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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 the members of the North American Manx Association! Special greetings also to the many hundreds of Manx folk scattered all over the world and to all at home in Ellan Vannin! 'Tis good to be able to send this wish in the same words as our forefathers did—in Manx—"Yn Ollick Ghennal as Elien Vie Noa!"

At this Season our thoughts and memories stretch across the seas to the land of our birth; the land of fairies and goblins; the land of the cushag and the gorse; the land of tradition. Sometimes I wonder why we Manx people made the cushag our national flower. When in the Isle of Man last year with the Homecomers I was struck with the luxuriant growth of the fuchsias over there. They were everywhere. There was one at the Ballure crossing of the Manx Electric Railway which had grown to a height of about fifteen feet—I never saw one as large as that anywhere.

Do you remember the fun we used to have at Christmas? As children,

we used to pretend we were singers and belonged to one of the choirs singing carols in the streets. We enjoyed doing it, and I am sure that the people for whom we sang enjoyed it too, for they used to respond by giving us contributions. Manx Christmases always were merry and bright.

The deep foundation of our joy in Christmas is that it is the festival of the birth of Jesus Christ, Who died to save us all. We are fortunate indeed that we live in a country where we have freedom of speech, and the right to worship according to our own conscience. At this time of year, and always, we should strive for Peace among the nations of the world. We are spending billions of dollars on war equipment while thousands of people in many countries are starving. Let us say an earnest prayer to the Lord this Christmas, asking Him to show us how we can change this. Let us strive for Peace on Earth for all time.

No doubt many Manx people will be looking forward to our next Conven-

tion, which will be sponsored by the North American Manx Association and will be held in Cleveland next year, August 7 to 10. We have not had a Convention for two years now, and I know that many of our ladies are just bubbling over with eagerness to get together and have a good coolish. The same, I believe, can be said of the menfolk. Better make a note of the dates, and plan to be in Cleveland to meet your friends. You will have a wonderful time.



When Christmas trees are decked again

In tinsel, snow and lights,
And holly wreaths hang from the doors

On crisp December nights,
It's nice to send the Season's best
To friends so old and dear
And wish them joy at Christmastime,
And gladness all next year.

FRED J. CAVEEN,

President



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

Once again through the Bulletin I come into the homes of my many Manx friends throughout the world, at this blessed Season when we are reminded of the birth of a little child. It was centuries ago that God blessed our earth with a vision of His love in the form of the Christ Child. Men's hearts are still stirred by the gladness of His coming. Let us keep alive the sweet, tender symbols of the Christmastide — lights on tinsel trees, the crisp crumple of gift wrappings, the holly wreaths in the windows, a little mistletoe above the door. Our hearts must sing "Glory to God in the Highest!"

May we be kept faithful to all that is changeless in life, and may we look out upon the Christmas Season with childlike wonder in our eyes.

May the radiance of the Infant King shine brightly in your hearts this Christmas Day.

And may the love of Him who loves us all, bless you and guide you on your joyous way.

This is my prayer for you all this Christmastide.

Joseph Partridge
First Vice President



My Christmas message to the officers and members of the N.A.M.A. and to all Manx folk — A Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year! May we all have health and strength to continue striving for the betterment of the N.A.M.A., so that members and their families will carry on the spirit and ideals of this Association for many years to come. To the founders—our deepest respect, which they so richly deserve.

Samuel Cain
Second Vice President



Sincere good wishes for a Merry Christmas and a Very Happy and Healthy New Year to our members and friends everywhere.

Mildred Corris,
Secretary



As Time marches on, we find at the rainbow's end, a pot of gold buried deep in the heart of our friends.

May you all have a Happy Christmas and a Prosperous New Year.

Bob Gregg,
Past President

"It's time for sending the same old greeting that yearly grows more worth repeating." That expresses the pleasure it gives me to wish "Merry Christmas" once again to all Manx friends in North America and overseas. As the years roll round and the number of our Christmases increases, we realize more and more that most of the heartfelt joys of this holy Season are found in the messages of friendship and good will which we love to send and to receive at Christmas.

"May Christmas Peace enfold you
Christmas Joy encircle you."
Christmas Blessings enrich you."

Gertrude Cannell
Bulletin Editor



Once again the Christmas spirit is in the air. It is a time of happiness and rejoicing everywhere, and our thoughts wander back over the years with pleasant memories of the days of our childhood in the "Dear Little Isle of Man." For me it is a span of 52 years, but those days spent around Sulby and Ramsey are still very vivid in my memory.

In 1907 I spent my first Christmas away from home. It was in the humble cottage of an English friend in Vancouver, B.C., but the radiant warmth and cordial hospitality that was extended left a lasting impression upon me as a young immigrant lad. I have lost all contact with those who were present on that occasion, but the pleasant memory still remains.

It is a pleasure and a privilege to have this opportunity, through the Bulletin, to extend warmest Christmas Greetings to Manx folk everywhere—especially to the members of the N.A.M.A., whose loyalty has kept the organization functioning successfully for so many years.

"Olliek Ghennal As Blien Vie Noa"—
A Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year.

Walter J. Stevenson
Third Vice President



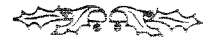
This being my first message to the Officers and Members of the N. A. M. A., it gives me great pleasure to extend Season's Greetings to all Manx friends on this continent. May you have a Very Merry Christmas, and may the New Year bring you Peace, Happiness and Prosperity.

Henry C. Christian,
Fin. Secy-Treas., 1960-61

To Manx people all over this continent—

It is a great pleasure to send you my sincerest greetings at this time—
"A Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year." May the Spirit of Christmas live in your hearts always, and may the New Year bring Prosperity.

Mrs. Dollie Caveen
Rep. N.A.M.A. Ladies' Auxiliary



WORLD MANX ASS'N.

Once again, dear friends of the North American Manx Association, and all kinsfolk overseas, the Officers and Committee of the World Manx Association here in Ellan Vannin are privileged to extend to you our heartiest greetings at this sacred Season of remembrance. We appreciate your love and loyalty toward your beloved Island home, and rejoice that so many of you visit the Isle of Man frequently. We congratulate you on the grand work you do on behalf of Manx people in the States and Canada—and send to all of you, our most sincere, heartfelt greetings in the old, familiar manner, wishing you a Very Merry Christmas and a Bright and Happy New Year.

Richard Cain, O.B.E., President
Harold Cain, M.H.K., Chairman
Charles Crainc, Hon. Secretary
18 Broadway, Douglas,
Isle of Man.



A Manx Christmas Greeting which has appeared in the Bulletin more than once is being extended you again this year. How old it is we do not know, but the charm of its homely Manx simplicity is always fresh. It was sent in this year by Walter Stevenson of Chicago.

AN OLD MANX GREETING

A Merry Christmas on ye, and a good wan,
Long life and health to the whole household;
Your life and mirth living together,
Peace and love between women and men,
Goods and wealth, stock and store,
Plenty potatoes, and beerin' enough,
Bread and cheese, butter and beef.

A Pre-Convention Get-Together "How the Manx Cat Lost its Tail"

A fine crowd of Cleveland Manx people met in the Terminal Room of the Sheraton-Cleveland Hotel on Sunday evening, November 15, for a social evening sponsored by the Cleveland Convention Committee. The meeting was very hearty and spontaneous, and the committee felt greatly encouraged as to the success of their efforts to get the Convention plans off to a good start.

Among those at the speakers' table were the following members of the Convention Executive Committee: W. Harry Kelly, General Chairman; Alan C. Fricke, Vice Chairman; Miss Mildred Corris, Secretary and Miss Mona Cowell, Treasurer. Henry Christian, N.A.M.A. Treasurer, prominent also was there, as well as John R. Cain and Fred Gorry, both past presidents of Cleveland Manx organizations—and of course we all know that W. Harry Kelly and John R. Cain both are past presidents of the N.A.M.A. Mr. Kelly introduced these people, all of whom addressed the audience briefly, welcoming them to the meeting. Mr. Kelly spoke about next year's Convention, mentioning that it will have been three years since we had one and that Manx folk are eagerly looking forward to the opportunity of getting together again. The Committee, he said, is working hard to see that this Convention maintains the high standards set in past years.

Mr. Kelly had brought his wonderful collection of Manx slides which he had taken in the Island a few years ago, and these were shown by his son-in-law, Bill Roseman, while Mr. Kelly himself gave a very interesting and entertaining commentary. Vocal numbers by the Misses Edith and Linorah Cox were much enjoyed, and all joined in community singing of hymns and Manx songs. Walter Quilliam was the accompanist. This fine program of beautiful pictures and music was thoroughly enjoyed, and all were delighted to see such a big turnout.

REMEMBER THE CONVENTION
DATES — AUGUST 7 - 10, 1960

At a recent Sunday evening service at Christ Church Cathedral, Vancouver, B.C., when the Dean asked for prayers for the other dioceses of the Church, the Diocese of Sodor and Man was among those mentioned. Later, the Dean was quite pleased when one of the Vancouver Manx Society members telephoned to thank him, and said that he had been to the Isle of Man.

A New Book

A new book for children (and for their elders) is "How the Manx Cat Lost Its Tail, and other Manx Folk Stories," collected and retold by our friend, Blanche Cowley Young, a member of the N.A.M.A. for many years.

In her preface to the book, Miss Young says that originally she related these Manx tales on children's radio programs, where they won great popularity. Librarians and schoolteachers were interested and asked permission to use them, so that it seemed worthwhile to give the tales permanent form in a book. This has just been published.

There are sixteen tales, and Miss Young has magically interpreted the humor, sympathy and wonder of the strange events narrated and has subtly conveyed that, to the human characters involved, these events were not so very strange—they were not at all surprised to encounter the Bug-gane or meet the Phynnodderce in the meadow, or the Little People in the glen. They knew they were there all the time. And who, among the Manx-born who remember wandering on the hillsides, in the glens and on the lonely beaches with their dark caves, has not felt an awareness of the native spirits of this magic, mysterious, lovely Island with its lore extending back before written history?

For your children, grandchildren, or for children not Manx at all, you would find this book an ideal gift for Christmas, birthdays or any occasion. It is charmingly illustrated and contains a guide to pronunciation of the Manx names. The book is \$2.75 and is published by David McKay Company, Inc., 119 West 40th St., New York 18, N. Y. Ask your bookseller about it.

Miss Young writes that if you do not find your favorite story in this collection, she will be glad to hear from you and to include it in her next book, which she is now working on.

About Miss Young herself (whom many of us have met)—her great-grandfather, William Killely, his wife and three children came to a suburb of Cleveland in May, 1827, after a six-month voyage. In 1839 they moved to Wilmington, Ill. where Manx people had settled—the Cowins, Crellins, Hamptons and others. Her grandfather came to this Manx colony from the Isle of Man in 1856, at the age of 22, and married Dinah Killely. Her mother was born in Wilmington and lived there until her death in 1950, at the age of 85. The younger Killelys still live on the family farm in Wilmington.

In private life Miss Young is Mrs. Jack Oldham, and her address for the winter months is 203 East Lyman Ave., Winter Park, Florida. During the summer she lives in Indianapolis.

STAMPS FROM PITCAIRN ISLAND

Fred Brew of 1870 Page Ave., East Cleveland 12, Ohio is an ardent stamp collector and has lately added to his collection some very fine stamps of Pitcairn Island. This island, peopled by descendants of H.M.S. Bounty mutineers who settled there in 1788 has particular interest for Manx people on account of the Manxman, Fletcher Christian, who was leader of the mutineers. Most of us are familiar with the story.

Last July Fred wrote to John Christian of Pitcairn, a fourth-generation descendant of Fletcher Christian, sending him money to buy postage stamps of different denominations to affix to the envelope containing his reply, as Fred prefers the cancelled stamps. Mr. John Christian responded, and Fred now has stamps from Pitcairn Island of denominations ranging from 1d to 2 6. The stamps are large and very beautiful, each denomination showing some different scene or object connected with the Bounty or Pitcairn Island.

Fred tells us that Pitcairn has an area of two square miles and a population of about 200, all descendants of the seven Bounty mutineers who settled on the island in 1788 — all, that is, except the minister and the schoolmaster. The colony is self-ruled, but is owned by Britain. Tahiti, about 350 miles distant, is the nearest land to Pitcairn. Vessels from New Zealand call at Pitcairn at intervals.

Many of us have seen Fred Brew's magnificent collection of Manx coins which he has displayed from time to time. This fine Manxman, one of the most loyal members of the Cleveland Manx groups, is to be congratulated on his two hobbies of coin and stamp collecting, which for many years have given him a most fascinating and instructive pursuit.

This year the Post Office has returned to us so many Bulletins as undeliverable, that once more we must appeal to members to PLEASE NOTIFY US OF CHANGE OF ADDRESS. This would save readers the disappointment of missing a Bulletin, and also would save the N. A.M.A. considerable expense, as we have to pay return postage on all such Bulletins. So if you move, please be sure to send your new address to our Secretary, Miss Mildred Corris, 1335 Cove Ave., Lakewood 7, Ohio. We shall be grateful for your cooperation.



News and Christmas Gre

CHICAGO

Members and friends of the Chicago Manx Society were guests of the Misses Ruth and Ellen Carlson at the Glen Orry Manx Cattery in West Chicago on August 29. About 14 attended, including four out-of-town friends—Mr. J. V. Joughin, secretary of the Montreal Manx Society, Mr. and Mrs. Arthur E. Cowley, Kankakee, Ill. and their cousin, Mrs. Jack Oldham (Blanche Young), who is now spending the winter at 203 East Lyman Ave., Winter Park, Fla. Mrs. Oldham, a one-time Chicago resident, is the author of a new book—"How the Manx Cat Lost Its Tail" and other stories,—publisher, David McKay, New York. All the visitors enjoyed seeing the champion Manx cats, and their many ribbons, trophies and cups were much admired. President Walter Stevenson welcomed the guests at the picnic supper on the lawn, and thanked the Misses Carlson for their gracious hospitality.

The Society held its fall meeting on November 6 at the Austin Y. M.-C. A. The following officers were elected for the coming year:

President Norman D. Clucas
1st Vice President .. Dr. J. J. Moore
2nd Vice President .. Charles Corrin
Sec'y-Treas. Mrs. R. C. Kelly

The new president, Norman Clucas, lives in Itasca, Ill. He, his mother and his cousin Charles Corrin all joined the N.A.M.A. at this meeting. Another N.A.M.A. member signed up by Mrs. Cecil Kelly was J. R. Brew, son of John Brew whose death is recorded in the obituary column. Mr. J. R. Brew had been contacted by Walter Stevenson, and has joined the Chicago Manx Society.

Next year's Convention was discussed at this meeting, and the Manx Chicagoans have started the ball rolling by collecting \$25.00 from members and from the Society to send to the Convention committee. They hope to increase the donation in early 1960. Fine work, Chicago!

The Chicago Manx Society extends Joyous Christmas Greetings to all Manx friends everywhere.

"It is Christmas in the mansion,
Yule-log fires and silken frocks;
It is Christmas in the cottage,
Mother's filling little socks.

It is Christmas on the highway,
In the thronging, busy mart;
But the dearest, truest Christmas
Is the Christmas in the heart."

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

MONA'S RELIEF SOCIETY CLEVELAND

The Cleveland Manx held their Annual Service at the Centenary Methodist Church in Warrensville on Sunday, October 11. Attendance was good, and all joined heartily in the singing of the well-loved hymns, among which were "Guide Me, O Thou Great Jehovah," and "Glorious Things of Thee Are Spoken." An interesting and eloquent sermon was preached by the Rev. Mr. T. Olson, pastor of the church who for many years was minister at the Epworth Euclid Methodist Church. Organist was Walter Quilliam, tenor soloist, Joe Clucas. After the service, a picnic supper, with tea supplied by the ladies of the church, was enjoyed. A short period of singing of familiar hymns chosen by individuals in the congregation followed, and all agreed on starting for home that they had spent a most pleasant and uplifting afternoon and evening.

The Mona's Relief Society held its October meeting on the 6th at the Detroit Avenue Methodist Church rooms in Lakewood. Despite a stormy night, the attendance was quite good. President Alan Fricke spoke of next year's N.A.M.A. Convention in Cleveland and urged that the members give it their full support. Refreshments were served by ladies of the West Side.

For the November meeting on the 6th, the Society returned to St. Stephen's Church hall on the East Side. The business meeting was followed by a card party, with table prizes, door prizes, and delicious refreshments which were enjoyed by the members and their friends.

The officers and members of the Mona's Relief Society in Cleveland extend Season's Greetings to their many Manx friends, and wish them a Very Prosperous and Happy New Year.

Alan C. Fricke, President
Mrs. Mona DeWerth, Cor. Sec'y.
3106 Library Ave.
Cleveland 9, Ohio



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

The officers and members of the N.A.M.A. Ladies' Auxiliary extend Season's Greetings to Manx friends everywhere. May you have a most enjoyable Christmas, and a Happy and Healthy New Year.

Miss Mildred Corris, President
Mrs. Henry Christian, Sec'y-Treas.
861 Orchard Park Drive
Rocky River 13, Ohio

EDMONTON

After the summer vacation, the Manx of Edmonton held their first meeting of the winter season on September 30, with a good turnout of members. Letters from Manx people living in Alberta were read by the President.

A Manx flag, kindly sent by Mr. and Mrs. Jack Griffiths of Douglas, Isle of Man was presented to the Society by their daughter, Mrs. T. Cannell. Mrs. McAllister, the Secretary, showed an interesting movie taken at one of the Society's summer picnics, after which refreshments were served.

At the next meeting, held on October 28, arrangements were made to hold a children's party in December. For the remainder of the evening, the members enjoyed a pleasant chat.

Officers and members of the Edmonton Manx Society send Christmas Greetings to all members of the North American Manx Association.

Charles Quilliam, President
Mrs. Margaret McAllister, Sec'y
8762 Strathearn Drive,
Edmonton, Alberta.



PEORIA

Members of the Peoria Manx Association enjoyed a potluck dinner at the Union Church in Brimfield on Sunday, October 25. Although attendance was rather small, everyone thoroughly enjoyed the bounteous dinner and the pleasant afternoon spent in visiting.

Officers and members of the Peoria Manx join in extending to all Manx people, heartiest wishes for a Joyful Christmas and a Happy New Year.

Mrs. Robert Shimmin, President
Mrs. Wm. Archibald, Sec'y-Treas.
Box 16, Brimfield, Ill.



LADIES' AUXILIARY TO MONA'S RELIEF SOCIETY, CLEVELAND

On December 7 the Ladies' Auxiliary to the Mona's Relief Society attained its 60th anniversary. We are very proud of this achievement, and will celebrate our birthday at our Christmas party, December 18.

The officers and members of the Society wish to convey to Manx friends everywhere, Greetings of the Season, and to wish you all a Very Merry Christmas and a Happy, Healthy and Prosperous New Year.

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



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SAN FRANCISCO

A meeting was held by the San Francisco Manx in late October, at the home of Mrs. Aota Hutshing, 1547-20th Ave., assisted by Mrs. Minnie Chatfield. About 44 were present. Letters and good wishes from Mrs. Kathleen Kneale of Peel and Miss Mona Holmes of Douglas were read. Both ladies had visited San Francisco this year.

It was voted unanimously that the Manx Society of San Francisco affiliate with the United Nationalities Association, which already consists of 18 representative groups, and to which several of the Manx Society members already belong.

Mr. Chatfield, Immediate Past President of the British Commonwealth Association gave an account of their recent meeting, at which Mrs. Essie Quayle was elected Vice President.

Out-of-town guests were Mr. and Mrs. George Craine and Joe Craine of Butte, Mont., who were visiting their brother and wife, Mr. and Mrs. Bidge Craine.

The September meeting was held at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Janie Jones at Berkeley, when an out-of-door picnic was the order of the day. In August, John Morgan entertained the members at his home in Berkeley. These summer affairs were wonderful, and well attended. The group was looking forward to a specially fine Christmas Party to be held at Stern Grove Hall on November 28, when many willing volunteers were to take charge of entertainment, refreshments and decorations. The members are happy to report they are going strong and looking forward to continued success in 1960. The Secretary concludes her report by saying:

"Once again it is our pleasure to extend to all our Manx friends, good wishes for a most happy and enjoyable Christmas and New Year. Remembering friends, places and faces is our special pleasure, and extending spontaneous wishes to all for health and prosperity. May the Christmas spirit and cheer be with each one of us."

Herb Corlett, President
James Cringle, Vice President
Tom Lewin, Treasurer
Essie Quayle, Hon. Sec'y
1414 Santiago St.
San Francisco 16, Calif.

LOS ANGELES

The Manx of Los Angeles had a picnic on October 25 at Costa Mesa, with more than 30 present. They were happy to welcome two new members—Mr. and Mrs. Tom Stevens, a newly married couple. Mrs. Stevens is the former Elma Forster of 15 Church Street, Douglas, Isle of Man (born in Peel), a young nurse who came out to the Mayo Clinic, and is now at St. Joseph's Hospital in Burbank, Calif. Also welcomed heartily at the picnic were old friends from San Diego—Miss Lily Harrison and Miss Iris Corkhill, also Mr. Kelly from Carlsbad, New Mexico. These people have a long way to come, but usually make it.

Mr. and Mrs. W. K. Caley are back from the Isle of Man. Mr. and Mrs. Bob Gregr were still in Hawaii at the time of this picnic.

The Convention was discussed, in relation to ways and means, and the members agreed that though small in numbers, they would do their best to help make it a success. The secretary read letters from societies on the other side of the world—"Down Under" and in South Africa. They were very interesting and much enjoyed.

The officers and members of the Los Angeles Manx Society join in wishing the North American Manx Association and the World Manx Association, a Very Merry Christmas and a Happy and Successful New Year, with good health to one and all. Let us all pull together and make the 1960 Convention the biggest and best we have ever had.

Edwin C. Killin, President
Mrs. Lillian Marnion-Tipper,
Corres. Sec'y
2801 Griffith Park Blvd.,
Los Angeles 27, Calif.



GALVA

The Galva Manx Society had an indoor picnic after being rained out at the local park, on Sunday, August 23. Manx people from Peoria, Knoxville and Galva were present, and enjoyed the homelike dinner provided. Plans were made for a gathering in November, with election of officers.

To all Manx people — A Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year from the officers and members of the Galva Manx Society.

Mrs. Ty Kelly, President
Miss Mabel Kewish, Vice Pres.
Mrs. Clyde Callahan, Sec'y
R. R. #2, Box 154, Galva, Ill.

VANCOUVER

The Vancouver Manx held their annual picnic on August 15 at White Rock, a pretty beach picnic ground on the north side of the Canadian-U. S. border line. About 50 attended this very successful get-together, and the weatherman cooperated 100%. A sports program filled the interval between the two meals, under the direction of President Etchells—every one, young and old, joining in the fun. The youngest competitor was 3-year-old Ross Lumb, a grandson of Mr. and Mrs. A. E. Halsall—and the oldest, Mrs. Sam Cain (around 89). Visitors welcomed were Mrs. Tossie Clucas, Somerset Road, Douglas, Isle of Man; and two newcomers to Vancouver, Mr. and Mrs. J. Hetchkiss.

The first meeting of the 1959-1960 season was held in the Horticultural Hall, 20th Ave. and Clark Drive on September 12, with about 40 present. A very enjoyable evening was spent with a whist drive, followed by the usual coolish and refreshments provided by the ladies.

Greetings are extended by President Charles W. Etchells:

"It is with pleasure I send sincere Christmas Greetings from myself and wife on behalf of the officers and members of the Vancouver Manx Society, to all Manx friends in North America.

"The Convention Committees are to be congratulated on their efforts in arranging for the 1960 Convention in Cleveland, and it is hoped that a strong representation will go from Vancouver because we must keep our Manx ties alive. Friendship overcomes all obstacles, and man's greatest joy should be to do something really worthwhile for his fellowmen. This was the fervent wish of our founders. As a new year dawns, I trust that each of us in our own small way will contribute toward keeping the traditions and honor of our Manx heritage.

Best wishes to our friends everywhere. God bless you all."

Charles W. Etchells, President
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E. Q. Costain, Secretary
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Vancouver 16, B. C.



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SOCIETY NEWS AND GREETINGS

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BISBEE

Immediately after Mr. and Mrs. Arnold Corrin returned from their holiday in the Isle of Man, they invited the Arizona Manx to hold their September meeting at their home. They showed pictures taken in the Island and in London, which, needless to say, were thoroughly enjoyed. For those born in the Isle of Man they revived many pleasant memories, and gave the others an idea of what our lovely little Island is like.

The Robert Skillicorns returned from their overseas trip in time for the October meeting, which was held at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Bill Wood. About 18, a pretty good showing, were present. The members were saddened on learning of the death of the late N.A.M.A. Financial Secretary-Treasurer, Robert W. Skillicorn, and it was moved that a card of sympathy signed by those present be sent to his wife.

A meeting was arranged for Sunday, November 15, at Fort Huachuca at the home of Peggy and Gordon Cupiss. As the distance is rather long (40 miles) for an evening meeting, an afternoon meeting with pot-luck dinner was planned. Fort Huachuca is a frontier military post where Gordon is an army sergeant.

To all members of the North American Manx Association, the Bisbee Manx Society extends hearty good wishes—

"When holiday greetings
Arrive in the mail
Here's one you can count on
Each year without fail!"

MERRY CHRISTMAS!

Mrs. Ida Corrin, President
Mrs. Ivy Dillon, Secretary
207 Hazzard St., Warren, Ariz.



WINNIPEG

Attendance at the Winnipeg Society's first meeting of the winter season, held on October 26, was affected by a sudden change in weather with resultant prevalence of bad colds. Those present arranged for a dance and social for November 24 at Deer Lodge Hall, the ladies to supply refreshments.

Best wishes of the Winnipeg Manx go out to all fellow-Manx people, wherever they may be, for a Very Merry Christmas and a Bright and Prosperous New Year.

Harry Caley, President
Roy Kolesa, Vice President
Eileen Kilbon, Sec'y-Treas.
811 Winnipeg Ave.
Winnipeg 1, Manx.
James Y. Mann, Corrin, Sec'y.
107 Balmoral Place
Winnipeg, Manx.

NORTHEASTERN OHIO

Instead of a regular business meeting, the Manx of Northeastern Ohio held an indoor picnic in August in the hall at the First Federal Savings Bank Building in Mentor. Their September meeting was held at the same place, with about 28 members present from Chardon, Cleveland, Mentor and Painesville. After an excellent supper, a short business meeting was held, when the President appointed a nominating committee consisting of Mrs. Maud McCarthy, Miss Bertha Clark and Serena Pomeroy to select officers for the coming year. Mrs. Albert Kiley then gave a very interesting talk on the history of the Teare family from the time they left the Isle of Man in 1827. The information was given her by one of the descendants, Frank Teare of Youngstown, Ohio. Leo Crellin then read a portion of a paper he had compiled—"The History of Paine Hollow"—a place in Leroy Township where a goodly number of Manx people settled. He promised to finish the reading at a future meeting.

The October meeting also was held at the Bank building, with a very good picnic supper served to about 30 members and friends from Leroy Township, Concord, Mentor, Cleveland and Painesville. The Nominating Committee reported their slate of officers—

President Barton Crellin
Vice Presidents
Lloyd and Elga Pomeroy
Sec'y-Treasurer W. H. Collister

This group was elected to serve during 1960.

After the election, Mrs. Maud McCarthy gave a short talk on "Ohio." Mrs. Blanche Kiley spoke on "The Lake County Story" and set up a round-table panel consisting of Mrs. Edna Quine, Harry Crellin, Mrs. Maud McCarthy, Leo Crellin and Mrs. Mabel Crellin—moderator. Mrs. Kiley who recapped the whole story. Mrs. Helena Hefelfinger said she had some relics from a ship owned by her grandfather, Captain Duncan, who was one of the first to navigate the Grand River to Salmer's Landing. A vote of thanks was accorded to all who took part in the very interesting program.

The Northeastern Ohio Manx Society extends its best wishes to all Manx men and women throughout the world a wish for every year gift of the Sun—His Hope, His Peace and Good Cheer—Gods Love and His Wisdom to guide you, and keep you throughout the New Year!

Barton W. Crellin, President
Lloyd and Elga Pomeroy, Vice Presidents
W. H. Collister, Sec'y-Treasurer
100 Oakwood Ave., Painesville, O.

MONTREAL

The Montreal Manx Society opened the 1959-60 season with a meeting in the Triquet Room of the Legion Hall, Mountain St., on October 23. Election of officers was the principal business, and the existing slate was re-elected to serve another term. These are:

Hon. Vice Pres.	Mrs. Sloan
Hon. Vice Pres.	Mr. Corlett Sr.
President	P. Gregson
Vice Pres.	R. Leighton
Treasurer	D. Corlett
Secretary	J. V. Joughin

A program for the season's meetings was outlined and accepted, and it was decided to hold a Christmas party on December 18. Mrs. J. Agnew, one of the Society's original members, having moved to Belleville, Ont., a motion was passed to make her an Hon. Life Vice President, and a telegram to that effect was sent to her. She is also to receive a memento from the Society.

Entertainment consisted of movies and slides taken at the summer picnic, also some taken by Mrs. J. Cope when visiting the Island this year. Refreshments were provided by the ladies.

The President, officers and members of the Montreal Manx Society extend to officers and members of the N.A.M.A. and of all local Manx Societies, the Compliments of the Season, and the fervent wish—"May your shadow never grow less." All our best wishes for the success of the Convention at Cleveland in 1960.

P. Gregson, President
J. V. Joughin, Secretary
Summerlea Apts. 15,
Apt. 11, 47th Ave.,
Lachine, Que., Canada.

Montreal calling the Season's Greetings to W. J. Stevens in Chicago. May we have the pleasure of entertaining you at any future date—with advance notice you can be sure of a hearty welcome.



TORONTO

On October 6 the Toronto Manx held their monthly meeting at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Sam Penrice, 10 Market St., Georgetown, Ont., who extended them a hearty welcome. After the business meeting, Mr. Penrice showed slides of beauty spots of the Isle of Man, which, needless to say, brought back many memories to all.

The officers and members of the Toronto Manx Society extend their best wishes to friends and members of the North American Manx Association for a Very Merry Christmas and a Happy and Prosperous New Year. May your wishes come true, and may the Irish Folk of Erin be glad to hear from you all!

ELLEN VANNIS, TY BRACH,
Frank Williams, President
Eileen McLaughlin, Sec'y.
17 Kilmacdonagh Lane,
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OBITUARIES

BREW, John, aged 72, died at the home of his son in Antioch, Ill. on August 14, following a heart attack. Surviving are his son John, two grandchildren, and a half-sister in the Isle of Man. His wife, the former Lena Miller of Galva, Ill. predeceased him. Mr. Brew, born in the Isle of Man in 1887, came to Galva in 1910 and retired last spring as caretaker at the Midland Country Club, near Galva. An item about him was included in our last Bulletin.

CARTER, Jessie (nee Kaighin), of Brimfield, Ill. died on October 22 after a long illness, aged 90. She leaves two daughters, Mrs. Gladys Hawley of Peoria and Miss Margaretta Carter of Brimfield; two sons, Ralph K. Carter of Elmwood and Wm. E. Carter of Brimfield; five grandchildren and nine great-grandchildren. Mrs. Carter was the last of eleven children born to John and Sophia McClure Kaighin, and was married to Thomas William Carter in 1894. She was a member of the Peoria Manx Association, a life-long resident of Brimfield township, and was highly respected in the community.

CHRISTIAN, James E., died in Rochester, N. Y. after a short illness. He was 69. Surviving are a son, Allen, Christian of Sanateza, Calif.; a sister, Molly Stamburek and a brother, Benjamin Christian, both of Rochester; several nieces and nephews and three grandchildren. Another brother was the late Dan Christian, who with his wife attended Manx Conventions regularly. Mr. James Christian was a committee worker for the first Rochester Convention.

CLARK, Vernon S., aged 72, of 50 Casement Ave., Painesville, Ohio, died on October 21. He is survived by a sister, Miss Bertha Clark, an active worker in the Northeastern Ohio Manx Society.

COLLISTER, Fern (nee McKane) of Galva, Ill. died on September 18 as a result of injuries received in an automobile accident on August 19. She leaves her husband, Edward, a Past President of the Galva Manx Society; a daughter, Mrs. Thomas Basch of Northbrook, Ill. and a sister, Mrs. Elsie R. House of Cambridge, Ill. Mrs. Collister was born in Galva in 1889.

QUILLIAM, Margaret, of 671 Foster Court, Canton, Ill. died on October 2, 1963. Her husband, Ross Howard, Mrs. Quilliam was a member of the Logan Manx Association.

CAINE, Louisa Susanna (nee Quirk), died on May 20 at Virginia, Minn. aged 85. She was the widow of the late William Caine of Mt. Iron, Minn. and daughter of the late John and Ann Quirk of Glen Rushen, Isle of Man.

CORKISH, Annie, died in September at her home in Bisbee, Ariz. She leaves two sons, Tom of Denver, Colo. and Frank of Bisbee; four grandchildren, a great-grandchild, and a niece, Mrs. Irene Arndt, who is one of the committee members of the Bisbee Manx Society.

COWLEY, Thomas A., of Galva, Ill. died on November 5 at the age of 77. Surviving are his wife, Maybell (nee Thorp); a daughter, Mrs. Barbara Hazelleaf of Long Beach, Calif.; three sons, Stanley of Galva, Ralph of LaGrange, and Marshall of Pacific Palisades, Calif.; seven grandchildren. Several brothers and sisters predeceased him. Mr. Cowley was born in the Isle of Man, came to the States in 1902 and settled in Michigan where he worked in an iron mine. Later he moved to Galva, Ill. where he farmed until his retirement three years ago.

GREGGOR, Emily E. (nee Clucas), of 14500 Orinoco Ave., East Cleveland, died suddenly on November 8. She had not been well for some months. She leaves two daughters, Margaret and Edith; a son, Donald, and a brother, Joseph Clucas, all of Cleveland; also two brothers, Evan and James, and a sister, Mrs. Lily Chilcutt in the Isle of Man. Her husband, the late Benjamin C. Greggor, died about 18 months ago. Mrs. Greggor came from Peel, and was an active and much-loved member and worker in the Cleveland Manx societies, where she will be greatly missed.

KINVIG, Edith, of 3527 West 16th Ave., Vancouver, B.C. died on November 1, aged 59. Surviving are three uncles, Frank and Harry Kinvig and Fred Richards, of Vancouver; three cousins, Mrs. Olive Allan and Mrs. Fanny Scott of Vancouver and Percy Richards of Richmond. Miss Kinvig was a member of the Vancouver Manx Society.

WADE, Evan, Fred, of Detroit, Mich. died on October 6. He is survived by two sons, Richard and Douglas S., and grandchildren, Joe, Patricia, William, John, Cecil and Alan; and three sisters, Mrs. Fred Patterson, Mrs. Ruth G. Stey and Mrs. Evelyn Case. Funeral services were held in Cleveland, where most of the members of the family resided. Mr. Wade was a son of the late Mr. and Mrs. Evan Wade, who came to Cleveland from the Isle of Man many years ago, and was well known among the Cleveland Manx.

CONDRA, John Thomas, died suddenly at his home, 295 Rannerman Ave., Winnipeg, on July 8, aged 75. He leaves his wife, Eleanor Kate, and a son, John Leonard. Mr. Condra was born at Ballacorris, Santon, Isle of Man and came out to Winnipeg in 1906.

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

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VANCOUVER MANX LADIES

The Vancouver Manx Ladies have had a very active and successful year. Meetings are held on the fourth Wednesday of the month at the homes of the members. The October meeting was held a week earlier to allow time for the final arrangements for the Annual Bazaar, which was held in the Horticultural Hall on October 24. The affair was a great success, and will enable the Ladies to give a generous donation toward the Vancouver Manx Society's Christmas Tree for the children. The Ladies also donate to several local charities.

The Vancouver Manx Ladies' Club extends Season's Greetings to Manx friends everywhere. May the New Year bring Peace and Prosperity to all.

Mrs. John Crossan, President
Mrs. Alice Halsall, Secretary
2834 Georgia St.
Vancouver 6, B. C., Canada.



ROCHESTER

Mr. and Mrs. Charles Sumner really had their only child when they asked for a beautiful day for the Rochester Manx picnic, held in August at their home in Danville, N. Y. About 15 sat down to a wonderful meal at noon. The afternoon was spent with games and visits, and again it was time to eat—and more worried about their waistlines after two such good meals. Everyone enjoyed the day, and agreed it was a rare treat to see sunshine in Danville.

Our beautiful summer has disappeared, and there is a crispness in the air warning us that winter is here. Our thoughts turn to the Holiday Season, with its excitement and the great things we all expect and enjoy in it. The Manx Ladies have begun to plan the Christmas Bazaar, held in a convenient room at Manx Center for a number of years past. The first eagerly anticipated ball of the year will also be held before the final holiday decorations are made.

The Rochester Manx Ladies are proud to welcome you to our annual Manx Christmas Bazaar and Ball at the Hotel New York.

Manx Association
Room 101, Hotel
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New York, N. Y.

