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

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1958 HOMECOMING Glimpses of Many Interesting Events in the Island

The Manx Homecoming of 1958 will soon be history. Already some Homecomers are returning to the U.S. A. and Canada, and the stay-at-homes who sped them on their way not many weeks ago, will have the thrill of listening to those "travelers' tales" they have been waiting for. Those who receive Manx newspapers have kept in touch with events from week to week, and those colorful descriptions in the Manx press have inspired this brief outline of what has been going on in Ellan Vannin.

The Carinthia arrived in Douglas Bay twelve hours ahead of schedule, on the evening of May 29. Homecomers watching for hours from the liner's deck for the first glimpse of the Manx hills, received what some considered an even greater thrill—going on deck in the early morning and seeing Mannanan lift the purple veil of mist from Douglas town. The liner had stood to in the Bay all night.

Members of the welcoming party going out on the Manxman to the Carinthia included Mr. Harold Cain, chairman of the World Manx Association; Secretary Charles Craine, Sir Joseph Qualtrough and Mr. Ramsey Moore. Mr. Richard Cain, 95-year-old founder and president of the W.M.A., in a charming address of welcome reminded the native-born that they "will be anxious to see the old stone-built homesteads, the little fields with sod hedges, the gorse and the heather." Speaker of the House of Keys Sir Joseph Qualtrough addressed the Homecomers in the Carinthia's lounge, and all members of the welcoming party mingled with the arrivals, chatting with many whom they had met in former years. The powerful voice of Joe Clucas of Laramie, inquiring from the tender's deck—"Have you got the kettle on?"—got a unanimous

response—"Yes, and the spuds and herrin's too."

Queen of the Homecomers, chosen by the party during the voyage, was pretty Mrs. Anne Halsall, who came from Toronto, bringing her infant daughter, Pam. Her parents are Captain and Mrs. Maddrell of Port Erin.

A heart-warming incident for the Manx "family" was the Golden Wedding of Mr. and Mrs. L. V. Hale from Calgary, Alberta, celebrated during the voyage with a festive party which included an anniversary cake baked by the ship's confectionery chef and decorated with the Three Legs of Man, and the gift of a Royal Doulton figurine and a guest book of gold moire, presented by the Cunard Line.

The program arranged by the World Manx Association started on May 31, after the visitors had registered, with the laying of a wreath at the Douglas War Memorial by the Rev. Joseph Partridge of East Moline, Ill., N.A.M.A. Chaplain and Past President. This was followed by a civic reception at Villa Marina, when Mayor J. R. Killip welcomed the guests and wished them a happy visit. He assured them that the horse trams and the Manx Electric Railway were still running, and the Town Councillors of today just as stubborn as of old. N.A.M.A. President Fred Caveen of Toronto, leader of the Homecoming, thanked the Mayor and Town Council and paid tribute to the officers of the World Manx Association for the wonderful preparations they had made for them. Richard H. Corkill from Detroit, N.A.M.A. Past President, spoke briefly, and Mr. Richard Cain, founder of the W.M.A., received an ovation when he rose to address the group. The Homecomers on their part had something to offer—they presented two checks for the Winter Hill Disaster Fund, which were gratefully acknowledged on behalf of the Lieut.-Governor.

On Tuesday, June 3, the Homecomers were entertained by the Laxey and Lonan commissioners, and Mr.

Condra, chairman, recommended "roaming through the gloaming" as the best entertainment the village could offer. Laxey, he said, has some of the most beautiful scenery in the Island—with which statement many will heartily agree. Reception and tea in the Glen Hotel was followed by a stroll through Laxey Glen Gardens, by Ham and Egg Terrace and other spots well known to the Laxey born. Nostalgic memories were roused for President Fred Caveen, who was born at Ballakaighen, E. C. Killip from California and Mrs. Wm. Skillicorn from Orillia, Ont., who went out to Canada not so many years ago. Mr. Bond of the Lonan Commissioners said that probably no parish in the Island has sent so many sons and daughters to the Commonwealth and the States. President Caveen said that this renewal of old memories had been most refreshing.

On Saturday, June 7, the Homecomers were welcomed in the Town Hall at Port St. Mary by Mr. John Cooil, chairman of the Commissioners. The party went to Cregneish to see Harry Kelly's Cottage and the Folk Museum and the breath-taking panorama of headland, sea and sky. Quite thrilling was the view of the Regatta in Port St. Mary Bay against the background of Scarlett, Langness and the Carrick. Present at the tea and reception was 101-year-old Miss Ada Fisher from Southport, England, who received a bouquet from the hands of the Homecomers' Queen, Mrs. Anne Halsall, to mark her 100th visit to the Island. Miss Fisher was quite at home and talked to many of the guests. "Ellan Vannin" was sung, of course—and Miss Doris Clague recited Charlie Craine's "Welcome to our Homecomers." President Fred Caveen thanked the hosts, and called on someone from Port St. Mary to speak—a request promptly taken up by Tom Nelson from Florida, who in turn introduced the Rev. William Clague from Indiana, who said that his first trip, was a great treat—especially seeing the place where his father was

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born. Ed Killip brought greetings from the Los Angeles Manx Society, and Dick Corkill of Detroit, who came from Foxdale, spoke of the wonderful welcome, and said he found he had more relatives now than he had 30 years ago. Evan Collister from Galva, Ill., who emigrated 54 years ago from St. Mark's, said he had made three trips in nine years.

Another visit to the South was made on Tuesday, June 10, when the sun came through as though purposely to give the Homecomers a gorgeous view of the cliffs and majestic headlands which make the scenery of the south of the Island among the most impressive in the British Isles. The party was welcomed in Bradda Glen by Mr. G. H. Costain, chairman of the Port Erin Commissioners. He told the guests that while they might have noticed many changes in the Island, there was no change in the warmth of a Manx welcome. After the excellent tea in the Glen ballroom, which for the occasion was hung with paintings of Manx views by William Hoggatt, R.I., Mr. Costain observed "the return of the native," Mrs. Anne Halsall the Homecomers' Queen, by presenting her with a picture by Mr. Hoggatt of Cregneish and the Calf, to remind her of her home town, Port Erin. Later in the day the group visited the Marine Biological Station.

A peaceful invasion of the ancient capital took place on Wednesday, June 13, when the Homecomers were greeted in Castletown by Mr. Richard Whittle, chairman of the Commissioners. Seven hundred-odd years ago to the day, Castle Rushen had been taken by the invading Scots under Robert Bruce. The sons and daughters

of Manxland were welcomed in the shadow of the ancient fortress, while the Castle Rushen High School choir sang Manx national songs. Following Mr. Whittle, Sir Joseph Qualtrough, Speaker of the House of Keys, welcomed the group. After exploring the Castle under the experienced guidance of Mr. George Braide, former custodian, the guests made their way through the quaint old streets to enjoy tea in Arbory Street Schoolroom.

The Homecomers were warmly welcomed, in Manx Gaelic, by Mr. George Gale, J. P., chairman of the Peel Town Commissioners, when they visited the Sunset City on June 16. The fine entertainment in the grounds of Peel Castle included Manx folk dancing by the pupils of the Cloth-worker's School, which was especially enjoyed. Next day a royal welcome awaited the Homecomers in Ramsey, when Mr. N. A. Sandiford, chairman of the Commissioners, received them in beautiful Mooragh Park, with its palms and flowers. Congratulations were extended on all sides to Mr. W. E. Faragher, Ramsey Town Clerk, on receiving the M.B.E. in the Queen's Birthday Honors, and everyone stood and sang "For He's a Jolly Good Fellow." President Caveen spoke of many happy boyhood days spent in Ramsey, where he had his first job, at half-a-crown a week. But what glorious times he had on that half-crown! Tea was served in Mooragh Park Cafe.

A most enjoyable evening was spent on Saturday, June 21, when the W.M.A. gave a reception in the Villa Marina Reading Room for Homecomers and heads of local groups which had entertained them. Also present were Sir Joseph Qualtrough; the Mayor of Douglas, J. R. Killip; Deputy Mayor R. C. Stephen. The guests were welcomed by Mr. Harold Cain. Recordings of Manx songs heard when the Carinthia arrived were played, also Mr. Richard Cain's speech of welcome. This interlude was very interesting to the Manx from Australia and elsewhere who had not heard the Carinthia ceremony. Among those who conveyed greetings and expressed appreciation of their entertainment were Miss Alice Garrett of Rochester, who had taken a Continental tour before reaching the Island; Bob Fick and President Fred Caveen from Toronto; Mrs. Phoebe Sundlof of Dansville, N.Y.; Joe Clucas of Laramie, Wyoming; Sid Corkish of Buffalo; Mrs. R. Cecil Kelly, secretary of the Chicago Manx Society. Mrs. Fred Gorry of Cleveland and Edwin C. Killip of Los Angeles.

June 22 was a "Sunday well spent." The Homecomers went by coach to Bishopscourt and were received by the Bishop and Mrs. Pollard. The Bishop described interesting features of the residence and grounds, and conducted a short service in the Chapel. After tea in Glen Wyllin the Homecomers attended Evensong in Kirk Maughold Parish Church, the Vicar, the Rev. Mr. Duckworth, officiating.

Another event of that week was the crowning of Mrs. Halsall, the Homecomers' Queen by Mrs. G. Clark, Mayoress of Douglas, in Villa Marina Gardens. The "Queen" was regally attired and was attended by heralds and a page. Ivy Benson's band provided the fanfare for the royal entrance. The Mayoress then performed the ceremony, and Mrs. Halsall expressed the Homecomers' thanks to all who had helped to give them such a wonderful time. An interesting program of folk dances of several nations was given by schoolchildren from all parts of the Island.

A fitting climax to the Homecomers' official activities was the Tynwald Day Annual Gathering at the Palais Ballroom, Douglas, on July 7, attended by about 300 overseas Manx and friends. Greetings from all parts of the world were read by W.M.A. Secretary Charlie Craine, who then invited delegates to address the audience. Greetings and thanks were extended by N.A.M.A. President Fred Caveen, Mrs. Caveen and Frank Williamson of Toronto; Mr. and Mrs. Fred Gorry and Mrs. Henry Mylechreest of Cleveland, and Mrs. Cecil Kelly of Chicago. Messages were read from Mr. and Mrs. Harry Kelly and Mr. and Mrs. John R. Cain of Cleveland, James Y. Mann, Winnipeg; Miss Alice Garrett, Rochester; Mrs. Thomas Kelley and daughter Mrs. Paben of Albany, Oregon. Greetings were extended also by representatives of Manx Societies in England, and Manx folk from many countries. There was hearty applause for W.M.A. President Richard Cain when he addressed the gathering, and for the Lieut. Governor and Lady Dundas. The Governor gave a stirring talk in which he praised the sterling qualities of the Manx people. In closing, Mr. Harold Cain thanked the Homecomers for their spirit of cooperation, but there was still another little ceremony when Mr. Caveen, on behalf of the visitors, presented Secretary Charlie Craine with an electric clock, and Chairman Harold Cain with a writing set and case. Mrs. Ena Gelling, this year's Cleveland Medal winner, delighted the audience with a selection of Manx songs, and this memorable gathering closed with the singing of Ellan Vannin.

The Homecomers did many other things not described here. There was the lovely reception at Government House by Sir Ambrose and Lady Dundas. There were church services, there were the T. T. Races, bowling tournaments, and concerts. There was a beautiful souvenir program book, lavishly illustrated with Manx views in color. "All this, and Heaven too".....the precious hours spent with dear ones after long absence—the rediscovery of old haunts—the twilight stroll on the Promenade, the walk over the headlands, the ramble through lanes and byways where we used to pick blackberries. Well, we will hear it all at first hand when the travelers return.

NEWS OF THE MANX SOCIETIES

TORONTO

At a meeting held on June 10, the Toronto Manx elected the following officers:

- President.....Frank Williamson
- Vice President.....J. Moore
- Secretary.....Mrs. M. Oakley
33 Knightsbridge Road
Scarborough, Ont.
- Treasurer.....G. Foster
- Entertainment Committee
Vi Podmore, R. McClure,
Mrs. Fred Caveen, Dorothy Caveen

Interesting events held during the spring included the Annual Spring Dance at Baron Byng Hall on May 9, which was a great success. The following evening, May 10, the Bowling League held a banquet at the same hall, and quite a few Manx were proud possessors of trophies. On May 21 a party of thirteen (eleven of them Manx) motored to Montreal to see the Homecomers off. They spent the week end in Montreal after the Carinthia departed.

The annual picnic was arranged for July 5. A nice crowd was expected to motor out to a park on Lake Simcoe, and no doubt we will hear more about the outing later.

Dorothy Caveen kindly sent these news items in the absence of Frank Williamson in the Isle of Man.

SAN FRANCISCO

The San Francisco Manx held their first picnic of the year in May, at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Joe Hornall at Arbuckle. All enjoyed a lovely time under the shade trees surrounding the lawn and house. Secretary Essie Quayle and family—Mr. and Mrs. James Cringle, and Captain and Mrs. Frank Callister and daughter Jane Hilary, joined the group while en route homeward from a week's vacation, described on another page of this Bulletin.

The Society was represented at the British Commonwealth Ball at the Sheraton Palace Hotel on June 14, where they took a table according to their annual custom.

Picnics scheduled for the summer included—June 22 at Stern Grove; a date in July at Mr. and Mrs. Jack Vincent's home in Palo Alto; August, at Mrs. Tweed's home in Napa. Mrs. Tweed is the mother of Mrs. Herb Corlett, wife of the President.

BISBEE

The Bisbee Manx have had no meetings recently, due to sickness and other misadventures among their small membership, but were hoping to meet in July at the home of Mrs. Harry Rothery in Warren. Bisbee is one of our smallest local societies, situated far from any place where there is a sizable Manx community. The members deserve great credit for keeping together as they do, and holding meetings whenever possible.

LOS ANGELES

An April picnic at Bixby Park, Long Beach was a great success, and gave members an opportunity to extend good wishes to those preparing to join the Homecoming. Vice President Ed Killip, a Homecomer, was asked by President George Lace to convey greetings of the Los Angeles Manx Society to the World Manx Association. Mrs. Lillian Tipper promised a full report on the doings in the Isle of Man when the members meet on September 21 for a fish fry at Costa Mesa.

VANCOUVER

On May 10 the Vancouver Manx held a very successful Whist Drive in the Horticultural Hall. Winning ladies were Mrs. Sam Cain and Mrs. Tombs; gentlemen, Mr. Beck and Mr. A. E. Halsall. A very interesting diversion was created by Manx guide-books which Secretary Eden Q. Costain had requested from the Isle of Man. In addition to the comprehensive guide, these included booklets on Ramsey, Peel, Castletown, Port St. Mary and Port Erin. There was much chatting and reminiscing over these reminders of the old, familiar, well-loved spots. Guests at the party were Mr. Hay and Mrs. Tombs.

On May 11, Mother's Day, President Charles Echetts presented bouquets to Mrs. Gawne and Mrs. Sam Cain at a most enjoyable meeting arranged for the occasion. Mrs. Gawne is the Society's oldest lady and a charter member. Mrs. Cain is honored for her enthusiasm and ability, which are most sincerely appreciated. Thanks were expressed to all those who had contributed to the success of the evening.

At an Executive meeting held on April 26, it was voted to send ten pounds to the Winter Hill Disaster Fund. The amount was forwarded to the Island by the Secretary.

The anticipated Picnic to be held during the summer marked the concluding event of the season. Activities will be resumed in September, and the Vancouver Manx extend a hearty invitation to all Manx people in their area to join them at their meetings.

WINNIPEG

Good news from our old friend James Y. Mann—the Winnipeg Manx Society is being reorganized. At a picnic held by the former members on July 5, all expressed a desire to reorganize, so Jim Mann and Harry Caley were selected to arrange a meeting in the immediate future, when a committee would be appointed to decide on future plans. We hope, therefore, to announce the new officers in the next Bulletin. Congratulations, Winnipeg!

CHICAGO

No regular meeting has been held since April, but on May 17, Mrs. F.H. Petersen entertained a number of Manx friends at her home, 842 N. Lorel Ave., Chicago. The occasion was two-fold . . . a welcome for Mrs. Tom Quayle of St. Petersburg, Fla., who was visiting Chicago, her former home . . . and a "Bon Voyage" to Mr. and Mrs. R. Cecil Kelly, about to leave on the Homecoming. Mr. and Mrs. Robert Gregg of San Marino, Calif., who were passing through Chicago, were also invited to the party.

Mrs. Quayle is the widow of the late Tom Quayle, a former President and also Treasurer of the Chicago Manx Society. On his death several years ago, Mrs. Quayle and daughter went to live in Florida.

On May 21 a number of Manx friends gathered at the Polk Street Station to say goodbye to a party of eight Homecomers from Chicago and vicinity.

VANCOUVER MANX LADIES

At a "Birthday Party" held last February, the Vancouver Manx Ladies added another successful year to their growing record of activity and good works. They gave donations to several local charities, and sent a contribution to the Isle of Man for the Winter Hill Disaster Fund. At the same meeting, officers were elected for the ensuing year:

- PresidentMrs. A. Crossan
- TreasurerMrs. A. Killey
- Secretary.....Mrs. A. Halsall
2834 Georgia St.
Vancouver 6, B. C.

Corres. Sec'y.....Mrs. Maxwell

The Ladies planned a picnic lunch in July, in Stanley Park Pavilion. They always enjoy these outings to Stanley Park, where the beautiful flowers, as well as the animals in the Zoo, provide much interest.

The annual Bazaar will be held about October 25, and the Ladies are already preparing for it.

Cleveland Manx Picnic

Annual Picnic of the Cleveland Manx Societies will be held at Euclid Beach Park on Saturday, August 23. This is the occasion for Cleveland Manx people of all ages to gather for a happy afternoon and evening in the open air, with games and sports and plenty of time for "visiting." It is also a day for many out-of-town Manx to make a point of getting to "The Picnic" to renew acquaintance with Cleveland friends. All Cleveland Manx are urged to come with their families and friends, and out-of-town Manx are assured of a hearty welcome and a grand time.

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OUR OWN PEOPLE

Myrra Stevenson Johnson of Chicago took part in an organ concert given on May 4 in Orchestra Hall, Chicago, by 25 Hammond Organists under the auspices of Lyon-Healy. An audience of more than 2000 heard the concert, and another 1500 had to be turned away.

On May 13, Walter Stevenson, assisted by his daughter, Myrra L. Johnson, presented a travelogue on the Isle of Man at a dinner given in the Austin Methodist Church, Chicago. The Misses Ruth and Ellen Carlson of West Chicago showed "Viking of Manx," pedigreed Manx cat which delighted the audience, most of the people having never seen a failless cat.

Archie Kerruish has been released from St. Ann's Hospital, Chicago after a stay of nearly ten weeks following a serious automobile accident. He wants to say a big "Thank You" to Manx friends who sent him cards and letters, which were very encouraging and helped him a lot. He is slowly getting back to his old self, and in the meantime would still appreciate hearing from Manx friends. His address—J. A. Kerruish, 1817 Newport Ave., Chicago 13, Ill.

Since publishing the story of Thomas William Killey of Mirror, Alberta, we have heard from him again. Mr. Killey and his wife are utterly delighted with the numerous letters and Manx newspapers they have received in response to the items in the Bulletin. Mr. Killey has heard from Manx friends and old schoolmates in Canada, U. S. A., the Isle of Man and Liverpool. By the way, the name is Killey, not Kelley, as we said in the last Bulletin. Mr. Killey's one regret is, that as he and his wife are badly crippled with arthritis, they cannot attempt to answer these letters, much as they wish to. So he wants to tell all these good friends through the Bulletin, that their letters and papers are read with keenest interest and are deeply appreciated. Please, therefore, continue to write to Mr. and Mrs. Killey, knowing that you are giving them real pleasure.

Mrs. Warren Baughman (Lois Abell) of Warrenville, Ill., with her two little girls, spent the last two weeks of June visiting her mother, Mrs. Amy Abell of 14200 Detroit Ave., Lakewood, Ohio. Lois also has two sisters in Lakewood, their children, and their aunt, Miss Helen Kewley, so there always are grand times when they all get together.

Mr. and Mrs. Robert Rodin of San Luis Obispo, Calif. and their three children had a ten-day visit recently with the Donald Bains of Los Angeles (Mrs. Rodin's parents). Later they spent a trailer vacation in Yosemite.

While in Cleveland during the week of May 19 attending the American Foundry Society Convention, Mr. and Mrs. Robert Gregg of San Marino, Calif. broke away from a dinner dance to wish Bon Voyage to Cleveland Homecomers leaving by midnight train for Montreal. Despite the late hour, a good crowd of Manx people were at the Terminal to speed the Homecomers on their way.

Celebrating 40 years service with Sherwin Williams Company, Cleveland, Douglas Cannell, 1306 Summit Ave., Lakewood, was honored with flowers and congratulations by fellow-employees who arranged an anniversary party for the occasion.

Past President Robert Gregg and Mrs. Gregg of San Marino, Calif. are flying on September 6 via polar route to London, thence to the Isle of Man and Ireland, then to Brussels to see the World's Fair. While in Brussels Mr. Gregg will attend a foundry convention as a delegate from U.S.A.

Mr. and Mrs. L. V. Hale and daughter Nora of Calgary, Alberta, stayed a few days with Mr. and Mrs. H. W. Hornsby of Dorval, Que. before embarking with the Homecomers on the Carinthia. Mrs. Hornsby is Secretary of the Montreal Manx Society.

Mrs. S. Sloan of Dorval, Que. enjoyed a two-month visit this spring in Toronto, staying with her daughter, Mrs. Robert Shorrock.

Visiting in California in the early summer were Captain and Mrs. Frank Callister and daughter Jane Hilary, from Singapore. They stayed with Frank's family—Mrs. Essie Quayle and Mr. and Mrs. James Cringle of 1414 Santiago St., San Francisco. They all spent a delightful week as guests of Mr. and Mrs. Forrest Eccles and Miss Hilda Kelly at Reno and at Lake Tahoe, returning to San Francisco in time to join the Society picnic at Mr. and Mrs. Joe Hornall's in Arbutle. The Frank Callister family have gone on to spend the summer in the Isle of Man, where they will be joined by Frank's twin brother and wife, Percy and Marian Callister.

Mrs. Ena Gelling of Ramsey, mezzo-soprano, won her second Cleveland Medal at this year's Manx Music Festival in Douglas, with the songs "True Love," by Brahms, her own choice; and "Mignon's Song" by Liszt, the class test piece. The Cleveland Medal was one of three victories scored by Mrs. Gelling in one evening. This intensely interesting contest for the Medal brought forth a remark by the judge that this class of first-rate singers had exceeded all expectations.

Dr. and Mrs. Tom Kelly and family, from England, have been driving through the States, visiting relatives and friends. Dr. Kelly, a son of Mr. and Mrs. George Kelly of Peel, is a well known eye specialist. He brought Essie Quayle a tape recording of readings from T. E. Brown by Tom Dodd of Peel, which she hopes to have made into a record. Essie regrets she was away on vacation when the Kellys called.

More Manx tourists—Mrs. Jean Bryan (nee Gibson) and friend Miss Joan Jacks have been taking an extensive look at the United States. They stayed in Washington with Brig. General and Mrs. J. L. Person, and went on to Baton Rouge, La. to stay with Mr. and Mrs. Jack Christian, Mayor and Mayoress of that city. Mrs. Person of Washington and Mayor Christian are cousins of Mrs. Bryan. After visiting the Eccles family in Reno, Nev., the ladies were considering going on to Seattle as guests of Mrs. Howard Kelly Rice and Mr. and Mrs. Ivan Kelly Rice.

On April 18, Mrs. Edith G. Quayle of Claremont, Calif. flew non-stop from Los Angeles to London, and is now visiting in the Isle of Man. She is a cousin of Bill Collister, Secretary of the Northeastern Ohio Manx Society.

About 200 guests attended Open House at the Leroy (Ohio) Grange Hall on June 1, honoring the Golden Wedding Anniversary of Mr. and Mrs. Carl Crellin of Painesville. Mr. Crellin is President of the Northeastern Ohio Manx Society. Guests came from many cities and villages in the area, and from as far off as Florida and California. Relatives assisting in the celebration were Mr. and Mrs. Lynn Quine, Mr. and Mrs. Hurley VanAmburgh and Mr. and Mrs. Leo Crellin. Hosts were Mr. and Mrs. Tony Franko, Mr. and Mrs. Harrison Crellin and Mr. and Mrs. William Collister. Both President and Mrs. Crellin were born in Leroy in 1887 of Manx descent. Their mutual hobby is helping others. We join their many friends in extending hearty congratulations and best wishes for many golden years to come.

"At long last"—writes Charlie Craine, secretary of the W.M.A.—"I have published my book of poems, 'The Isle of Man—to Me'." The book is five shillings, about 75 cents, and those who would like one should write direct to Charlie Craine, 18 Broadway, Douglas, Isle of Man. We recommend sending a one-dollar bill—it will be much easier to send than 75 cents, and will also cover postage. Perhaps some would like to buy copies for Manx friends—Christmas is coming!

There was an unexpected meeting of two boys of Manx parentage at Lackland Field, Texas, when Robert McKissack, youngest son of Mr. and Mrs. Tom McKissack, 3392 West 130th St., Cleveland, training in the Air National Guard, met Ramsey Burrows from Mansfield, Ohio, occupying the same quarters. Struck by the name "Ramsey," Bob asked the other if he happened to be Manx. He was—his mother, Mrs. S. T. Burrows being Florence Kennish, daughter of the late Bert Kennish and Mrs. Ellen Abell of Cleveland, formerly of Douglas. The meeting was doubly interesting, says Mr. Tom McKissack, as the two boys actually are related, being grandsons of two sisters!

The Bisbee Manx are proud of one of their young members, Miss Rose Marie Quill, granddaughter of the late John Quill of Bisbee, who went to Denver in mid-June to enter a vocal contest. Miss Quill is a promising singer and we hope to hear that she scored a success.

The Corrin family of Bisbee, Ariz. had the pleasure of a long visit from their sister Bessie, who came from California to spend Christmas with them, and stayed until the middle of June.

Mrs. Ethel Rodgers of Seattle, visited her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Phil Varley of Vancouver in May, during the Mother's Day week end.

During a week's vacation in late June, Editor Gertrude Cannell spent some pleasant hours seeing the sights of New York in the company of that wonderful Manxwoman, Miss Florence Gill.

Mrs. Thomas Kelley, former Secretary of the Nebraska Manx Ass'n., reports that since settling in Albany, Oregon she has been called on by English, Scotch and Welsh ladies. With the Cowleys of Portland, Ore., and her own family, Mrs. Kelley feels that British Isles are well represented out there.

Jim Mann of Winnipeg writes that he was saddened by the passing of several of the old "Peel boys," as reported in the last Bulletin . . . Tommy Quayle of Mobile, Benny Greggor of Cleveland, Basil Quirk of Anaconda, Mont. . . all old friends of his; also Mrs. James Curphey of Vancouver, whose husband worked for Jim Mann in Winnipeg some years ago.

Mrs. Nellie Kelly of Bisbee, Ariz. had a visit from her daughter, Mrs. Hoyt Alexander, who brought her son, Tommy and his fiancée from Lake-wood, Calif. to spend the July Fourth week end with her. In August she expects visitors from London, England—her sister Hilda, and a cousin.

Mrs. Jane Cottier Bare of Burlingame, Calif. spent a week in May with her sister, Mrs. Alice Schmidt of El Monte.

Arthur Teare of 2012 Chambers St., Victoria, B.C., former secretary of the one-time Edmonton (Alberta) Manx Society, is and always has been an ardent stamp collector. In Canada he is nationally known in this field, and is vice president of the Canadian Philatelic Society. Mr. Teare is a brother of Mrs. Isabel Kewin of Douglas, formerly of Ramsey.

Congratulations to Mr. and Mrs. Harrison Crellin of 648 East 120th St., Cleveland on their 40th wedding anniversary, observed on May 25. Although Clevelanders for many years, and very active in the Cleveland Manx Societies, the couple also are active members of the Northeastern Ohio group, Mr. Crellin having numerous relatives and friends throughout that area. As described elsewhere, they were honored at the May 25 meeting of the Northeastern Society with a special program and a wedding cake. We wish them many more happy anniversaries!

The arrival of the P. & O. liner Iberia in New York on June 10 marked the first time an English cruise ship had included New York City in its itinerary. The beautiful white ship received the traditional Port of New York welcome, with helicopters, fireboats and tugs, and the 1,248 passengers were taken on a comprehensive tour of the city as part of the cruise program. Among them was Mrs. Alice Gelling Hardy of Onchan, Isle of Man, a connection of Mrs. Sadie Karran and Miss Eleanor Waterson of Roslyn Heights, New York. Miss Waterson met Mrs. Hardy on the second day of her brief visit and took her to see some of the New York stores and other attractions. The cruise continued to Bermuda, then back to England.

Congratulations to Mr. and Mrs. Philip C. Cowell, 2051 West 87th St., Cleveland 2, Ohio on their Golden Wedding Anniversary, celebrated on July 27 with a reception arranged by their family. Mr. and Mrs. Cowell came from Peel. Members of the N. A.M.A. will join with their friends in wishing them many happy years to come.

THE L'IL PEOPLE

Christened in May at St. Matthews Presbyterian Church, Vancouver, B. C., Stacey Ann, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Joseph Hornall, by the Rev. J. McWillie. Joseph Hornall is the son of the late James Hornall of Ramsey and Vancouver, and Mrs. K. Hornall who now lives in Peel, Isle of Man.

Born—on April 26 at Vancouver, B.C., to Mr. and Mrs. Harry Kneale, a daughter, Barbara Diane. Grandparents are Mr. and Mrs. Johnny Kneale, Horseshoe Bay, B.C.

Born—on May 24, a daughter, Janet Alane, to Mr. and Mrs. W. E. Briggs of Kewanee, Ill. Mrs. Briggs is a daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Harold Kermode of Galva.

Born—on December 8, 1957, a daughter, Laurie Ruth, to Mr. and Mrs. Ralph Kelly of Phoenix, Ariz. Ralph is a son of the late Alfred Kelly and Mrs. Nellie Kelly of the Bisbee Manx Society.

Born—on April 2, a son, David Brett, to Mr. and Mrs. Van Camp of Phoenix, Ariz. Mrs. Van Camp is a daughter of Mrs. Ivy Dillon, Secretary of the Bisbee Manx Society.

Born—on March 4, a son to Mr. and Mrs. Tom Lindner of Alameda, Calif. Mrs. Lindner was Margaret Ann Corrin, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Arnold Corrin of Lowell, Ariz.

MANX WEDDINGS

Married—on May 3, Miss Laurette Lecompte to Patrick George Agnew, at Notre Dame de Belleve Church, Valleyfield, Que. The bridegroom is the son of the late Jack Agnew, formerly of Douglas, Isle of Man, and Mrs. Agnew, well known member of the Montreal Manx Society.

Married—on June 14 at Chown Memorial United Church, Vancouver, B.C., Frederick James (Jim) Costain, elder son of Mrs. Alfred Tapp and the late Heywood (Ted) Costain, to Charlot (Jill), daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Norman Terry. The wedding was of great interest to the Vancouver Manx as the bridegroom's father is well remembered as a popular President of the Society until his death by accident several years ago.

A remarkable old lady, Miss Ada Fisher of Southport, England, went to the Isle of Man for her annual holiday on June 3. She will be 102 years old next January, and this is her 100th trip. She made the trip alone, and at the Victoria Pier the red carpet was rolled out for her by Mr. Leonard Bond, secretary of the Tourist Board, and Mr. Arthur Fick, manager of the Isle of Man Steam Packet Company. On behalf of the Company, a bouquet of yellow roses was presented by Miss Sheila Teare. Miss Fisher thanked everyone graciously, and said she never wants to travel by air. She stayed at Port St. Mary with Mr. and Mrs. J. Hislop, and was presented with a bouquet by the Homecomers' Queen when the group made its official visit there.

OBITUARIES

CAIN, Henry Fraser, of 912 West 64th Ave., Vancouver, B.C., died on April 24, aged 52. He leaves his wife, Winifred; two sons, Jack and Bob, and a daughter, Joan; his mother, Mrs. Nellie Cain, Glen Valley, B.C.; three brothers, Herbert, Clarence and Fred; a sister, Mrs. Elizabeth Smith of Lower Nicola, B.C.

CHRISTIAN, Mrs. Caesar (nee Quayle), of 946 Third St., Hermosa Beach, Calif., died on June 10.

CHURCH, Anna (nee Kermodé), formerly of LaFayette, Ill., widow of the late Wallace Church, died on May 27 at the home of her daughter, Mrs. Lura Christianson of Galva, Ill. Three sons also survive—Harold, Charles and Roland, all of Peoria; a sister, Mrs. James Kermeen and a brother, Harold Kermodé of Galva, and a sister, Mrs. Jane Nelson of Chicago. Mrs. Church was born in Laxe, Isle of Man.

COLLISTER, Elizabeth M., aged 86, widow of the late Thomas E. Collister, died in Perry, Ohio on June 21. The couple lived in Lakewood, Ohio many years ago and were well known among the Cleveland Manx.

CORLETT, Nora G., nee Phelps, died in Painesville, Ohio on July 1. She leaves a son, Harold; a daughter, Mrs. Esther Flanigan; grandchildren; a brother and a sister. She was the widow of the late W. Sherman Corlett, well known businessman of Painesville, who died in August, 1957.

COWLEY, Frank, of Toronto, died on June 6. He leaves his wife, Lily (nee Beattie); two daughters, Mrs. Gordon McLaren (Marion), and Mrs. Ralph Petzke (Barbara); two grandchildren; two sisters, Mrs. Sarah Lean and Mrs. Mildred Bridson, and a brother, Wilfred. Both Mr. and Mrs. Cowley came from Douglas, Isle of Man.

KISSACK, Alice E. (nee Walkden), of Willoughby, Ohio, widow of the late Arthur S., died on June 11. She leaves a son, Raymond. Mrs. Kissack was an active member of the Ladies' Auxiliary to Mona's Relief Society for many years.

LAWSON, James Herbert, of Ishpeming, Mich. died on May 18. He leaves his wife, Lois, and sister, Mrs. H. Scarffe of Ishpeming. He was a son of the late Robert and Christian Lawson of Laxe.

STOREY, Ella (nee Spence), of Glendale, Calif. died on June 8 in the Isle of Man while on the Homecoming visit with her husband, Edward. In poor health during recent years. Mrs. Storey formerly was a very active and loyal member of the Los Angeles Manx Society.

LOONEY, Alfred Allen, of Winnipeg, Man. died in late May at the age of 57. Surviving are his widow, Kathleen; a son, Louis; a brother, Jack; two sisters, Mrs. Annie Bishton of Ninga, Man., and Mrs. Kneale, formerly of Winnipeg, now in the Isle of Man. Mr. Looney was born in Glen Auldyn, Ramsey, and came to Canada 32 years ago. He was the youngest son of John Looney, mason.

MAGEE, Edith M. (nee Kinnish), died on May 4 at her home, Penn Yan, near Rochester, N. Y. She leaves her sister, Mrs. C. E. (Phoebe) Sundlof, Dansville, N. Y.

McCONNELL, Harry, of Bisbee, Ariz., died on April 30. He was survived for only two weeks by his wife, Fanny. They leave a son, Leonard, of Warren, Ariz. and three grandsons. The McConnells were devoted members of the Bisbee Manx Society and frequently entertained the group at their home.

McCONNELL, Fanny, wife of the above, died on May 17. Beside her son and grandsons, she is survived by two brothers, William of San Francisco and James of Whitehaven, England, also a sister, Mrs. Robert Skillicorn of Warren, Ariz.

PILKINGTON, Richard, age 65, died in Los Angeles on June 13. He leaves his widow, Marge (nee Kelly), two sons and a daughter. Born in Blackburn, England, Mr. Pilkington served in the Canadian forces during World War 1, and after coming to California was an active member of the Los Angeles Manx Society for many years.

SADEWATER, Luella F., (nee Garrett), formerly of Rockford, Ill., and recently of Los Angeles, died on May 12, age 86. She leaves her daughter, Mrs. Ila Lloyd of Culver City, Calif.; a sister, Hattie, in North Dakota, and a brother, John Garrett, in Rockford, Ill. Mrs. Sadewater was a daughter of William Garrett from St. John's, Isle of Man, and his wife, Ann. She was a member of the Los Angeles Manx Society for more than 30 years.

SPEIRS, Ellen (nee Radcliffe), died at her home in Chicago on May 23. She leaves her husband, Roscoe D. Speirs. She was the daughter of J. W. Radcliffe, born in the Isle of Man, who was one of three brothers who went with the 1927 Homecoming trip. Both Mr. and Mrs. Speirs were active in church and organizational work in Chicago, and Mrs. Speirs was interested in the Chicago Manx Society.

WATTERSON, Harriet Mona (nee Cain), of Pawtucket, R. I., died on May 11. She leaves her husband, Percy. Mrs. Watterson was a daughter of the late Mr. and Mrs. J. Cain of Douglas, Isle of Man.

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

MANX SOCIETY NEWS

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MONA'S RELIEF SOCIETY CLEVELAND

Members of the Mona's Relief Society met in St. Stephen's Church Hall on May 6. In tune with the occasion—a farewell to the Homecomers—Joe Clucas, popular tenor, sang three Manx songs, accompanied by his daughter, Mrs. Charles Rose. The Homecomers were asked to stand, and received a hearty round of applause, after which all joined hands to form a circle with the Homecomers in the center, and to the tune of Auld Lang Syne, everyone wished them Bon Voyage.

A meeting was held at St. Stephen's Hall on June 3, with smaller attendance because so many were in the Isle of Man. A pleasant evening was enjoyed, and meetings suspended until September 9.

The annual Church Service, usually held in June, was postponed until fall. August 23 was the date set for the Annual Picnic at Euclid Beach Park—see notice on another page.

LADIES' AUXILIARY TO MONA'S RELIEF SOCIETY, CLEVELAND

The Cleveland Manx Ladies held their last meeting of the season on June 20, after a most pleasant and successful year. They have plenty of work lined up, to be tackled when they resume meetings on September 19. Manx visitors and new members are heartily welcomed by this friendly group. The Secretary, Mrs. Roy Bertsch, 1668 Lee Road, Cleveland Heights 18, Ohio, will be glad to hear from any Manx ladies who would like to join. Meetings are held on the first and third Fridays of each month, September through June, at the Y.M.C.A., 2055 East 105th St., Cleveland.

NORTHEASTERN OHIO

A picnic supper meeting was held by the Manx of Northeastern Ohio on May 25, at the Grange Hall in Painesville. President Carl Crellin conducted the business session, after which a program was given honoring Mr. and Mrs. Harrison Crellin of Cleveland on the occasion of their 40th wedding anniversary. Carolyn Quine played a piano solo, Mrs. Carl Crellin read an original poem dedicated to the couple, and Mrs. Helena Heffelfinger accompanied group singing by the members. A wedding cake was the centerpiece on the supper table. Hosts were Mr. and Mrs. Carl Crellin, Mr. and Mrs. Sereno Pomeroy and Mr. and Mrs. Lloyd Pomeroy.

MONTREAL

Members of the Montreal Manx Society were lucky in being able to go aboard the Carinthia on the evening of May 22 to visit the Homecomers before they sailed, and give them a rousing sendoff.

The Montreal Manx Picnic was arranged for Saturday, July 5, at the summer home of Mr. and Mrs. Douglas Corlett, Lac Renaud, Morin Heights, Que.

