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"To preserve whatever is left to us of ancient heritage"

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## There were Manx aboard the Mayflower

According to tradition, the first Manx people to emigrate to America were Myles Standish and his wife Rose, who crossed the Atlantic ocean in 1620 in the "Mayflower". Rose Standish and her sister Barbara — who was the second wife of Myles — were definitely Manx according to the Manx historian Canon E. H. Stenning. He also says it is most probable that Myles Standish was born in Lezayre at Ellanbane.

Let us take a look at the history of the Standish family in the Isle of Man. Early in the sixteenth century a branch of the Standish family of Standish Hall, Lancashire, England, settled at Pulrose in the parish of Braddan, Isle of Man and later moved to Ellanbane, in the parish of Lezayre.

Ellanbane is a farm located along the Lezayre road about 2½ miles west of the town of Ramsey. Adjoining Ellanbane to the west — is the Kerrowmoar farm — where the writer was born, and lived for 19 years before emigrating to western Canada and later moving to the United States.

Because of this, The story of Myles Standish is of particular interest.

In 1502 Robert Standish — head of the Standish family in the Isle of Man, — married Margaret Croft, a wealthy heiress. The marriage deed of these two was signed by two officers of the Isle of Man, Robert Standish and Margaret Croft had three sons — Thomas, John and Huan of Ellanbane.

Thomas, the oldest of Robert's family, in his marriage settlement left the very lands and estates mentioned in the will of Myles Standish to trustees, — to pay him (Thomas) for life, then for the rightful heir, lawfully begotten; in default to his brother John and his heirs, and in default again to Huan and his heirs.

Thomas sold large parcels of land to one William Stopforth, Secretary to the Earl of Derby, Lord of Mann. This he had no power to do under his deed.

*Thomas had  
two brothers!*

*one* Thomas Standish is said to have had three sons, Hugh who died without issue in 1606, John (de Insular de Mane), had no children and died about 1580, and Huan of Ellanbane who is said to have had two sons — Gilbert and John. Gilbert was probably the father of Myles Standish, and John the father of Rose, Barbara, and William. While this connection may be difficult to establish, should the assumption be correct, it would explain the belief in the relationship between Myles Standish and his two wives, Rose and Barbara Standish, who are said to have been cousins.

No record of the birth or marriage of Myles Standish or his wife Rose has been found in any Manx Church registers, the earliest of which dates from 1598 found in the Ballaugh Parish Church.

In 1629, — nine years after Myles sailed for America — Huan of Ellanbane transferred some lands in Lezayre to his grandson, — William Standish who afterwards owned Ellanbane and became a member of the House of Keys.

According to the last will and testament of Myles Standish, he left certain estates in England and the *Isle of Man*, to his son Alexander, and tho Alexander on his death in 1702 also claimed these estates, a diligent search in Manx Manorial records has failed to discover the names of either Rose, Barbara, Myles, or Alexander Standish. It is very possible that Alexander never obtained possession of these properties.

Myles will reads: — "I give unto my son and heir apparent-Alexander Standish — all my lands as heir apparent in lawful descent in Ormskirk, Boscough, Wrightington, Maudsley, Newburg, Croxton and in *THE ISLE OF MAN*, and given to me as right heir by lawful descent, but surreptitiously detained from me. — my great grandfather being a second or younger brother from the house of Standish, of Standish.

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## PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

It is hard to believe that this is the final Bulletin for 1964. I think our Editor has done a very good job in editing such newsy items.

As we all should know July 31, 1964 ends the year and August 1st, 1964 starts another year for the N.A.M.A. As of now the executive committee has not been able to select a place for our 1965 Convention, but hope to have this announcement ready for our October publication.

We know that the present day and age is making huge demands of all of us, but why "let George do everything". Your officers are willing and ready to do anything to preserve our "heritage" and keep the Bulletin coming four times a year. But, they cannot do it alone. So, any suggestions or ideas regarding membership, Convention City for our next Convention, or what ever you can suggest to keep our organization alive, will be welcome.

I wish to express my deep appreciation for allowing me to serve you this year.

Henry C. Christian

## MANXMAN IN MOON PROBE

The American spacecraft project to explore the moon is being helped on its way by a Manxman, Mr. Wilfred James Cowell, younger son of the late Mr. F. M. Cowell and Mrs. Cowell of 102 Summerhill Road, Onchan.

When he left Douglas High School, Mr. Cowell was articled to the former Borough Electrical Engineer, now the Rev. Bertram Kelly, Vicar of Braddan.

Mr. Cowell emigrated to the United States 10 years ago, and lives at Torrance, Los Angeles.

He heads his own specialist team of technicians at the laboratories of Nor-tonics, an offshoot of the giant Northrop Corporation in California. The gas systems and actuators he has designed were accepted for the Ranger projects.

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## SONG OF SPRING

Oh, Douglas road in bonny  
And Foxdale road is dear.  
Give me the road to Ramsey  
When the first of Spring is here!  
We may dally on the "Switchback"  
To pick the primrose fair,  
Then join the road to Ramsey  
In the sweet, cool air.  
Here many a shore lies hidden  
Where waves caress each bay,  
(The Devil's crooked elbow  
Invites us on our way!)

Then onward into Michael  
To picnic there at noon.  
And reach Ballaugh and Sulby glen  
To spend the afternoon.  
From here, to journey homeward  
By Bishopscourt so rare  
Where tall trees lean to greet us  
And birdsong fills the air,  
The leafy branches twine o'erhead  
Cross-blest, in silent prayer.  
Yess, man's a restless rover  
Who travels far and long:  
For us, the Ramsey road in spring —  
Where we may hear the song  
Of re-awakened earth, and flower  
And know the world is young!

Barbara Cowley.

Peel, 1964.

## International Celtic Congress held in Isle of Man

On the final day of the International Celtic Congress, held in the Isle of Man in March, the president of the Island's branch, Mrs. A. J. Davidson, spoke about some notable Manx women.

"Everywhere in mann you are conscious of the sound of water — the waves breaking over the shore, the gurgle of mountain streams, the waterfalls echoing through the glen, and through its stormy history Manx women have had something of that healing fluid power, sending their men far over the sea, bringing them back, civilising, merging, conserving but never forgetting the spirit of their land."

Ancient Manx legends were full of the sound of the sea, with eternal woman, beautiful, elusive, arising from the water, and typified by the Manx Princess Teeval of the Ocean, discovered and bound by Cuchulain as she lay asleep on the water's edge.

Tehi Tegi, the beautiful Manx witch, cast a spell over the men. On her milk-white horse she let them along enchanted ways to a tumbling stream where they were drowned.

Did a fear of mer-women breed distrust in the hearts of early Islanders, for unlike Ireland and Wales there was little of feminine influence in the annals of Mann?

Even at the Battle of Sanwat in 1098, when the River Neb turned red with the blood of men from the North and South and the Northside women cast themselves into the midst of the battle, and with sticks and stones turned the crimson tide to victory, even then no woman's name stood forth.

A. W. Moore, former Speaker of the House of Keys and champion of their cause, had said there were many noteworthy Manx women but from the nature of their chief vocations they were naturally less conspicuous and so afforded little material for the biographer.

"From the tales of our grandmothers and chance gleams, the Manx woman stands forth as upright and courageous, loving her hearth and home, often responsible for the farm and family while her husband was away, practical yet strongly religious."

Many emigrated with their menfolk and faced great hardship, and during religious persecution of the Quakers women too suffered poverty and ignominy for their faith, including Elizabeth Callow, loyal and steadfast in the face of persecution.

An adherent of a very old religious sect was Elizabeth Christian, who creat-

ed what she called "the Garden of Eden" at the foot of Snaefell.

As examples of fearlessness, beauty and goodness, A. W. Moore, in his "Manx Worthies," cites Elinor Drinkwater who quelled a Liverpool riot with coolness and courage, and Lady Buchan, whose remarkable beauty and charm struck Napoleon when presented to him her father, Col. Wilks, then Governor of St. Helena.

Remarkable for her charity was Emily Maria Gawne, grand-daughter of the Duke of Athol, who formed a Benefit Society in the south and did much good work. The gracious and tender personality of Nessy Heywood, daughter of a Deemster, shines through her poetry and letters. Her brother, Peter, was sentenced to death for his part in the Mutiny of the Bounty, and to seek a pardon she left the Island in a terrible storm and suffered greatly before reaching London.

Mrs. Davidson mentioned other distinguished Manx women, including Sophia Morrison, Josephine Kermode, Catherine Dodd and Miss M. L. Wood.

## Isle of Man Pottery opens at Ramsey

An event was reported in the Isle of Man Weekly Times recently which will be of great interest to those who are planning to visit the Island. This was the official opening by First Deemster His Honour S. J. Kneale of the Isle of Man Pottery in Ramsey. A new venture by Mr. Charles Austin Potter, in conjunction with Channel Island's sculptor Mr. Clarence Pinel, the pottery is already producing a large quantity of attractive souvenirs and gifts, and is open for inspection by the public who can see the complete operation of making pottery.

The Pottery, situated on the Quayside at Ramsey, has been converted from the former Union Buildings which had fallen into disrepair. Once an Inn where the stagecoaches left for Douglas, the building has now taken on a completely new look and stands out with its bright terracotta facade, white paintwork and window boxes filled with flowers. A notable feature is the old Victorian lamp post, painted in terracotta and white to match, which was sought and retrieved from the Ramsey Gas Company.

Mr. Clarence Pinel has designed the pottery and has made a feature of incorporating the 18th century Manx sculptor's designs into many of the articles. One of the most popular souvenirs will be the Manx cats — modelled by Mr. Pinel from the Pottery's own cat, Prow.

## WORLD MANX ASSOCIATION

President: Mr. Harold Cain, M. H. K.  
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Hon. Secretary: Mr. Charles Craine.

### ANNUAL REPORT FOR YEAR ENDED 31st DECEMBER, 1963.

Dear Members and Friends,

It is my special privilege to present the Annual Report of the WORLD MANX ASSOCIATION for the year ended 31st December, 1963.

As you are aware, the year opened very solemnly for us with the death of our beloved President and Founder, Mr. Richard Cain, O.B.E., on 2nd January. He was a great Manxman, beloved and honoured by Manx-folk throughout the whole world and our Manx cause is much the poorer by his passing.

We are fortunate that his son, Mr. Harold Cain, M.H.K., has been appointed President in his stead.

As usual the year 1963 proved to be a fairly active and useful one, during which our Association has tried to be of service to our friends at home and overseas. We have given advice to would-be emigrants and answered numerous enquiries from Manx friends in Britain and abroad.

We appeal to all our Overseas Manx-folk and Manx Societies to become active affiliated members and so help us in our efforts to preserve our ancient heritage.

We warmly congratulate all Manx Societies throughout the world on their excellent work and endeavours, and we especially compliment our Manx Societies and friends in England for their visitations to inmates in hospitals.

This particularly applies to the two Liverpool Manx Societies and the Wirral, Cheshire, Manx Society who have visited so many Manx folk from the Isle of Man in hospitals in their districts, a service which is much appreciated by all.

We fully appreciate the useful work and co-operation of our Ramsey Branch of the World Manx Association.

The big event of our Association is the great Annual Manx Gathering held on Tynwald Day, 5th July. This year it was held at Bradda Glen, Port Erin. There was a large attendance, including

many Overseas visitors and representatives from Manx Societies in England. After tea our President, Mr. Harold Cain, M. H. K., welcomed the assembly in a real warm Manx manner and gave a resume of our various activities and work on behalf of our Manx folk in all parts of the world.

He then called on the Hon. Secretary, Mr. Charles Craine, to read the large number of goodwill messages and wires received from our Manx Societies and friends in England and Wales and from all parts of the world.

A number of representatives spoke and expressed their great pleasure at being present on this historic Manx occasion, many speaking highly of the work of the World Manx Association and expressing their deep love for their dear Island Home.

Our special soloist for the occasion was Mr. Alan Wilcox, winner of the Cleveland Gold Medal. He delighted all by singing several Manx songs accompanied by Mrs. Kissack.

Once again we wish to thank the Press of the Isle of Man for their sincere help and interest in our work and efforts.

This year we pay special tribute to the Chicago Manx Society for the excellent convention they arranged during August. It was well attended by representatives from all parts of America and Canada.

We also congratulate the Manx Societies in England for organising such a fine Annual Manx Convention in Southport in October which brings together so many Manx folk from all parts of England. Our President, Mr. Harold Cain, and myself were privileged to be present representing our World Manx Association.

As is our annual practice we held a T. E. Brown evening in memory of our beloved Manx Poet. The programme was arranged and given by Mr. W. T. Quirk and Castletown scholars who sang a number of T. E. Brown's poems set to music specially written by Mr. Quirk.

These were beautifully rendered in the form of solos and parts songs and greatly enjoyed by all present.

As usual a splendid tea was served by Miss Maddrell and her Villa Marina staff.

During the past summer we arranged monthly tours of the Island for our members and friends by motor coach to interesting parts of the Island and we heartily invite any Manx folk visiting

the Isle of Man to join in these excursions.

A Manx Homecomers Sunday Evening Service was held at Victoria Street Church, Douglas, during the summer. The Rev. Kenyon preached an appropriate sermon accompanied by suitable Manx Hymn tunes.

On behalf of the Officers and Committee of our World Manx Association I wish to make a special appeal to all our Manx friends everywhere and all Manx Societies to become affiliated members of our Association and show true appreciation of the very useful service we are trying to render for our kinsfolk everywhere.

With kindest wishes to our Manx friends throughout the world,

Yours sincerely,  
**CHARLES CRAINE,**  
Hon. Secretary.

### THE PEEL P. 50 IN NORTH AMERICA

Have you heard of the "world's smallest car" made in Peel, Isle of Man?

We would like to tell you something about this little car skillfully designed and engineered by Mr. Cyril Cannell of Peel Engineering Company. This inexpensive fibre-glass car has been designed specifically for rapid transportation in confined and congested areas; giving one person 'car comfort' and offering over 100 miles to the gallon of gas.

Mr. Jim Birrell, son-in-law of Mr. & Mrs. J. T. Kneale of Horseshoe Bay, B.C., Canada, paid a visit to the Island in the spring of this year. He received a very warm welcome from the Manx people and particularly the staff of Peel Engineering. Having tested the P.50 and visualizing its possibilities, Jim felt that there would be a very good market in our country. Cars were being made ready for shipment to Vancouver, B.C. before Jim left for home.

At present, the B.C. International Trade Fair is being held in Vancouver with over forty countries participating. One of the top features of the Trade Fair is the display of the P. 50 which has received tremendous public response.

The Birrell brothers of Peel Distributors are representing the factory in North America.

To quote Jim: "You have to see it to believe it!"

# NEWS OF THE MANX SOCIETIES

## VANCOUVER

The ranks of the Vancouver Manx Society are much depleted at present with 16 members on the charter flight which left in April for England and the Isle of Man. They are to return on June 21st. but meanwhile, judging by the reports in the Manx press, they are having a thoroughly good time although the weather has not been very co-operative.

After getting the stay-at-home members of the committee together it was decided to hold the annual summer picnic on Saturday, August 15th., or if the weather is not good, on the following Saturday.

The Manx of Vancouver have been interested to see the display of the world's smallest car, the Peel P.50, at the Vancouver Trade Fair. Mr. Leslie McDonnell was pressed into service to answer questions from interested spectators when he visited the booth. This little car, built in Peel, I.O.M. and weighing only 230 lbs. was test driven round the corridors of the Hotel Vancouver by Attorney-General Bonner of British Columbia.

Leslie McDonnell,  
Secretary.

## CHICAGO

The hearts of Chicago Manx Society are saddened by the tragic loss of Dr. Josiah J. Moore. He will always be remembered as Toastmaster for the Society's 90th. Anniversary Dinner at the Chicago Convention in the Sheraton Hotel for he was at his best that night. He served for six terms as president of the Chicago Manx Society, was Convention Chairman in 1933 for the first convention held in Chicago and was Advisory Chairman on the Committee for the 1963 Convention. He was known to all the Chicago Manx as 'Mr. Toastmaster'.

The Society held a Bring and Buy party on May 24th. at the home of Mrs. Bessie Auty in Lake Forest. This was a fund raising effort towards the restoration of St. German's Cathedral in Peel, Isle of Man, and \$50.00 was raised.

Emily Kelly,  
Secretary.

## MONTREAL

The members of Montreal Manx Society held a social evening on May 22nd. at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Hugh Hornsby. Margaret Joughin showed a selection of slides taken during her visit to Rio de Janeiro, Brazil and Lima, Peru, including a tour of the old Inca cities of Cuzco and Macchu, Picchu, and Hugh Hornsby showed his slides taken at last years Manx picnic and Bring and Buy Sale.

It was decided to accept the invitation of Mr. and Mrs. T. Kelly to hold the annual Tynwald picnic at their summer home in the Laurentians on July 4th. Any Manx visitors or friends who are in town will be very welcome.

J. Victor Joughin,  
Secretary.

## LOS ANGELES

The Manx Society of Los Angeles met on Sunday, April 18th., for a get together and Bon Voyage party for two of their members. Edwin and Winnie Killip are making the trip as a Golden Wedding Anniversary celebration and Joe Roger and his new wife who are making the trip to Scotland as a wedding trip. It was a very successful meeting with 35 to 40 members gathering at the home of the President and his wife, Jack and Connie Cannell of Burbank. A short meeting was held, a long cooish, a beautiful Bon Voyage cake was donated by Mrs. Wm. De Camp (Mr. and Mrs. Killip's daughter) and bountiful refreshments by the hostess with tea and coffee by the gallon. There were songs and music and the meeting ended with a prayer by T. Donald Bain followed by Auld Lang Syne. Two newcomers, Mr. and Mrs. Frame were warmly welcomed.

Lillian Marrion-Tipper,  
Secretary.

## GALVA

The Galva Manx Society have no definite plans for the summer except that they will probably hold a picnic late in June and will join Peoria folks in their picnic on July 26th.

In early April Galva and Peoria folks enjoyed a dinner in Elmwood

with plans made by the Peoria folk. Every one had a lovely time.

Hilda Collinson,  
Secretary.

## CLEVELAND

The Mona's Relief Society of Cleveland have been having some very interesting meetings, the last on May 10th. being outstanding. The officers of the United Kingdom Club were invited to visit and for the occasion Mr. Harry Kelly showed a series of his pictures of the Isle of Man. They were really beautiful and made one feel like hurrying home to pack up for a trip over there. Mr. Kelly is a talented master of ceremonies and the evening was much enjoyed by all.

Mr. and Mrs. Wm. Young of East Cleveland were the Society's guests that night. Mr. Young is the financial secretary of the United Kingdom Social Club, an organization whose regular membership is open to individuals born in the United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland, together with their spouses and children, who are residents of the State of Ohio and are 21 years or older. Their Associate membership is open to any individual whose membership is accepted and approved by their Board of Trustees. In addition to dances and other social functions throughout the year, this Club arranges a charter flight (usually in August) for those of its members who desire to make a trip to Great Britain.

As a former Londoner, Mr. Young said that until that evening he'd known little about the Isle of Man except that it was famous for the T.T. Races. Mrs. Young, born in Wales, made the comment after viewing the slides, that the Isle of Man reminded her of "home". Both guests expressed their thanks for a very enjoyable evening and promised to invite the Cleveland Manx to some future affairs of the United Kingdom Club.

The annual picnic of the Mona's Relief Society will be held in August and the Cleveland Manx welcome any who are travelling through to call any of the officers for the time and place and will be most happy to welcome and visit with them.

Fairy C. Lyon,  
Secretary.

## SAN FRANCISCO

Regular meetings of the San Francisco Manx have been well attended in the last few months. At the March meeting the members enjoyed meeting and discussing the Washington scene with Mr. Ewan Clague, the Commissioner of Labor Statistics, who was in the city on business. Mr. Clague was entertained by his cousin, Mrs. Sally Arends. The May meeting, held at the home of the Secretary, was an occasion for the members to see and admire a large map of the Isle of Man done in glass mosaic tile in shades of blues and greens, which the Secretary had just finished.

The San Francisco Manx hope that any Manx friends who may be in the Bay area will get in touch with Noreen Cottier so that they may join in the tea parties.

Noreen Cottier,  
Secretary.

## TORONTO

The Toronto Manx Society ended their 1963-64 session on May 22nd, after a very good year. As this was the last meeting of the session the election of officers was held and resulted in the following being elected for the coming year: —

### President

Mr. Sam. Penrice

### Vice President

Mr. Carl Letteau

### Treasurer

Mrs. P. Busche (née Phyllis Watterson)

### Secretary

Mr. F. Williamson,  
59 Steeles Avenue East,  
Willowdale, Ontario.

Four members were elected to form a committee for social events, entertainment etc.

Mrs. Mitchell, Mrs. Holt, Mrs. Hall and Mr. B. Watterson.

The annual picnic to which all visitors will be most welcome will take place on Saturday, June 13th, at Centre Island.

The Society's activities will start again in the fall with a meeting at the Hall, 1010 Gerrard Street East, Toronto, on September 26th., 1964.

F. Williamson,  
Secretary.

# OUR OWN PEOPLE

A recent trip to the snow country of Lake Tahoe and Reno, Nevada, was enjoyed by four of the members of the San Francisco Manx. Mr. and Mrs. Ridge Craine, Mrs. Amy Satterlee and Mrs. Jean Russell. The occasion was provided by a special bus tour offered by one of the large gambling casinos. Although the trip was pleasant they didn't win any fabulous "jack pots".

Mr. and Mrs. Eric Curphey and Miss Eileen Corlett, all of Los Angeles, spent a happy week end in San Francisco visiting Noreen Cottier. Eric had a reunion with another Manxman, Mr. Eddie Peers, formerly of Toronto, who now lives in San Carlos.

Sam and Hilda Penrice would like to thank their many friends in Canada and the United States who sent letters and cards of congratulation for their Silver Wedding in April. Hilda has also had many letters referring to her "Memories Sweet and Tender" which have appeared in the Bulletins recently, and these have pleased her immensely.

Members of the Toronto Manx Society who will be visiting the Isle of Man this summer are Mr. and Mrs. Penrice and their son, Douglas, Mr. F. Williamson and his daughter, Marion, Mr. A. Lorriman and Mr. W. Lorriman.

Mr. Robert MacCaa of Tucson, Arizona, had a cutting from the Tulsa Oklahoma paper sent to him by Bill Bailey of that city. Headed 'Killing Permitted' the item states that an ancient law still on the books in this Island in the Irish Sea permits the killing on sight of all Scots. There is no record of anyone ever taking advantage of the law.

Phoebe Sundlof (Mrs. Charles) spent a few weeks in Florida and visited some of the Manx folk there.

Mona and Percy Kelly have joined the commuter class between Rochester and the Isle of Man. They sailed on the Sylvania again in April and expect to be there all summer.

Charles and Pauline Corrin have just returned from a visit with their family in Lexington, Kentucky.

Myrra Stevenson Johnson and family are vacationing in Florida.

Walter J. Stevenson recently was given the honour of singing "The Glory

Song" by Chas. H. Gabriel to a group of over 400 "32nd. Degree" Masons who were honouring the composer in a special programme. In the early 1920's Walter and Dr. J. J. Moore met for the first time the night they both received their 32nd. Degrees. This was the beginning of a life long friendship.

James Archie Kerruish of the Chicago Manx Society is now staying at the Gordon Nursing Home, Pawnee City, Nebraska.

Mr. and Mrs. Lyman Kirst are on a trip out west to San Francisco, the Redwood Empire North and Denver, Grand and Oak Creek Canyons in Arizona.

Arthur and Annie Shimmin of La Grange, Illinois, recently visited Arthur's father, Mr. J. T. Shimmin of Rocky River, Ohio.

The Christians of Rocky River, Ohio, were visited recently by Mona and Clarence Creer of Orland Park, Illinois, and their two daughters, Mona and Clarence were returning from a visit to Mona's mother, Mrs. Elsie Broadbent, in Oshtawa, Ontario.

Former Clevelanders Mr. and Mrs. Joseph Stables celebrated their 55th. wedding anniversary in Bradenton, Florida. An open house will be held for them in Cleveland in July. Mrs. Stables was formerly Miss Belle Kermode.

On the occasion of the visit to the Island on the 22nd. of March by the Assistant Secretary of State for African Affairs in the United States, Mr. G. Mennen Williams and Mrs. Williams (formerly Miss Nancy Lace Quirk), the Governor and Lady Garvey sent them a letter of welcome, together with a Three Legs plaque.

Through the help of the Red Cross Mrs. Evelyn Forrester of 7 Mona Drive, Onchan, Isle of Man, was able to talk to her daughter, Mrs. Elizabeth Trigge, who was working in the Presbyterian Hospital in Anchorage, Alaska, when the earthquake took place there recently. Being unable to telephone her daughter Mrs. Forrester got in touch with the Red Cross who first of all advised her on Easter Monday that the hospital where her daughter worked seemed to be intact and then on the Wednesday arranged for a personal telephone call to Anchorage so that Mrs. Forrester could be assured that her daughter was all right.

## OUR OWN PEOPLE

(Continued)

Mrs. Forrester was formerly a Miss Christian. She left the Island when she was 10 and was brought up in the U.S.A. She has now settled in the Isle of Man but returns to America for regular visits. She is an aunt of Mr. Henry Christian of Rocky River.

Mr. and Mrs. Harry Kelly were in Florida during March and stayed with Mr. W. Quine and Mrs. Jackson on the east coast. They visited many Manx: Morrisons at Miami; Fickes at Fort Lauderdale; Dr. and Mrs. Bertsch at Pompano; Mrs. Hornby, Mrs. Lewin, Mrs. Moran, the Yetmans and the Nelsons at Lakeworth; the J. J. Crellins at St. Petersburg and at Sarasota Mr. and Mrs. H. Cain and Mr. and Mrs. L. Bobnar.

Miss Sheila Kneen of Ramsey is going to Pakistan as headmistress of the Infants' school attached to Karachi Grammar School. It is quite a large Infants' school having a staff of 12 and 340 children. Miss Kneen who travelled all over the United States two years ago, is a daughter of Isabel Keig and the late Ed. Kneen of Ballamona, Ballaugh, and her sister is married to Jackson Kissack, a half-brother of Mrs. Mary Kelly. She is hoping to be able to do a lot of travelling while in Pakistan.

Alice Garrett spent a few days in Detroit with the Richard Corkills and had such a good time, then went to nearby Birmingham to visit her niece and see the new addition to the family. Also went to Flint where she had a delightful five day visit with Bertha Shimmin. In her own words: "It is always so good to have a visit with Manx friends. I was away much longer than I planned to be, but time passes quickly when you are enjoying yourself".

Jayne Hessler, 17, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Robert Hessler, 6531 Traymore Ave., Brooklyn, is valedictorian of the class of 140 at Brooklyn High School. She will attend Ohio Wesleyan College and wants to be an elementary school teacher. Jayne is the granddaughter of Mr. and Mrs. W. J. Corris and of Mr. and Mrs. H. S. Hessler of Cleveland.

Cecil and Emily Kelly recently presented a Travelogue on the Isle of Man in pictures and works for the Men's Brotherhood of the South Shore Methodist Church, for the benefit of a new camp for boys. The consensus of opinion was that it was the most profession-

al programme ever presented in the church. To make the programme more interesting, the Church choir sang "The Manx Wedding" and Jerene Duncan, a young schoolgirl with a most beautiful voice sang the Manx cradle song "Hush Little Darling". On the following Sunday morning, Mother's Day, Jerene sang it again by special request during the offertory.

Mrs. Ewan D. Myrlea was recently in Chicago from Florida visiting her family, Dorothy and Alex Ebin, on her way north to spend the summer in Michigan. Dorothy Ebin is on a tour, with a group of art students and teachers, to Galena, Illinois.

Mrs. Bessie Leece Auty spent the weekend of Mother's Day visiting her daughter, Betty, and family in Cincinnati, Ohio.

## LEADERSHIP EDUCATION

Jean Kelly, wife of Bob and daughter-in-law of the R. C. Kellys, is very active in the leadership education program of the Methodist Church in the Chicago area. Being a member of the children's work committee of the Southern District of the Rock River Conference, she is called upon to lead classes in the Christian workers' schools. These classes are designed to help church workers render more effective service. In the local church she carries on the same type of work in her task as superintendent of the children's division.

At the beginning of April, Jean spent five days in Southern Illinois conducting workshops in Kindergarten teaching under the auspices of the Illinois Council of Churches. She travelled with a team of six (lay women and ministers from different denominations), teaching in a different town each day. People came from all around the towns of Olney, Carmi, Mt. Vernon, Pinckneyville, and Marion to participate in the workshop. There were eight such teams working throughout the state that same week. Although it was a very tiring week, each day beginning early in the morning and lasting until about midnight, this certainly was a very enriching experience for all of those involved.

## THE CASTLE'S STILL AT PEEL

by Tom Piggott

There are few neglected treasures on the Island more depressingly illustra-

tive of the Manxman's antipathy and indifference to his ancient heritage than Peel Castle and, within its brave, mellowed walls, the Cathedral.

What other people with a fair measure of national pride, loyalty and sense of values would have allowed such a richly historic cluster of buildings, so redolent of human experience, endeavour, fortitude and sacrifice, bridging as they do a whole millenium of man's most adventurous years, to fall into rack and ruin?

When we look at Peel Castle in the state it is today we should feel downright ashamed of ourselves. "Old Manx", T. E. Brown deplored, "is dying in the tholtan." It is also dying, spurned, forgotten, in Peel Castle.

Or at any rate it has been dying — until now. Now there is a move being made to restore the Cathedral. I for one, support the move.

I don't intend to get mixed up in any religious controversies — I can never make sense of them anyway — and neither do I intend to support any theory that the Cathedral belongs to any particular group, or any denomination, or to any hierarchy within a denomination.

I believe the Cathedral belongs to God and the Manx people. I believe too, that it belongs to our visitors. I care not whether any services are held there or whether any august presence may ever grace its refurbished confines.

I simply want to see the Cathedral restored as a monument to the simple, uncluttered faith of our ancestors, to their selfless devotion, to their self-sacrificial labours — restored to be an inspiration to us and to prosperity and as a sanctuary of age-mellowed tranquilly and age-polished serenity.

Let us not forget that the same hands that fashioned the walls of Peel Cathedral also fashioned the walls of the Church of Iona — now a Christian Mecca within our own British Isles.

On Iona the people of all nations in their thousands honour the memory of those few forthright men of piety and sincerity who brought new faith, new hope, new courage at a time that has since proved to be critical to Western civilisation and culture; and these visitors, these pilgrims, in their unhurried, undiverted contemplation of the simple, enduring expressions of faith that have survived 1,000 years, derive strength can be such a Mecca, for the same sermons are written in its stones.

Now, in our own time, mankind is again at a critical stage — at the beginning of a new age, the Space and Computer Age. The prospect that lies before us encompasses the reversal of

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our present-day conventions and the shattering of our existing beliefs and values. Already, in the international turmoil, in the hideous regimentation, in the irrational hysteria of modern life the souls of men are being exacerbated, silenced, deadened.

For the money changers are back in the Temple of man's soul with a vengeance and before the even tenor of the New Age emerges there is worse to come — heavier pressures, more confusing and conflicting influences, new bewilderments. Man is going to face an even greater challenge yet to his faith in himself, in the permanence of all things that are good, even in his own survival as a rational human being capable of independent thought and action. He will have need to turn again and again to his sheet anchors — his Rocks of Ages if you prefer it. This is not a religious reflection: it is pure rationalism.

The strong chains that were forged by those early men of faith who, in the building of Peel Cathedral, so dramatically demonstrated their confidence not only in their own convictions but in man's survival, in the indestructibility of his soul and in the ultimate transcendency of God, have, by wear and sheer neglect, thinned to slender threads: but it is still possible, by the artifices of modern science, to strengthen those threads to the quality of high tensile steel.

Let us restore Peel Cathedral — yes, and the Castle too as far as is possible — as a sanctuary of peace, of an enfolding calm, of silent contemplation and prayer; let it be a fount for the replenishment of confidence and courage for all men and women not only on this Island but from all the neighbouring islands.

People desperately need such refuges — and they are demonstrating this need, oddly enough, by making this the Age of Cathedrals as well as Space. At Peel we can yet have the Cathedral of the Bishopric of Man — not the Isle of Man but Mankind.

Finally a word from T. E. Brown. When he was "grinding at the mill" at Clifton when the confusion and bewilderment of modern life engulfed him: when he sought "exactitude of rule," when the "truculent quack" insisted "with acrid shriek his ears to plod:" when "pragmatic fibs" surrounded his soul, he found solace in the thought —

"But Wordsworth's castle's still at Peel — thank God!"

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## MAYFLOWER . . .

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It may be safe to assume that his grandfather, — having heard nothing from his grandson-Myles — since he left on the Mayflower, assumed that he was dead and left all his estates to his grandson-William, which he had no power to do, since the marriage settlement of Thomas had entailed them to his heir-Myles.

Little is known of the early life of Myles Standish up to the time he sailed on the Mayflower. He was then about 35 years of age. When stationed at Leyden, Holland, he became acquainted with some of the Puritan emigrants from England, however, he never became a member of their church.

Sometime prior to 1619, Myles is said to have visited the Isle of Man and married Rose Standish, his cousin, her maiden name also being Standish. Later he returned with her to Holland.

On September 6th, 1620 they left Plymouth, England, on the Mayflower which was a sailing ship of 180 tons, — bound for America. After a stormy voyage of about 67 days the voyagers sighted Cape Cod on November 9th, 1620. It was by accident that they reached this part of the country. They had planned to settle near the mouth of the Hudson, within the jurisdiction of the London Company.

After exploring the coast for several weeks the Mayflower landed at Plymouth Rock on December 21st, 1620.

Governor William Bradford referred to his people as "Pilgrims and Strangers upon the earth" and from this expression came the use of the name "Pilgrims".

Immediately after the landing at Plymouth-Myles Standish was chosen military leader of the colony, a position he held for 30 years. He is said to have had unusual business ability and acted as assistant to the Governor and treasurer of the colony.

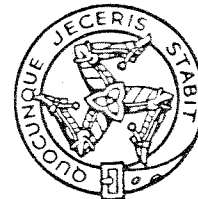
Within 3 months after landing at Plymouth, almost one half of the 102 passengers who sailed aboard the Mayflower had died from scarcity of food, exposure, and disease. Most of the 50 or so remaining were scarce able to bury their dead. One baby-Oceanus Hopkins was born during the voyage.

On January 29th, 1621 — less than 2 months after landing, — Rose Standish succumbed to the hardships and privations which almost overwhelmed the little colony.

The poet Longfellow has immortalized the name of Rose Standish in the verse: —

"Yonder there on the hill by the sea lies buried Rose Standish

Beautiful rose of love that bloomed



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[for me by the wayside  
She was the first to die of all that came  
[by the Mayflower.

During the summer of 1623, — less than 3 years after the death of Rose Standish, her sister Barbara sailed for America on the ship "Anne" (140 tons) and soon after her arrival in America, married Myles, who was her brother-in-law. They lived happily together for 30 years and had 5 children, Alexander, Myles, Josiah, and Charles, and one daughter Lora who predeceased her father.

Myles Standish was born in 1584 and died October 3rd, 1656 at the age of 72 years. His wife Barbara and four sons survived him. He was buried at Duxbury, Mass.

Several members of the Standish family were active in the political life of the Isle of Man.

John Standish was a member of the House of Keys in ..... 1593  
a-John Standish was clerk of

Lezayre in ..... 1610

William Standish was a member of the House of Keys .... 1629-1656  
(He took an active part in the rising against the Stanleys in 1651)

a-William Standish was Vicar of Lezayre Church ..... 1630

a-John Standish was member of the House of Keys ..... 1661-1665

a-John Standish was clerk of Lezayre ..... 1671

No trace of the Standish family is now left in Lezayre and possibly in the Isle of Man. It is said there is a small parcel of land in Lezayre that is still called "The Standish curragh".

It is with a deep sense of pride that Manx people can say  
"THERE WERE MANX ABOARD THE MAYFLOWER"

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Brief reference to the Standish family in the Isle of Man is found in the following books, from which some of the above information was obtained.

The Isle of Man ... Canon E. H. Stenning  
The Isle of Man ... William Rudcliffe  
Manx Worthies ... A. W. Moore  
Saints and strangers ... George F. Willison



## OBITUARIES

**CLARKE, Mrs. R.** (née Katherine Gelling). She was well known in Douglas over 50 years ago as Nurse Clarke. She leaves a sister in Toronto, Mrs. Willie Fick and daughter, Mrs. Dennis.

**JOUGHIN, Frederick J.** passed away on May 24th. in Salisbury, Southern Rhodesia. Born in Ramsey, Isle of Man, he had a chemist's business in Smethwick, England, until he retired 3 years ago and went with his wife to join his son, and family in Salisbury. He is survived by his wife, Edna, son, Michael, three grandchildren, two sisters, Catherine in Smethwick, England, and Elsie (Mrs. E. M. Broadbent) in Oshawa, Ontario, and a brother, Victor in Montreal, Quebec.

**KAY, Peter** was a very active member of the Toronto Society when it was first formed in 1927 but has had much sickness during the last few years.

**KEIG, Marshall** of Hinsdale died on May 15th., 1964 aged 77. A very prominent business man in Chicago Mr. Keig was a valuable asset to the Chicago Manx Society in years past. His father, John Keig came from Ballaugh. Mr. Keig began his career as a school teacher and then held various positions in business. He was president of the Lakefront Realty Co., director of the Greater North Michigan Avenue Assn., and managing director of the Lake Shore Club. He served with the U.S. Army Signal Corps in World War I and as director of Civil Defense for Hinsdale in World War II. He is survived by his wife, Gertrude; a daughter, Judith Ingram; a son, Marshall W.; a brother, a sister and three grandchildren.

**MOORE, Dr. Josiah J.** of Chicago died on May 5th., 1964 aged 77. He is survived by his wife, Florence; two sons, Dr. Franklin and Dr. Aubrey; a sister, Jane E. Moore; a brother, Fred, and five grandchildren. An obituary on Dr. Moore's work for the N.A.M.A. and the Chicago Manx Society will appear in the September issue of the Bulletin.

**QUAYLE, Edith Gertrude** died on February 10th., 1964 at the Home of Rest Ramsey, Isle of Man, aged 86. She was an aunt of Ada Christian.

**QUAYLE, Mrs. Elizabeth Leece.** died on December 14th., 1963 at the age of 71 in Ramsey, Isle of Man. Mrs. Quayle was an enthusiastic student of Manx history and folk-lore and was for over 20 years a member of the I.O.M. Antiquarium Society. The article on Kennish, the discoverer of the Panama Canal route, which was in the March, 1962 Bulletin was adapted from a booklet published by Mrs. Quayle. She is survived by her husband, Geo. Quayle of Closeny-Mona, Lezayre, and daughters.

**SALMON, George** died in hospital on March 23rd., 1964, in Ottawa at the age of 83. He and his wife, Florence (Ballem) were members of the N.A.M.A. and attended the last Convention in Chicago. He is survived by his wife and three sons, Laird and George of Ottawa, and Charles, Dartmouth, Nova Scotia.

**SCARFF, Jack** of 11 Malvern Road, Douglas, Mr. Scarff was a well-known figure in sporting circles in the Isle of Man and had the distinction of refereeing the longest match in the history of I.O.M. Football Association — a replayed cup final between the Wanderers which lasted for over three hours.

**TATE, Dr. Eldred C.** The death of Dr. Tate was a shock to the many people who knew him. He was the husband of Shirley Moore, the youngest daughter of the late Charley Moore and Mrs. May Moore.

**WATTERSON, Reverend John,** 79, of Greenville, Illinois, died March 27th., 1964 at the home of his son, Dr. Robert Watterson of Scottsdale, Arizona. He was born in 1884 near Ballabeg, Arbory, Isle of Man. His parents were John and Catherine

### MANX PROFESSOR IN U.S.A.

A Manxman who is one of the leading authorities on Shakespeare is at present touring in the United States lecturing in the year of the 400th anniversary of the Bard of Avon.

He is Mr. J. F. Kermode, M.A., professor of English literature at the University of Manchester since 1958 but now based at the Wesleyan University, Middletown, Connecticut, during his American lecture tour.

The son of Mr. and Mrs. P. J. Ker-

mode of Douglas. Professor Kermode is an old boy of the Douglas High School and studied at Liverpool University.

### THE LI'L PEOPLE

Born — to Mr. and Mrs. Gordon Downward a daughter, Pamela Elizabeth. Gordon is the youngest son of Mona Downward.

Born — on May 24th. to Ramsey and Glenys Joughin, Montreal, a son, Robert Ian. The grandfather is Victor Joughin also of Montreal.

### MANX WEDDIN'S

Miss Phyllis Watterson was married recently to Mr. Busche of Saskatchewan. Phyllis has been the Treasurer of the Toronto Manx Society for a number of years and is the youngest daughter of the late Robert.

Miss Morrison, a granddaughter of the late Robert Watterson, was married to Mr. Raymond Millar of Thornhill, Ontario.

Mr. Sid Corkish of Coldon, New York, was married recently in Florida. Watterson. He came to this country in 1904 and farmed near Galva, Illinois. Later he attended a seminary in Evansville, Wisconsin, preparing for the ministry. He served churches in Iowa and Illinois for 47 years. Memorial services were held on April 1st. at Woodstock, Illinois. In addition to the son in Arizona he is survived by his widow Mabel (Kiltz), three other sons, John Jr. of Clark Lake, Michigan, Glenn of Brooklyn, Mich., Wallace of Burlington, Iowa; 2 daughters, Mrs. Elsie Miller of Greenville, Ill., and Mrs. Helen McConnell of Jackson, Mich.; 17 grandchildren, 6 great grandchildren; 2 brothers, Fred. of Fleetwood, England; Percy of Ballabeg, I.O.M.; nieces and nephews in the I.O.M. and England.

**WATTERSON, Robert Sr.** died at the age of 83. He was born in Glen Maye and had lived in Toronto for 60 years. He was with the homegoers party in 1958, the first visit to the Isle of Man since 1908. He leaves three daughters, Louje, Peggy and Phyllis, and a son, Bobby.