and head for Rochester! Enjoy the N.A.M.A. Convention, and then either go on to relax during the remainder of your holiday in New York

State, or have the rest first and then come along to Rochester to complete a perfect vacation.

Don't forget the dates—August 12-15; the place—Rochester, New York. And, don't forget to be there to enjoy more fun and visiting than you have had since last August.

Have YOU sent in your Patron's listing, and have YOU made your hotel reservation?

Alice GARRETT, Chairman

SOUVENIR BOOK

Calling all "Slow Pokes"

Have you forgotten something—or are you just putting it off until tomorrow? Tomorrow is that day we were talking about yesterday, so let's not delay too long or it will be too late.

We are sure you want your name to appear in the Rochester Convention Book. The list of Patrons and the greetings are growing, but we will find space for those who send in their names and donations immediately.

July 10 is the deadline. Some friends may look for your name in the Book and not find it if you delay too long. So send me your Patron's Listing or Greeting today.

MRS. CARLTON GARRETT,
Chairman, Souvenir Book Committee
359 Hayward Ave.,
Rochester 9, N. Y.

REFRESHMENTS

Your Refreshment Committee is carefully considering the various menus offered by the Hotel Seneca and the Newport House on Irondequoit Bay.

We know that good food provides one of the pleasures of a perfect holiday, and when our final selection is made, we are sure that everyone will enjoy some very fine meals during the Rochester Convention.

MRS. C. METEYER, Chairman
Refreshment Committee

ENTERTAINMENT

The program for your pleasure at the Rochester Convention is almost complete. Tuesday night is Rochester night and we plan to give you some good "Home Talent" along with a trip back to the Isle of Man.

An interesting and enjoyable evening will follow our meal at the New-

port House on Wednesday night. And so it will go—a good time for all during your sojourn in Rochester. There also will be time left for visiting with friends and relatives.

We have taken everything into consideration for your pleasure while you are with us. So plan now to "Come to Rochester and Enjoy the 1952 Convention."

WILLIAM CHRISTIAN, Chairman
Entertainment Committee

RECEPTION

The members of my committee are looking forward to meeting many of you in Rochester August 12-15 and are preparing a fine welcome for you.

If you are planning to arrive by train or bus and would like to have someone meet you, we will try to be on hand when you roll into our city. Just drop a note, giving time of arrival and on what line you plan to travel, to me at 264 Main Street, Dansville, New York; or to the convention chairman, Miss Alice Garrett, 359 Hayward Avenue, Rochester 9, New York, and we will do our best to have someone welcome you to Rochester.

MRS. CHARLES SUNDLOF
Chairman Reception Committee

Have you sent in your money in payment for the tickets sent you with our letter of June 11? If not, please look up the letter and tickets enclosed, and do the necessary as soon as possible.

Remittance should be addressed to:
Miss Mona Cannon
129 Cady Street
Rochester 8, N. Y.

Suggest that you DO IT NOW—while you are thinking about it. Incidentally, do not hesitate to ask for more tickets. They will be sent promptly upon receipt of your request!

THE THING TO DO IN '52!

Attend the N.A.M.A. Convention
Rochester, New York—August 12-15
and
Attend the Ladies' Auxiliary Meeting
August 14

You have supported the Ladies' Auxiliary to the N.A.M.A. very well and as we near the end of the year 1951-52 the officers wish to thank you for your help. We greatly appreciate the fine cooperation which we have received, and in turn, have given financial assistance to the Rochester Convention Committee.

Our annual meeting and election of officers will be held in Rochester on Thursday afternoon, August 14. We hope you will save time to attend our meeting as we would like to see the room well filled with women that day.

Rochester needs your support and the Ladies' Auxiliary needs your support, so let's all be in Rochester and enjoy a fine convention and a good meeting.

MRS. WM. COLQUITT, President
MISS ALICE GARRETT, Secretary

N.A.M.A. BREAKFAST CLUB

Stephen H. Quinney, President of the N.A.M.A. Breakfast Club, is now in the Isle of Man with the Homecomers, as is also the Breakfast Club Secretary, Miss Mona Clucas. Before leaving, however, Steve sent a message to Breakfast Clubbers, to be included in the July Bulletin. He says:

"Regret that I am unable to be at the Convention, due to the Homecoming. Please give our Rochester friends your loyal support. I hope you have a wonderful gathering.

"We need new members. Some of the old Breakfast Clubbers have fallen by the wayside during the past few years . . . we appeal to these friends to renew their own memberships, get new people interested and keep the Club going. Dues are only 25 cents.

"I will be thinking of you while in the Island, and will remember you to your friends there.

STEPHEN H. QUINNEY, President
(new address) 1718 Elsinore Ave.
East Cleveland 12, Ohio"

NEWS OF THE MANX SOCIETIES

VANCOUVER

The Annual Spring Concert of the Vancouver Manx Society was held in May, with a full, varied program. Mr. J. E. Costain, Treasurer of the Society, gave a Manx reading which rounded out the program perfectly.

On May 17 a committee meeting was held at the home of Mr. and Mrs. John Witsten and Mrs. R. W. Killey. After the short business meeting came the main theme of the evening—a send-off for Mr. and Mrs. Dick Corrin and Mr. and Mrs. Albert Woods, who were about to leave to join the Homecoming party. Mrs. Corrin is a member of the Society's executive committee. A small presentation was made to each couple, and everyone spent a most enjoyable evening, joining in singing the old songs and telling stories of old days in the Isle of Man.

The Vancouver Society held a whist drive in June, and the annual picnic in Stanley Park will take place in July.

VANCOUVER MANX LADIES

The Vancouver Manx Ladies held their April meeting at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Albert Wood, with a good attendance. The ladies spent a very enjoyable afternoon.

NEBRASKA

On Sunday, May 18, the Nebraska Manx held a combined meeting, election of officers and farewell party for three members joining the Homecoming trip. The new officers are:

President Thomas Robison
Secretary.....Mrs. James Robison
Elk Creek, Nebraska
Treasurer Mrs. T. Kelley

The members presented a wedding gift to Miss Jeanette Humphrey who is to be married in July to Mr. R. Kahns.

Good wishes for a most happy trip to the Homeland were extended to Mrs. T. Kelley and daughter, Mona Morris, of Lincoln, and to Mrs. J. Robison of Tecumseh.

MONTREAL

Members of the Montreal Manx Society held a meeting on May 23 at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Charles Malboeuf, 639—18th Avenue, Lachine, Quebec. A period of two-minute silence was observed in respect to the late President of the Society, Thomas Oates, who passed away on his birthday, April 17, 1952. Mr. Oates will be greatly missed.

The Montreal Manx were looking forward at the time of their May meeting to seeing the Homecomers prior to their sailing—their own members, Mr. and Mrs. Thomas Corlett and Mrs. Jack Agnew being of the party.

BISBEE

The Bisbee Manx have held meetings every month during the year 1951-52 at the homes of the following members: Mr. and Mrs. Arnold Corrin; Mr. and Mrs. Robert Skillicorn; Mrs. Ivy Dillon and her brothers, Fred and Cecil Corrin; Mrs. J. J. Quill; Mrs. Margaret Kelly; Mr. and Mrs. Alfred Kelly; Mr. and Mrs. Wilfred Stokes and Mr. and Mrs. Harry McConnell. The meetings were well attended and enjoyed by all. Sing-songs, bingo games, quiz programs and other forms of entertainment rounded out the evenings. Meetings will be held outdoors during the summer, beginning with June and on through September. The members are looking forward to the visit of Mr. Hawton of Castletown, Isle of Man, who is expected to show his Manx films next fall at a meeting of their society.

LADIES' AUXILIARY TO MONA'S RELIEF SOCIETY

The ladies of this Society held the last meeting of their 1951-52 season in June, and will take a rest from their sewing activities until they resume meetings in September. As always, the members have had a very busy year, but they enjoy getting together and the more work they have, the better they like it. Founded in December, 1899 to assist the parent body, the Mona's Relief Society, the "Ladies' Auxiliary" have met regularly all through the succeeding 53 years—a happy, loyal, hardworking group devoted to the Mona's Relief Society's objective—assisting Cleveland Manx people who are in need of a helping hand. Any Cleveland Manx women interested in joining this fine group should get in touch with the Secretary, Mrs. Roy (Mona) Bertsch, 1668 Lee Road, Cleveland Heights 18, Ohio.

AEGLAGH VANNIN

(Toronto Junior Manx Society)

A very successful dance was given by the "Young Manx" of Toronto on May 2, at the Club Kingsway. There was a good turnout and everyone had a grand time.

On May 16, the young people held a Bon Voyage party for Dorothy Caveen, who left with the Homecomers for a three-month vacation. They gave her a tan leather traveling purse as a parting gift.

CHURCH SERVICE OF COMBINED CLEVELAND MANX SOCIETIES

The Annual Manx Church Service in the Centenary Methodist Church, Fairmount Blvd. and Richmond Road, was held on June 22 with Miss Beatrice Cheesbrough, contralto, as special soloist. An account of this service will appear in the October Bulletin.

CLEVELAND MANX PICNIC

The Manx Picnic, sponsored by the combined Manx Societies of Cleveland will be held at Euclid Beach Park on Saturday, August 23. The Committee is arranging an interesting program of sports, and all Manx are invited to bring their families and friends. Manx people from out-of-town who may be visiting in Cleveland at the time should by all means arrange to get out to "The Picnic." Registration will be at the Annex Building at 3:30 P. M.

TORONTO

The Toronto Manx Society celebrated its 25th Anniversary on May 17 with a banquet and concert at the Royal York Hotel. Congratulations were received from the Mona's Relief Society and the Mona's Mutual Benefit Society of Cleveland, and from Philip Caine of Douglas, Isle of Man. A musical program featuring the Toronto Manx choir and local soloists followed the Banquet. Four Past Presidents were in attendance—William Fick, Robert Fick, Frank Williamson and Tom Moore, now President of the North American Manx Association, who gave an outline of the 25-year history of the Toronto Society. President Fred Caveen made an excellent chairman.

Among the guests were three from the Isle of Man, Mr. and Mrs. E. M. Teare and Miss Groves, all from Peel. Among others from out of town were N.A.M.A. Vice-President Harry Mylchreest, Mrs. Mylchreest and son Louis from Cleveland; Miss Alice Garrett and Miss Mona Cannon from Rochester; Mrs. Charles Sundlof from Dansville, N. Y.; Mr. and Mrs. Gordon Downward from Newmarket, Ont., and Mrs. Skillicorn from Oshawa, Ont. Many of the Society's charter members were present. Hearty congratulations to the Toronto Manx on their quarter-century, and best wishes for many successful years ahead.

At a recent monthly meeting, the Manx films "Happy Isle" and "Pleasure Isle," also pictures of the Royal Tour of Canada last fall, were shown before an appreciative audience, thanks to Frank Nash who provided the equipment.

LOS ANGELES

The Manx of Los Angeles and vicinity held their first picnic of the summer season in Fern Dell (Griffith Park) on Sunday, June 8. "Fern Dell," says their secretary, Mrs. Oscar Ward, "is a grand spot to enjoy ferns, running streams—and long, long cooishes." No wonder it is such a favorite place for Manx picnics!

The members are looking forward with interest to seeing some Manx films which will be scheduled for showing some time during the coming winter season.

NORTH EAST OHIO

The 232nd meeting of this Society was held at Leroy, Ohio on April 20, in what is known as the Brakeman School—a new school built on the site of the old school where, long ago Manx pioneer families of that locality were educated. About 54 persons were present, and enjoyed a hearty, well-served picnic supper. The unusual and interesting program was entitled "Bring your hobby, or an antique, and talk about it." Most of the members brought antiques, and quite a large number of articles were displayed, mostly brought to this country in the early 1800's by the Manx settlers. There was a Manx Bible, dated 1772, another dated 1819, and several other books. Mrs. Carl Crellin had a hand-made lantern brought here in 1827. Other curios were a watch more than 100 years old; a 100-year-old instrument for extracting teeth; neck yokes used on oxen in the old days; numerous old plates, dishes, buttons, miniature rock gardens—and of course, Secretary W. H. Collister showed his famous scrapbooks which contain a mine of information about the Manx in Ohio, collected through the years. Speakers were Harrison Crellin and James Kissack, who narrated stories of the early Manx settlers. A short business meeting and singing of "America" brought this enjoyable evening to a close. Mr. and Mrs. Leo Crellin were hosts; program was in charge of Mrs. Maud McCarthy.

The 233rd meeting was held on May 16 in the Baptist Church in Painesville. About 35 people sat down to an appetizing picnic supper. Speaker of the evening was Dr. Ruth A. Eckhart of Washington, D. C., Editor of the Journal of Rehabilitation and News of the National Retarded Child. Her topic was "Research Behind the Book." Dr. Eckhart was a guest of the Misses Clark, a room-mate of Miss Bertha Clark when they attended Lake Erie College. Members of the Society, having been A short business meeting and closing prayer by the Rev. Mr. Lusher, pastor of the church, concluded the evening.

CHICAGO

Just for the record—Ethel Shimmin, Secretary of the Chicago Manx Society, and her father, John T. Shimmin, have moved from 6544 Perry Avenue to 10212 St. Lawrence Avenue, Chicago 28, Ill.

BEN-MY-CHREE CLUB CLEVELAND

The Ben-my-Chree Club of Cleveland, whose members are several West Side Manx ladies, with Mrs. Jack Hornby as President, had their annual luncheon at Stouffer's Restaurant in May. These ladies, although a small group, have done a fine job over the years in giving financial help to many a worthy cause.

MONA'S RELIEF SOCIETY CLEVELAND

The May meeting of the Mona's Relief Society, held in St. Stephen's Church Hall, was a Bon Voyage party for several members about to depart on the Homecoming trip. Guest speaker was Mr. George Guddahl from Norway, who gave a very interesting talk on "Norway and the Isle of Man." Miss Doris Hood, the Misses Edith and Linorah Cox and Mr. Walter Quilliam took part in the musical program, and community singing brought a very pleasant evening to a close.

For the June meeting, also held in St. Stephen's Hall, an excellent program of music was arranged by Mr. Orton Reed, who sang several solos accompanied by Miss Natalie Cannell. Miss Cannell, a talented pianist, delighted the members with a rendition of "Chopin's Waltz in E Minor." She is the second daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Douglas Cannell of Lakewood, Ohio.

Meetings of the Society have been very well attended during the past season, several new members have been welcomed and a most interesting fall program is planned.

CLEVELAND GOLD MEDAL

The Cleveland Gold Medal, awarded each year to the top vocal soloist in the Manx Music Festival competitions, was won this year by Arthur Quirk, bass, of Douglas, who also won the Cleveland Medal in 1948. He was one of the six finalists competing for the medal, and the judge, Mr. Stuart Robertson, said in his remarks that "the Island would be proud to put any one of these six finalists up on a stage, anywhere!" Arthur Quirk is a son of the late Allan Quirk, who was one of only two singers who won the Cleveland Medal three times since its introduction in 1923. Arthur's success in winning the Medal for the second time would indicate that he is following closely in his father's footsteps.

MANX WEDDIN'S

On May 7, Charles William Kneale, son of Mr. and Mrs. J. T. Kneale of Horseshoe Bay, B. C., was married in St. Margaret's Anglican Church, Vancouver, to Esther Mary, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. R. Hamilton of 836 East 20th Avenue, Vancouver.

Marilyn Cave and William Everett were married in April in Winnipeg, Manitoba. The bride is a granddaughter of Mrs. Cave, a member of the Vancouver Manx Society, who came to Winnipeg for the ceremony and stayed for a long visit with friends, returning to Vancouver on June 6.

A pretty wedding took place on May 31st in Akron, Ohio, when Mona Cain Barlett became the bride of Mr. Norman Smith. Mona is the daughter of Mr. T. Harry Cain of 49 Detroit St., Akron, Ohio.

The L'IL PEOPLE

Mr. and Mrs. Leonard Duley became the parents of a baby girl on March 4. The proud grandparents are Mr. and Mrs. Arnold Corrin, Box 2152, Warren, Arizona.

A son, Paul Cannell Robinson, was born on March 23 to Mr. and Mrs. W. W. Robinson, 1432 Elbur Avenue, Lakewood, Ohio. Mrs. Robinson was Betty Cannell, daughter of Mrs. George Cannell of Lakewood.

A daughter, Lois Mary, was born on February 26 to Mr. and Mrs. H. Irwin, Hamilton, Ont. Mrs. Irwin is the former Evelyn Fick of Winnipeg.

A son, Carl Lee, was born May 2nd to Mr. and Mrs. Reino Heikkinen (Evalyn Karran) in Geneva, Ohio. The happy grandparents are Mr. and Mrs. Richard Karran.

Good Wishes Speed Homecomers On Their Way

Those of the Homecomers who started their journey from Cleveland on the evening of May 26 (about 36 in number) were given a rousing sendoff by friends and relatives—first from the Union Terminal in downtown Cleveland, and a few minutes later at the East Cleveland station, where the East Siders boarded the train. Our secretary, Miss Mylecraine, who was there, said the crowd was so great it was hard to tell who was going and who was there just to say "Bon Voyage."

At Rochester, N. Y., Philip Caine of Douglas, Isle of Man got on the train, and the Rochester Manx were at the station to see him off and to exchange a brief "hail and farewell" with the Homecomers. We believe other members of the party probably joined the same train along the route.

The Toronto group who left the Union Station there on the night of May 27 also had a large crowd of Manx folk on hand to see them off and wish them well. And—according to the last report from Montreal—the Manx up there were looking forward to perhaps the greatest thrill of all, of waving "au revoir" when the party was actually on the ASCANIA.

And now—pretty soon we shall be hearing all about the Manx Homecoming Trip of 1952!

Island Heritage

New Book By William Cubbon

"Island Heritage" is the title of a new book by William Cubbon, M.A., publication date June 1. Study of Manx history and tradition has been Mr. Cubbon's life work, and for many years he was Curator of the Manx Museum in Douglas. The new book covers many lesser-known aspects of the Island's history and culture. Price of the book is \$3.00, post free, and inquiries should be sent to the Secretary of the Manx Museum, Douglas, Isle of Man.

OUR OWN PEOPLE

Miss Mary C. Hodgson of Rochester, Minn., whom it is such a pleasure to meet each year at the Manx Convention, is hoping to be with us again this year when we go to her home city's namesake, Rochester, N. Y. Miss Hodgson has been in Glendale, Calif., since early spring, staying with a brother who lost his wife on March 6.

Mrs. Lily Jane Wade Robbins, who lived in Seattle, Wash., until recently, has moved to Canada where her address is 2175 East 42nd St., Vancouver, B.C. At the present time, however, Mrs. Robbins is in the Isle of Man with the Homecomers.

Your Bulletin Editor spent the week of May 26 in New York City, attending the annual convention of the Special Libraries Association.

Mr. and Mrs. Dick Corkill of 13160 Sorrento Ave., Detroit, Mich., visited Rev. and Mrs. Joseph Partridge at East Moline, Ill., during the Decoration Day week end.

Mr. and Mrs. Alec Cannell, 14227 Glenfield Ave., Detroit, spent a couple of days in Cleveland early in June, visiting their mother, Mrs. J. Cannell, 1492 Robinwood Ave., Lakewood.

Ninety-five candles were lighted on a huge cake when Mrs. Agnes J. Strong celebrated her birthday on Sunday, June 8. Mrs. Strong lives in a private nursing home at 1564 Newman Avenue, Lakewood, Ohio, but she was born in Baldwin, Isle of Man—maiden name, Cannell. She came to America 75 years ago when she was 20, lived for a year in Cleveland, then moved to Denver, Colorado, where she married William J. Strong. Later she moved to Santa Monica, Calif., and was a charter member of the Los Angeles Manx Society. Mrs. Strong received a large number of visitors at her birthday celebration, among them several Manx people. She wishes that Manx people would call on her more often. We suggest that Cleveland Manx make a note of the address—1564 Newman—and drop in on this fine old lady some Sunday afternoon.

A Manxman prominent in scientific activities in California was the late Professor Henry Joseph Quayle, founder of the Department of Entomology at the Citrus Experiment Station at Riverside. Professor Quayle, who died a year or so ago, had an extensive library of valuable scientific works, which his three sisters have donated as a gift to the UCR Library in his memory. These ladies are: Mrs. Fanny Q. Paul of Riverside, Calif., Mrs. Elizabeth Flowers of Champaign, Ill., and Mrs. Annie Q. Hadley of Claremont, Calif.

Major John F. Corlett (retired), British Army, who has lived until recently at Wembley, near London, has given up active work and returned to his native Isle of Man. He is living temporarily at Port Erin, where he hopes to meet some of the Homecomers. He will move into a new house in Castletown as soon as it is completed.

Homecomers seeing historic Peel Castle during their visit to the Island will be greeted by the new custodian, Mr. R. G. Shimmmin of Peel. "Bob," who is very well known, is a cousin of Mrs. Henry Mylchreest, Secretary of the Mona's Relief Society, Cleveland, and of her sisters, the Misses Crellin of Akron, Ohio.

Toronto is welcoming more Manx arrivals. One of them is Miss Daugherty, originally from Peel, but of late years a Londoner. She is a niece of the late Fletcher Daugherty, formerly on the "Isle of Man Times" staff. Other arrivals are Miss Cleator, a relative of John Cleator of Ramsey, who came over to attend the Victory Convention five years ago; and Mr. Willan from Peel. These people have all been fortunate in finding employment.

In Ontario for nine months' training is Acting Pilot William James Skillicorn, R.A.F., son of Mr. and Mrs. James H. Skillicorn of Laxey, Isle of Man, and nephew of our N.A.M.A. Treasurer, R. W. Skillicorn. The young flyer is stationed in Centralia, about 28 miles out of London, Ontario. During April he had the pleasure of coming to Cleveland for a short visit with Bill and Ethel Skillicorn.

The Corkans of 277 Machray Avenue, Winnipeg, were very pleased to have four Homecomers as their guests on May 24. They were Mr. and Mrs. A. T. Wood of South Burnaby, B.C.; Mrs. Agnes Moore and Mrs. B. Kimball of Gig Harbor, Wash., all of whom stopped over in Winnipeg for two days on their way to Montreal to board the *Ascania*. They stayed at the home of Mrs. Ed Moore, and the folk in Winnipeg are looking forward to seeing them again on the return trip, and getting first-hand news of the Island and old friends.

Mr. and Mrs. T. Donald Bain, 5019 Halldale Avenue, Los Angeles, have had a fine trip along the Pacific Coast visiting points of interest—which included homes of Manx friends and relatives, of course.

Miss Jean Teare of 4224 East 110th St., Cleveland, appeared on Television Channel 4, on June 13. She was interviewed on the "Mildred and Gloria" Show about her trip to the Isle of Man and 15 other European countries she visited during a three-month tour last summer.

Visitors from Peel, Isle of Man—Mr. and Mrs. E. M. Teare and Miss Groves—were entertained in Montreal on their arrival by Mrs. Charles Malboeuf and Mrs. J. Cope. In Toronto they spent a delightful day at the home of Mrs. Charles Agnew, where they were entertained by ladies of the Women's Institute Branch of the Department of Agriculture. They also were entertained by Mr. and Mrs. Frank Williamson, and Fred Caveen arranged for them to visit many interesting places in Toronto. They spent a few days in Niagara Falls, then returned to Montreal where the Teares were to meet their son, an officer on H. M. S. Sheffield, docked in Montreal at the time, after which they joined the Homecoming Party to return on the *Ascania*.

The writer of an article in the Vancouver "Sun" said recently that he doubted whether anyone in the province of British Columbia could make a thatch. That was a challenge to Manxman James Gawne of "Mona's Isle," Naramata, B.C., who promptly wrote, telling the editor of the newspaper that he "was raised in the Isle of Man where we made our own rope from straw, for thatching our roofs and stacks—and could still do so." Mrs. John Witsten, Secretary of the Vancouver Manx Society, sent us this and other interesting news items from British Columbia.

Tom Corkan, 277 Machray Avenue, Winnipeg, had a pleasant surprise when daughter Betty (Mrs. Widland) and her young son, Gary, arrived unexpectedly from their home in Chippewa Falls, Wis. for a 17-day visit. It came about when Bess Corkan, visiting the Widlands early in May, had an opportunity of riding home with a former classmate of Betty's who was motoring through to Regina. So Betty and young Gary came along too!

One of our recent Manx visitors, Philip Caine of the "Isle of Man Times" reporting staff (also an accomplished poet) was able to include our convention city, Rochester, in his tour. He arrived there on May 24, during the Lilac Festival for which Rochester is famous, and saw the blossoms at their peak. On the 25th, the Rochester Manx got together to welcome him at the home of Miss Mona Cannon, and everyone enjoyed a festive evening. Everyone who has met Philip knows that there is never a dull moment in his company, and we are assured that on this occasion he outdid himself as an entertainer and as an authority on things Manx. The following day, Philip was escorted to Niagara Falls by three ladies—Mrs. Carlton Garrett, Mrs. Dan Christian and Miss Mona Cannon—and on returning, joined the Homecoming Party at Rochester when their train passed through.

Miss Jean McGeorge of Cleveland Heights, Ohio, and her young nephew, Jay Sumner Welch, left on the Queen Mary early in June for a tour of England, Scotland, France, Italy, Switzerland, Austria—and of course, the Isle of Man, where they hoped to make connections with the Home-comers.

Mrs. John Phillips of Detroit sent us a poem written by her daughter after returning from a visit to the Isle of Man in the fall of 1950. The poem was published recently in the Ramsey Courier. We are sorry that space will not allow us to include it in the Bulletin, but are quoting just the last verse, as an indication of the impression the Island made upon this young lady:

"The memory of this dear, sweet isle
Shall always linger in my heart
As something precious, set apart."

A Manx-American From Utah Visits the Isle of Man

Two years ago, in May, 1950, a young man of Manx descent, Edmund C. Evans of Salt Lake City, Utah, a cousin of Ed Q. Cannon of that city, paid a short visit (his second) to the Isle of Man. With him was a friend, Steve Nebeker. We quote a few of his descriptive comments, written to his family at the time:

"It seems to be a habit of the Isle of Man to be at its best for the boat's arrival, and so it was this time. Just as we entered the harbor and slipped between the concrete quays, the sun poked out and Steve (his friend) thrust down his seasickness, whipped up his camera and took some colored pictures of that fine approach.

"We wanted to see Mr. Cubbon but found that he had popped down to the Museum to work on his book, so we dropped our bags off and hurried down there, anxious to inveigle him into a tour of the museum. We found him sitting in the reference library surrounded with all manner of tomes and sheaves of notes on Eilian Vannin, working very hard on his coming book . . . (This is the book announced elsewhere in this Bulletin, Ed.) He has this one project to finish . . . to get his vast knowledge of the Isle of Man and the wonderful history of Manx culture from the Vikings on down into a form more permanent than his well-packed brain. He was so engrossed in his work that we walked clear across the room on the resonant polished floors and laid our hats on the table without his even sensing our presence.

"After explaining that he rarely comes down to the Museum any more because he doesn't feel like walking back up the hill to his home, he turned us loose to look around. I remembered from last year that there were two things in the Museum that he couldn't resist telling about: one, the 1000-year-old Sword of State used

at the annual open-air Tynwald; the other, the transplanted Manx cottage in the basement, so I just casually mentioned that we would look at them first. . . . Not long after, we heard the door of the library open and the clomp of his footsteps down the floor. He couldn't stand the strain of thinking we were looking at the Museum and not getting the most out of it, so he showed us the works—which was just what we were aiming at.

"The next morning was better weather so we set out for Kirk Michael and Peel. At St. John's we caught a fleeting glimpse of the three-tiered mound of sacred earth, some from each parish of the Isle, where every July 5 the laws are read in Manx, and the Sword of State is carried in pomp. This little open-air birthday cake is the site of one of the oldest parliaments in the world—over a thousand years!

"Peel at this time of the year is as still as a Nevada ghost town, the fishing fleet being farther north following the spawning fish. We changed buses for Kirk Michael, where we visited the Rev. Cannon at the Vicarage. After we said goodbye to him we walked toward the sea and finally down over the deep sand cliff to the beach below. It was a wonderful sight to see the waves pounding in and clawing over the flat sands. The good farming land of the Kirk Michael side must have been diminished a few acres by action of these waves since our family left. The sea is relentless.

"Just before noon we went back to the road and caught a bus to Peel, where we visited the cousins of the Callister family, Grace and Clara (Taubman and Caine). They own a cafe, and surprisingly enough we just arrived as they were sitting down to their own dinner. We couldn't be so impolite as to eat in the paying customers' section and leave them alone, so we accepted their invitation to join them. After a hearty meal we evened things up by washing the dishes . . . not only ours and theirs, but also all that had been used during the noon rush . . . After this we walked down the hill past the old Cannon home to the quayside, where we watched them unload coal from a Newcastle ship in wooden barrels, by hand, and then around the harbor to old Peel Castle.

"That evening we had tea with Mrs. Thompkin and Mr. Cubbon and, while Mrs. Thompkin busied herself with mending, talked on into the night with Mr. Cubbon. I say 'talked'—but only just enough to get him started, and then listened. He paid tribute-after-tribute to Aunt Annie (Miss Anne Cannon who arranged for micro-filming the parish records in the Isle of Man, Ed.)—and told tale-after-tale of Man and the Manx . . .

"The next day we went down the Island to Ballasalla and Castletown, where we saw the 1000-year-old castle of the Manx Royalty, still as true and strong as the day it was built, and still quite habitable. From Castle

Rushen we hitched-hiked to Port St. Mary, and then caught a bus to Port Erin where we examined the lifeboat and poked around in the aquarium and fish hatchery. We climbed out on the rocks along the water's edge and ate our lunch, with the seagulls flocking around us. From there we clambered up some cliffs to the top of the headland and worked our way about a mile around the edge, and about 500 feet above the surf, to a point where we could see the other end of Man, the Mountains of Mourne in Ireland and the Welsh hills. On the top we met some people who lived in a 400-year-old crofter's cottage, and from there climbed to the very top of the hill where there is a stone circle built by people who lived there about four or five thousand years ago.

"The next afternoon, our last on the Island, we dropped in on Mr. Cubbon for an hour. As we said goodbye, there were tears in the eyes of all three of us, but it was Mr. Cubbon who came through in real form, with a joke in his own vein of inimitable humor, so that we were laughing as we shook his hand and left. We spent the rest of the afternoon riding up the east coast of the Island along some fine sea cliffs, and hitch-hiked our way back in time to catch the Manx Music Guild's concert. It was wonderful to see the culture those little villages can produce . . . fine choirs, good soloists, excellent ballet. Next morning we caught the 9 o'clock boat for Liverpool."

We are indebted to Mr. Ed Q. Cannon of Salt Lake City for the opportunity of quoting from this interesting and breezy letter giving a young Westerner's impressions of our Island.

Manx-American Lectures Before American Chemical Society

William H. Collister, Secretary of the North East Ohio Manx Society, attended a meeting of the Northeastern Ohio Section of the American Chemical Society held in Mentor on May 20, as he wanted to hear and meet the speaker of the evening, Dr. Earl R. Caley, who is Professor of Chemistry at Ohio State University. After the meeting, "Bill" Collister had a very pleasant chat with the professor, in the course of which Dr. Caley said that he was born in Cleveland in 1900, and that his father was raised in Jurby, Isle of Man—about a mile and a half from the Collister home! Bill had known his grandfather and his aunts over in the Island. The Professor's lecture on this occasion was on "Some Relationships of Chemistry to Archeology," and was illustrated with photographs of excavation scenes at Athens, Greece, where he had been in charge of the laboratory at the scene of the excavations. There was also an exhibit of ancient building materials.

Again we say, "The Manx are everywhere."

OBITUARIES

CAIN, Thomas J., of 1941 Aspen Ave., Vancouver, B. C., passed away very suddenly on April 8. He collapsed in the street just after leaving his house to go to town. Mr. Cain, who was in his 82nd year, was formerly a draper in Peel, Isle of Man. Surviving are his wife, Elizabeth Sarah, who is also from Peel; two sons, Kenneth and Arthur; three daughters, Mrs. W. Chandler Thomson, Mary Cain and Mrs. William Clayton, the last-named a resident of London, England; also eight grandchildren and three great-grandchildren.

CORLETT, Cyrus Eugene, died on May 21 at his home, 4182 Lee Road, Cleveland. Surviving are his wife, Florence (nee Heighton); three sons, Richard, John and Donald; and a daughter, Mrs. Betty Gesell; a brother, Grover Corlett; and a sister, Miss Laura Corlett. Born in Orange Village 65 years ago, Mr. Corlett was a grandson of Manx pioneers and his house on Lee Road was built by his grandparents more than a century ago. He had been in the automobile sales business for about 25 years.

CORLETT, Eleanor M., passed away on June 9 at her home, 3253 Euclid Heights Boulevard, Cleveland Heights, Ohio. She was born 85 years ago in Peel, Isle of Man, and came to Cleveland with her parents as a child. Surviving are her sister, Mrs. Mary A. Bartholomew, with whom she lived; a nephew, Kenneth H. McGeorge of Duarte, Calif.; nieces, Jean McGeorge and Mrs. Phyllis Welch of Cleveland. Miss Corlett was a teacher in Cleveland public schools for 45 years. She was keenly interested in everything Manx, and with her sister attended most of our conventions.

CORRIS, John T., of 10733 Elmarge Road, Cleveland, passed away suddenly on May 1. Surviving are his wife, Mildred (nee Cowley); a daughter, Mrs. Dorothy McArthur; a son, William E. of Canton, Ohio, and grandchildren; also a brother, William J. of Cleveland; and sisters, Mrs. Lilly Watterson and Mrs. Emily Cregeen in the Isle of Man. Mr. Corris came from Port St. Mary and was a son of the late William and Eleanor Corris of The Howe.

DIXON, Eleanor, of Rochester, N. Y., passed away on May 9 at the age of 87. She is survived by a son, Joseph; two daughters, Mrs. Daniel W. Christian and Mrs. Benjamin R. Christian; grandchildren and great-grandchildren.

MCCAA, Andrew, aged 73, of River Road, Chagrin Falls, Ohio, passed away on June 9 after a long illness.

He is survived by a son, Norman A. McCaa of Denver, Colo.; three daughters, Mrs. Elizabeth Woodworth, Conneaut, Ohio, Mrs. Paul Hersey, Garden City, Mich., and Mrs. Claribel Hill, Chagrin Falls, Ohio; grandchildren and great grandchildren, Mr. McCaa came from Laxey, Isle of Man many years ago, and has always been actively interested in Manx affairs.

MOORE, Noah, 23 Hawarden Avenue, Douglas, Isle of Man, passed away on May 21 at the age of 75. Surviving are his son, Arthur Q. Moore, and daughter, Norah. His wife, the former Sallie Quayle, died on September 9 last year. At one time Mr. Moore was a schoolmaster in Douglas, and later was manager of Villa Marina for many years, but his enduring lifework lay in his immense contribution to the Island's musical development. As an outstanding choirmaster and vocal teacher he will always be remembered in the world of Manx music. Mr. Moore spent a vacation in America in the fall of 1947, when he visited Manx people and societies in the States and Canada. His winning personality endeared him to Manx people everywhere.

OATES, Thomas Edward, 565 Fortune St., Montreal, Que., passed away suddenly on April 17. He was President of the Montreal Manx Society at the time of his death. Mr. Oates was from Douglas, Isle of Man, where as a boy he attended St. Mary's School. His forbears are buried at Kirk Braddan.

QUALTROUGH, Beryl, aged 23, of 1052 Dudley Avenue, Winnipeg, died on May 5 after a prolonged illness. She is survived by her parents, Mr. and Mrs. W. R. Qualtrough; two sisters, Isabel and Barbara; three brothers, William J., Terence and Harry; and her grandparents, Mr. and Mrs. W. H. Qualtrough, 198 Spence St., Winnipeg.

QUIRK, Annie, of 1028 East 146th St., Cleveland, passed away on June 1. She was the widow of the late Frederick Quirk, and is survived by a son, George A., and a daughter, Mrs. Helen Barstow; sisters, Alice Hopwood in England, and Jane Hopwood and Mrs. Edith May Mitchell of Beaufort, S. C.; also grandchildren.

QUIRK, John B., aged 79, died at his home in North Madison, Ohio on May 25. He is survived by his widow, Emma; three daughters and four sons, all of North Madison. Mr. Quirk was postmaster in the town for 40 years before retiring, and operated a seed and grocery business there for 52 years.

ROSENFELDT, Lettie (nee Barber), died on May 24 at her home in Orange Village, suburb of Cleveland. She was the widow of Harry E. Rosenfeldt, and is survived by a son, Harry E. Jr., and two grandchildren; her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Albert P. Barber; two brothers, Paul and Alman; and two sisters, Alta and Mrs. Grace Young. On her mother's side, Mrs. Rosenfeldt was a grand-daughter of Manx pioneers named Corlett who settled in Warrensville in 1836.

STEPHEN, Mary Alice (nee Quirk), passed away on May 23 at her home, 4149 East 136th St., Cleveland. Mrs. Stephen and her husband, the late Thomas D., came from Douglas, Isle of Man many years ago. Surviving are two sons, Wilbur D. and T. Leonard; grandchildren and great-grandchildren; also a brother, Thomas Quirk; all of Cleveland. The Stephen family of Detroit and Mrs. Irene Stephen Welsh of Cleveland also are relatives. Mrs. Stephen, who was 87, was a popular member of the Cleveland Manx community, and her cheery smile has been seen at most of our Conventions.

VIGFUSSON, Thorsteinn M., aged 54, of Steep Rock, Manitoba, died on June 3. He is survived by his wife, Mary (nee May Fick, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. John Fick, 123 Worth St., Winnipeg); and by a sister, Mrs. W. Tymchuk, Kelowna, B. C. Born in Iceland, Mrs. Vigfusson had lived in Canada 41 years.

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

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Once upon a time, if what we are told is true, Manx people used to deal in a very drastic manner with witches—by rolling them down the steep side of Slieu Whallian in a barrel lined inside with pointed spikes. However, in this twentieth century the Manx have shown a more hospitable attitude to "witches." These mysterious people actually held a Convention in the Isle of Man no longer ago than last July. Many of us noticed press references to this strange convention at the time. The "Weekend" Picture Magazine, Canadian Sunday supplement sent in recently by Mrs. John Witsten of Vancouver, in an article on modern witchcraft refers to last year's conference in the Isle of Man. The purpose of the meeting, said the chairman, was "to discuss ways and means of using witchcraft for the betterment of mankind."

Talking about conventions . . . of course you are getting all set to go to Rochester? There will be no witches, but it is promised that you will be charmed, spellbound and completely bewitched with the attractions of this beautiful part of the country—and with the Manx welcome awaiting you.