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JOIN THE MANX IN MONTREAL AUGUST 13-16

A Wonderful Convention • A Wonderful City

Invitation from the General Chairman

For the first time since 1940, the Montreal Manx Society is host to the North American Manx Association, in 1961. From August 13 through 16 we will be welcoming old and new friends to this lovely city of ours. Let me at once thank all who are offering financial support, and all who are contributing in other ways. This spirit of co-operation is wonderful, and did so much to ensure the success of the last Convention that we are aware of a stimulation of interest in keeping alive the customs and memories of the Island. We look forward to continuing that interest and establishing new friendships at our Convention.

Our preparations for the big event have been in hand for months. Your accommodation at Convention headquarters, the Sheraton Mount Royal Hotel, is among the finest in Montreal. The staff is courteous, and is taking every step to ensure that you will be well looked after. Our committees are working like Trojans; I am delighted to discover unsuspected abilities in all members at our frequent meetings, and from the spirit in the air it is obvious that we are all *rairin'* to go.

We are proud of our program, and confident that it will appeal to all of you. The city of Montreal has plenty of sights and amusements, and our own program offers a good time, with opportunity to get to know everyone. Many of you will want to spend your vacation in or near here, because during the Convention we cannot hope to show you all the attractions for which Montreal is famous throughout the continent. This is your chance, also, to prac-

tice your French—and there will always be someone at hand who speaks English.

For us who are Manx by descent or inclination, the Manx Gaelic has the right phrase — "Kys ta shiu" — How

are you? Learn it now if you've forgotten it; also the reply, "Brow brow." There'll be a "Kys ta shiu" for everyone at the Convention.

PAUL E. GREGSON
General Chairman

31st N.A.M.A. Convention at Montreal

Montreal Manx Society

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You will soon be receiving from the Montreal Convention Committee some descriptive information about Montreal, including a hotel reservation card to be filled in and mailed to the Sheraton-Mount Royal Hotel, specifying the accommodations you desire if you are going to the Convention (and we hope that everyone who possibly can is planning to go). For your immediate information, we are giving you the room rates, as follows:

Room and bath for one, per day	\$ 8.50	\$ 9.50	\$10.50	\$12.50	\$14.50
Double-bed for two, per day	12.00	13.00	14.00	16.00	
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Start planning now for a wonderful Convention and a grand time in Montreal, August 13 through 16.

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The President's Message YOUNG PEOPLE'S YEAR

The most-talked-of group in our midst today is "the young people"—the future depends on them. The North American Manx Association — your Society and mine — looking to the future, is going to depend on our young Manx people. We are very pleased with the response we have had from our members. One lady writes — "We cannot leave the task of securing new members to our officers; it is only with the personal contact we can interest our young people in joining the N.A.M.A. I am enclosing a check for \$2.00 for my own son, and hope to secure two more new members before the year is over." A gentleman writes — "Harry, count on me for ten new members."

From another Manxman comes a letter which presents a problem, and I think you will agree it applies to many of us. He wrote — "I have tried for many years to interest my four children in things Manx. We were the only Manx family in our community. During their schooldays they never came in contact with any Manx person. Enclosed are their names and addresses — see what you can do." This Manxman's intentions are good. We all want our children to be interested in things Manx.

Today our young people have so many activities close to home that it is hard to get them interested in that little Island in the midst of the Irish Sea — the Isle of Man — fondly called "Ellan Vannin," whence the Manx came.

Yet another lady writes — "I am enclosing \$4.00, two years' dues for my son. You take it from there on." We do appreciate these letters — they show a keen interest in and a devotion to the N. A. M. A. The same interest and de-

votion has inspired a host of willing workers who have given freely of their time since the N. A. M. A. was founded. Let us all try "to preserve whatever is left to us of ancient heritage."

I happened to listen to a television show called "To Tell the Truth." This program consists of Moderator Bud Collyer, four panelists and three contestants, who give the same name. It is the panel's job to pick the one person to whom the name belongs. In this case there were three lady contestants (I forget the name) — the real one owned a "Cattery" and bred special cats. Faye Emerson, one of the panelists, asked — "What is a MANX cat?" The point I get from this is — "Let's not leave it to the Manx Cat to uphold the tradition of the Manx people."

I ask all our members to make a special effort to interest some young Manx person in joining the N. A. M. A. If only one-third of you could secure a new member we would have a wonderful year. I am counting on YOUR support.

Let me say again — the N. A. M. A., your Society and mine, must look ahead to our young people in 1961. We can — we will — do our share to interest them in the N. A. M. A., to uphold our identity and tradition — and not leave it all to the Manx Cat!

W. HARRY KELLY, President

To the Cleveland Manx

The Mona's Relief Society will hold its West Side meeting on April 4 at the Detroit Ave. Methodist Church, corner Detroit and Ridgewood, Lakewood. It will be a potluck supper, and is expected to repeat the immense success of a similar party two years ago. The committee in charge will be grateful if those planning to attend will let them know what they would like to bring in the way of food for the supper. Here are their names and phone numbers:

Miss Mildred Corris	AC 6-4981
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Mrs. Mona DeWerth	ON 1-6528
Mrs. Margaret Abell	ME 1-3275
Mrs. Ethel Patterson	LA 1-6642

The committee looks forward to a record turnout for this meeting. Everyone is sure to have a happy time, and an excellent supper. Cleveland Manx — please phone one of the committee members as suggested.

Anyone who hails from Jurby should write to John J. Christian, c/o John Conti, R. F. D. 1, Fredonia, N. Y. He came to the States from Jurby in 1909 and has not had the luck of meeting any Manx people. However, he corresponds with William H. Collister of Painesville, Ohio, with whom he worked in his young days in the Isle of Man. Mr. Christian, 74, is a veteran of World War I, and though not in the best of health he gets around and enjoys life. He enjoys the Bulletin — and would dearly like to hear from Manx people from the Northside.

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MEET YOUR OFFICERS...

... By GERTRUDE CANNELL

Our Corresponding and Recording Secretary, Miss Mildred Corris, was appointed to the office in the spring of 1959, on the resignation of Miss Claire Mylecraine, who was obliged to give up the work for health reasons. She was duly elected at the Convention in Cleveland in 1960.

Mildred has attended many Manx Conventions, including Vancouver in 1957. Her smiling face and friendly manner have made her well known and liked by our members. In Cleveland she is a familiar figure among the Manx, being Treasurer of the Mona's Relief Society. When the Society meets in Lakewood, as happens twice yearly, Mildred is very active on the committee which arranges entertainment and refreshments. Until recently she was N.A.M.A. Regional Director for the Cleveland area, and holds another



MILDRED C. CORRIS
Corresponding and Recording
Secretary, N.A.M.A.

office on the N.A.M.A. Executive — Representative for the Ladies' Auxiliary, of which she formerly was President.

Her devotion to things Manx has not prevented her from being active in other groups. She belongs to the Order of the Eastern Star, is a Past President of the Business Women's Auxiliary of that organization, and is a member of the Business and Professional Women's Club in Lakewood. Beside all these interests, naturally she is a "working gal" — a secretary in the offices of the National U. S. Radiator Corporation.

Mildred was born in Peel, the

daughter of Thomas Alfred Corris and Jane Moughton Corris. Both her parents were very well known and popular among the Cleveland Manx in former days, preserving the Manx tradition and extending warm friendship to all who could claim kinship with the Pil Island. Her mother was a loyal and hard-working member of the Ladies' Auxiliary to the Mona's Relief Society, traveling across the city to their meetings in all weathers, and helping to entertain in the many pleasant social gatherings that were held.

In 1958 Mildred revisited the Island with the Homecoming. Needless to say, it fulfilled all her dreams of it, and she took special delight in the loveliness of the countryside. She likes travel and has seen a good deal of this North American continent, having visited the Pacific Northwest, California, the New England states, Florida, parts of Canada — and was particularly impressed with the majesty of the Canadian Rockies as seen at Banff and Lake Louise. For indoor recreation she enjoys her TV set, likes music and is interested in sports, reads fiction, collects stamps and has a lovely collection of Royal Doulton figurines.

Mildred's relatives in Peel are — an uncle, John Moughtin (her mother's brother); his son, Jack, of Moughtin's Garage, who has a wife, Ann, and two sons. On her father's side, her relatives are the McMeiken family, including Mrs. Thomas Humphrey (formerly Mildred McMeiken) Ernest McMeiken, Captain of SS Fenella (Isle of Man Steam Packet Company) and Allen McMeiken — and their respective families. Living in Douglas is her father's cousin, Mr. Corris, who is with the Labor Board. Here in Lakewood are her aunts, Mrs. George B. Garrett and Mrs. Sophia Brown, both very well known among the Cleveland Manx, and several cousins.

Like most of us, Mildred is looking forward to "Montreal in August," and is working hard to help our friends there who are planning a wonderful time for us all. So — there's a golden opportunity for Mildred's friends, old and new, to get still better acquainted with this very capable, helpful, friendly lady — whose happy smile will gladden every heart.

Manx National Songs

The new Manx song book, W.M.A. edition, will soon be on sale, price to be about \$2.00 as announced by Mr. Harold Cain of Douglas in the October Bulletin. Those wishing to order should send the money to The Island Development Corp., Times Office, Douglas, Isle of Man, British Isles. Mr. Cain has already received some applications from this side.

NEWS OF THE
MANX SOCIETIES

MONTREAL

On December 16, the Montreal Manx held their Christmas party in the meeting room at the Legion Hall, which was beautifully decorated. After the singing of the National Anthem the fun and games started, with humorous prizes for winners of the various competitions. At 10 P.M. a break was made for the Honorary President, Mrs. S. Sloan to propose a toast to friends everywhere, after which the Ladies served refreshments — real Christmas fare. Exchange of gifts followed, and after more games the evening closed with Christmas and New Year wishes from all to all.

In spite of being very busy with Convention preparations, the group managed to find time for a meeting in January, when they played Pirate Bingo and had a most enjoyable evening.

Plans for the Convention are getting under way, and in the meantime, says Hon. Secretary Victor Joughin — "start arranging your holidays and make your hotel reservations now, as we are going to see that you have a really good time in Montreal — August 13 through 16."

MONA'S RELIEF SOCIETY
CLEVELAND

Members of the Mona's Relief Society met on December 5 at St. Stephen's Church Hall, and after the business meeting had a Christmas party with Tree, carol singing, gift exchange and delightful refreshments. At the January meeting, held in the new hall—East Cleveland Women's Club, 1747 Lakefront Ave., election was held and the following were voted into office:

President Alan C. Fricke
Vice President..... Henry C. Christian
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Relief Committee

Mrs. W. H. Kelly
Fred Brew
Tom Keig

Trustees Joseph Clucas
Fred T. Gorry
R. R. Gell

The following committees were also appointed:

Historian W. H. Collister
Reception John R. Cain

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OUR OWN PEOPLE

Last fall, a visitor in Cleveland from the Isle of Man was Miss Kathleen Caine, daughter of C. J. Caine, grocer, of Derby Square, Douglas. Mr. Caine, by the way, is also Superintendent of St. John's Ambulance, Douglas Division, and was decorated by the Queen for long and faithful service to the Order. Kathleen is a niece of Mrs. Mabel Moughtin of 855 Greyton Road (with whom she stayed), and of Herbert Caine, 14308 Birchwood Ave., Cleveland. With her was a friend, Miss Pat Smith of Windsor, Ont., who is a nurse in a Detroit hospital. Both young ladies liked what they saw of Cleveland and vicinity. They returned to Windsor, where Kathleen wound up her three-months holiday in U. S. A. and Canada, flying from Montreal on November 3 to return to her job in Douglas where she is a telephonist in the Post Office. She took back many pleasant memories of her North American tour.

Congratulations to Mr. and Mrs. James Clarke of LaFayette, Ill., on their Golden Wedding Anniversary, February 1, when they were honored by a group of relatives and friends.

Mr. E. Q. Costain of 5250 Gladstone St., Vancouver 16, B.C., former Secretary of the Vancouver Manx Society, is leaving for the Isle of Man on May 1, returning so as to land in Montreal on August 15. He hopes to be in time for the Convention.

Two Peel sisters, Mrs. Alice Jockers and Miss Winnie Cashin of Cleveland, were thrilled last September to have as guests, Mr. and Mrs. J. P. Widgery from London, England. Mrs. Widgery is the former Edie Kermode of Peel. Eddie and Jack Cashin, brothers of Winnie and Alice, also entertained the visitors. A luncheon was arranged at a downtown restaurant when a group of former "Peel girls" assembled to meet Mrs. Widgery — they were Mrs. Alice Gell, Mrs. Flo Gorry, Mrs. Ethel Christian, Mrs. Clara Campbell, Mrs. Alice Jockers, Miss Mildred Corris and Miss Winnie Cashin. The Cashin family and their friends are thrilled by Mr. Widgery's spectacular rise in his profession — he was appointed High Court Judge on January 9, which means he will be called to Buckingham Palace to be knighted by Queen Elizabeth. The Widgerys are delightful people and their visit was a most enjoyable event.

A traditional Christmas Day dinner was enjoyed by Mr. Richard Cain, O. B. E., President of the World Manx Association, and his family, at Fort Anne Hotel in Douglas. Present were his eldest son and wife, Mr. and Mrs. Wilfred Cain and their son and daughter, Juan and Marie; Mr. and Mrs. Harold Cain, their son and daughter

Richard and Claudette; Mr. and Mrs. James Cain, M. H. K., their son Jim and wife Muriel, and Mr. Richard Cain's cousin, Miss Lena Kelly. The only family members unable to be present were Dr. and Mrs. Robyn Cain. Dr. Cain is stationed at the Military Hospital at Tidworth. Mr. Richard Cain received hundreds of Christmas greetings from all over the world. The Isle of Man Times comments that his friends will be happy to know that he was looking extremely well and was in excellent spirits.

On New Year's Eve, Mr. and Mrs. Wilfred Cain (son of Mr. Richard Cain) gave a dance and buffet supper for 40 young friends of their daughter and son, Marie and Juan at their home, "Ballahot," Malew.

Visiting the Isle of Man last October were Mr. and Mrs. Jack Watts of Kansas City, Mo., with their daughter, Karen, and Mr. Watts' mother, Mrs. Arthur (Gladys) Watts of Lincoln, Nebr. Mrs. Gladys Watts will be remembered as Secretary of the Nebraska Manx Association some years ago.

A 17-year-old Manx lad, Cadet Flight Sergeant James Kewin of Eairylhaue, Greeba Bridge, was a winner in competition with thousands of air cadets throughout Britain to earn the Royal Air Force prize of a 15,000 mile conducted tour of U.S.A. He was one of 25 cadets chosen from 78 who had been screened for the final interview. The tour was described in detail in the Isle of Man Times of October 28, and it is evident that the young cadets were given a terrific reception wherever they went. Highlight for Cadet Kewin came when the party, while going through the Capitol Building had an unscheduled encounter with President Eisenhower himself, who stopped and chatted with them briefly. The boys were lavishly entertained everywhere, and came back with exciting memories of their trip.

Last summer Mr. Harold Callister of 4848 N. Leavitt St. Chicago, with his son, George, made a trip to England and the Isle of Man. They visited Mr. Leavitt's two sisters, one in Blundell Sands, near Liverpool, the other in Rotherham, Yorkshire. At the end of May they crossed to Douglas. Entering the Bay the weather was hazy, but on landing "everything opened up like a dream, with all the familiar surroundings I had left as a young man 50 years ago," says Mr. Callister — the Jubilee clock, the Promenade, the Angle, Conister, the old Steam Packet Building. "The boarding houses were all painted in different colors, and had a picture-book look in the spring sunshine." They were met by Mr. Callister's sister-in-law, Mrs. W. Callister and her daughter Nancy. They visited his cousin, Mrs. Radcliffe of Ballaquayle Farm, and had a tea party with his niece and family, Mrs.

Nina Howarth, The Noyna, 5 Esplanade, Douglas. They also visited Mr. and Mrs. Brian Cottier, and their parents, Mr. and Mrs. Quayle of Port e Chee Ave., Douglas. The Cottiers took them for a tour of the south of the Island, visiting Cregneish and the Fairy Bridge, where they tipped their hats to the Manx fairies. They enjoyed a tour of the Manx Museum and Library, personally conducted by Mr. Ramsey Moore. Beautiful weather prevailed the whole week they were there, and they brought home fine pictures of the Island, as well as of Manx cats who graciously posed for them. "The Island to me is still a Fairyland and 'Gem of the Irish Sea,'" says Mr. Callister.

Mrs. Edith A. Craine of "Manx Thie," 1839 Phillips Ave., Butte, Mont. enjoyed a visit last May from her cousin, Mrs. A. Lyson of Manchester, England. The Craines took her to Yellowstone Park and they were lucky in seeing "Old Faithful" in action. Mrs. Lyson went down a mine with Mrs. Craine's daughter, Mrs. B. Dukyens, and attended a church service and dinner of the Knight Templars. Her extensive tour included visits in California in Vancouver and Victoria, B.C., Washington, D.C. (where she saw Congress in session), Virginia, New York, Niagara Falls and Boston. She had such a grand time she didn't want to go home!

Mr. T. Harry Cain, his daughter, Mona and her husband, Mr. Norman Smith, of Akron, Ohio, will visit the Isle of Man and England this summer, sailing from New York on the Sylvania on May 12th. Mr. Smith's sister, Mrs. George Hitchen, will travel with them.

When the Sylvania sails on May 12th, Mr. and Mrs. Robert R. Gell and Mr. and Mrs. William Brown of Cleveland will be on board, beginning a holiday trip to the Isle of Man.

We wish these travelers a happy holiday.

A visitor from Peel whom many Manx people were privileged to meet was Mrs. John Palmer (Bessie) who arrived on these shores last November and spent some time with her daughter Thelma and family (Mrs. Bruce Lane) in Evanston, Ill. Later she came to Cleveland and stayed in the homes of Mr. and Mrs. Henry Christian and Mr. and Mrs. Cyril Gurney, where she met a large number of Manx people. They also took her to Akron to see Ann and Florence Crellin. She was interviewed on television and received an orchid for being the guest who came from the greatest distance. Manx people who saw this program were quite thrilled. Mrs. Palmer went on to Niagara Falls where Miss Ruth Morrison spent an evening with her, and thence to Boston, sailing for Home on February 28 after a thoroughly enjoyable holiday.

An interesting newspaper photo and writeup sent in by Tom Comish, 12 Crenshaw St., Mobile, Ala. shows his son and wife, Mr. and Mrs. John C. Comish and their two children, who were chosen last March as Mobile's typical young adult family, and became one of ten finalists in the United States in Redbook Magazine's "Young Adult Family Contest." Over 50,000 young families were entered in this nationwide contest by 50 major shopping centers. Mr. Tom Comish sent in his son's membership, and is very proud that our young Manx people can hold their own and prove a credit to this great country, as well as to the little Isle we all hold dear.

Last October Donald Bain, 5019 Halldale Ave., Los Angeles 62, Calif. flew by jet plane to Toronto for a reunion with his sister Elsie and husband, who were spending a month with their daughter Mrs. Jean Bottomley and her three children (her husband having passed away six months earlier). Fred Caveen took Donald to visit Frank Williamson and Mrs. Mona Downward — an old friend, in Douglas, of Donald's sister Margaret. Donald went on to Niagara Falls and Buffalo, then to Ithaca, N. Y., where his daughter Elva and husband, Dr. and Mrs. Robert Rodin and their three daughters are staying for a year, Dr. Rodin being on the faculty of Cornell University. They all motored to New York City to attend the wedding of Yvette Bain, daughter of Donald's late brother John. Retracing the journey, Donald went by train to Chicago, where he visited Archie Kerruish, whom he found hale and hearty. Donald is finding his retirement years very satisfying, and is unselfishly employing his time in paying frequent calls on the sick and shut-ins.

Mr. and Mrs. Henry Christian and Mr. J. T. Shimmin of Rocky River, Ohio enjoyed a family reunion in Chicago at Christmas with Arthur and Harry Shimmin and their families.

Miss Muriel M. Gill is hoping to attend the Montreal Convention. She is staying at 85-24 Bell Blvd., Hollis Hills, Long Island, N. Y., and will be in the U. S. A. until September. She is a niece of the late Captain J. H. Gelling, Cunard Steam Ship Line, and is related to the Christians of Milntown, Ramsey. Miss Gill has been a member of the London Manx since 1930.

There is interesting reading as well as photos in the Isle of Man Daily Times of January 24, describing the Manx Trades Fair held at the Palace at that time. Mr. Richard Cain, at 96, was seen walking spryly round the exhibits with his cousin, Miss Lena Kelly. "This is fine — even better than I expected," was his verdict.

Fred Corrin of Bisbee, Ariz., who is manager of the First National Bank of Lowell, has been elected President of the local Kiwanis Club.

Mr. and Mrs. Brian Stoodley and their daughter, Barbara, left their home in Edmonton, Alberta by air on December 23 to spend Christmas with relatives in the Isle of Man. Mr. Stoodley returned on January 30, his wife and daughter staying on until February 26. Mr. Stoodley will show films taken on their holiday at an early meeting of the Edmonton Manx Society.

Mrs. Alana Griffiths of Douglas, Isle of Man became the first woman Councillor in the history of Douglas through her victory at the elections last November. At a meeting of the Edmonton Manx Society at the home of her daughter, Mrs. T. K. Cannell, a congratulatory message was sent — to which may we all add our good wishes. Revival of the Society was largely due to the efforts of Mrs. Griffiths and her husband, Jack, who spent a long holiday in Edmonton in 1958.

Mrs. Evelyn Forester (nee Christian), formerly of Cleveland and Florida and now resident in the Isle of Man, spent a day with the Cringles and Essie Quayle in San Francisco during a brief stay in California recently. She drove into San Francisco with the James Kissacks. There was a great deal of chatter, as Evelyn and Essie attended the Clothworker's School together in Peel prior to Evelyn's leaving for Cleveland with her family. She is now back in Port Erin, Isle of Man, where Essie hopes to meet her again this summer.

During February, Mrs. Annie Woods of Seattle visited her daughter and family in the Bay area of California, and was looking forward to a very pleasant week end with the Cringles and Essie Quayle in San Francisco.

Mrs. Mona DeWerth, Secretary of the Mona's Relief Society, Cleveland, took off for the South in mid-February to visit her father, Mr. Herman C. Fricke, in Florida.

Mr. and Mrs. Fred Caveen are having a three-month vacation this winter at West Palm Beach, Fla., returning to Toronto about the end of April.

Richard E. Mylchreest of 44 Brainard Ave., Middletown, Conn. returned last October on SS. Media from a very enjoyable visit with relatives in the Isle of Man, England and Wales. It was his fifth trip. Mr. Mylchreest was with us at the Convention in Cleveland last August and hopes to be present again at Montreal, where he has many relatives. He has sent in a new member — his nephew, J. Warren Mylchreest, who also would like to go to Montreal.

Mrs. Ivy Colquitt of 57 Port-e-Chee Ave., Douglas, Isle of Man, wishes to thank all her good friends who so kindly sent cards and warm wishes for Christmas. She knows they will understand why she herself omitted cards this year, the passing of her husband, William, being so recent. Mr. and Mrs. Colquitt were active in the Toronto Manx Society for many years before retiring to the Isle of Man a few years ago, and they attended practically all of our Conventions.

Bob and Jean Kelly of Chicago (Bob is son of Mr. and Mrs. Cecil Kelly) wrote at Christmas telling of their activities during 1960. Their work, their church responsibilities and their hobby of gardening have kept them very busy. For their vacation they spent a week in the Georgian Bay area and Algonquin National Park in Canada, and part of another week with Jean's brother and family in Frederic, Wis., where he serves four churches in that lovely north-woods lake region.

MANX WEDDIN'S

Married — on February 14, Louis Stanford Mylchreest, only son of Mr. and Mrs. Henry Mylchreest, 13501 Marston Ave., Cleveland, to Betty Lou Boyle, only daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Noel Boyle of Troy, Ohio, in the Lee Road Baptist Church, Cleveland. The happy couple went to New York City for their honeymoon trip, and are now at home at 13008 Reindeer Drive, Garfield Heights, Ohio. Mr. Henry Mylchreest, who comes from Ballasalla, was President of the N.A.M.A. 1953-55. Mrs. Mylchreest (nee Carrie Crelin) came from Peel.

THE L'IL PEOPLE

Born — on October 11, a daughter, Suzanne Kay, to Mr. and Mrs. John Hopstetter of Tucson, Ariz. Mrs. Hopstetter is the daughter of Mrs. Wilma Wood and the late Albert Wood, of the Bisbee Manx Society.

Born — a son, Christopher Henry, to Mr. and Mrs. Stan Bateman of Toronto.

Born — a daughter, Tracey Dawn, to Mr. and Mrs. John Hudson of Toronto.

Born — a son, Christopher John, to Mr. and Mrs. Harold L. Kermode, Peoria, Ill., on December 14. Grandparents are Mr. and Mrs. Harold Kermode, of Kewanee, Ill.

Born — on December 30, a daughter, Kathleen Marie, to Mr. and Mrs. W. R. Jenkins, Manlius, Ill. Grandparents are Mr. and Mrs. James Quayle, "Krape Park," Freeport, Ill. Jim Quayle is a nephew of Mrs. Margaret Beddow of Toronto, and the late Robert Quayle, formerly of Cleveland.

NEWS OF THE MANX SOCIETIES

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GALVA

Hearty congratulations to the Galva Manx Society on its 50th Anniversary! The Society was founded on January 5, 1911 with its "First Annual Concert and Bachelor Tea," held in the Odd Fellows Hall, with more than 200 present. The next year about 350 assembled in the Galva Opera House on January 4, despite a temperature of 14 below zero. At the 10th Manx gathering, in 1920, more than 600 attended. These facts, and many more, are given in a page from the lively publication "Galvaland Magazine," sent us by the Galva Manx Secretary, Mrs. Clyde Collinson.

The word "bachelor" tea was used because the waiters were young unmarried men. They had unattached young ladies as helpers, hence there developed an annual turnover of waiters. They brought the custom from the Isle of Man.

The magazine credits Mrs. Clyde Collinson (Hilda Kenneough) with presenting brief histories of some of the early Manx residents at the Galva Centennial (1954), and these stories are reprinted in the article. Also included are programs and performers at some of the early reunions.

Getting down to the present, the Society held a get-together and pot-luck supper in November at Lynn Town Hall in late November. The program included slides taken by Ed Collister and his daughter and husband (Mr. and Mrs. Dennis Busch) during their visit to the Isle of Man last summer.

WINNIPEG

The Winnipeg Manx are pleased with the good attendance at their monthly meetings, which began last October. In December they had a Christmas party and Tree for the children, with Mr. George Cregeen acting as Santa Claus in his usual fine style. For February 18 they planned a Manx Hotpot supper, which, being in Valentine week, was to be a Bachelor affair—the men to do the waiting on tables for a change. A movie camera was to be available, so they expect some good films of this event.

With spring at hand, they expect the older members to be able to get out to meetings, the winter months being so very severe. It is hoped later on to send a contribution to help the Montreal Convention.

TORONTO

The Toronto Manx are planning a combination dance and euchre party for Saturday, March 18, proceeds to go to the Montreal Manx toward the Convention. They anticipate that this party will be a big success.

SAN FRANCISCO

Mrs. Julia Lewin, assisted by her son, Henry, extended a warm and hearty welcome to the San Francisco Manx at the first meeting of the year, held at her home. The group was pleasantly surprised at the nice number present, as attendance at the first meeting is usually depleted owing to the general letdown after Christmas. A happy social time was enjoyed. A letter from the Secretary of the United Nationalities was read, thanking the Manx for the help given by starting the carols at their Christmas dinner, and for supplying and serving refreshments at two of their recent meetings.

A meeting was scheduled for February 25 at the home of Mr. and Mrs. George Chatfield, Park Merced. At this meeting the members hope to discuss plans for helping Montreal toward the success of the coming Convention. Mrs. Gertrude Miller will be hostess in March, when her brother, Mr. Roberts, visiting from England, will be present. He made many trips to the Isle of Man during the War, in connection with the fuel supply. In April the group will be welcomed at 1414 Santiago St. by the Secretary, Mrs. Essie Quayle, and Mr. and Mrs. James Cringle. The last of the winter meetings will be held in May at Mr. and Mrs. Herb Corlett's home, after which picnics will be the order of the day.

NORTHEASTERN OHIO

The Manx of Northeastern Ohio meet on the third Sunday of each month with a generous buffet supper at 6:30, then a business meeting followed by entertainment or informal discussion. Attendance is about 30 members. The group has the use of very nice rooms, free of charge, in the Security Savings & Loan Ass'n., Painesville Shopping Center.

At the January meeting the subject of discussion was "The Isle of Man." In February they were to hear a talk on the Civil War by Jack Daniels.

FLORIDA

Our Regional Director, Wm. R. Morrison, 10,000 N.W. 25th Ave., Miami 47, Fla., writes that a happy gathering of the Manx colony in Fort Worth took place at the Famous Restaurant on February 18, in honor of Miss Dora Hampton, long a resident of Fort Worth, who has closed her affairs here and will return to the Isle of Man. Those present were: Mr. and Mrs. Howe, Palm Beach Shores; Mrs. John Lewin and her daughter Mrs. Gladys Moran; William Quine and sister Mrs. Annie Jackson; Mr. and Mrs. Tom Nelson; Mr. and Mrs. Fred Lewin; Sidney Corkish; Mr. and Mrs. Jack Hornby; Mr. and Mrs. P. Yetman; Mrs. M. Pierce and daughter Barbara; Mr. and Mrs. Fred Caveen of Toronto; Mr. and Mrs. Wm. R.

Morrison of Miami and Mrs. Morrison's son Hilton Partington — and the guest of honor, Miss Dora Hampton. After an excellent dinner, photos were taken of the group, and Miss Hampton graciously thanked all present. The gathering dispersed later, after wishing Miss Hampton Bon Voyage, and good luck, health and happiness in the Island. We will miss Dora at Conventions — she was a faithful attendant.

EDMONTON

The Christmas party for members and children of the Edmonton Manx Society held on December 18, was well attended and a great success.

At the annual meeting on January 9, the following officers were elected for the coming year:

President Charles Quilliam
Vice President Mrs. K. Collins
Sec'y-Treasurer Mrs. F. K. Hull
10516-78th Ave.
Edmonton, Alberta

Mr. Quilliam was re-elected for his third term, Mrs. Hull for her second.

CHICAGO

The Chicago Manx Society was planning to observe its 88th Anniversary Dinner on Saturday, March 18, at the Austin Y.M.C.A., 501 N. Central Ave., Chicago, with a cordial welcome extended to any Manx visitors in the locality. Arrangements were to be completed at a meeting held February 25 at the home of Mrs. Jean Rea Keck, an honorary member and editor of the Chicago British News. The Chicago Society is a member of the British News organization, and receives good publicity in their monthly bulletin, of which we have received a copy from Mrs. Cecil Kelly.

BISBEE

The Manx of Bisbee unfortunately have been unable to meet just recently due to illness, as well as deaths, among their members. They were planning to hold their annual election of officers, however, on February 20 at the home of Miss Margaret Grant. Results will be reported later. Mrs. Ivy Dillon, Secretary of the Society, mentions that at the time of writing, February 15, they were having beautiful warm days, with jonquills, snowdrops and the lovely yellow jasmine blooming in their garden.

ROCHESTER

The Rochester Manx had a lovely Christmas party in December at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Percy Kelly, 21 Cobb Terrace. The guests enjoyed the gift exchange and card game, and of course there was the usual good spread later in the evening from Mona's famous kitchen.

LOS ANGELES

At their Christmas party and meeting held on December 10, the Los Angeles Manx re-elected their previous slate of officers to serve for one more year, with the proviso that a new set will be chosen for 1962. The present officers are:

PresidentEdwin Killip
San Clemente
Vice PresidentWilliam Mullen
Alhambra
Financial Secretaries
Mr. and Mrs. Eric Curphey
Huntington Park
TreasurerJoseph Rodger
Long Beach
Corresponding Secretary
Mrs. Lillian Marrion Tipper
2801 Griffith Park Blvd.
Los Angeles 27, Calif.

It was a happy and successful party, and the tables looked pretty in their Christmas decorations arranged by President Killip's wife and daughter, with a few capable helpers. A large "grab bag" contributed to the fun and brought in a few extra dollars. Attendance was a little disappointing, on account of unfavorable weather which is a handicap for this widely scattered membership. They were happy to welcome a new Manx couple—Malcolm Kinley from Port Erin and Peel, and his wife, the former Miss Joyce Crowe from Kirk Michael. The two oldest members, who can always be depended on, were present—Mrs. Nellie Cottier (from Peel), and George Marrion (from Douglas).

The Society's next meeting will be about the first of April, and will be a Manx Tea with showing of pictures taken in the Isle of Man by two of the members.

VANCOUVER MANX LADIES

Members of the Vancouver Manx Ladies' Club were entertained at a very delightful Christmas party at the home of the President, Mrs. John Crossan. Games were enjoyed during the afternoon, after which a dainty tea was served.

At the Vancouver Manx Society's Annual Banquet on New Year's Day, the Ladies provided gifts and candies for the children.

At the time of reporting, Mrs. Alice Halsall, the Secretary, said that preparations were under way for observing the 25th Birthday of Vancouver Manx Ladies' Club. We look forward to hearing about this party.

Mrs. Nell Joughin Kelley, 1415 E. Salem Ave., Albany, Oregon misses the Manx affairs she used to enjoy so much, but she and her daughter Mona and family (Mr. and Mrs. Glenn Paben) are hopeful they can get an Oregon Manx Society started some day.

MEET YOUR OFFICERS...

... By GERTRUDE CANNELL

Henry C. Christian was asked to take over the duties of Financial Secretary-Treasurer of the N.A.M.A. following the passing of the late R. W. Skillicorn in August, 1959. At the Convention in Cleveland 1960 he was elected in due form. Henry is a businessman, with a good head for "figgers," and is making a fine success of this job.

His parents were John E. Christian and Isabelle S. Cowell Christian, both from Peel. "Johnnie" Christian will always be remembered as General Chairman of the First International Manx Convention, held in Cleveland in August, 1928, where he was elected first President of the newly organized North American Manx Association. He



HENRY C. CHRISTIAN
Financial Secretary-Treasurer,
N.A.M.A.

filled the office with all the enthusiasm, drive and executive ability for which he was well known, and set the infant Association firmly on its feet. Prior to that, Mr. Christian was President of the Mona's Relief Society and succeeded in increasing its membership to the point where it was necessary to engage a hall for the monthly meetings, previously always held in homes of the members. Henry has inherited his father's loyalty to the Manx and their interests. His mother was very active in the Ladies' Auxiliary to the Mona's Relief Society.

Henry was born in Cleveland, where he went to school, going on to Oberlin College, Ohio, and afterwards to Case School of Applied Science in Cleveland.

He is now carrying on his father's business, the J. E. Christian Company, General Contractor. On May 19, 1956 he married Ethel M. Shimmin of Chicago, former Secretary of the Chicago Manx Society, and very well known to Manx people as she has attended nearly all — or perhaps all — of our Conventions. Although Ethel probably claims Peel as her home town, she actually was born in Douglas, a daughter of John T. Shimmin and Mary Jane Quayle Shimmin.

After their marriage, the Christians settled down in a charming new home in suburban Rocky River, bringing Ethel's father with them from Chicago. Manx folk always find a warm and hearty welcome when they visit this happy family.

Henry first saw the Isle of Man when a child, going over with his parents in 1911, and revisited it in 1930, with keen appreciation of the loveliness of the Manx countryside. He has also done a lot of traveling on this side of the water, and attended the Conventions in San Francisco and Vancouver. On the latter occasion he was thrilled by the opportunity of seeing parts of picturesque British Columbia, and the Canadian Rockies. He enjoys a winter vacation in Florida, and has included Bermuda in one of these southern trips. In fact, he has traveled in many parts of the U. S. and Canada, is well acquainted with Chicago and Toronto, admires Washington, D. C. and the scenic beauties of the State of Washington. A very nice thing about these trips is that Henry's hobby is photography, so he and Ethel have taken a great number of beautiful colored slides in these interesting places, and are very generous about showing them at Manx meetings, as well as in their home.

Henry is affiliated with various organizations and fraternities — the Masonic Order (Past Master of Robert Simpson Blue Lodge); the Phi Kappa Tau school fraternity, and several business groups. For relaxation he enjoys music, sports, and reading.

Henry is working hard to build up the N.A.M.A. membership, and Ethel and her father are as interested as himself. Those of you who have met Henry know that he has a genial smile, and it will be broader than ever if he has a record membership to announce at the Convention at Montreal.

"To explain a 'triumph,' start with the first syllable."

"He who gives comfort to others knows how to heal his own hurts."

"Bragging is the patter of little feet."

OBITUARIES

CORLETT, Bessie M., formerly of 8706 Tioga Ave., Cleveland, died on February 15. She was an aunt of Hazel McDowell of Florida, Katie Furlong and C. C. Rickard of Cleveland, and a cousin of the late Miss Alice and Judge Alva Corlett. Over a period of many years, Miss Corlett was a much-loved and very active member of the Ladies' Auxiliary to Mona's Relief Society.

CORRIN, Esther (Essie), passed away in Chicago on December 20. Her son, Charles T. Corrin, is 2nd Vice President of the Chicago Manx Society. Mrs. Corrin was a well known and much loved member.

COSTAIN, Catherine, of 2346 East 3rd Ave., Vancouver, B.C., died on January 24. She is survived by her husband, J. Ernest Costain; a son, Ernest, of Victoria, B.C.; two daughters, Mrs. David Norden (Madge), and Miss Mildred Costain; seven grandchildren, six great grandchildren, a sister, Mrs. J. Keggan of Port Erin, and a brother, Fred Faragher of Poolvash, Port St. Mary, Isle of Man. Mrs. Costain was born in Surby, Rushen, a daughter of Mr. and Mrs. William Faragher, well known farmers. Mr. and Mrs. Costain have been members of the Vancouver Manx Society for 50 years. Mrs. Costain was well versed in all things Manx, was much loved and highly respected. She will be sadly missed.

COWLEY, Maxine, of Kankakee, Ill., died on November 21 at the age of 52. She leaves her husband, Arthur; a son, Arthur of Jacksonville, Fla.; a daughter, Mrs. June Miller, Tucson, Ariz.; five grandchildren; three sisters, Mrs. Evelyn Willette, Miss Frances Armstrong and Mrs. Fern Williams, and a brother, Edward, all of Kankakee. Mr. and Mrs. Cowley were members of the Chicago Manx Society, and cousins of Mrs. Blanche Young Oldham of Winter Park, Fla.

GREIG, Harry B., of 10127 Nanford Road, Cleveland, died on February 13. He leaves his wife, (Edith F. nee Harrison), two brothers, Alexander of Cleveland and Robert W. of Sedro Wooley, Wash., and a sister, Mrs. Fred Porter of Winnipeg. His wife was of Manx parentage and has been a member of the N.A. M.A. for many years.

McCONAHEY, Niles, husband of Noreen Cain McConahey, passed away suddenly at Jamestown, Pa., on December 22. Mrs. McConahey is the daughter of the late Mr. and Mrs. John Cain, formerly of Sharon, Pa.

MAWSON, James, of 9351 Appoline Ave., Detroit, died on January 22. He leaves his wife, Mrs. N. Mawson; a daughter, Mrs. F. Gough and son, James Earl. Mrs. Mawson for many years was Secretary of the Detroit-Windsor Manx Society, and is a sister of Richard H. Corkill, Detroit. Mr. Mawson was born in Cumberland, England.

MUGRAGE, Ella (nee Kewish) of Galva, Ill., died on December 12 aged 69. She leaves her husband, Guy E. Mugrage; a daughter, Mrs. G. W. Giebelhausen of Peoria; three grandchildren, and a brother, Bert Kewish of Galva. Mrs. Mugrage was the youngest of eight children born to John and Hannah Kewish at their farm near Galva. She taught in rural schools for some years, was very active in church and musical circles and was a member of the Galva Manx Society.

NELSON, Beatrice M. of 3954 Washburn North, Minneapolis, Minn., died on January 17 in her 62nd year. She leaves a daughter, Mrs. Betty Schaitberger and a son, Robert Nelson. She was a cousin of William Quine and Mrs. Annie Jackson of Lake Worth, Fla., and Mrs. Margaret Everiss of Cleveland. Mrs. Nelson attended the Convention in Cleveland in 1960.

PEARTREE, Mildred Anne, died in Bisbee, Ariz., on December 17 after a long illness. She leaves her husband, William Peartree; her mother, Mrs. Anne Rothery; two sisters, Mrs. Miles Allen and Miss Christine Rothery; a brother, Gordon and five nieces and nephews. Mrs. Peartree was born in Bisbee in 1915, and was a granddaughter of the late Humphrey Joughin.

QUINE, Ada, of 19 Royal Ave., West, Onchan, Isle of Man, died on February 1 in her 69th year. She leaves five sisters Mrs. Annie Jackson of Lake Worth, Fla., Mrs. Margaret Everiss of Cleveland; and Mrs. Nellie Kinley, Mrs. Gladys Keggan and Miss Eva Quine of the Isle of Man; also three brothers, James Quine of England, William Quine of Lake Worth, Fla. and Robert Quine of the Isle of Man.

ROGERS, Col. Richard G., of Arlington, Va., age 66, died on February 13 after a brief illness. He leaves his wife, Gladys (nee Corrin); a daughter, Mrs. Margaret LaPrade of Florida, a son, Dr. Richard G. Rogers Jr. of Silver Springs, Md.; five grandchildren and two great-grandchildren. Col. Rogers was in active service in World War II and was a prisoner in Formosa after the fall of Bataan. His wife is a sister of the Corrin family of Arizona.

RYAN, Vincent, died suddenly at Noble's Hospital, Douglas, Isle of Man on December 19. He leaves his wife Elizabeth A. (nee Quinney—a sister of Stephen H. Quinney of Cleveland); a son, Anthony Vincent of Santon, Isle of Man, and grandson, Stephen.

SKILLICORN, Robert, of Bisbee, Ariz., died on December 14 in Douglas, Isle of Man, where he had gone with his wife for health reasons. He leaves his wife Margaret; three daughters, Gwendolyn of Phoenix, Ariz., Edna of Paris, Texas, and Dorothy in England. Mr. Skillicorn was born in Millom, England, in 1892, of Manx parentage. He was a past president of the Bisbee Manx Society.

SMITH, Ida Quayle, formerly of 1697 East 86th St., Cleveland, died on January 10 after a long illness. She was the widow of the late Fred W. Smith, and leaves a stepdaughter, Mrs. Helen Reinheimer of Rochester, N. Y., and nieces Mrs. H. Randt and Mrs. Charles Troutman. She was a cousin of the late Miss Kate Quirk who lived in Cleveland for some years before returning to her home in Peel. In former years Mrs. Smith was a very active and popular member of the Ladies' Auxiliary to Mona's Relief Society.

SUNDLOF, Charles E., of Dansville, N.Y., died on February 13 after a short illness. He leaves his wife Phoebe (nee Kinnish); a daughter, Mrs. Clarence Meteyer (Marjorie); a son, Charles; several grandchildren, three sisters and a brother. Both Mr. and Mrs. Sundlof were active members of the Rochester Manx Society.

WATTERSON, Edith A., of 2418 - 15th St., Port Arthur, Texas, died on December 22, aged 76. She was born in Peel, Isle of Man, and was the widow of the late W. J. (Jimmie) Watterson, a boat repairman for Texaco, Inc., who died in 1953. Surviving are two daughters, Louise and Mona Watterson of Port Arthur; four sons, Ralph C. and Billy of Groves, Texas, Leroy of Port Arthur and James of Mobile, Ala.; seven grandchildren; two brothers, W. R. Clinton, Sr. and Frank Clinton, and three sisters, Mrs. Mae England, Mrs. Esther Stevens and Mrs. Roberta Hale, all of Mobile.

WIARD, Bessie M., of 15610 Fenway Ave., Cleveland, passed away suddenly on December 18. She leaves two sons, John Richard and William D. Wiard; six grandchildren; a sister, Mrs. Mary Horace and a brother, J. J. Miller. Mrs. Wiard was a cousin of our former secretary, Miss Claire Mylecraine.

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