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GOLDEN JUBILEE CONVENTION

SHERATON INN - ROCKY RIVER, OHIO.

SEPTEMBER 22nd, 23rd, 24th and 25th, 1978.

EXECUTIVE REPORT

With the Convention my term of office as president of the North American Manx Association will come to an end. I have enjoyed the past two years and should like to thank all those who have been so helpful, particularly the members of the executive committee. I am pleased that we have accomplished most of what we set out to do and that members will by now have received their membership certificates and, if they have not already done so, will shortly be receiving their membership directories. I trust that the directories will prove to be useful and that they might perhaps serve as a means of putting Manx people in touch with each other.

I have not got the latest membership report but I hope that we have gone some way towards achieving our goal of fifty new members for this fiftieth year of N.A.M.A.'s existence. If you know of anyone who might be interested in joining send their name and address to the treasurer and he will be glad to contact them, or get copies of our publicity leaflet from secretary Elizabeth Clucas to send out to anyone you think might like to join.

In a few days members and Manx friends from overseas will be gathering in Cleveland and the executive committee will be able to see the culmination of two years' hard work as convention festivities get under way. Those of you who have attended other conventions know that you can expect to have a really good time and 1978 will be no exception - unless it is that it will be even better than usual. We hope that the 50th anniversary of N.A.M.A. will be an occasion to remember.

Margaret M. Joughin.
President N.A.M.A.

THE NORTH AMERICAN MANX ASSOCIATION

The following is an amended version of an article written by the late Mr. and Mrs. Harry Kelly for the 1968 Convention. It seems appropriate to include it in this edition when the N.A.M.A. is celebrating its 50th Anniversary.

In August 1928 over 1,000 Manx people and their descendants gathered in Cleveland and organised the "North American Manx Association"! The idea for this was born during the first great Manx Homecoming in 1927.

At the first meeting visitors from the Isle of Man included the late A. B. Crookall and the late Richard Cain, both of whom were greatly responsible for the founding of the North American Manx Association, Manx people from all over Canada and the U.S.A., including two busloads from Toronto, Canada.

The Association was formed to unite all Manx people of this great Continent. Conventions have been held in various cities of Canada and the U.S.A., from Montreal to Vancouver and from San Francisco to Rochester and more recently in 1970 and 1976 on the Isle of Man. Space does not permit a full report of all Conventions, other than to say every Convention was very successful. There are three Conventions that should be mentioned, the Victory Convention held in Toronto, Canada in 1947, the Twenty-first Anniversary held in Cleveland in 1949 and in 1950 the Detroit-Windsor when membership reached its height - one thousand and fifty-one members.

The Association arranged three Homecoming parties, in 1930 and 1952 by boat to the Isle of Man and by plane in 1958. The outstanding achievement of the N.A.M.A. was during the war in the year 1941 when they raised \$6,172.80 for a Manx Rescue Patrol Boat for the British War Relief, a Directory was issued in 1950.

The N.A.M.A. has done many fine things, but the greatest of all is the Bulletin, for 50 years it has carried the activities of the Societies and all the news of our Manx people. It has kept us united and encouraged new Societies in Canada and the U.S.A. The N.A.M.A. has been very fortunate to have such excellent people as Editor of the Bulletin.

One could write a book about the fine Manx men and women who have served as President of the N.A.M.A. and the loyal people who have been officers and our faithful members.

Many have passed on, but their memories live in our hearts. We have a wonderful Association and in this year 1978 we celebrate our 50th Anniversary. While it is nice to look back, God put our eyes in the front of our heads to look and think forward, so that the achievements of the future may be greater than those of our glorious past. Our aim has always been -

"To Preserve what'er is left us
of Ancient Heritage".

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TRAVEL REPS TO EASE MILLENNIUM PLANNING

Representatives of two Isle of Man travel firms will be on hand at the Golden Jubilee Convention to assist members and other Cleveland area Manx in making arrangements for visiting the Isle of Man during the Millennium Year.

Golden Isle Holidays and International Travel Consultants, both of Douglas, have indicated they have arranged for full-service "packages" to relieve homecomers of booking and travel worries. Special consideration, they say, has been given to arranging for economical travel and housing for those who desire it.

Members attending the convention might wish to check with other Manx friends in their areas to determine their need for literature from the travel agents. Those knowing non-member Manx descendants in the Cleveland area are encouraged to tell them of the availability of this assistance at the convention site.

A LITTLE REMINDER

from The Ladies' Auxiliary

We are hoping for a well-attended meeting in Rocky River, Ohio in September. If you do not have a current dues receipt card, will you please send \$2.00 to me at 4075 Monticello Blvd., Cleveland Heights, Ohio, 44121.

Many thanks for your continued support through the years.

Elinor Cain,

Secretary-Treasurer

TYNWALD DELEGATES TO NAMA GOLDEN JUBILEE

In honor of the Golden Jubilee of the North American Manx Association, the Tynwald of the Isle of Man has named two of its members as official representatives of the Manx people to the convention in Rocky River, September 22 - 25.

Mrs. Betty Quirk Hanson, MHK (West Douglas), the chairman of the Millennium of Tynwald Committee, will tell the convention of the latest developments in planning for the Millennium celebration in 1979. She will be accompanied by her husband.

Major Geoffrey Thomas Crellin, MLC, an authority on the Manx poet, T. E. Brown, will represent the Legislative Council, to which he was elected in 1975 after nine years in the House of Keys.

GOLDEN JUBILEE CONVENTION TO BE HELD THIS MONTH AT THE SHERATON INN - ROCKY RIVER, OHIO

The Convention Chairman, Mrs. Robert S. Cowin, reports that response to our 50th Anniversary Convention has been very gratifying and is looking forward to greeting you all in Rocky River on September 22 - 25, 1978. There is a large party of friends and relatives coming from the Isle of Man as well as Members of the House of Keys, the Isle of Man Tourist Board, and the Millennium Committee. In addition, reservations have been received from all parts of the United States and Canada. So it will truly be a fine gathering of Manx friends and our motto "LET'S CONGREGATE IN '78" has been fulfilled.

The Committee has selected good entertainment, good food and lodgings so we are sure it will be a convention you will long remember. Renewing old acquaintances and making new friends is the basis of happy memories.

Even if you are unable to be with us for this gala occasion, remember there is still time to send in the raffle ticket you received in the mail or to purchase additional ones. Just send your name, address and money (tickets are 5 for \$1.00) to Mrs. Ray Haldeman, 191 Glenview Drive, Avon Lake, Ohio 44012. All tickets must be received by September 20th. We have many beautiful prizes this year... including several cash prizes. Remember "It's hard to win when you buy a ticket, but you'll never win if you don't buy a ticket!"

See you in Rocky River soon!

Robert S. Cowin

Convention Publicity

Chairman

AMENDMENTS TO THE CONSTITUTION OF THE N.A.M.A.

The Constitution may be changed or amended at any regular Convention by a majority vote of members present, but such amendments must be presented to the Corresponding and Recording Secretary in writing.

Miss Elizabeth Clucas,

Corres. Record. Secretary,

N.A.M.A.,

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MILLENNIUM TO FEATURE A THOUSAND IDEAS

"How big a birthday cake do you need for a thousand candles," has been the question for planners of the Millennium of Tynwald in 1979. And, from latest reports, it is evident that the Millennium Year will feature more than a thousand ideas commemorating the 1000 years that makes the Tynwald the oldest continuing parliamentary assembly in the world.

A Millennium Committee, parliamentary committees, and scores of local committees are shaping up an exciting year of celebration on the Isle of Man that no one, certainly those of Manx heritage, will want to miss. Representatives of the Millennium Committee have also journeyed afar to secure participation of "long-lost cousins" from Norway, Denmark, Sweden, Iceland, Ireland and Scotland, and "Operation Roots" has received thousands of inquiries from those of Manx descent from around the world. From the Manx Society of New Zealand, for example, has come news of an "invasion" by Manx from New Zealand during the Millennium Year, and the secretary of the group indicates that their homecoming group grows larger by the day. "There has been a tremendous amount of interest generated throughout the country in Millennium activities and all things Manx," reports Christine Cleator of Auckland.

A Celtic Week will feature a major concert by famous Chieftans, performances of the Folk Theater of Ireland, dancing, music and crafts, and the like, while Scottish Week will include Highland Games at the Nunnery. There will be music festivals, sports festivals, a major air show and -- for those who missed it in New York -- several dozen "tall ships," in a race around the island.

Every Friday, Port St. Mary will feature costume day, in which the local people will wear Manx costumes in their normal pursuits. There will be fireworks and displays, concerts and plays, the planting of thousands of trees for the future, and maybe even a balloon race. A special Millennium carpet with Celtic motif is being woven by Quayle's Carpets, Ltd., and a sixty-foot long "Millennium tapestry" is being made by a group of ladies on the island. The Manx Guild of Weavers, utilizing Manx wool and natural dyes, is spinning wool for a series of pictures which will form yet another tapestry. There will be a time capsule and an important archaeological "dig" at Rushen Abbey where several Norse kings are known to have been buried. A modern English-Manx dictionary is to be published, as well

as scores of other new publications dealing with the Isle of Man, its history and its people.

Ed Sayle, N.A.M.A.'s liaison with the Millennium Committee, reports that everyone he spoke to during a recent visit to the IOM is enthusiastic about what organizations and communities are going to do for the Millennium. "And, the nice part about it," he reports, "is that this is not just talk -- they are already doing it so they will be ready when the first fireworks go off on New Year's Day." He notes that many of the projects will continue long after the last rocket of Millennium Year fades away. "The Millennium Year," he indicates, "will be the starting point for a new and better quality of life for the Isle of Man, in which, more-and-more, we Manx descendants will be able to point with pride." "Mae and I wouldn't want to miss this once-in-a-lifetime experience, even if Manx heritage wasn't involved," he tells us, "The Millennium Year will be an exciting year for anyone visiting the Isle of Man."

Those Conscious of their Manx roots will probably want to visit the island during Tynwald Week to see the 1000th open air assembly, but for those who can't make it then -- or for those who might wish to avoid the crowds -- events of interest to North American Manx will be spread throughout the year. The World Manx Association has expressed hopes of seeing the largest "homecoming" year in history, and plans to roll out the red carpet for overseas Manx and their families. The Isle of Man Tourist Board is working on plans for supplemental housing so that no one gets turned away, and the projection of doubling the normal number of tourists on the island doesn't seem an exaggeration.

N.A.M.A. members should make it a point to "spread the word," to tell the Millennium story to those they know to have Manx lineage. The Millennium Year is a time for all of us to share the heritage we have in common. It is also the opportunity to swell our membership ranks with those who only now, because of the Millennium, are claiming that heritage.

TYNWALD CEREMONY MILLENNIUM 1979

Further to the item re-reserving seats for the Tynwald Ceremony in the June edition of the Bulletin, Miss Doris Clague, President of W.M.A. has informed me the charge will be 50p per seat, please send in your reservations early to - Mr. Robt. Quayle, Clerk to Tynwald, Central Government Building, Douglas, Isle of Man. Don't forget to include a sterling money order to cover the cost.

THE LIBRARY OF AMERICAN HISTORY

The above company, with its associate in London, Eng., the Library of Imperial History, has been granted a number of important franchises in connection with the forthcoming Millennium of Tynwald to be held on the Isle of Man, 1979.

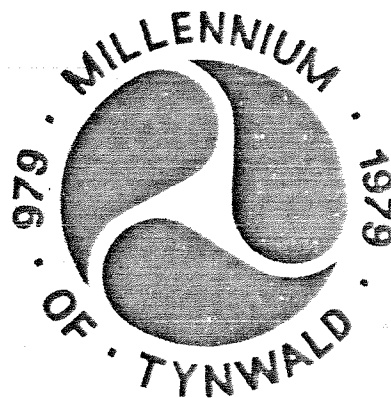
The library has been authorized by the Manx Government to issue a number of official limited editions identified with the Millennium. Many of these are the result of careful research in the Isle of Man and are exceptional contributions to Manx history.

The following editions being issued in commemoration of the Millennium of Tynwald and officially authorized by the Manx Government --

The Millennium Spoon	(1000 only)
The Millennium Plate	(1000 only)
The Millennium Scroll	(restricted)
The Lords of Man	(1000 only)
The Manx Speed Map	
The Lord's Prayer	
The Prosperity Cup	
The Manx Pendant	

It is hoped that a representative of the company will attend the Golden Jubilee Convention in Cleveland, Ohio, September 22nd - 25th/78.

If further information is needed please contact - The Library of American History, 135 East 62nd Street, New York, N.Y. 10021.



OFFICIAL FILM OF THE COMMONWEALTH GAMES

Manx cyclist Stephen Joughin is among those who might be featured in the official film of the Commonwealth Games. The film which is being made by Paul Cowan of the National Film Board, will consist of the individual stories of some of the athletes taking part in the games. A number of them have been filmed in their own countries and at the games in Edmonton and a final selection of about fifteen stories will be made for the film.

NEWS OF THE MANX SOCIETIES

SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA MANX SOCIETY

Our first picnic of the year was held at Lake Park, Huntington Beach on June 5th, 1978. We had a most enjoyable time at the park and later were invited to the home of Rev. James and Clarice Caley to view many slides taken at previous meetings and picnics.

Due to the resignation of Mrs. Ellen Bain who for many years did such a good job as Secretary/Treasurer, Joyce Kinley was elected to fill the office of Secretary, Shirley Haworth was elected Treasurer.

Several of our members attended the 50th wedding anniversary party of Jeanne and Norman Corkhill at the home of their daughter and son-in-law in Costa Mesa in July.

Jane and Rick Bates have now returned to California after a 2 year term of teaching in Hong Kong. Jane is the daughter of the Rev. and Mrs. James Caley.

Shirley and Alan Haworth, enjoyed a vacation on the Isle of Man and England during the summer months.

Malcolm and Joyce Kinley hope to attend the N.A.M.A. Convention in Cleveland, Ohio in September.

Our picnic on August 26th at Bixby Park, Long Beach was enjoyed by everyone present.

Joyce Kinley
2816 Shanter Dr.,
Costa Mesa, CA. 92626.

CLEVELAND MANX SOCIETY

As you read this, the time will soon be here when our Cleveland members will get to meet you personally! We are anticipating the arrivals of former Cleveland area residents who have retained their Cleveland Manx memberships. John and Katherine Hughes will be coming from Arizona, and Ethel Christian will be coming north from Florida. You can bet there will be many a coolish for there will be other friends as well coming from far and near. It isn't the "Saturday Night" kind, but pre-convention fever has hit the Cleveland Manx!

Marge Kennish Krach
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TORONTO MANX SOCIETY

"Summertime - - and the livin' is easy!"

We hope the days are easy for you and that you are all enjoying the sunshine and warm weather.

The weather was perfect for our summer picnic, July 15th, and once again it was a most happy event. We do hope that any Manx people from the Convention who will be visiting in the Toronto area will get in touch with us - Alice Foster, 845-4077 - Marion McLaren, 461-2330 - or Dot Hall, 463-8144. We will be delighted to see you. Perhaps you would be able to join us for our next meeting, October 1st - an indoor picnic and Manx film show.

Wishing our friends in Cleveland a wonderful Golden Jubilee Convention.

Best Wishes,

Marion McLaren,
106 Hiltz Ave.,
Toronto, Ont.

Alice Foster
220 Burnhamthorpe Rd
R.R. #1, Oakville, Ont.

BISBEE MANX SOCIETY

There is not much to tell about the Bisbee Manx at present. We are not meeting for the summer months as too many are on vacation. Do hope to reconvene next month.

I have been in Phoenix for the past three weeks helping my daughter Margaret VanCamp move into her new home. Will be returning very soon to attend the wedding Sept. 1st of my grandson David VanCamp and Diana Knerium.

Mable Bolitho will be leaving on the 16th to attend the wedding of her granddaughter Debbie Caldwell in Camarillo, California.

Sarah Mazzoni leaves this coming Tuesday for a visit with her daughter, grandson and great grandson in Tarzana, California.

My brother Arnold Corrin and his wife Ida leave the 15th of this month for a visit in Hawaii with their daughter and family. Their son-in-law Bob Robertson travels for Long's drug stores setting up new stores and is presently in Hawaii doing that.

Sorry I was unable to send any news for the June Bulletin, at that time Ida and I were staying in Tuscon where Arnold was undergoing treatment in hospital. Glad to say he is feeling much better.

Ida's sister Lillian and her husband Gerald Williams left a week ago to enter the Masonic Home outside of San Jose, California. Lillian is 82 and Gerald 86 so we are hoping they will be happy in their stay there.

Don't think any of us will make the Convention. I would love to but cannot take any trips this year. Have too many other expenses. However, Peggy and I are hoping to attend the Millennium next year on the Isle of Man.

Ivy L. Dillon
207 Hazzard St.,
Bisbee, Arizona. 85603.

GREATER WASHINGTON D.C. AREA MANX SOCIETY

Our membership drive is a continuing process and we now have 59 families, and a total of 180 individuals who are of Manx ancestry. We anticipate that this figure will increase as we are just completing the mailing of letters and applications to all the Kelly's, Cain's and Christian's.

On April 22, 1978, members of our Society met with representatives of the Hewland, Ruder & Finn International, Limited, and the Isle of Man Tourist Board, concerning the forthcoming millennium in 1979, when the Island will be celebrating 1000 years of its Parliament Tynwald. The purpose of this meeting was to exchange ideas for publicizing this celebration.

On May 5, 1978 the Board and Officers met to discuss support for the North American Manx Golden Jubilee Convention at Rocky River, Ohio, and to set forth a plan of activity for the coming year. It was established that our annual dinner meeting will be April 7, 1979 at the Fort Lesley J. McNair Officers Club.

On July 13, it was our pleasure to have a social visit with the Reverend and Mrs. Ronald Pearce. Promenade Methodist Church, Hilary Park, Douglas, Isle of Man. Reverend Pearce was in the States on a preaching and lecturing tour.

Several of our members are looking forward to meeting others at the Convention in September.

Robert C. Camaish, President
Mary E. Hayslett, Secretary

NEBRASKA MANX SOCIETY

The Nebraska Manx Asso. met at the home of Mr. and Mrs. James C. Robinson at Elk Creek for a picnic. There were 23 for the noon-day spread which was immensely enjoyed.

It was a warm day but not as bad as it had been of late.

The following business meeting was called to order by our president Mr. Dave Corkhill. The secretary treasury report was read and approved. Dave Corkhill was elected delegate to the Cleveland N.A.M.A. Convention come September. Others who plan to attend the Convention are: Rev. and Mrs. Herbert Kelly and the James Robinson family.

An invitation to come to Fremont, Nebraska for the next meeting was offered by Rev. and Mrs. Herbert Kelly and was unanimously accepted. A drawing was held or which the proceeds will be forwarded to the N.A.M.A. Convention Committee.

We were happy to have a young Manxman and family call on us before the day was over. They were Mr. and Mrs. John Leneghan and two children. Mr. Leneghan is with the Royal Air Force and is presently stationed at Offut Field at Omaha.

As usual we had a delightful visit with everybody again and as we said our goodbyes we are looking forward to the next gathering in October, the date to be announced later.

Sec. A. Robison
Elk Creek
Nebraska, 68348.

WORLD MANX ASSOCIATION

The W.M.A. on the Isle of Man hope to have the pleasure of welcoming a very large number of Manx and of Manx descent to their gathering in 1979 Millennium year. The date has now been arranged for this important event and it will be held on Saturday July 7th, 1979.

All Homecomers who are planning a visit to the Isle of Man in 1979 please make a note of the date and while on the Island please phone - 88/453 or Douglas 6741.

It is with regret that Miss Doris Clague, President of the World Manx Association will be unable to attend the Golden Jubilee N.A.M.A. Convention. Mrs. Nina Quiggin will take her place in bringing greetings, she will be accompanied by Miss M. Kissack.

WORLD MANX ASSOCIATION ANNUAL REPORT — 1977

This has been a very happy and successful year both numerically and socially.

We report an increasing membership.

5 Outings and 3 Social Meetings were held.

The Outings, arranged by Mr. Evan Cain, visited all corners of the Island with teas at Ballacallin, Grand Island, Sartfield and Allandale Cafes, with a Church Service at St. Paul's Church, Ramsey.

May 5 T.E. Brown's Birthday.

Mr. J. R. Corlett, a Committee Member, placed a wreath on the Memorial Tablet in Glen Falcon Gardens, in the presence of the Chairman, Miss D. Clague and Members.

July 5th Tynwald Day

This was the outstanding event of the year, as so many exiles visit the Homeland for this National Event.

Many members attended St. John's for the Church Service and Tynwald Ceremony and our Chairman made sure that Homecomers are allotted seats.

The Annual Gathering at the Castle Mona Hotel was very special this year.

Almost 180 Members from the Island and Overseas witnessed the unveiling of a Memorial to our late Chairman, Mr. H. S. Cain, in the presence of the Mayor and Mayoress of Douglas.

This had been provided by the loving thoughts and donations of Members of Manx Societies at home and abroad.

The Memorial consisted of a lecturn, planned and designed by a Sub-Committee of the World Manx Association, and executed by Kelly Bros. of Kirk Michael. This was in light oak, with carved Celtic symbols, and was handed over by the Chairman, Miss D. Clague.

A gavel and board, in the same light oak, was handed over by the Vice Chairman, Mr. Evan Cain.

Mrs. B. Cain kindly presented an enlarged photograph of her late husband which was unveiled by Mr. W. Waid. Mrs. Cain also provided Memorial leaflets, and a photograph taken at these proceedings, for distribution to all Manx Societies.

Greetings, both personal and by letter, were received from W. Australia; Palmerston New Zealand; Detroit; Bangkok; Auckland New Zealand; Christchurch New Zealand; S. California; Adelaide S. Australia; and many others including the British Manx Societies.

A party of 30 members of the Liverpool Manx Social Society attended. This was their third visit to the Gatherings.

T. E. Brown Dinner October 28th.

100 Members and Guests again met to pay tribute to the memory of T. E. Brown. Social Guests were the Lieut. Governor and Lady Paul and Mr. and Mrs. N. Crowe of Kirk Michael.

Lady Paul showed her knowledge of T. E. Brown's poetry when she was presented with a book of his Letters by Miss D. Clague. Sir John Paul received a copy of T. E. Brown's Collected Poems, from Mrs. B. Cain.

The Tribute was given by the Rev. R. E. Cubbon of Peel who enlarged on the poet's wit and humour, bringing in his attitude to religion.

Homecomers' Get-togethers

April Mr. and Mrs. Sam Penrice, from Ontario, were entertained by the Chairman, Vice Chairman and Committee Members. Mrs. Penrice does splendid work as Editor of the N.A.M.A. Bulletin.

They were accompanied by Mrs. Myra Johnson, daughter of the late Walter Stevenson.

Mrs. Treasurer, daughter of Mrs. B. Cain and the late H. S. Cain, with her two children, was present on this occasion as well.

May Mrs. Shimmin widow of Mr. Shimmin, who was a staunch worker for the Vancouver Manx Society, was entertained.

July 30 Members of the Liverpool Manx Social Society were entertained, when Mrs. Lily Henry provided Manx recitations.

Hospital Visiting

The British Manx Societies still do splendid work with Hospital Visiting - particularly the Liverpool and Wirral Societies - which is very much appreciated.

Silver Jubilee

A telegram on congratulations was sent to Her Majesty, Queen Elizabeth, Lord of Man on the 25th Anniversary of Her Accession.

A very kindly reply was received. The co-operation of all Members is very much appreciated as is the help given by the Press.

So ends another year where we have endeavoured "To preserve whatever is best of Ancient Heritage" - and spread the arm of friendship round the world.

NORTH AMERICAN MANX ASSOCIATION DIRECTORY AND BY-LAWS

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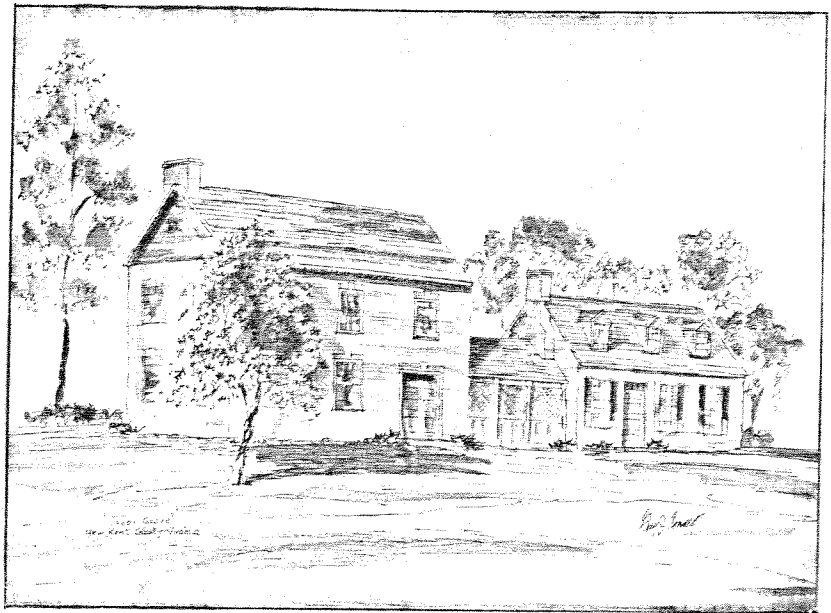
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by Mrs. Robert S. Cowin
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Continuing the list of MANX FISHING BOATS, this month we feature a list of OLD LUGGERS, giving the name and skipper of each.

OLD LUGGERS

Name	Skipper
Louisa	W. Carran
Peep o' Day	J. Kermode
Haste	Jas Kissack
Victory	J. Crellin
Turtle	P. Shimmin
Swift	Ed Quayle
Matilda	G. Greggor
Honeycomb	T. Gawne
Bessie	T. Gawne
Harriet	Jas. Gawne
Try	R. Gell
Hope	T. Kelly
Agate	Pat. Lace
Orbit	Jas. Clinton
Marian	J. Craine
Bonita	J. Gorry
Annie	J. Callister
Isabella	H. Callister
Lynx	T. Gorry
Eubina	W. Quirk
St. Patrick	T. Shimmin
Cecilia	W. Shimmin
Eliza	Paul Mylchreest
Henry	H. Kelly
Spray	R. Kelly
Beehive	Jacky Gawne
Meteor	T. Caley
Reaper	T. Faragher
Name	Skipper
Storm King	N. Smith
Nugget	T. Kelly
Risk	W. Shimmin
Martha	J. Callin
Wasp	J. Moore
Mosquito	
Damsel	J. Watterson
Anna Maria	T. Cashin
Richard	J. Halsall
Emu	J. Cringle
Oddfellow	W. Mylrea
Foam	T. Quilliam
Edwin	T. Quilliam
Alice	Ed. McMeiken
Tornado	H. Crellin
Agnes	J. Shimmin
Glance	Jas. Gorry
Happy Return	T. Faragher
Atlantic	J. Moughtin
Boomerang	W. Hudson
Mona's Star	Jas. Moore
Sage	W. Moore
Pacific	W. Killey
Nile	T. Gell
Jonadab	T. Quilliam
Wave	T. Garrett
Aid	Robt. Crellin
Puffin	J. Cashin
Eliza	Paul Mylchreest
Emperor	Davy Kneale
Pergin	Tom Garrett
Richard	Fred Halsall



"CEDAR GROVE"

The Ancestral Home of President
Tyler's Wife
Letitia Christian Tyler

Cedar Grove is historically significant to all Americans and especially so to descendants of Thomas Christian "the immigrant" because it was the home of three generations of Christians and it was here that Letitia Christian was born and later married to President Tyler. It is located in New Kent County and the grave of Mrs. Tyler is in the old burial ground on the property.

The three generations of Christians who lived in this pre-revolutionary home were:

1. Robert Christian/3512
b. 5 May 1760 d. 1814
m. Mary Browne
issue: Letitia.
2. Robert Christian/35121
m. (1) Elizabeth Armistead.
3. William Armistead Christian
/351212
m. Louisa Jane Warren
issue: 1. William Armisted
Christian
2. Edward Warren Christian
m. Mobelia Redwood
issue: Jane Ashley Christian
m. Phineas J. Dempsey.

Note: This sketch is based on a 1938 sketch made by Mrs. Rinnie Leigh Head Christian and a photograph made at a later date. The treatment of the entrance and window lintels reflects the suggestion of Mrs. Julia Watts, as well as a historical research of the architectural styles of the time and place.

CONGRATULATIONS

Mr. and Mrs. James B. Moore, of 3340 58th South W., Seattle, Washington 98116, U.S.A., will hold a reception on August 20th 1978, to celebrate their 60th wedding anniversary, they were married in 1918.

Mr. Moore is an uncle of Mrs. Alice (Moore) Foster, President of the Toronto Manx Society, and a brother of Mr. Percy Moore of Peel, Isle of Man.

INVITATION TO THE LADIES

As President of the Ladies' Aux., I wish to extend my personal invitation to all ladies to join us at the Golden Anniversary Cleveland Convention, September 22 - 25. We are planning a lovely luncheon, September 23rd, with gifts and prizes, along with several other surprises.

Come and enjoy this pleasant afternoon with us!

Remember, also, if your dues are not up-to-date, contact Elinor Cain, Secy - Treas., immediately and be assured of a rewarding time.

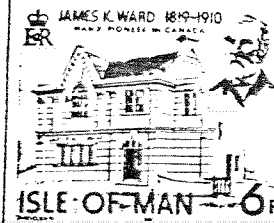
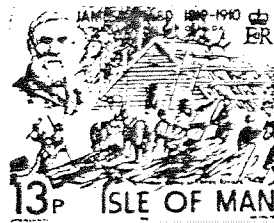
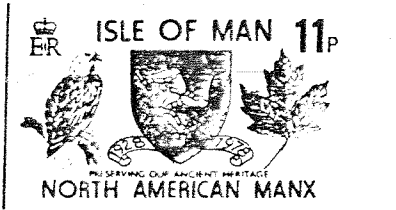
Helen Clucas, Pres.
Ladies Auxiliary

ABOUT YOUR DUES

Many thanks to those who have already sent in their dues. If you haven't paid as yet, please do so at once since the dues were delinquent after September 1. We'll both feel better when all dues are paid.

Clarence E. Creer
Financial Sec'y-Treas.

COMMEMORATIVE STAMPS 1978



GOLDEN JUBILEE OF THE NORTH AMERICAN MANX ASSOCIATION

Date of issue: 10 June, 1978

In 1927 Manx people from all over the North American continent made a pilgrimage back to their Island home. This Great Homecoming was arranged by Manx Societies on both sides of the Atlantic and a party of Manx people led by Mr. A. B. Crookall, M.H.K. went out from the Isle of Man to Cleveland, Ohio, to meet the Homecomers and escort them home.

The following year in August 1928, as a result of this bringing together of so many widely scattered people, the First International Manx Convention assembled in Cleveland, Ohio. The suggestion for this had come from Mr. A. B. Crookall. Mr. John E. Christian, President of the Mona's Relief Society was chairman and Manx people from all parts of the United States, Canada and the Isle of Man attended.

During this Convention the North American Manx Association was born and its constitution was drawn up and accepted. John E. Christian was elected as its first president. Its motto is "To preserve what'er is left to us of ancient heritage." Since then Conventions have been held regularly in various parts of the U.S.A., Canada and the Isle of Man, and it is appropriate that the Golden Jubilee Convention is due to be held at Cleveland, Ohio.

The issue of a stamp to mark this memorable anniversary commemorates the achievements of many Manx people in all parts of the North American Continent.

Designer - G. V. H. Kneale.

JAMES KEWLEY WARD MANX PIONEER IN CANADA

Date of issue: 10 June, 1978

In a previous stamp issue the Isle of Man Post Office Authority have commemorated the Cleveland Manx - this issue of two stamps commemorates one of the most distinguished Manx pioneers to Canada.

James Kewley Ward was born in Peel, Isle of Man on the 9 September 1819 and educated at Douglas, the capital of the Island. He emigrated to America in 1842 where he became a clerk in a lumber mill at Troy, N.Y. Afterwards he obtained a lease of this mill and ran it on his own account,

being also extensively engaged in lumber operations in Steuben Co.

Finding it difficult to obtain standing timber in that part of the country, he moved to Canada in 1855, purchasing a lumbering establishment with timbered lands, on the Maskinonge River, P.Q. After 10 years he moved to Three Rivers, purchasing a mill on the St. Maurice. In 1870 he established the Mona Saw Mills in Montreal, which worked in connection with extensive timber limits on the River Rouge and other tributaries. In addition to his lumbering business, he entered into many other commercial ventures, being a director of the Montreal Cotton Co., and President of the Coaticook Cotton Co., and of the Magog Textile Print Co. He became a member of the Montreal Board of Trade in 1887, and was for many years Chairman of the Westmount School Commissioners and in June, 1895 was presented by the Board with his portrait in oil. He was also a governor of several hospital boards. For 18 years he was a member of the town council of Cote St. Antoine and for nine years he was Mayor.

In June, 1888 he became a life member of the Legislative Council of Quebec. He remained active at his business and legislative duties until his death at Montreal on 2 October, 1910 at the age of 91. During his life in Canada he never forgot his homeland and made frequent visits to the Island; he contributed generously to many Manx charities.

In 1906 he purchased the house in which he was born at Peel. The dwelling was demolished, and on the site was erected a Public Library, equipped with 2,000 books and endowed, all at Mr. Ward's expense.

This library was presented to Peel for the free use of its inhabitants. The Ward Library is still actively used and remains a permanent monument to this great Manxman.

*Another reminder of James Kewley Ward is the clock tower in Peel Square - The old parish church of which this tower was part has been demolished, but the tower, housing a clock presented by him, and part of the chancel wall have been preserved.

*This is the design on the first day cover.

Technical Details

Designer - J. H. Nicholson, R.I., P.S.

POPULATION EXPLOSION WARNING

A warning that the Island could be grossly over-populated by the end of the century, and that the Manx people could find themselves the minority group, comes from the Society for the Preservation of the Manx Country-side.

In their annual report the Society calls for a curb on the present influx of new residents and states that if they continue to come to the Isle of Man at the present rate, the population will reach 95,000 by the year 2000, which is 20,000 more than the target set under the Government's New Resident Policy.

The report, which will be presented by the Society's chairman at the A.G.M. on April 24th, says that if the target of 75,000 is to be controlled, the influx of new residents will immediately have to be limited to 700 per year. "Even this could be too many," says the Society. The population was over 60,000 in 1976, which means that over 10,000 new residents have come to live here in a period of five years.

The report warns that the 1981 census could be the moment of truth, when the numerically dwindling Manx-born residents, which number 32,000, could become a minority group. "We must retain the Manxness of Mann," urges the Society.

In the past year the Society has considered 2,409 planning applications, examined 378 plans and submitted views to the Local Government Board on 123.

They have also completed a list of buildings of historical and architectural interest on the Island which they consider should be protected and which will be considered by Tynwald.

CORRECTION

Those members of N.A.M.A. who have already received their 50th Anniversary Directory and By-Laws Booklet, please note there was an error in the Life Members dues, it was meant to read -

Life Membership -
Over 50 yrs. - \$40.00
Under 50 yrs. - \$50.00
and NOT \$30.00 as listed in Booklet.

OBITUARIES

COCK, The Rev. Alexander M., of River Rouge, Michigan, died on June 16th 1978 at Heritage Hospital, Taylor. The Rev. Cock, age 85, had lived in River Rouge since 1917, he was ordained at St. Hilda's Episcopal Church where he was assistant minister. The Rev. Cock was born in Aberdeen, Scotland and emigrated to Prince Albert Island, Canada in 1913. Before entering the ministry, he had been employed by Detroit Edison for 35 years and for the last 3½ years he was chief clerk to the superintendent of the River Rouge plant, he was ordained into the ministry in 1958 when he was 66 years old.

He served in the Canadian Army during World War One, he was the founder of the River Rouge Masonic Lodge and served as secretary for Lodge #511 for 45 years before retiring in 1966.

He was predeceased by his wife Muriel who passed away in 1969, she was born on the Isle of Man, although not Manx born the Rev. Cock was a dedicated member of the N.A.M.A. and held the office of 3rd Vice President from 1961-63, he was appointed Chaplain to N.A.M.A. from 1963-68.

Two sons, Richard and Donald preceded him, in death, he is survived by five grandchildren, five great grandchildren, one brother and one sister and daughter-in-law Mrs. Richard Cock.

KINRADE, Mrs. Mary Ann (Annie) - in her 92nd year at Queen Elizabeth Hospital, Toronto, Canada, on July 15th 1978, wife of the late Thomas Harold Kinrade. Both Mr. and Mrs. Kinrade were born on the Isle of Man and were married in Marown, after emigrating to Canada they settled in the Toronto area. The late Mrs. Kinrade's family has been traced back to 900 A.D. She was a professional dressmaker and filled the Dorcas position in the Woman's Aux. of the Anglican Church of the Good Shepherd and was a life member of the Association. During W. W. II, she received a Red Cross Award for her knitting and sewing. She was a long time member of the N.A.M.A. She is survived by two daughters, Dr. Annie Dorothy and Laura Winnifred Kinrade.

MacCaa, Robt. A., of Tucson Arizona, passed away on June 19th 1978. The late Mr. MacCaa was a long time member of N.A.M.A., in his younger days he took a great interest in all things Manx, his father was born in Ramsey, Isle of Man. He is survived by his daughter Mrs. Mary Alice Preger, a son, and one sister Mrs. Janet MacCaa Douglas of Alliance, Ohio.

PERRY, Doris "Dollie" Perry, aged 80, former resident of Costa Mesa, Ca., passed away July 9th 1978. The late Mrs. Perry was born on the Isle of Man, and had been a member of the Los Angeles Manx Society. She is survived by three sisters who reside on the Isle of Man, one daughter, three grandchildren and three great grandchildren. Interment Bellevue Cemetery, Ontario, Cal.

PHILLIPS, Edward Wendell, passed away in hospital, July 1st 1978, aged 66 years, survived by his wife Helen (nee Greggor); 2 sisters, 1 brother; nieces and nephews. Interment Mountain View Cemetery. The late Mr. Phillips had been a long time member of the Vancouver Manx Society.

QUILLIAM, Laurence, of Vancouver, aged 80 years, passed away on June 22, 1978. Survived by his brothers, Charles of Edmonton, John, Fred and Arthur, all of the Isle of Man; nephews and niece. The late Mr. Quilliam had been a long time member of the Vancouver Manx Society.

ON THE MOVE

During the month of June/78, Hilda and Sam Penrice enjoyed a three week vacation in the Maritime Provinces of Canada, visiting Moncton, N.B., and Nova Scotia. They had a very pleasant visit with George and Irene Curphey of Liverpool, N.S., George is 2nd Vice Pres. of N.A.M.A., they also visited Chris (Garrett) Montgomery, of Albert County, N.B., she hails from Ramsey, Isle of Man. In August they travelled to Edmonton to attend the Commonwealth Games in which a team from the Isle of Man were participating. It was a great honour when the Manx team won a bronze medal. They met with Curwen Clague, Team Manager of the Manx contingent, also the Rev. Cannon F. M. Cubbon, O.B.E., C.L.J. President of the Commonwealth Games Association of the Isle of Man and Team Commandant, members of the team and other Manx officials. While passing through Whiteshell, Manitoba, they called on Edna and Milne Harbottle who operate a Motel and Cabins on West Hawk Lake, Edna is cousin to Mrs. George Curphey, N.S. They also met with Maureen and Brian Stoodley of Edmonton, and made a phone call to Margaret (Underhill of Ramsey, I.O.M.) wife of Dr. N. McAllister. While in Calgary they visited with Eddie and Kathleen (Clucas) Callister and spent a most enjoyable day with them in Banff at the foot of the Canadian Rockies.

CHAPLAIN'S CORNER

You have read in these pages something of the Laxey community in southwestern Wisconsin (strictly farms, no village), named for the Manx town of that name on the Isle of Man. The settlement surrounded the only Manx church known in the United States, and dates back to about 1850. The annual Laxey picnic was a memorable affair for decades. Most of the Manx (and Cornish) people and their descendants have passed on or moved away, but a few remain. And this year they decided to have a reunion, on July 2.

Robert Callin, whose father came from the I.O.M., assisted by Dan Jewell and sons, the Alva Spargos, and others, invited all former residents and families to come for an out-door service and old-style picnic... and we came! Some 140 persons were registered, from many states -- as far as Florida and California. Coming farthest was our distinguished guest (and my distant relative-by-marriage) Lilly Kelly of Peel, I.O.M.

The weather had been rainy and threatening, casting uncertainty upon the plans, but the faithful remembered the old saying: "It never rains on a Laxey picnic" -- and it didn't! As a former resident (I grew up at Laxey) and the chaplain of the N.A.M.A., I was honored at being asked to conduct the services in the beautiful restored Laxey church-yard. The church has long since been razed, but a stone marker stands, through courtesy of the Wisconsin Historical Society. Assisting in worship was the Rev. Alfred W. Swan, not Manx but knowing many in the community and my pastor of student days in Madison more than 40 years ago. The sermon theme - "Foundations" -- was suggested by texts, I Corinthians 3:11 and Hebrews 11:10. Old-time songs were sung, played on an old organ, and some wore old-time costumes of the '90's.

After the service a huge pot-luck dinner was spread on long wagons, and hearty appetites did it justice.

A program in the afternoon included readings from old-timers' records and diaries, and songs and readings by the younger generation.

An attractive souvenir booklet has been prepared by Jim Jewell, a present-day resident, giving some of the history of Laxey, information as to early preachers, a roster of the graves, etc.

For all who attended it was a memorable day, and one we would like to repeat within a few years. Significantly, it was held during the Golden Jubilee year of the N.A.M.A.

Herbert G. Kelly