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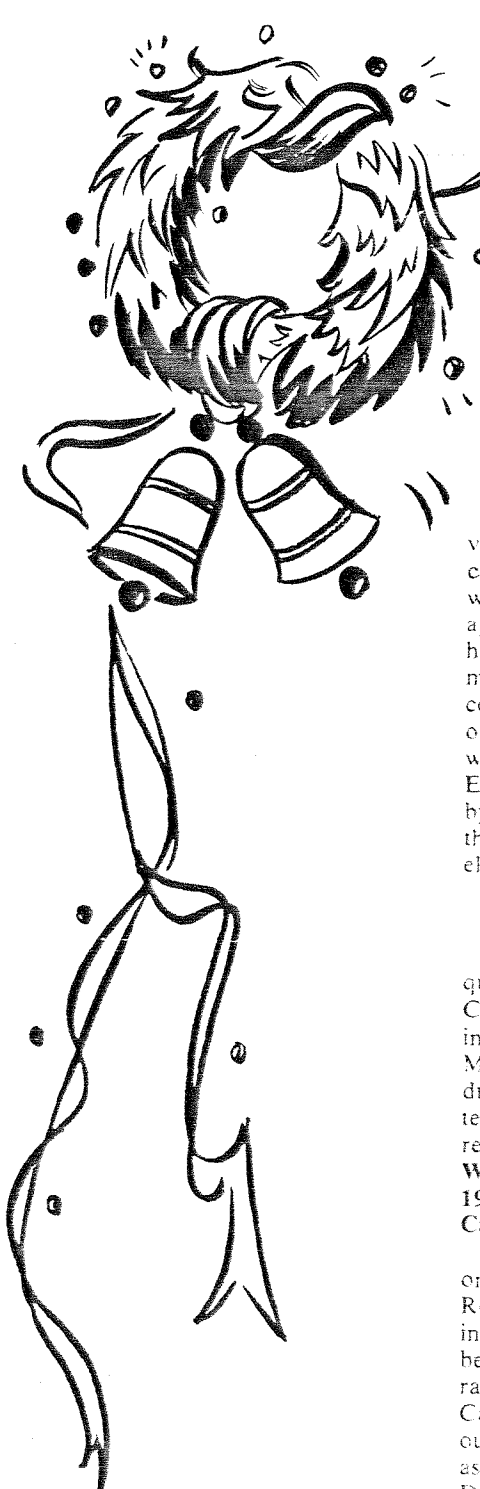


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"To preserve whate'er is left us of ancient heritage"

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CONVENTION NEWS

Knowing that we all want a convention in 1968, your President finally came to the conclusion that if there was going to be one, I would have to appoint myself chairman and hold it here in St. Louis where I have recently moved. I wasn't as enthusiastic as I could have been but it looked like the only way to get the job done as time was running out. The members of the Executive Committee were contacted by mail for their approval; but, before their replies were received, something else happened. —

THE MANX CAME THROUGH AGAIN!

Margaret Joughin received an inquiry from the Reverend James Cowin Caley asking if we might be interested in holding a convention in California. Margaret forwarded his name and address to me for the sake of time. I telephoned him with the following results:

We have been invited to hold our 1968 convention in Huntington Beach, California!

I accepted this very fine invitation on behalf of the Association after Reverend Caley explained what he had in mind. Your next convention will be held in August, 1968, at the Sheraton Beach Inn, Huntington Beach, California. The Rev. Caley will be our Chairman and he has such able assistants as Ed, Killip, Mr. and Mrs. Donald Bain, Jack Cain and others.

Huntington Beach is on the ocean and is only 8 miles from Disneyland

which he hopes to incorporate into his convention plans. It is 30 minutes to Hollywood and Los Angeles. Not far away is Forest Lawn, Marineland of the Pacific, Knott's Berry Farm, the Wax Museum containing replicas of all the famous movie stars and the Queen Mary will be permanently anchored only ten miles away.

With all these attractions, who could resist? It looks like we'll have the best convention ever, so let's all begin making our plans immediately. Let's also show the good Manx people on the West Coast that they have our support by giving them assistance both financially and in every other way we can.

With the possibilities mentioned above, the 1968 Convention of the N.A.M.A. could be the springboard that will result in an organization that will be stronger and ready for many, many more successful conventions to preserve whate'er is left to us of ancient heritage.

Because our membership is smaller, the help of every society and individual member becomes more important.

Time did not allow us to confirm the exact dates, but they will be in the latter part of August, and if this information is received before the Bulletin goes to press, they will be included. Further details will be mailed to all members through special notices and further editions of the Bulletin.

Norman D. Clucas,
President.

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WORLD MANX ASSOCIATION

The first outing of the World Manx Association was held in May and after a very nice coach run, an excellent tea was enjoyed at the Windsor Hotel, Port Erin, when Mr. H. S. Cain the president welcomed Mr. and Mrs. W. Cowin of Cleveland. We were very pleased when Mrs. Cowin gave a short talk to the company of members and friends. Later the party was taken back to Douglas by a different, but equally interesting route.

On June 22nd, the second outing took place, this being an evening excursion and a group of 43 went for a very pleasant coach run through the countryside despite the bad weather. We partook of a nice supper at the Witches Mill cafe in Castletown. Mr. Fred Caveen of Toronto was with us and on being called upon to speak, gave greetings from Toronto Manx Society and outlined some of their future plans. Mrs. Greenlands was also present and brought greetings from the Liverpool Manx Society.

FINANCIAL STATEMENT OF THE NORTH AMERICAN MANX ASSOCIATION Aug. 1, 1966 to July 31, 1967

RECEIPTS

Cleveland	Montreal (Canadian Funds)
Aug. 1, 1966 Ck. Acct. Bal. \$ 512.93	Aug. 1, 1966 Ck. Acct. Bal. \$ 598.43
Receipts 8/1/66 to 7/31/67:	Dues, donations, bulletins 161.38
Dues, donations, bulletins 1246.47	Transferred from Cleveland Ck. Acct. (\$932.05 Am. funds) 1000.00
Total CLEVELAND Receipts \$1759.40	Total MONTREAL Receipts \$1759.82

DISBURSEMENTS

Cleveland	Montreal (Canadian Funds)
Bank Charges \$ 4.13	Bank Charges \$.30
Salaries - M. Krach 150.00	Salary - M. Joughin 150.00
H. Clucas ("waived") —	Postage 86.71
Mailings, printing, postage 74.16	Printing 1079.95
Flowers 15.45	Executive Committee Expenses 60.00
Executive Committee Expenses 109.57	Total MONTREAL Disbursements \$1376.96
Funds transferred to Montreal (\$1000 in Canadian Funds) 932.05	Montreal Ck. Acct. Balance as of July 31, 1967 382.86
Total CLEVELAND Disbursements \$1285.36	Total MONTREAL Disbursements \$1759.82
Cleveland Ck. Acct. Balance as of July 31, 1967 474.04	
\$1759.40	
Savings Accounts' Balances:	
Second Federal Savings & Loan Assoc'n., Cleveland — as of July 31, 1967 \$1788.63	
Cleveland Trust Co., Cleveland (Contributions) 246.62	
Total in Savings Accounts \$2035.25	2035.25

ASSETS:

Savings Accounts 7/31/67	\$2035.25
Cleve. Ck. Acct. "	474.07
Montreal " " (Can. funds)	382.86
Total	**\$2892.18
**Represents gain of \$66.67 over 65/66	
— Corres. Secy. again waived salary.	

AUDITED SEPTEMBER 11, 1967

KAREN E. PRIVITERA

GLADYS A. BUTTS.

MEMBERSHIP

1966-67 Adult Mbrs. (incs. some pd. prior to 66/67)	486
1966-67 Junior Mbrs.	17
1966-67 Societies	9
Honorary	4
Life	14
Mbrs. paid in advance for 67/68 & 68/69 — Total	47
Respectfully submitted.	

(Mrs. Michael Krach)
Financial Secretary-Treasurer

Following these came the July outing on the 9th, when we set out in brilliant sunshine. Our party of 60 sat down to a very good tea at the Grand Island Hotel, Ramsey, and then were conveyed by coach to Maughold Church where we were welcomed by the Vicar, the Rev. G. Duckworth and Mrs. Duckworth. After Evening Service which was conducted by the Vicar who delivered a most interesting sermon dealing with some of the past history of the church of Maughold, a start was made for Douglas, the country looking very lovely under the evening sunshine.

For the August 17th, coach outing we were again fortunate in having a really sunny day. We proceeded to Ravensdale Castle Hotel, Ballaugh, for tea which was much enjoyed. Mr. Harold Cain in his remarks welcomed Mrs. Craine of Montana, U.S.A., who recited two splendid poems. Mrs. Forbes of New York, Mrs. Brash of the Liverpool Manx Society and Mrs. Weller, secretary of the London Manx Society, all of whom gave us brief speeches about their Societies. Leaving Ravensdale we went on to Ramsey where a carnival was being held that

evening and all our party admired the colourful tableaux etc.

September 14th, was the date of our last outing for 1967 and we had a delightful run through the country, stopping at the Forestry Board's nurseries to inspect and admire the splendid work being carried out there. A most enjoyable tea was served at the Creg Malin, Peel, to our party of 57. We were very pleased to have Mr. and Mrs. W. Rosee of the London Manx Society with us and Mr. and Mrs. W. Brown, formerly of Cleveland and now residing in the Isle of Man. Mr. Taylor of the Liverpool Social Society and Miss L. Latham who recently visited Africa were also present.

Doris Clague,
Douglas, I.O.M.

CHANGE OF ADDRESS

Members are asked to note the President's new address:

Norman D. Clucas,
418 Clark,
Kirkwood, Missouri, 63122
Phone: Area 314 - 966-8245

NOSTALGIA

*My Island home is far away,
A jewel in the sea,
Mannan still stands guard o'er her
And will eternally*

*The cushag still blooms in her fields,
The wavelets lap her shore.
Her ancient castles changeless stand
As in the days of yore.*

*The purple heather on her hills,
Where, dotted white as snow
The grazing sheep move slowly
With the blue sea far below.*

*Her fields with wild flowers fragrant,
The beauty of her glens
Where "little people" sing and dance
Among the flowers and fens.*

*Oh, lovely little Island
With your bays of dancing light,
Where mermaids still are singing
In the star-encrusted night.*

*My Island home is far away,
An emerald in the sea,
Mannan will watch over her
Through all eternity.*
Catherine Cottier Sarvary.

DIAMOND WEDDING ANNIVERSARY

Mr. and Mrs. John H. Skillicorn, 42 Avalon Avenue, Bedford, Ohio, celebrated their 60th wedding anniversary on July 8th, with a family dinner at the home of their daughter, Mrs. Thomas J. Carrigan of Bedford. Originally from Laxey, Isle of Man, they were married on July 8th, 1907, and came to Cleveland in 1911.

Mr. Skillicorn was a carpenter for the Bedford school system for 13 years prior to retirement.

Their other children are Earl and John K. of Bedford; Lawrence of Cleveland and Norman, deceased. There are 12 grandchildren and five great-grandchildren.

SILVER WEDDING ANNIVERSARY

Mr. and Mrs. Robert A. MacCaa celebrated their fiftieth wedding anniversary Saturday, September 2, 1967, with an Open house at their home in Tucson, 4450 Osage Drive. They were married in Cleveland, Ohio, on September 1, 1917, and have been Tucson residents since 1956.

Mr. MacCaa was associated with Herwin Williams Paint Co. until his retirement.

The couple has two children: Mrs. Daniel A. Preger and Robert R. MacCaa, both of Tucson. They have three grandchildren.

The Phynoderee of Laxey Wheel

by Kathleen Killip

There is a certain question which greatly puzzles the people of the Isle of Man, nowadays. The question is "What has become of the Phynoderee?" Though a good many people in the Island could tell you why the Manx cat has no tail, no one seems to know anything about the Phynoderee's whereabouts. Some of them even suggest that he has left the island altogether. But this is foolish talk as we shall soon see.

Once upon a time the creature called the Phynoderee used to be seen often enough, though no one knew very clearly what he looked like. He ran out of sight very quickly when anyone approached for he was very shy and timid. But farmers often enough caught glimpses of a pair of wild brown eyes peering at them from between the bushes as they ploughed, or the farmer's wife, having got up rather earlier than usual, would catch a glimpse of a dark shaggy figure, darting away through the open window of her dairy. He preferred to stay in hiding during the day and come out into the open at night. Whenever help was needed on the farm, in the dairy or in the field, the Phynoderee was ready to give it. But he took good care no one saw him and would have been very angry if he had been given a reward for his kindness.

There was one farmer who lived near the village of Laxey in the Isle of Man, whom he was always helping. The neighbours said, "Indeed it's as well it is so, for he's not much of a man for helping himself."

Once, when harvest time came and his cornfields were ripe, the farmer said, "Well, to-morrow I will have to be cutting all that corn, and it's very hard work it will be, I am afraid."

Next morning, however, when he went out, the corn was all cut as though by magic, and the scythe hung up in the barn, its blade as dry as though no one had used it.

In the Winter the farmer awoke once in the middle of the night to find the ground white with snow. He suddenly remembered his sheep were all out on the mountains and was just going to get up and go out after them when a voice whispered in through the window:

"Lie still and sleep boy, I'll go and make them safe for you."

Thereupon the farmer went to sleep, but not long afterwards he was awakened by the voice at the window again.

"They're all safe now, boy," it whispered. "But 'deed sure and I've had

a run after one of them. Three times up and down and round about Snaefell mountain itself I was before I caught her. Lie you still and sleep now, boy, they'll be safe enough till daylight."

Sure enough, next morning when the farmer went out, there his sheep were lying snug and warm in an out-house. But in the middle of them all looking very uncomfortable, and ill at ease, lay a hare.

"Ha, ha!" laughed the farmer as he opened the door to let it go. "I'm not surprised now at what he told me last night."

At last the farmer began to think he ought to leave a little present for the Phynoderee. He went to the tailor and asked him to make a suit of clothes. It was harvest time when they were ready, so he left them in the cornfield, where the Phynoderee would be passing.

When night fell, the Phynoderee came into the field, ready to cut the corn. He was just going to lay low the first swathe when suddenly he caught sight of the clothes. He flung down his scythe as mad as a hare in a March wind.

"My curse and my seven curses on ye for leaving this thing," he said. "What should the likes of myself want with this? Sure the men of this island will walk on top of the sea to England, before I do another hand's turn for one of them." He danced about in such a rage that the hillside shook and people began to wonder if an earthquake was coming to bring destruction on them.

From that day onwards he lived in hiding and came out only on the darkest nights. Nobody ever caught a glimpse of him. He was as quick and quiet as a rabbit and as shy as a plover.

In those days there was a lead mine at Laxey and the people of the village decided to build up a big wheel to help to pump the water out of the mine and make it safe for the miners to work in. When it was finished the wheel was to be bigger than any ever built in the Isle of Man and almost as large as the largest wheel in England. All day long the village was full of the sound of knocking and clinking and clanking and shouting. The Phynoderee in his hiding place in the hillside, wondered what was happening. When he ventured out at night all was quiet and he could not understand the meaning of all the noise in the day-time.

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News and Christmas Greetings from the Manx Societies

World Manx Association

The President, Officers and Committee of The World Manx Association send their sincerest greetings — wishing the President, Officers and members of your Society a Very Happy Christmas and a Prosperous New Year.

Harold S. Cain, C.P., President
Wilfred Waid, F.C.A.,
Hon. Treasurer.
Miss Doris Clague, Hon. Secretary.

BISBEE

The Bisbee Manx have had no meetings recently. During the last few weeks they had a visit from the two daughters of Mr. William Caley of Costa Mesa, California. Mr. and Mrs. William Wood are happy to have their oldest daughter, Rosemary Walton, and family move closer to home. They are now in Tucson where Mr. Walton will attend the University of Arizona. The Wood's granddaughter, Nancy Walton, has just graduated from dental assistant school in San Diego. Mrs. Christine Rothery has recently returned from spending Parent's Day with her son, Donnie, at Northern State University in Flagstaff, Arizona. Mrs. Gladys Rogers who was in Bisbee owing to the death of her brother, Fred, Corrin, has now returned to Miami, Florida, where she will spend Thanksgiving with her daughter and then will go on to Washington, D.C., to spend Christmas with her son and his wife. Mrs. Bessie Vandivier plans to go to Torrance, California, to spend the holidays with her children.

The Manx of Bisbee want to extend warm wishes for a very happy holiday season to all their friends.

Ivy Dillon.

LOS ANGELES

The members of the Los Angeles Manx Society would like to say a Very Merry Christmas to all the Manxies both at home and abroad, with a cup brimming over with good health and happiness in the Christmas season and the coming New Year.

Lillian Marriion-Tipper.

Christmas Greetings from the Executive Committee

Once again the Executive Committee of the North American Manx Association has the pleasure of sending the Season's Greetings to all Manx people and their friends everywhere.

We sincerely wish everyone a Merry Christmas and a Happy and Prosperous New Year.

J. Victor Joughin
Past President
Sam Penrice
1st Vice-President
Helen Clucas
Secretary

Norman D. Clucas
President
Bob Kelly
2nd Vice-President
Margaret Krach
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Ladies' Auxiliary
to N.A.M.A.

Alexander M. Cock
Chaplain
Stan Shimmun
3rd Vice-President
Margaret Joughin
Bulletin Editor

CHICAGO

A meeting of the Chicago Manx Society was held on Sunday, November 12th., at the home of Bob and Jean Kelly in Naperville. There were 18 in attendance as many could not attend because of the gas strike in the Chicago area. A delicious supper was served by the host and hostess after which Bob showed slides of the last picnic, the Manx booth at the 1966 Folk Fair and the 94th Anniversary Dinner last March.

A meeting is planned for the end of January, 1968, at the home of Myrra Johnson. The 95th Anniversary Dinner will be held in March and there will possibly be another meeting late in the spring or early summer plus a picnic during the summer.

During the meeting Norman Clucas called from St. Louis to advise that the convention will be in Huntington Beach, California, next August so this means that the Chicago Manx will be raising money for the 1968 Convention at their future meetings.

The Society expressed their sympathy to the families of three Chicago Manx who passed away during the last month: Arthur Webber, John Robert Brew and Mrs. Louise Britton.

With Christmas and New Year greetings to Manx folk everywhere,

Bob Kelly, President
Emily Kelly, Secretary.

VANCOUVER

The Vancouver Manx Society sends Christmas and New Year greetings to all fellow Manx men and women throughout North America.

The winter social season is well under way now with two monthly meetings already behind us and there will be one more meeting before the highlight of the season. This is the annual New Year's Day banquet which will be held at the Cambrian Hall, 17th Avenue and Main Street. If any members are visiting the Vancouver area, they will be more than welcome. Details may be obtained from either the president at 1026 Shell Road E., Richmond, Vancouver, or the secretary at 2270 Mannering Avenue, Vancouver 6.

P. Tregellis, President
Eden Q. Costain, Secretary

ROCHESTER

Twelve months have slipped rapidly away and once again the Festive Season is upon us.

Once again memories of happy times materialize and we recall many old friends and the good times we have enjoyed in their company.

Once again the Rochester Manx folk send sincere good wishes for a Very Merry Christmas and we hope that the New Year will bless each of you with Good Health and Happiness.

Alice Garrett,
Regional Director.

SAN FRANCISCO

At the October meeting of the San Francisco Manx Society the following officers were elected:

President: Herbert Corlett
Sec.-Treasurer: Mrs. Hilda Corlett

Plans for the Christmas party are moving along. A dinner will be held at the Red Chimney restaurant and a good turn out is hoped for.

The members and officers join together at this time to wish all Manx friends, both near and far, the happiest of holidays.

Herb. Corlett, President.
Hilda Corlett, Sec.-Treasurer.

WINNIPEG

The annual picnic of the Winnipeg Manx was held in Kildonan Park in August. A happy time was enjoyed by the few members who attended. A gift was presented to Mr. and Mrs. John Corkish.

On November 17th. a meeting was being held at the home of Mr. and Mrs. H. Caley to determine the future plans of the Society. It is the earnest wish of the members that the Winnipeg Manx continue, so all you Manx folk who are not members and who reside in or near Winnipeg, get in touch with the undersigned.

It is hoped to have a dinner before Xmas; the date to be arranged.

With best wishes to Manx folk everywhere for a Merry Xmas and a Bright and Prosperous New Year.

J. H. Caley,
President,
SP. 42665.
D. M. Inge,
Secretary-Treasurer.
TU. 8-6828

GALVA

May the Peace and Happiness of Christmas be with you today and every day throughout the New Year.

Hilda Collinson,
Secretary.

PEORIA

The Manx of Peoria, Illinois, held their annual 4th. Sunday in July picnic in Glen Oak Park in Peoria. Last years officers were all re-elected for the coming year.

With Seasons Greetings,
Wm. A. Archibald, President
Ralph Kaighin Carter, V.-Pres.
Margaretta M. Carter, Sec.-T.

'LADIES' AUXILIARY.

"MONA'S RELIEF SOCIETY"

The Ladies Auxilliary of the Mona's Relief Society of Cleveland, Ohio, send Christmas Greetings to friends near and far.

Florence Gell,
Secretary.

TORONTO

The Toronto Manx Society hold their meetings on the fourth Friday of each month at 1010 Gerard St. East. The September meeting was a visit from Mr. and Mrs. Leslie Higgins of Castletown who brought over 150 slides of the Island and a tape recorded message from Mr. Harold Cain. The pictures were very good and the members never tire of seeing them. The Toronto Manx sang O Land of Our Birth and Ellan Vannin for Mr. Higgins to record and he hopes to play it on the Manx Radio.

A group of the Toronto Manx got together, and entertained Mr. Spencer Kelly of the House of Keys, Mrs. Dunbar and Miss Kathy Cowan at the Westbury Hotel. A fine meal was served and Mr. Kelly gave a most interesting and informative account of what is happening on the Island.

Everyone should by now have received the letter concerning the over-seas flight which was sent out by Mrs. Bateman.

The officers and members of the Toronto Manx Society send sincere wishes to all Manx friends for a Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year.

Dot Hall,
Secretary.

MONTREAL

A fall meeting was held in November at the home of Margaret and Victor Joughin and an enjoyable evening was spent with a good "cooish". Slides taken of Manx gatherings over the last 10 years were shown and brought back many happy memories.

Tentative arrangements were made to hold the annual Christmas party in the first week of January.

The officers and members of the Montreal Manx Society send best wishes to Manx friends everywhere for a Merry Christmas and a Happy and Prosperous New Year.

*"When Peace shall over all the Earth
Its ancient splendors fling
And the whole world send back the
Which now the angels sing."* [song]

Douglas Corlett, Treasurer
J. Victor Joughin, Secretary.

CONVENTION

CHAIRMAN'S ADDRESS

Anyone wishing to contact the Reverend Caley, his address is as follows:-
Reverend James Cowin Caley,
8252 Snowbird Drive,
Huntington Beach, California,
92646
Phone: Area 714 - 536-4061

HAVE YOU ? ? ? ?

Sent in your 67/68 N.A.M.A. dues? They cover the period from August 1, 1967 through July 31, 1968. If you have not already done so, won't you take the time NOW to send off \$3 to: Mrs. Michael Krach, Fin. Sec.-Treas. 3893 Silsby Rd., S.W. Cleveland, Ohio 44111

(West Park Station)

(Dues slip enclosed is for your convenience if you have not paid — if you have please pass it to a friend)

We need your support.

CLEVELAND MANX

Our October meeting was held on the west side with very good attendance. Pictures from the Isle of Man, and of the Isle of Man were shown.

It was nice to have Flo and Fred Gorry with us again after their vacation of several months in the Isle of Man.

Election of officers was held at our November meeting. Mr. Richard Kelly was elected president; Mr. William Skelly, vice-president; Mrs. Catherine Kelly, secretary; and Mrs. Edna Cowin, treasurer.

We are looking forward to our December 12 meeting, which will be a supper for all Manx of greater Cleveland.

The society wishes all Manx, near and far, a very Merry Christmas and a happy and healthy 1968.

FLORIDA

The Florida Manx are very proud that one of their number, Mrs. Lewin has just celebrated her 91th birthday. She is still peppy and able to walk to town.

All the Manx in Florida send their greetings for a Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year.

W. Quine.

OUR OWN PEOPLE

Noreen Cottier of San Francisco who recently retired from the Telephone Co., plans an extended trip starting in January for Australia where she will visit first cousins who live in Melbourne. She hopes to spend part of next summer in the Isle of Man.

Mr. and Mrs. George Lowe of Emington, Illinois, spent seven delightful weeks in the Isle of Man from June to August and enjoyed seeing relatives and the old familiar places. Mr. Lowe who had not been back for 47 years, was born and brought up in Lezayre. They attended the Manx homecoming at the Castle Mona Hotel on Tynwald Day, July 5th.

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101 THINGS OF INTEREST ABOUT THE ISLE OF MAN

by *Walter J. Stevenson*

PART II

38. At the time of the Norse invasion, the population of Man was estimated at 200 to 300 families. In 1584 it was estimated at about 5,000; in 1726 about 15,000; in 1821 about 40,000 and in 1851 about 52,000. Due to the large migration in recent years the population has not varied very much.
39. The earliest written records of the Island date from 1134. They were written by the Cistercian monks of Rushen Abbey and record events from 1065 A.D. These records are now in the British Museum.
40. Rushen Abbey is said to have been founded by Magnus, King of Norway, in 1098 A.D. and to have been built on the site of an old Celtic monastery which probably dated back to the 6th century. It was the last monastery to be dissolved in Britain (on April 11th, 1553) after the edict of King Henry VIII in 1540.
41. In 1219 A.D. Reginald, son of Godred, surrendered the Island to the Pope of Rome and the Island was under Catholic rule from 1219 to 1422 - 203 years.
42. Perhaps the most interesting historical spot on the Island is the 7½ acre island of St. Patrick at Peel (Innis Patrick). Within its walled enclosure are the ruins of old Peel Castle, St. Germain's Cathedral and St. Patrick's Church. According to tradition St. Patrick is said to have lived here some time between 444 A.D. and 447 A.D. It is said he was driven ashore while making a crossing between England and Ireland. The Annals of Ulster record that the Island was attacked and desecrated by the Norsemen in the year 798 A.D.
43. St. Germain's Cathedral was built about 1230 A.D. and is referred to as the cradle of Christianity on the Island.
44. St. Germain was the legendary successor to St. Patrick and the first Bishop of Man. He was a nephew of St. Patrick and came to the Isle of Man in 447 A.D. He died in 476 A.D. during the lifetime of St. Patrick.
45. The cathedral of Iona, Scotland, which was restored in recent years was built on the same plan as St. Germain's but perhaps a hundred years later.
46. Kirk Maughold Church is one of the early centres of Christianity on the Island. There was probably an earlier Celtic church on the same site dating back to the 6th century. It is named after an Irish saint and follower of St. Patrick, St. Maughold or St. Machutus who was buried at Kirk Maughold in the year 533 A.D.
47. Surrounding Maughold is one of the largest and oldest burial grounds in the British Isles. The late Sir Hall Caine was buried there in 1931.
48. The largest collection of old Celtic and runic crosses is found at Maughold Church. They date from the 7th to the 14th century. The Thor Cross found at Kirk Bride is one of the finest specimens found on the Island.
49. A runic cross is a stone monument with the symbol of a cross inscribed with runes or letters of the runic alphabet. They were usually erected by one friend in memory of another and though they bear the symbol of a cross there is nothing of Christian sentiment attached to them. The early Norsemen were pagan but known for their love of liberty.
50. Perhaps the main reason why so many old Celtic and runic crosses are found on the Isle of Man is the fact that for centuries these stones remained unmolesated, usually in the old cemeteries and churches.
51. Most of the old crosses were found in the north of the Island. Professor Carl J. S. Marstrand of Norway, when visiting the Isle of Man in 1940, said, "You have here in the Isle of Man something that is unique — which even the Louvre (Paris) with all its resources could not buy — a collection of crosses that is without parallel in the whole world."
52. Ballaugh Old Church in lower Ballaugh is noted for its leaning pillars. From the register of this church came the oldest church records of the Island which date to 1588 A.D. The Reverend Hugh Stowell, Sr., was Rector of this church in 1824. In 1808 when he was Rector of Lonan Church he established the first Sunday School on the Island.
53. Canon Hugh Stowell, son of Hugh Stowell Rector of Ballaugh, was a famous preacher and was known as the Great Preacher of Salford. He was looked upon as a man of note, not only in Manchester and Salford but in every part of England. He wrote the beautiful hymn "From every stormy wind that blows" which is found in many of our hymnals.
54. John Wesley first visited the Island

CHICAGO MANX SOCIETY EXHIBITS MANX CULTURE AT FOLK FAIR

For the seventh consecutive year, the Chicago Manx Society had an exhibit at the Annual International Folk Fair at Navy Pier, Chicago, on October 21st and 22nd representing the Chicago Manx Society, the North American Manx Association and the World Manx Association.

Approximately 250,000 attended over the weekend to be greeted by signs at the entrance saying welcome in 35 languages. The Manx are sorry they were asleep at the switch and did not give the 36th welcome in Manx Gaelic "Kys ta shiu". The national groups exhibited their crafts: diamond cutting, glass blowing, lace making, silver working, wood carving, etc.

Through the courtesy of Ruth and Ellen Carlson, proprietors of the Glen Orry Manx Cattery, the Chicago Manx Society once again had the only live exhibit at the Folk Fair with five beautiful prize-winning Manx cats on display *(continued on page 7)*

in 1777 and he made a second visit in 1781. On one occasion it took him two days to cross from Whitehaven to Douglas, a distance of 40 miles.

55. Wesley preached at Barregarrow, Michael, Victoria Street Church, Douglas; at the Old Cross, Ramsey, and at Peel, Castletown, Ballaugh and probably Sulby. He said, "The Manx people impressed me very favorably. A more loving, simple hearted people I never saw, remarkable courteous and humane." In returning to Douglas, he set out in a one-horse chaise, a Mrs. Smyth riding with him. In about an hour, in spite of all he could do, the headstrong horse ran the wheel against a stone; the chaise overturned in a moment, but they fell so gently on smooth grass that neither of them was hurt. He found the Peel folk the best listeners.
56. King William's College near Castletown is the chief seat of learning. It was founded in 1688 but the present building was built in 1883. Many famous people have been educated there.
57. At Hango Hill near Castletown are the ruins of an old block-house where in olden days criminals were executed. The last execution on the Isle of Man was in 1872. In 1818 a Braddan farmer was sentenced to death for sheep stealing and in 1832 two Peel men were executed for assault.

PRESENTATION

Mrs. Charles (Juanita Kelly) Bednar of Galesburg, Illinois, was awarded the distinguished service award of the Galesburg Cosmopolitan Club at a dinner meeting of that club in October. The citation included this tribute: "Juanita Bednar, with soft impulse, or because of a sudden dream, provided the love for and trust in others that has quickened their lives and made them fresher than a mountain stream."

Mrs. Bednar's community service included: president of the Carl Sandburg Association, organizer of the "penny parade" which has helped maintain Sandburg's birthplace, Sunday school teacher, member of Public Library and YMCA boards, leader in Illinois Federation of Women's Clubs, president of the Galesburg Art League and being instrumental in the establishment of a Christmas shrine in the downtown park in Galesburg.

Mrs. Bednar is the daughter of the late Mr. and Mrs. Olin Kelly of the Galva area. Her husband is a member of the Galesburg high school faculty and son, Charles Jr. of Oak Park, Illinois, is a design engineer. The other son, Rick, is scheduled to enter the U.S. armed forces in December.

Because Juanita had just returned from the hospital, the award was accepted in her behalf by her husband while she listened at home on a special telephone hook-up provided by the Intra-State Telephone Company.

CHICAGO MANX EXHIBIT

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Many hands make light work and the president, Robert Kelly, appreciated the help he received from the four male workers who set up the ground-work and who gave of their valuable time. A big Thank you too to the ladies, one and all. What could any organization do without them.

The booth had a background of beautiful Manx posters supplied by the British Travel Association and sent to Chicago by the Isle of Man Tourist Board. Cecil Kelly framed all the posters which added to their attractiveness. The ladies displayed their artistic ability in their table arrangements, beginning with the display of Manx cats. At one end of the booth was a shadow box, a 3 dimensional replica of an old Manx thatched cottage made by Cecil Kelly and at the other end was a picture of a Manx cottage made by Helen Callister. There were also on display, Manx woolens, brass ware, china, a large assortment of rare Manx coins dating back to 1700 belonging to Robert Kelly, a lovely scroll of the Lord's Prayer in Manx Gaelic lettered by Harold Cal-

THE PHYNODEREE

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At last the wheel was made and set in its place and a certain day appointed for it to start its work. It was twelve times as high as the tallest man in the island. On one side was a round stone pillar. A winding staircase led to the top of this.

There was great rejoicing when the day came and people from far and near visited Laxey to see the wonder. At last, to the ears of all who were waiting, there came the sound of creaking and groaning and splashing and splashing. The wheel had started to do its work and the pumps were set going! At this all the people set up a mighty shout that could be heard nearly all over the island.

The Phynoderee had been listening to the strange noise made by the great crowd of people all the morning and had wondered what was happening. When he heard their shout, he rushed out of his hiding to find out what all the excitement was about.

He rushed down the hillside, right into the middle of the crowd. However they were all far too intent on watching the wheel to take the slightest notice of him. The Phynoderee was soon gazing with the best of them. Never in all his life had he seen such a sight and he could not understand it. He turned to the man who stood next to him.

"Is it the wheel for a bicycle for the Giant of Snaefell Mountain, then?" he asked.

"The wheel for a bicycle for the Giant of Snaefell Mountain indeed!"

"Is that all ye know? Yonder wheel is to pump the water out of the mine to make it safe for the men to work in."

listler and many of Harold's lovely posters. The members were particularly proud of the one showing the founding of the Chicago Manx Society in 1873. Harold also had on display a replica which he had designed of a toastrack (open tramcar) and horse.

There seemed to be an air of greater interest this year in the Isle of Man and people crowded the booth asking questions and taking notes. People who go to Europe every 2 or 3 years remarked that the Isle of Man is a must on their next trip and asked for addresses of the Tourist Board and also of the woolen mills.

The members of the Chicago Manx Society wish that many more Manx friends could be there in person to enjoy the Folk Fair with them.

Robert Kelly, President
Emily Kelly, Secretary.

"Oh, is it indeed?" said the Phynoderee thoughtfully and he went away.

At night when the people had all gone, he came down to the wheel again. It turned round, creaking and straining and uttering watery sighs in the moonlight.

"So they've all gone and left yonder boy?" said the Phynoderee, slowly and thoughtfully.

"Oh oh ah ah " groaned the wheel although not at all certain about the matter.

"I've a good mind to come and help you."

"Oh oh," sighed the wheel faintly, scarcely daring to make sound for fear of frightening away the Phynoderee.

He looked it up and down, with its great size, its stone tower and its staircase.

"If I was to help you, ye wouldn't be offering me any presents now would you?"

"No o o oh," creaked the wheel loudly and earnestly.

"You're the boy for me! We'll do the job together! There's nobody on this island worth helping but yourself. I'm tired of being out on the hillside I'll be glad to live somewhere else and I like your situation here."

"Oh oh oh oh oh," creaked the wheel in loud joy and contentment.

So although the people of the Isle of Man do not know it, that is what has become of the Phynoderee. He has not disappeared from the Island but is still to be seen, for those who have eyes of the right sort, running up and down the staircase or splashing in and out of the water in the Big Wheel at Laxey on days when he has little work to do.

OUR OWN PEOPLE

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Mrs. Edith Craine of Butte, Montana, made a trip home to the Island this summer after an interval of 37 years.

Mrs. Craine had a busy time visiting relatives and friends in the Cronk-y-Voddy and Kirk Michael districts and she enjoyed the World Manx coach outing with tea at Ravensdale Castle. After tea Mrs. Craine was called upon to give two Manx dialect recitations, and her first choice was one by Kathleen Faragher, and then one by "Cushag". To her surprise she was afterwards introduced to Miss Faragher and was glad of the opportunity to tell her how much her Manx dialect poems are appreciated by people in Montana, people who have no Manx connections and who in fact do not know where the Island actually is.

OBITUARIES

BRITTON, Louise Leece of Chicago died on November 6th., 1967. She was the widow of the late George Britton, loving sister of Ella Leece Boyde; Elizabeth (Bessie) Leece Auty, and Henry Leece of Liverpool and the Isle of Man. Fond aunt of Margaret Boyde; Elinor Boyde Tallitsch; Betty Auty McClure and Nancy Auty MacDougal.
"Safe in the arms of Jesus."

CORRIN, Fred N. of Bisbee, Arizona, died on October 14th., 1967. Born in Douglas, Isle of Man, in 1907, Mr. Corrin came to Bisbee in 1919 and has lived there ever since. He had a long and colorful career as a banker with the Miners and Merchants Bank in Bisbee and as a musician. He was a past president of the Kiwanis Club

BAPTISM

In an account of his grandson's baptism the Reverend James Cowin Caley writes:

This has been a significant week in the history of this house and this family, mainly because last Sunday (July 30th., 1967) I baptized my grandson and namesake in St. James' Church, London, Ontario, the church where I was made a Priest in 1935. Relatives and friends from many places were present in the Church and at the reception afterwards at the home of Clarice's sister, Margaret. I was assisted by four priests and I conveyed to the newly-baptized baby a blessing from the Lord Bishop of Sodor and Man whose predecessors have been our bishops since the 5th century. Some of the water used in the ceremony was brought by the Rector of St. James, Dr. Merifield, from the River Jordan. The last person to bear this name, before me that is, was my great grandfather James Cowin of Ballacowin, Lonan. My mother was born at Agneash and my father hailed from Sulby Village. The Godfathers were, as proxy, Mr. Jack Nivison M.L.C., with whom I went to Onchan School and the EDSS (now the Douglas High School), and the child's great grandfather, Colonel F. S. Walker of Stratford, Ontario, my wife's father. The Godmother was Mrs. David (Katherine) Robertson, wife of one of my colleagues in the Diocese of Los Angeles.

Ethel Moore of Douglas, Isle of Man, has retired and now is in Toronto for a lengthy visit after an absence of 40 years.

of Bisbee and of the Retarded Children's Association and was a veteran of World War Two. His talent at the organ and his voice in song brought happiness to countless numbers. He is survived by two brothers, Arnold and Cecil, both of Bisbee, three sisters, Mrs. Gladys Rogers of Washington, D.C., Mrs. Dorothy Vandivier of Torrance, California, and Mrs. Ivy Dillon of Bisbee; a nephew, Fred Corrin of Bisbee; two nieces, Mrs. Peggy Van Camp of Glendale, Ariz., and Mrs. Louise Ray of Douglas; along with numerous other nieces and nephews.

FAHNSTROM, Elmer F. age 77, of Galva, Illinois, who had served Galva township as Supervisor for 32½ years, passed away suddenly October 24. Survivors include one brother and one sister in Galva and his widow, the former Mildred Craine of Galva. Mrs. Fahnstrom's parents, the late Alfred and Sophia Craine, were among the early Manx residents in Galva.

GARRETT, Elizabeth, of Zephyr Hills, Florida died on August 31st., 1967. She is survived by two daughters, Mrs. William (Dorothy) Price of North Carolina, and Mrs. Harlan (Wilma) Guite, of Birmingham, Michigan; four grandchildren and one sister, Mrs. Victor Paige.

GELL, Donald of Albuquerque, New Mexico, formerly of Cleveland, Ohio, died October 20th., 1967. He leaves a daughter, Mrs. Wm. Harmount and three granddaughters of Albany, New York.

PAIGE, Daisy W. of Rochester, died on October 8th., 1967. She is survived by three sons, Clarence E. of Williamson, James H. of Lincoln and Russell W. of Rochester; three daughters, Mrs. Harold (Edith) Jackson, Colorado Springs, Mrs. Herbert (Norma) Allman of Rochester and Mrs. Carl (Frances) Trubio; twenty-five grandchildren; two sisters, Mrs. Edith McKay and Mrs. Alfred (Dora) Reifsteck, both of Rochester.

QUAGGAN, William Douglas of New Westminster, B.C., died on October 23rd., 1967, aged 73. Before moving to New Westminster, Mr. Quaggan and his family lived in Vancouver and while there they were all interested in things Manx. He is survived by his wife, Jessamine; a son, Douglas; three daughters, Mrs. W. Dorohoy; Mrs. W. Westcott and Mrs. G. Howard, all of New Westminster; 12 grandchildren and a sister, Mrs. Annie Rice of Burnaby.

QUIRK, Richard S. (Steve), one-time seaman and later a Vancouver police officer, died suddenly at the home of friends in Abbotsford

within a few days of his 89th birthday in September. He was born on the Isle of Man in 1878 and went to sea when he was only 14 in a windjammer. He spent 16 years at sea before he jumped ship in Vancouver and took a job in the Vancouver police department in 1908. He later served overseas in the First World War. Mr. Quirk is survived by a sister and a niece in Florida, a nephew in California and other relatives in the Isle of Man.

SHIMMIN, William, of Virginia, Minnesota, died on April 28th., 1967, in his 79th year. Mr. Shimmin was a well known and well loved senior citizen of Virginia and will certainly be missed. He was the husband of Maud Anna Shimmin who still lives in Virginia; the father of William Stanley of Virginia and of Audrey S. Dartan of Lexington, Kentucky. He also leaves grandchildren, Sue, Nancy, Judith, Destinée and Amy Dartan of Lexington, and Bonnie Dartan Grelson of Albany, New York; a brother Harry of Manchester, England; a sister, Mrs. Clara Purvis of Douglas, I.O.M., and a nephew, Stan Shimmin, 3rd, Vice-President of the N.A.M.A.

WATTERSON, Tom, of Vancouver, passed away on September 2nd., 1967. He was 85 years old, the oldest member of the Vancouver Manx Society of which he has been a faithful member since he came to Vancouver. Originally from Ballawatterson farm in Colby, Isle of Man, Mr. Watterson met many relations when he visited the Island as one of a party on a charter flight sponsored by the Vancouver Manx Society in 1964. The members of the Society extend their deepest sympathy to his family and will miss him as he attended every meeting possible.

WEBBER, S. Arthur passed away on October 17th., 1967, in the Veterans' Hospital at Great Lakes, Illinois. He was the loving husband of Mary Park Webber and fond father of Elizabeth Jean (Betty) and the late Arthur and the brother of John Knight Webber. Mr. Webber was the son of the late Sam and Margaret Webber, two of the finest members who ever belonged to the Chicago Manx. Mrs. Webber was born at "Knights' Croft, Lhen Mooar, in the north of the Island, and her husband an Englishman. Arthur Webber was a cousin to Emily Kelly, secretary of the Chicago Manx Society.
"God called him and he answered 'Here'."

To friends and relatives of the above we extend heart felt sympathy.