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"To preserve whatever is left us of ancient heritage"

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PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

As I am writing this, a new decade has just begun. Our Association is celebrating its 52nd anniversary this year, and we look forward to meeting in Halifax, Nova Scotia at our Convention in September.

But with anticipation comes reflection! In the great Millennium year of 1979 our heritage was brought into focus many times: the N.A.M.A. Heritage Award has been established in the Isle of Man to honor Manx youth for outstanding achievement in such areas as language, music, arts and crafts; and we are happy that we have formed two new Manx Societies during the past year and have revived another.

We are pleased to welcome the Manx Society of Minnesota and the Maritime Manx Society in Nova Scotia and hope they reap the joys and benefits from belonging to our Association. And to the Chicago Manx Society, we are happy that you have revived what your ancestors organized 106 years ago. We offer congratulations to the new officers of these Societies; as you strive to "Preserve whatever is left to us of ancient heritage" may the Manx fellowship you share and the friendships formed be a rewarding experience for each of you.

Edna W. Cowin
President

CONSTITUTION AND BY-LAWS COMMITTEE

President Edna Cowin has appointed Hon. Vice Pres. Sam Penrice to be Chairman of the above Committee, members appointed are 3rd Vice Pres., Bob Camaish and Mr. Bill Roseman.

This Committee will be studying the present Constitution and if necessary suggest any changes which should be made at the Convention to be held in Halifax, N. S., Sept. 12/15th 1980.

Any member may submit suggested changes. These should be forwarded to the Secretary of NAMA 30 (thirty) days before the Convention.

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North American Manx Association Convention Halifax, Nova Scotia, Canada September 12 - 15, 1980

George Curphey - Convention
Chairman
Edna Cowin - N.A.M.A. President
Rev. H. G. Kelly - Chaplain
Elizabeth Clucas - Secretary

FRIDAY, SEPTEMBER 12, 1980

3:00 P.M. Registration
4:00 P.M. Executive Committee
Meeting (Boardroom)
8:00 P.M. President's Reception and
get acquainted (Atlantic Room)

SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 13, 1980

9:30 P.M. Convention called to order
Hon. President (Atlantic Room)
National Anthems: O Canada
The Star Spangled Banner
Manx National Anthem
God Save The Queen
Invocation
Address of Welcome - Major of the
City of Halifax
Address of Welcome - Convention
Chairman
Response - President N.A.M.A.
Introduction of Officers and Distin-
guished Guests

Greetings from the Isle of Man
Reports from Executive Committee
President
Secretary
Treasurer
Membership
Bulletin Editor
Ladies Auxiliary
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Appointment of Committees
Time and Place of 1982 Convention
Constitution and By-Laws
Nominations
New Business
Announcements of Afternoon and
Evening Programs
Prize Distribution
12:30 P.M. Ladies Auxiliary
Luncheon
Atlantic Institute of Oceanography
Research (Men)

4:30 P.M. Manx Table Sale
(Lunenburg Room)
6:30 P.M. Hospitality Hour
(Lunenburg Room)
7:30 P.M. Banquet and Entertain-
ment
(Commonwealth Room)

SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 14, 1980

9:30 A.M. Call to Order (Atlantic
Room)
Invocation
Reports from Manx Societies and
Regional Representatives
Reports from World Manx Association
Presentations
New Business
Memorial Service conducted by
Rev. H. Kelly
Announcements
Prize Distribution
Adjournment
2:00 P.M. Sightseeing Bus Tour of
the City of Halifax
(Official Convention Photograph)
5:00 P.M. Buffet Supper (Common-
wealth Room)
8:00 P.M. Informal Free-n-Easy
I. O. Man "Millennium Films")

MONDAY, SEPTEMBER 15, 1980

9:30 A.M. Call to Order (Atlantic
Room)
Invocation
Reports of Convention Committees
Registration
Souvenir Book
Prize Distribution
Treasurer
Reports of appointed Committees
Constitution and By-Laws
Time and Place
Nominations
Election and Installation of Officers
Final Prize Distribution
Adjournment of Business Session
12:00 P.M. Closing of Convention

Halifax, Nova Scotia, Canada
September 12 - 15, 1980

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N.A.M.A. CONVENTION
COMMITTEE

Convention Chairman -

George Curphey

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Registration Advance -

Mona Haldeman

Registration Convention -

Margaret Caley

Raffle Tickets - Mona Haldeman

Prize Distribution - Norman Clucas

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Chaplain - Rev. Herbert Kelly

Souvenir Book -

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Hilda Penrice

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Halifax, B3J 3J2

Note: The last two names are very
capable of conducting tours, and have
a good reputation.

NOVA SCOTIA

HALIFAX, Nova Scotia - This land
of New Scotland won't do it for you
every year, but it will come close.

The festivities that set the 1979
tourist season apart was the
International Gathering of the Clans.
The event brought together represent-
atives from such great clans as the
Campbells (the Duke of Argyll was
here), Bruces, Wallaces, McLennans,
Chisholms, Buchans, Frasers (Lord
Lovat himself), Mathesons, MacKays
and a score more. Even the Queen was
there.

No, there is not a MacLeod or a
MacDonald behind every bush in this
bonnie maritime province; it just
seems that way. The province's roots
also include French-Canadians,
Americans, blacks and many others.

THE FOUNDING of Port Royal by
the French was second only to Spain's
settlement of St. Augustine as the first
permanent European colony in North
America. It came 15 years before that
bunch of seasick Pilgrims climbed
over Plymouth Rock.

One of the nice things about the
Atlantic province is that it is small
enough to let you tour in less than a

week — or you can stay forever. You
can base yourself in Halifax for the
first few days to explore the
southwest, then move northeast for
another day or two of exploring Cape
Breton Island.

One hates to describe something
everybody knows about and visits as
a must, but Peggy's Cove, just a couple
hours from Halifax, is that — a must. It
looks just like its picture-postcards —
weatherbeaten cluster of houses, gray
docks piled with lobster traps. It's all
scenic, it's all quaint, and it's all
pleasant.

AFTER A CLIMB to the post office
in the lighthouse, adjourn across the
road to a steaming bowl of homemade
seafood chowder, fresh boiled lobster
and homemade gingerbread and
blueberry cake, or to browse among
the paintings by local artists in a shop
built on a pier among the lobster traps.

A near and worthwhile extension of
this leg of the trip is to Lunenburg
where they built the mighty fishing
schooners — including the great
Bluenose. The days of those wooden
ships (apart from the young
Pathfinder that offers a \$9 cruise in
Halifax harbour) are over, but what
Lunenburg has left is a fine fisheries
museum, including an aquarium of
native fish. Three ships are tied up at
the museum wharf for your
inspection. The There-sa E. Connor,
last of the salt bank schooners; the
Cape North, first of the 1945 line of
fresh fish draggers, and the Reo II, a
rum runner built in 1930 specifically
for that calling.

ONE CAN CONTINUE to follow the
coast road, Highway 3, to Yarmouth,
where the Tusket Light on Cape
Forchu once was fueled by whale oil
and where the first European visitor is
confidently said to have been Leif
Ericson, the Viking, back in 1000 A.D.
(Take that Columbus!)

Or if you choose to miss Yarmouth,
cut overland on bouncy little rustic
roads to Digby, on the Bay of Fundy.
For such a detour, one can turn off at
Liverpool on Highway 8 and pass close
to the great Kejimikujik National Park
and Tobatic Game Sanctuary. You
don't get to see much game, but you do
pass fine farmland and learn that they
have a confusing way of naming
communities.

For instance, there is a village of
Ohio (north from Shelburne),
bracketed within several miles by an
Upper Ohio, Middle Ohio and Lower
Ohio. Pay attention, because they
repeat this sort of nomenclature all
over the place. From Brookfield, for
instance, you have to go east to get to
North Brookfield and, of course, south
to South Brookfield. But what's north
of Brookfield? Why, Westfield.
Northfield's north of Westfield.

HIGHWAY 8 DEBOUCHES at

and the parents of Pauline Nelson on holiday in Canada from the Island.

The party took the form of a Manx Concert to end Millennium Year. We are lucky to have such fine talent among our Members. Sue Ellis gave a wonderful audio-visual presentation of Ellan Vannin. Pauline Nelson, a beautiful soloist, sang her own version of "My Ain Folk" as well as a Manx carol. Hilda Penrice delighted us all with readings in the Manx Dialect. We then all joined in a medley of Manx songs led by Alice and Peter Foster. After games and an exchange of gifts, we all enjoyed a fine spread of desserts.

It was a shame that more of our Senior Members could not have been there to enjoy the evening with us. Quite a number are now confined to their homes, especially in the cold winter weather.

We look forward to meeting again in the Spring.

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PEORIA MANX SOCIETY

It is with regret that the Peoria Manx Society has lost a most valued member - Miss Theresa "Bubbles" Quilliam of Canton, who passed away on December 24th 1979, she was born November 2nd 1912 in Canton she was the daughter of John Edaward and Margaret Ann Clague Quilliam, she will be greatly missed.

Mrs. Bertha Archibald, wife of the President of the Society, had the misfortune to fall the day before Christmas while delivering a food basket to a needy family and broke her ankle, she is presently convalescing at her home, on January 11th 1980, Arwine Archibald, cousin to our President passed away, he too will be missed at the Peoria Manx meetings.

Jean Martzluf, Sec.,
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THE MANX SOCIETY OF MINNESOTA

At year-end notices were received from the U.S. Internal Revenue Service and from the Commissioner of Revenue of the State of Minnesota exempting our Society from taxation. In each case it was held that a deduction for income tax purposes for a contribution to the society will be allowed.

A special gift at year-end was received for approximately \$2,500 and again in January, 1980, a gift for \$1,350.

We regret to advise that Mr. Edward Russell Hodgson of Spokane, Washington, a member of our Society,

passed away in October, 1979. A memorial has been established within the society and several gifts have been received for this purpose. Mr. Hodgson's ancestry came for the Corrin, Christian and Clague families. He had visited the Isle of Man several times during the past 15 years and had done a great deal of research on the history and genealogy of the island.

We are pleased to report that much of these research materials, books, etc. have been donated to our society and they will be made available to our members.

It is planned that our next meeting will be held in March of this year.

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CHICAGO HERITAGE COOK BOOK

Manx recipes submitted by: Chicago Manx Society.

FRUIT BONNAG

Bread / Yields: 1 loaf

INGREDIENTS:

2½ cups flour, white or wheat
1 cup sugar
1 tbsp. baking soda
1 tbsp. mixed spices
1 tbsp. butter
Vanilla
1 cup buttermilk (or sour milk)
1 cup currants

Spice Mixture

Cinnamon
Nutmeg
Mace
Allspice

INSTRUCTIONS

Put dry ingredients in a bowl. Rub in the butter. Gradually add the buttermilk and a few drops of vanilla and mix to a soft dough. Add a little more buttermilk if necessary.

Knead currants into dough. Shape into a round and bake for 1 hour in a moderate oven, 350°. It should be three to four inches thick and slightly loaf-shaped.

MEIR VANNINAGH (BAR COOKIES)

(Dessert)

INGREDIENTS

SHORT CRUST

½ lb. flour
6 oz. shortening
1 tbsp. baking powder

FILLING

1 large apple
2 oz. currants
1 oz. chopped citron or lemon peel
1 tsp. ground cinnamon
2 tsp. melted butter

TOPPING

2 eggs
2 oz butter
2 oz. flour
2 oz. sugar

INSTRUCTIONS

Make a short crust with flour, shortening and baking powder. Spread mixture on a greased cookie sheet.

Grate a large apple and mix it with currants, citron or lemon peel, ground cinnamon and melted butter. Spread this mixture over the short crust.

Mix butter, sugar and eggs until creamy. Add flour, beat for ten minutes. Spread on top of filling.

Bake in a 375° oven for 30 minutes. Cut into fingers while warm. Serve with sifted sugar on top.

A round three-legged pot was used in the cottages for roasting, baking and stewing. It hung from a chain (slouree) over a turf fire in the big open hearth (chiollagh). The lid was flat and could hold a fire on top to ensure an even heat when needed.

Before the advent of cast-iron ovens, some cottages had ovens built into the wall beside the fireplace. They were heated by burning fuel inside until the desired temperature was reached. The fire would be brushed out with a goose wing.

As it was a lengthy task to prepare the wall-ovens, most baking was done on the griddle over the fire or in the pot-oven. Baking day would bring forth a batch of plain and fruit bonnags (large scones) and soda cakes.

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A TIMELY REMINDER

In the September 1979 edition of the Bulletin, it was suggested that members of the Ladies Auxiliary to NAMA contribute their Arts and Crafts to the "Hobby Corner" or Craft Table which will be a feature of the NAMA forthcoming Convention to be held in Halifax, Nova Scotia, Canada, on September 12/15th, our President Mrs. George Curphey reminds us one and all to get busy, now is a good time to work on your particular craft, there is so much talent among our Ladies let us show everyone how "Crafty" the Manx can be.

Please send your articles to either - Mrs. George Curphey, Box 176, William Street, Liverpool, Nova Scotia, Canada or Miss Elizabeth Clucas, 1541 East, 191st. Apt K605, Euclid, Ohio, 44117.

KNOW YOUR ANCESTORS

by Mrs. Robert S. Cowin
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Through the Bulletin, you have all read about the heritage group formed in the Isle of Man, The Family History Society. I have thoroughly enjoyed reading their quarterly publications, THE JOURNAL OF THE FAMILY HISTORY SOCIETY OF THE ISLE OF MAN, and urge anyone interested in genealogy to join this new, active group. I was pleased to see that several of our members have taken advantage of this means of searching by contributing to the JOURNAL. It is stressed that the word FAMILY is truly what it means: "we help each other in our own reasearches".

Application for membership should be sent to the Secretary, Mrs. Iris Lyle, The Old Manse, Station Rd., Kirk Michael, Isle of Man. Overseas annual subscriptions are £6.00 sterling and includes copies of the JOURNAL.

A MILLENNIUM REPORT FROM THE MANX FAMILY HISTORY SOCIETY

When the Millennium Celebrations come to be assessed in retrospect, I am sure their organisers will say that if there had not been an Isle of Man Family History Society, it would have been necessary to invent one. As the programme developed, our Committee were able to make unique and distinctive contributions, sometimes at minimal notice. The attractiveness of the Society's magazine sold many copies at the Homecomer's Reception Centre, and induced some to join the Society. So many joined indeed that about one-third of our membership is of Manx overseas. We realize that they will look to our Journal as a continuing link with us and repeat that we hope our pages will always carry stories and articles that they send home to us.

The Society played an enjoyable and invigorating part in the year's memorable celebrations of the Tynwald Millennium. Thanks to the invitation of the Millennium Committee we have been able to meet many Manx people from all parts of the World and to join in welcoming them to the celebrations.

The Speaker of the Tynwald, Sir Charles Kerruish, kindly opened our Family Get-together at the Villa Marina on June 30th, welcoming some 250 people, who gathered to meet old friends, look for traces of their ancestors and to experience and enjoy something of our Manx culture - song,

dance and recitations from individuals and groups young and old, who so devotedly keep alive Manx lore, and who gladly gave of their services to help us. We hope so many found links on the name-tree board that our project-director Ernest Cleator both designed and arranged.

Then on July 2nd we rushed the same name-boards to Laxey Glen Gardens for the official Homecomers' Garden Party. There, one little incident among so many such, was the meeting of the Kewleys - a chance inquiry at a tea-table, an appeal over the loudspeakers, and there they were, a group of the same strain meeting for the first time. It epitomised what our Society is all about joining hands with like, and linking the threads of ancestry and history to keep alive our Manx-ness in world-wide friendship.

Tynwald Day itself was the highpoint of our year, uniquely marked by the Queen, Lord of Mann, joining us all at St. John's. We had our own presence there on that, the first year of our existence, by having a stand at the Fair, and by helping to host the Homecomers' Marquee. These activities not only were fruitful in themselves, but set the pattern for a similar presence almost every day from June to September through the Homecomers' Bureau at the Sea Terminal in Douglas. On the invitation of the Millennium Committee we provided staff to assist in this Millennium initiative for giving a personal welcome to the Homecomer, interesting ourselves in his needs and inquiries, and (in our case) giving particular guidance in tracing family histories. It is an idea that might be repeated in some form other years, particularly on the occasions of major events and Tynwald Week, and those who represented the Society would hope that this will be so.

LOONEY FAMILY REUNION

Date: June 21, 1980

General Location: Ashville, Alabama on Hiways 231 and 411 between Birmingham and Gadsden.

Actual Location: On the grounds of the Old Looney House.

Description: The Looney home is located on four acres and consists of a two story log house, a separate kitchen, and an old barn. It has been restored and maintained by the Historical Society.

History: The two story log house was originally built on Beaver Creek in 1813 by John Looney a decendent of Robert Looney. Due to flooding, the house was taken down and rebuilt on higher ground a short distance away

in 1820. It is the Ancestral home of what was one of the most powerful St. Clair County families before Civil War.



The John Looney clan came down from New England, a branch of the Robert Looney clan. Robert Looney came over to America from the Isle of Man in the 1700's. The Looney House has been donated to the St. Clair County Historical Association, which now opens it to the public.

Each year the society has its Fall Festival to raise funds to help keep it in repair and to carry on other preservation work in St. Clair County. It was in the fall of 1974 that the Looney House was officially opened to the public. The first week it was viewed by 2,000 people. The latest Fall Festival held on November 1, 1979 was a record setting hit, drawing a crowd of more than 1,000 visitors to St. Clair's oldest home and generating more than \$3,000.

Some of the Looneys from the Isle of Man have been invited to attend the reunion and it is in hopes that they will attend. All the decendents of Robert Looney should not miss this reunion. They will be warmly received.

Reunion Information: Information forms are being sent out to all family members that we have addresses for. Any Looney decendents that have not been notified; we are in hopes that they will notify - - - Mr. John Looney, 228 Finley Dr., Decatur, Alabama 35601. For a fast reply send a S.A.S.E.

It is planned that a set dues per person will be mailed ahead of time so that certain foods such as the meat, etc., may be furnished and also to pay for necessary items to be rented. Within a twenty mile radius there are a number of motels and camping grounds. The Mayor and committees that have been contacted show great enthusiasm over the reunion being held there. They hope it is a great success and hope it will be repeated thereafter.

There will be a certain number of self-contained motor homes and campers allowed to camp on the Looney House grounds. We expect Looneys to come from all over the U.S. It is planned for the 21st of June and on that day we will vote to have it a two day affair that weekend and thereafter.

Annapolis Royal, eastern end of the long Annapolis Basin guarded on its west by Digby, which calls itself the scallop capital of the world. This area includes Port Royal and Fort Anne, where the French settled in 1605. It was from this area, too, that the Acadians were expelled by the British in 1755, giving us Longfellow's "Evangeline" and the colony of French-Canadians in New Orleans call "Cajuns."

The Nova Scotians have turned Lower St. George Street in Annapolis Royal into a walk through history. The Odell Inn and Tavern, dating from 1850, is open to the public. Down the street is the 1770 Bailey House, dear to the heart of fans of Judge Thomas Haliburton's fiction character, Sam Slick, who gave us such expressions as "quick as a wink" and "barking up the wrong tree." Next to it is the McNamara House, a 1780 schoolhouse filled with old texts and teaching aids. There is also the Pickels and Mills Building of the 1870's, which shows arts and crafts along with a Victorian printing shop.

IN HALIFAX, a number of motor or walking tours are inviting, particularly in the Historic Properties area by the harbor downtown. This group of seven commercial buildings dating from 1815 to 1870 has been restored to commercial use. Other high points: The Citadel, Nova Scotia Museum, Gottingen area (settled by German Lutherans in 1750-53), St. George's Anglican Church (a round, Byzantine-style church dating to 1800).

Dining in Halifax — as in much of the rest of the province — ranges from blah to first rate. Some of the better spots are the Wharf and the Fabulous Lobster Trap, both in Scotia Square; Clipper Cay, on Privateer's Wharf (steaks and chops plus a fine wine selection); Fat Frank's, on Spring Garden Road, (oyster and spinach bisque, Atlantic salmon and Bouillabaise Marseille); the Heidelberg on Dresden Row (honest to goodness schnitzel).

FOR HOSTELRIES, the choices are good. The Chateau Halifax is a AAA three-star nestled into the redevelopment complex just steps from the waterfront. Motels along the Dartmouth road have fine harbor views, fair dining and relatively quiet units ranging around \$400 for a family during the busy season.

Heading for Cape Breton, you come to Port Hastings and the skinny little man-made Canso Causeway between the Gulf of St. Lawrence and the Atlantic Ocean which connects the Cape Breton Island with the mainland. It can be reached from Halifax on

Highway 7 or via Highways 102 and 104

Cape Breton travelers should be aware that there are not so many gas stations along the way, and the ones they have may not accept your credit card. Also, there are not a lot of motels to choose from. However, many private homes in such villages as Inverness, Dunvegan, Margaree Harbor and Cheticamp will take in tourists (some on a bed-and-breakfast basis).

THE SCENIC CABOT TRAIL scales 3,000 foot heights of the Cape Breton Highlands. No wonder the Scots loved the area! A worthwhile stop is at Green Cove, on the Atlantic side. Here there is a bit of a nature walk from which to view the stunted white spruce, dune grass, black crowberry and pleasantly scented bayberry. They say you can often see "gams" of 20 to 100 Atlantic pilot whales offshore. We stared, but saw nary a one.

Baddeck, a cheery overnight stop on St. Patrick's Channel of the Bras d'Or Lakes, was Alexander Graham Bell's summer home and the site of some of his more interesting experiments, such as the kite, hydrofoil and aircraft ones. There is a fine (free) Bell Museum.

Highway 105 will let you bypass (if you can tear yourself away) such mine towns as North Sydney, Sydney Mines and Glace Bay in order to hurry on down to tour restored Fort Louisbourg. This powerful 1720 installation guarded French Canada until a force of Yankee volunteers besieged and took it in 1745. It was restored to the French, then captured again in 1758.

From Caribou, north of New Glasgow, one can catch the ferry to Prince Edward Island or follow Highway 6 past Pugwash (the last industrialist Cyrus-Eaton's home) to Cape Tormentine, New Brunswick, for another "Spud Island" ferry — or to the long, happy road home.

PROPOSED TOUR OF CAPE BRETON ISLAND

As yet, only a few people have expressed an interest in a 3-day trip to Cape Breton Island following the convention. Unless quite a few more are heard from, any thought of such a trip will have to be forgotten. Please write at once if you are interested, since it takes time to plan the itinerary and cost of such a jaunt. Remember, this is not a commitment, but only a show of interest.

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NORTH AMERICAN MANX ASSOCIATION HERITAGE AWARDS PRESENTED ON THE ISLE OF MAN. NOVEMBER/DECEMBER 1979.

At Monday's prize giving at the Millennium Arts Exhibition in the Sea Terminal, 12-year-old Julie Patrick of Castle Rushen High School was announced as the winner of the Heritage Award, a beautiful silver medal given by the North American Manx Association for prowess in the Manx language.

A second winner of the Heritage Award was Stephen Martin - Castle Rushen High School for outstanding achievement in Manx Art presented at Castle Rushen High School Speech Day.



STEPHEN MARTIN - Castle Rushen High School for outstanding achievement in Manx Art presented at Castle Rushen High School Speech Day by Mrs. Elspeth Quayle, M.H.K.



JULIE PATRICK - Castle Rushen High School for outstanding achievement in Manx Language presented at the Millennium Art Exhibition by Mrs. B. Q. Hanson, M.H.K.

NEWS OF THE MANX SOCIETIES

WORLD MANX ASSOCIATION

The last in our list of Millennium Year Events, took place on October 29th, at the Castle Mona Hotel, where special guests and members gathered to honour the memory of the Rev. Thomas Edward Brown, M.A., Loyal Manxman, Poet, Scholar and Fellow of Oriel College, Oxford.

The Tribute to our great Manx Writer, was given by Aidan Corlett, M.A. Oxon., in a well thought out exposition, with some most interesting excerpts from Brown's Letters and Poetry, this being very well received by those present.

It gave us much pleasure to again warmly welcome to the Dinner The Lt. Governor, Sir John Paul and Lady Paul, and Dr. H. T. Phillips, M.D. and Mrs. Phillips, who had travelled from Somerset, in order to join us.

Mrs. Helen Cross, Chairman of Blackpool and Fylde Manx Society, also attended, and was extended a hearty welcome from the President of the W.M.A. and Mr. Evan Cain, M.B.E., Vice Chairman of the W.M.A. who jointly received the guests.

A most enjoyable performance of vocal and violin solos was given by Gladys Skillicorn and Mary Mann (Laxey).

An excellent meal was provided and expertly served, all adding up to a memorable occasion.

The Annual W.M.A. "At Home" is to be held on March 19th, at the Castle Mona Hotel, when a Guest Speaker and Informal entertainment is looked forward to.

All homecoming Manx visiting the Isle of Man can be assured of a warm welcome, many events are held during the summer months, for information they can get in touch with Miss Doris Clague, Pres. W.M.A., 1 Hilary Rd., Douglas, I.O.M. Phone Douglas 6741, or Miss M. Kissack, Social Sec., Phone Douglas 21239.

Best New Year wishes to all.

Doris M. Clague.

CHICAGO MANX SOCIETY

The Chicago Manx Society will have a dinner meeting in the Edison Park United Methodist Church on April 20. If you would like to attend and are not on the mailing list of the Chicago Manx, contact Mrs. Florence Abbinanti, 9330 W. Richmond Ave., Evergreen Park, Ill. 60642 Secretary.

CLEVELAND MANX SOCIETY

Plans have already been made for a full program for our members this year. Things go smoothly for those "behind the scenes" do their part to lay good groundwork and tend to all details.

February's meeting was followed by a Valentine Party under the able supervision of Bill and Florence Roseman. As weather, driving conditions, and distance sometimes determine our attendance at meetings, we plan to deviate from our usual evening get-together and have a Sunday afternoon tea in March.

Are you looking forward to our convention this year in Nova Scotia? We are! N.A.M.A. needs support from all of us. In May, our society will hold a card party to raise funds for the N.A.M.A. convention expenses. Means a bit of "extra" work for the committee to round up table favors, door prizes, etc. and we sometimes have a drawing or two -- but it's a good way to get the "extra" to give the N.A.M.A. Members bring friends, and as tickets are mailed to all our membership ahead of time -- those who can't attend usually pay for their tickets anyway and are eligible for door prizes. Our money-raiser turns into a sociable evening for all. This may be an idea some of the other societies or groups may want to try in their area.

Perhaps some of you have good ideas for meetings that we haven't tried. Would you pass them along for we'd love to know about them.

(Mrs.) Marge Kennish Krach
319 Ridgeview Drive
Seven Hills, Ohio 44131.

SAN DIEGO CHAPTER, N.A.M.A.

Our Christmas meeting was held aboard the Star of India, December 1. Officers for the coming year were elected, and gifts were exchanged.

The Star of India was built in Ramsey, I.O.M. in 1863, and is one of our major tourist attractions. It is the oldest iron-hulled sailing ship afloat. In our honor, it flew the flag of I.O.M. that day.

Mr. Bill Cooper, First Mate, gave a brief presentation of the colorful history of the ship.

We wish all our friends and relatives in NAMA a new year filled with peace, health, and happiness.

Marge Weber, President
4575 Catherine Ave.
San Diego, Cal. 92115.

BISBEE MANX SOCIETY

Bisbee Manx met at the home of Ivy Dillon for their regular Christmas Party. The weather was perfect and we had a good turnout in spite of the fact that so many were away. Bingo was played and an exchange of gifts held and of course a grand feast of Christmas goodies enjoyed.

It was decided instead of giving money for a Christmas basket to one family a donation of \$25.00 would be given to the local charity the "Loaves and Fishes". This takes care mainly of transients who may need a meal or someone who needs a supplement to carry them through. Since the Phelps Dodge Mines closed here Bisbee has become an Art Colony and tourist attraction and the young people especially often need help.

Still away are Mable Bolitho, Sarah Mazzoni, Helen McKay and Ida Corrin who are all visiting their families in California. The Hughes in Texas. No meeting has been held this month but we will reconvene in February at the home of Ida Corrin.

Ivy Dillon, Sec.,
207 Hazzard St.,
Bisbee, Ariz. 85603.

SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA MANX SOCIETY

We had a most enjoyable Christmas Party at Joyce and Malcolm Kinley's home in Costa Mesa in December. Unfortunately many were unable to come because of illness or other commitments.

We were especially delighted that Ellen and Donald Bain came all the way from Escondido with Donald's two daughters. Thelma Kramer lives in Covina and visited the Isle of Man for the first time in June, 1979. Elva Rodin was visiting from Santa Cruz.

At our next meeting we plan to see slides of the Isle of Man taken by Rev. James C. Caley in 1979.

Joyce Kinley, Sec.,
2816 Shanter Drive,
Costa Mesa, CA. 92626.

TORONTO MANX SOCIETY

HAPPY 1980 TO ALL OUR NORTH AMERICAN FRIENDS.

Our last meeting was the Christmas Party in December, which was a great success. About 43 people attended, including children, grand-children

MANXMEN IN INDIA, AUSTRIA, SEEK FAMILY TIES

The Millennium brought news of Manx exiles in unexpected places. The Collisters, for example, have had an Indian connection for four generations. H. J. Collister, the first to settle in India, was chief engineer for the Great India Peninsular Railway. His sons were Jack, chief engineer of the Bengal and Nagpur Railway, and Sir Harold, a high court judge of the Indian civil service. His grandson, served in the 17th Light Division in Burma and was principal of an Indian school in Tanzania. His great-grandson, Robert Collister, is a climbing instructor and had participated in and led a number of expeditions in the Himalayas.

Mr. P. Collister, Trelawney House, Cowfold, Horsham, West Sussex, would like to link up with other Collisters. He believes his Manx ancestors came from Rushen and left to work on the Caledonian Railway. If you believe he's a kinsman, why not write him?

Another overseas Manx found during the Millennium was E. E. Collette of Austria. She wrote "If my English at times seems strange, I am a native of Austria, and half of my life was lived in Vienna." Ms. Collette's family changed the name from Corlett back in 1785. The year previous, their direct great-great-grandfather, who had worked in a Douglas smithy though he came from Ballaugh, emigrated to Philadelphia. Later that branch of the family moved to St. Louis, and one segment moved even further west. Ms. Collette, now of 1420 Mt. View Lane, Idaho Falls, Idaho 83401, belongs to it. She has researched the Corletts of Ballaugh for 15 years and is currently writing up the family history. She indicates she would be glad to send some of the documents of her research to those interested, asking in return "the human interest, facts not fiction, as far as the people of Ballaugh, prior to 1784, were concerned". Besides Ballaugh and Corlett, her interest includes Braddan, and the surnames Gelling, Wilkes, Taubman, Hutchen, Mollrea and Parr.
(The foregoing is courtesy of the Manx Family History Society Journal)

N.A.M.A. NEW MEMBERS - 1979

The NAMA welcomes Mr. & Mrs. Philip Bridson of Manitowadge, Ontario, Canada to the 1979 list of members. Philip is the son of the late "Ginger" Bridson, Commodore of the Isle of Man Steam Packet Boats,

Dorothy, Philip's wife comes from Laxey and they have four children.

Philip was born in Douglas, I.O.M. A picture from one of the Manx newspapers depicting members of the Penrice family got them in touch with Sam & Hilda Penrice who last Fall made the trip to Manitowadge to visit with Philip & Dorothy.

A welcome also to Mr. Thomas B. Morrow of Verdugo City, Calif., who joined the NAMA last summer, he was referred by the late Mr. Walter Caine of Houston, Texas.

MEMORIAL FUND

When members received their N.A.M.A. membership directory in 1978 they may have noticed that the publishing of this booklet was financed out of the Memorial Fund. This was considered a very suitable project on which to spend some of the money donated to the Fund during the last few years. As a result of this expenditure, however, the Fund is somewhat depleted and the executive would like to remind you that donations may be made in memory of former members of the Association. Gifts will be appropriately recorded and will be acknowledged.

If you are seeking a tangible way of expressing your sympathy with a bereaved family or of remembering a friend or relative, a donation to the N.A.M.A. Memorial Fund might provide the answer. All money donated to the fund will be used for projects that the executive consider to be of lasting benefit to all members of N.A.M.A.

Donations should be sent to the treasurer, Clarence E. Creer, 14228 Union Avenue, Orland Park, Illinois 60462, stating that they are for the Memorial Fund and giving the name of the former member in whose name they are given.

EULOGY

*Do not stand at my grave and weep;
I am not there. I do not sleep.
I am a thousand winds that blow.
I am the diamond glints on snow.
I am the sunlight on ripened grain.
I am the gentle autumn rain.
When you awaken in the morning's
hush,
I am the swift uplifting rush
Of quiet birds in circled flight.
I am the soft stars that shine at night,
Do not stand at my grave and cry;
I am not there. I did not die.*

Author unknown.

HUMAN RIGHTS

The British press has been mystified in recent months over moves by the Isle of Man Government to draft its own Bill of Human Rights as a means of getting around the decision of the European Court ruling against the birch.

The British Home Office was refusing to comment on its reply to the Isle of Man on another option the IOM believes open to it, a special reservation under the European Convention exempting the island nation from the prohibition.

The Manx Government wasn't saying anything either about its moves to circumvent the disastrous ruling by the Italian judge who heard the case of a Manx lad who was birched after committing aggravated assault.

IOM Attorney General Jack Corrin would only say that the island has a clear right to withdraw from the Convention and reactivate its birching laws, which have never been removed from the statute books though the birch has not been used since the fuss began in 1976. If the island is not part of the Convention, said Corrin, he is convinced that it cannot be bound by the Strasbourg ruling which singled out the Isle of Man and outlawed birching there.

The proposed Manx Bill of Rights would incorporate all the rights in the European Convention except those banning corporal punishment, and is expected to be debated and passed by Tynwald this year.

Angela Kneale, the leader of the small but outspoken anti-birching movement on the island, is reported to have sputtered "It is Ruritania gone mad" upon hearing of the latest moves by the Manx Government.

Do you suppose we should tell her that the IOM is also saying "bye-bye" this year to the British excise-men who first put a damper on Manx smuggling when the island was seized and occupied two-hundred years ago. They are being replaced, Mrs. Kneale, by the MANX Customs Service.

PRAYER OF THE MODERN MAN

"May she always be useful and always beautiful, full of interesting conversation, witty in private and sparkling in public, blind to my faults, tolerant with my follies, never weary, never demanding, enjoying her own company when necessary, not getting too involved with female friends, performing miracles with her house-keeping allowance, and always grateful that I married her."

OBITUARIES

DUFFY, Mrs. Barbara K., age 82, passed away on November 29th 1979 in Los Angeles, Cal., widow of the late Charles F. Duffy. She was born in Douglas, Isle of Man, daughter of the late John T. and Sarah (Quine) Killey, she came to Cleveland, Ohio in 1916 with family. Mrs. Duffy won the Cleveland Singles Tennis title twelve times, Ohio State once, Western Pennsylvania once. She moved to Los Angeles in the late 40's when her husband was transferred, she still played tennis in her 70's, she was a long time volunteer at Children's Hospital, Los Angeles, she was also a long time member of NAMA. The late Mrs. Duffy is survived by brothers Arthur, Hiram, Ohio; George, Eau Claire, Wisc; two sisters, Patricia, Lakewood Ohio; and Ida, California.

A memorial service was held on December 7th 1979 at the Wee Kirk o' the Heather, conducted by the Rev. Ronald E. Harrison, San Gabriel, California, the soloist was Mr. Tom Hampson, the organist Mr. Lew Charles, the chosen hymns were "Morning has Broken" and "Amazing Grace". Interment at Forest Lawn Memorial-Park Glendale, Cal.

HARRISON, Mary Elizabeth (Lily), of La Mesa, California, passed away on December 8th 1979. The late Miss Harrison was a former member of the Cleveland Manx Society and was a loyal member of the San Diego Manx Society and the NAMA at the time of her death. She was born on the Isle of Man and still has relatives living there.

LOONEY, John of Greenfield Park, near Montreal, died on Sunday, November 11th 1979, aged eighty-five. He was the husband of the late Hilda Gillis; the father of John Wayne Looney of Philadelphia, and the brother of Margaret Adamson and Mary Ann Collett. Mr. Looney, who was a native of the Isle of Man, made frequent trips back to his homeland. He was a member of N.A.M.A.

QUILLIAM, Miss Theresa "Bubbles", of 135 N., Eighth Ave., Canton, passed away on December 24th 1979, in Graham Hospital, she was born November 2nd 1912 in Canton, a daughter of John Edward and Margaret Ann Clague Quilliam. Surviving are one nephew and three sisters: Mrs. Joe (Lillian) Polich; Mrs. Nellie Arnett both of Canton, and Mrs. Louis (Lucille) St. Clair of Creve Coeur. Two brothers preceded her in death.

She retired from International Harvester Co., after 30 years service as a company nurse, she was a member of the Presbyterian Church in Canton,

and a long time member of the Peoria manx Society.

Her family came from the Isle of Man. Services were held on December 28th 1979, with burial in White Chapel Memory Gardens.

WALKER, Mrs. Alice Gertrude, of Kinesota, Manitoba, passed away January 5th 1980 at the age of 90 years. She was born in Gordon, Patrick, Isle of Man in 1889. Her family moved to Canada in 1905 and settled in Boissevain, Manitoba. She married Leslie B. Walker in 1914, he was killed in action in France in 1915, a son died at the age of 15 years. Gertrude was the last of eight children of Elizabeth Anne (Kissack) and Robert Wilson Clark. She was a long time member of NAMA.

OUR OWN PEOPLE

In September, Mona and Ray Haldeman and Edith Gurney drove to California to visit their son and grandson, Douglas Haldeman, and his family, including Kerri Leanne, born August 15th. They had breakfast with Evelyn Corlett in San Francisco, and visited via the telephone with Lois Hricko and Joyce Kinley while in the Los Angeles area, and with John Hughes in the Tucson area. They had hoped to see Amy Abell, also from Cleveland, while they were in Los Angeles, but had to settle for a chat on the phone.

Mr. and Mrs. Norris Highfield and their brother, Mr. Thomas Kelly of Kokomo, Indiana visited their cousins, Mr. and Mrs. Ernest Greggor of Peel, Isle of Man, April and May 1979, they had a most enjoyable time on the Island and greatly enjoyed some of the festivities of Millennium Year.

Mr. Kelly was born on the Isle of Man and it was his first visit back in 72 years, it was indeed a thrill for him to see the land of his birth.

Mr. and Mrs. Highfield, both born in the U.S.A. found it equally enjoyable to meet all the Manx people who made their trip a wonderful happy occasion, something they will never forget, they hope to return to the Isle of Man again some day.

They plan to attend the NAMA Convention in September in Halifax, N.S., where they hope to renew acquaintance with all their Manx friends. Mr. and Mrs. Highfield live in Milford, Ohio.

MANX WEDDIN'S

Candace Christine Haldeman, daughter of Mona and Ray Haldeman, and granddaughter of Edith Gurney, became the bride of Sang Ki Han, on November 3, 1979, in Burlington, Iowa.

THE CHAPLAIN'S CORNER

We are now in that time of the year known as Lent. It is the Church's preparation for Easter, a re-awakening, the threshold of spring. It is also a time when many re-examine their habits, whether good or bad. Some will give up smoking, or greatly reduce their food intake (at least, for awhile!) Sometimes we seem to accent the negative, in what we will give up or what we will forswear. But what about the positive? What are we to put into our daily lives? Over the years, I don't know how many people have declared to me their conviction that Church-going is a habit: "I just got out of the habit"; or, "it's a habit, and an easy one, if you just keep it up."

In the Gospel of Luke, 4:16, it says of Jesus: "He came to Nazareth . . . and on the Sabbath he went into the synagogue, as was his custom" (Substitute "habit" for "custom"). Certainly, Church attendance was more than mere habit for Jesus --- and it should be more than routine for us. It should be a consciously active experience of worship, new and fresh as a dawning day. But, at least, the habit is a positive one.

There are other positive habits worth our attention in Lent (and at any time): listening to others' needs; keeping a balanced view of life's issues in an unbalanced world; maintaining a sense of humor, etc. --- you can make your own list.

St. Paul wrote to the Church at Philippi: "Finally, brothers, whatever is true, whatever is noble, whatever is pure, whatever is lovely, whatever is admirable --- if anything is excellent or praiseworthy, think about such things." (4:8, 9). He was promoting the habit of positive thinking. May this habit be in us in Lent, and throughout the year.

H. G. Kelly

THE LIL' FOLK

BORN - To Miles and Victoria (Kelly) Knudsen, a daughter (their second). On January 22nd 1980. Name: Tavia Lee. Mrs. Knudsen is a daughter of the Rev. Herb and Mrs. Kelly of Fremont, Nebraska. Congratulations to our Chaplain and Mrs. Kelly on the birth of their new granddaughter.

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NEW MEMBERS

New members joining the NAMA after August 1st will be included in the 1979/80 list of names, one or two new members wrote to ask why their names had not been included in the inserted list of new members in the December Bulletin, this is the explanation from our Treasurer, Mr. Clarence Creer.