

A Message from the President

MEMBERS OF CLAN CAMPBELL, I urge you to contribute to the Memorial Tower, we hope every Campbell worthy of the name will do his or her bit. Gifts may be sent direct to the Duke of Argyll, Chief of Clan Campbell, Inveraray Castle, Argyll, Scotland, to your State Chairman, or to the National Headquarters. No matter how large or how small your gift it will be a great help toward the \$13,250 now needed for completing the Tower. Let us send help so that no pause will have to be made in building. Also urge others of all lines of the Clan to join the Association. You know it is said that a 52nd cousin on the Campbell line is regarded as closer than the English regard a 2nd or 3rd cousin. In other words Campbell blood makes a Campbell, and the Chief is the Chief of ALL the CAMPBELLS. Help us to make a brilliant record in our work. Our membership has already spread to 27 out of our 48 States.

We wish to thank each and every Mayor and Chamber of Commerce, and Manager of Telephone Companies and Chiefs of Police, firms and individuals throughout the United States and in the Dominion of Canada for their splendid co-operation in helping us gather names of the Clan.

Also we wish to express our appreciation to every newspaper of City and Town which has assisted us by interesting and helpful publicity, among them the San Francisco Examiner, the San Francisco Chronicle, the Oakland, California, Tribune, the Red Bluff, California, News, the San Antonio, Texas, Light, the Indianapolis, Indiana, Times, Hearst's Atlanta, Georgia, Sunday American, the Richmond, Virginia, Times-Dispatch, the Bluefield, West Virginia, Press, the Wheeling, West Virginia, Press, the Columbia, South Carolina, State, the New York City Times, Philadelphia, Pennsylvania, Ledger, the Davenport, Iowa, Democrat, the Chicago Record, the Chicago Daily Tribune, the Chicago Austinite, the Helena, Montana, Independent, Lexington, Ky., Leader, the Pittsburgh, Penn., Press, the St. Louis, Missouri, Globe-Democrat, and many others.

Your name, dear Campbell, with thousands of other names of the Clan have been typed and placed in a hand-tooled dark blue leather cover to be presented as a gift to the Duke of Argyll, and this book will be preserved in the fine library at Inveraray Castle. I wish each one of you might see it. The cover has the Campbell Coat-of-Arms with which you are familiar, and the back has a lovely design of the thistle. The names are catalogued by States and Cities. You will have appreciation of the tremendous job of gathering and typing these names of the Clan. A copy of this directory is at our Headquarters, and a copy of the names in his or her State is in the custody of each State Chairman.

I am going to repeat what you have heard through letters and press and that is that it is stated upon good authority that there is more of the Highland Scotch in America today than in the Highlands of Scotland itself, and "a nation's history is made up of the history of its families." At the outbreak of the American Revolution the thirteen Colonies numbered among the inhabitants 800,000 Scotch and Scotch-Irish or a little more than one-fourth the population, and these had intermarried with the sturdy Puritan, the proud Cavalier, and noble Huguenot. One thing that should be called to your attention, and which I find has often been misunderstood, is the word Scotch-

Irish. Ulster or Northern Ireland was and is like a part of Scotland transplanted. The tyranny of British laws at various times caused quite an exodus of the Scotch to Ulster, and these Scotch invariably intermarried with their own Presbyterian Scotch people. The name of Campbell and Protestant is almost synonymous. Clan Campbell has been the bulwark of Protestantism in Scotland for centuries. Students of American history know that nine of the fifty-six Signers of the Declaration of Independence were Scots. The Census estimates that there are 2,431,250 of Campbell descent in this Country, to say nothing of Septs of the Clan among which are Bannatyne, Burns, Connochie, Denune, MacDiarmid, MacGlasrich, MacIvor (McKeever), MacKeller, MacTavish, Thomas, Thompson, Caddell, Calder, and Loudoun.

We have invited the Duke of Argyll to visit our shores in 1931, as he had found it impossible to come this year. He is a Campbell of whom we can all be proud, democratic, intelligent, kindly, courteous, and fine looking. His intense interest in the Memorial Tower, the Bells, and historic old Churches, Celtic history and music make him a most unusual and vivid personality.

In olden days when the Clan was urgently needed for any project, the Chief sent a swift runner carrying a torch from village to village and in this way the Clansmen were notified that their help was greatly, ay often desperately needed, and history tells us an appeal to the loyal Clan was never made in vain. And now we send you the same message by letter and conversation and magazine and press—You, CAMPBELL CLANSMAN, are needed now, your membership in our ASSOCIATION, your help with the TOWER, your assistance in helping your valiant and energetic State Chairmen in perfecting a strong and worthy State Association in your STATE. Let us hear from you, please. Our work is unusual, it is different, it has a strong appeal, we wish its appeal to irresistably reach your heart and your purse. We want you to feel you own a part in the Tower and in the Publication, and our efforts. Remember YOU are needed.

Along the frontiers of Britain old castles have crumbled to ruins, but the belfries of ancient churches have come down through the centuries unharmed, and it was this idea of a memorial to last through the ages that caused the Duke to plan for the Belfry Tower. The Campbell motto should mean a great deal to all of us, it is a call to the Clan—"No Obliviscaris" (Forget Not).

Hoping to be more completely snowed-under with letters than heretofore,

MARY LATHAM NORTON,
National President Campbell Association
and Chairman for America, Campbell
Memorial Belfry Tower.

Nov. 12th, 1930.

Any member not receiving his Membership Card in a reasonable length of time, please advise the Headquarters.

To New York State belongs the honor, so far, of the greatest amount of gifts for the Tower, and the State of Kansas is second, and California third. To the State of Texas belongs the honor of having the largest number of members of the Campbell Association, with California second and Kansas third.