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

May, 1957

"VANCOUVER OR BUST" ...

It is but two short years since the trek to the West was on. That time, it was to California, and this year, you must all try and get out West once again to the Evergreen Playground of Canada—Vancouver.

Vancouver is just about the fastest growing place in Canada today—in fact, on the whole of the North American Continent, and to give a brief outline of some of its many attractions would not be amiss. Vancouver enjoys a mild, temperate winter climate, when most other Canadian cities are blanketed with snow and, for this reason, it has earned the title of "Evergreen Playground." Both summer and winter temperatures are modified by the influence of the Japanese current, a characteristic of Vancouver's location in the warm, moist region of the Pacific Coast. Its

climate keeps forests, farms, gardens and parks continuously green and fresh, and provides an abundance of hydro-electric energy.

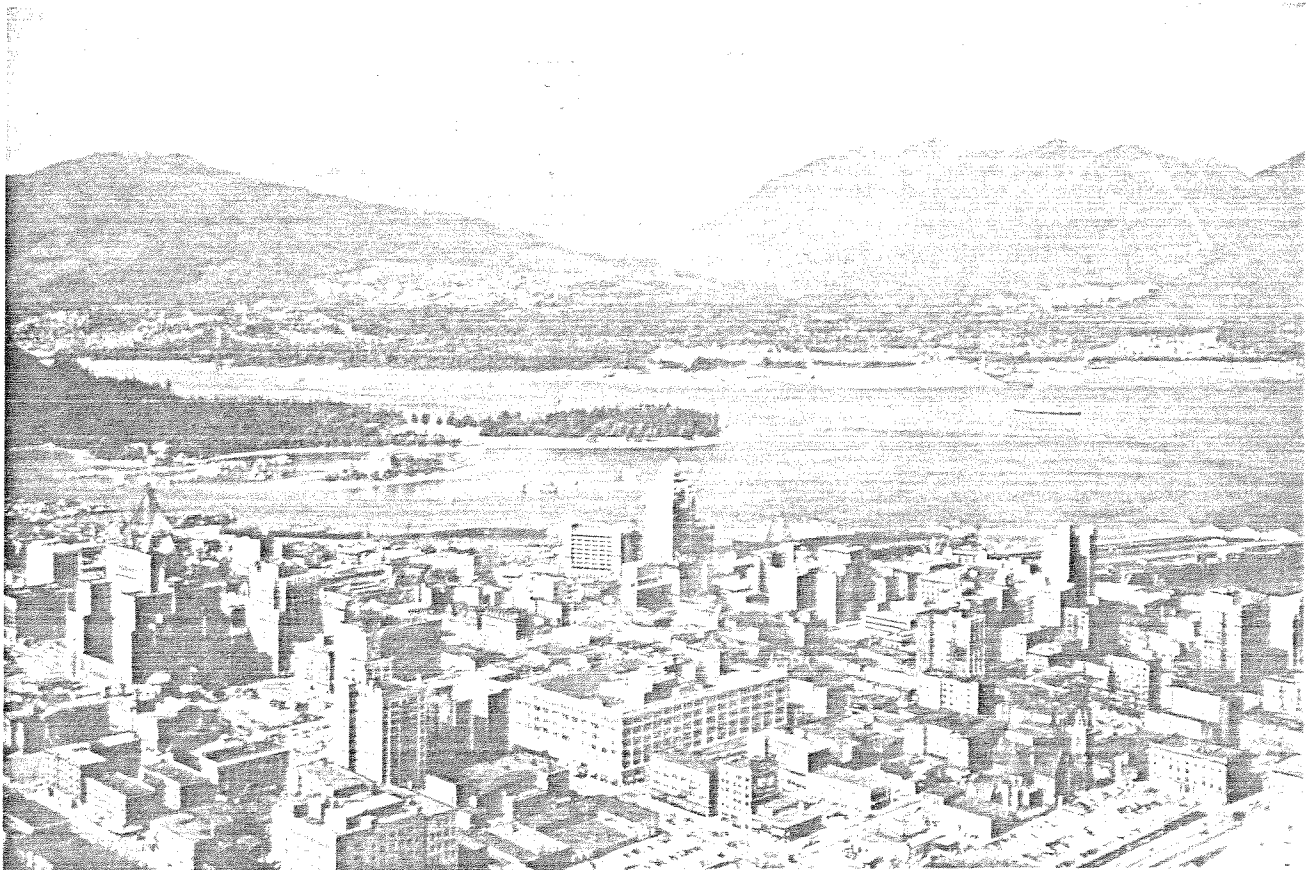
On April 6, 1886, Vancouver was incorporated as a city and, on June 13 of the same year, was completely wiped out by fire. However, little time was wasted before rebuilding began. On May 24, 1887, Canadian Pacific's first trans-continental train reached Vancouver, and on September 10 of that year, the first trans-Pacific cargo from the Orient—a shipment of tea consigned to Eastern Canada—arrived. This was the start of Vancouver's commercial and industrial growth, which continued rapidly over the years that followed, and still is making extraordinary strides.

With the completion of many new and modern business buildings,

Vancouver's skyline is continuously changing and those of you who have not been out this way for a few years will most certainly notice a different Vancouver from the one you knew in those other days. She now is big, sprawling and proud—and rightly so. Vancouver has much to show the visitor. Her people are friendly (the Indians do not now scalp the whites, but rock and roll with the best of them, and have beauty contests as well). So, have no fears, they will not swoop down on the Hotel Georgia and carry you all off into the wilds. We all speak English, with a marked American accent, and our city is really no different from your city, except that we think it is the BEST.

Known the world over as one of the finest natural parks, Stanley Park is

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A GENERAL VIEW OF VANCOUVER, B. C.

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The President's Message

By the time this Bulletin reaches you, no doubt you will be planning your summer holidays. Our good friends in Vancouver are preparing a wonderful Convention, and I hope you will arrange your vacation so that you can be with us there. If you have never attended a Manx Convention you have missed many wonderful thrills—so join us this year and meet people you have not seen since you left the Isle of Man! The Vancouver Manx are working with enthusiasm and energy to make this Convention the best yet—let us plan to accept their friendly hospitality. We must not disappoint them—nor ourselves! I hear that we will be honored with several visitors from the Island, and that there will be a good representation from San Francisco and Los Angeles—as well as a good crowd of “regulars” from further East.

Every Manx person likes to read about Manx “doings,” so if you have any Manx friends who are not members of the N.A.M.A., ask them to join and get on the list for the N.A.M.A. Bulletin, which brings news of Manx people all over North America.

In Canada we are getting a steady stream of Manx immigrants—in one week alone I had the pleasure of meeting three new families. I have appointed myself an “unofficial ambassador” to do what I can for Manx newcomers to Toronto, and urge that we all extend the hand of friendship to Manx people arriving in our midst, and help them to get established.

I hope to see you in Vancouver.

FRED J. CAVEEN,
President

“Vancouver Or Bust”

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a thousand-acre paradise, partly surrounded by the sparkling waters of English Bay and Burrard Inlet. Within the park itself, there are unlimited recreational facilities, including five miles of bridle trails, spacious picnic areas, rugby grounds, swimming pools, new modern aquarium, a small 18-hole golf course, tennis courts, a modern children's zoo, a penguin pool, and a music bowl for outdoor concerts. The park, located only minutes from downtown Vancouver, was officially dedicated on October 29, 1889 by Lord Stanley. Among the other points of interest in the park are Brockton Point, Shakespearian Gardens, and unique Totem Poles carved by West Coast Indians — truly a paradise, and we are planning a picnic there the day after the convention for those of you who will be staying over.

Vancouver is justifiably proud of its University — the University of British Columbia, one of Canada's youngest but fastest growing. It is located on 996 acres in a setting of unsurpassed beauty and, from its campus are witnessed the finest sunsets it is possible to imagine. Its outdoor swimming pool is one of the finest in this country and was used for the British Empire Games, held here in 1954.

“Theatre Under the Stars,” a Vancouver repertoire company, made up of Canadian artists, except for an occasional guest performer, stages a series of Broadway-type musicals at the Malkin Bowl in Stanley Park during the summer evenings. Presented under the stars, and amidst the tall splendor of the cedars of the park, these shows have become a must to the thousands of tourists to Vancouver. Residents, too, make a habit of visiting the bowl at least once during the warm summer evenings.

Modern West Coast architecture is prominent in many Vancouver residential areas, and a drive through British properties on the West shore, or around the University area, will reveal a panoramic picture of true suburban living. For the most part, homes are contemporary in style, with magnificent ocean and mountain views. Colorful flower gardens add beauty all year round. It is no idle boast to say that roses can be picked at Christmas — and not from hot houses.

Vancouver is a natural for holiday-making, as every type of sport is available. Possibly swimming and boating are the most popular, but the mountains are within easy reach of the city, and by car, a matter of thirty minutes will see you to the top of Mount Seymour, some 5600 feet above sea level, where unfolded before you, is the awe-inspiring sight of

Vancouver and its surrounding districts — and, away off to the South, Mount Baker, with its permanent snow cap, and at night to the glow of Seattle and Portland ablaze with lights.

Vancouver City covers an area of 44 square miles, and is the third largest city in Canada. With the present rate of growth, it well may be second before many more years elapse. It is a very cosmopolitan city. Just about every nationality, race and creed can be found within the city. Its Chinatown, while not on a par with San Francisco's, nevertheless has as its main attractions some of the finest night clubs and restaurants to be found in North America.

So folks, with this very sketchy outline of Vancouver as an inducement, why not decide to come along and see for yourselves? But don't blame us if you go home and decide to sell out and come to the West Coast to live. We won't mind — in fact, we will welcome you to our paradise on the Pacific Coast. Pack your grips, board the train and come along to the Convention. We will do the rest once you sign in at the Georgia Hotel. We have a good program arranged for you and most of what I have described above you will be seeing for yourselves.

We will be looking for YOU at The Georgia Hotel — August 5-8

Bill Lawson
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Train Party Arranged Chicago to Vancouver Come On Along

Definite arrangements have been made for a special train party to travel to the Vancouver Convention from Chicago. Details are as follows:

A special reclining seat coach is being reserved for us on the Great Northern Railroad Company's "Empire Builder," which leaves the Chicago Union Station at 2:00 p. m. Central Standard Time, August 3. Here is detailed information as supplied by the Railroad Company:

Afternoon trip along the Mississippi River, where scenery smiles for 300 miles.

August 4—Enroute through the state of Montana, with afternoon trip of 60 miles along the Southern boundary of Glacier National Park, thence late afternoon ride along the foaming, churning Kootenai River.

August 5—Arrive Everett, Wash.—6:45 a.m. Leave Everett 8:56 a.m. Arrive Vancouver, B. C.—11:59 a.m.

For the return trip, it is possible to leave Vancouver at 1:00 p.m. on August 9 and arrive in Chicago at 2:00 p.m. on the 11th, which will permit most Easterners to make a connection in Chicago and be back in their home cities in time for work on Monday morning.

Members who are not in a hurry to return home can leave Vancouver whenever they desire, making stop-overs at various points of interest, such as travelling via Canadian Pacific with stop-over at Lake Louise and Banff; or Canadian National with stop-over at Jasper Park; or via Seattle and Portland, returning via any direct railroad line to Chicago.

Round-trip Coach ticket from Chicago to Vancouver, including federal tax is only \$99.50. From Eastern Cities to Chicago, where three or more members are travelling together, a saving can be made by purchasing a roundtrip economy plan Coach ticket, thereby saving several dollars per ticket to Chicago and return.

We are hopeful of having a full carload of Eastern Manx at the Vancouver Convention and trust that you—and you—and you will contact the Secretary, Miss Claire M. Mylecraine, 10525 Baltic Road, Cleveland 2, Ohio, right away advising that you want to join this train party. When writing the Secretary, be sure to tell us how many will be in your party—and their names. With this information at hand, we shall then be able to tell you exactly how to go about securing your tickets. **BUT—PLEASE ACT QUICKLY—AUGUST WILL BE HERE BEFORE WE KNOW IT!**

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TENTATIVE PROGRAM 29th ANNIVERSARY CONVENTION VANCOUVER, B. C. AUGUST 5-8, 1957

- MONDAY—Reception and Registration Committees will be on hand all day to receive guests.
- MONDAY EVENING—Vancouver Night. Informal get-together and entertainment at Hotel Georgia.
- TUESDAY A. M.—Official opening of Convention — addresses of welcome, business session.
- TUESDAY P. M.—Luncheon, Hotel Georgia. Ladies' Auxiliary meeting in afternoon. Bus tour of Vancouver and surrounding area in evening.
- WEDNESDAY A. M.—Business session and Memorial Service.
- WEDNESDAY P. M.—Boat trip to Bowen Island at 3:00 p.m. Dinner on Island.
- THURSDAY A. M.—Business session and election of officers.
- THURSDAY EVENING—Banquet and Ball at Hotel Georgia.

REGISTRATION FEE — \$15.00

ENTERTAINMENT

This committee has planned a good program of entertainment starting with Vancouver Night, which should prove most enjoyable. A real Manx theme is promised for this night. We don't want to tell you too much about it, as we would like you all to come and see for yourselves. We know you will have a grand time in Vancouver —because we will see that you do!

Mrs. Chris O'Callaghan, Chairman

HOTEL RESERVATIONS

Please make your reservations as early as possible, using the form below. We hope you all will have a pleasant journey and that your stay at the Hotel Georgia will be a happy one. We will be on hand to make sure you get settled when you arrive.

Mrs. Isabel Lawson, Chairman
13560 Bently Road.
No. Surrey, B.C.

Dear Mrs. Lawson:
Please see that the following room reservation is made for the N.A. M.A. Convention at the Hotel Georgia, August 5-8, 1957.

Name

Address

City and State (or Province)

Arrival Date

Arrival Time

Via Departure Date

Check type of accommodations preferred:

- Room with double bed and bath—\$10.00, \$10.50, \$11.00 and \$15.00.
(The \$15.00 rooms are large bed-sitting rooms.)
- Rooms with twin beds — \$11.50, \$13.50 and \$15.00.

Note: Rooms will be held until 6:00 p.m. on date of arrival. Anyone who expects to arrive after that hour should forward \$10.00 deposit.

OUR OWN PEOPLE

Mr. and Mrs. James Kissack of Palo Alto, Calif., formerly of Mentor, Ohio, had Jim's sister, Margaret, from Cleveland, visiting them for a month during the early spring. The Jim Cringles of San Francisco entertained them at dinner on April 6 — and remarked to Maggie that she had sampled a little of everything California offers — including some nice rock 'n roll from Mother Earth!

Essie Quayle of San Francisco, who started on a round-the-world tour more than a year ago, has progressed by way of Sydney and Singapore as far as the Isle of Man, and is having the time of her life there at present. "She is singing in a couple of choirs for the Guild in May," writes her sister, Katie Cringle — "and don't I envy her! I have happy memories of the Guild and all the excitement."

Mrs. Gladys Watts of Lincoln, Nebr. will be off to the Isle of Man by plane for a two or three-month stay. She has a sister in England to visit, and another sister, Mrs. Gerald Bridson in Garwick, Isle of Man, formerly a member of the House of Keys.

Illinois Anniversaries — Mrs. Margaret Quilliam, 671 Baxter Court, Canton, Ill. was 82 on April 12 . . . The Rev. and Mrs. John T. Killip, 235 Center St., Paxton, Ill. celebrated their 62nd wedding anniversary on April 3, also their birthdays (the 93rd for the Rev. Mr. Killip. Mr. and Mrs. Tirus T. Kelly of Galva observed their 42nd wedding anniversary early in April.

On December 25, Mrs. Bertha Teare, 4224 East 110th St., Cleveland 5, Ohio, announced the engagement of her daughter, Jean, to Mr. Donald J. Takalo. Mr. Takalo, who is of Finnish descent, is a graduate of Wayne University School of Pharmacy. The wedding is planned for June.

Isabel Teare, youngest daughter of Mrs. Bertha Teare of Cleveland, graduates from Muskingum College on June 11 with the degree of Bachelor of Arts. She will teach physical education in the fall.

Alice Garrett of Rochester took a Florida vacation in March, and reports a wonderful time. She stayed five days at Daytona Beach with Mona and Charlie Malboeuf, who accompanied her to Lake Worth where they stayed with Mr. and Mrs. Tom Nelson, who showed them the sights and held a "Manx evening" for them — the guests including the Lewin family, Dora Hampton, Sid Corkish and the Kewleys. From there Alice drove to Miami and was entertained by Mr. and Mrs. Bill Morrison; then to St. Petersburg to renew acquaintance with old friends Bob and Minnie Anderson.

New Manx arrivals in Toronto are Mr. and Mrs. Atherton from Winnipeg; Mr. and Mrs. E. Kelly and their two children, from Peel, Isle of Man; Mr. and Mrs. Cowley from Ramsey; Mr. and Mrs. Pope, and Mr. and Mrs. Matt Corrin and child, from Douglas. More newcomers are expected soon.

Dora Hampton of Lake Worth, Fla. is happy to have had quite a number of Manx people drop in for a chat and a cup of tea when driving through Florida during the winter. Among them were Mr. and Mrs. Harold Coles and Mrs. Harriett Hughes from Cleveland, Sid Corkish from Colden (Buffalo), N. Y., and Mr. and Mrs. C. J. Hatch of Iowa Falls, Iowa who were enroute to Havana. Mrs. Hatch is the former Miss Ida Caine. Dora tells us also that Mr. and Mrs. Tom Cowley, formerly of Cleveland, had their son Dr. John Cowley and his daughter, Jo, with them for Christmas. William Quine of Cleveland, who winters in Lake Worth, had his old friends, the Percy Yetmans of Cleveland, as house guests. Among others attending the Florida gatherings were Mr. and Mrs. Chas. Sundlof of Dansville, N. Y., and Mrs. Annie Jackson of Cleveland.

Mr and Mrs. Harold Coles and Mrs. Harriett Hughes of Cleveland, who visited Florida during February, enjoyed a Sunday picnic with the Manx of Lake Worth at Phipps Park, So. Palm Beach. In the evening they all gathered at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Tom Nelson. Later in the week the Cleveland folk left for St. Petersburg. While in Lake Worth, Mr. and Mrs. Coles were introduced by Dora Hampton to Mr. and Mrs. Ed Kermeen of Galva, Ill. To Mrs. Coles' surprise, it turned out that they were friends of her brother, Herbert Cowley, also of Galva. Looks as though we should all go to Florida to really get acquainted with the Manx!

David Little of Rochester, N. Y. leaves for a holiday in the Isle of Man in early August. Mrs. John Shepard of Rochester is leaving in September and may stay in the Island for some time.

Mr. and Mrs. W. Lees of Toronto returned to the Isle of Man in April. Mr. and Mrs. Hudson, also of Toronto, are taking the trip Home in May

Sailing for Southampton on the Queen Elizabeth May 1 was William H. Collister, Secretary of the Northeast Ohio Manx Society, bound for a long-anticipated holiday in the Isle of Man.

Dr. Tom Quine of Fullerton, Calif. is sailing from Montreal with his brother Ffinlo of Washington, D. C., on the Empress of France on June 1, for a holiday in the Isle of Man.

Mrs. R. L. Heady, 7020 So. "L" St., Tacoma 4, Wash., is welcomed as a new member of the N.A.M.A. She writes that she is the former Mona Looney, eldest daughter of John and Lily (Crowe) Looney of Maughold, near Ramsey, Isle of Man. Mrs. Heady and daughter visited the Island in 1951.

Among "Golden Wedding" couples honored at the Maple Sugar Festival at Chardon, Ohio in April were Mr. and Mrs. Lynn Quine, and Mr. and Mrs. Sereno Pomeroy, members of the Northeast Ohio Manx Society. Mr. and Mrs. Cliff Harrison of that Society are another "Golden Wedding" couple, but were in Florida at the time.

At the Chicago Manx Society's 84th Anniversary Banquet on April 6, an honorary life membership in the Society was presented to Mrs. Fred Boyde as the oldest member in terms of length of membership. She is the widow of the late Fred Boyde who served faithfully in the Chicago Society and the N.A.M.A. many years ago. Also honored in this way was Jack Shimmin, who was treasurer of the Chicago Society for a long period. He is now living in Rocky River, Ohio with his daughter, Ethel, and son-in-law, Henry Christian.

Off to the Isle of Man by plane on Friday, April 26, were Mr. and Mrs. Bill Roseman, 20817 Clare Ave., Bedford, Ohio. Mrs. Roseman is the former Florence Kelly, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. W. Harry Kelly, also of Bedford. About 30 friends and relatives were at the Cleveland Airport to see them off and wish them Happy Landings. After a couple of days in London, the Rosemans were going to the Isle of Man, returning the latter part of May. Florence was invited to present the Cleveland Medal at the Manx Music Festival, making it the second occasion she has had the honor. She made the presentation exactly ten years ago.

Mr. and Mrs. Robert Bruce of Laguna, Calif., formerly of Seattle, Wash., were house guests of Mr. and Mrs. Robert Gregg, San Marino, Calif. for a week-end in early April. Mr. Bruce was born in Douglas, Isle of Man.

Last Christmas, Mrs. Nellie Cottier of Pasadena, Calif. and her daughter, Noreen, had a lovely reunion in Burlingame with their cousin, Mrs. Jane Bare. They drove up with Mr. and Mrs. Schmidt (formerly Alice Cottier) of El Monte, and while en route visited Mr. and Mrs. James Kissack and Mr. and Mrs. Jim Cringle. On another drive, taken in March, the Cottiers visited Mr. and Mrs. Ed Killip in San Clemente, and Mrs. E. Quayle, who is wintering in Laguna. The big news from the Cottiers is that they are off

to the Isle of Man, sailing from New York on May 15 on the Britannic. Nellie is looking forward to seeing old friends—including Essie Quayle of San Francisco who is still on the Island. Nellie plans to return in September. Noreen will spend about ten days in the Island, and then will revisit some of the European cities she saw while in the Service during World War II, returning in July.

Mrs. Albert Wood, Secretary of the Vancouver Manx Society, recently received word from T. C. Southward, President of the Auckland (New Zealand) Manx Society, that Mrs. Ledger, one of their members, would be arriving in Vancouver by plane on April 29, to spend three days while en route to the Isle of Man and England. Mr. and Mrs. Wood immediately made plans to hold open house in honor of Mrs. Ledger, to give her an opportunity to meet the Vancouver Manx. A tour of the city also was arranged for her. Mrs. Wood adds, as a point of interest, that two uncles of Mr. Southward, the Auckland Society President, were charter members of the Vancouver Manx Society—Walter J. Stevenson of Chicago and the late Alfred Stevenson. Mr. Southward went out to New Zealand in 1924—his grandfather and father formerly owned the Sulby Mills in the Isle of Man.

MANX WEDDIN'S

Married on March 23, at Armour Heights United Church, Toronto, Miss Gail E. Clucas, only daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Percy Clucas, Toronto, to Robert Lyme. The happy pair are now at home at 1035 Glencairn Ave., Toronto.

THE L'IL PEOPLE

Born—November 29, 1956, a son, Kim Tyrus, to Mr. and Mrs. DeRollo Kelly of Galva, Ill.

Born, February 9, 1957, a daughter, Carol Jean, to Mr. and Mrs. Dale Collinson, Galva, Ill.

Born—February 17, a daughter, Christina Jane, to Mr. and Mrs. Mylroie Belford, McHenry, Ill.

Born—March 11, a daughter, to Mr. and Mrs. Edwin Gawne, Peel, Isle of Man. Mrs. Gawne is the former Eleanor Karran, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Richard Karran, Geneva, Ohio.

Born—February 1, a daughter, to Mr. and Mrs. Preger, Michigan City, Ind. Mrs. Preger is the former Mary Alice MacCaa, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Robert A. MacCaa, recently of Chicago, now at R. R. #5, Box 828, Tucson, Arizona. Mr. MacCaa is in the employ of the Sherwin-Williams Company at Tucson.

More Convention News

SOUVENIR BOOK

For several months, work on our book has been going ahead. With convention time drawing near, we suggest that you take advantage of the chance to say "Hello" through this book to your Manx friends everywhere. It may not be possible for you to attend the convention, but if you will fill in the accompanying form and subscribe to our patrons' list, or take a larger space in the Souvenir Book, you will be fulfilling a double purpose. 1st—it is a wonderful way to say you're still behind all your friends from the Homeland; 2—it is a marvelous way to support our financial effort. Prices for space are the same as in previous years. Come one! Come all! Join the march to a bigger and better convention. Send in YOUR form right away—don't wait!

Arthur Belfie, Co-Chairman
Souvenir Book Committee
1219 - 4th Avenue
New Westminster, B.C.

REGISTRATION

This committee will be on hand to welcome you and to make the task of registration as easy as possible. The desk will be well staffed at all hours, so that whenever you arrive we will be there to greet you. It is our wish that you may have a pleasant journey to Vancouver. See you at The Georgia!

Jack O'Callaghan, Chairman

TRANSPORTATION

The Transportation Committee is looking forward to entertaining Manx friends in August. So—come to Vancouver and see the city's fine homes, modern office buildings, stores, churches, magnificent parks, beaches, scenic grandeur and one of the world's finest harbors—open the year round. Vancouver—the Golden City of the West—awaits you.

Sam Cain, Chairman

REFRESHMENTS

Plans are well in hand and varied menus are being arranged for the luncheon, banquet and our day out—also for the picnic which will be held on Friday for those who will be staying over. We of the Refreshment Committee are all looking forward to meeting you in Vancouver.

Mrs. Alice Killey, Chairman

WORLD MANX ASSOCIATION

Charles Craine, Hon. Secretary of the World Manx Ass'n. presented a comprehensive report for the year ended December 31, 1956. During the summer, about 100 overseas Manx visitors were entertained. Many of them attended the Annual Gathering on Tynwald Day, bringing greetings from their respective societies. Mr. Richard Cain presided, and among many notable people present were the Lieut.-Governor Sir Ambrose Flux Dundas and Lady Dundas; Sir Joseph Qualtrough, Speaker of the House of Keys; the Lord Bishop, Sir Ralph Stevenson, and a number of others. Mr. Harold Cain, Chairman, gave an interesting account of the Association's activities, and Mrs. Mona Huke, Cleveland Gold Medal winner, delighted the audience with several songs. Charlie Craine read greetings from many parts of the world. Also during the summer, services were arranged for Homecomers in Victoria Street Methodist Church, Douglas, and in Maughold Church.

T. E. Brown Night, in November, was celebrated with a dinner at the Empress Hotel, Douglas. Among the speakers were Mr. Richard Cain, Sir Ambrose Flux Dundas, Deemster Sir Percy Cowley, and Charles Craine, Secretary, the two last-mentioned reciting extracts from T. E. Brown's poems.

Mr. Craine's report also referred to advice being given prospective emigrants from the Island, and to the help extended them by overseas Manx societies. He paid tribute to the memory of two loyal supporters of the World Manx Ass'n—the late T. R. Radcliffe and Deemster Cain; thanked the Insular Press for their cooperation, and concluded with a plea for increased membership in the W.M.A. It is a most instructive report, and we regret that space does not permit us to give it in full.

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

We hope that many members of the N.A.M.A. Ladies' Auxiliary are making arrangements now to be with us at the Vancouver Convention in August. For those in the east and midwest, this is a marvellous opportunity to see Western Canada, the mountainous, tree-clad province of British Columbia—and its largest city, beautiful Vancouver, with its friendly, hospitable Manx group waiting to welcome you. When Manxwomen from the east meet those in the west there is bound to be plenty to talk about, so we are looking forward to seeing you—not only at our annual business meeting to be held during the Convention,—but to sitting down with you for a good old-fashioned cooish and maybe a cup of tea. So plan now to join us in Vancouver—we're expecting you.

Miss Mildred Corris, President
Miss Alice Garrett, Sec'y-Treas.

NEWS OF THE MANX SOCIETIES

VANCOUVER

The February meeting of the Executive Board of the Vancouver Manx Society was held at Mrs. Mildred Christian's home, with full attendance. After an enthusiastic discussion of Convention plans, refreshments were served, and a good sing-song brought a happy evening to a close.

In March the Board met at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Art Belfie. The World Manx Association's 1956 report was read, and the Secretary, Mrs. Albert Wood, was asked to write Charles Craine, Secretary of the World Manx, to thank him for it. Ways and means for raising money for the Convention were discussed, and after a social hour and refreshments, the hosts were thanked for their hospitality.

The April meeting of the Executive Board was to be held at Mr. and Mrs. Albert Wood's home. A New Zealand guest was expected—Mrs. Ledger of the Auckland Manx Society, passing through on her way to the Isle of Man and England.

A regular meeting of the Society was held on April 13 in the Horticultural Hall with a splendid turnout of members and visitors. A game of whist, followed by refreshments, made a pleasant evening. Out-of-town guests were Mr. and Mrs. Joe Connor of Gibson's Landing, B.C.; T. W. Quayle of Port Alice, Vancouver Island; T. H. Craige of Dollarton, B. C., and Mr. and Mrs. Clucas, formerly of Kirk Braddan, Isle of Man.

The Society is grateful for donations and prizes being received to help make the Convention a great success. The Secretary, Mrs. Wood, has received checks from the San Francisco Manx, also an electric skillet. Other prizes include a trinket box inlaid with several kinds of New Zealand wood, sent by Tom Wood of Napier, New Zealand, and a pair of pillowcases from Mrs. L. Schmidt, El Monte, Calif.

MONA'S RELIEF SOCIETY CLEVELAND

The meeting held on March 5 in St. Stephen's Church Hall was well attended. Following the business session, W. Harry Kelly showed most interesting pictures of New England, Florida and Canada which were very much enjoyed. Mr. and Mrs. John Cowin of Douglas, Isle of Man, who arrived in Cleveland recently to make their home, were welcomed as new members. Mr. Cowin is a brother of Mrs. Cecil Moughton of Fairview Park, Cleveland, and Norman Cowin of Strongsville, Ohio.

The April meeting was held in the Detroit Avenue Methodist Church hall, Lakewood. Orton Reed, always a favorite, delighted everyone with several fine baritone solos, accompanied by Mrs. Douglas Cannell. Archie Kerruish of Chicago was a welcome guest at this meeting.

VANCOUVER MANX LADIES

"All efforts now concentrate on the forthcoming Convention," writes Mrs. T. L. Killip, Secretary of the Vancouver Manx Ladies' Club. Mrs. Crossan, President, with a committee of helpers, gave a delicious smorgasbord lunch at her apartment in March, the ladies responding with a fine attendance, making this a very successful effort for the Convention.

The Ladies also joined with the Vancouver Manx Society and friends, to the number of 65, in making a guided tour of the Coast Vegetable Marketing Board, where they spent a most interesting afternoon. "It was a great day for the potato," says Mrs. Killip, although of course many other vegetables were on display also. The guests saw hundreds of sacks of potatoes washed and picked over, and after making the rounds of the market they sat in a lecture room where produce was displayed in attractive styles and a professional chef gave a talk on potato cookery, and invited questions. Two salads were drawn for, and everyone present received five pounds of "priddhas" to try out the chef's "specials." The Vegetable Marketing Board donated \$10.00 to the Convention fund, and this, together with other donations she collected that day, was very gratifying to Mrs. Mildred Christian, who arranged the outing. Altogether it was an enjoyable and well-spent afternoon.

GREATER NEW YORK

Literally keeping the Manx flag flying, that faithful band, the Manx of Greater New York, again this year attended the inspiring St. George Day service in the Cathedral of St. John the Divine on April 28, carrying the Manx flag in the processional in company with about 50 other British and American societies. The Lessons were read by Miss Kathleen M. Graham, M.B.E., Deputy Consul General at New York, Bishop Donegan remarking during the service that this was the first occasion on which a woman had been in the pulpit of that church.

NEBRASKA

The Nebraska Manx will hold their spring meeting at the home of the President and his wife, Mr. and Mrs. James Robison, Elk Creek, on Sunday, May 19. They invite all who can to join them at this meeting—the Robisons live on a farm, and the Nebraska countryside is at its best in the spring. One expected visitor is Archie Kerruish, who keeps the rails busy as he visits between his two daughters—Mona and family in Chicago, and Ann Robison and family in Elk Creek.

After a covered dish luncheon, the order of business will be election of officers, to be followed by a pleasant social time.

NORTHEAST OHIO

The February meeting of this group was held at the Garfield Center, Lake Erie College. Hosts were Mr. and Mrs. Leo Crellin and Mr. and Mrs. Ralph Gridley. About 35 were present and enjoyed a good picnic supper, after which the President, Mrs. McCarthy, spoke on the desirability of interesting the younger generation in the Society. A history of early Manx settlers in the area is being compiled by the group, and this praiseworthy project is progressing in fine shape. Entertainment was provided by the Misses Eibel and Ellen Ostrander, who gave a history of the American Flag, demonstrating on a blackboard how the flag was built, a stripe for each of the original colonies and a star for each state as it joined the Union. The talk was accompanied by patriotic airs played by Mrs. Hefel-finger. Luther Battles (violin) and Lucetta Ingersoll (piano) completed the program by playing old-time melodies.

The March meeting was held at the Garfield Center, hosts being Mr. and Mrs. Harrison Crellin and Mr. and Mrs. W. H. Collister. About 31 sat down to the picnic supper and business meeting. Mrs. Blanche Killey read the article "Ohio Cottage" written by their Secretary, W. H. Collister, which appeared in the March Bulletin, commenting that the names mentioned therein probably belonged to ancestors of many now living in Leroy Township. She added that this account would be included in the Northeast Ohio Manx history. Mr. Perry of Leroy showed beautiful pictures he had taken in Jamaica, and amused the group by telling of his experiences with "pounds, shillings and pence" and of driving a rented car—right-hand drive.

PEORIA

The Peoria Manx held their spring meeting at the Union Church, Brimfield, Ill. on Sunday, April 7. About 40 braved heavy rain to get there, and snow to get home again—Miss Alice Keighin of Urbana being compelled to stay overnight at Bloomington when she ran into ten inches of snow on the return trip. Weather notwithstanding, the group greatly enjoyed the potluck supper and the pictures of the Isle of Man ("Trophy Island"), as well as colored slides taken in Norway, Sweden and Denmark last fall by Mr. and Mrs. Joe Kendall.

Sympathy was extended Mrs. John Clarke (wife of the Rev. Mr. Clarke of Cambridge, Ill.) on the death of her father.

The group miss seeing Mr. and Mrs. George Clague of La Fayette at their meetings—this fine couple, 83 and 82 years old respectively, naturally have had to give up night driving, but are enjoying excellent health.

GALVA

About 60 attended a potluck supper and program given by the Galva Manx on March 17 in American Legion Hall. Following the business session, presided over by Mrs. James Kermeen, the evening was spent in viewing colored slides loaned by members, featuring vacation trips, scenes from the recent Centennial and other local events. Present from Peoria were Mr. and Mrs. Wm. McMynn, Mrs. Addie Hughes, Mr. and Mrs. Robert Shimmin and their son; also Mrs. Elsie Robinson from Cambridge, Ill., Mrs. Frank Hocker from Colchester and Mr. and Mrs. Chas. Keighin from Morton.

At the business session, plans were announced for the Annual Picnic, to be held on June 30. All Manx people who may be in the vicinity of Galva at that time are cordially invited to drop in at the picnic. For particulars, write the secretary, Mrs. Clyde Collinson, R.R. #2, Box 154, Galva, Ill.

On March 31, about 50 Galva Manx met to view the sound film "Trophy Island," an interesting and enjoyable picture loaned by the Isle of Man Tourist Board. The film was shown by the Peoria Manx on April 7, afterwards to be forwarded to Jack Callister, Alburni, B. C., and later to William Kinrade, Georgetown, Ont.

CHICAGO

The Chicago Manx Society observed its 84th anniversary with a dinner and entertainment in the club rooms of the Austin Y.M.C.A. on Saturday evening, April 6. Walter Stevenson was general chairman for the event, and Mrs. R. C. Kelly was in charge of reservations—57 members and friends sat down to a delicious dinner of baked ham and trimmings. Waiter Stevenson read the much-quoted table grace by the poet Robert Burns.

Following the dinner, "Ellan Vannin" was sung and the president, Dr. J. J. Moore, took charge as toastmaster, delighting everyone with his ever-ready wit and sparkling humor. The Chicago Manx Society is very proud of its President. He introduced the special guests, among whom were the Misses Carlson, ladies of Swedish background who have a "Manx Cattery" in West Chicago. Miss Ellen Carlson responded by giving highlights of her trip to the Isle of Man in 1955, when she was charmed with everything, and overwhelmed with greetings she received from Manx dignitaries—Richard Cain and son Harold, and Sir Percy Cowley, to mention a few. She loved the scenery, and the hospitality of everyone she met. Other guests were: Miss Mabel Kissack, exchange teacher from Britain and at present a professor at Roosevelt College—she is a cousin of the Rev. Mr. Rex Kissack of the Methodist Mission in Rome... Roselle Griffin, a newcomer to the Society; Mrs. David T. Nelson from Wilmette, Ill. and her guest, Miss Adams; Mrs. T. A. Thompson, an officer of the

Ulster Society; Mr. Corlett of River Forest, Ill.; Mr. Tilsey of Orland Park, Ill., and many others. Also welcomed were old friends Mr. and Mrs. H. C. Christian and John T. Shimmin from Rocky River, Ohio—Mr. Shimmin and his daughter Ethel (Mrs. Christian) being former Chicago residents.

Highlight of the entertainment was a travelogue of colored pictures of Manxland, Britain and several European countries, presented by James Green, Vice President of the Northern Trust Company. Mr. Green is a grandson of a pioneer Manx Chicagoan, the late Dan Gawne from Ballaugh. With Mr. Green at the dinner were his son and daughter and his mother. The family visited the Isle of Man last summer.

Two Manx souvenirs, donated by Myrra Stevenson, were won by Mrs. Fred Boyde and Mr. Corlett. With the singing of "God Be with You Till We Meet Again" the meeting adjourned, leaving plenty of time for a cooish and the renewal of old friendships.

SAN FRANCISCO

Mr. and Mrs. James Cringle were hosts for the February meeting of the San Francisco Manx. A good number attended, and following the short business meeting, the group enjoyed the usual "cooish" over a cup of tea, after which Jack Vincent entertained with piano selections.

There was a good attendance at the March meeting, held in the Social Hall of the Church of the Incarnation. The coming Convention was the chief topic of conversation, quite a number of members saying they hoped to make the trip to beautiful Vancouver and have the time of their lives—and meet friends old and new. Card parties in support of the Convention fund are being held—Mr. and Mrs. James Cringle gave one on March 30, and Dorothy Quayle was slated to put one on in May. Beside helping the good cause, the members have lots of fun.

ROCHESTER

Everyone had a grand time when Mr. and Mrs. David Little entertained the Rochester Manx on February 23. On April 6, Mr. and Mrs. Percy Kelly entertained the group, and again every one spent a pleasant evening and enjoyed seeing the Kelly's beautiful new home.

MONTREAL

The Montreal Manx were looking forward to a May meeting, planned to welcome some visitors from the Isle of Man. They are thinking about their Annual Picnic, and will arrange to hold it earlier than last year, when they found September uncomfortably cool for an outing.

LOS ANGELES

About 62 members and friends of the Los Angeles Manx Society attended the annual Valentine tea and concert on February 23 in the Odd Fellows Hall. Also present were 16 children, ten of whom were entertainers from the Caroline School of Dancing, Whittier, Calif., and put on a very nice show. Others on the program were Mrs. Wm. Hartley and Mrs. Joe Rodger of Long Beach, who sang two beautiful duets; Joe Rodger, who wore his kilts, sang several Scotch songs and played the accordion; Charles E. Trotman, who gave a reading—a pleasant surprise as many did not know he was so accomplished. John Christian was an excellent master of ceremonies and led the group in community singing. Many came from a distance to attend the party—among them Mrs. C. Russell and friends from Claremont and Mr. and Mrs. Ed Killip from San Clemente. Mr. and Mrs. W. H. Sargeon brought with them Dr and Mrs. Harry McPhail of Winnipeg. William Caley, the President, welcomed the group, graciously thanked the entertainers and their accompanist, Mr. W. Stacy; also expressed appreciation of the work of Mrs. Robert Gregg and her committee for the abundance of excellent food and the speedy service. Those on the committee were: Mrs. Herbert Young and daughter, Mrs. Ivy Costly, Mrs. John Christian, Miss Noreen Cottier, Mrs. Ed. Killip, Mr. and Mrs. E. Peschke, Mr. and Mrs. Wm Mullen and Mr. and Mrs. W. R. Matkin.

On April 6 a board meeting was held at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Robert Gregg, 2345 Roanoke Road, San Marino. Dinner was served after the meeting—honored guests being President and Mrs. W. K. Caley, Mr. Caley having recently married Mrs. Jessica Corlett from Douglas, Isle of Man. The Society presented them with a lovely tablecloth and napkins. Miss Margie Corlett (Mrs. Caley's daughter) was present, but was to fly back to Toronto next day. Mr. Caley showed movies taken on his trip to the Isle of Man last year, which were much enjoyed. Mr. and Mrs. George Lacey have promised to show their colored slides at a future date.

The next gathering, a picnic, will be at Long Beach the last Sunday in May.

TORONTO

The Toronto Manx held their March meeting in the hall on Jones Avenue, and enjoyed a game of euchre in place of the usual order of business. The Annual Dance, scheduled for May 23 in the Vimy room of the Baron Byng Veterans' Club, is to raise funds towards the Hollantide Party next November.

The Society's Annual Picnic will be held on June 8 at Port Dalhousie, about three miles from St. Catherine's. Manx friends from the States will be cordially welcomed.

OBITUARIES

- BARNES, Mona Mae Kelly**, aged 46, of Eugene, Oregon, was killed in an automobile accident in early April. Surviving are her husband, Donald; a daughter, Judith Ann; a son, Dexter E.; her mother, Mrs. Harriet Hinds and a sister, Mrs. Thelma Ann Shaw, both of Salem, Ore.; and a brother, William C. Kelly of San Francisco. Mrs. Barnes' father and mother came from Laxey, Isle of Man, her mother being the former Miss Harriet Clague. The family once lived in Seattle, Wash. and were associated with the Seattle Manx Society, now disbanded.
- CAIN, Florence Elizabeth**, (nee Quinney), died on March 13 at her home, "Tynwald," Young's Road, Papakura, Auckland, New Zealand. She leaves her husband, John E. Cain, Secretary of the Auckland Manx Society; a son, Eric, and two grandchildren. Mrs. Cain was a daughter of Robert Quinney, well-known fruiterer of Strand Street, Douglas many years ago. She was married to Mr. Cain in St. Barnabas Church, of which she was a choir member, on April 27, 1908, the couple departing for New Zealand after the ceremony. Mrs. Cain was a charter member of the Auckland Manx Society and served on its Committee for many years.
- CAINE, William E.**, of 1436 48th Ave., Oakland, Calif. died on January 1, aged 78. He leaves his wife, Nellie; a son, Ernest; and two sisters, the Misses Cattie and Bessie Caine, Peel, Isle of Man. Mr. Caine, at one time a carpenter at Watterson & Neakle's shipyard in Peel, came to the States about 35 years ago.
- CARRAN, Edward Franklin**, of 17224 Edgewater Drive, Lakewood, Ohio, died on March 2 at the age of 70. Surviving are his wife, Myrtle; a son, Edward F. Jr.; a daughter, Mrs. Bern T. Taylor of Toronto; a brother, Robert C. Carran; a sister, Mrs. Paul Kiligan, and seven grandchildren. Mr. Carran, a prominent labor consultant, was a grandson of the late Robert A. Carran, who for many years raised the flag on Cleveland's Public Square on patriotic occasions, and lived to the age of 102.
- COOK, Isabelle**, died in Gibson City, Ill. in early January at the age of 102. Surviving are two sons, three daughters, 16 grandchildren, 47 great-grandchildren and six great-great-grandchildren. Her husband, David, died in 1898. Mrs. Cook came to Ishpeming, Mich. from the Isle of Man in 1874, later moving to Illinois. A short account of this Manx centenarian appeared in the Bulletin about a year ago.
- CLAGUE, Jane**, of 213 North "A" St., Monmouth, Ill., died on March 22 at the age of 81. She is survived by a brother, William Lowey, and a sister, Mrs. Katherine Quayle, both in the Isle of Man; and two cousins in America, Kenneth and Donald Teare of Champaign, Ill. Mrs. Clague was born at Maughold, Isle of Man; married James F. Clague on November 19, 1912 in Colorado Springs, Colo. and moved to Monmouth in 1914.
- CORLETT, Arthur C.**, of 7010 Gerald Ave., Cleveland, died on March 4 at the age of 79. Surviving are his wife, Ora; a brother, Alva R. Corlett, retired Common Pleas judge in Cleveland; and a sister, Miss Alice J. Corlett, who is treasurer of the Ladies' Auxiliary to Mona's Relief Society.
- CRELLIN, William**, Pensions Officer in Douglas, Isle of Man, died suddenly on February 18. He leaves his wife, Mary, and daughter, Sandra; three brothers, John, Dick and Stanley of Douglas; two sisters, Mrs. G. E. Humphrey and Mrs. Harry Crellin of Lincoln, Nebraska; also several nephews and nieces.
- DIXON, Mona Katherine**, of 892 Eastbourne Ave., Ottawa, Ont., died on December 9, 1956. She leaves her husband, Peter Dixon; two daughters, Lynne and Jane; a sister, Jennie Leneghan of the Commercial Hotel in Ramsey, Isle of Man; a sister, Marjorie in Blackpool, England, and a brother, George Percival of Ramsey but at present in Kingston, Jamaica. After a church service in Ottawa on December 12, Mrs. Dixon's body was shipped to the Isle of Man for burial. Because of a severe snowstorm in the Island at Christmas, the body lay in St. Paul's Church, Ramsey (where Mr. and Mrs. Dixon were married in 1941), and was laid to rest in Lezayre Churchyard on December 28. Mrs. Dixon was the daughter of former Captain Hudson of Castletown and the late Mrs. Jane Percival of Ramsey. Most of her life was spent in Peel with her uncle and aunt, Mr. and Mrs. R. H. Greggor.
- KERRUISH, William E.**, died on March 7 at his home, 2539 N. Moreland Blvd., Cleveland. Surviving is his wife, Francis, (nee Brown), whom he married in 1934. His grandfather, Hugh Kerruish, came to Cleveland from the Isle of Man about 1840. The family farmed a tract of land in the old Manx settlement, now Beachwood Village, for three generations, Mr. Kerruish himself having farmed it until 1913. Until his health failed, he was an interested member of the Mona's Relief Society and the N.A.M.A., and visited the Island on Homecoming trips.
- JACKSON, Martin William**, of 4490 West 157th St., Cleveland, died in Lake Worth, Fla. on March 5. Surviving are his wife, Annie L. (nee Quine); two sons, William Douglas and Woodrow A.; three daughters, Mrs. Frances A. Polkon, Mrs. Margaret E. Kiess and Mrs. Eileen V. Quine; and 11 grandchildren.
- JOUGHIN, Charles Evan**, of 78 Strand St., Douglas, Isle of Man, died on April 4. He leaves a stepson, Edward Elliott and family; a brother, Thomas Gordon of Sydney, Australia; a sister, Mrs. Thomas Kelley of Lincoln, Nebraska, who is secretary of the Nebraska Manx Ass'n; and several nephews and nieces.
- MONIER, Anna**, of 2205 N. Knoxville Ave., Peoria, died on March 9 after a long illness. She was 90. Surviving are three brothers, Robert and John of Henry, Ill., and Thomas of Galva. A sister, Alice, with whom she lived, died in August, 1954. Miss Monier was born in Marshall County, Ill. in 1867, and came to Peoria in 1910. Descended from Manx pioneers, the Monier family has always been deeply interested in things Manx. Many will remember meeting the Monier sisters at the Peoria Convention.
- THOMPSON, Fred**, 66, of Winnipeg, died on March 28. Surviving are his wife, Alice; a son, Robert; one grandchild; and a brother, Edward, in England. Mr. Thompson was born in Ramsey, Isle of Man, youngest son of the late J. R. Thompson, "The Guard," Isle of Man Railway Company. He served his apprenticeship with Brooke & Co., machinists, along with James Y. Mann. He came out to Toronto and later to Winnipeg, and was married from Jim Mann's home.
- WARD, Oscar**, aged 82, died on April 4 at his home, 1818 West 81st St., Los Angeles, Calif. Surviving are his widow, Mary Ann (nee Caine), a former secretary of the Los Angeles Manx Society for many years; a sister-in-law, Mrs. Marshall Ward of Onchan, Isle of Man, and several nephews and nieces. Mr. Ward was born at the Coron, Maughold, Isle of Man; was educated at the Douglas Grammar School and served apprenticeship to the grocery business in Manchester, England. Later he conducted a draper's business in Strand Street, Douglas, and married Florrie Cowin. After her death he came to the States in 1907, then went to Nome, Alaska and engaged in gold mining; later became successful in the grocery business, retiring in 1926. He married Mary Caine in Los Angeles in 1935.

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