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

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A Christmas Message From Our President

Christmas Greetings to all members of the North American Manx Association! Special Greetings also to the many hundreds of Manx people and their families all over the world!

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A Merry Christmas To Everybody!

"Just health enough to banish care,
Just wealth enough to give and spare,
Just friends enough sincere and true
May this glad Season bring to you."

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At this season our thoughts turn back more and more to our earlier years, and if we were born in the Isle of Man we think of Christmas as we kept it in the homeland. It is forty-five years since I left the Isle of Man to come to Canada, and I still have many happy memories of Christmases I spent over there. We children always made sure that we had real big stockings to hang up over the fireplace on Christmas Eve, before we went to bed! We did not get much sleep that night, and at the crack of dawn we were up like larks to see what Santa Claus had brought us. My thoughts

always seem to turn to the Isle of Man at Christmas more than at any other season of the year. Those were happy years for most of us — we loved the choirs singing carols outside our homes; we loved the "White Boys" — the "Hunt-the-Wren" singers — and the operettas the Douglas Choral Union used to put on at the Gaiety Theatre during Christmas week! We Manx on this continent still try to keep up some of the old customs as far as we can.

At this time of the year we should think of Peace among all the nations of the world, and try to forget about rockets and "sputniks." Let us all try to preserve the Peace that is with us at this time.

Looking forward a few months — this coming spring will find many of us enjoying a trip home to the Island we all love so much. If you intend coming along, I urge you to make your booking early. We leave Montreal on the Carinthia on May 22 and will arrive in Douglas about 7:00 A. M. on May 30.

Arrangements are well in hand, and reservations are filling up fast — so HURRY!

In some of our homes, loved ones will be missing this year. It is hard to say "Merry Christmas" under such circumstances, but we know that God's will is for the best, and this will enable us to bear up and praise our Divine Father for all his blessings to mankind. To the Christ-child born on that first Christmas Day we owe all that is best in life. Let us put our trust in Him.

I extend to you all my very best wishes for the Merriest Christmas ever, and may the New Year be the happiest and most prosperous year of your lives. God bless you all.

"May Christmastime like holly,
Encircle you with cheer,
And every hour surround you
With joys you hold most dear,
And may the year to follow,
Just like a book that's new,
Unfold a lovely story
Of happiness for you."

FRED J. CAVEEN, President

A Merry Christmas

A Happy New Year



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

Once again through the Bulletin we come into your homes at this glad anniversary of our Saviour's Birth, and express the sincere wish that all of you may have the Season's greatest satisfactions. From the depths of our hearts, we wish for you and your loved ones the greatest Christmas Joy, and the truest Happiness all through the New Year.

The past year has had its problems, its burdens and its disappointments for all. To some it has had its heart-aches and its sorrows. But to each one our Master has spoken the assuring words—"I will never leave you nor forsake you." And that, too, is His promise to each of us in the New Year we are soon to enter.

Our wish for you is that your cup of gladness may be full, and that Christmas may mean more to you this year than ever before as you meditate upon what Christmas Day commemorates—the gift of a Saviour and a Friend to everyone who believes. And we wish also that the year 1958 may give you three hundred and sixty-five days of Peace, Love and Joy.

Joseph Partridge,
First Vice President



The 1957 Convention is now history, and remains a happy memory to those who were there. The glad hand of fellowship was extended, and a friendly feeling prevailed.

At this Christmas season, I send to the officers and members of the N.A. M.A. sincere wishes for a Merry Christmas. May Peace and Happiness be with you during the coming year.

Samuel Cain,
2nd Vice-President



As Christmas draws near it gives me great pleasure to extend my very best wishes to all my Manx friends across the Continent. May you have a wonderful Christmas and a Happy New Year.

This is my sincere wish.

Mrs. Dolly Caveon
Representative N.A.M.A. Ladies'
Auxiliary.

Christmas again—and Manx people all round the world are saying "Merry Christmas" to one another by card, by letter, and through this Bulletin. There seems no such thing as distance in place or time, at Christmas we are one big family, exchanging good wishes and affectionate thoughts. It is a wonderful thing that the people of this small and scattered nation of ours are so united by ties of old custom passed on through the generations, that we do have this spiritual contact at Christmas. May you find all the happiness, peace and contentment that friends are wishing you; may you enjoy this present Christmas, and cherish tender memories of Christmases past. And may the year ahead be blessed with Health, Peace and Prosperity.

Gertrude Cannell
Bulletin Editor.



To my Manx friends and their kinsfolk in all parts of the North American Continent, in that lovely gem of the Irish Sea—our own dear Ellan Vannin—and in every corner of the world, my best wishes for the Merriest Christmas ever. I also wish each and everyone a New Year filled with Peace, Happiness and all of the good things which make life worth while.

Claire M. Myicraime
Cor. and Rec. Secretary



Soon we shall celebrate the anniversary of the birth of Jesus Christ. Although born in a stable in an obscure village and reared in humble circumstances, His teachings and exemplary life have been the inspiration of the world for nineteen centuries.

It is not the kind of place you live in, the splurge you make, nor how you rate in worldly goods that sets your heart aglow—it's the way you feel inside.

Happy Christmas to you all!

Robert Gregg,
Past President.

It is again a great pleasure to extend the wish that all Manx people everywhere may enjoy a very Merry Christmas and most Prosperous New Year.

R. W. Skillicorn
Fin.-Sec'y, Treas.



As we approach the Christmas Season once again, it is an honor and a privilege to have the opportunity of extending Christmas and New Year Greetings to Manx folk through the medium of the N.A.M.A. Bulletin.

During the past three Conventions, which I was fortunate enough to attend, I met many Manx people from all parts of the U.S.A. and Canada, and assure you that we can be proud of these fellow-countrymen who make up the membership of the N.A.M.A.

I trust that 1958 will be a year rich in blessing for all Manx people. May we all resolve to be more united than ever in "preserving whatever is left to us of ancient heritage." May the Christmas and New Year Season bring peace, joy, happiness and contentment to all.

Walter J. Stevenson,
Third Vice President



WORLD MANX ASSOCIATION

The World Manx Association in the Isle of Man, ever mindful of Manx friends scattered throughout the world, sends warmest Christmas greetings of good will to the members and friends of the N.A.M.A. This is the season when we all draw closer together in loving remembrance—so we say to you, in the words of Charles Dickens—"You shall hold your places in our Christmas hearts and by our Christmas fires."

We look forward to meeting many of you in the "Lil' Islan" with the Homecomers next summer.

A Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year to all.

Richard Cain, President
Harold Cain, Chairman
Charles Craine, Hon. Secretary,
18 Broadway
Douglas, Isle of Man.

OUR OWN PEOPLE

Officers and members of the N.A.M.A. are happy to extend sincere wishes for happiness and good fortune to Mr. and Mrs. Frank Anderson O'Nians, who were married in St. Peter's Church, Onchan on September 2, by the Lord Bishop of Sodor and Man. Mrs. O'Nians was Miss Anstice Ann Flux Dundas, only daughter of Lieutenant-Governor Sir Ambrose Flux Dundas and Lady Dundas. Both Mr. and Mrs. O'Nians were employed at Marconi's Ltd., Chelmsford, as electronic engineers. After their honeymoon in England, they were to come to Rochester, N. Y. to join the Stromberg Carlson Company. We extend them a hearty welcome to these shores.

John A. Corlett, 18726 Winslow Road, Shaker Heights, Ohio, was elected judge of the new Municipal Court serving Shaker Heights and four other Cleveland suburbs. Seven men contested for this office in the November elections.

Mrs. John Lewin and family observed several September anniversaries with one grand celebration—a dinner on September 29 at The Palms Restaurant, Lake Worth, Fla. The "Golden" occasion was the 50th anniversary of Mrs. Lewin's arrival in the United States. She and the late Mr. Lewin lived in Cleveland for many years and were very popular and active among the Manx groups. They moved to Lake Worth in 1942. Other anniversaries celebrated were the birthdays of Mrs. Lewin's daughters, Mrs. Walter Moran and Mrs. Clarence Halter, and of her daughter-in-law, Mrs. Fred Lewin. . . and two wedding anniversaries, the 31st of Mr. and Mrs. Moran and the 27th of Mr. and Mrs. Halter.

N.A.M.A. President Fred Caveen and Frank Williamson of Toronto spent a few days in Cleveland last July, staying at the home of Mr. and Mrs. W. Harry Kelly, 21009 Clave Ave., Bedford, Ohio. During the fall, the Kellys entertained Frank Williamson and his daughter, Mrs. Marion Fortune, who spent a week end with them in early October, and the following week end had Mr. and Mrs. Fred Caveen and daughter Dorothy visiting them. Mr. and Mrs. Dick Corkill of Detroit were their guests during the October 18-20 week end.

Another week-end guest at that home of hospitality, the Kellys of Bedford, Ohio, was Miss Beryl Brereton of Rockferry, Cheshire, England, a niece of Miss Martin of Ramsey, Isle of Man. Miss Brereton has spent a year in Akron, Ohio as exchange librarian, where she met Miss Flo Crellin, who has been on the staff of the Akron Public Library for some years. Miss Brereton sailed for home on the Brittanic on October 31.

A rather unusual gathering took place when six Manxwomen, bound for various destinations, enjoyed dinner together in the restaurant in the Times Building, New York, on September 18. They were—Mrs. Nellie Cottier of Pasadena, Calif., returning from a four-month holiday in the Isle of Man; Miss Margaret Kermode of Onchan who crossed with her on the Scythia to visit on this side; Mrs. Annie Osborne of Liverpool, England, returning home after visiting her brothers, John R. Cain of Cleveland and T. Harry Cain of Akron, and sister Mrs. R. Speedie of Sylvan Lake, Alberta; Mrs. Mona Cain Smith (Mrs. Osborne's niece), and Mrs. Frances Hitchen, both of Akron, who were seeing her off on the Scythia. Sixth member of this happy party was Miss Florence Gill of Brooklyn, N. Y., that friendly, gracious lady who had said hail and farewell to scores of Manx people passing through the port of New York.

Frank Williamson of Toronto saw Queen Elizabeth II and Prince Philip several times during their 5-day visit in Ottawa, and feels they are wonderful people who have done a great deal to strengthen the ties between Britain, Canada and the United States. On the day the Queen opened Parliament it was a wonderful spectacle, Frank said, to see the royal couple driven through the streets in an open carriage drawn by six horses, the Queen in her Coronation robe and the Prince in full dress uniform. They were escorted by the Royal Canadian Mounted Police. Even the weather was perfect for them, and they saw the autumn foliage in all its glory. Frank was staying with his youngest daughter, who lives in Ottawa, and before returning to Toronto he took her for a few days' trip through the Adirondaeks, where they enjoyed the mountain scenery.

Visiting in Cleveland during the November 8 week end were Mr. and Mrs. Horace Brown of Pittsburgh, Pa. They stayed with our Treasurer, Bill Skillicorn, and Mrs. Skillicorn, 4912 East 96th Street, and met some Manx friends while there.

During a short vacation in late October, Miss Alice Garrett of Rochester paid a visit to relatives in Detroit, and while there was entertained by Mr. and Mrs. Alec Cannell and Mr. and Mrs. Dick Corkill. On the return trip she spent the week end in Cleveland, where old friends Claire Mylecraine, Amy Abell and family, Mildred Corris and Gertrude Cannell enjoyed some pleasant hours with her.

Charlie Craine, Hon. Secretary of the World Manx Association, and Mrs. Craine, had a holiday in South Wales in the fall, when they had the great pleasure of attending the found-

ing of a Manx Society in Port Talbot—the very first Manx Society in Wales. Congratulations and best wishes to the new Society!

Visitors to Cleveland in October were Mrs. Jennie Gale and niece, Miss Moughtin of Douglas, Isle of Man. They stayed with Mr. and Mrs. Joe Moughtin, 855 Greyton Road, East Cleveland, Mrs. Gale being Mr. Moughtin's sister, and Miss Moughtin his niece. The ladies met many Manx people at the Mona's Relief Society meeting on October 1, among them an old friend, Stephen H. Quinney, formerly of Douglas.

A candidate for re-election this fall to the Leroy Township (Ohio) Board of Trustees, on which he has served for the last six years, was Carl E. Crellin, President of the Northeast Ohio Manx Society. A native of Leroy, Mr. Crellin has been a farmer and livestock dealer for a half-century, and is very active in agricultural societies in the district. His wife is the former Bernice Quine, and they have a son and a daughter.

In the year 1827, Thomas and Catherine Harrison came from the Isle of Man to settle in northeastern Ohio. On August 4 this year, 130 years later, 47 of their descendants met for their 46th annual reunion at Mentor Township Park, Ohio. Coming from a distance were Mr. and Mrs. Frank M. Harrison, Walterboro, S. C., and Mr. and Mrs. Floyd E. Rogers, Eustis, Fla. Others were from neighboring Ohio communities. The family is an organized society, and after the noon dinner a business meeting was held at which the following officers were elected: Mrs. Anthony S. Franko, President; William S. Rogers, Vice President; Mrs. Kenneth D. Quine, Secretary-Treasurer. Recent marriages and births were reported, reports and correspondence read, and a roundup made of the oldest and youngest members and largest families. The next reunion will be on August 3, 1958.

Essie Quayle and Jim and Katie Cringle of San Francisco are expecting Mr. and Mrs. Frank Callister and daughter Jane, from Singapore, to visit them next April, while en route to the Isle of Man. Frank is a brother of Essie and Katie.

Many members who went to Vancouver were concerned when they heard that Mr. and Mrs. R. W. Russell of Toronto lost their luggage en route, and will be glad to know that it was returned safely nearly a month later. The shortage of apparel, however, did not deter the Russells from going over to Victoria, B. C. to visit Mr. Russell's brother, whom he had not seen for 46 years.

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News and Christmas Greetings

CHICAGO

Members and friends of the Chicago Manx Society enjoyed a memorable evening on November 15, when they met for dinner and entertainment at the Austin Y.M.C.A. Dr. J. J. Moore, President, was in the chair, and after extending a warm welcome to everyone, turned over the program to Walter Stevenson. For the first part of his program, Walter gave a lecture dealing with the history, customs, antiquities and so on, of "The Little Manx Nation." The second half was a travelogue illustrated with slides of the Isle of Man. Good publicity in the local papers helped to swell the attendance, and among those present was a Mr. Wing, a friend of Walter's, who was about to celebrate his 101st birthday. . . also Paul Hines from the Columbia Broadcasting Studios, who made a tape recording of the program. Walter has done a great deal of research in order to create this excellent presentation, and he had a most enthusiastic and appreciative audience. Manx people present said they learned more about their Homeland that evening than they had ever known before.

Following the program was a short meeting, with election of officers as follows:

President.....Walter J. Stevenson
1st V. Pres.....Dr. J. J. Moore
2nd V. Pres.....Mrs Percy Ristow
Sec'y.-Treas.....Mrs. R. C. Kelly

"I hope the little fellow
Who's knocking at your door,
Will bring some brand-new pleasures
That you've not known before.
May each day hold surprises
Of health and friends and cheer,
So Joy invades your hearthside
Twelve happy months next year."

Walter J. Stevenson, President
Mrs. R. Cecil Kelly, Sec'y-Treas.
7825 S. Oglesby Ave.
Chicago 49, Illinois.



NEBRASKA

Memories of Christmases gone by are linked with Christmas of today, and the old wishes for Happiness and Joy to the World through the Christ child's birth are the same as ever, as we extend them to Manx friends at home and abroad.

James Robison, President
Glenn L. Faben, Vice-Pres.
Mrs. Thomas Kelley, Sec'y-Treas.
2925 "E" St., Lincoln 10, Neb.

LADIES' AUXILIARY TO MONA'S RELIEF SOCIETY, CLEVELAND

The ladies of the Auxiliary were very happy to welcome an old friend and member, Mrs. Nellie Cottier, at their October 4 meeting. Although Mrs. Cottier has lived in California for the last several years, she has a very warm spot in her heart for friends and associations in Cleveland.

The officers and members of the Ladies' Auxiliary to the Mona's Relief Society send greetings for old times' sake, and sincerely wish that you and yours may have all the best that life can give at Christmastide and throughout the coming year.

Mrs. Fred T. Gorry, President
Mrs. Roy Bertsch, Secretary
1668 Lee Road.
Cleveland Heights 18, Ohio.



VANCOUVER

The Vancouver Manx met on November 9 at the Horticultural Hall for their regular monthly meeting. Pictures were shown, and a game of whist and refreshments completed a very pleasant evening. Welcome guests were Edith, Ruth and Nelson Cubbon of Seattle, who drive the 150 miles several times a year to attend the Vancouver Manx meetings.

The November Executive Board meeting was held at Mr. and Mrs. A. T. Wood's home with a full attendance. It was agreed to ask the Mannin Society to cooperate with the Vancouver Manx Society in putting on the children's Christmas Party. After the business meeting, refreshments were served and all enjoyed a good coolish.

The new Mannin Society agreed to organize the Children's Christmas party, scheduled for the evening of December 21. Two rooms were booked at the Horticultural Hall, one for the children and the other to accommodate parents and adults. This party is always a huge success, and plans indicate that this year will be no exception.

The Vancouver Manx Society extends warmest Christmas and New Year's Greetings to Manx people all over the world. May Peace and Love abide in your hearts and homes throughout the coming year.

William Lawson, President
Mrs. A. T. Wood, Sec'y.
4181 Southwood St.
So. Burnaby, B. C.

GALVA

At a dinner meeting held in October in American Legion Hall, the Galva Manx Society elected the following officers:

President.....Mrs. Arthur R. Johnson
Vice President.....Mrs. T. T. Kelly
Sec'y.-Treas.....Mrs. Clyde Collinson

The outgoing president, Mrs. James Kermeen, conducted the meeting.

Guests included Mrs. Eva Ashman, Mrs. William McMyn and Mr. and Mrs. Ben Scott and family of Peoria; the Rev. and Mrs. John Clark of Knoxville, and Mr. and Mrs. Brian Cottier from the Isle of Man. The Cottiers were on their honeymoon and planned to return to the Island on November 28. Mrs. Cottier, who is a teacher, gave the program, which included travel pictures taken in New Mexico and other parts of the Southwest. While in Galva she was to appear as guest speaker for the Galva Chapter of the National Honor Society.

The officers and members extend to all Manx friends, very best wishes for a Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year.

Mrs. Arthur R. Johnson, President
Mrs. Tirus T. Kelly, Vice President
Mrs. Clyde Collinson, Sec'y-Treas.
R. R. No. 2, Box 154,
Galva, Illinois.



N.A.M.A. LADIES' AUXILIARY

At present the N.A.M.A. Ladies have 62 members, and are striving to reach the goal of at least 100 for 1957-58. They are happy to welcome new members--and old members too, as many have not been heard from. Just send 50 cents dues to the Secretary-Treasurer, Mrs. Henry C. Christian.

A greeting seems much warmer,
A wish seems more sincere,
And good friends seem still dearer
When Christmastime is here.
Merry Christmas--and all good wishes for the year ahead.

Miss Mildred Carr's, President
Mrs. H. C. Christian, Sec'y-Treas.
801 Orchard Park Drive
Rocky River 16, Ohio

Greetings From Manx Societies

TORONTO

The Toronto Manx celebrated Hollantide Night in November with a banquet and dance. A good crowd sat down to the turkey and ham dinner, and afterwards danced till midnight. The executives and helpers are to be congratulated on their success in providing a wonderfully happy evening.

Officers and members of the Toronto Manx Society join in wishing all Manx people, wherever they are, a Joyous Christmas and a Happy and Prosperous New Year.

Stan Bateman, President
Brenda Creer, Secretary
4 Ellsworth Ave., Apt. 10
Toronto 10, Ont., Canada



GREATER NEW YORK

Old Trinity Church in the City of New York was packed with members of British Societies who gathered there for the annual British Harvest Festival on Sunday afternoon, October 13. As always, the flags and emblems of the numerous organizations were carried in the processional, Mr. John Howard carrying the Manx banner. Miss Florence Gill says the service was lovely, and we can imagine the Manx joining in those old harvest hymns—"Come, ye thankful people, come," and "We plow the fields." The gifts of fruits and vegetables with which the church was decorated were afterwards given to charitable institutions.

Miss Gill has also sent a program of the Commonwealth Ball given by the Associated Commonwealth Societies in honor of Queen Elizabeth on October 21. Fifty-eight British organizations were represented, and about 4500 people attended this brilliant assembly in the Seventh Regiment Armory, New York. Among the Manx present were: Mr. and Mrs. J. Howard, their daughter Elaine and husband, Bill Moon; John and Margaret Crellin, Jessica Greiner, Captain and Mrs. Gill, Miss Florence Gill and others. Mrs. Howard and Miss Gill were in the line of honor as the Queen and Prince Philip walked to the royal box, and Miss Gill describes them as a lovely, natural couple. Featured on the program were the British Commonwealth Choir, Mr. John Brownlee of Metropolitan Opera, ceremonial drill by the Royal Canadian Navy and the Seventh Regi-

ment, and dancing to the music of Guy Lombardo and his Royal Canadians. This spectacular affair provided a memorable evening for all those privileged to be present.

The Manx of Greater New York send warmest greetings to all friends, with Best Wishes for Christmas Happiness, and Peace and Prosperity in the New Year.

Florence M. Gill, Regional Director
39 St. Paul's Place
Brooklyn 26, N. Y.



VANCOUVER MANX LADIES

The Vancouver Manx Ladies have had a very active and successful year. In addition to the monthly meetings at members' homes, extra meetings were called in order to help the N.A.M.A. Convention. Mrs. John Crossan, President of the Ladies' Club, was chairman of the Prize Distribution committee, and she and the members did a good job of collecting attractive prizes.

In October a very successful sale of work was held in the Horticultural Hall. Election of officers was scheduled for late November.

The members deeply regret the passing, on September 25, of their Secretary, Mrs. Alice M. M. Killip. In former years she had also been secretary of the Vancouver Manx Society. She will be greatly missed.

The Vancouver Manx Ladies' Club sends Greetings and Best Wishes for Christmas and the New Year to Manx people everywhere. May we have Peace and Prosperity in the months to come.

Mrs. Alice Halsall, Acting Sec'y.
2834 Georgia St.,
Vancouver 6, B. C.



MONA'S MUTUAL BENEFIT SOCIETY, CLEVELAND

The Mona's Mutual Benefit Society extends to Manxmen and their families everywhere, sincere greetings and all kind thoughts and best wishes for a Happy Christmas and a Bright and Peaceful New Year.

Herbert A. Quayle, President
R. W. Skillicorn, Fin. Sec'y.
4912 East 96th Street,
Cleveland 25, Ohio.

MONA'S RELIEF SOCIETY, CLEVELAND

The Cleveland Manx met on October 1 in the Detroit Ave. Methodist Church, Lakewood, with a large attendance of both West and East-siders. Everyone greatly enjoyed the showing of beautiful colored pictures of Vancouver and other parts of the West, taken by several people during the Convention trip. W. Harry Kelly operated the projector, and beside Mr. Kelly's pictures there were many taken by Miss Mildred Corris, Miss Winnie Cashin and Mrs. Sophia Brown. The members were happy to welcome visitors from the Isle of Man, Mrs. Jennie Gale and niece Miss Moughtin from Douglas and Miss Margaret Kermod from Onchan, also an old friend and member, Mrs. Nellie Cottier, who was on her way home to California after a long holiday in the Isle of Man.

The November meeting was held on the 5th in St. Stephen's Church Hall on the east side. About 60 gathered for a very enjoyable card party, proceeds to go toward the Christmas party planned for early December. The usual excellent refreshments and table and door prizes added to the evening's pleasure.

Officers and members of the Mona's Relief Society of Cleveland extend Season's Greetings to Manx friends everywhere. May the New Year bring Happiness and Prosperity to all.

Alan Fricke, President
Mrs. Mona DeWorth, Acting Sec'y.
3106 Library Ave.
Cleveland 9, Ohio.



LOS ANGELES

The Los Angeles Manx held a picnic at Bixby Park, Long Beach, on October 13, but because of the "liquid" sunshine that day, only a few ventured to go. Among them was Miss Margaret Kermod from Onchan, Isle of Man, with her aunt, Mrs. Andrews of Temple City, Calif. All congratulated Mrs. Nellie Cottier on looking so well after her long holiday in the Isle of Man. Plans are being made for a meeting on January 18 at the Odd Fellows Hall in Los Angeles.

Officers and members of the Los Angeles Manx Society send Best Wishes for a Merry Christmas and Joy to the World.

W. K. Caley, President
Mrs. Robert Gregg, Secretary
2345 Roanoke Road
San Marino 9, California

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OUR OWN PEOPLE

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Mrs. Edith Kelly, 501 Dupont St., Toronto 4, Ont., was delighted to receive an interesting letter from Geo. Mylroie of Franklin, Idaho, who was born in Laxey. As mentioned in our last Bulletin, Mrs. Kelly is alone and loves to hear from anyone from her native Laxey.

Essie Quayle stopped overnight in Los Angeles on her voyage home to San Francisco after her world tour, staying with Mrs. Nellie Cottier and Noreen. Miss Margaret Kermode of Onchan, who was Mrs. Cottier's traveling companion from the Isle of Man, was with them at the same time. Miss Kermode and her aunt, Mrs. Andrews, also were entertained by Mr. and Mrs. Robert Gregg of San Marino.

Mr. and Mrs. Fred Corrin and their sister Mrs. Ivy Dillon of Bisbee, Ariz., recently took a California holiday. They paid a visit to Mr. and Mrs. W. K. Caley in Costa Mesa, and Mr. and Mrs. W. J. Mullen in Alhambra.

Mr. and Mrs. Robert Bruce are wintering again in Laguna, Calif. Mr. Bruce was born in Douglana and came to the States in 1907.

Leaving New Zealand on December 27 for a long voyage is Tom Woods, formerly of Peel. He sails on the "Cronsay," calling at Sydney, Melbourne and Fremantle, Australia; Bali, Java; Singapore; Colombo, Ceylon; Port Said; Athens, Naples, Marseilles, Gibraltar, Lisbon, London—and then to the Isle of Man!

Mr. and Mrs. Albert Woods of 4181 Southwood St., Burnaby, B. C. were planning to spend Thanksgiving Day with Mrs. Woods' family in Seattle, later going to Portland, Ore. for a few days. In Portland they expected to call on Mrs. Cowley and daughter, who attended both the Vancouver and San Francisco Conventions. Mrs. Cowley was formerly Miss Goldsmith, daughter of a well-known Douglas jeweler in former years.

Miss Margaret Kermode of Onchan, Isle of Man, who crossed to New York with Mrs. Nellie Cottier in September, enjoyed a grand holiday, visiting relatives in Cleveland, Los Angeles and Florida. She flew into New York from Tampa on November 9, leaving a few hours later by B.O.A.C. plane for London. Returning on the same plane was John Bryan of Douglas, who had been visiting relatives in Washington, D. C. and elsewhere.

The October Bulletin mentioned the marriage, on September 28, of Miss Myrra L. Stevenson, daughter of Walter Stevenson of Chicago, to Mr. Randall Johnson. Now we are able to pass along part of Mrs. R. C. Kelly's description — that "the lek of that

weddin' has navar been seen." Even the minister said it was the prettiest wedding ever held in his church. Myrra was beautiful in a bouffant gown, and the bridesmaids lovely in pink and white. A surprise for the bride's father at the reception was an entertainment by his own quartette—Walter knew nothing about it until the music was handed to him. After a honeymoon in New England and Bermuda, the newlyweds, Mr. and Mrs. Randall Johnson, are at home at 191 N. Marion St., Oak Park, Ill.

There was quite a family party at Mr. and Mrs. Henry Christian's in Rocky River, Ohio in November, when Ethel's brother and wife, Mr. and Mrs. Arthur Shimmin of LaGrange, Ill. came for a few days to visit them and their father, John T. Shimmin. Accompanying them was their aunt, Mrs. T. Cashin of Chicago, who made a longer visit.

In October, Mr. and Mrs. Henry Christian of Rocky River, Ohio drove to Buffalo and Niagara Falls, where they visited old friends—Miss Mary Skillicorn and her brother Walter, Sid Corkish and Miss Ruth Morrison.

Mrs. E. A. Sloan, of 112 Cloverdale Ave., Dorval, Que., arrived home on September 24 after a pleasant summer spent with relatives and friends in Peel, Isle of Man. While there she met Mrs. Nellie Cottier and Mrs. Essie Quayle at a tea in Glen Wyllin. She also attended the Tynwald Day ceremonies at St. John's.

MANX WEDDINGS

Audrey Frances Cowin, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Ralph Cowin, 3264 West 114th St., Cleveland, was married on November 9 at St. John's Cathedral to Eugene D. Hughes, son of Mr. and Mrs. Edward Hughes of Millersville, Ohio. The newlyweds will make their home in Reading, Pa.

Thirty-three guests gathered at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Sam Cain, 232 East 19th Ave., Vancouver, B. C. for a bridal shower given for their daughter, Mrs. Isabel Irwin, whose marriage to Mr. J. Hayter was announced to take place at Chalmers United Church on December 7.

The marriage of Miss Nancy Agnew of Montreal to Mr. Patrick Joseph Rooney of Prescott, Ontario, took place in St. Aloysius Church on May 18. Mrs. Rooney is the daughter of the late Mr. Jack Agnew from Douglas, Isle of Man, and Mrs. Agnew.

THE L'IL PEOPLE

Born on July 2, a son, to the Rev. and Mrs. Lou Vick. Grandfather is H. E. Vick of New Monterey, Calif.

Mr. and Mrs. Charles Doidge of Toronto recently became proud parents of a baby boy—Peter.

Christmas Is Coming

Christmas is almost here again, and, whether we spent our young days in the Isle of Man, Canada or the States, we all turn back in memory to childhood Christmases, and try hard to revive the feel of those days. We look at beautifully wrapped gifts, so lovely in their gay ribbons and tinsel that we actually hate to open them for fear the magic and mystery they suggest will all disappear. When we were children we did not care whether our presents were wrapped or not — everything that came out of a Christmas stocking was touched with a delight not of this world. Even the apple and orange down in the toe were different from fruit received in the ordinary way.

We seldom saw Christmas trees in those days — in the Isle of Man at least. The first I ever saw was in the home of Mr. and Mrs. Tom Halsall, who lived next door to us on Victoria Street, Douglas, and whose daughters, Elsie and Edith, came to the San Francisco Convention two years ago. We all decorated with lots of holly, and left it up until Shrove Tuesday, "to burn under the pancakes."

About the first sign of Christmas with us was the arrival of a large bunloaf, annual present from Mr. Murray, the baker. This would be about December first, and was a fore-taste of good things to come. Then for a week or two there would be children coming round in the early evening, singing "While Shepherds Watched" before every door in hopes of a penny. That reminds one that while we seem to hear many more Christmas hymns and carols than we knew as children, there are a few of those old ones that we miss, "White Shepherds Watched" being one of them. What has become of "Christians, Awake" — there was a time when we could not imagine Christmas without it. Perhaps its challenging summons needs to be heard as some of us heard it—from the dark streets in the small hours of a winter morning when "the choirs" were out. Then there was "Joy Fills Our Inmost Heart Today" — a beautiful hymn, and a favorite at St. Barnabas — now heard no more. "Once in Royal David's City" — that appealing hymn for children, is rarely used, although I have heard it in Trinity Cathedral, Cleveland, and once on the radio, sung with beautiful simplicity by the Tabernacle Choir of Salt Lake City.

Well, we could go on and on reminiscing about what we used to do — the expectation of a fall of snow, the children's parties with the cake and the jellies and the games that were such fun. Most of all do we think of the faces round the table and the fire-side, the dear ones who made our Christmas a time of delight. May we do our part to pass along the blessed tradition of a Happy Christmas.

Gertrude Cannell

SOCIETY NEWS AND GREETINGS

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SAN FRANCISCO

The San Francisco Manx held their last fall picnic at the home of Mr. and Mrs. John Vincent, 3825 Grove Ave., Palo Alto, Calif. The Vincents had steaming tea and coffee all ready for the guests, and the members did justice to a good basket lunch in their lovely patio. In the afternoon Mrs. Herb Corlett gave a wonderful report on the Vancouver Convention. About 6:00 P. M. all sat down to supper, after which James Kissack of Palo Alto showed his beautiful slides of Lake Louise and Banff, also the Oregon coast and some lovely Manx scenes—a real “theatre under the stars.” The day finished with another cup of tea and many thanks to the Vincents.

The next excitement was the arrival, on October 20, of the secretary, Essie Quayle, from her 18-month world tour. As the ship docked at San Francisco, friends on the pier unfurled a large banner made by Herb Corlett, bearing the Three Legs of Man and the words “Welcome Home, Essie.” On landing, Essie was greeted by Mrs. Corlett with a corsage, and the crowd adjourned to 1537 20th Ave., Essie’s home. How the evening was spent can be well imagined.

A week later, a reception was held for Essie in the social hall of the Church of the Incarnation, which was beautifully decorated, and filled to capacity. Another banner, made by Mrs. Vincent, with “Welcome Home, Essie” and the Three Legs, was displayed on the stage. “Welcome Home, Essie” was repeated on a large cake which made a handsome table centerpiece. After the business meeting, the President, Herb Corlett, presented tokens of appreciation to Miss Cecilia Morris and Mrs. Katie Cringle for acting, respectively, as secretary and correspondent, and to Mrs. Alice Burnett and Mrs. Amy Satterlee for sending out notices. Then Essie was presented with a corsage and asked to give a talk. She responded with a wonderful account of the places visited and the Manx she had met. Mr. and Mrs. George Craine of Butte, Mont. were present, and Mrs. Craine, who is known for her Manx readings, gave “The Pazons,” by T. E. Brown. The evening was climaxed by Shirley Daniels singing “Around the World”—after which there was more talk over the teacups.

Essie was to resume secretarial duties at the November meeting—and now she joins with all officers and members of the San Francisco Manx Society in extending Season’s Greetings to all.

- Herb Corlett, President
- Mrs. Katie Cringle, Acting Cor.
- 1537 - 20th Ave.,
- San Francisco, Calif.

NORTHEAST OHIO

About 38 members and guests of the Northeast Ohio Manx Society met in the Mentor Park Pavilion on September 15. Hostesses were Mrs. Maude McCarthy and Mrs. Lucetta Ingersoll at a supper preceeding the business meeting. The President, Mrs. Maude McCarthy, welcomed William H. Collister, Secretary-Treasurer, who had just returned from a four-month visit to the Isle of Man. Leo Crellin, chairman of entertainment, introduced Robert Ranney, who gave a most interesting talk on his travels in India while in the U. S. Government service.

A meeting was held in the Leroy Town Hall on October 20, hosts being Mr. and Mrs. Carl Crellin, Mr. and Mrs. Sereno Pomeroy and Mr. and Mrs. Lloyd Pomeroy. Hallowe’en decorations made an attractive setting for the picnic supper. The following officers were elected:

- President.....Carl Crellin
- Vice President.....Sereno Pomeroy
- Trustee.....Mrs. Maude McCarthy
- Sec’y.-Treasurer....Wm. H. Collister

A vote of thanks was given Mrs. McCarthy, the retiring president. William Collister gave a talk on his visit to the Isle of Man, and showed articles he had brought back.

At a meeting held last May, while the secretary was in the Isle of Man, two new members were welcomed—Mrs. Mabel Burhenne and Mrs. Ferry Lyon of Euclid. The meeting followed a potluck supper in the home of Barton Crellin and Mr. and Mrs. Wade Crellin, Painesville. On June 26 a potluck supper was held at Mr. and Mrs. Richard Karran’s home, Geneva, Ohio.

The officers and members send hearty Yuletide Greetings and best wishes for a Joyful and Prosperous New Year to Manx people everywhere.

- Carl Crellin, President
- Sereno Pomeroy, Vice Pres.
- W. H. Collister, Sec’y.-Treas.,
- 65 Orchard Grove,
- Painesville, Ohio



ROCHESTER

Lo and behold, it’s Christmas again—that grand and busy time of the year when each and every one of us pauses a little longer to think of friends everywhere.

The Rochester Manx are thinking of good friends, old and new, and wish each one a Glorious Holiday Season. May the New Year bring Good Health and Happiness to all.

- Rochester Manx Folk
- Miss Alice Garnett, Regional Dir.
- 976 Monroe Avenue
- Rochester 20, N. Y.

THE MANNIN SOCIETY VANCOUVER, B. C.

The Mannin Society is enjoying a slow but steady increase in membership, and is stimulated by the interest displayed by teen-age members who are giving full support to all activities. Most of the social functions to date have been dances, characterized by variety and originality of ideas contributed by all participating. Such was the case with the Halloween “Hard Times” dance, when everyone took great interest in the making of costumes and decorations. Plans for the future include a “Crazy Hat” dance, table tennis, darts and other types of indoor sport and, as the year 1957 closes, a Fancy Dress dance and Smorgasbord. With a full schedule planned, the Society looks forward to a successful year.

The Mannin Society executives and members take this opportunity to wish the North American Manx Association, and its members and friends everywhere, the happiest possible Christmas and a Prosperous New Year.

- J. C. O’Callaghan, President
- Philip Lindsell, Publicity Chm.
- A. C. Belfie, Secretary
- 1219—4th Ave.,
- New Westminster, B. C.



MONTREAL

The annual meeting of the Montreal Manx Society was held at the home of Mr. and Mrs. H. W. Hornsby on September 27. The following slate of officers was elected.

- Hon. President.....Mrs. E. A. Sloan
- Hon. V. Pres.....T. Corlett
- President.....Hugh W. Hornsby
- Vice President.....Paul Gregson
- Recording Sec’y.....Mrs. E. Munro
- Cor. Sec.-Treas.....Mrs. H. W. Hornsby

On behalf of the Society, Mr. J. Cope expressed sympathy to Miss Margaret Joughin on the death of her mother in the Isle of Man during the summer. Mr. Cope also welcomed Miss Joughin’s father and brother, who have just recently arrived in Canada.

The October meeting was held at the home of Mrs. Jack Agnew, 1443 William David St., where a pleasant social evening was enjoyed by all present.

Officers and members of the Montreal Manx Society extend Best Wishes to Manx friends everywhere for a Merry Christmas and a Happy and Prosperous New Year.

- H. W. Hornsby, President
- Mrs. E. Munro, Recording Sec’y.
- Mrs. H. W. Hornsby, Cor. Sec’y.
- 112 Cloverdale Ave.,
- Dorval, P. Q.

OBITUARIES

BRAYDEN, Edward, passed away in Montreal on September 14. He leaves one son, Edward, and two grandchildren. His wife, the late Hannah Jones, predeceased him several years ago. Mr. Brayden, who was in his 82nd year, was born in Ramsey, Isle of Man, and was one of the founders of the Montreal Manx Society. He will be greatly missed.

BREW, Clarence, of Mentor, Ohio, died on October 19 at the age of 60. He leaves two sisters, Mrs. Claude Sprague and Mrs. Clara Branford of Mentor. Mr. Brew was born in Madison, Ohio and lived in Ashtabula and Geneva before moving to Mentor.

CLARK, Hazel F., died on September 28 at her home, 44 Casement Ave., Painesville, Ohio. Surviving are her sister, Miss Bertha Clark, and a brother, Vernon S. Clark. A charter member of the Northeast Ohio Manx Society, Miss Clark was very active in the group, and was well known in her community as a fine vocalist and church choir singer.

CONNALL, Emily, (nee Moore), of 5230 N. Laramie Ave., Chicago, died on October 1 at the age of 60. She leaves her husband, George W.; a son, Edward, and grandson; a sister, Mrs. Ada Cubbon of Galva, Ill., and four sisters and two brothers in the Isle of Man; nieces and nephews. Mrs. Connall was born in Douglas and came out to Galva, Ill., where she married Mr. Connall in 1922. They have lived in Chicago for a number of years.

CORLETT, John Daniel, aged 80, died in Burton, Ohio on June 8. Surviving are two daughters, Mrs. Ethel Ludick, Baton Rouge, La., and Mrs. Eleanor Duncan, Hartsdale, N.Y., and two grandchildren. His wife, Emma, died several years ago. Mr. Corlett was born in Leroy, Ohio, a son of Mr. and Mrs. Christopher Corlett. His grandfather came to Cleveland from the Isle of Man in pioneer days, and was known as "Dandy Dan" Corlett.

CORLETT, W. Sherman, of Painesville, Ohio, died on August 30 at the age of 78. He leaves his wife, Nora G. (nee Phelps); a son, Harold A., and a daughter, Mrs. Esther Flanigan; three grandchildren; a brother, L. H. Corlett of Cleveland, and a sister, Mrs. George Moody of Painesville. Mr. Corlett was born in Madison, Ohio and operated a grocery store there for some years before moving to Painesville, where he was in the real estate business. Mr. and Mrs. Corlett celebrated their Golden Wedding anniversary last May.

CORLETT, Laura E., of 27100 North Woodland Ave., Cleveland, died suddenly on November 3. She was a sister of Grover E. Corlett and the late Cyrus E. Corlett, and the family are descended from Manx pioneers in the Warrensville settlement. Miss Corlett had been connected with the Ladies' Auxiliary to Mona's Relief Society, and was a member of the Centenary Methodist Church (the Manx early settlers' church), where the funeral service was held.

COWLEY, Thomas A., died on October 30 in Lake Worth, Fla. He leaves his wife, Margaret E.; two sons, William A. of Cleveland, and John P. Cowley who lives in Iowa, and grandchildren. Mr. and Mrs. Cowley came from Douglas and lived in Cleveland for many years before retiring to Florida. They attended many Manx Conventions, including the 1955 gathering in San Francisco.

CRELLIN, Harry R., of Route 5, Lincoln, Nebr. died on September 25 at the age of 71. He leaves his wife, Katherine (formerly of Douglas, Isle of Man); a brother, Thomas, of Sioux City, Iowa; and two sisters, Mrs. Elizabeth Clifton of Erickson and Mrs. W. C. George of Clair, Iowa. A native of Iowa, Mr. Crellin had lived in Lincoln for 40 years. He was a retired Burlington Railroad conductor, and a veteran of World War I. Both Mr. and Mrs. Crellin were very active in the Nebraska Manx Society.

DALBY, Mary Jane (nee Skillicorn), of 926 Garwood Ave., Winnipeg, widow of the late Samuel Dalby, died on November 14 at the age of 84. She leaves a niece, Miss Nan Christian, same address; and a sister, Miss Ada Skillicorn, Douglas, Isle of Man. Mrs. Dalby was born at the Dhoon, Maughold, Isle of Man, and had lived in Winnipeg for more than 50 years.

MENEIL, John A., died on October 6 in San Diego, Calif. at the age of 76. He leaves his wife, Elizabeth (nee Skillicorn); a daughter, Mrs. Florence M. Myers and a son, John A. McNeil, Jr. Mr. and Mrs. McNeil came from Douglas and before moving to California had resided for many years in Cleveland, where they took an active interest in the Manx groups.

QUINE, Major John Daniel, died in November in Kelowna, B.C., at the age of 88. Surviving are his wife, Florence Jane; three daughters, Mrs. Edith Weddell of Kelowna, Miss Dorothy Quine of New Westminster and Mrs. Marjory Gibb of Honolulu, and a son, Charles, San Francisco. Major Quine was born in Douglas, and went to Navaimo, B. C. in the 1890's. He won the Military Cross in World War I, and at one time was captain of the Vancouver Rifle Association.

HARRISON, Elias N. of Leroy, Ohio, died on August 17 at the age of 53. Surviving are his mother, Mrs. Dessie Harrison, and a brother, Harold. Mr. Harrison was a lifelong resident of Leroy and a member of the Northeast Ohio Manx Society.

KILLIP, Minnie Eliza, aged 70, died in Broadgreen Hospital, Liverpool, England on October 6. She was the widow of the late William J. Killip who died in Cleveland some years ago, since which time Mrs. Killip lived with relatives in Seattle and later in Douglas, Isle of Man. The couple originally came from Laxey, and were well known and active in Cleveland Manx affairs for many years.

MATTHEWS, Margaret Corlett, of 12221 Ashbury Road, Cleveland, died on October 10 at the age of 89. Surviving are two cousins, Lona Corlett and Mrs. Mary Arnold, both of Cleveland. Mrs. Matthews formerly lived in Willoughby, Ohio, and was a descendant of early Manx settlers in Warrensville.

MYLCHREEST, Clara Jane, of 44 Brainerd Ave., Middletown, Conn., died on November 2 at the age of 71. Surviving are a brother, Richard E. Mylchreest, who attends most N.A.M.A. Conventions; and a sister, Mrs. Addison W. Williamson. Miss Mylchreest was a daughter of William and Ann Senogles Mylchreest.

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

FINANCIAL STATEMENT

N.A.M.A. Convention,

Vancouver, Canada, August, 1957

RECEIPTS

Registrations	\$2,918.74
Price Distribution	515.80
Souvenir Book	561.45
Donations	1,156.42
	5,156.41

EXPENDITURES

Hotel Georgia	\$2,671.49
Flowers	193.10
Pacific Stage Lines	426.00
Harbour Navigation Co.	318.00
Entertainment	260.00
Souvenir Book — Printing	475.00
Souvenir Book — Tax	70.00
Registration Cards, Books, etc.	29.75
Registration Cards, Books, etc.—Tax ..	4.62
Stenographer	75.00
Postage, Freight, and Customs Duty ..	71.56
Bank Exchange	60.00
Pre-Convention Printing and Badges ..	228.00
	\$4,886.21
Balance	270.00
	5,156.41

Submitted by:

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WM. LAWSON, Chairman

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Jack O'Callaghan
Arthur Halsall

