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

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PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

The 1982 Convention is now history, and we're already looking forward to the 1984 Convention in Minneapolis. It was so very nice to meet and greet friends we've met at former conventions, but it was especially delightful to make so many new friends, many of whom had never been to a convention. We hope all of you will want to be with us next time. Our greatest regret was that so few of our Canadian members could not be with us. Even though we tried to keep the cost at a minimum, that Canadian dollar really played havoc with our plans. Hopefully the exchange will be much more equal in 1984.

A great big thank you to Marge Weber and all of the San Diego Manx, who helped so very much to make the Convention such a great success. Because of their efforts, planning a Convention from nearly 3,000 miles away was made relatively easy.

I would like to take this opportunity to thank you for your confidence in me by electing me as your president. While I feel quite inadequate, I will try to do the very best job I possibly can. If any of you have any suggestions for ways to improve the Association in any way, I would be glad to hear them.

By now, you should have received word of the planned Homecoming on 1983. Mr. Lowey, M.H.K., has assured us of a wonderful vacation in the Isle of Man, so I hope many of you will be able to make the trip. While it will not be a convention, there will be planned activities that will keep you busy much of the time, but still allow plenty of time to visit with friends and relatives and sight-see on your own.

Many of you have asked about having a Convention on the island. Several years ago, the executive board voted to forego that idea because of the monumental problems involved. The officers are kept busy for long periods of time and do not get the opportunity to see friends and relatives, it is expensive and awkward to get the paraphernalia and souvenir books over there, and hotel meeting space is difficult to acquire. Thus,

homecomings will be planned periodically, but not Conventions on the island.

At this, one of the most beautiful times of the year, Ray, my Mother, and I would like to wish all of you a most Merry Christmas, and a happy and prosperous New Year.

Mona Haldeman,
President

CHRISTMAS GREETINGS

The President and Executive Officers of the North American Manx Association would like to wish all members and friends of N.A.M.A. and to Manx people throughout the world - "A joyous Christmas filled with warmth and love and a Happy and Healthy New Year".

*"Christmas with dear ones
And good old friends
In a circle of love
That never ends".*

MANX HOMECOMING GETS GO—AHEAD 1983

Following the North American Manx Association Convention - 1982, it is now confirmed that there will be a Homecoming of Manx exiles from Canada, U.S.A. and many other parts of the world in the summer of 1983.

Tentative dates scheduled are June 30th to July 14th or 21st, 1983. The Isle of Man Tourist Board Representative very kindly offered to be our Host during our stay and will arrange the hotel reservations and royal entertainment - all we have to do is book our airline seat.

The Palace Hotel, Douglas, Isle of Man, will be our Headquarters, many events will be planned for our enjoyment such as - Laxey Fair, a Viking Banquet in Peel, Steam train and horse tram rides, concerts, Tynwald, visits to Castletown, Port Erin, and Ramsey to name a few.

Our Secretary - Miss Elizabeth Clucas has been very busy, by now all our members have been contacted by letter giving you the news about the Homecoming to the Isle of Man in 1983.

There is no time to lose, fill in the preliminary reservation on the bottom of the letter and mail promptly to the Sec. Miss Elizabeth Clucas, 1541 East 191st St., Apt K605, Euclid, Ohio 44117.

The official reservation form, prices and final details will be found in this issue of the Bulletin, start to make your plans NOW.

If you have never been to the Isle of Man on a Manx Homecoming, you don't know what you have been missing, did you know the "First Great Manx Homecoming" was held in 1927, from Saturday, June 4th to Tuesday, July 5th. A great programme was laid on for the Manx Exiles, there would be about 350 passengers bound for Douglas, the "Homcomers" sailed from Montreal, Canada on the White Star liner "Albertic".

Let's see if we can top this figure, START MAKING YOUR PLANS NOW!

SPECIAL INSERT "HOMECOMING" ISLE OF MAN - 1983 FINAL RESERVATION INFORMATION

Would all members please read carefully the special insert in this edition of the Bulletin, our Secretary, Miss Elizabeth Clucas has gone to a great deal of trouble to obtain this information, although June & July seem very far away, the intervening months will pass quickly. START YOUR PLANNING NOW! and please remember the deadline date for reservations - JANUARY 31st, 1983.

The last N.A.M.A. Homecoming to the Isle of Man was in 1962, two Conventions were held over there, the first - 1970, and 1976. Let us make this a Great Success and a Memorable event.

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CELEBRATING CHRISTMAS

Christmas celebrations in the Island
have changed completely during the
present century, losing most of their
distinctive Manx character, but a few
of the old customs still remain, and
some of us would like to see more of
them revived. For one thing, they
were considerably less sophisticated
and expensive than many of the things
people do today, and that is a
consideration when there is a family to
provide for.

Take Christmas decorations, for
instance. Christmas trees were virtually
unknown. There was no tinsel, frost
powder, fairy lights or coloured paper
decorations, and very few people sent
Christmas cards except to absent relatives.
Instead, we used decorations which were
straight from Nature and obtained from the
Manx countryside: holly and fir branches,
ivy with the berried kind touched with lime
on each berry, mistletoe, which grew in
several of the Northside glens, apples and
pears and nuts, which were used as
decorations before being eaten, candles and
rushlights burning in many places around
the house, and sometimes Christmas roses
from a sheltered garden.

Every house had its Kissing Bush
suspended from the ceiling either just
inside the entrance or in the kitchen, and a
favourite focal point for the decorations in
the kitchen, which was the main living-
room, was a large Three Legs drawn on
brown paper with ivy and holly leaves
stitched on to cover the design and a bunch
of red berries in the centre. Then the paper
was cut away at the back and the finished
decoration fixed up over the chiollagh, or
fireplace. The decorations had a long life,
for they were put up on December 21st
ready for the first Giense, or party, and not
taken down until Shrove Tuesday when
they were burnt under the cooking
pancakes.

On Christmas Eve the local fiddler went
the rounds "on the Unnysup" wishing
everyone "Ollick Gennal as Blein Vie Noa"
(Merry Christmas and a Good New Year),
and at each house he was given the "Jough-
y-Dorrys-y-Nollick", the Drink at the Door
for Christmas. Then in the evening
everyone went to church for the Oie'll
Voirrey, the Christmas Mass followed by
carol-singing to which everyone brought a
candle so that the church, already
decorated, was a blaze of light and colour.
At this service, too, the local poets sang the
new carols they had composed - and were
sometimes "given the bird" by girls who
had brought a pocketful of dried peas for
this purpose, the carollers always being

men. The carol-singing went on for most of
the night, and the traditional breakfast on
Christmas Day was a substantial one of
Sollaghyn, a dish of crisped oatmeal in a
delicious savoury sauce or broth, followed
by home-cured bacon eaten with soda-cake
and blackberry jam, with dough or
buttermilk to drink.

WHITE BOYS

Sometimes on December 23rd, sometimes
on Christmas evening, the White Boys went
their rounds performing the Mummings'
Play and dance. The characters were the
King of Egypt and his son, St. George,
Prince Valentine, the Turkish Knight,
Sambo, the King's Negro servant and the
Doctor, with two Soldiers who only took
part in the dance. They all wore white
suits and tall white hats made of pasteboard
decorated with painted designs and long
paper streamers, and carried shields
painted with heraldic devices and swords
with which they first fenced and then
danced finally raising the Doctor on the
woven swords and carrying him off. He
was not in white but in a black suit and hat,
which he raised and waved as he was
carried off.

The White Boys usually performed at the
Christmas Giense, often at two or three
going on in different houses on Christmas
night. Theirs was a special ritual dance,
but for everyone at the Giense (or party)
there was general dancing to the playing of
the local fiddler, and very often the Giense
took place in the swept and decorated barn
lighted by lanterns hanging from the
beams, where there was more room for
dancing than in the kitchen; or if it
happened to be a light Christmas (round
full moon) and the weather was dry and
frosty, some of the dancing was outside in
road or haggard.

The big Christmas supper was always
eaten in the warm kitchen, and after it
songs and stories would go on for most of
the night, and songs were often kept up as
people walked home to get an hour or two of
sleep before the next day's celebrations.

MANX SCHOLAR

Mr. Timothy Parrott, of Iowa City,
is presently studying the Manx
language on his own, he would very
much like to correspond with other
Manx learners, he believes that
capabilities with the language could
be improved by practicing through the
mail.

So to all you Manx scholars out
there, would you please get in touch
with Mr. Parrott, his address is as
follows — Mr. Timothy Parrott,
1128 Spruce Street, Iowa City, IA.
52240.

ATTENTION HOMECOMERS 1983

We have received word from Mr.
Philip Kirkwood, of Palace Travel,
Douglas, Isle of Man, that they have a
list of current air fares to the Island
from the States, and would be glad to
help anyone in any way they can. If
you wish to seek their help with
reservations etc., please write direct to
Mr. Kirkwood.

LETTER FROM ELLESMERE PORT

Greetings my friends,

We have been so fortunate this year to have had two holidays in the fair and ancient land of our birth - the Isle of Man. April, for the very successful and happy Diamond Anniversary about which I have previously written and for most of the recent month of August.

It has been an exceptional year for good weather and even now, in September, we are enjoying a lovely and prolonged Indian Summer. Today, the 18th of the month the temperature registers 24° celsius.

The more time I spend amongst the Manx people the more I believe that they have an innate, shy, and special sense of humour which, in general allows them to laugh at life's absurdities and at the same time demonstrate an uncommon cheerfulness in the face of most adversity.

Thomas Carlyle wrote: "Give us, oh, give us the man who sings at his work! He will do more in the same time - he will do it better - he will persevere longer. One is scarcely sensible of fatigue while he marches to music. Wondrous is the strength of cheerfulness: efforts to be permanently useful, must be uniformly joyous, a spirit all sunshine, graceful from very gladness, beautiful because bright."

What a lovely sentiment. I would be thrilled to explore further this facet of human nature which must be a virtue. However, I am aware of your very successful Convention this year and I realize the demand on the Magazine's space and my dear Editor's time. Already I can imagine 'her Brows like bended Bows, threatening with piercing frown, etc.' - I will away - enough is enough.

ALL THAT GLISTERS IS NOT GOLD

The late Mr. J. Q. Killey was our headmaster at Albert Road School, Ramsey, some fifty years ago. A large, handsome imposing man, - erudite, charming. A great teacher - he understood the reasoning of children - its province and its limits. Above all, he dispensed immense personal authority with wisdom and kindness.

Oliver Goldsmith may well have penned these line especially for JQK: "A man severe he was, and stern to view, I knew him well, and every truant knew: Well had the boding tremblers learn'd to trace, The days disasters in his morning face;

Full well they laughed with counterfeited glee

At all his jokes, for many a joke had he;

Full well the busy whisper circling round,

Convey'd the dismal tidings when he frown'd;

Yet he was kind, etc., etc.,"

I was sitting on a seat on Ramsey's South Promenade one day recently - toward the end of August. It was a lovely summer day, a refulgent day, a day when it was a luxury to draw the breath of life. For rest, my eyes strayed from the sea scene to the serene green hills of Ballure and my memory went back to a memorable day from long ago, when Mr. Killey took myself and about forty other children on a ramble, through Carmel Mount estate on the public footpath to study geological strata at Ballure Quarry. A unique and practical demonstration in the art of teaching.

After a stiff climb, the 'horde' of youngsters entered the quarry. For some time, there was a period of unusual silence, then pandemonium. Shrieks, screeches and loud cries rent the air on that afternoon in late autumn. Shouts of "gold - gold" - "To the Klondyke" etc., etc. Miraculously, it would seem, all of us were instantly rich beyond the dreams of avarice. Most of the children held chunks of granite which sparkled and scintillated with mica, quartz and small but significant flecks of gleaming gold.

The desperate but happy tide of juvenile humanity swept toward the quarry entrance where sat JQK. - like a rock on a rock, "placid, immutable, immovable. "Sir, Sir," they screamed "Gold, Sir, Gold." Their little eyes alight with that strange mad desire which is imbued by the mere sight of that precious, elusive metal. It is possible that JQK. said under his breath something like "back you mutinous mob" but, as I remember it was "steady children" as he examined the rocky specimens eagerly thrust upon him.

Then he said, "sorry children, this is not gold, - it is iron pyrites, more commonly known as fool's gold".

Then came that phrase I was never to forget - "All that glisters is not gold" he said, with a sad smile.

There was silence, consternation and looks of despair, all of which (as in the way with children) changed to expressions of complete indifference as our master took the opportunity to launch into a learned dissertation on the comprehension of precious metals and the relative values thereof.

Weary and languid, we arrived home eventually, many of us stopping

(as I remember) to climb the two cherry trees which still dwarf the errant wild garlic carpeting the riverbank at Ballure.

Perhaps on that happy day when we were so young, the great man was teaching us a moral lesson of enduring consequence.

"Turn from the glittering gold thy scornful eye: nor seek with gold what gold can never buy."

MANX NEWS

The following 'snippets' of Manx news have appeared just recently in various national newspapers:—

THE S.S. MANXMAN

The last of the traditional passenger steamers in Britain, was saved yesterday by a consortium of Lancashire businessmen after months of speculation about her future.

The purchase price is in the order of £100,000 and she is to become a Leisure Centre and Maritime Museum based either at Preston or Lancaster.

BISHOP OF THE ISLE OF MAN

The Isle of Man's outspoken Bishop, Rt. Rev. Vernon Nicholls is to retire next May. He is 65 and has been Bishop of the ancient island diocese of Sodor and Man for eight years.

The Bishop has spoken out against strip shows, drinking, gambling and Sunday markets.

BLOOMIN JUSTICE

Prisoners in the Isle of Man have won a top prize in qualifying rounds for the Britain in Bloom Contest. Their prison in Douglas has become known as the "Garden Jail" because of the quality produce grown by the bored inmates.

CONCLUSION

Soon we will be celebrating the festival of Christmas once again. Space does not permit me to fill these pages as I would wish with the memory of many a happy Christmas from the days of yore in Manxland.

Apart from the veneration due to its sacred name and origin - it is a good time, a kind forgiving, charitable, pleasant time. A time when people open up their hearts. It does us good and I say "God Bless Christmas."

Kind regards,

A Merry Christmas
and a Happy New Year.

ARTHUR BRIDSON

CHANGE OF ADDRESS

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

News and Christmas Greetings from the Manx Societies

SAN DIEGO MANX SOCIETY

San Diego Manx Society has held recent meetings in the homes of Mickey Gerneroy, Mike and Susan Okey, and Don and Marge Weber. We plan to meet six times a year, and in the near future will enjoy programs about Manx culture and history, and also will share genealogical information and articles of interest from the I.O.M.

Our first president, Susan Shimmin Okey, with her husband, Mike, and 3-year-old daughter, Katie, will be moving soon to Sacramento, Ca., where Mike has recently accepted appointment as Associate Architect with the State Department of Transportation. Kate had open heart surgery August 3, returned home on August 16, and is progressing nicely. Always a little doll, she now has lovely pink lips and pretty pink nails.

The Okeys will be greatly missed in the San Diego Manx Society; we wish them success and happiness, and hope they will find new Manx friends in the Sacramento area.

Liane Wittenkeller, one of our young members, was married on March 20 to Stephen LuVisi. Liane's great-grandparents, R. J. and Sara Kelly Corrin, were married in the I.O.M. and came to the United States early in this century. After living for a time in Colorado, they moved to Coronada, California about 1912; their descendant continue to make Coronada their home today. Joe Corrin, son of R. J. and Sara, was Liane's grandfather; his daughter, Aline, is Liane's mother. Liane and Steve were married in the United Methodist Church in Coronado, the same church in which her grandparents and her parents were married.

The Thirty-fifth Convention of the North American Manx Association was a most enjoyable experience for us here in San Diego. We were delighted that so many of you were able to come, and that we had time to visit with some of you besides enjoying the convention meetings together. It was fun learning about your Manx "roots" and "connections", and we received some helpful hints on "preserving whatever is left to us of ancient heritage". Sixty-eight rooms at Hotel San Diego were occupied by

Convention guests, and there were 190 present for the banquet on Saturday evening.

We've never seen the "Star of India" look prouder that she did on Sunday afternoon with 150 Manxmen aboard and her Manx flags flying in honor of our group. There was no charge to our Association for the "Star of India" tour, but when the hat was passed (one of Don Weber's hats, no doubt) on Sunday evening, \$126.82 was collected and a check for that amount was taken the next day to the ship, as a token of our appreciation.

Three of our San Diego Manx Society families had the privilege of entertaining in their homes guests from the I.O.M., relatives and friends who came for the Convention and stayed on to enjoy a holiday here in the United States. Mr. and Mrs. Les Quilliam of Peel visited Mr. Quilliam's cousin, Marge Weber, and her family. Mr. and Mrs. George Frederick had as their guests cousins Mr. and Mrs. Alfred Clucas and their children, David and Deidre of Peel; also Mrs. Doreen Halsall of Douglas, I.O.M. Mr. and Mrs. Brian Harrison entertained I.O.M.'s special representative to the Convention, Mr. Eddie Lowey, M.H.K. and Chairman of I.O.M. Tourist Board; and Mr. Kevin Kelly of Ballasalla, I.O.M.

At our September meeting, hosted by Cliff and Cary Quayle, eight new members joined our Society. Alice and John Zettel provided an entertaining program, presenting slides they had taken on visits to the Isle of Man. Alice will speak at our December meeting about the Manx Museum in Douglas. Brian and Hilary Harrison will be our hosts at that time, and the day will include Christmas goodies and exchange of Christmas gifts.

We would like to extend Holiday Greetings to all our Manx friends.

Our wish is that each of you will have a Joyous Christmas, Happy Holidays, and Health, Peace and Love throughout the New Year.

Doris Dobbel, Sec.
1617 Plum Street
San Diego, CAL. 92106

VANCOUVER MANX SOCIETY

The Vancouver Manx Society has had another successful year. We had a very good turnout for our Pot Luck Supper in May at the home of Dr. and Mrs. Gell. Over 60 people were in attendance and enjoying the many and varied dishes. Our annual summer picnic was held in August, unfortunately the weather was fairly uncertain at the time and it affected the number of people attending, only about 35 members and friends made it, however, everyone enjoyed themselves, especially in the sports event for young and old alike. Our next event will be our Manx Tea in November.

After attending the San Diego convention, Sydney and Edna Boulton passed through our fair city on their way home to the I.O.M. and we managed to get a few hours with them, reminiscing over old memories in the I.O.M. and catching up on the convention news.

I close by extending to all our N.A.M.A. friends, compliments and best wishes for Christmas, good luck and good fortune for 1983 from all the members of the Vancouver Manx Society.

P. Tregellis, Secretary
10260 Shell Road
Richmond, B.C.
Canada

PEORIA MANX SOCIETY

The Peoria Manx Society held their annual picnic the last Sunday in July in West Park in Elmwood. Thirty members and guests enjoyed the good food and visiting.

In October one of our members, Margaret Carter, had the misfortune to break her hip. We hope she makes a fast recovery.

"Little prayer be on your way,
Bless our friends on Christmas Day"

May the joy of Christmas be in your heart all through the New Year.

Peoria Manx Association
Jean Callister Martzluff, Sec.
133 W. Van Buren St.
Brimfield, Illinois 61517

MINNESOTA MANX SOCIETY

A meeting of the Manx Society of Minnesota was held on September 22, 1982 at Point of France apartments, Edina, Minnesota.

Pat Boehne was elected our new Treasurer and Mona Andrews our new Secretary. After the election of these officers, a report was given by Mr. and Mrs. T. R. Anderson of the North American Manx Association meeting held in San Diego in August. Our membership was very interested in the offer of Mr. Eddie Lowey, head of the Tourist Board for the Isle of Man, welcoming our members to a homecoming in July, 1983, and members were asked to report at an early date those who will be accepting the offer.

Our members were also pleased that the North American Manx Association will meet in Minneapolis the summer of 1984.

We are finding that our members are most interested in acquiring books regarding the Isle of Man and have approved a program on future acquisition of materials, books and pamphlets.

The film "Traa-Dy-Liooar" (Time Enough) regarding the Isle of Man, which was shown at the N.A.M.A. meeting in San Diego, was shown at the conclusion of our meeting. This was most enthusiastically received.

All of us here with the Manx Society of Minnesota wish to extend to all members of the North American Manx Association, their family, and friends, the warmest Holiday Greetings.

T. R. Anderson, President
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WORLD MANX ASSOCIATION

Sincerest greetings to all Manx people and descendants of Manx in their adopted countries. May their Christmas be joyous and blessed leading into a New Year of good health, content and prosperity.

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John J. Quilliam — Chairman
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Winifred Livingstone — Minuting Secretary

GALVA MANX SOCIETY

The Galva Manx Society sends our good wishes for the Thanksgiving Time and also hopes you have a blessed Christmas season.

Mildred (Craine) Fahnstrom
Galva Manx Society, Galva, Ill.

WISCONSIN MANX SOCIETY

The third meeting of the newly formed Wisconsin Manx Society was held March 28, 1982 with fifty-nine enthused members present.

President Bob Callin gave a special recognition to the "over 80" members. Recognition was also given to member Dan Brew who had recently received a Wisconsin Shepherd's Award for his outstanding record as a sheep breeder. Member Paul Maddrell, a retired engineer, gave an interesting report on how detail maps for each section of I.O.M. may be purchased from the Isle of Man Local Government Board in the Government Offices at Douglas. The maps, scaled to 6 inches per mile actually show buildings and hedgerows. Bob Callin also gave an interesting report of his early March trip to I.O.M. wearing a sweater and cap purchased at the Tynwald Woollen Mill near St. John.

An artifacts table of books, pamphlets, family trees, photographs and other items are a feature of each Society meeting. This creates a great deal of interest.

The Wisconsin Manx Society has 60 Charter member families and individuals. Members come from Wisconsin, Illinois, Michigan and California. The latter two state memberships have their roots in the Laxey community of Wisconsin.

LAXEY PICNIC, JULY 4, 1982

Wisconsin Manx Society members were special guests of the Laxey Picnic held the 4th of July at the Laxey Cemetery in Iowa County, Wisconsin. This is the site of the Laxey Primitive Methodist Church which is said to be the only Manx church in America, founded and built in 1855. The Laxey Picnic was a tradition until about 1890. This tradition was revived in 1978 by a group of interested neighbors, many being ancestors of the original members who attended there.

It was a typical July 4th - beautiful and hot! About 200 people from as far as California came "Home" to this special place located on the hillside in southwestern Wisconsin. Among those attending were Mr. and Mrs. Clarence Creer. Mr. Creer is N.A.M.A.'s Treasurer. The day started with the Reverend Herbert Kelly, Chaplain to N.A.M.A., arriving in a horse drawn carriage. Rev. Kelly grew up within a half mile of the church. He conducted the open air church service and was assisted by LeRoy Reese, a cousin from Concord, California. The evergreens, arbae vitae and blue spruce made a beautiful background for the flower bedecked altar. The Laxey Choir, formed for the

occasion, sang a Manx hymn, "Harvest of the Sea" as part of the service. After the service, special recognition was given to Martha Cowley. Her grandparents were buried in the cemetery and her grandfather was a trustee of the original group that founded the church. In 1978, Lily Kelly, Peel, I.O.M. was honored, and in 1980, Mable Callin Lindauer, a native of I.O.M. who immigrated here in 1914 was recognized. President's Committee ribbons were pinned on the thirteen families who make up the Laxey Committee by the Vice President of the State Manx Society, Bill Reese, recognizing them for their efforts in reviving the Laxey Picnic and giving each of them honorary membership in the Wisconsin Manx Society. The noon picnic meal certainly must have matched the meals of old when Laxey women were especially noted and unusual providers. It included home made ice cream.

During the afternoon program the Laxey Choir sang "The Manx National Anthem" and "Hunt the Wren" a Manx song. One of the highlights of the day was the introduction of a new book "Laxey in the New World" (Manxmen and their Cornish Neighbors) with a forward ably written by Rev. Kelly. The 62 page illustrated book was prepared and published by the Laxey Committee and edited by Jim Jewell, a member of the Committee. It is a compilation of articles covering the history of the little Manx church, its Sunday School, some shared recollections of the church and community, the story of the Laxey Picnic and its revival, Manx history, Manx cookery, Manx cats, history of some of the pioneer families that settled in the community and many other interesting items. There are contributions from Wisconsin Manx Society members. If you are interested in purchasing a copy

"LAXEY IN THE NEW WORLD" is available for \$8.50, postage and handling included. Overseas: Surface - \$9.00; Airmail - \$11.00. Contact—

Roselyn Callin
Route 3, Mineral Point
Wisconsin 53565

GREETINGS FROM ROCHESTER

May your Christmas be Merry;
Your Friends loyal and true,
And Happiness travel
Forever with you.

And may the New Year
Bring Happiness and Good Health
To all of you.

Alice Garrett, Hon. President
Ladies Auxiliary to N.A.M.A.

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CLEVELAND MANX SOCIETY

Change over to a fiscal year beginning in June marked the beginning of duties for the following officers:

President: Mrs. Wm. A. Roseman
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1541 E. 191 St. Apt. K-605
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Wm. A. Roseman
Honorary Trustee: Richard R. Kelly

An annual Sale of Work followed our November meeting. This is a good fund raiser and perhaps other societies might like to try it. All in attendance thoroughly enjoyed viewing a film of the Isle of Man.

Our Christmas dinner will be held December 12th at the Rocky River Sheraton. This getting together of our members seems to mean the beginning of Christmas activities for many.

As you read this, it will soon be the holiday season and time to send your sincere greetings to all other Manx societies and Manx friends everywhere. We wish for all a joyous Christmas with loved ones. May you be blessed with gifts of love, good health, peace and contentment. And may the year ahead be filled with much good for each of you.

Marge Kennish Krach
319 Ridgeview Drive
Seven Hills, OH 44131

BISBEE MANX SOCIETY

Greeting from Bisbee. Sorry to say we have not had any meetings. We usually close down for the summer and start meeting again in September but there has been so much sickness and so many of our members away we have not been able to meet. This month the Presbyterian Church of which most of us are members have had a delegation of 32 Maori Cook Islanders from New Zealand staying in town for 5 days. Several of our members have housed them and so were unable to attend a Manx meeting so it was called off again. We are hoping to meet, the Lord willing, in November.

Our best wishes to all for the holidays. May all the glories of Christmas past come to crown this present Christmas and last through a glad New Year.

Ivy Dillon, Sec.
207 Hazzard St.
Warren, Arizona 85642

TORONTO MANX SOCIETY

The Toronto Manx Society wish to congratulate the organizers of the very successful San Diego convention, held this summer.

Members of the Toronto Manx who attended the N.A.M.A. Convention, were Mrs. Hilda Penrice, accompanied by her granddaughter, Debbie Glass, Miss Dorothy Kinrade, and Mr. and Mrs. "Dutch" Fisher.

From all reports, the Isle of Man had a beautiful summer, while we, in Toronto had a typical north of England one, very cool and plenty of rain.

We held our annual picnic at Shell House in Oakville, but missed several of our old friends. Mr. Fred Daubney is now happily at home recovering from a serious illness.

We regret the death of one of our oldest members, Mrs. Connie Kee.

I believe that there will be a "home coming" to the Isle of Man of the N.A.M.A. next year. As I intend to be in the Island most of the summer, I hope to meet some members of the association, whom I now only know by name.

"A merry Christmas to you all and a Good Year. Luck and Health to the Whole House."

Mrs. Phyllis Linsley, President
87 Galloway Road,
West Hill,
Ontario, Canada

CHICAGO MANX SOCIETY

The Chicago Manx Society held its annual dinner-meeting on Sunday, October 3, 1982 at Villa Mar Fredo Restaurant in Hillside, Illinois. The roast beef dinner was enjoyed by 16 members. The highlight of the afternoon was the showing of a short film of the Isle of Man by Russell Gawne. We all had an enjoyable afternoon and hope to meet soon again.

Our society wishes that all members of the North American Manx Societies will be blessed with a Merry Christmas and healthy and a happy New Year.

Florence Abbinanti, Sec./Treas.
9330 S. Richmond,
Evergreen Park, Ill. 60642

SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA MANX SOCIETY

Season's Greetings to all our Manx friends everywhere, may peace and Joy be with you all, Good Health and Good Luck.

Joyce Kinley
2816 Shantar Dr.
Costa Mesa, Cal. 92626

May all members of the N.A.M.A. have a wonderful Christmas and New Year. Hope to see you all on the Isle of Man in 1983.

Irene Curphey, Past Pres.
Ladies Aux. N.A.M.A.

CONVENTION NEWS MINUTES OF THE 35TH CONVENTION OF THE NORTH AMERICAN MANX ASSOCIATION HELD IN SAN DIEGO AUGUST 6 - 9, 1982

~~SATURDAY AUGUST 7, 1982~~

The 35th Convention of the North American Manx Association was opened by Mr. Norman Clucas, who first thanked the San Diego Manx Society for inviting us to San Diego, then he declared the Convention open.

During the singing of the 4 national anthems: Star Spangled Banner, O Canada, The Queen, Manx National Anthem, the flags were escorted into the meeting, following which Rev. Herbert Kelly gave the Invocation.

Convention Chairman, Mrs. Mona Haldeman, introduced Mr. William Cleator, San Diego Councilman, who gave his official welcome, also a short resume of his Manx ancestry. He then answered some questions which were asked about San Diego.

Mrs. Haldeman responded and then introduced Mrs. Marge Weber who, on behalf of the San Diego Manx Society, welcomed everyone to their city, and introduced her officers.

Mr. George Curphey, President, then welcomed everyone to the Convention and introduced the officers of the N.A.M.A.

Mrs. Haldeman gave a warm welcome to Mr. E. G. Lowey, M.H.K., who represented Tynwald and who is also chairman of the Isle of Man Tourist Board. He extended best wishes from Tynwald.

Mr. Curphey responded and mentioned how pleased he was to see several visitors from the Isle of Man.

Reports from the Executive Officers followed: President, Mr. George Curphey, who in his report mentioned the sad passing recently of two Past Presidents, Miss Margaret Joughin and Rev. James Caley, Manx people proud of their heritage. Secretary Elizabeth Clucas followed with her report, Treasurer Mr. Clarence Creer, Bulletin Editor Mrs. Hilda Penrice, and Ladies Auxiliary Mrs. Irene Curphey.

Greeting were read by the secretary from friends and members who were unable to attend.

Mr. Curphey announced the Time and Place Committee will be Mr. T. R. Anderson, Mrs. Amo Fisher and Mr. Norman Clucas. Constitution and Bylaws: Mr. Norman Clucas. Nominations: Mrs. Edna Cowin, Mr. Malcolm Kinley and Mr. Norman Clucas. Resolutions: Mr. Norman Clucas.

There being no new business, the meeting was adjourned and Mrs. Haldeman gave an outline of the day's activities and a short time was spent on prize distribution.

The Ladies Auxiliary Luncheon followed the meeting during which a birthday cake celebrating 50 years of the Ladies Auxiliary was cut by Mrs. Edna Boulton, Ramsey. The other members of the Convention went on a harbour cruise.

At 4 p.m. the Ladies Auxiliary Sale Table opened where trade was very brisk and every item was sold.

At 7:30 p.m. members gathered for the banquet where the guest speakers were Mr. E. G. Lowey, M.H.K., and Mr. Les Quilliam, who spoke on behalf of the Family History Society and gave a most informative talk. The programme for the evening was a delightful display of Mexican dancing.

SUNDAY, AUGUST 8, 1982

The meeting was called to order at 9:00 a.m. by the President and after singing the Manx National Anthem Rev. Kelly gave the Invocation.

Reports from the following Manx Societies were presented: Bisbee (Mr. J. Hughes), Chicago (Mr. C. Creer), Cleveland (E. Clucas), Maritime (Mr. G. Curphey), Minneapolis (Mr. T. R. Anderson), Nebraska (Mr. David Corkill), San Diego (Mrs. D. Weber), Southern California (Mrs. M. Kinley), Toronto (Mrs. H. Penrice), Washington, D.C. (Mr. W. Brideson), Wisconsin (Rev. H. Kelly), W.M.A. (Mr. Syd Boulton), Manchester, England (Mrs. Mae Heath).

Honorary President Mr. Norman Clucas gave his report. He also stated that a Resolution Vote of Appreciation will be sent to the San Diego Manx Society by the Secretary.

Mr. William Brideson, Regional Director, gave his report.

Under New Business, Mrs. T. R. Anderson spoke from the floor and said how important it is to encourage new and young members to join the N.A.M.A. as they are the future of the N.A.M.A.

Mr. Curphey invited Mr. Les Quilliam to give a brief description of the Family History Society.

There being no further business, a presentation was made to Mr. Curphey by Mr. E. G. Lowey on behalf of Tynwald of a set of 3 Manx flags:

the traditional 3 legs, the preceding flag depicting a Viking longship which is flown whenever there is a public sitting of Tynwald, and a Millennium flag. Mr. Curphey thanked Mr. Lowey on behalf of the Association and then presented Mr. Lowey with a membership certificate announcing he would now be an Honorary Member of the N.A.M.A.

A moving Memorial Service followed led by Rev. Herbert Kelly.

Following the service Mrs. Haldeman gave a summary of the day's activities and the meeting was adjourned.

In the afternoon a sightseeing bus tour was organised which included the major attraction of San Diego, the Manx built ship *Star of India*. On board the official photograph was taken and everyone had a delightful tour of the famous *Iron Lady*. Following this we had a general sightseeing tour of the city of San Diego.

An excellent Buffet Supper was held in the evening followed by a Free-n-Easy evening. We enjoyed two films,

Traa-Dy-Liooar from the Isle of Man Tourist Board and *The Star of India*, an excellent historical account of the life and restoration of the ship. Next on the agenda was the raffle prize drawing, followed by an unrehearsed Question and Answer Session chaired by Mr. E. G. Lowey, Mr. Les Quilliam and Mr. Nigel Crowe. Many questions were asked covering many phases of the Isle of Man and all were very ably answered. Due to the lateness of the hour the session unfortunately had to come to a close.

MONDAY, AUGUST 9, 1982

Mr. Curphey called the meeting to order and the first verse of *Ellan Vannin* was sung.

The following reports were given: Registration (Mrs. E. Fabel) 152 full registrations, 70 partial, 184 banquet, 160 buffet supper. Souvenir book (Eileen Fabel for Mr. & Mrs. Roseman and Mrs. Edna Cowin) showed a profit of \$412.83. The figure for the convention receipts and expenditure had not been finalised at this date and would appear in the next issue of the bulletin.

Ladies Auxiliary: Mrs. Curphey reported they had had a successful luncheon and sale table, and the new officers had been elected at the meeting. Hon. President Miss Alice Garrett, President: Mrs. Joyce Kinley, 1st Vice President: Mrs. Adelle Corkill, 2nd Vice President: Mrs. Mona Creer, Secretary/Treasurer: Mrs. Amo Fisher, Representative: Mrs. Irene Curphey.

Convention Chairman: Mrs. Haldeman gave a vote of thanks to all her committees, Mr. & Mrs. Roseman and Mrs. Edna Cowin for the Souvenir Book, Mrs. Eileen Fabel for Registration, and the San Diego Manx Society and Mrs. Marge Weber. She also thanked everyone for attending the convention.

Constitution and Bylaws: Mr. Norman Clucas reported there had been no proposals to change the Constitution and Bylaws, which would therefore remain unchanged.

Time and Place Committee: Mr. T. R. Anderson reported that Minneapolis will be the next city for the 1984 Convention and that there was a possibility of a Homecoming in 1983. This will be discussed at the Executive Meeting later. It was moved, seconded and carried the 1984 Convention be held in Minneapolis.

Nominations: Mr. Norman Clucas announced the slate of officers as follows:— Hon. President: Mr. Richard Corkill, Hon. Vice Presidents: Miss Doris Clague and Mr. Norman Clucas; Past President: Mr. G. Curphey; President: Mrs. Mona Haldeman; 1st Vice President: Mr. T. R. Anderson; 2nd Vice President: Mr. William Brideson; 3rd Vice President: Mr. Malcolm Kinley; Treasurer: Mr. Clarence Creer; Secretary: Elizabeth Clucas; Bulletin Editor: Mrs. Hilda Penrice; Chaplain: Rev. Herbert Kelly; Trustees: Mr. Ed Sayle, Mr. Robert Camaish, Mr. Russell Gawne. It was moved and seconded the above committee be elected.

Before leaving office Mr. Curphey gave a vote of thanks to all his officers and to the San Diego Manx Society.

The new officers were installed by Mr. Curphey and the Sword of Office was presented to Mrs. Mona Haldeman, incoming President. Mr. Curphey also presented her with a gavel he had made for the Association. It was also announced he had presented the Ladies Auxiliary with a similar hand made gavel.

Mr. William Brideson gave a vote of thanks on behalf of the Association to Mr. Curphey for his past term of office.

Mrs. Haldeman was presented with a corsage by her daughter and she was also presented with a gift by Mrs. Eileen Fabel from the Cleveland Manx Society. She then gave her Installation Speech.

The memorabilia of the Association was on display and an announcement was made where each item would go: Sword of Office and picture - President; Millennium Bowl and Replica Sword - Past President. It was announced that the Executive Committee would decide on the final destination of the Manx bible continued on page 8

presented by Mr. Coates.

Mrs. T. R. Anderson spoke about the Manx History books being published in the Isle of Man by Mr. G. V. Young, Svenska Publishing, and had a limited number of books for sale.

Mr. T. R. Anderson asked the President of elucidate on Clague House Museum and she explained that the Westlake Historical Society had restored the original Clague House into a Manx Museum.

Mrs. Marge Weber of the San Diego Manx Society announced that \$186.82 had been collected at the Free-n-Easy and will be sent to the Star of India Historical Society.

The first verse of the Manx National Anthem was sung and Mr. Norman Clucas officially closed the 35th convention.

The remaining door prizes were then distributed.

Elizabeth Clucas
Secretary

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

The luncheon meeting of the Ladies' Auxiliary to the N.A.M.A. on Saturday, August 7, 1982 at the Hotel San Diego was an important one in the history of the organization. It was 50 years ago at the N.A.M.A. Convention in London, Ontario that the idea of forming a Ladies' Auxiliary was conceived. Ever since then the ladies have had a meeting of their own at the Convention and have had their own officers and constitution.

The President, Irene Curphey, welcomed everyone and a delicious luncheon was enjoyed by 47 ladies. An anniversary cake was cut by our special guest from the I.O.M., Edna Boulton. Our former Honorary President, Amy Abell, was also with us.

Tickets were drawn for three door prizes and an orchid corsage was presented to our retiring President, Irene Curphey. The Secretary-Treasurer's report was read and approved.

Notes from Elinor Cain and Alice Garrett regretting they could not be with us were read. The Secretary was asked to send card to those who were ill.

A suggestion was made and approved that we send \$25.00 to the Clague Museum at Westlake, Ohio for the preservation and protection of Manx artifacts that are presented to the Museum.

The Constitution was read and attention was called to the fact that it states the dues are \$.25 per year, which should be changed. A motion was made and approved that the new President work with the officers to

review the Constitution and present suggestions for changes or amendments at the next Convention.

A skit was presented by the "Inexperienced Ladies' Auxiliary Players" in which they gave their impression of how the Ladies' Auxiliary was organized. They even wore hats (which were hastily collected - and what a collection!) as ladies would have done 50 years ago. The skit closed with all singing the Manx National Anthem.

The nomination committee presented their slate of officers of the coming year which was unanimously accepted. The new officers are:—

Honorary President: Alice Garrett,
Rochester, N.Y.

Past President: Irene Curphey,
Liverpool, Nova Scotia

President: Joyce Kinley, Costa Mesa,
California

1st Vice Pres.: Adelle Corkill,
Nortonville, Kansas

2nd Vice Pres.: Mona Creer, Orland
Park, Illinois

Secretary-Treasurer: Amo Fisher,
Tottenham, Ontario

Rep. Ladies Aux. to N.A.M.A.

Mrs. Irene Curphey
3 William Street, Box 176
Liverpool, N.S. Canada

The retiring President then presented a gavel, made by George Curphey, to the Ladies' Auxiliary and thanked everyone for their cooperation and assistance during her term of office.

Forty memberships were received at the Convention and we would like to remind all ladies that dues, payable to the Secretary-Treasurer, are \$3.00 for 2 years - from Convention to Convention.

The Ladies' Auxiliary was very pleased with the results of the sales at the Craft Table, which was very much in evidence again at this Convention.

Amo C. Fisher
Secretary-Treasurer



Mrs. Irene Curphey, Past Pres., Ladies Aux., handing over the gavel to the new President - Mrs. Joyce Kinley, California.

OFFICIAL CONVENTION PICTURES

If anyone would like to order copies of the group photos taken aboard the Star of India in San Diego, you may do so.

The price will be \$6.00 for one, two for \$10.00, please specify Picture A - (close up) or Picture B - (long shot showing whole ship).

Send cheque or money order to Marge Weber, 4575 Catharine Ave., San Diego, California. 92115.

This offer is for a limited time only, so please place your order immediately.

CONVENTION FACTS AND FIGURES

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TIME AND PLACE COMMITTEE

It was announced by Mr. T. R. Anderson, that Minneapolis, Minn., will be the next city to host the 1984 N.A.M.A. Convention. The tentative date would be the second weekend in September, 1984.

SOUVENIR BOOK

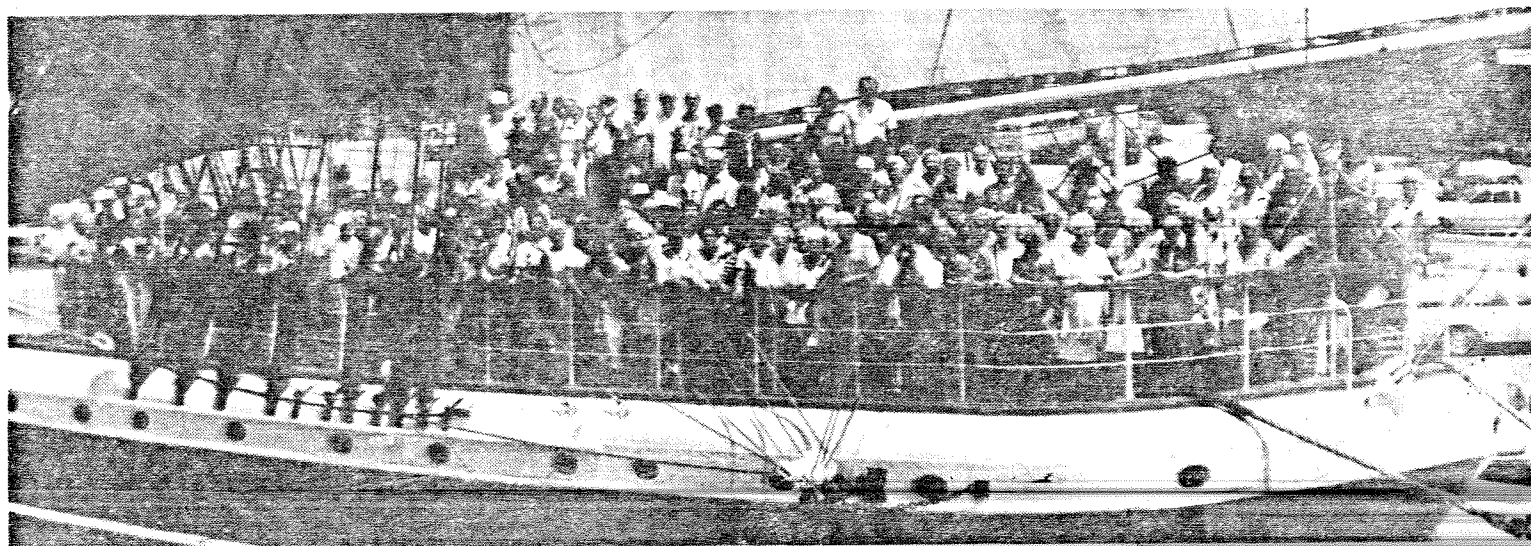
The report on the Souvenir Book (given by Eileen Fabel), showed a profit of \$412.83. The book was convened by Mr. & Mrs. Wm. Roseman and Mrs. Edna Cowin.

CONVENTION 1982 — SOUVENIR BOOKS —

There are still a limited number of Souvenir Books available, for those who would like to obtain a copy, please send to - Mrs. Mona Haldeman, 191 Glenview Drive, Avon Lake, Ohio 44012. The cost - \$3.00, this includes the postage. Cheques should be made payable to the North American Manx Association.

DELINQUENT DUES PERSONS

Do you want to hear about the 1983 Homecoming, more about our Manx Ancestry and other news on the Isle of Man -- if so, please send dues by February 1 to: C. E. Creer, Treas., 14228 Union Ave., Orland Park, IL 60462.



THEIR FLAG WILL FLY FROM THE MAIN YARD OF THE STAR OF INDIA 150 MANXMEN GATHER IN SAN DIEGO THIS WEEKEND

The Isle of Man is far removed from San Diego, but this weekend will see nearly 150 Manxmen collect in San Diego from Canada, the U.S. and the Isle of Man.

The event is the biennial meeting of the North American Manx Association.

Formed in the 1920's in Cleveland, as the Mona's Relief Society - Mona being the Celtic name for the island - by Manx emigres to assist their newly arrived fellow islanders, the society has evolved into an organization concerned with keeping alive the traditions and heritage of a tiny, but unique culture.

While this is the first time in the history of the North American Manx Association that it has met in San Diego, there is good reason for the choice, according to Marge Weber, a descendant of Manxmen and organizer of this year's convention.

The reason is the waterfront landmark Star of India, built as Euterpe, at Ramsey, Isle of Man, in 1863.

A product of a small, but highly skilled ship-building industry on the island, the Star of India is today the oldest merchant vessel afloat in the world and is the flagship of the Maritime Museum Association of San Diego.

"There is the very strong possibility," Weber said, "that a number of the members attending the convention are descended from the craftsmen who built this magnificent ship."

The birthplace of the Star of India is a 227-square-mile island located in the

Delegates attending the Convention,
San Diego, California

Irish Sea off the English Coast. First settled in neolithic times, the island was occupied by Vikings around 800 A.D. and remained a dependency of Norway until 1266, when it passed under the control of the Scottish monarchy.

During the 14th-18th centuries the earls of Salisbury and Derby were kings of Manx, the former incorporating the emblem of the Isle of Man into the family coat of arms. In 1820, the island at last came under the British crown, but the Manxmen retained their own legislative body, the Tynwald - which is one of the oldest legislatures in the world, and are not subject to the laws passed by Parliament.

The symbol of the Isle of Man is as unusual as their political arrangements and is found on the boss of the Sword of State and on the Manx flag. Three legs, encased in armor, radiate from a central point like spokes in a wheel. The origin of this unusual symbol is not known though Les Quilliam, from Peel, Isle of Man, explained that it may have been "borrowed" by a returning crusader from a similar symbol found in Sicily. The island's motto "Which ever way you throw me, I shall stand," suggests that the Manx were proud of their ability to land on their feet, just like the breed of cats for which the island is famous.

On Sunday, August 8, the Manx flag with its unusual symbol will fly from the main yard of the Star of India, honoring the island of its birth and the Manxmen who will congregate aboard the Star for their group photograph at 12:30 p.m.

San Diego Log, August 6th, 1982

N.A.M.A. CONVENTION AUGUST 6th - 9th, 1982 FINANCIAL STATEMENT

RECEIPTS

Advance from N.A.M.A.	\$ 350.00
Interest accrued on bank account	191.99
Drawing Tickets	1,124.54
Fund	831.05
Prizes or Fund	142.50
Prizes	209.00
Registration	6,937.00
Souvenir Book	1,271.00
Sale of Book	7.50
Shadow Box Raffle	134.50
Hotel Deposit (Lowey & Kelly)	45.58
	\$11,244.66

DISBURSEMENTS

Hotel San Diego	
Reception	\$ 567.67
Banquet	2,440.56
Buffet	1,995.20
Room for Entertainment	25.00
Projector Rental	32.50
	5,060.93
Sundance Stage Lines	480.00
Photographer	40.00
Donation - Maritime Museum Association	75.00
Entertainment	150.00
Flowers	26.50
Ribbons and Badges	12.00
Printing	1,053.54
Phone	77.83
Postage	457.71
Prizes	352.79
Hotel Deposit (Lowey & Kelly)	45.58
Refunds	194.00
Supplies	43.12
Miscellaneous	28.50
Service charges & checks	12.78
	\$ 8,110.28
Balance in checking account	\$ 3,156.61
Advance from N.A.M.A.	- 350.00
Exchange on Canadian money	- 22.23
Profit from 1982 Convention	\$ 2,784.38
Receipts	\$11,244.66
Disb.	- 8,110.28
Adv.	- 350.00
	\$ 2,784.38

Eileen Fabel

Registration Chairman



IN MEMORIAM Rev. Dr. James Cowin Caley 1910 - 1982

It is with deep regret we announce the death on June 20th, 1982, of the Rev. Dr. James Cowin Caley, Past President and former Chaplain to N.A.M.A., at Anaheim, California. The Rev. Jim Caley was born at Conrheny, Onchan, Isle of Man, the son of Robert James Caley of Sulby, I.O.M., and Emily Jane (Cowley) of Bibaloe Beg, Onchan. Jim Caley came to Ontario, Canada at the age of 18, he later attended the University of Western Ontario, London, Ont., where he gained his B.A. He then attended Huron Divinity School, London, Ontario where he obtained his L.Th., (Theology Degree), this outstanding Manx scholar was also a Doctor of Philosophy (Ph.D. - by examination).

He was ordained Deacon and Priest by the Bishop of Huron, Canada. In south western Ontario he served 25 Churches after his ordination.

He married a Canadian girl - Clarice Walker, Strafford, Ont., he and his wife then moved to the United States, to the Diocese of Georgia, he was the first rector and built St. Philip's Episcopal Church in Coalinga, Calif., in 1954, he then went to Stockton, Calif., in 1960 and was an assistant at the Cathedral of St. Paul in Los Angeles, Calif. in 1964.

He then moved to Huntington Beach, Calif., in 1967 and was the rector and builder of St. Wilfrid's Episcopal Church. The Rev. James Caley in his lifetime built 2 Churches, 4 parish halls and 2 rectories. He retired from St. Wilfrid's in 1977, he also published religious books and ran a religious column in a dozen newspapers for several years.

The Rev. Jim Caley played a big part in the formation of the Southern

California Manx Society and was the first President. he was Chairman for the 1968 N.A.M.A. Convention held in Huntington Beach, he was a great Manxman and proud of his Manx heritage. He was President of N.A.M.A. from 1974 to 1976, he was loved and respected by everyone he met, his life was a life of service to his Church. Masonic, Rotary and Lion's Club (Canada), he was a great after dinner speaker and was much in demand, he and his wife Clarice made many trips to the Isle of Man, he took a prominent part in the Church service at the site of St. Germain's Cathedral, Peel, I.O.M. during the Millennium year in 1979.

He is survived by his wife Clarice; son James David C. Caley, Kingston, Wash.; and daughter Winnifred Jane Bates, Claremont, Calif.; four grandchildren, Catherine Emma, James Cowin, Jennifer Coleen and Emily Eleanor Caley all of Kingston Wash. He also is survived by a sister Eleanor M. Caley and one brother, William C. Caley, both of Rodney, Ont. Canada. He was preceded in death by a grandson, Richard Caley Bates, and four brothers, Herbert, Ernest, Spencer and Fred Caley.

Services were held June 24th, 1982 at St. Wilfrid's Episcopal Church, Huntington Beach, Calif., the Right Rev. Robert C. Rusak, Bishop of Los Angeles, Calif., Rev. Charles Sacquety, Rector of St. Wilfrid's Episcopal Church, Rev. Richard Bates and James D.C. Caley officiating. Interment took place at St. Philip's Church, Coalinga, California.

The family suggests that contributions to the memory of Dr. Caley and his grandson, Richard Caley Bates may be made to the March of Dimes.

Jim Caley was a fine Manxman and will be greatly missed by everyone.

"Well done, thou good and faithful servant".

JOUGHIN, Miss Margaret

It is with the deepest sorrow we announce the death on May 26th, 1982 of Miss Margaret Joughin, Montreal, Quebec, Canada, Past President of the N.A.M.A. and Hon. Vice President, well known member of the Manx Community who will remember her with affection.

Margaret May Joughin was born May 6th, 1921 in Liverpool, England, she was the daughter of John Victor Joughin, Past President of N.A.M.A., and May Joughin (nee Cannell).

Margaret attended Miss Brown & Phillip's Private School, Ramsey, Isle of Man and the Ramsey Grammar School. During the war years she worked with the Air Ministry



Miss Margaret Joughin, Past President and Hon. Vice President of N.A.M.A.

Inspection Division in Birmingham and Liverpool, she also worked with Cunard Steamship Co., before coming to Canada in 1953. For the last 24 years Margaret was employed by the Protestant School Board of Montreal, first in the Taxation Department, and for the greater part of the time as a Translator from the French Language.

Margaret died after a long illness at the Julius Richardson Convalescent Hospital, Montreal, a private funeral service was held prior to cremation at the Mount Royal Cemetery in Montreal. The ashes were interred in the family grave at St. Maughold's Church on the Isle of Man on June 26th, 1982, the Waterloo Road Methodist Chapel Minister and Isle of Man relatives attended.

Margaret is survived by two brothers, Donald and his wife Francine; neice Denise and nephew Alan, Rio de Janeiro; Ramsey and his wife Glenys, nephews David and Ian, neices Gillian and Sarah of Richford, Vermont, U.S.A.; also an Aunt and Uncle, Ida and Derry MacDermid, Ramsey, Isle of Man and a cousin, Mrs. Anne Bolton, I.O.M.

Both Margaret and her father the late Victor Joughin, who joined her in Canada in 1957 took an active part in the Montreal Manx Society and the N.A.M.A., they attended their first Convention in Cleveland in 1959. It was at the 1961 Convention in continued on page 11

Montreal that Victor Joughin became President of N.A.M.A. and Margaret took over the office of Bulletin Editor, which office she continued to hold until her election as 2nd Vice President of N.A.M.A. at the Niagara Falls Convention in 1972. Margaret attended all the N.A.M.A. Conventions since 1959 with the exception of the 1970 Convention held on the Isle of Man when commitments at work prevented her attendance.

It was a very proud moment for all the lady members of the N.A.M.A. and particularly for Margaret when she was elected to the office of President at the 1976 Convention held on the Isle of Man. Since the Association was formed in Cleveland in 1928 this was the first time a woman had had the honour of being elected President. Margaret had worked very hard for this honour, she did an excellent job of convening the 1976 Convention on the I.O.M. Margaret was well known and loved throughout the North American Continent for all her hard work and devotion to the Manx and the N.A.M.A. She will be greatly missed.

OBITUARIES

BEDDOWS, Mr. William, passed away in hospital just recently, no particulars are available at this time. Bill was a long time and faithful member of the Toronto Manx Society.

CALEY, John T., age 77, died at his home on September 25th, 1982, the late Mr. Caley resided at Henrietta St., Rochester, N.Y. He was a welder who worked on an anvil first used in 1842 by his great-great-uncle. Five generations of Mr. Caley's family had pounded on the anvil starting with Thomas Caley a blacksmith, this grew into Caley and Nash carriage shop.

Caley and Nash built carriages, sleighs and Tallyhos, the largest horse drawn vehicles in the world, with a seating capacity of 65 people, it was a most successful business, and it is where John Caley learned his trade, starting as an apprentice in the early 1920's at \$7.50 a week.

Mr. Caley did a great deal of forge work for Rochester Gas and Electric Corp., he was also a draftsman, auto body designer, carpenter, mechanic, pilot and former fire police chief of the Genesee Valley Fire Co. He was a member of the Brighton Fire Exempts and the Brighton Historical Society.

He was very proud of his Manx heritage, his great-grandfather was from the Isle of Man, Mr. Caley was a long time member of the N.A.M.A.

He was pre-deceased by his wife, he is survived by three daughters, Judith Weber, Pittsford; Mary Jane Ryan and

Linda Caley; two sons, John T. Caley Jr. of Liverpool and Richard H. Caley of Fairport; a sister, Areatha Court; a brother Wilbur Caley, 15 grandchildren and one great-granddaughter.

COWIN, Robert S. (Bert) passed away Thursday, October 28, 1982 after a long illness in his home in Westlake, Ohio.

Bert was proud of his Manx heritage and was a faithful and loyal member of the N.A.M.A. He served as Trustee of the Cleveland Manx Society for seventeen years. He is survived by his wife, Edna, Past President of the N.A.M.A. and editor of the "Know Your Ancestors" column in the Bulletin.

Funeral services were held on October 30th with Rev. Howard Reinhold officiating. Interment in Lakewood Park Cemetery in Rocky River, Ohio.

CRINGLE, Mrs. Katie Eva, (nee Callister) died September 8th, 1982, age 81 at Ballamona Hospital, Isle of Man. Mrs. Cringle and her late husband Jim, returned to Peel in 1962 after living in the San Francisco area. She had been an active member of the San Francisco Manx Society along with her sister, the late Mrs. Essie Quayle, and brother, Percy Callister. All of the Callister family returned to Peel to live and added much to the life of Peel. Mrs. Cringle is survived by her sister, Mrs. Isobel Lucas of Ballaveen, Queen's Drive, Peel, I.O.M.

GELL, Mr. George F., age 90 of Burge Mountain Road, Hendersonville, N.C., died April 1982 in a Fletcher hospital after a brief illness.

Mr. Gell was born on the Isle of Man, he was the son of William Henry Gell and Catherine Scott Gell and the family resided at Ballagawne in the Parish of Lonan, they also lived in Onchan, I.O.M., and later Laxey.

George Gell came to the United States in 1910 and settled in the Cleveland, Ohio. He retired after 42 years as a building superintendent for the Cleveland Trust Co. Mr. Gell was a long time member of N.A.M.A. and although he was never able to attend any N.A.M.A. Conventions, he and his wife made two trips back to the Isle of Man, the first in the spring of 1963 and again in 1965, here they walked and explored many of the places where Mr. Gell had spent his younger years.

He is survived by his wife, Erma Gell, and two brothers, R. William Gell and Stanley Gell of Cleveland, Ohio.

HANSON, Mr. Eric, of Douglas, Isle of Man, suddenly in May 1982. While not a member of N.A.M.A., Mr. Hanson attended the N.A.M.A. Convention held in Rocky River, Ohio in 1978. He

accompanied his wife Mrs. Betty Hanson, M.H.K., Rep. of Tynwald on that occasion. The late Mr. Hanson had retired from his position of Headmaster of the Albert Road School, Ramsey, I.O.M. He served with the armed forces during the second world war. He is survived by his wife, Betty and two sons, Mark and Leslie.

KEE, Mrs. Connie, of Toronto, Ontario, Canada, passed away on July 10th, 1982 at the age of 97 years, she had been ill for some time. She was the widow of Mr. J. Kee who was born on the Isle of Man, members of the Kee family still reside in Ramsey, Isle of Man. Mr. Kee was one of the founding members of the Toronto Manx Society. She is survived by two daughters one being Mrs. S. Scott Turnbull of Markham, Ontario and a niece Edna Kee of London, Ontario and a member of N.A.M.A.

ROBERT S. COWIN

It is with regret that the death of Mr. Robert S. Cowin (Bert) is announced in this edition of the Bulletin, sympathy will go out to his widow, Edna, both Bert and Edna were long time members of the Cleveland Manx Society and the N.A.M.A., Bert was always a tower of strength to Edna, especially when she took over the office as President of the N.A.M.A., he was always there when needed and in his own quiet way he did so much for the Manx people, particularly in Rocky River and the Cleveland area. He will be greatly missed.

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.

OUR OWN PEOPLE

Making their first visit to the Isle of Man in August 1982 were Mr. & Mrs. Jack Corlett of Richardson, Texas. Margaret (nee Killip) and Jack were originally from Cleveland, Ohio, they were members of the Cleveland Junior Manx. Barbara Cain of London helped Margaret trace some of the Killip family history. While on the Island they visited with Noreen Cottier of Peel, they were fortunate to enjoy lovely weather and were charmed with the beauty of the Island.

Mrs. Jane Bare (nee Cottier) and her granddaughter Cary Bare of Burlington, Calif., visited the Isle of Man in September, they stayed in Peel with their cousin. Mrs. Bare last visited the Island in 1976 to attend the N.A.M.A. Convention, for Cary it was the first visit.

ISLE OF MAN TOURIST BOARD MOVIE

At the Convention, we had the opportunity to view a 16mm sound movie from the Tourist Board, brought to us by Mr. Eddie Lowey, M.H.K. The movie, entitled "Traa-Dy-Liooar", was excellent, and several of the members asked about getting a copy. Mr. Lowey generously agreed to leave the film with us, to be available to any society requesting it. Thus, if you would like to have it, write to Mona Haldeman, (Mrs. R. F.), 191 Glenview Drive, Avon Lake, Ohio 44012. Please specify first and second choices of dates. You will be notified regarding the date you will receive it, and then it is your duty to send it on to the next place. Since there may be a number of requests, be sure to get your request in as early as possible.

CHAPLAIN'S CORNER

A few weeks ago I stood on a rocky shoreline in California, looking out over the expanses of the Pacific Ocean. The waves rolled in ceaselessly, crashing against the rocks. (You who have always lived beside the sea perhaps cannot understand its novelty and its fascination for a mid-continental landlubber.) The day was calm and sunny, yet the sea roared against the beach. One could hardly imagine what it would be like in a storm. As a counterpoint to the deep tones of the ocean, the gulls screamed overhead, while a pod of seals barked from a distant rock.

High above me, on a promontary, was a lighthouse. It has stood there for many years. No storms, no crashing waves could shake that citadel. And I thought, what a sense of security, what reassurance, it must have given sailors on ships passing in the night to see that light, and to realize that someone cared enough to tend that light faithfully, so that others would be safe.

This is a parable of life. The Scriptures have said it: "...others have labored, and you have entered into their labors." (John 4:38) We owe much to the sacrifices of persons we shall never see. Some were among the great, and are remembered in history. Others have passed on in obscurity, but nevertheless, served in their time. We can but pray that our faithfulness to the best that we know will bring some measure of comfort, security and inspiration to those who follow us.

Herbert G. Kelly.

NORTH AMERICAN MANX ASSOCIATION FINANCIAL STATEMENT

August 1, 1981 - July 31, 1982

On Hand 8/1/81		\$17,069.82
Receipts		
Dues	\$ 3,913.70	
Memorials	142.00	
Membership Certificates	23.00	
Interest	1,630.24	
Gifts	1.00	
Lord's Prayer	25.00	
NAMA Pins	159.40	
Exchange on Dues	(37.06)	5,857.28
Disbursements		
Editor's Expenses	636.48	
Treasurer's Expense	200.00	
Secretary's Expense	53.38	
Printing - Bulletin	1,463.21	
Allowances	600.00	
Convention	350.00	
Executive Meeting	911.09	
Miscellaneous	38.50	4,262.66
Balance on Hand 7/31/82		\$ 18,664.44
Account Balances at 7/31/82		
Orland State Bank - Checking Account	\$ 3,317.72	
Orland State Bank - Savings Account	3,221.03	
Orland State Bank - Certificate	10,669.76	
Royal Bank of Canada	1,455.93	
Total		\$ 18,664.44

NAMA Membership

Type	7/73	8/74	6/76	8/77	8/78	8/79	8/80	8/81	7/82
Regular	487	412	436	415	469	526	544	527	498
Life & Honorary	39	43	47	60	74	80	88	94	104
Complimentary								11	11
Total	526	455	483	475	543	606	632	632	613
Associate	68	82	72	81	79	91	101	109	101
Societies	12	8	7	7	9	8	12	15	14
Junior	4	17	13	12	5	3	3	12	12
New Members									
Regular & Life	36	45	50	35	99	120	85	63	82
Associate							11	15	22

Clarence E. Creer

MANX MENU

Members attending the recent Convention in San Diego were intrigued by the Menu served at the Banquet which was as follows —

Fruit Cup Laxey
 Ballasalla Salad
 Jurby Breast of Chicken Jerusalem
 Snowy Barrule Potatoes
 Port Erin Bean Almandine
 Ramsey Rolls - Baldwin Butter
 St. Germain's Chocolate Cake
 Tynwald Tea - Castletown Coffee
 Douglas Wine (To be used for Toasting)

Some of those attending the N.A.M.A. Convention at San Diego, may have noticed copies of Mr. Gordon Kniveton's souvenir guide - "The Manx Experience" a very attractive and informative publication.

Copies of his beautifully illustrated 1983 Calendar may also be obtained, to order please write to Mr. Kniveton, Tromode Close, Douglas, Isle of Man for information as to the cost.

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