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

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TWENTY-SEVENTH ANNIVERSARY CONVENTION A HUGE SUCCESS

San Francisco Manx Highly Acclaimed

From the time the delegates began to descend upon that fabulous West Coast city of San Francisco on Monday morning, August 8, until the curtain was rung down with a resounding echo the following Sunday evening in the home of Essie Quayle, the Convention Committee's genial secretary, the 27th Anniversary Convention of the North American Manx Association was a grand and gala occasion. For those who had travelled hundreds, yea even thousands, of miles from the East, Southeast, North and Northeast, and the South, it was well worth any time and effort they had expended.

Members of the Reception Committee were always on hand to greet delegates upon arrival at the Hotel Whitcomb, and registration of the nearly 300 who attended commenced on Tuesday morning. That evening, the usual pre-convention get-together took place in Corinthian Hall at the hotel, when the General Chairman of the Convention Committee, Herbert S. Corlett, and N.A.M.A. President Henry Mylchreest of Cleveland welcomed all present. An excellent program had been arranged and was in charge of Mr. Cummings Reid, Chairman of the Entertainment Committee. It consisted of accordian solos by Ken Hoard, community singing, vocal solos by Mrs. Shirley Daniels and young Brent Altieri, and humorous recitations and songs by Mr. Reid and his son, Ray.

The serious business of the convention began on Wednesday morning in the ballroom of the hotel with the usual Parade of Flags, when the American, Canadian and Manx flags were brought in while everyone joined in singing the three National Anthems. After this impressive ceremony, the Invocation was asked by the Rev. Smith of St. David's Presbyterian church, San Francisco. Short addresses of welcome were given by a representative of the city of San Francisco and by Convention Committee Chairman Corlett. President Henry Mylchreest acknowledged these welcomes and officially opened the 27th Anniversary Convention of the Association by thanking Rev. Smith, the Mayor's representative and Mr. Corlett for their words of welcome and, in

turn, welcomed everyone to the convention being held in the historical city of San Francisco. He elaborated upon his remarks about San Francisco by stating that it is a city of charm and hospitality, with the glamor and vitality of youth; a city which reflects the spirit and faith of the pioneers; and the spirit of progress—that impulse to move ever forward. He told of the great development of San Francisco during its comparatively short period of existence and of its having kept up with the progress of the times. In concluding his remarks about the city, he said, "San Francisco was the birthplace of the United Nations, where representatives of various nations met in assembly and sought to formulate a charter whereby the eternal hope of free men that peace and understanding and the betterment of all mankind could be accomplished by peaceful means. San Francisco is a cosmopolitan city, where people of many different races and culture have pooled their talents for the advancement of all in the true sense of Democracy. We are proud to say that Manx people are an integral part of this citizens' group and are held in very high esteem."

He continued by stating that the officers and members of the N.A.M.A. had been looking forward to this convention, which was affording the opportunity of visiting the Manx of the West Coast and clasping the hands of those held dear but not seen for many years. He said, "The happiness that is radiated by these conventions is an answer to the ideals that prompted the formation of the Association. The North American Manx Association was formed with very noble ideals—'To maintain the high standards and traditions of Manx people, to keep intact the bonds of friendship, to build up our Societies for the betterment of our fellowmen, to keep alive the pride we have in our nationality, heritage and prestige.'

"It is good to remember the underlying characteristics of Manx people and their small nation. The love of truth, honesty, sincerity, the firm and steadfast adherence to the democratic principles of human justice and rights, the love of freedom and independence, belief in a Supreme Being,

to be loyal citizens of the country of our adoption. We are proud to say that Manx people, and people of Manx descent, are respected citizens of the United States, Canada and the Commonwealth of Nations that comprise the British Empire. Manx people have taken a very prominent part in Empire building and have served with great credit in their chosen professions . . . These are not words of boastfulness or of superiority but a definite source of thankfulness that we have such a heritage and a desire to use the ability given us for the good of humanity and the advancement of civilization."

Mr. Mylchreest spoke of the pride which Manx people have in the Parliamentary type of government, which has existed in the Island for more than 1000 years and continued by stating that frequently Manxmen in this Continent are asked why they had left such a beautiful and well-governed place. He said that there were many replies which could be made, but that in considering the question, one should always keep in mind the Celtic and Viking characteristics of love of adventure, and that the development of North America and the Colonies presented an opportunity to satisfy this adventuresome spirit. He continued, "With all the pioneers working together, the results have been remarkable. We are enjoying the benefits of their resourcefulness, perseverance and determination to build solid foundations for future generations. We are thankful for the many blessings they have bequeathed to us."

He extended a cordial welcome to the delegates and members from Canada and said they were greeted with the warm friendship that good neighbors entertain for one another—a friendship exemplified in the relationship which exists between the United States and Canada. He also welcomed the visitors from the Isle of Man—the Misses Elsie and Edith Halsall and Mr. T. R. Radcliffe, all of Douglas—and stated that their presence brought "a vision of Ellan Vannin, clad in purple mist." In closing, Mr. Mylchreest praised "the United States of America, whose liberal laws and

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President's Message

As our North American Manx Association begins its 28th year of activity, it is with sincere gratitude that I express my appreciation for being chosen to serve as its president for the year.

I shall endeavor at all times to interest Manx-born and their kinfolk in the aims and objectives of the Association.

Thousands of Manx-born and their kinfolk are living in the United States and Canada, and yet we have less than one thousand active members. I realize the Manx retain the ancient Gaelic trait of individualism, and are not clannish.

Swearing allegiance to the land of one's adoption does not mean we should love the land of our birth any less. It is essential for the good of those who may follow us from Ellan Vannin that we maintain the high standards of our Manx heritage and fully support the North American Manx Association by renewing membership and encouraging others to become members.

Many of those who came to the San Francisco Convention had travelled several thousand miles to meet old friends and kinfolk and, from their comments, they undoubtedly felt the journey was worth while.

All members of the San Francisco Manx Society set out to make the 1955 Convention "one long be remembered." Each member deserves a great deal of credit for a job well done.

Next year the convention is to be held in Toronto, and I am sure the same friendly hospitality will prevail.

Faithfully,

Robert Gregg, President.

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democratic principles have brought it to the forefront in world leadership, whose understanding of human rights grants us the privilege of peaceful assembly within the law. This," he said, "is part of the glorious heritage of Americans—to have, to hold and to love."

The President then introduced the officers who were seated with him at the speaker's table and called upon the secretary to read the greetings which had been received. They were from the Hon. Goodwin J. Knight and the Hon. G. Mennen Williams, Governors of the States of California and Michigan, respectively; from the World Manx Association; Mrs. Ivy Colquitt of Douglas and Representatives of the Ladies' Auxiliary to the N.A.M.A.; Doreen Woods and Mrs. Nettie Gardner of Grand Mere, P.Q.; Past President and Mrs. John R. Cain and daughter Elinor, of Cleveland; Past President Tom Moore of Toronto; and Charles E. Trotman of El Monte, California.

It was explained by the President that when it was learned that Her Majesty, Queen Elizabeth, was visiting in the Island during the period of our convention, a cable of greeting had been sent to her from the convention. Also, it was moved and ratified that cables of greeting be sent to the World Manx Association; our Honorary President, Mrs. A. B. Crookall; and the Governor of the Isle of Man. Prior to the close of the convention, acknowledgments had been received from Her Majesty and also from the Governor.

At this point, a special tape recording sent to the convention by the World Manx Association was played back. It consisted of an introduction and Manx dialect poem by their Hon. Secy. Charles Craine; Manx songs by Norman Kaighin, winner of the 1955 Cleveland Gold Medal; and talks by Messrs. Richard and Harold Cain of the W.M.A. The recording was well received by the delegates, who all were thrilled to hear the voices of friends in their beloved homeland.

Then followed the reading of Annual Reports of the Secretary, the Treasurer and the Bulletin Editor, all of which were accepted by acclamation. The President thanked these three officers for their work during the past two years and then called upon the official delegate from the World Manx Association, Mr. Thomas R. Radcliffe of Douglas, Isle of Man, who stated that it was a great joy to be at the convention and that he brought greetings from the World Manx Association and particularly from their President, Richard Cain, who was celebrating his 93rd birthday.

The two other guests from the Island, the Misses Elsie and Edith Halsall of Douglas also were introduced.

Just before the meeting was recessed, Sam Cain, President of the Vancouver Manx Society, was called

upon and said it was a great pleasure and privilege for him to be there on behalf of the Vancouver Manx Society. He continued by stating that the Vancouver Manx had done all they could to help the San Francisco Society with the convention, as they wanted to do their share. He said that their society meets regularly and holds its biggest meeting of the year on New Year's night, except when it falls on a Sunday. This year will mark the celebration of their 48th annual reunion, and Mr. Cain suggested that if any Manx happened to be in Vancouver at that time, they should look them up.

Past President Richard Corkill of Detroit then was introduced. He extended greetings and best wishes for the success of the convention, stating that it was far surpassing all others and was giving new life to the Association. This brought the first business meeting to a close.

Luncheon was served in the Hotel Whitcomb's Crystal Ballroom and promptly at 1:30, buses took the delegates on a tour through San Francisco's famous Chinatown, North Beach, over the Golden Gate Bridge, through Sausalito and on to Muir Woods, where everyone alighted to see one of the wonders of California—yes, of the World itself—the lofty redwood trees, a truly awe-inspiring sight. The buses then crossed San Francisco Bay via the San Rafael Ferry to Richmond, going on to Berkeley and through the campus of the University of California, finally arriving at the beautiful Hotel Claremont, where an excellent dinner was served. After dinner, Mr. Oliver Jones and his accompanist, Miss Martha Weatherholt, entertained with a selection of delightful songs and piano solos, followed by a recitation by Mr. Cummings Reid. The buses returned everyone to the Hotel Whitcomb, the route being via the Oakland - Bay Bridge. It was a beautiful evening and the lights of the homes on the hilltops were like a veritable Fairyland. Upon arrival at the Whitcomb, all gathered for the traditional impromptu sing-song, which for years has closed each day at the convention.

The business meeting on Thursday morning opened with the singing of the three National Anthems and an invocation by the Rev. Joseph Partridge of East Moline, Illinois. The Secretary then read greetings which had been received from Erma B. Kelso of Canonsburg, Pennsylvania; Elsie Broadbent of Oshawa, Ontario; Ella Marshall Leach, Bournemouth, England; Lillian and Eva Kneen of Birkenhead, England; Professor R. H. Kinvig of Birmingham, England; and Isabel Lucas of Urmston, Manchester, England.

This was followed by a very touching memorial service, conducted by the Rev. Partridge for members and friends who had passed away during the past two years. Rev. Partridge has been handling these memorial services at the conventions for many years. He always does an excellent job and the Association owes him a

sincere debt of gratitude, both for remembering those who have passed on and for his comforting words to the loved ones who are left behind.

Fred Caveen, 2nd Vice President of the N.A.M.A. and President of the Toronto Manx Society, then was introduced. He praised the San Francisco Convention Committee for the wonderful convention they had arranged and said he hoped the Western Manx will have as good a time as he was having, when they travel East for the 1956 convention.

John Christian of Alhambra, California and 3rd Vice President of the Association next was called upon. His remarks concerned membership in the N.A.M.A. and he urged all present to join, especially those from the West who were attending a convention for the first time. He too complimented the San Francisco Convention Committee and appealed to the Western Manx to follow him when he goes East for the 1956 convention.

The Secretary then called upon the official delegates from the various local Manx Societies and the Regional Directors, each of whom brought greetings from and reported upon activities in their respective districts.

This was followed by a talk by Past President Richard H. Corkill of Detroit, Michigan, who extended an invitation to the Association to hold a convention in Detroit at some future time. He reported that the wife of the Hon. G. Mennen Williams, Governor of the State of Michigan, is a Manx lady by the name of Nancy Quirk and that her entire family now were enrolled as members of the N.A.M.A.

Luncheon again was served in the Hotel Whitcomb, after which everyone went to the Civic Center Building nearby, where the official convention photograph was taken. At 4:30 that afternoon, members and guests boarded a San Francisco Bay sight-seeing boat which had been chartered for the Manx convention party. A pleasant time was spent in cruising around and seeing the sights in the Bay area. After disembarking, many had dinner at famous Fisherman's Wharf and, in the evening, an entertainment was provided in the Hotel Whitcomb ballroom. Pictures which he had taken in the Isle of Man and England were shown and described by Mr. Robert Gregg of San Marino, California; vocal solos were rendered by Mr. Walter Stevenson of Chicago; and readings were given by Mrs. Cecil Kelly of Chicago and Mrs. E. A. Craine of Butte, Montana.

The final business meeting on Friday morning again was opened with the singing of the three National Anthems and an invocation by Rev. Partridge. The Secretary read greetings which had been received from Past President Dr. J. J. Moore of Chicago; J. Bruce Caley, Vice President of the Manchester Manx Society; Francis Berton Perry and Dolores Ritcher, both of San Francisco.

The President then called for reports from the committees which had been appointed to carry on the work of the convention. First to report was

the Rev. Joseph Partridge, Chairman of the Committee on Time and Place for the 1956 Convention. He brought in a resolution to accept the bid of the Toronto Manx Society, which was done by a unanimous vote of all present.

The Membership Committee, through its chairman, Mr. R. W. Skillicorn of Cleveland, reported that they had secured memberships from 100 people on Thursday.

Next to report was the Committee on Constitution and By-Laws. Their resolution, presented by Chairman Richard H. Corkill of Detroit, also was unanimously adopted by the convention. It was to the effect that they saw no need for any immediate changes, but recommended that the incoming Executive appoint a Committee to serve until the next convention for the purpose of studying any necessary changes.

Following the report of the Nominating Committee through its chairman, J. Everett Shimmin of Flint, Michigan, election of officers took place, with the following results:

Hon. President.....Mrs. A. B. Crookall
Douglas, Isle of Man
Hon. Vice Presidents.....
Hon. Richard Cain and
Hon. Ramsey B. Moore,
both of Douglas
President.....Robert Gregg
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Rep. Ladies' Aux.....Mrs. L. K. Abell
Lakewood, Ohio
Rep. Breakfast Club.....Percy Clucas
Toronto, Ont.

Miss Gertrude Cannell of Lakewood, Ohio and Chairman of the Committee on Resolutions was then called upon for that committee's report. It consisted of thanks to the San Francisco Society and to all others who had contributed in any way to the success of the convention. This resolution, of course, received the unanimous ratification of all present.

President Mylchreest added his personal thanks to the San Francisco convention committee and, in the absence of its General Chairman, Mr. H. S. Corlett, invited Mrs. Corlett to come to the platform where she was given an opportunity of thanking all of the committee workers who had assisted in arranging for such a fine convention. Mrs. Corlett read the names of these people, who came forward, were introduced and publicly thanked for their services. The President also thanked them, said they had done a wonderful job and hoped they would continue with the good work of the San Francisco Manx So-

ciety. He continued by stating that he had enjoyed his three years as President of the N.A.M.A., that he valued the friendships he had made during that period and the contacts he had had with those Manx people he could not have met in any other manner. He suggested that everyone at the convention try to secure one or two new members during the coming year and asked for support of the newly-elected president. He again thanked the officers who had worked with him and the members for their support, and then he turned the gavel over to the newly-elected president, Robert Gregg of San Marino, California.

Mr. Gregg thanked everyone for selecting him as the new president of the N.A.M.A. and stated that he would do his best to fulfill the trust placed in him.

At this point, President Mylchreest expressed thanks for the services of the Rev. Joseph Partridge, who was retiring from office. Rev. Partridge replied by saying he was glad to shed the robes of office and congratulated the new president upon his election. He wished him every success and said he hoped that the San Francisco Manx would invite the Association to have another convention there sometime in the future.

When President Mylchreest was about to adjourn the Convention, Mr. Thomas Radcliffe of Douglas, Isle of Man raised a question about an invitation which had been sent to the Association to hold its 1957 Convention in the Island. Mr. J. O. Christian, 3rd Vice President, asked for the floor and explained that the invitation had been received, but had not been read because the homecoming matter had been tabled by motion made at the 1952 convention. Upon motion made by Mr. Radcliffe and unanimously carried, the 1952 motion was removed from the table and the subject opened for discussion. The Secretary then read letters of invitation from the World Manx Association, the Mayor of Douglas and the Tourist Board, all of which invited the Association to hold its 1957 convention in the Island. The Secretary also read a letter of acknowledgment which had gone to the World Manx Association. After some discussion on the subject, a motion finally was passed to leave the matter in the hands of the N.A.M.A. Executive.

Then, upon motion made, seconded and carried, the business part of the 27th Anniversary Convention of the North American Manx Association was adjourned.

The Banquet and Ball were held in the Hotel Whitcomb ballroom on Friday evening, with incoming president Robert Gregg of San Marino acting as toastmaster. He introduced those seated at the speakers' table and then called upon Judge Donald Quayle of Oakland, California, who gave a brief address. He had only recently returned from a visit to the Isle of Man and spoke of his impressions derived during his short stay there. He, his wife and daughter arrived in the

Island by plane, landing at the modern Ronaldsway Airport. One of the things which impressed him most was that, from the plane, the Island did not appear as small as it does on the maps. He said that, while it looks so small on a map, it is sufficiently large to support 50,000 residents and to entertain 600,000 visitors each year. Former Attorney General Ramsey B. Moore, OBE showed them through the Manx Museum in Douglas; and the First Deemster, Sir Percy Cowley, escorted them on a tour of the Island when they visited many points of interest, finally returning to Douglas, where they met that grand old Manxman Richard Cain, OBE, who expressed keen interest in the San Francisco Convention. In closing, he said that they were fascinated by the many interesting things they saw in the Island, but that the climax of all was the lighting, after nightfall, of the harbor, beach and hills surrounding Douglas Bay. "It was," he said, "a never-to-be-forgotten sight and, as the plane bore us away, we each resolved to return to Mona's Isle when we can stay longer and more fully appreciate its beauty and hospitality."

At this point, Convention Committee Chairman Corlett, on behalf of the members of the San Francisco Manx Society, presented a gift to the Committee Secretary, Mrs. Essie Quayle, who also has served as their Society's Secretary for many years. He stated that while they all were well aware that it in no way repaid her, still it was given as a tribute for the tremendous amount of work she had done for them and was a token of their esteem, affection and sincere gratitude.

Several vocal solos then were rendered by Mr. Oliver Jones, who later was joined by Miss Arlene Whitver in the singing of some very entertaining and beautiful duets.

Before introducing the next speaker, Mr. Gregg asked everyone to rise and drink toasts to the land of their birth and the land of their adoption. He then introduced H.M. British Consul in San Francisco, Mr. Guyler White, who was born in Liverpool and who had spent much time in the Isle of Man. Mr. White expressed appreciation at having been asked to address the meeting and stated that he was very happy to be there, because his grandmother was a Cannell, while he had other relatives named Christian and Craine. He said he had been to the Island many times and that, when he recalls those visits, its beauty is uppermost in his thoughts, the sunsets—the purple of the evening sky—the deep blue of the sea—and the wildflowers. These, he said, were but a few of the things he remembered about the Isle of Man—small, insignificant things perhaps, but really golden recollections. He expressed gratitude to the Island for these and from Ramsey Wesleyan Day School, many other happy memories which he has carried with him all his life.

The banquet then came to a close and all who wished joined in the dancing which lasted until the wee sma' hours. However, all through the

evening, one could feel that everyone was waiting for the time when the dancing would cease and all could join in that good old sing-song which always rings down the curtain at a Manx Convention. After the orchestra had picked up the instruments and "silently stolen away," Convention Committee Chairman Corlett displayed another of his talents by sitting at the piano and playing for the singing which went on and on until the supply of both voices and songs had been exhausted. "And, so to bed!"

But all still was not over. The San Francisco Manx had arranged to entertain any and all who would stay over the week-end—and entertain they did! It was wonderful. On Saturday afternoon, Mrs. Pat Knight, a friend of some of the San Francisco Manx opened her home in Berkeley for a barbecue in her beautiful patio. Over one hundred people gathered there and delicious refreshments were provided by the San Francisco Manx Society. As darkness descended, out over the hills could be seen the lights of the houses and those on the Oakland-Bay Bridge, a picture which will linger in the memory of everyone for a long time. It was a cool evening, but a big and inviting fire, which was kept roaring in the large outdoor fireplace, and the community singing led by Cummings Reid to the accompaniment of Ken Hoard's accordion kept everyone warm and made them reluctant to "call it a day."

On Sunday afternoon, still another entertainment was in store. The fifty or more, who still remained, attended a San Francisco Symphony concert in beautiful Sigmund Stern Grove. They arrived in time to partake of the fine picnic lunch provided by the Manx ladies of San Francisco and later enjoyed the delightful music. Sigmund Stern Grove is in the heart of the city and is in a setting unsurpassed, they say, by any open-air concert area in the United States. It was donated through the generosity of Mrs. Sigmund Stern, as a living monument to her late husband. Stately eucalyptus trees guard the sunny slopes of this natural amphitheater. Fragrant flowering shrubs and fruit trees, a velvet carpet of grass, nooks of ferns, and flowers contribute to the breathtaking scene which forms this exquisite retreat for the lovers of music.

After the concert, everyone went along to the home of Essie Quayle and her sister and brother-in-law, the Jim Cringles, where tea was served. Still no one was ready to ring down the final curtain, so all joined in singing favorite hymns and songs around the piano, with Herb Corlett again providing the accompaniment. Eventually, however, it all came to an end, as all good things do. And so we say "finis" to one of the finest conventions in the 27-year history of the North American Manx Association. The San Francisco Manx deserve a pat on the back for the time and effort they expended in making it such a grand party.

It is our hope that those who attended a convention for the first time

enjoyed themselves to the full and now are instilled with the desire to go along with the "old-timers" to the 28th Anniversary Convention, scheduled for Toronto in August, 1956. Experience has taught us that the Toronto Manx too know how to put on a good party.

We also hope that the newcomers who were with us in San Francisco will continue their interest by joining the Association, if they did not do so during the convention period. The Association needs their support if it is expected to continue to make these grand parties possible.

Thanks again, San Francisco!
Respectfully submitted,
Claire M. Mylecraine,
Secretary.

San Francisco

Here are just a few thoughts expressed by Essie Quayle, Secretary of the San Francisco Society, about the 27th Anniversary Convention:

"Now that the long-looked-for convention in San Francisco has taken its place in the historical records of the N.A.M.A., we are all happy in knowing that it all was more than worthwhile. The members of our Society recall, with much satisfaction, the beams of happiness in the faces of our many friends who had journeyed from far and near to be with us. On our part, we enjoyed mostly the atmosphere of happiness that prevailed, and that great 'family' bond that was felt by one and all. Inhibitions were thrown to the high winds, and happiness was the keynote. How often in years to come shall we 'play back the record' and enjoy it in deep content.

"Old bonds were strengthened and new ones were forged, and surely, the departed spirits of our forefathers must have hovered near and rejoiced with us during those happy days.

"We are grateful for the efforts made by all who attended and thank them for coming and helping to make it such a memorable time. We also express our appreciation to each and every one who helped in any way to make the convention such a successful one.

"The word now is 'forward' and our aim is to try to be of assistance to those working toward the success of the next convention. We want them to know that we are willing and ready to help, having learned ourselves how much the aid from friends is appreciated. As the old Manx saying goes—'An ounce of help is worth a pound of pity.' So, here's to the next convention!"

It's Toronto in 1956

The Toronto Manx Society's invitation to hold the 1956 convention of the N.A.M.A. in their city was accepted at the 1955 meeting in San Francisco. Since then, the Toronto Society has met and elected Past President Tom Moore as General Chairman of the Convention Committee.

NEWS OF THE MANX SOCIETIES

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

About twenty years ago, the Ladies' Auxiliary to the N.A.M.A. was organized as a means of creating interest in the Association among women of Manx birth or descent, or married to Manxmen. Its aim is to be helpful to all convention committees, financially and otherwise.

We are sure there are many eligible women who have not yet joined our group, and hope that this year they will forward fifty cents for dues to the Treasurer, Miss Alice Garrett, 976 Monroe Ave., Apt. 10, Rochester 20, N.Y., or give it to a member in their vicinity. We need the support of all our women in order to continue helping convention committees as we have done in the past. Why not take care of this NOW?

Toronto needs our support, and we must have your support.

At our meeting in San Francisco, the following officers were elected for 1955-56:

Honorary President...Mrs. John R. Cain
Cleveland, Ohio
President.....Mrs. Henry Mylchreest
Cleveland, Ohio
Vice President.....
Miss Mary Clague Hodgson
Fergus Falls, Minn.
2nd Vice President.....
Mrs. J. Everett Shimmin
Flint, Mich.
Sec'y and Treasurer.....
Miss Alice Garrett
Rochester, N.Y.

The San Francisco Convention committee, like the city of San Francisco, proved that they too "Know How," and gave us the best convention we have had in many years. Their entire program, which displayed the results of hard work, with true Western hospitality, has never been equalled. Every minute was filled, and we were royally entertained during the convention and the following week end. The San Francisco Manx proved that you do not need a large society to put on a wonderful convention.

Well done, San Francisco! We hope to be invited to the West Coast again!

Mrs. H. Mylchreest, President
Miss Alice Garrett,
Sec'y and Treasurer.

TORONTO

The annual picnic of the Toronto Manx at Niagara-on-the-Lake was a highly successful event. Favored with a fine day, a pleasant sail across Lake Ontario, and a varied sports program, everyone voted it "a good old-fashioned picnic." A number of friends from across the Border were welcomed, among them Mr. and Mrs. Harry Mylchreest from Cleveland, Miss Alice Garrett and others from Rochester and Buffalo.

Regular meetings have been resumed with the coming of Fall, and the Young Manx have started their bowling league activities again.

GALVA—PEORIA

Mrs. Clyde Collinson, Secretary of the Galva Manx Society, writes that several Galva families attended the annual picnic of the Peoria Manx Society in Glen Oak Park in Peoria on July 31. Guy Mugrage of Galva gave an interesting travel talk, illustrated with colored slides taken by himself. Election of officers for the Peoria Manx Society was held at this picnic, with the following results:

President.....Mrs. Gladys Hawley
Elmwood, Ill.
Vice-President...Mrs. Robert Shimmin
Peoria
Sec'y-Treas.....Mrs. Le Veta M. Bliss
521 Columbia Terrace, Peoria, Ill.

NEBRASKA

A meeting of the Nebraska Manx was scheduled for Sunday, October 9, at the home of Mrs. Thomas Kelley, secretary of the Society, 5745 Franklin Ave., Lincoln, Nebr. Plans called for an all-day get-together, with lunch, social time and business meeting, also reports on the San Francisco Convention by Mrs. Kelley and Archie Kerruish, who consider themselves fortunate in having attended this grand Convention on the Pacific Coast.

BISBEE

Mrs. Ivy Dillon, Secretary of the Bisbee Manx Society, has promised to report later on a meeting scheduled for September 19 at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Robert Skillicorn. Plans included a patio supper followed by games and music. Mrs. Dillon, with her brothers Fred and Cecil Corrin and sister Mrs. Vandivier, enjoyed a wonderful time at the Convention—their first.

MONA'S RELIEF SOCIETY CLEVELAND

The first meeting of the 1955 Fall season was held in St. Stephen's Church Hall on September 6, with a good attendance of Cleveland Manx eager to hear about the highly successful San Francisco Convention. The report of the official delegate, Henry Mylchreest, was very interesting. Others who spoke at length were Miss Claire Mylecraine, N.A.M.A. Secretary; Mrs. John Lewin, of Lake Worth, Fla., Sidney Corkish of Colden, N.Y., and Fred Brew—all agreeing that those who did not attend had missed a real treat. Following the business meeting, John Foster, son of Mr. and Mrs. Hallett Foster (nee Virginia Crowe) entertained with his excellent "Show of Magic," which was highly appreciated.

The annual Picnic of the Cleveland Manx Societies was held on August 27 at Euclid Beach Park with the usual good attendance, including many children. A basket supper was enjoyed after the afternoon sports program. A brief meeting was held in the Annex during the evening, after which a stroll through the grounds and chatting with old friends completed a very pleasant summer day.

LADIES' AUXILIARY TO MONA'S RELIEF SOCIETY

A beautiful quilt, pieced by Mrs. W. H. Sayle, 21810 Fairmount Blvd., Cleveland, and quilted by the Ladies of the Mona's Relief Society Auxiliary, won first prize when exhibited recently at the Berea County Fair. Congratulations to Mrs. Sayle and to the Ladies' Auxiliary.

Another pretty quilt, also the work of the Ladies' Auxiliary was drawn for at the Annual Manx Picnic at Euclid Beach Park, and was won by Mrs. Florence S. Holcomb of 14920 Lanning Drive, Lakewood.

Fine quilting is a tradition with this Society. Two or three generations of members have been quilting for more than 55 years! This busy group opened the Fall season with a meeting held on September 16 at the YMCA club rooms on East 105th Street.

VANCOUVER

Despite a wet, cold day, about 50 people turned out for the Vancouver Manx picnic in Stanley Park. Out-of-town guests were Mrs. Alana Griffiths (nee Roney) of Douglas, Isle of Man, and Mrs. Myrtle Joscelyn and Mrs. Victoria Baney of Eureka, Montana. The latter are daughters of the late Eliza Ann Cain Dunstan, formerly of Glen Rushen, Isle of Man, who was a girlhood friend of the late Mrs. Cregeen of Arracey Farm, Glen Rushen, mother of Mrs. Mildred Christian of the Vancouver Manx.

Thirty-four members of the Vancouver Manx Society returned from the N.A.M.A. Convention thrilled over the friendly atmosphere and the happy time they had meeting friends, old and new. For many, it was their first Convention, but they were convinced it wouldn't be their last. All were loud in praise of the San Francisco Manx for making the Convention something to be remembered. Added pleasure was given by the arrival of an old friend, Walter Stevenson of Chicago, formerly of Vancouver, and his daughter, Myrra. Mr. Stephenson sang "Ellan Vannin" and "Ramsey Town" with such feeling and tenderness as is rarely heard. The Stevensons visited old friends in Vancouver after the Convention.

The first meeting of the 1955-56 season, with whist drive, was held in the Cambrian Hall on September 10. Election of officers is scheduled for the October meeting, and showing of travel movies.

LOS ANGELES

The Los Angeles Manx Picnic held on August 21 at Costa Mesa Park afforded a fine opportunity for continuing the Convention spirit created at San Francisco. About 18 visitors who had attended the Convention were there, as well as many other friends who had included Southern California in their vacation travels. The Los Angeles Manx extended a royal welcome and everyone thoroughly enjoyed the get-together.

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NORTHEASTERN OHIO

For their June meeting, the Manx of Northeastern Ohio were invited to the home of Mrs. T. W. Klee, a daughter of Mrs. Alice Abel, in Mentor. About 42 were present, coming from Chardon, Concord, Leroy, Cleveland and Painesville. A welcome guest was Mrs. Miles Davidson of Fort Pierce, Fla., who came with her mother, Mrs. Shearer of Perry, Ohio. Assisting the hostesses were Mrs. Mason Kermode and daughter, Mrs. Wm. Sillanpa of Painesville. Musical entertainment was furnished by four Mentor boys. Mr. and Mrs. James Kissack of Mentor were delegated to represent the Society at the Convention. Evidence of the continuing interest of this group was seen in the fact that four generations of both the Klee and Kermode families were present.

An interesting nature program was arranged by Mr. and Mrs. Leo Crellin for the July meeting, a picnic held at Thompson Ledges. Mrs. Crellin had gathered 34 varieties of roadside weeds and wildflowers, which were displayed for the members to name. Mrs. Maud McCarthy won the prize for correctly naming the greatest number; Mrs. Ralph Gridley won a prize for naming the greatest number of birds, and Kenneth Quine was winner in another nature game.

ROCHESTER

Sixteen members of the Rochester Manx drove to Stony Brook Park in Dansville, N.Y. on September 11. They were caught in the rain just as they sat down to their picnic dinner, but managed to finish it under shelter. Afterwards they adjourned to Mr. and Mrs. Charles Sundlof's home, and as everyone was anxious to hear about the Convention, Alice Garrett gave a report on the eventful week. She had with her several copies of the souvenir edition of the Isle of Man Times covering the Queen's visit to the Island, which were eagerly read from cover to cover. Mrs. Sundlof served tea before the party started home after enjoying a very pleasant day.

VANCOUVER MANX LADIES

The Manx Ladies' Club of Vancouver spent a most enjoyable day in late summer at White Rock, B. C., as guests of Mrs. Cave and her daughter, Mrs. Bonnie Mitchell. They had a sumptuous lunch, and afternoon tea before leaving for home. The Ladies are making plans for a Bazaar to be held in November.

A Tribute to T. E. Brown

The World Manx Association recently published a booklet on T. E. Brown, the Manx poet. This is a tribute compiled by David Craine, M.A., Captain of the Parish of Ballaugh in the Isle of Man.

In the foreword, written by Harold S. Cain, Chairman of the World Manx Association, it is explained that the booklet was published by the W.M.A.

to help commemorate the life and work of the Manx national poet—and also to assist any local Manx Societies who wish to follow the example in the Island of holding a social evening on or near Hollantide, November 11, when a concert of Manx songs and Manx dancing is given and when someone present talks in appreciation of this great countryman—T. E. Brown.

Your secretary, Miss Mylecraine, has a limited quantity of these booklets which are available without cost upon a receipt of a request addressed to her at 10525 Baltic Road, Cleveland 2, Ohio.

When Elsie and Edith Halsall from Douglas, Isle of Man, stopped off at Sylvan Lake, Alberta on their way back from the Convention, they found the town joining in celebration of the 50th anniversary of the founding of the province of Alberta. Shop windows displayed family treasures that the "old-timers" had brought out 50 years ago. While driving through the town at night, Edith insisted that in one window she saw the Three Legs of Man. She was told it just wasn't possible—however, they went back to the store next day to have another look. Sure enough—in the window was a velvet teacosy embroidered with the Three Legs and the words "A Present from the Isle of Man," and beside it a photo of Laxey Wheel in a green plush frame! Some early settler evidently had memories of happy holidays in the Isle of Man, many years ago. Elsie and Edith were staying in Sylvan Lake with Mrs. Robert Speedie and family. Mrs. Speedie is twin sister of John R. Cain of Cleveland.

FINANCIAL STATEMENT

Ladies' Auxiliary to the N.A.M.A. for Year Ending July 1, 1955

Cash in bank October 29, 1954\$ 318.64

RECEIPTS

Dues 42.50
Donations 10.50
Card Project 25.30
Canadian Exchange04
\$ 396.98

DISBURSEMENTS

N.A.M.A. Dues 5.00
San Francisco Souvenir Book 20.00
Card Project 15.46
Gift and Flowers 17.46
Postage 5.00
\$ 58.88
\$ 338.10

Bank Balance July 1, 1955\$ 341.30
Checks outstanding—

Harry Boehla Company ..\$2.85
B. Chandler Company35
3.20
\$ 338.10

Cash on hand 2.00

BALANCE\$ 340.10

Respectfully submitted,

ALICE GARRETT

Secretary and Treasurer

Audited July 23, 1955

by J. H. McKenny

North American Manx Association Balance Sheet, Financial Year 1954-55

RECEIPTS

Bal. in Savings A/c. 7/31/54.....\$ 123.43
Bal. in Com'l. A/c. 7/31/54..... 2057.53
Contributions 29.20
Membership Dues — Regular..... 1368.00
Membership Dues — Life..... 40.00
Membership Dues — Society..... 24.00
Membership Dues — Junior..... .50
Interest Savings A/c..... 2.47
\$3645.15

DISBURSEMENTS

Bulletin — Printing (5).....\$1091.50
Bulletin — Handling..... 138.63
Bulletin — Engravings (2)..... 47.29
Bulletin — Postage..... 99.94
Salary — Cor'sp. Sec'y..... 150.00
Salary — Fin. Sec'y-Treas..... 150.00
Salary — Bulletin Editor..... 150.00
Printing and Stationery..... 144.80
Telephone and Telegraph..... 4.83
Postage — General..... 96.85
Convention Expense (San Francisco). 16.06
Ohio State Sales Tax..... 37.72
2127.62

Bal. Savings A/c. 7/31/55—\$ 125.90
Bal. Com'l. A/c. 7/31/55 — 1391.63 1517.53
\$3645.15

MEMBERSHIP REPORT — 1954-55

Regular Members 771
Life Members 18
Society Members 9
Junior Members 3
Total Membership 801
Submitted August 10th, 1955

R. W. Skillicorn

Financial Secretary-Treasurer

Audited and found correct August 5th, 1955.
J. Edwin Kelly Robert A. Faragher

FINANCIAL STATEMENT

N.A.M.A. Convention August 9, 10, 11, 12, 1955 San Francisco, California

RECEIPTS

Registration\$2979.10
Prize Distribution 791.10
Souvenir Book 739.60
Donations 1937.44
Total Receipts\$6447.24

DISBURSEMENTS

Hotel Whitcomb\$2246.01
Hotel Claremont 879.50
Transportation 744.00
Entertainment, Banquet and Dance .. 457.89
Prize Distribution 127.63
Badges 71.52
Souvenir Book —
Printing and other expenses 865.68
Stationery and Miscellaneous Printing 167.24
Telephone and Postage 44.50
Flowers 38.79
Stenographer 50.00
Miscellaneous Expenses 81.87
Total Disbursements\$5774.64

BALANCE\$ 672.60

FINETTE HALL, Treasurer

Audited and found correct September 26, 1955
James Cringle Amy Saterlee

(Note: When turning the balance of convention funds over to the N.A.M.A., the San Francisco Manx Society added \$27.46 to the amount, making a round figure of \$700.00. For this and all the other nice things they have done, we express our sincere appreciation.)

OBITUARIES

CAINE, Mildred ("Millie"), of Galva, Ill., died on July 23 at the age of 75. She leaves a brother, Arthur, of San Francisco; two sisters, Mrs. Bessie Curphey and Mrs. Hilda Hughes of Douglas, Isle of Man, and several nieces and nephews. Miss Caine was born in Douglas, came to the States in 1910 and has resided in the Galva community ever since.

CALEY, Elsie, of Los Angeles, Calif., passed away suddenly at her home on August 22. She leaves her husband, William K. Caley (President of the Los Angeles Manx Society); two sons, William F. of Albuquerque, New Mexico and Ivan of Costa Mesa, Calif.; two daughters, Mrs. Winnie Barker of Arizona and Mrs. Ivy Costley of Maywood, Calif.; three grandchildren and one brother. Mrs. Caley was an energetic and well-loved member of the Los Angeles Manx Society and will be sorely missed. She was born in Bisbee, Arizona.

CLUCAS, Edith (nee Maddrell), died on June 12 in Greybull, Wyoming at the age of 84. She is survived by two sons and a daughter, Clyde M. Clucas of Shell, Wyoming, Donald of Greybull, and Mrs. Doris C. Atkins of Los Angeles, Calif.; eight grandchildren and many nieces and nephews. Mrs. Clucas was born at The Braaid, Marown, Isle of Man. She came to the States in 1895 and the same year was married in Galva, Ill. to John Thomas Clucas, also from the Island. After many years of ranch life in Wyoming they moved to Greybull in 1920. Mrs. Clucas fulfilled a cherished desire when she attended the Windsor Convention with her daughter in 1951.

CORLETT, Lynnus G. ("Chief"), of 1817 Marloe Ave., East Cleveland, died on August 28, aged 83. He leaves a son, Allen N. Corlett, Cleveland attorney and former State representative and senator; two sisters, Leona Corlett and Mrs. Mary Arnold, and four grandchildren. His wife died in 1932. Mr. Corlett was chief of the East Cleveland Police Force from 1923 to the end of 1946. Among the "firsts" for which he was widely known were raised street safety zones, synchronized traffic lights, two-way radio in squad cars, first lie detector. He was born of Manx parents in old Orange Township, Ohio, and visited the Isle of Man with the 1952 Homecoming.

RICHARDS, John, of 10023 Quincy Ave., Detroit, Mich., passed away on August 12. He leaves his wife, Elizabeth. Their only daughter died many years ago. Both Mr. and Mrs. Richards had been very active in the Detroit-Windsor Manx Society.

GELL, Margaret C. (nee Kelly), of 1613 Spring St., Syracuse, N.Y., passed away on August 3. Born in Port Erin, Isle of Man, Mrs. Gell was the widow of Thomas E. Gell, formerly of Douglas. She leaves one son, Thomas, of Syracuse; two daughters, Mrs. Henrietta Rounds of Windsor, N.Y. and Mrs. Margaret Anthony, of Syracuse; 13 grandchildren and four great-grandchildren. A niece and nephew, Doris and Jack Kelly reside in Port Erin; and another nephew, Thomas Kelly, in Onchan, Isle of Man. In former years both Mr. and Mrs. Gell were regular attendants at Manx Conventions.

HANDERSON, Clara Corlett, aged 94, died on July 6 at her home, 1411 East Blvd., Cleveland. Surviving are a son, Philip C. of Delray Beach, Fla.; grandchildren and great-grandchildren. Mrs. Handerson's father, William K. Corlett, came to Cleveland from the Isle of Man in 1847 and organized a spring-making company before the Civil War. Her husband, the late Dr. Henry C. Handerson, was a widely known Cleveland physician, a founder of the Cleveland Medical Library and its president from 1896 to 1902.

MOORE, Phillip K., died in September at Bremerton, Wash., aged 67. He leaves his wife, Aurelia; a son, Paul; and three sisters, Mrs. Lillian Oliver of Newfoundland, Mrs. Elise Edwards of Wales, and Mrs. Joshua Hall, Isle of Man. Mr. Moore was a retired Puget Sound Naval Shipyard machinist, and had resided in Bremerton 13 years. He was born in Peel, Isle of Man.

MORRISON, Emma (nee Quayle), died suddenly at her home in Peel, Isle of Man on August 24. She leaves a daughter, Mary (Mrs. Captain Geoffrey Cowley, R.E., British Army); two granddaughters, Fennella and Karen, all of Sydney Australia; a brother, Walter Quayle; nieces, Mrs. George Moore, Mrs. Horace Kermode and Mrs. Fred Watterson, all in the Isle of Man. Mrs. Morrison was the widow of Charles Morrison, chief engineer, who lost his life during the War while transporting troops to the East. She was a sister-in-law of Mrs. Essie Quayle of San Francisco, with whom she visited for six months in 1947.

QUILLIAM, Margaret Jane, of 99 Garmoyle Road, Liverpool, England, died on June 27. She leaves four sisters and two brothers, one of whom is Walter J. Quilliam of Cleveland.

QUIRK, Margaret Jane (nee Corris), of Braddock, Sask., passed away on August 16. Surviving are four children, 15 grandchildren and one great-grandchild, all in Saskatchewan; and a sister, Mrs. H. Kennebaugh of Moscow, Idaho. Mrs. Quirk came from Glenneedle, Foxdale, Isle of Man, and was the widow of Joseph P. Quirk, formerly of Glen Rushen.

MYLCHREEST, Asa Thomas ("Ace") of Bagley, Iowa, died on May 26 at the age of 84. He is survived by his daughter, Mrs. Ernest (Lucille) Gardner of Jefferson, Iowa, two brothers, two sisters and a grandson. Born in Henry County, Ill. of Manx parentage, Mr. Mylchreest came further west with his parents as a child and became one of the pioneer settlers of Iowa. In 1900 he married Fannie Bell Quayle, who outlived him by only a few weeks.

MYLCHREEST, Fannie Bell, of Bagley, Iowa, died on July 16 at the age of 83, shortly after the passing of her husband, noted above. She was born in Henry County, Ill., the daughter of John and Elizabeth Cain Quayle, and came to Iowa with her family as a child. She leaves her sister, Mrs. Cora Krell, of Geneva, Ill., and a brother, Fred Quayle of Peery, Iowa.

ROOK, Katie, of Forrest, Ill., passed away on June 13 at the age of 87. A sister, Mrs. Tillie Morris, survives. Mrs. Rook was born in the Isle of Man and came to America with her parents when four years old. She and her husband, the late T. R. Rook, attended Manx Conventions prior to his passing in 1938.

TUMBLESON, Nellie Maurine Church, of Lafayette, Ill., died on August 10, aged 42. Surviving are her husband, Dale C.; a daughter, Karen; a son, Mark; her mother, Mrs. Anna Kermode Church of Peoria, Ill.; three brothers, Charles, Harold and Rollin, all of Peoria, and a sister, Mrs. Laura Christiansen of Washington, Illinois.

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

To the California Manx— Appreciation!

I am sure that all who attended the San Francisco Convention will agree with me that it was one of our best! I hope to pay another visit to beautiful San Francisco some time in the near future. The committees who were responsible for such a successful affair did a terrific job.

One of the highlights was a cruise round San Francisco Bay, where we had good views of the mountains and the Golden Gate Bridge. Before boarding the boat, we visited famous Fisherman's Grotto, and it smelled like Peel in the herring season!

We found San Francisco a little cool after the terrific heat in the East and Midwest this year. Natives even wore their fur coats.

Our next Convention will be in Toronto, and we have already started to work on it. It is not too early to make your plans NOW! We promise that you will have a wonderful time. A lot of people have enjoyed previous conventions in Toronto, so do try and visit us next year! We hope to announce the dates in the next Bulletin.

Fred J. Caveen,
First Vice-President, N.A.M.A.

OUR OWN PEOPLE

All who attended the Convention agreed that our good friends in San Francisco deserved a good rest and vacation after their hard work. Essie Quayle tells us that—

Mr. and Mrs. James Cringle left to spend a week with Mrs. Cringle's brother and wife, the H. P. Callisters, at San Jose.

Miss Evelyn Corlett departed to attend the Los Angeles Manx Picnic, where she had a marvelous time.

President Herb Corlett's wife, Hilda, flew to Wyoming with her mother, Mrs. Tweed, the day following the "Big Doings" and had a most enjoyable trip.

Mr. and Mrs. Max Arends left with her sister, Margery Thomas, her husband and son Nick for a month's vacation, touring Canada by car . . . Mr. and Mrs. Alfred Caldwell took a six-week trip to New York State.

Ray Reid, son of "Cummy" Reid, who entertained so wonderfully at the Convention, left for Salem, Oregon to continue his studies. Ray is a great favorite with the San Francisco Manx, who are all pulling for him. Ray conquered a severe attack of polio during his teens, and his courage should carry him far.

Mr. and Mrs. Jack Vincent entertained relatives from Los Angeles—earlier in the summer they had several house guests from their home town, Transcona, Manitoba. Mrs. Vincent's brother Bill, his wife and son David, from Fresno, Calif. have also been with them since the Convention.

Essie Quayle, after a week at home carrying on with post-Convention work with other faithful toilers, left to join Mrs. Bess Eccles, her family and sister Hilda, at their summer home at Crystal Bay, Lake Tahoe, Nevada, where the chief topic of conversation was—well, you know ! ! !

It was an "Old Boys' Reunion" when Jim Mann was greeted in Hotel Whitcomb, San Francisco, by Joseph Hornall, Fred Callow and Robert Christian. This was the first time the four had met since they left that school, where they were in the same class. Next night they were joined by a fifth schoolmate—Walter Stevenson of Chicago. "This reunion would have been impossible only for our North American Manx Association, and I feel very grateful," writes Jim Mann.

Returning from the Convention, Mrs. George Cregeen of Winnipeg went round by Chicago to visit her son Bill. While there, she had the misfortune to slip off the verandah, breaking her hip. According to report from Jim Mann, she is in a wheel chair and doing well.

Mr. and Mrs. Tom Cowley of Lake Worth (formerly of Cleveland), visited John Shimmin of Chicago on their way home from the Convention. John was glad to hear all the news, as he had been disappointed at the

last minutes in being unable to accompany his daughter Ethel on the San Francisco trip. In mid-September he and Ethel spent a few days in Cleveland to visit with old friends from Peel. A cousin of Tom Cowley, Tom Wood from Peel, visited the Shimmings while en route to Vancouver to sail for New Zealand. He stayed with Ethel's brother, Arthur.

When returning by plane from the Convention to their home in Detroit, Alec and Elsie Cannell became acquainted with a young girl returning East, whose name turned out to be Janis Quine! She told them that her father, a major in the U. S. Army, died in an airplane crash in the early days of World War II, and that he was of Manx parentage. Janis was very much interested in meeting Manx acquaintances so unexpectedly, and wants to know more about the N.A.M.A.

Mr. and Mrs. Jim Kissack of Mentor, Ohio were guests at the A. T. Wood's home in South Burnaby, B. C. for a few days on their way to the Convention. They had spent an enjoyable holiday seeing Banff, Lake Louise and other scenic places in the Canadian Rockies.

"It was a delightful experience to attend the Convention—such a feeling of 'unity and concord'—and being made to feel at home," writes Mrs. T. L. Killip of 2373 Sussex Ave., So. Burnaby, B. C. Of special interest to Mr. and Mrs. Killip was meeting old friends they knew years ago in Laxey—among them Annie Jane Reilly, Santa Rosa; Harriet Kelly Hughes, Cleveland, and her sister-in-law, Mrs. Tom Killip, Mrs. Mullen; Edwin Killip; Willie Caley; George Partington and others.

After the Convention, Mr. and Mrs. Harold Coles of Cleveland traveled to Vancouver to visit Mrs. Cole's sister, and found themselves on the same train as Mr. and Mrs. T. L. Killip. On invitation from the Killips, the Coles spent a day with them and enjoyed their beautiful garden in South Burnaby.

Mrs. Thomas Kelly of Lincoln, Nebr. reports that among the many friends, old and new, whom she met at the Convention, she actually found a new relative—Orry Joughin of Vancouver, who was there with his wife and daughter.

One of the highlights of the Convention for Henry Mylchreest, N.A. M.A. Past President, was the thrill of meeting Arthur Halsall, who lives in San Francisco, for the first time after a span of 35 years. The two had come out to the States together.

After a most enjoyable week in San Francisco, Henry and Carrie Mylchreest of Cleveland motored to San Marino, Calif., as guests of Mr. and Mrs. Robert Gregg. Their visit with the Greggs helped to make the trip to the Golden West a memorable one.

MANX WEDDIN'S

Married in Galva, Ill. on August 14. Miss JoAnn Garrigan, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. D. C. Garrigan, to Roger Halsall, son of Mrs. Ralph Halsall—all of Galva, Ill.

THE L'IL PEOPLE

A daughter, Diane Margaret, was born on August 12 to Mr. and Mrs. Willard Young, 9814 Miles Ave., Cleveland. Grandmother is Mrs. Grace Young of Cleveland.

A daughter, Phyllis Elaine, was born on August 23 to Mr. and Mrs. Merle Corrington of Ramsey, Ill. Mrs. Corrington is the former Helen M. Clarke, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. James Clarke of Lafayette, Ill.

A daughter, Joyce Louise, was born recently to Frank and Hazel Caveen; and a son, James Frederick, to Donnie and Therese Caveen; Mr. and Mrs. Fred Caveen of Toronto are the grandparents of both these new babies.

A son, Dean John, was born to Mr. and Mrs. Jack Lumb, Ontario St., Vancouver, B. C. on September 2. Mrs. Lumb was the former Marjorie Halsall, younger daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Albert Halsall, 2834 Georgia St., Vancouver. Dean has two sisters, Judy and Pam.

No Homecoming Trip in 1957

The subject of a homecoming trip to the Isle of Man was brought up at the recent San Francisco Convention and, after a motion made at the 1952 convention in Rochester, New York, to table this subject had been duly removed from the table by a new motion, letters were read from the World Manx Association, the Tourist Board and the Mayor of Douglas. All of these letters invited the Association to hold its 1957 convention in the Isle of Man. Upon motion from the floor, which was unanimously ratified, the matter was referred to the incoming officers of the Association for decision.

Since then the executive board has met and discussed the matter. It was decided that a Homecoming Trip would best meet the needs of the North American Manx Association if it were deferred until possibly 1960. The consensus of opinion expressed by the officers was that a convention should not be held out of the confines of North America, because it makes it impossible for many delegates to attend. Inasmuch as a Homecoming had been held as recently as 1952 and because, in order to build up interest in the San Francisco Convention, a convention had been eliminated in 1954, the year of 1960 would be the earliest date when a convention again could be postponed.

The Association is extremely grateful to its friends in the Isle of Man for their kind and urgent invitation for 1957 and hopes that at some later date it will be possible to have an organized trip to the beloved Homeland.