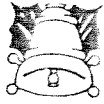


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## A MESSAGE FROM THE IMMEDIATE PAST PRESIDENT

May I extend to all members and friends of the North American Manx Association on behalf of my husband Bert and myself, our sincerest wishes for a Happy Christmas and a prosperous New Year; and may I once again thank all concerned for my most happy term of office as President and for a memorable and successful convention in Halifax.

Mrs. Robert S. Cowin

## NEW BOOK

A new book has recently been published on the Isle of Man entitled "Hot Boy", a paperback written by Richard Kissack Shimmin. This is a collection of tales of yesteryear which cover the author's young days in Manxland.

All enquiries as to cost and availability should be addressed to the Norris Modern Press, Victoria Street, Douglas, Isle of Man.

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## PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

As the year 1980 draws to a close many of you will be reflecting pleasant memories on a Convention involved with many delightful highlights and untold innumerable firsts, and as Convention Chairman I wish to take this opportunity to thank each and everyone who helped in anyway to make our 1980 Convention such a success.

It is a well known fact that Manx people are to be found practically everywhere in this world of ours, and here on the North American Continent we have many, however one of the most important parts is the linking together of Manx people especially where vast distances exist, and one cannot find anywhere where these obstacles are overcome more effectively than the work of the North American Manx Association. We must remember and one can say with gratitude those early Manx stalwarts who founded what has become today the N.A.M.A., because it was born by their staunch love and devotion of their Homeland, and above all a strong belief in the future.

But what of the future? Your participation is very important and every effort should be made to carry on with unabated tenacity of purpose to uphold the North American Manx Association in "Preserving what'er is left us of Ancient Heritage", so that generations to follow will quietly say "Well Done"

To all the members of the N.A.M.A. I thank you for your support and confidence in electing me to the office of President, and along with a most capable and competent group of officers, coupled with your continued loyal support, we shall do our utmost to promote and uphold the interests of the N.A.M.A. In conclusion my wife Irene joins me in extending to you all our very Best Wishes for Christmas, and may the year that lies ahead bring each and everyone Happiness, Health and Prosperity.

George Curphey  
President

## CHRISTMAS

The Charm of Christmas, lies in the thought that we live in the memory of friends. May you find new joys, renew old friendships, rejoice in happy memories - and with bright hopes, begin a Happy New Year. "Yn Ollick ghennal as blien vie noa" (A merry Christmas and a Happy New Year)

Good Health, Peace and Happiness.

## CHRISTMAS TREE ROOTED IN PAST

Oh Christmas Tree, Oh Christmas Tree, your branches green delight us!

Year after year, we sit in front of our gaily decorated Christmas trees admiring their majestic beauty. Have you ever stopped to question where it began.

Decked out in its festive finery, this centrepiece of our Christmas celebration dates back to an eighth century German custom. Saint Boniface dedicated a fir tree to the Holy Child as a counter to the sacred Oak of Odin.

The first "tree of record" was raised in Strassburg, Germany in 1604. France inherited the custom in 1837 when Princess Helen of Mecklenburg married the Duke of Orleans.

To England

Prince Albert of Saxony and Queen Victoria spread the custom to England by erecting a tree in Windsor Castle for the pleasure of the royal children.

Old faithful rooted itself in the Western world, the United States in particular, in 1856. Nathaniel Hawthorne's old friend Franklin Pierce decorated one for the White House at this time. By World War I the custom was firmly entrenched. Large centres such as New York, Boston, and Pasadena exhibited Christmas trees in main squares.

Most of Canada's Christmas customs came from Europe. Early Dutch settlers brought the name Sint Klaes - our Santa Claus.

The whole idea branched to the peak of popularity in 1950 when a 212 foot Christmas tree was erected in Seattle.



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N.A.M.A. Membership Fee \$6.00 per year  
(from Aug. 1st, 1981) this includes sub-  
scription to Bulletin published four times  
annually. Membership without Bulletin  
\$2.00

Life Membership Fees in N.A.M.A.

Members over 50 years of age \$40.00  
Members under 50 years of age \$50.00

**1981/82 DUES**

**Annual dues were increased at the Halifax Convention to \$6 a year for Regular members and \$2 for Associate members. The change will become effective with the fiscal year which begins on August 1, 1981. The pink slip which will be sent out with the June Bulletin will bear the \$6 and \$2 rates. Life membership rates were not changed.**

C. E. Creer, Treasurer

**COMING OR GOING?**

This week's revelation that a noticeable number of new residents - new, that is, over the past 10 years - seem to be forsaking the Island for fresh pastures is one which will cause mixed feelings.

It is remarkable how many people who have attacked the Government's New Residents Policy suddenly become uneasy when the immigration trend they have deplored is reversed. Changes worry us, even if we thought we wanted them, and it is so much more satisfying to be saying "No" to something offered than to find the offer being withdrawn.

New residents have brought a previously undreamed of wealth to the Island; development and employment which in the depressed days of the 50s would have been thought impossible have burgeoned in the past 15 years.

With them came a sad defacement of the countryside by new buildings, and and us-and-them society much regretted by those who remembered the former closeness. At the moment it is believed that new residents actually outnumber Manxmen in their own home, and that is not a good state of affairs.

We have always known that the adherence of many of the new residents to their Island life was a tenuous one, but what would drive them away was not always clearly foreseeable. Those who are here purely and simply for tax advantages - and the richest are amongst them - would disappear overnight if the advantages were lost, but amongst the others there may be other reasons for leaving. The reason that has been advanced this week, and it is a very valid one, is that people are finding themselves more and more isolated from their families "across" by the escalating cost of travel.

The division of parents and children by any distance on the mainland does not seem as formidable as division by that stretch of sea, and many people

who 10 years ago could afford to make contact every few months now find the time between meetings counted in years. It affects Manx people too, whose children go away for further education or employment and cannot afford to come home to see them, but most of all it must affect the new resident, most of whose family ties are elsewhere. It is not a trend that can be reversed, and it is likely to be a real factor in the growth or otherwise of our population in future.

It would appear that if we want to maintain anything like our present standard of living (and that is a moot point which we would like to see discussed on election platforms next year) we need at least the size of population we have at present.

But who should that population comprise? Would it not be a very much better thing if more of the new arrivals were in fact homecomers, people of Manx birth or parentage who felt a real allegiance to the Island and its welfare rather than merely a wish to make use of it?

Round the world there are many thousands of Manx people (many more thousands than live here at present) with skills and talents which could well be brought back to the service of their native land if places were made available for them. To that end it is very good news indeed that our Employment Exchange is currently exploring the idea of an actual register of jobs, and of expatriate Manx who want to come home, with a view to bringing the two together. It is a move that is long overdue.

In societies all round the world, and throughout history, it has been demonstrated that people become uneasy and uncharacteristically aggressive when they feel themselves outnumbered by outsiders. A limited number of newcomers are of interest and a curiosity; a flood of them is highly threatening.

Racism is an ugly thing, an emotion in the grip of which some of mankind's ugliest crimes have been committed, and anyone who has the planning of a society's composition should know better than to let people feel threatened this way.

The return of expatriate Manx to the Island would be a trend which would help maintain our prosperity while reinforcing rather than destroying the Island's identity as a society. People who already had deep roots here but who could at the same time bring fresh ideas, skills and experience to the place could do nothing but good. Can we hope to see from the House of Keys elected next year a new campaign - not the New Residents Policy, but the Returning Manx Campaign?

Reprinted from the "Manx Star".

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**CHANGE OF ADDRESS**

Please don't forget to notify the Secretary-Treasurer and the Bulletin Editor when you change your address.

### NORTH AMERICAN MANX ASSOCIATION CONVENTION

Sept. 12 - 15th 1980

The following is the President's resume of activities during the last two years. (Mrs. Robert S. Cowin)

I will try to briefly outline for you what the N.A.M.A. has accomplished during my term of office.

We have strived to increase and expand our membership -- we appointed Regional Directors in various sections of North America to help us achieve this goal. We are pleased to report that three new Societies have been organised. the Manx Society of Minnesota, the Maritime Manx Society of Nova Scotia, Canada, and I have just learned that a new Society has been organised in Mineral Point, Wisconsin. In addition the Chicago Manx Society has been revived after being inactive for several years.

The Clerk of Tynwald on the Isle of Man is preparing a roster of the people in North America who participated in "Operation Roots" during the Millenium year which we plan to use to encourage new members. . . not only in N.A.M.A. but in the local Societies as well. After several years of planning we are happy to have on hand for you at this Convention our first N.A.M.A. membership pin - we hope each of you will wear it proudly.

We are also pleased to report that we have another "first", we have designed a flag for the N.A.M.A. On display at all Conventions the Canadian flag, the American flag, the Manx flag and the Union Jack stand proudly, we now have a flag especially designed for the N.A.M.A., using the emblem designed by one of our members Dorothy Mylrea Martin.

Our biggest project was to participate in the Isle of Man Millenium celebration last year by establishing a Manx Heritage Award for Manx youth on the Island.

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### CONVENTION NEWS

At the Memorial service conducted by the Chaplain, Rev. Herbert Kelly, reference was made to the loss of two Past Presidents of N.A.M.A., on February 17th 1980 Sam Penrice passed away suddenly. Sam was President in 1970 during which the first N.A.M.A. Convention was held on the Isle of Man, on May 26th 1980 Fred Caveen of Toronto died after a long illness. Fred held the office of President during the years 1957, 1958 and 1960.

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### CASH DONATIONS FOR PRIZES

The Convention Committee wishes to gratefully acknowledge the following cash contributions:

- Mr. T. R. Anderson
- Miss Poly Ayres
- Miss Grace Browning
- Mr. & Mrs. Clarence Creer
- Mrs. Harold B. M. Cain
- Miss Doris Clague
- Eunice Durfee
- Miss Alice Garrett
- Mr. and Mrs. W. Hindrichs
- Mr. and Mrs. M. Harbottle
- Mr. and Mrs. Norman Cluas
- Miss Edna Kee
- W. R. McDonnell
- Isobel H. Miles
- Mrs. Mona E. Wright
- Mr. and Mrs. George Curphey
- Cleveland Manx Society
- World Manx Association
- Washington Manx Society
- Maritime Manx Society
- Mr. and Mrs. Robert Cowin
- Mrs. Amo Fisher
- Mrs. Marion K. Hockaday
- Mrs. Helen M. Drom
- Mrs. B. Daugherty
- Miss Bertha Kiel
- Mr. and Mrs. George Feick
- Mrs. E. H. Brandt
- Mr. and Mrs. Robert Camaish
- Miss A. M. Cuthbertson
- Mr. and Mrs. Richard Palmer
- Mr. R. C. Corlett
- Nebraska Manx Society
- San Diego Manx Society
- Toronto Manx Society

We wish to thank all those who gave financial support and contributions of prizes to the NOVA SCOTIA CONVENTION. Your encouragement helped the N.A.M.A. have a very successful convention and we look forward to another get-together in San Diego, California in 1982.

Through the generosity of Mr. Richard Corkill, Hon. Pres. N.A.M.A. of Detroit, 4 Royal Doulton Figurines which he presented were raffled in a special draw, the proceeds being given to N.A.M.A.

### CONVENTION COMMITTEE

### CONVENTION FACTS AND FIGURES

A total of 119 persons participated in some part of the Convention. 106 attended the President's Reception. 115 the Banquet. 111 the Bus trip and Buffet dinner.

Due to lack of space some items will be included in the March issue of the Bulletin.

### N.A.M.A. CONVENTION September 12 - 15, 1980 FINANCIAL STATEMENT

George Curphey

**Receipts - Canadian Currency**

Advance from Registration Chairman (\$4,800 U.S.)	\$5,543.20
Donations	740.75
Souvenir Book	1,000.00
Registrations (includes odd amounts owed due to exchange)	241.80
Boat Tour	140.00
Raffle (Royal Doulton)	509.00
Raffle (Manx Whiskey)	90.00
Miscellaneous Sales:	
Kippers (\$36), Coins (\$35)	71.00
Drawing Tickets (Sold at Convention)	61.00
Interest on Bank Account	67.00
<b>\$8,463.75</b>	

**Disbursements**

Hotel Nova Scotian	\$2,451.91
Printing	1,310.80
Postage	172.20
Telephone	84.62
Bus Tour	339.50
Boat Tour	192.50
Entertainment	150.00
Prizes	300.00
Miscellaneous	26.00
	\$5,117.53

Proceeds from Convention approximately	\$2,909.75 U.S.
	+ 185.89
	\$3,095.64
less advance	- 285.00
<b>TOTAL PROCEEDS</b>	<b>\$2,810.64 U.S.</b>

### N.A.M.A. CONVENTION September 12 - 15, 1980 FINANCIAL STATEMENT

Mona Haldeman

**Receipts - U.S. currency**

Advance from Clarence Creer	\$ 285.00
Registrations:	
103 Full @ \$36 - \$3,707.28	
Partials \$287.00	3995.02
Drawing Tickets	1,019.08
Overpayment of registration	11.00
Donations	15.00
Interest on Bank Account	30.77
	\$5,355.87

**Disbursements**

Advance to George Curphey	\$4,800.00
Postage	118.30
Printing	102.91
Charge for Cheques	1.50
Overpayment return	11.00
Envelopes	2.37
Telephone	8.90
Miscellaneous	35.00
Refunds	90.00
	\$5,169.98
Cheque for remainder to Clarence Creer	\$ 185.89

## NAMA CONVENTION 1980 HALIFAX, N.S. CANADA

MINUTES OF THE 51ST  
CONVENTION OF THE NORTH  
AMERICAN MANX ASSOCIATION  
HELD IN NOVA SCOTIA, CANADA  
ON SEPTEMBER 12 - 15, 1980

The Opening of the 51st Convention was by the Honorary President, Mr. Richard Corkill who gave his welcoming speech.

The flags were escorted into the room by 4 flag bearers. (Richard Kelly, Ray Haldeman, William Roseman and Rodney Caley), and the 4 National Anthems were sung: O Canada, Star Spangled Banner, Manx National Anthem and God Save the Queen. The Invocation was given by Rev. H. G. Kelly, following which Mr. George Curphey, Convention Chairman, introduced the Deputy Mayor of Halifax, Mr. Sullivan. Mr. Sullivan gave a warm welcome to everyone at the meeting and extended the greetings of the Governor and the people of Halifax. Mr. Curphey responded.

Mr. Curphey then gave his welcoming speech as chairman of the Convention, and Mrs. Robert Cowin, President, responded.

Mrs. Cowin then introduced the officers present: Hon. President Mr. Richard Corkill, President Mrs. Robert Cowin, 1st Vice President Mr. George Curphey, 2nd Vice President Mr. Robert Camaish, 3rd Vice President Mrs. Mona Haldeman, Hon. Vice President Mr. Norman Clucas, Past President Miss Margaret Joughin, Secretary Miss Elizabeth Clucas, Bulletin Editor Mrs. Hilda Penrice, Trustee Mr. William Roseman, Chaplain Rev. H.G. Kelly, Mr. Ed Sayle Trustee, and representative to Ladies Auxiliary Mrs. Helen Clucas. Officers unable to be present: Mr. Clarence Creer, Treasurer, Mr. Robert Kelly and Mrs. Joyce Kinley, Trustee.

Mr. Jack Nivison, M.B.E., M.L.C. was then called upon and he brought greetings on behalf of the Isle of Man Government. Mr. Curphey responded.

Reports from the Executive Officers followed: Mrs. Cowin, President; Mrs. Mona Haldeman, for Clarence Creer, Treasurer; Mrs. Hilda Penrice, Bulletin Editor; Elizabeth Clucas, Secretary; Mr. William Roseman, Trustee; Mrs. Helen Clucas, Ladies Auxiliary; Mr. Ed. Sayle, Millennium Project.

The Secretary read messages of greetings from members unable to attend.

**Appointment of Committees: Time and Place;** Mona Haldeman, T. R. Anderson, R. McDonnell.

**Constitution and Bylaws:** Mr. Robert Camaish, William Roseman, Norman Clucas.

**Nominations:** Margaret Joughin, Norman Clucas, Edna Cowin.

**Resolutions:** Ed Sayle.

Following the committee reports, Mrs. Cowin announced that Rev. Kelly had presented the Association with a book of old views of the Isle of Man and this would be on display during the convention, after which it would be placed in the Clague House Museum. There being no further business the meeting was adjourned. Mr. Curphey outlined the day's planned activities and announced the Doulton raffle tickets would be on sale on Sunday. Prize distribution followed.

The Ladies Auxiliary Luncheon followed the meeting and the men went on a boat cruise.

Later that afternoon the Ladies Auxiliary Sale Table and the Tourist Board Sale Table were opened for business. At this time also the Manx kippers were on sale. The Hospitality Hour was from 6:30 to 7:30 followed by the banquet at 8 p.m. when the guest speaker was Mr. Bruce Cochran, Minister of Tourism in Halifax. Mr. Nivison presented to Mrs. Cowin a limited edition of "Maps of the Isle of Man, 1280 - 1760". Mrs. Cowin suitably replied.

### Sunday, September 14, 1980

The meeting was called to order by the President and the Invocation was given by Rev. Kelly. Reports from the following Manx Societies were read: Vancouver, Mrs. Nancy Rooney; Toronto, Mrs. Hilda Penrice; Cleveland, Mr. Richard Kelly; Maritime, Mr. Rodney Caley; Nebraska, Mr. Jim Robison; San Diego, Mrs. Marge Weber; Minnesota, Mr. T. R. Anderson; Chicago, Bisbee and Washington and Galva reports were read by the Secretary. No reports were received from Southern California or Peoria.

Mrs. Nina Quiggin from the Isle of Man was called upon and she brought greetings from the World Manx Association, from Miss Clague and all the members.

**Regional Representatives:** Mrs. Mona Haldeman outlined the duties of the Regional Representatives stating the idea was for the representative in their area to encourage membership to N.A.M.A., and so far there has been a favourable response to their calls.

**Resolutions:** Mr. Ed Sayle read out the proposed resolutions: To Maritime Manx Association, Isle of Manx Tourist Board, Isle of Man Government, the Government and People of Halifax, Nova Scotia. Proposed by Mr. Ed Sayle, seconded by Mr. T. R. Anderson. Approved.

**Presentation of Gifts:** Mrs. Cowin announced that Mr. and Mrs. George Curphey had presented a hand-painted N.A.M.A. plate to the Clague House Museum, in remembrance of the convention being held in Nova Scotia. It was also announced that the table flags had been presented to N.A.M.A. by Mrs. Hilda Penrice in memory of Mr. Sam Penrice, Past President; the bouquet of flowers on the table were made possible by a donation from Mrs. Harold Cain, in memory of her husband Mr. Harold Cain, Past President of World Manx Association; and the N.A.M.A. flag donated by Florence, Bill and Mary Elizabeth Roseman in memory of Mary and Harry Kelly, Past President.

The Memorial Service, too, was officiated by Rev. H. G. Kelly.

Following the morning ceremonies, the sight-seeing bus tour took place but because of rain it was not possible to have the official photograph taken outside the Capitol Hill as planned. Therefore this was taken inside, following the Buffet Supper. The evening was entertainment by the Isle of Man Tourist Board during which Jim Kennedy showed three films of the Isle of Man and the raffle for the Manx whiskey and Manx coins was held. Rev. R. Kissack of the Isle of Man Family History Society gave a few remarks on the purpose and aims of this new group. The raffle for the Royal Doultons ended the proceedings for the evening.

### Monday, September 15, 1980

The meeting was called to order by the President and the first verse of Ellan Vannin was sung. Mrs. Cowin announced that the official photograph would be on sale after the meeting; the orders of kippers were to be picked up between 12 and 1, and membership leaflets for N.A.M.A. and Isle of Man Heritage Society were available.

**Convention Reports: Registration:** Mrs. Mona Haldeman: 110 at reception, 119 on bus ride, 115 at banquet. An explanation was given about the confusion between USA and Canadian currency when the registrations were sent in.

**Souvenir Book:** Mr. Rodney Caley: Cost had been about \$1,230.00 to print, receipts were \$1000 plus 3 adverts. He suggested that subscription fees might have to be increased next issue because of the rising cost of printing.

**Prize Distribution:** Mr. Norman Clucas: approximately \$1,050 had been received on sale of tickets.

**Convention Treasurer's report** will be published in the Bulletin.

**Ladies Auxiliary:** Mrs. Irene Curphey: Their new officers are as follows: Hon. President, Miss Alice Garrett; President, Mrs. Irene Curphey; 1st Vice President, Mrs. Joyce Kinley; 2nd Vice President, Mrs. Adele Corkill; Secretary-Treasurer, Mrs. Amo Fisher; Representative to N.A.M.A., Mrs. Helen Clucas. Mrs. Curphey thanked everyone who had contributed in any way towards the items for the Ladies Auxiliary Table Sale.

**Convention Chairman:** Mr. George Curphey gave his report on the events of the weekend and thanked those who participated.

**Constitution and Bylaws:** Mr. Robert Camaish reported that at the Executive Committee meeting in October 1979 it was suggested that the dues be increased due to rising printing costs. The suggested increase was \$6.00 for regular members and \$2.00 for associate members. It is recommended to the Association that the dues be increased as stated, to take effect August 1981. Moved by Mrs. Nancy Rooney, seconded by Mrs. Anne Robison. Approved.

**Time and Place Committee:** Mrs. Haldeman announced that an invitation had been received to hold our next Convention in San Diego, California in August, 1982. The Committee had considered several other locations but recommended that we accept the invitation extended to us. She asked for discussion on the subject; there being none it was moved by Nancy Rooney and seconded by Mrs. Amo Fisher that we hold our 1982 Convention in San Diego. Approved.

**Nominations:** Miss Margaret Joughin read out the new slate of officers: Hon. President, Mr. Richard Corkill; Hon. Vice Presidents (1) Mr. Norman Clucas, (2) Miss Margaret Joughin, (3) Miss Doris Clegue; Immediate Past President, Mrs. Edna Cowin; President, Mr. George Curphey; 1st Vice President, Mrs. Mona Haldeman; 2nd Vice President, Mr. T. R. Anderson; 3rd Vice President, Mr. William Brideson; Treasurer, Mr. Clarence Creer; Secretary, Elizabeth Clucas; Bulletin Editor, Mrs. Hilda Penrice; Chaplain, Rev. H. G. Kelly; Trustees, Mrs. Joyce Kinley, Mr. Ed Sayle and Mr. Robert Camaish. Moved by Margaret Joughin the above slate of officers be accepted, seconded by Carol Gristley. Approved. Miss Joughin announced that because of circumstances Mr. Camaish could not go on as Vice President but we were delighted he agreed to be a Trustee.

Mrs. Cowin then installed the new officers saying: "I congratulate all of you on your election by the members

of the North American Manx Association to serve for the coming two years. I hope you will consider it an honour and find it a pleasure to serve this fine organisation, and that you will enjoy the trust that has been placed in you by upholding the principles of our association. May each of you have a successful term of office."

Mrs. Cowin then presented the Manx Sword of State, symbolic of the Office of President, to Mr. George Curphey, the new President.

For his first speech as new President, Mr. Curphey said he would endeavour to continue the good work carried on by his predecessors and a vote of thanks was given to Mrs. Cowin for her services. Mrs. Cowin responded by thanking everyone who had worked with her for the preceding two years and wished the new President every success.

Following the installation, Mrs. Marge Weber, President of the San Diego Manx Society, outlined the various sights and activities in and around San Diego, and volunteered to assist the next Convention Chairman as much as possible.

The convention closed with the singing of the Manx National Anthem and the final prize distribution.

Elizabeth Clucas  
Secretary

#### New Officers

Hon. President: Mr. Richard Corkill  
Hon. Vice Presidents: Mr. Norman Clucas, Miss M. Joughin, Miss Doris Clegue.  
Immediate Past President: Mrs. Edna Cowin  
President: Mr. George Curphey  
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Second Vice President: Mr. T. R. Anderson  
Third Vice President: Mr. W. Brideson  
Treasurer: Mr. Clarence Creer  
Secretary: Miss Elizabeth Clucas  
Bulletin Editor: Mrs. Hilda Penrice  
Chaplain: Rev. H. G. Kelly  
Trustees: Mrs. Joyce Kinley, Mr. Ed Sayle, Mr. R. Camaish.  
Hon. Member: Jack Nivison, M.B.E., M.L.C.

### THE LADIES AUXILIARY TO THE N.A.M.A.

A luncheon, business meeting and election of officers was held in the Lunenburg Room of the Nova Scotian Hotel on Saturday, September 13, 1980 with 51 members of the Ladies' Auxiliary attending.

The President, Irene Curphey, welcomed everyone and Helen Clucas, Past President, offered grace. After the luncheon Irene Curphey gave

suggestions on places to see and things to do while in Halifax. The following correspondence was read: Greetings from Alice Garrett and resignations from Amy Abell, Honorary President, and Elinor Cain, Secretary-Treasurer.

Members were asked to give suggestions for maintaining interest between meetings. A motion was made and carried that dues be raised to \$3.00 in 1982. A motion was also made and carried that the profit from the sale of books be added to the Ladies' Auxiliary contribution to the 1982 N.A.M.A. Convention Fund for a total of \$200.00. The Ladies' Auxiliary will be celebrating a 50th Anniversary at that convention and special plans for that occasion will be made by a committee.

The following officers were elected to serve for the next two years:

Honorary President: Alice Garrett, Rochester, N.Y.  
President: Irene Curphey, Liverpool, Nova Scotia  
1st Vice President: Joyce Kinley, Costa Mesa, California  
2nd Vice President: Adele Corkill, Nortonville, Kansas  
Secretary-Treasurer: Amo Fisher, Tottenham, Ontario  
Representative to the N.A.M.A.: Helen Clucas, Webster Groves, Missouri

A thank you to all the ladies who took part in any way in the Fashion Skit "The Right and Wrong Style Show". Mrs. Hilda Penrice was a very able commentator and everyone seemed to enjoy the fun and frolic.

A warm welcome was given to Mrs. Nina Quiggin, Rep. of the World Manx Association, Mrs. Edna Boulton, both from the Isle of Man and Mrs. Iris Adshead, sister of Mrs. Irene Curphey, from Liverpool, England.

A presentation of a folding umbrella was made to Mrs. Quiggin. Greetings were sent to the shut-ins and cards were signed by the members.

Dues will still be \$2.00 until 1982 and are payable to Mrs. Amo Fisher, R. 3, Tottenham, Ontario, Canada L0G 1W0, and all Manx ladies are invited to join. We appreciate the continued interest and support of the members through the years.

From the east coast Convention this year we look forward to seeing all our Manx friends on the west coast in 1982 - in San Diego, California.

We extend our best wishes to the newly elected officers of the N.A.M.A.

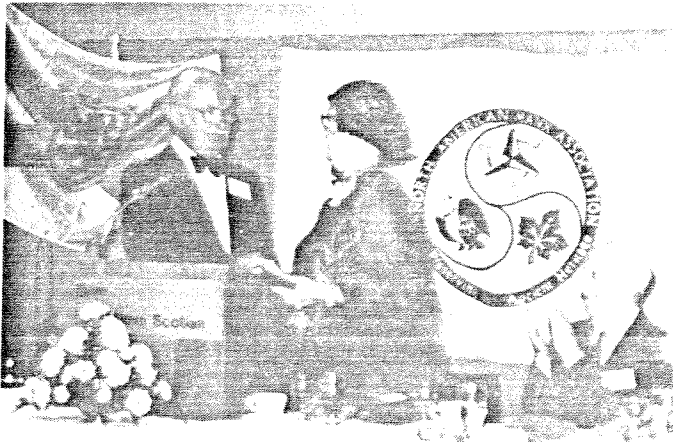
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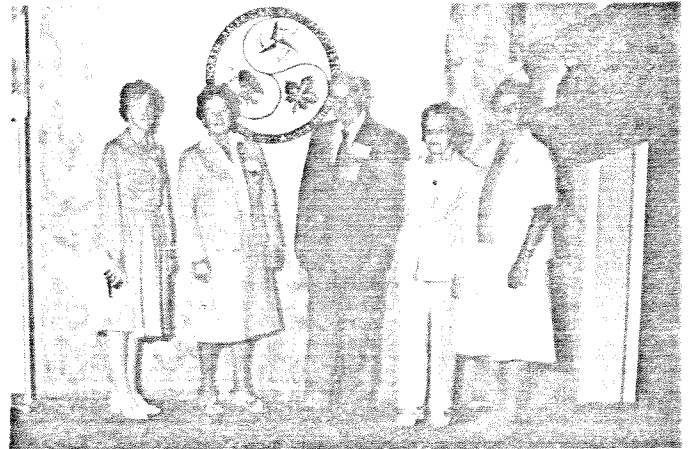
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Delegates attending Convention Halifax, N.S. Canada



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New President of N.A.M.A., Mr. George Curphey, Liverpool, Nova Scotia, Canada  
 L to R - Elizabeth Clucas, Sec. N.A.M.A., Mrs. George Curphey, George Curphey, Mrs. Ethel Scaletta, Mrs. Iris Adshead.



Descendants of Thomas and Hannah Cashin, Patrick, Isle of Man.



Sydney and Edna Boulton, Isle of Man, group of relatives.

L to R: Charles Quane, Man.; Iris (Quirk) Adshead, Eng.; Doris Quane, Man.; Gertie (Clarke) Scokum, Rochester, N. Y.; Maryellen (Robison) Hindrichs, Wy.; Irene (Quirk) Curphey, N.S.; Phyllis (Quane) Dobbyn, Man.; Edna (Clarke) Harbottle, Man.; James (Cashin) Robison, Neb.; Lawrence (Cashin) Quane, Man.; 10 first cousins.



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# News and Christmas Greetings from the Manx Societies

## TORONTO MANX SOCIETY

An unexpected meeting was held on June 8th at the home of Alice and Peter Foster to welcome special guests to Ontario from the Isle of Man. These guests of the Ontario Government were Mr. Clifford Irving, M.H.K., Mr. John Radcliffe, M.H.K., Mrs. John Radcliffe, Mr. Norman Radcliffe, M.H.K., and Robert Quayle, Clerk of Tynwald. The Manx group were in Ontario for only one week but managed to see a lot in that short time. The visit was a reciprocation of the Millennium visit by Ontario Government representatives to the Island.

Our annual picnic on September 6th was a most enjoyable day with 24 members present. The Annual General Meeting on October 18th resulted in the re-election of the current officers. They are: President - Phyllis Linsley, Treasurer - Dot Hall, Secretary - Marion Welton, and Social Convener - Kelly Welton.

Many members of the N.A.M.A. know Bill Beddow and will join with us in congratulating him on once again becoming the champion bowler of his Toronto league. Bill is 87 years of age and remains remarkably active and has a wonderful spirit.

Our next meeting will be the Christmas Party on December 13. We look forward to seeing most of our members on that occasion.

Ollick Ghennel Erriu as Blien Feer Vie Seihll as Slaynt da'n Slane Lught-Thie  
A merry Christmas to you and a Good Year,

Luck and Health to the Whole House.

Marion Welton, Sec.

229 Bond St. N.

Hamilton, Ont. L8S 3W8

## PEORIA MANX SOCIETY

Here is our Christmas Greeting:  
"May the Good Will and Peace of this Christmas Season be yours throughout the coming year".

Jean Callister Martzluft, Sec.

Van Buren Street.

Brimfield, Ill. 61517

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## CLEVELAND MANX SOCIETY

With the 1980 N.A.M.A. convention over, our society is resuming its local activities. We are pleased (and proud!) to have active members in both the N.A.M.A. and the Cleveland Manx Society.

In November, we had a Manx Mhelliah. Donations of food brought in by members were turned over to the minister of the church where we meet, for distribution to needy families at Thanksgiving.

December 14th, our annual Christmas party and dinner was held at the Rocky River Sheraton Inn. This yearly event brings a good turnout for to many, it signals the start of the festive season. All enjoy the fellowship and really sing out together the old favorite Christmas carols.

Christmas . . . excited children, happy gatherings, carols, gifts, decorated cities and stores, and tables laden with traditional foods. But let us not forget the true meaning of the day and what we are really celebrating. May we yet have peace on earth and good will to all men - everywhere. It is in that spirit our officers and members remember all our kin and friends all around the world. We wish for each one - A joyous holiday season and a good New Year.

(Mrs.) Margaret Kennish Krach

319 Ridgeview Drive

Seven Hills, OH 44131

## A CHRISTMAS MESSAGE FROM THE LADIES' AUXILIARY

*"Never a Christmas morning,  
Never the old year ends,  
But someone thinks of someone -  
Old days, old times, old friends."*

*The Officers and Members of the Ladies' Auxiliary to the N.A.M.A. send to all the Manx people - to all our "old friends" - our best wishes for peace and joy in the Christmas season and good health and happiness in the coming year.*

IRENE CURPHEY

President

AMO FISHER

Secretary-Treasurer

## WORLD MANX ASSOCIATION

To MANX people throughout the World:-

Wishing you all a Christmas and New Year full of happiness and good health.

*"May joy be at your table  
And rest upon each chair  
And may there be no sadness  
For those assembled there."*

Doris M. Clague - President

John J. Quilliam - Chairman

Mary Weller - Secretary

Bea Cain - Minutes Secretary

## SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA MANX SOCIETY

Season's Greetings to All!!

Unfortunately, none of our members were able to attend the Convention in Halifax, Nova Scotia. But both the Bains and Kinleys won prizes in the Raffle which Marge Weber, President of the San Diego Manx Society, brought back to California with her. The Bains and Kinleys traveled to San Diego to join the San Diego members for a picnic, where Marge delivered their prizes.

Joyce Kinley visited the I.O.M. in July with her daughter, Susan, son, Fraser; daughter-in-law Sharon and grandson, Andrew. Whilst over, she joined the World Manx on one of their outings, and was also present at the presentation of the farewell gift to the Lieutenant Governor and Lady Paul.

The Kinleys spent a most pleasant afternoon with Cath Cannell and three sons from Vancouver, Canada who were on the Island at the same time.

Recently, Malcolm and Joyce Kinley drove to Ojai to visit Mrs. Jenny McDonnell, whom they have known from the time they lived in Vancouver, Canada. They were all members of the Vancouver Manx Society. Mrs. McDonnell had just returned from the Convention, and had a wonderful time there.

We will be having our annual Christmas party in early December. All of the members of our Society send their Christmas greetings and wishes for a Happy New Year to all members of N.A.M.A.

Joyce Kinley, Sec.

2816 Shantar Dr.

Costa Mesa, Cal. 92626

## SAN DIEGO MANX SOCIETY

Greetings From San Diego!

This is the end of our second year in existence and we have become a very close, congenial group of friends. Each meeting sees new faces among us so we are slowly growing and we look forward to greeting many new ones in the New Year.

We had a picnic at the end of September and heard Marge and Don Weber's report on their trip to the convention. The most exciting news from that report is the convention of 1982 will be in San Diego. Hooray!! Plans for the big event are already under way and everyone is ready and willing to help.

We wish every one a very Merry Christmas and a New Year full of love and peace.

Mickey Gemeroy  
Sec.-Treas.

## VANCOUVER MANX SOCIETY

Hello everyone, here in Vancouver we are approaching our last event of the year, a Manx Tea which will be held probably the first week of December. Our annual picnic was held this year, appropriately on July 5th, Tynwald Day. Unfortunately the weather wasn't particularly good but we managed to enjoy ourselves in spite of this with about 30 members in attendance.

Our society lost a member of long standing in the person of John Cannell who was killed in an industrial accident on the 30th of June, 1980. John was a past President of the Vancouver Manx Society and also served on the committee for many years and is survived by his wife Catherine, three sons Geoffrey, Donald and Robert, an older brother Bill, and his twin sister Florence Tregellis, our President.

We recently enjoyed the company of Sydney and Edna Boulton from Ramsey, I.O.M., here in Vancouver of the final leg of their Canadian visit after attending the N.A.M.A. convention. It was good to see them, and chat about old times, and a quick series of phone calls resulted in about 20 people gathering at our home to welcome the Boultons and enjoy their company.

Finally the President, executive and members of the Vancouver Manx Society send Christmas greetings and Best Wishes for 1981 to the N.A.M.A. and all its members.

Peter Tregellis, Sec.  
10260 Shell Rd.  
Richmond, B.C.

## BISBEE MANX SOCIETY

Bisbee Manx is still perking along. We have had well attended meetings for the months of September and October and are looking forward to the November meeting will be held at the home of Ruth Bonham. We are glad to have Ruth back in our midst as she has been a very ill person for such a long time. Also glad to welcome Louisa Renner as a guest.

We are looking forward to the holidays when quite a few of us will be going away to be with our children.

The Hughes took a trip to Ohio to see Kathryn's mother and are planning to go again to spend the holidays.

Our President Helen McKay is currently in California where she has been a bridesmaid at her granddaughter's wedding.

We continue to play Bingo but due to the high cost of little things for prizes have decided to give dimes instead which is working out just fine.

We wish you all an old-fashioned Merry Christmas and a Wonderful New Year with the joy of family, the happiness of friends and the Love of Christmas.

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

## GREETINGS

The beautiful coloring of brilliant reds, yellows and bronzes on the trees along the Genesee River banks below my window is rapidly giving away to bare branches. Soon these banks will be covered with snow.

It is then that we realize that the summer is over and the Holiday Season will soon be here. It is time again to greet old friends near and far, and to recall other years and other good friends.

I hope that each of you will have a Happy Holiday Season, filled with Happy Days, and that the New Year will be a Healthy and Prosperous year.

Alice Garrett  
Honorary President,  
Ladies Aux.



Would all our contributors to the NAMA Bulletin PLEASE type their news, articles and items on a separate sheet of paper, DOUBLE SPACED, and please adhere to the deadline date as stated in the reminder notices.

Thank you,  
The Editor.

## GREATER WASHINGTON D.C. AREA MANX SOCIETY

The Christmas Season is once more upon us and the officers and members of the Greater Washington D.C. Area Manx Society send greetings and good wishes to all Manx friends all over the world for a Merry Christmas and a most Happy New Year.

John W. Comish  
President  
Mary E. Hayslett  
Secretary

## ROCHESTER MANX

The few Manx Folk still in Rochester remember other years and other friends, and the good times enjoyed by all.

We send greetings to all good friends for a Merry Christmas Season and a Happy and Healthy New Year.

Alice Garrett  
Regional Director  
Rochester, New York

## MINNESOTA MANX SOCIETY

The next meeting of the Manx Society of Minnesota will be held December 4, 1980 at Point of France Apartments, 6566 France Avenue South, Minneapolis, Minnesota.

Several of our members attended the North American Manx Association Convention and will give their reports, accompanied by a colored slide presentation. There will be an election of directors and officers for the coming year.

All of the members of our Society extend their Christmas greetings and wishes for a Happy New Year to all members of the North American Manx Association.

T. R. Anderson  
President  
Suite 450, 1000 Hwy. 55 West,  
Minneapolis, Minn. 55441

## THREE BIGGEST FIBS EVER TOLD —

"The cheque is in the mail"  
"This is my last cigarette" and  
"I'm from the government and I'm here to help you".

Now for six heartwarming statements in the English language -  
"I love You."  
"Dinner is served."  
"All is forgiven."  
"You can sleep until noon."  
"Keep the change."  
"You've lost weight, haven't you?"

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## KNOW YOUR ANCESTORS

by Mrs. Robert S. Cowin  
1223 West Melrose Drive  
Westlake, Ohio 44145

This month we conclude the LIST OF MANX FISHING BOATS by featuring SMALL NICKEYS.

### SMALL NICKEYS

	NAME	SKIPPER
	Empress	J. Quine
	Condor	Daniel Sheard
	Emu	Ben Gregor
	Queen Bee	T. Corris
126	Liberty	G. Gony
	Lydia	W. Kelly
61	Pimento	W. Quyle
	Bonnie Kate	Jule Seave
8	Pearl	J. Collin
	Silica	T. Coll
	Henritta	J. Corkill
	Midge	T. Gregor
	Swift	Caesar Cowell
	Surprise	T. Gregor
	Rover's Pride	T. Quirk
	Glance	Jas. Gony
	Agnes	J. Shimmin

It has been very encouraging and interesting to hear from so many of our readers and to find that they have found this information helpful. It is by sharing our information with others that we all gain... not only in helping to trace our roots but in friendships formed.

Do YOU have something in your research that you would like to share? Just drop me a line, at the above address, and we will be glad to include it in some future issue of the Bulletin.

### LADIES' AUXILIARY TO N.A.M.A.

As President of the Ladies' Auxiliary I would like to thank all members and friends who so kindly donated hand crafts and gifts to our Craft Table, financially we did very well. I would also like to thank all those who helped sell the goods, they did an excellent job. Thanks also go to Edith and Lenora Cox for the favours they made for the ladies' luncheon, unfortunately these were mislaid, they will grace the tables of the Liverpool Historical Society, with apologies to the Misses Cox.

It was with regret that we received the resignation of two of our long standing members, Mrs. Amy Abell, Hon. Pres., and Miss Elinor Cain, Secretary-Treasurer.

A very Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year to our members and all members of the N.A.M.A. Perhaps this would be a good time to start working on the Craft Table for 1982 when the Convention will be held in San Diego, California. Health and Happiness to all.

Maureen Chamberlain, President

## GREETINGS FROM N.A.M.A. EXECUTIVE

May you all have a joyous Christmas and a happy, healthy and prosperous New Year.

## NORTH AMERICAN MANX ASSOCIATION FINANCIAL STATEMENT August 1, 1979 - July 31, 1980

On Hand		\$13,083.02
Receipts		
Dues	\$3,066.59	
Memorials	79.00	
Membership Certificates	30.00	
Interest	623.11	
Conventions	368.15	
Gifts	19.56	
Exchange	44.77	
Total Receipts		4,141.64
Disbursements		
Editor's Expenses	440.00	
Treasurer's Expenses	240.62	
Printing - Bulletin	1,548.05	
Millenium Medals	1,118.75	
Allowances	600.00	
Convention	273.98	
Meeting Expense	731.00	
Miscellaneous	134.77	
Total Disbursements		\$5,087.17
Balance on Hand 7/31/80		\$12,137.49
Account Balances at 7/31/80		
Orland State Bank - Checking Account		\$ 453.73
Orland State Bank - Savings Account		10,299.84
Royal Bank of Canada		1,383.92
Total		\$12,137.49

### N.A.M.A. MEMBERSHIP

Type	7/73	8/74	6/76	8/77	8/78	8/79	8/80
Regular	487	412	436	415	469	526	544
Life & Honorary	39	42	47	60	74	80	88
	526	455	483	475	543	606	632
Associate	68	82	72	81	79	91	101
Society	12	8	7	7	9	8	12
Junior	4	17	13	12	5	3	3

### NEW MEMBERS

Regular & Life	36	45	50	35	99	120	85
Associate							11
							Clarence Creer

### ISLE OF MAN

#### LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL

North American Manx  
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### HERITAGE AWARD 1980 - MUSIC

The Committee of the Manx Music Festival have proposed that the Heritage Award for Music for 1980 should go to Miss Mary Mann for her outstanding performance in the 1980 Guild.

The Director of Education and his Musical Adviser agree with this award and so do I.

I see no point in calling a special meeting to discuss this matter unless you have strong feelings about it.

I shall be glad, therefore, to have your approval to my announcement of this award.

No recommendations have been received in Manx Language or Manx Arts and Crafts for 1980/81.

Major G. T. Crellin, M.L.C., J.P.

### OUR OWN PEOPLE

Bulletin Editor, Hilda Penrice had a most pleasant visit with Clarence and Mona Creer of Orland Park, Illinois on July 15th, 1980, they were passing through Georgetown, Ontario on their way to visit with Mona's brother who lives in Toronto. Clarence is the popular Treasurer of N.A.M.A.

## OBITUARIES

**CAINE.** Walter E., died on October 3rd, 1979 of Houston, Texas, the late Mr. Caine was born April 4th 1908, his grandfather came from Ramsey, Isle of Man and settle in Michigan in the late 1800s.

During August and September 1979, Mr. and Mrs. Caine spent six weeks on the Island staying in Andreas and Port St. Mary, they were accompanied by their three sons and their wives and Mr. Caine's secretary, it was their third visit to the Isle of Man, Mr. Caine was a fine photographer and his family have a complete record of the visit and happy memories.

The late Mr. Caine was a Life member of the N.A.M.A., as are his three sons, he is survived by his wife Jeanette W., three sons, Stephen H. of Pasadena, Calif; Edward A. of Alexandria, VA; and Martin S. of Memphis, Tenn; grandchildren Stephen E. of Alexandria, Va; and Jeanette Helen of Memphis, Tenn.

**CANNELL** - Suddenly on June 30th 1980, in his 48th year, John Cannell. He is survived by his wife Catherine (nee Jopson) and three sons, Geoffrey, Donald and Robert; one brother, William of Richmond, B.C. The late Mr. Cannell was a long time member of the Vancouver Manx Society, he held the office of President and also served on the Committee for many years. Funeral services were held on Friday July 4th, 1980.

**CAVEEN.** Fred, died on May 26th, 1980 after a long illness in his 90th year. The late Mr. Caveen was a great Manxman and his interest was in all things Manx and the Isle of Man. He first settled in Montreal, Canada, later residing in Toronto, Ontario for many years.

It can truly be said he was "Mr. Manxman" he gave a helping hand to young Manx emigrants, providing accommodation until they got on their feet and settled into their new life in Canada.

He was founding member of the Toronto Manx Society, until his health failed he was a regular attender at the meetings. He held the office of President of N.A.M.A. in 1957, 1958 and 1960, at the time of his death he was Hon. Vice President of N.A.M.A. He leaves to mourn his loss, his wife Dolly, his family and grandchildren.

**CLUCAS.** James, died on July 19th, 1980 on the Isle of Man, loving husband of Annie Cashin Clucas, father of Brian and Barbara, grandfather of four. The late Mr. Clucas a long time member of N.A.M.A. was Uncle of Elizabeth Clucas, Secretary of N.A.M.A. He was the youngest of nine children and in his younger days worked in Cleveland, Ohio, he returned to the Isle of Man and lived in retirement in Port St. Mary, latterly residing at the Corrin House, Port St. Mary, Isle of Man.

**CUBBON.** Miss Ruth H., passed away on June 4th 1980 in Escondido, Calif., after a long illness, she was born in Issaquah, Wash., on November 14th 1894, one of six children born to Thomas and Margaret (nee Kenneough) Cubbon of Issaquah, Wash., they had six children, Edith, Elizabeth, Margaret, Ruth, Nelson and William (deceased). Edith was the eldest daughter and was well known in Manx circles notable the N.A.M.A., as were all the family, Edith was the only child born on the Isle of Man.

Memorial services were held for the late Miss Ruth Cubbon on June 6th, cremation and interment was in Washington Cemetery Family grave. She is survived by her brother Nelson; sister Mrs. Elizabeth Reed of Escondido, several neices and nephews, Mr. and Mrs. Brad Merrill and their two sons and daughter, cousins Charles J. Cubbon and his wife Dorinda, Ellan Bain (nee Cubbon) wife of Donald Bain of California. Another sister, Mrs. Margaret Laney and her husband of Washington State also survive. Miss Cubbon will be greatly missed by her family and friends.

**FRISBY.** Mrs. Ethel Isobel, (Costain), of Kemptville, Ontario, Canada, on July 22nd, 1980 at the age of 87.

The late Mrs. Frisby was a long time member of N.A.M.A. and was well known to our members, she was born on the Isle of Man, but had resided in Canada for many years, she is survived by one son James of Ottawa, Ontario, Canada.

**QUAYLE.** Kenneth M., Sr., of Eaton, Colorado, died April 10th 1980 at Weld County General Hospital, at the age of 76. Kenneth Quayle was a descendant of Elizabeth Caine Quayle and John Quayle of Bagley, Iowa. Elizabeth was born in Ballasalla, Isle of Man and christened at Malew Parish Church near Castletown, Isle of Man. Mr. Quayle was very proud of his Manx heritage.

He lived on the same farm in the Ault area until he retired in 1970, he and his wife Florence Schuster whom he married in 1925 then moved to Eaton.

He was a member of the First Congregational Church at Ault, Eaton Lodge #109 AF and AM, Colorado Consistory #1, AASRM, El Jebel Temple, Eaton Chapter #67 OES, Faith Court #18, Amaranth, Mahi Shrine #18, White Shrine, Greeley Shrine Club, Poudre Valley Lodge #12 IOOF, North American Manx Association, AARP and the Colorado Cattle Feeders Association.

He is survived by his wife Florence; two sons, Kenneth W. Jr. of Ault and Robert J. of Pueblo; one brother, Earl of Ault; four grandchildren, Mrs. Pat Creque Mylroie now of Boynton Lawler of Eaton; David and John of Beach Florida; and Casey of Pittsburgh.

**ROHRBOUGH.** Elsie Corrin, died August 12th, 1980, born in Castletown, Isle of Man, the late Mrs. Rohrbough was a resident of South Gate, she came to California in 1905 and lived in South Gate 47 years.

Mrs. Rohrbough was educated at San Diego State College and the University of Washington - teaching at schools in Seattle, Wash., Long Beach, Cal., and the Los Angeles City School, her last position at Elizabeth Street School in South Gate. She was a member of the First United Methodist Church in Huntington Park, the Women's Club of South Gate, Golden Girls of Jordan Golden Bowl Masonic Lodge and the COGs Trailer Group.

Mrs. Rohrbough was very proud of her Manx heritage, she left the Island when only one year old and returned in 1976 to attend the N.A.M.A. Convention, she was a member of the Southern California Manx Society.

She is survived by her husband Stan of South Gate; daughter Corrine Merritt of Camarillo; brothers Mully Corrin; Douglas R. Corrin; sister Mrs. Trevor T. Bryant of Seattle, Washington; son-in-law Captain E. A. Merritt of the U.S. Naval Reserve; grandsons Ernest II, Mark Scott and Jon Merritt.

**ZURHORST.** Mrs. Susan Mylroie, on Tuesday, August 5th, 1980 following a lengthy illness, Susan Mylroie Zurhorst of Roque Bluffs died at Down East Community Hospital, Machias, Maine. Mrs. Zurhorst was formerly Librarian in Charge at Machias's Porter Memorial Library, she also served as a special Archivist at this same Library, cataloging the collection of rare books and manuscripts dealing with the history and folk lore of the State of Maine.

In her younger life, she was a professional singer, actress and fashion model in Washington, Chicago and New York, she was also a member of the Columbia Light Opera Company, the American Federation of T.V. and Radio Artists and the American Guild of Variety Artists. She received her training at the Peabody Conservatory of Music and Catholic University's College of Speech and Drama. At the time of her death, she was a member of the N.A.M.A., the Maine Library Association, the Daughters of the American Revolution and the U. S. Coast Guard Alumni Association. She had just completed a three year term as a Selectman in the town of Roque Bluffs.

Mrs. Zurhorst was proud of her Manx heritage, she was born in Worthington, Ohio, the daughter of the late John Miller Mylroie and Kathryn Ault; four grandchildren, Mrs. Pat Creque Mylroie now of Boynton Beach Florida. She is survived by her husband Charles S. Zurhorst; her son

Craig G. Zurhorst; her stepson Charles S. Zurhorst III; his family, her mother, three brothers and two sisters.

A memorial service was held on Sunday August 10th 1980 at the Kennebec Baptist Church.

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To those members sending in Obituaries please include the name and address of next of kin.

To relatives and friends of the above we offer our deep and sincere Sympathy.

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## MEMORIAL FUND

What better way is there to remember a Manx friend or relative than the sending of a Memorial to the N.A.M.A. The funds will be put to good use. The 1978 Membership Directory was the last Memorial Fund project. Others will be carried out as funds become available. Appropriate acknowledgements will be sent for each memorial received. Send remittances to: C. E. Creer, Treas., 14228 Union Ave., Orland Park, Ill 60462.

## NEW

### N.A.M.A. LAPEL PINS

The distinctive new N.A.M.A. pins were on sale at the 1980 Convention, they are beautiful in design in white and gold, it depicts the emblem as printed on the front page of the N.A.M.A. Bulletin, showing the Three Legs of Man, the Eagle of U.S.A. and the Maple Leaf of Canada, with the words North American Manx Association "Preserving our Ancient Heritage".

Members of N.A.M.A. will be proud to wear this badge, to obtain yours please send \$2.00 (per pin) enclosing a stamped self-addressed envelope mail to Elizabeth Clucas, 1541 East, 191st., Apt. K 605, Euclid, Ohio 44117; Canadian members please contact - Margaret Joughin, 5015 Clanranald Ave., Apt. 16, Montreal, Quebec, Canada H3X 2S3.

Societies may order in quantity.

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## MANX WEDDIN'S

The marriage took place on Saturday, November 8th, 1980, of Mr. James Clucas, youngest son of Mr. and Mrs. Norman Clucas, Webster Groves, Mo., to Miss Linda Spquist, they will be making their home in Elk Grove, Illinois.

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## MEMORIAL ROLL

(As printed in N.A.M.A. Bulletins)

*Almighty God, we remember before Thee Thy faithful servants, and we pray Thee that, having opened to them the gates of larger life, Thou wilt receive them more and more into Thy joyful service; that they may win, with Thee and Thy servants everywhere, the eternal victory, through Jesus Christ our Lord, Amen.*

1978 - 1980

Helen Cromer	7.13.78
Margaret Anthony	7.25.78
Sheldon Gardner	11.30.78
William Brown	1.17.79
Francis Cain	3.4.79
Nell Frame	1979
Mrs. Frank Holaday	April 1979
Arnold Corrin	4.15.79
Gertrude Sargeson	6.4.79
Ethel Brown	10.30.79
Stephen Quinney	1979
John Looney	11.11.79
Barbara Duffy	11.29.79
Lily Harrison	12.6.79
Theresa Quilliam	12.24.79
Alice Walker	1.5.80
Mary Brew	1980
Evan Cain	1980
Hilda Corlett	2.7.80
Greeba Malekin	1980
Sam Penrice	2.17.80
Eslie Cannell	2.29.80
Mrs. Anton Lawson	3.30.80
Mary Christian	4.17.80
Ivy Christian	4.11.80
Lottie Watterson	1980
James Clucas	1980
Fred Caveen	1980
Ruth Cubbon	6.4.80
Walter E. Caine	11.3.79
Mrs. Ethel Frisby	7.22.80
Mrs. Susan Zurhorst	8.5.80
Kenneth M. Quayle Sr.	10.4.80
Elsie Rohrbough	12.8.80

## DUTCH CHRISTMAS

The real Dutch Christmas is celebrated on December 5 and 6 - with St. Nicholas (Sinterklass) and his black servant "Black Peter" (Zwartepiet) as the central figures. According to legend, they arrive on their horse from Spain. They distribute gifts to "good" children and use their switch on the "bad" ones.

About two weeks before December 5, when Canadian children are just beginning to turn their thoughts to Santa Claus, Dutch children put their shoes under the chimney, with a list of presents they desire, and with bread and straw for St. Nicholas' horse. The next morning the bread and straw are gone and the Christmas season is officially welcomed!

The night of December 5 is "the" night in Holland! All generations of families gather together, and presents are exchanged.

## CHAPLAIN'S CORNER

Since Christmas is a time for special sharing, I would like to share with you some words from Dr. Paul Hammer, theologian:

"The meaning of Christmas is always deeper than any words can express. It is a 'happening', whose meaning is best conveyed ... with the symbols of a star, a stable, and a manger.

"The Light of the world shines in the darkness and streams forth from the lowliest birth of a babe. Yet the life of that babe ended with his death on a tree. That death climaxed the self-giving love with which the God of all creation covers the earth - a love that is the Light of the world.

"Christmas does not celebrate a sentimental retreat from the world of human struggle and tragedy. It celebrates the presence of a love whose light is able to shatter the darkness of our lives and bring good news of great joy in the midst of our real world. Where love reigns, light shines. And the darkness cannot put it out! He is here for each and for all. He is here to illuminate the hurts and brokenness of human life and to bring his healing and joy to the world."

So be it! Amen! May God bless each of you with the joy of His presence this Christmas.

Herbert G. Kelly

## GIFTS TO CLAGUE HOUSE MUSEUM

At our recent convention in Halifax, Nova Scotia, Mrs. Robert Cowin, Past President, was presented with two gifts to be given to the Clague House Museum in Westlake, Ohio by Rev. and Mrs. Herbert G. Kelly and Mr. and Mrs. George Culphey.

Rev. Kelly donated a book of old views of the Isle of Man to the Museum Library, and the Culpheys donated a hand painted N.A.M.A. plate.

Other recent gifts to the Museum by N.A.M.A. members include: a booklet entitled "Constitution & Bylaws of Sons of Man" from Alice Garrett; an enamel tea Kettle from Peel from Mrs. Edith Gurney; a shaving mug, soap jar and moustache cup from the I.O.M. donated by Mrs. C. Folwell; two cloth puzzles and a tatting shuttle from the Cleveland Manx Society; a phonograph record of Manx songs, a Manx flag and a map from the Isle of Man from the Tourist Board.

The Museum sincerely appreciates these acquisitions.

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