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THE EXTREME SOUTH

CORNWALL is a land of extremes. The county provides the most westerly and the most southerly rings of bells in the British Isles. Very appropriately, too, the extremes of the alphabet can be found, beginning at Advent (5) and ending at Zennor (6), but much more, for in between you can ring at a tower beginning with every letter of the alphabet except Q (and even this cannot be ruled out for there is an uncertain ring of three at Quethiok), U, X and Y. The county provides the only V's (St. Veep and Veryan). Students of 'Dove' will say the 'O' is missing, but Otterham provides this with a ring of three hung in a modern frame for six. Not far over the Tamar Bridge the U and Y can soon be found.

On October 12th the most westerly branch of a Diocesan Guild—the Penzance Branch of the Truro Guild—visited the most southerly tower of Landewednack, which is the parish church of The Lizard as Sennen is of the Land's End. The Autumn Festival was to celebrate the hanging of the ring of six bells 25 years ago when two of the ancient three bells were given four new companions. The ancient tenor was preserved and is now mounted outside the church. A plaque records its interest.

At this festival there were almost one hundred present. A Press photographer busied himself photographing a full group (as many as could be mustered), the Landewednack ringers (some retired and some still active who rang 25 years ago), and also the cutting of a two-tier birthday cake by the local captain, Mr. H. C. Barrett, at the tea. The age groups reached to the extremes also with Mr. W. Wood, of Gulval, who will be 88 in November, and Stephen and Jane Carveth, respectively three years and seven months.

At the service the Vicar (the Rev. E. H. Hodges) apologised that there was no organ. This had been dismantled by the organ builders the week before, but a harmonium sufficed to accompany the rousing singing of the good congregation. The preacher was the Guild's general secretary (the Rev. A. J. Vincent, Vicar of Kenwyn) and he immediately made us sit up and take notice by saying that on such occasions the clergy often took the opportunity of telling ringers what they thought of them, but he was going to reverse this and try to discover what ringers thought of the clergy. Basing his remarks on St. Paul's words, 'As ministers of Christ and stewards of the mysteries of God,' our secretary soon had us all meditating on a new method, and puzzling over a diagram well worth committing to memory.

For the business meeting the Guild president, Mr. Alan Carveth, was voted to the chair in the absence of Miss Eileen Symons, who asked that she might be relieved of

this office. The branch secretary, the Rev. A. S. Roberts, was elected branch chairman, and the vacant office was filled by the election of Miss M. Christopher, of Gulval. Mr. William Wood agreed to act as auditor for one more year. A credit balance of £38 8s. 8d. was reported, but it was pointed out that in view of the visit of the Central Council to the diocese next year, the branches might well be asked to help the central fund. Gulval was chosen for the Spring Festival. Ringing also took place at St. Keverne (8), Mawgan, Mullion and Wendron (6). A. S. R.

ALBERT CHARLES HAZELDEN

THE Guildford Diocesan Guild and the Exercise at large has lost a devoted servant of the Church and officer of long standing by the death on October 24th of Mr. Albert Charles Hazelden, of 109, Grange Road, Guildford. Although 87 years of age, until his illness about two months ago he was leading an active, industrious life in fulfilment of his various honorary posts as convener of the Biographies Committee of the Central Council and as librarian to the Guildford Guild.

It was on Queen Victoria's birthday (May 24th, 1876) that Mr. Hazelden was born at Sevenoaks; and although he left school seven weeks before his 12th birthday, by painstaking attention in after years he made amends for these early deficiencies of education. He came to Guildford in 1900 to enter the employ of Dennis Bros.; by 1919 he was on the salaried staff and specialised in fire engines, handling large contracts from all over the world. He retired in 1944.

He learned to handle a bell at Sundridge in 1897, but it was when his work took him to Seal Chart and he became a pupil of F. G. Newman that he progressed in change-ringing, and rang his first peal in this tower in 1900. Coming to Guildford the same year, he was welcomed by a band of enthusiasts—Jim Hunt, Alfred H. Pullen and Charles Wiltshire. With them he made history, ringing the first of London Surprise for the Winchester Guild, first of Bristol Surprise in Surrey and first of Stedman Caters by a Guildford band, and many other peals.

Last September he and Mrs. Hazelden celebrated their diamond wedding. It was after marriage that Mrs. Hazelden joined him in the belfry and ultimately, in 1913, she inaugurated the Southern District of the Ladies' Guild, becoming the first secretary. Together they rang peals in the standard methods. Double Norwich and Cambridge Surprise. In 1920 they stood in the first peal on tower bells by four married couples. Later they were to be recorded as ringing together for their silver wedding and also with the same band for the 30th anniversary. In all, he rang about 200 peals.

With Mr. J. S. Goldsmith, he was one of the founders of the Guildford Guild in 1927, and in 1932 when the Guild formed its library became the first and only librarian to date. In the spacious ringing chamber of St. Nicolas' Church, Guildford, he established a very good library. For years he was in charge of the tower, and was one of the best instructors in the district, travelling miles to take classes. While devoted to ringing, he had an even greater devotion to the Altar, being a Servant of the Sanctuary and by precept and example leading a truly Christian life.

'Charlie's' service to ringing was not confined to his own Guild. In 1930 he was elected to the Central Council, and had served continuously since then, attending the last meeting at Great Yarmouth. In 1939 he was placed on the Biographies Committee, becoming its convener after the deaths of W. A. Cave and J. S. Goldsmith. Assiduously he carried out this task, writing hundreds of letters and following up the faintest of clues in the hope of making the biographies of members of the Council as comprehensive as possible.

The requiem and burial service was held at St. Nicolas' Church on Wednesday, and cremation followed at Woking. The deepest sympathy of the Exercise is extended to his widow and niece, Miss Y. L. Eloie, secretary of the Salisbury Branch of the Salisbury Diocesan Guild.

WILTSHIRE—THE PLAIN AND SOUTH OF IT—THE SMALLER RINGS OF BELLS

THOUGH this report contains all the three- and four-bell towers in the area (except West Dean and Swallowcliffe), some lesser known fives, two sixes and one two have been included. All the towers have been personally visited during the last two years.

It has seemed unnecessary to give a list of founders as these can all be readily found in Walters' 'Church Bells of Wiltshire.' Though published in the 1920's the three parts can still be obtained from the Wiltshire Archaeological Society, The Museum, Devizes, Wilts. at the original price of 16s. the set. The only change in the bells which follow is the treble at Donhead St. Andrew's, recast by Mears in 1953. Of the bells described three 17th century founders. John Wallis and John Danton, of Salisbury, and John Lott, of Warminster, are represented by 21, 9 and 11 respectively. Danton's successors, the Tosiers, account for nine, the Aldbourne Foundry for seven and 15th century bells are well represented by 10. There is a fair smattering of Warner and Mears bells.

SIXES AND FIVES

Chute Forest (6).—This church is being restored, and not demolished as stated in 'Dove.' It is hoped to ring after restoration, but ringing is not possible at the moment. A complete Mears ring of 1871.

North Tidworth (5).—These bells were last rung 40 years ago and are in very poor state. Only the tenor was raised by the writer, the rest being out of the question.

Winterbourne Earls (5).—Fully ringable. Tone rather poor.

Ebbesbourne Wake (5).—If somebody was willing to put shrouding on the wheels these bells would be ringable. Treble and tenor added by Llewellyn and James in 1884.

Tollard Royal (5).—The two trebles have been poorly squeezed into the end of an 18 frame. All the fittings are in very poor shape and unringable.

Stapleford (5).—Tower declared unsafe by architect. It is difficult to see why.

Berwick St. John (6).—The bells would be quite ringable, but the tower is horribly cracked, and the pinnacles could be pushed off by hand.

Sedgehill (5).—A pleasant ring which only needs tightening to put it good order. About 4 cwt. in D. and not 9 cwt. as in 'Dove.'

West Knoyle (5).—Condemned by founders. Antiquated fittings, but they look quite safe for the occasional ring!

FOURS AND THREES

Tilshead (3).—Clocked, with the bells held a quarter up by bits of wood nailed to the stays, etc. The sanctus has half a bed leg as a clapper. Complete Bilbie ring of 1764.

Orcheston St. George (4).—Fully ringable and go reasonably well.

Orcheston St. Mary (3).—A really magnificent Taylor ring of 1916, in excellent condition still. Tenor has no stay. The Vicar is touchy about giving permission to ring.

Maddington (part of Shrewton) (3).—Clocked and in last stages of decay.

Winterbourne Stoke (4).—Architect condemns tower, but the bells are in very poor shape, all swinging the same way. Probably would be just ringable. Treble 1380, and perhaps oldest bell in Wilts.

Berwick St. James (4).—In terrible condition. Broken wheels, clappers missing. Really a five, with the 4th represented only by a headstock.



ST. GEORGE'S, ORCHESTON

Baverstock (near Dinton) (3).—All swing the same way in a rather loose frame. Ringable, however, and well worth a visit as the treble and tenor date from about 1400.

Teffont Evias (3).—Fully ringable and in good order.

Sutton Mandeville (3).—Of excellent tone. Ringable when ropes fitted and Ellacombe hammer on tenor disentangled, despite architect's condemnation.

Donhead St. Andrew (4).—Rehung 1953. Some tightening needed. Tenor by otherwise unknown founders, Washborough Hale & Co., of Bristol, 1831.

Alvediston (3).—Last rehung in 1811 by the Aldbourne Foundry and still in first class order. Officially condemned, but unofficially ringable. Tenor about 14 cwt.

Bowerchalke (3).—Clocking apparatus fixed immovably.

Bishopstone (3).—Quite unringable, broken wheels, etc. Frame dated 1652.

Stratford Toney (3).—Architect condemns, but could just be rung. Stays are pieces of wood roped to the wheels; 17 fittings and hangings.

Odstock (3).—Badly attacked by worm, and in too poor a condition to ring.

Nunton (3).—A new wheel on one bell would make these ringable.

Netherhampton (3).—Restored by writers, with the assistance of Taylor's, and rung regularly.

Whiteparish (3) and Figcheldean (3).—Towers condemned by architect.

Wilsford (near Amesbury) (3).—One bell has a broken cast in staple, otherwise they might be ringable. Tenor, the only surviving bell by Thomas Warre, of Salisbury, dated 1572. The second is by the rare itinerant founder, R. Beconsall, dated 1601.

Idmiston (4).—In perfect ringing order in a stable tower. The Vicar entertains unreasonable fears and is quite unringable.



ALVEDISTON CHURCH

Allington (3).—In deplorable state. The second is being chimed with only one canon intact. Nothing to stop it falling to the ground when the other breaks as the frame is poorly constructed.

Newton Toney (4).—Permission to ring not obtainable, until the decision to spend some money on them is given.

Winterbourne Gunner (2).—A fine, mediæval bell frame, with half wheels. One bell has a stay 6 ft. long, protruding from the centre of the headstock.

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ROBIN LEALE'S PEAL TOUR OF NORTH WALES

(See page 717)

AFTER visiting Scotland last year, Mr. Robin G. Leale's tour this year was in North Wales, the party assembling at Craven Arms Hotel, Craven Arms, on Friday, August 9th.

A sleepless night, due to the traffic on the main Hereford to Shrewsbury road on one side and the railway on the other, preceded an early run to Clun, where before attempting our first peal an hour was spent changing ropes. Having done this we were away to a fine start and after 2 hours 51 minutes of Yorkshire we were again in rounds. This was Keith Ward's 100th peal.

After a bite we were on our way to Bishop's Castle, where a variety of methods was rung on the good ring of six. Our next call was Church Stoke, the first tower of the tour in Wales, where Doubles methods were rung on this ground floor five. Although we were forewarned of a little refreshment at the Court House Hotel, we were amazed at the tremendous spread laid on for us by Mr. Shuker, the local captain. Our sincere thanks to him for his generous thought.

A few more miles on the clock found us at Montgomery, where again our repertoire was put to good use. By now we were a little behind schedule and after a quick ring at Forden we journeyed to Leighton. Here unexpectedly met Arthur Pearson, who claimed the villagers had told him the Canon of Dorking was ringing their bells! Ringing followed at Berriew on a recent recast Taylor eight, which is certainly in keeping with the best kept village in Montgomeryshire. Mr. Cannon called a very musical touch of Stedman, in which Queens came up twice and we finished with a touch of eight spliced. We now had to travel 50 or so miles to Aberystwyth, which took us across central Wales. This journey was most enjoyable for it gave some idea of the country we had yet to see. Our headquarters for the next two nights was the Talbot Hotel, Aberystwyth.

'PRESS-UP' COMPETITION

In the evening we had the annual press-up competition, when Mr. Cannon generously offered a penny for each press-up over twenty. Much to Mr. Cannon's dismay Robin earned himself twopence, after which it was found necessary to reconsider the situation. After a financial reshuffle it was decided that a penny over twenty-five would still be a generous offer, or so Mr. Cannon thought, and the competition continued. After one or two very courageous attempts it finally fell on Mr. Cannon, who did not hesitate to inform us that he was old enough to be the father of everyone present, to show us how it is done, and with 25 press-ups he brought a very pleasant evening to a conclusion.

Sunday morning eight of the party went to ring at Llandiloes, while the remainder went to church in Aberystwyth. After a filling lunch at the hotel we were on our way to Llanbadarn Fawr, for our second attempt of the week. Here we were successful in ringing Bristol. The peal over, two car loads went to see Devil's Bridge and the waterfalls made famous by Wordsworth.

We left Aberystwyth on Monday for Machynlleth. Here in a church, typical of slate quarry areas, we rang a peal of Pudsey. Further north to Barmouth, through some of the most beautiful scenery in Wales. Great misfortune met us at the magnificent Parish Church, as after one and a half hour's ringing one member of the band decided to set his bell after a slight trip. No accommodation had been booked for Monday night so the two not in the Barmouth attempt made their way to Harlech, where suitable accommodation was found, although not all under one roof. Monday evening was spent in the games room at the St. David's Hotel, where a table tennis tournament was held. Colin taking the championship.

Up bright and early Tuesday morning and over the toll bridges crossing Afon Dwyryd and past the famous Ffestiniog railway, Portmadoc was reached at 10 a.m. and a start was made for London, which came round

2 hours and 51 minutes later. An afternoon free from ringing saw us up to our knees on marshy ground on Glyder-fawr. However, the three agile members of the party managed to climb to a height of about 2,500 feet, leaving behind last year's 'Mountain King.'

INTO ANGLESEY

Another pleasant run took us to Beaumaris and the Liverpool Arms Hotel, where we were to stay for the next two nights. After a visit to Bangor's Chinese restaurant, we obtained permission to ring on Llandegai's noisy six.

Wednesday morning we once again crossed the Menai Straits to attempt a peal at St. David's, Glenadda. After ringing for an unscheduled wedding we started for Lincolnshire, our fifth successful peal out of six attempts. Back to Beaumaris for Gillian Neal Smith's 100th peal—Rutland, on extremely melodious bells. This was Mr. Cannon's first in the method 'inside'; he was so delighted that he bought the most expensive meal he could find, which, although very nice, was not substantial enough for 'Tenor Kings'.

Leaving Anglesey, Thursday morning, we made haste for Abergele, where our stay was shortened because of lateness. On to Bodelwyddan (the marble church), where the bells proved a little disappointing. However, touches of Bristol and spliced were brought round. Rhuddlan's turned out to be the roughest bells on the tour. Rhyl, the playground of the Midlands, was our next peal attempt and Cambridge ran round after 3 hours 1 minute, with only one or two slight trips. Much consternation was experienced during the early part of this peal when someone commenced to hammer on the bottom door. After some considerable time the banging stopped and the key, which was quarter turned in the lock, was heard to drop on to the floor. Naturally we all thought our days were numbered, but to our astonishment the intruder completely ignored us as he passed the belfry door on his way up to the bell chamber.

From Rhyl a most uninteresting trip was made to Flint, where ringing took place on the three tier 'handbell' ring of eight. It was pleasing to see that the local band consists of youngsters between the ages of eight and 16, the majority of whom are girls. En route to Ruthin, a stop was made to look at Liverpool Cathedral tower, just visible in the distance. After booking in at the Castle Hotel, Ruthin, we rang at the Parish Church (a rather lumpy eight).

It was a fairly long trip on Friday morning to Ruabon, where a peal in seven Minor methods was rung. Spliced was to have been rung in the afternoon at Malpas, but the band decided to make up for the lost Superlative at Barmouth. This was an average peal, certainly below our standard, due mainly to the long draught. Then on to Hodnet, one of the few octagonal towers in the country, followed by Prees (both good rings of bells). The Charlton Arms Hotel, Wellington, was our last stop, and here we joined another touring party of St. Paul's Cathedral Choir, Detroit, performing up and down the country.

A substantial breakfast Saturday morning prepared us for Coalbrookdale, our only ten-bell attempt, which unfortunately came to grief after a short time owing to the indisposition of one of the band. A visit to Ironbridge to have our photographs taken on the first ever iron bridge, built in 1779, preceded lunch. Broseley and Cound were visited before entering Shrewsbury to ring at St. Mary's (10) and St. Chad's one of the best rings of 12 in the country. The Vicar met us at Uppington and escorted us to his neighbouring parish of Wrockwardine. Both of these villages lie within the shadow of the Wrekin. Sunday morning we left Shropshire and travelled across country to Wolverhampton, where we had arranged to ring for morning service, and then to Birmingham.

Thanks to Robin for arranging another excellent tour, although 100 per cent was not achieved this year. Thanks also to the incumbents and the local captains, who made us feel at home in their belfries.

JACKDAW.



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Letters to the Editor

Washington Cathedral Test

Dear Sir,—I hope you will get a more complete report from Richard Dirksen, at the Washington Cathedral, but I wanted to inform our English friends of a wonderful weekend the Groton ringers just spent, ringing the new bells there.

Seven of us flew down Saturday afternoon, practised on silenced bells that evening, and rang for 24 hours yesterday afternoon (October 20th). The specific purpose of the ringing was to enable acoustics experts to make tests of volume in the various parts of Northwest Washington, as well as to measure tower vibrations with a seismograph. Much of the ringing for the tests consisted of rounds and calls on ten—with the help of Warren Sturgis and Harry Parkes. Then, for an hour and a half, with an audience of around a hundred visitors in the ringing chamber, we rang Stedman Doubles and Triples. By this time Philip Gray had arrived. It was great to see him and have his expert help. Between touches I tried to explain what change ringing was all about.

It was a great privilege to ring the bells for the first time, an historic event indeed. No. 4 is in memory of Warren Sturgis, sen., who was Groton's Ringing Master for the first 35 years.

The Cathedral already has more candidates for a Guild than it needs. They need only a Ringing Master. Since I am going off on sabbatical leave next year, that makes two towers without Ringing Masters. Teachers, take note.—Yours sincerely,

RUSSELL S. YOUNG.

Groton School, Mass.

First Peal in Scotland

Dear Sir.—It is often stated that 'the first peal in Scotland is the peal of Grandsire Triples rung at Old Steeple, Dundee, by the College Youths on May 21st, 1873.' Has the following peal report ever been put before the Exercise this century?

From 'Bell's Life of London,' Sunday, December 4th, 1859. 'The members of the St. Nicholas' Society, Aberdeen, met on Wednesday and rang a peal of 5,040 changes Plain Bob Triples deeply muffled, as a mark of respect to the memory of the late Geo. Gordon, formerly a member of the Society of Bellringers. The following were the performers, viz.: Jas. Ross treble, Jas. Rivie 2, John Ross 3, Wm. Wishart 4, Alexander Bain 5, Geo. McDonald 6, Joseph Healey 7, Aurthur Robb tenor. Wt. of tenor 33 cwt. Conducted by Joseph Healey.'

In reading this report, the following facts should be noted. The ring of eight bells was installed by Warners in 1858. They were opened by the St. Peter's company of ringers of Leeds, and they rang 1,260 Grandsire Triples, August 30th. Joseph Healey was a ringer from Wakefield, who went to Aberdeen as an instructor to those wanting to learn change ringing. For further details see the article by David Cubitt in the 'R.W.' August 8th, 1958, and 'Bells of Aberdeenshire,' Part III, by F. C. Eeles and Randal Clouston. 'Bell's Life of London' was regularly used by peal ringers from about 1845 to the mid-1870's. Jasper W. Snowden was a contributor to this paper. Did J. A. Trollope know of this peal report? I await with interest comments and further information from your readers.—Yours sincerely,

FRANK T. BLAGROVE.

Windsor.

Ringling and Worship

Dear Sir,—A sermon preached by the Rev. Frankland Rigby made an excellent leading article in 'The Ringing World' recently. Not the least important aspect of it was that it clarified, in simple language, what constitutes a heresy. I imagine that there are many ringers like myself who have never been quite sure on this point.

The clerical members of our ringing fraternity contribute very valuable articles to 'The Ringing World' from time to time. During the coming months the general question of Reunion of Churches will be very much on our minds and in this diocese we have been asked by the Bishop to consider carefully the reunion of the Established Church and the Methodist Church in particular, so that he may 'know the mind of the diocese by the next Diocesan Conference in May, 1964.' This subject is not strictly 'Ringling,' but as church workers all ringers are directly concerned. I wonder if an article on the subject from an informed parson (or layman) could appear in our journal?

The Rev. Frankland Rigby has told us that we are wrong in considering our ringing to be an act of worship, but he will concede, I am sure, that the ringing of our church bells is a call—a call to church, a call to worship, and, perhaps, a call to think of our Christian faith and its problems.

It would seem that the organisers of the recent B.B.C. Telstar T.V. broadcast, on the subject of reunion, appreciated the value of our bells in this connection by introducing London to the sound of St. Paul's bells. Incidentally, was this the first bell broadcast by Telstar?—Yours faithfully,

ARTHUR V. DAVIS.

Southbourne, Bournemouth.

Dear Sir.—The Rev. F. F. Rigby, in his sermon on the occasion of the rededication of Frampton Cotterell bells, did scant justice to that splendid feature on the front page of 'The Ringing World'—'Second Best' by Edgar C. Shepherd.

The Rector was not very appreciative, neither were his arguments very convincing; he rather spoiled his feature by his narrow view and definition of 'Worship.'

Bell ringing has, after many years become by almost everyone in the church, clergy and laity alike, an act of worship and comes well within the wide dictionary meaning.

Worship, the quality of being worthy, or/and our ringing being worthy is Worship.

'The act of paying divine honour to God.'

'To perform a religious service.'

'To take part in a religious service' (which the ringers do in the widest sense).

It does not follow that because we ring—because we like ringing—we do not also ring to the Glory of God.—Yours sincerely,

W. FRANK STENSON.

Crewe.

Handbell Tune Ringing

Dear Sir,—I was interested to read in the correspondence columns of 'The Ringing World' a plea for some instruction in arranging tunes for handbells.

For many years I have engaged in tune ringling, arranging all my own tunes and carols. If my services can be of any use, I would be willing to submit an article on the subject.—Yours sincerely,

NORMAN PEARSON.

Haslemere C. of E. School.
Haslemere.

Handbell Tune Ringing

Dear Sir,—As Mr. John P. Partington inquires about handbell tune ringling, below is my plan:

For over 40 years myself and family have rung tunes on handbells at concerts, socials and four times on the stage at Ipswich Hippodrome. Having 18 bells (two octaves) the first ringer holds do, te in the right hand, and la, sol in the left, and so on down the diatonic scale, leaving the last three to be played from the table.

With four MSS. music books the tunes are written in music notation; in the first book only notes coming in the air are entered, thus—G, F sharp, E and D, with rests between as required. Second ringer has C, B, A, G. Third has F sharp, E, D, C, and fourth B, A, G in the bass clef. Any tune not in this key has to be transposed to G on the Tonic Sol-fa principle.

All notes which are an octave below the air are struck by the intermediate players, also other harmony, often five or more notes in a chord.

We play Christmas hymns and carols, also 'Blue Bells of Scotland,' 'Ring the bell, watchman,' 'Bells of St. Mary' and many other well known tunes.

Luckily we can count the number of beats in a bar according to the tune.—Yours, etc.,
Ipswich. G. E. SYMONDS.

A Tutor's Reward

Dear Sir,—As I am approaching the fifty mark in pupils, my experience should interest Mr. Thomas C. Belton.

A tutor's reward is not in a pupil's letter of thanks or the publication of a teacher's name, but in the glowing pride of watching their expert bell control and perfect striking. None of my pupils has ever complained about too long draught without guides, odd struck bells or being hung backwards.

The thrill of watching them enjoy their ringing is beyond measure. Added to this, I have the pleasure of knowing that six of my pupils hold the record of being the youngest hand from one tower to ring a peal of Minor.

My birthday was on a Saturday: would I ring the 7th to a peal? The day in July was one of the hottest of the year, we took up our places and what a shock I received when the conductor called 'Everyone o.k.? then go Superlative.' They were determined to ring one I should remember; during the last part the treble tried one too many dodges at the back and that was the only mistake made. After 'Stand' was called I was too full to say 'Thank you' when the 15-year-old conductor said, 'We felt that was the best present we could give you.'

But I never forget that ringing is team work, so what use is a tutor on his own? Others must have the patience and will to man the other ropes, so a pupil becomes the product of a tower.—Yours faithfully,

A TUTOR.

St. Peter Mancroft

Visitors to St. Peter Mancroft during the past 14 months must have noticed the forest of scaffolding which has been necessary for the complete rebuilding of the roof and the realignment of the clerestory walls and their return to the vertical. Work is now in progress at the western end and the bells must be silent for a period of about six weeks while the ends of the concrete beams, running the entire length of the clerestory walls, are bonded into the tower with a flexible 'coupling.' The total cost will be in excess of £53,000, of which £35,600 has already been raised.

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A Tutor's Satisfaction

Dear Sir.—I would like to assure Mr. Belton that I have received more than ample thanks and gratitude from the conductor of the Extent of Major both after this and after the many other notable performances in which he has taken part. This comment also applies to several other quite well known ringers, whom I was fortunate enough to guide in their early stages, including two who rang in the previous record length of 32,000 at Loughborough.

It is not easy to single out particular people as normally several ringers are concerned in producing ringers of this standard. I myself was only able to teach up to Treble Bob Minor, and the credit for the further advancement of the conductor rests, and I am sure has been given, to John Worth and the other members of his well known band in Cheshire. Like me, I am sure they get great satisfaction from the activities of their former pupils.

I hope that I am not the exception, but I have received thanks in many forms from former pupils and it brings quite unexpected thrills, as, for instance, a phone call early on a Sunday morning a few years ago to be told by an excited young voice that four of them had rung in a peal of Cambridge Maximus at Buckfast the previous day.

—Yours, etc.,
A WELL SATISFIED TUTOR.

REDEDICATION**FRAMPTON COTTERELL, GLOS**

The bells of Frampton Cotterell (six, tenor 18 cwt.), which have not been safe to ring for 40 years, have been restored and were rededicated at a service on October 5th.

The Rector (the Rev. C. H. J. Wood) describes in a souvenir brochure this very important event in the history of the church as a wonderful effort. Three gymkhanas have raised over £1,000 and this has been augmented by £500 from other efforts and subscriptions. Finally, by the interest and generosity of Benson Bros., Mr. R. Benson and Mr. R. Webley, the tower was ready for the bells when they arrived from Messrs. John Taylor of Loughborough. This saved a great expense.

The rededication was by the Rt. Rev. D. B. Hall, Rector of Tormarton, and formerly Assistant Bishop of the Niger, and the address was given by the Rev. F. F. Rigby, Master of the Gloucester and Bristol Diocesan Association, which was reported in our issue of October 18th.

Nine villages during the past two years have had learners to handle a bell, some at St. John's Ringing School and others by attending practices at Coalpit Heath and Westerleigh.

Under their captain, Mr. A. J. Nemes, they rang after the dedication, others being N. Curtis, A. Drew, R. Drew, A. Curtis and R. Driver.

The original hanging of the bells appears to have been in 1627, of which only the 2nd bell remains. The treble, 4th and tenor were cast for the last rehanging in 1760. The tenor bears the inscription, 'Let my sound move people to God,' and the fourth, which has been recast this year, has the original contemporary inscription, 'King, Pitt and Quebec for ever.'

STONE RINGER'S WEDDING

Miss Meryl Purslow, youngest daughter of Mr. and Mrs. A. E. Purslow, of 14, Lichfield Road, Stone, with her bridegroom, Mr. Barrie Simms, of Stone, after their recent wedding at St. Michael's Church, Stone. A member of a well known ringing family, Meryl rings at St. Michael's with her father and sister (Mrs. J. Bowley), and also sings in the choir. The bridegroom has been a chorister at the church for 16 years.

The bride, who was given away by her father, wore a full-length dress of crystal satin, with bell-shaped skirt and overtrain in same material. A short veil was held in place by a coronet of orange blossom. She was attended by two bridesmaids and two page boys. The reception at St. Michael's Hall, Stone, was attended by 130 guests.

Touches of Stedman and Grand sire Triples were rung previous to the service. Unfortunately the attempted peal of Stedman Triples was lost a few minutes from the end.

KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION**Rochester District**

The annual meeting of the Rochester District was held on October 19th at St. George's Chapel of Unity, Gravesend, and was attended by approximately 90 members and friends.

The secretary gave his report on the activities of the District during the past year. Twenty-eight peals had been rung, mostly of the Surprise calibre. Tom Sone had rung his 700th, at Hoo, and was heartily congratulated. Chris Osenton had rung his first as conductor. The accounts showed a balance of £36 19s. 1d. Nine new members were elected, of which six were juveniles.

The election of officers for the ensuing year resulted as follows: Christopher Osenton, of Halling, Ringing Master; Laurence Mitchell, re-elected District secretary; Messrs. Albert Dunk and Frank Cheal, re-elected District representatives on the Association General Committee. The meeting closed with hearty thanks to the ringers at Gravesend and their ladies for the wonderful tea which they provided. A return was then made to the tower for further ringing.

L. M.

RINGING COURSE AT DERBY

Over 30 ringers and friends attended a one-day theoretical course on ringing, held at the Adult Education Centre, Derby, on October 19th. Mr. D. R. Carlisle started the course with a lecture on the history and organisation of ringing. After describing how ringing had developed from an entirely secular hobby into a Christian act of witness, he went on to mention present-day Associations, with particular reference to the Central Council and its founder, Sir A. P. Heywood.

The company then split up into two sections, elementary and advanced. Whilst Mr. G. Halls was explaining plain hunt to the former, Mr. D. J. Marshall was speaking on the topical subject of place notation. After lunch Mr. Carlisle gave a useful lecture on the art of good striking, which was clearly illustrated by means of various tape recordings and handbells.

The elementary course then covered the construction and method of ringing Plain Bob on all numbers of bells, whilst those in the advanced course were learning about the classification and construction of methods. Insufficient time did not permit the section to tackle the other subjects of composing and conducting.

Following tea in St. Michael's Church Hall, during which the company were joined by the Association's president, the Very Rev. R. A. Beddoes, Provost of Derby, the final lecture was given by Mr. John Fidler, of the Loughborough Bell Foundry, on the maintenance and repairs of bells and their fittings. The great interest in this to all was clearly evident from the large number of questions. The course concluded with a vote of thanks to the lecturers, after which handbells were put to good use for a while.

M. P. P.

50 YEARS AGO

'R.W.' October 31st, 1913.—

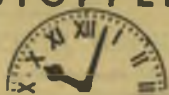
It is remarkable, and happily unique, that we should have to record in one issue the destruction of two church steeples by fire. Last week disaster overtook Leck Church, Lancashire, where among other serious damage, was the loss of two of the five bells. On Monday the ancient Church of SS. Peter and Paul, West Clandon, one of the oldest churches in Surrey, suffered in the same way, and five of its six bells were totally destroyed. In each case considerable damage was done to the fabric, and serious loss has been sustained. At Clandon, and we believe also at Leck, the fire originated in the steeple from some unknown cause, and we hope that subsequent events will not prove the outbreaks to be due to carelessness on the part of the ringers.

BARNESLEY & DISTRICT SOCIETY

To mark the centenary of the bells, a special invitation was extended to the Barnsley and District Society to meet at Wentworth, near Rotherham, on October 19th. Eleven towers were represented with a good turn out of young ringers. Canon A. King was in the chair for the short business meeting, when five new members were elected from Wentworth. Mr. W. E. Critchley proposed, and Mr. H. Chant seconded, the vote of thanks.

Next meeting: Conisbrough, near Rotherham, November 9th.

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OBITUARY

MR. HERBERT W. LIDBETTER

The Norwich Association has lost, through the death of Mr. Herbert W. Lidbetter, a most loyal supporter. Soon after his retirement to Acle he entered fully into the life of the Association, and he was a familiar figure at meetings, where his kindly manner and rich, good humour endeared him to everyone. A great welcome was accorded visitors to his tower, and his home was an 'open' one and his hospitality well known. Although not a prolific peal ringer, he celebrated for many years his birthday with a peal and took part in his last on his 85th. He could claim to have been a ringer for 60 years.

A native of Smarden, Kent, Mr. Lidbetter spent most of his life in Middlesex, where he became a county court officer, and came to Norfolk on his retirement in 1939. He died on September 14th, within two months of his 91st birthday.

On the evening of the funeral, a half-muffled peal was rung as a token of respect. Tributes included wreaths from the local band and from the Norwich Association.

Our deepest sympathy goes out to his daughters, May and Doris, in their bereavement.

N. G.

DEREK OGDEN

AN APPRECIATION

On behalf of our band, I sorrowfully write this farewell tribute to Derek Ogden:

During his relatively short lifetime, Derek had furthered the Exercise a considerable amount. A large part of his achievement was just that—the advancement of the general ringing fraternity in this area.

He encompassed a broad spectrum and was always helpful to beginners. For instance, a good number of ringers have had their first peals in the simpler methods conducted by Derek.

In the field of composition, his most original work was on Spliced Surprise Royal and Maximus. He had produced peals which epitomise three features, namely: the number of methods, the occurrence of the various possible lead-heads and the musical qualities of the course-ends. We invariably liked him to conduct these compositions himself.

Derek had also produced some compositions in new and non-standard methods when requested. His versatility was further illustrated when, a few years ago, he called a peal of Erin Triples. On handbells, he was also most competent; and he played the organ sufficiently well, as he put it, to derive some enjoyment.

Those who knew him will share our thoughts of Derek's pleasant personality. He has departed whilst still on the threshold, but we shall always cherish the memory of his friendship with us.

D. M.

EAST GRINSTEAD & DISTRICT GUILD

One of the most successful East Grinstead and District Guild outings was arranged on October 12th by Mr. Stanley Jenner. A late start was unfortunately unavoidable. The first tower was Elstree (6) and, although the bells were rather noisy and not appreciated by the café owner opposite, we enjoyed some touches. At Hemel Hempstead (8) we were made welcome, and, after ringing, enjoyed a picnic lunch and sampled the local brew until it was time to journey on to King's Langley (8).

The sun shone all day and by the time we reached Rickmansworth everyone was feeling fit enough to make the awkward ascent into the belfry and enjoy ringing on the only ring of ten bells of the day. After tea at 'The Chequers' our chairman (Mr. B. E. Jeffrey) thanked Stan for arranging the towers and ordering a sunny and dry day! He reminded members of the annual dinner on January 11th, with a change of hotel this time. A collection was taken for the rope fund. At the last tower, Harrow Weald (8), we were met by Mr. John Mayne. We were so proud and honoured to ring a course of Surprise Major with Master Robert Fuller, of Westham, completely unaided. At 13 years, he must be our youngest member. Darkness had fallen when we made our way across London.

M. A. L.

THE SOUTH WALES AND BRISTOL NOMADS

THE Nomads' fifth annual ringing tour started from Bristol on July 27th, when a party of eight set out in two cars for a tour of parts of Hampshire, Oxfordshire and Berkshire. Two towers were visited on the journey down: Kintbury (a loud six) and the anti-clockwise five at Chilton Foliat, where a Salisbury Guild meeting was in progress. Tadley was our base for the week, and here we were met by our host, the Rev. 'Ken' Davies, Rector of Tadley, who gave us use of the Church Hall cooking and recreational facilities. After pitching our tents in the Rectory field, we visited Monk Sherborne and Bramley, where, with the help of Ken and two local ringers, Grandsire Triples and Bob Major were attempted.

Some of the party attended Holy Communion at St. Saviour's on Sunday, and all went to Tadley Parish Church to ring the three bells, and attend morning service. The afternoon was spent at Henley, by the river, and ringing for evening service.

Monday was our most towers day. First was the light six at Sherfield-on-Loddon, then Rotherwick and the heavy-going five at Heckfield. After lunch we were joined by Ken at Sallowfield (an odd-struck five). The musical light six at Finchampstead came next, where, with the help of a local ringer, some touches of Kent and Oxford Minor were obtained. Sandhurst and Arborfield were visited, before we joined Hurst ringers for their practice.

THE BAILIFF SAID 'NO'

Ringling started on Tuesday at Goodworth Clatford, and then we journeyed on to Longstock. Our decision to have a picnic lunch by the river near Stockbridge was foiled by a farm bailiff, who insisted it 'just can't be done,' but a new site was found. At Stockbridge our first mishap occurred, the treble rope breaking in the middle of a touch of Bob Doubles. Then on to Broughton, Lockerley and Mottisfont, where, finding the Abbey grounds closed, we obtained the Rector's permission to ring an hour early. Andover was reached in good time for a high tea, before we joined the local ringers at their weekly practice.

Wednesday was a more leisurely day, and in consequence the ringing improved. At Dummer (5) we found the tenor extremely heavy going. Traces of a very old set of ringers' rules painted on the wall plaster were an interesting find here. Micheldever, with its octagonal nave, was next and after lunch in the New Forest a visit to Beaulieu Abbey and motor museum was enjoyed. Fawley, our southernmost tower, was a very easy-going six. In the evening we visited Romsey Abbey.

The following day, still in glorious sunshine, we started with two fives, at Selborne and Newton Valence, before spending the afternoon on the beach at Hayling Island. On the return journey we visited the lovely Taylor six at Catherington, and the five at Benworth.

HEADMASTER HOST

Our first tower on Friday was at the Roman city centre of Silchester, where after ringing the easy going five we were invited to morning coffee by Mr. Salmon, the local headmaster. At Stratfield Mortimer we first tried the octave at St. Mary's, where the rope on the third broke on the last stroke of the lower and then the light six at St. John's, which are spoilt by the very loud hum in the tower. After lunch we went to Upton Nervet, our only four-bell tower, and then on to Burghfield and Englefield. Whichurch, Oxon, bells are a nice going six, the only distraction being the creaking beams. After returning to Tadley we had a camp fire finale.

It was raining on Saturday, when we set off on our homeward journey. After sightseeing at Winchester came our last two towers, Nether and Over Wallop. After a visit to Stonehenge, we had our first breakdown, which was quickly fixed by an A.A. Patrol, and we arrived in Bristol just in time to catch the train to South Wales.

Our thanks are due to all incumbents and local ringers, our cook, Glynne Bowsher, our drivers, and especially to the Rev. K. C. Davies without whose help the tour would not have been the success it was. Our thanks also to Mr. G. R. Marchant, of Durlough, Somerset, our Ringing Master and organiser.

R. J. W.

MR. J. L. MILLHOUSE'S 1,000 PEALS

The first Lincolnshire man to ring 1,000 peals is Mr. J. L. Millhouse, captain of St. Giles' belfry, Lincoln, who has gained this distinction at the early age of 47. Of his peals, 937 have been rung on tower bells, the first being at Navenby, Lincs, in 1935. On handbells he has rung 63. He has conducted 553. Details are appended:

TOWER BELLS

Maximus.—Cambridge 22 (conducted 5), Yorkshire 13 (8), Londinium 2, Lincolnshire 1, Pudsey 1 (1), Lyddington 1 (1).

Cinques.—Stedman 63 (26), Grandsire 1 (1), Erin 1.

Royal.—Plain Bob 2, Little Bob 2 (1), Kent T.B. 2 (2), London S. 6 (2), Cambridge S. 29 (11), Yorkshire S. 13 (7), Lindsey S. 1 (1), Prittlewell S. 1 (1), Oakham S. 4 (3), Pudsey S. 2 (2), Wembley S. 1, Rochester S. 1 (1).

Caters.—Stedman 28 (17), Grandsire 5 (4), Erin 2.

Major.—Original 1, Plain Bob 14 (9), Double Oxford 1 (1), Double Norwich Court Bob 26 (24), Oxford Bob 1, St. Clement's 1, Wymondham 1, Erith Little Bob 1 (1), Gainsborough Little Bob 2 (1), Little Bob 8 (6), Kent T.B. 11 (6), Oxford T.B. 2 (2), Kent and Oxford T.B. 4 (3).

Surprise Major.—Ashted 1, Belgrave 1 (1), Billingham 1 (1), Berkshire 1 (1), Biggleswade 1 (1), Brunceton 1 (1), Bristol 35 (16), Cambridge 42 (28), New Cambridge 2 (2), Dublin 1 (1), Dunholme 1, Ealing 1 (1), Edinburgh 1, Fordham 1, Gainsborough 2 (1), Glasgow 1, Gresford 1, Heydour 1 (1), Immingham 1 (1), Jersey 1 (1), Lincoln 1 (1), Lincolnshire 26 (18), London 88 (46), Lyme 1 (1), Metheringham 1 (1), Norfolk 1 (1), Nettleham 1 (1), Painswick 1, Pudsey 4 (2), Runnymede 1 (1), Rutland 21 (14), Rochester 2 (2), St. Giles' 1 (1), Scotchorn 1 (1), Sibley 1 (1), Sleaford 1 (1), Superlative 12 (7), Uxbridge 1 (1), Walesby 1 (1), Warwickshire 1 (1), Wembley 3 (3), Whitwick 1 (1), Wombourne 1, Watford 2 (2), Wellington 1 (1), Wordsworth 1 (1), Yorkshire 53 (33).

Spliced Surprise Major.—Two methods 1, three methods 3 (1), four methods 15 (7), five methods 3, six methods 10 (3), seven methods 1 (1), eight methods 3 (2), 10 methods 3, 16 methods 1, 22 methods 2, 32 methods 1.

Triples.—Stedman 38 (22), Grandsire 14 (11), Erin 2 (1).

Minor.—1-6 methods 37 (28), seven methods 75 (44), 8-17 methods 50 (43), 21 methods 1, 23 methods 1, 34 methods 1, 43 methods 1, 49 methods 1, 53 methods 1, 60 methods 1, 70 methods 1, 100 methods 1, T02 methods 1, 104 methods 1, 125 methods 1, Cambridge S. 45 (34), London S. 8 (2), Lincoln S. 1, York 1, Wells 1.

Doubles.—Stedman 2 (2), Grandsire 2 (2), Plain Bob 1, five methods 1, six methods 1.

HANDBELLS

Maximus.—Little Bob 1; Cinques.—Stedman 16; Royal.—Plain Bob 2, Little Bob 1, two plain spliced 2; Caters.—Stedman 16, Grandsire 2.

Major.—Double Bob 1, Plain Bob 9 (1), Double Norwich Court Bob 1, Little Bob 1, Kent Treble Bob 2.

Spliced Plain Major.—Six methods 2, eight methods 1, nine methods 1, 17 methods 1.

Triples.—Stedman 1, Grandsire 1 (silent), Minor.—Plain Bob 1 (1), seven methods 1.

OXFORD DIOCESAN GUILD

The first meeting ever to be held at Ascott-under-Wychwood, where the tower had rejoined the Guild, took place on October 19th, and was attended by about 30 members of the Chipping Norton Branch, representing nine towers. The light six were rung until the service, which was conducted by the Vicar. Tea in the Village Hall was provided free and the ladies who provided the meal were thanked by the Branch Secretary, Mr. J. Keyte.

After the business meeting, attended by the Guild secretary (Miss M. R. Cross), there was more ringing, also at Shipton-under-Wychwood.

THE SUFFOLK GUILD**N.W. District**

A good afternoon's ringing preceded the service when the N.W. District met at Lakenheath on October 19th, and touches of Cambridge, Norwich, Ipswich, Double Court and Single Court were enjoyed.

Mr. John Ivings, a Euston ringer, conducted the service in the absence of the Rector through illness. Tea in the Church Room was served by Mrs. Peachy and friends, and Mr. L. Wright welcomed Mr. Frank Perrins, of Coventry, and other visitors.

Before starting business at the annual meeting, members stood in silence in respect to George Jennings, a Bury St. Edmunds ringer, who had died since the last meeting. Mr. Leslie Wright was re-elected chairman, Mr. A. Balham secretary, Mr. Richard Rose Ringing Master, and Miss G. Reeve press secretary. Committee: Mrs. Ivings, Mr. Ray Fordham, Miss D. and Miss G. Reeve (re-elected).

The chairman thought more methods should be rung in the N.W. District and hoped that ringers would support him and study at least one fresh method at each quarterly meeting. This meeting the members gave special attention to Cambridge Surprise.

The Ringing Master's report showed that few peals had been rung, but several quarters. Elveden topped the list, but Rougham had the greatest variety of methods, and also rang a great variety of 720's at their Sunday service ringing.

Meetings suggested for 1964 were: Elveden, January; Rougham, April; Horringer, July; and Barrow, October. November evening practice, Freckenham; December practice-Brandon. Profits from the tea, amounting to £2 2s., were given by Mrs. Peachy to the Bell Restoration Fund. She and her helpers were thanked. After hearing records of the Bredfield striking competition, ringers returned to the belfry and rang until 9 p.m.

G. R.

NORWICH DIOCESAN**ASSOCIATION****Eastern Branch**

The recently rehung six at Blofield was the venue for the autumn meeting of the Eastern Branch on September 21st. The service was conducted by the Rector (the Rev. R. S. C. Bailey), and Canon A. G. G. Thurstlow deputised as organist.

Miss D. E. Lidbetter (Branch chairman) opened the meeting with votes of thanks to the Rector, to Canon Thurlow, and to Miss H. Grass and her lady helpers for preparing an excellent tea. She also welcomed Mr. W. Love, who is now home from hospital.

Miss J. Harvey, of Happisburgh, was elected to ringing membership. Members stood in silent tribute to the memory of Mr. H. W. Lidbetter, who died the Saturday previous to this meeting.

Forthcoming meetings: Loddon, December 7th, Great Yarmouth: February 8th (not February 15th). Branch dinner. N.P.J.C.

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MORE BELFRY GOSSIP

Seventy-four years separated the ages of two of the ringers in 120 of Bob Doubles at Hoby, Leicestershire, on Saturday week. Michael Roberts of Shepshed, who is just 12, turned in the 8½ cwt. tenor and conducted the touch, while the treble was rung by Mr. T. Briggs, of Somerby, who will be 86 next month.

There was much rejoicing at Combe Martin, Devon, when a peal and quarter peal were rung to celebrate the 100th birthday of Miss Halnon, a most delightful centenarian. The ringers were very pleased to receive a letter of thanks from her, stating that she enjoyed listening to the bells from her doorstep. Arthur Smallridge stood as reserve for the ringers.

Congratulations to the two young members of the batch of beginners at St. Peter-de-Witton, Droitwich, who rang their first quarter peal on October 19th, Susan Barker (13), who rang the treble, has been change ringing since August, and Martin Guise (just 12) rang the tenor. Martin is, without doubt, the youngest to ring the 12½ cwt. tenor, which he managed well despite his small size.

A ringing parson, the Rev. Peter C. Woodward, has left St. Anne's Chingford, Essex, to be a missionary in Madagascar. He graduated from St. Catharine's, Cambridge, in 1958, and followed this with a two year course at Bishop's College, Cheshunt. He served his title at St. Anne's, Chingford. Friends rang a farewell quarter at Uppingham, Rutland.

One of the main centres of Australian ringing is the home of Mr. Tom Goodyer, the president of the A.N.Z.A.B., with handbells once a week and their own home tower, St. Mary's Cathedral, Sydney. Mrs. Goodyer, a Gloucestershire girl, went to Australia for two years in 1952, but instead married a fellow bellringer and has remained there permanently. She is expecting a baby in January and would like to have an English girl bellringer as mother's help. Her address is 16, King Edward's Street, Roseville, New South Wales.

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The eight bells at St. Mary's, Dolgellau, Merioneth, Wales, are now back in the tower and were rung for the first time on October 18th. Of the cost of £1,200, about £600 was raised by public subscription. It is hoped to dedicate the bells on the Saturday before Christmas, when it is expected that many ringing visitors will be present.

With the peal of Yorkshire Surprise Major rung on October 19th, John Potts has now 'completed the circle' at his home tower of Sherburn-in-Elmet, Yorkshire.

Congratulations to Mr. Wilfrid G. Wilson on being a proud grandfather. A peal of Kent T.B. Maximus was rung at Evesham on October 19th in honour of the arrival of Malcolm Reginald Wilson, on October 16th.

A misapprehension might arise from the asterisk against the name of A. C. Wenban in the peal of Windsor Treble Bob (see page 70). It should not be there. This was the first peal in the method.

Mr. Colin A. Lewis, of St. Peter's Vicarage, Glasbury-on-Wye, Hereford, asks for the figures of two Doubles methods—Morning Star and Suffolk Delight. They were rung at Talgarth in 1923, but he adds that he can find no other records of them.

'You do not have to be a computer programmer, although the mental approach is rather similar,' from article by W. D. N. Foote, 'Campanologists Pull Together' in I.C.T. House Magazine. I.C.T. have recently acquired the computer department of Ferranti.

There were two special points about the peal of Bob Major at Henley, Suffolk, on October 17th. Mr. S. Bloomfield, who had been a ringer for over 30 years, rang his first peal, and Mr. R. C. Kersey, who was ringing his 50th peal, rang his last 30 years ago.

The Rev. Roger O. Fry is faced with a huge task at Portishead, as the day after his arrival the Rector (Preb. W. L. M. Coombes) was taken ill and admitted to hospital. It is feared that the Rector's absence may be protracted. There are five churches in the parish and Roger has only a curate to assist him.

BELFRY GOSSIP

Cornwall generally, and Truro in particular, will miss the enthusiasm of Robert A. Southwood, who, on promotion in his work, has moved to Plymouth. Bob has been a member of the Kenwyn band as well as being a member of the choir; he also rang at the Cathedral. We believe, however, that half his heart is in Cornwall so there will undoubtedly be the occasional peal.

We thought it would not be long before St. James', Taunton, band were in our quarter peal columns. There were five first quarters rung on October 6th.

Mr. Fred Ellis has been elected foreman at Wheathampstead. Mr. Ivory, a call change ringer, has kindly retired to give the young change ringing band more of a free hand.

Congratulations to Mr. F. E. Dukes, secretary of the Irish Association, on ringing his 200th peal. He is the first to reach the 200 mark. Comments Fred: 'If in England it would probably be 2,000.'

Bright and breezy is 'The Belfry News,' well printed with news of Derbyshire ringing. We should like to congratulate Editor Geoffrey Camm not only on an excellent production but the announcement of his engagement to Miss Linda Prior, of Lutterworth, who is a nurse at the City Hospital, Nottingham, where Mr. Camm is a staff nurse.

All Saints', Boyne Hill, ringers are very sorry to lose the services of Mr. John Blackwood, their popular young Ringing Master, who has accepted an appointment with the National Wild Life Conservancy at Wareham. To mark their appreciation, his ringing friends arranged a farewell party for him, at which he was presented with an electric razor, with their very sincere wishes.

At the autumn meeting of the Towcester branch, the President, Rev. R. G. Richards, was presented with a brief-case, subscribed to by all members, in appreciation of his loyal support and kindly interest in all branch matters and meetings over the past ten years. Members wish him many years of happiness and improved health at his new living in Devon.

THE WHITECHAPEL BELL FOUNDRY

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LONDON, E.1.

A WEEK-END IN DEVON

ALL PEALS RUNG FOR THE GUILD OF DEVONSHIRE RINGERS
CHAGFORD.

On Sat., Oct. 19, 1963, in 3 Hours and 11 Minutes,
AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MICHAEL.

A PEAL OF 5056 RUTLAND SURPRISE MAJOR

Tenor 18 cwt. 22 lb. in F.

MALCOLM M. POWELL .. Treble	D. JOHN HUNT 5
ANN FELLOWS 2	*NORMAN MALLETT 6
*JOHN R. FAITHFULL 3	PETER BRIDLE 7
DAVID J. FORDER 4	ROBERT C. KIPPIN .. Tenor

Composed by P. G. K. DAVIES.

* First peal in the method.

BOVEY TRACEY.

On Sat., Oct. 19, 1963, in 2 Hours and 50 Minutes,
AT THE CHURCH OF SS. PETER, PAUL AND THOMAS OF CANTERBURY,

A PEAL OF 5088 ALDENHAM SURPRISE MAJOR

Tenor 14 cwt. 82 lb. in F sharp.

*PETER BRIDLE Treble	*D. JOHN HUNT 5
ANN FELLOWS 2	*FRANK D. MACK 6
*DAVID J. FORDER 3	*MICHAEL J. THOMAS .. 7
*NORMAN MALLETT 4	ROBERT C. KIPPIN .. Tenor

Composed by H. DAINS.

* First peal in the method.

EXETER.

On Sun., Oct. 20, 1963, in 2 Hours and 48 Minutes,
AT THE CHURCH OF ST. THOMAS-THE-MARTYR.

A PEAL OF 5184 YORKSHIRE SURPRISE MAJOR

Tenor 14 cwt. 92 lb. in F sharp.

MALCOLM M. POWELL .. Treble	PETER BRIDLE 5
JOHN R. FAITHFULL 2	MICHAEL J. THOMAS .. 6
DAVID J. FORDER 3	D. JOHN HUNT 7
NORMAN MALLETT 4	ROBERT C. KIPPIN .. Tenor

Composed by R. F. B. SPEED.

Conducted by DAVID J. FORDER.

TWELVE BELL PEALS

CITY OF LONDON.

THE ANCIENT SOCIETY OF COLLEGE YOUTHS.

On Sat., Oct. 12, 1963, in 3 Hours and 45 Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MICHAEL, CORNHILL.

A PEAL OF 5280 CAMBRIDGE SURPRISE MAXIMUS

Tenor 42 cwt. in B.

JAMES PHILLIPS Treble	JOHN S. MASON 7
WILFRED WILLIAMS 2	JOHN PHILLIPS 8
JOHN CHILCOTT 3	PHILIP A. F. CHALK .. 9
ALAN J. FROST 4	TREVOR N. J. BAILEY .. 10
WILLIAM T. COOK 5	JOHN H. CRAMPION .. 11
JOHN ARMSTRONG 6	MICHAEL V. CHILCOTT .. Tenor

Composed by F. DENCH.

Conducted by WILFRED WILLIAMS.

SURFLEET, LINCOLNSHIRE.

THE LINCOLN DIOCESAN GUILD.

On Sat., Oct. 12, 1963, in 3 Hours and 21 Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. LAURENCE,

A PEAL OF 5001 STEDMAN CINQUES

Tenor 12 cwt.

JOYCE M. GURNHILL .. Treble	A. ROBIN HEPPENSTALL .. 7
NORAH M. RANGLES 2	FRANK I. HAIRS 8
JOHN FREEMAN 3	GEORGE H. RANGLES .. 9
JANE A. K. COOK 4	GEOFFREY PAUL 10
DELIA E. SMITH 5	GEOFFREY R. PARKER .. 11
JACK L. MILLHOUSE .. 6	JOHN WALDEN Tenor

Composed by C. W. ROBERTS.

Conducted by JOHN FREEMAN.

BRISTOL.

THE GLOUCESTER AND BRISTOL DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.

On Sat., Oct. 19, 1963, in 3 Hours and 34 Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MARY REDCLIFFE.

A PEAL OF 5019 STEDMAN CINQUES

Tenor 50 cwt.

WILLIAM HIBBERT .. Treble	DAVID J. LLEWELLYN .. 7
JACQUELINE S. KING .. 2	RICHARD J. BOWDEN .. 8
ALBERT M. TYLER 3	BRIAN J. WYLDE 9
REGINALD G. HOOPER .. 4	*PATRICK J. BIRD 10
DAVID J. KING 5	JOHN H. FIELDEN 11
DONALD G. CLIFT 6	TUDOR P. EDWARDS .. Tenor

Composed by JOHN CARTER.

Conducted by ALBERT M. TYLER.

* 150th peal.

EVESHAM, WORCESTERSHIRE.

THE WORCESTERSHIRE AND DISTRICTS ASSOCIATION.

On Sat., Oct. 19, 1963, in 3 Hours and 50 Minutes,

AT THE BELL TOWER,

A PEAL OF 5040 KENT TREBLE BOB MAXIMUS

Tenor 35 cwt. 3 qr. 20 lb. in C sharp.

WILFRID G. WILSON .. Treble	*EDWARD R. VENN 7
GEOFFREY J. HEMMING .. 2	*CHRISTOPHER C. CLARKE 8
GERALD C. HEMMING .. 3	DAVID P. HILLING 9
*FREDERICK R. SCOTT .. 4	*J. KEITH WARD 10
†MICHAEL HATCHETT .. 5	NORMAN V. HARDING .. 11
WILLIAM BIRMINGHAM .. 6	*ALAN R. PINK Tenor

Composed by JOHN WORTH.

Conducted by ALAN R. PINK.

* First peal of Maximus in the method. † First of Maximus. First 12-bell peal as conductor.

NEWPORT, MONMOUTHSHIRE

THE LLANDAFF AND MONMOUTH DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.

On Sat., Oct. 19, 1963, in 3 Hours and 25 Minutes,

AT THE CATHEDRAL CHURCH OF ST. WOOLOS.

A PEAL OF 5280 LONDINIUM SURPRISE MAXIMUS

Tenor 21 cwt. 2 qr. 19 lb. in D.

WILLIAM A. THEOBALD .. Treble	F. JOHN NELSON 7
RODERICK W. PIPE 2	*NOEL J. DISERENS 8
*RONALD F. DISERENS .. 3	*RALPH G. EDWARDS .. 9
*ALAN F. THIRST 4	*TREVOR N. BAILEY .. 10
PETER BORDER 5	JOHN A. ANDERSON .. 11
ANDREW N. STUBBS .. 6	WILFRED WILLIAMS .. Tenor

Conducted by WILFRED WILLIAMS.

* First peal of Londinium. First of Londinium in Wales.

Rung to mark the dedication of the new extensions to the Cathedral, which took place the previous day.

TEN BELL PEALS

LOUGHBOROUGH, LEICESTERSHIRE.

THE LEICESTER DIOCESAN GUILD.

On Mon., Oct. 7, 1963, in 2 Hours and 27 Minutes,

AT THE BELL FOUNDRY CAMPANILE,

A PEAL OF 5040 YORKSHIRE SURPRISE ROYAL

Tenor 6 cwt. 2 qr. 13 lb. in C.

RAYMOND BENFIELD .. Treble	JOSEPH W. COTTON 6
EDMUND SHUTTLEWORTH .. 2	REV. M. C. C. MELVILLE .. 7
RICHARD J. CLIFTON .. 3	BRIAN G. WARWICK 8
MALCOLM D. BARSBY .. 4	B. STEDMAN PAYNE 9
RICHARD C. L. BROWN .. 5	G. RONALD EDWARDS .. Tenor

Composed by J. EDWARD CAWSE.

Conducted by BRIAN G. WARWICK.

WRINGTON, SOMERSET

THE BATH AND WELLS DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.

On Sat., Oct. 19, 1963, in 3 Hours and 15 Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ALL SAINTS.

A PEAL OF 5067 STEDMAN CATERS

Tenor 37 cwt. in C sharp.

GEOFFREY PULLEN .. Treble	LEONARD DERRICK 6
JOHN CHILCOTT 2	HENRY J. SANGER 7
WILLIAM H. KINGCOTT .. 3	ERIC T. LEE 8
GEORGE J. HAWKINS .. 4	REV. ROGER O. FRY .. 9
GEORGE PRESCOTT 5	SIDNEY G. SMITH Tenor

Composed by JAMES E. GROVES.

Conducted by JOHN CHILCOTT.

In memoriam John H. B. Hesse.

EIGHT BELL PEALS

BROUGHTON, STAFFORDSHIRE.

THE MIDLAND COUNTIES GUILD.

On Sat., July 20, 1963, in 3 Hours and 2 Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. PETER.

A PEAL OF 5184 LONDON SURPRISE MAJOR

Tenor 15 cwt. 1 qr. 18 lb.

JOHN K. SMITH Treble	ROBERT J. WARRILOW .. 5
FREDERICK E. WILSHAW .. 2	RICHARD J. WARRILOW .. 6
CYNTHIA E. WARRILOW .. 3	DEREK P. JONES 7
JOSEPH W. COTTON 4	MARTIN C. FAULKES .. Tenor

Composed by STEPHEN IVIN.

Conducted by DEREK P. JONES.

BOURN, CAMBRIDGESHIRE.

THE ELY DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.

On Sat., Oct. 5, 1963, in 3 Hours,

AT THE CHURCH OF SS. HELEN AND MARY.

A PEAL OF 5040 STEDMAN TRIPLES

Heywood's transposition.

Tenor 14½ cwt. in F.

CLARE DILLAMORE .. Treble	JOHN WARD 5
IAN M. SMITH 2	JOHN G. GIPSON 6
*COLIN JOHNSON 3	WILLIAM J. RIDGMAN .. 7
T. REGINALD DENNIS .. 4	H. JOHN BRIGHT Tenor

Conducted by WILLIAM J. RIDGMAN.

* First peal of Stedman.

COOKHAM, BERKSHIRE.

THE OXFORD DIOCESAN GUILD.

On Sat., Oct. 12, 1963, in 2 Hours and 57 Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF THE HOLY TRINITY.

A PEAL OF 5056 PLAIN BOB MAXIMUS

Tenor 14 cwt. 1 qr. 23 lb.

ARTHUR NEWTON .. Treble	SIDNEY M. BAILEY 5
JOYCE I. BARTON 2	JOHN YOUNG 6
ROBERT H. NEWTON .. 3	ROGER G. HAZELL 7
ROYSTON BLACKLER .. 4	*E. DENNIS POOLE Tenor

Composed by J. R. PRITCHARD.

Conducted by ROYSTON BLACKLER.

* 50th peal for the Guild.

A compliment to John Blackwood, who is leaving the district.

HORRINGER, SUFFOLK. THE SUFFOLK GUILD.

On Sat., Oct. 12, 1963, in 2 Hours and 48 Minutes,
AT THE CHURCH OF ST. LEONARD.

A PEAL OF 5088 YORKSHIRE SURPRISE MAJOR

Tenor 9 cwt. 3 lb. in A.

*JOHN GOODWIN Treble	COLIN JOHNSON 5
ALAN M. BARBER 2	GEORGE W. PIPE 6
DIANA M. PIPE 3	GEORGE E. THODAY 7
MARTIN PRESS 4	ANDREW T. BECKWITH .. Tenor

Composed by CHAS. J. SEDGLEY.

Conducted by GEORGE W. PIPE.

* First peal on eight bells.

Rung prior to the N.W. Suffolk Ringers' annual dinner.

PACKWOOD, WARWICKSHIRE.

ST. MARTIN'S GUILD FOR THE DIOCESE OF BIRMINGHAM.

On Sun., Oct. 13, 1963, in 2 Hours and 19 Minutes,
AT THE CHURCH OF ST. GILES.

A PEAL OF 5040 PLAIN BOB MAJOR

Tenor 6 cwt. 3 qr. 14 lb.

MAURICE C. HUGHES .. Treble	ROBERT E. TALLIS 5
RICHARD G. MORRIS 2	ROGER E. TALLIS 6
SUSAN FUNNELL 3	IAN C. MAYCOCK 7
VICTOR NASH 4	PETER S. BENNETT .. Tenor

Composed by J. CARTER.

Conducted by IAN C. MAYCOCK.

50th peal on the bells.

Rung half-muffled immediately following the memorial service at this church for the Rev. D. Cambell-Miller.

ASHTON-UNDER-LYNE, LANCASHIRE.

THE CHESTER DIOCESAN GUILD.

On Tues., Oct. 15, 1963, in 3 Hours,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. PETER.

A PEAL OF 5056 YORKSHIRE SURPRISE MAJOR

Tenor 18 cwt. 3 qr. 11 lb. in E.

PETER J. MALLOCH .. Treble	SIDNEY HOUGH, JUN. 5
RONALD M. EDWARDS 2	DENIS MOTTERSHEAD 6
*BRIAN SCHOFIELD 3	JOHN ROBINSON 7
DAVID VINCENT 4	ROBERT B. SMITH .. Tenor

Composed by HAROLD G. CASHMORE. Conducted by JOHN ROBINSON.

* First peal in the method.

An 84th birthday compliment to Sidney Hough, sen.

OVERSEALE, DERBYSHIRE.

THE MIDLAND COUNTIES GUILD.

On Tues., Oct. 15, 1963, in 2 Hours and 30 Minutes,

A PEAL OF 5040 GRANDSIRE TRIPLES

E. Morris' transposition of Parker's Twelve-Part (2nd observation).

Tenor 9 cwt. 3 qr. 1 lb.

JOHN K. SMITH Treble	JOSEPH W. COTTON 5
ROLAND BENISTON 2	WILLIAM F. WOODWARD .. 6
COLIN LORD 3	PERCIVAL W. GRICE 7
*NORMAN W. COTTON .. 4	WILLIAM H. CURSON .. Tenor

Conducted by ROLAND BENISTON.

* First peal in the method 'inside.'

HENLEY, SUFFOLK.

THE SUFFOLK GUILD.

On Thurs., Oct. 17, 1963, in 3 Hours and 10 Minutes.

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. PETER.

A PEAL OF 5056 PLAIN BOB MAJOR

Tenor 8 cwt. 3 lb. in A flat.

ROBERT E. LESTER .. Treble	ROGER L. K. WHITTLE .. 5
*REGINALD C. KERSEY .. 2	ANDREW T. BECKWITH .. 6
*ALICE E. J. LESTER .. 3	†STANLEY BLOOMFIELD .. 7
RAYMOND F. TAYLOR .. 4	HOWARD W. EGGLESTONE Tenor

Composed by G. H. CROSS. Conducted by HOWARD W. EGGLESTONE.

* 50th peal. † First peal.

Rung to mark the silver wedding of Mr. and Mrs. S. Bloomfield.

LOUGHBOROUGH, LEICESTERSHIRE.

THE DERBY DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.

On Thurs., Oct. 17, 1963, in 2 Hours and 32 Minutes,

AT THE BELL FOUNDRY CAMPANILE.

A PEAL OF 5088 YORKSHIRE SURPRISE MAJOR

Tenor 6 cwt. 2 qr. 3 lb. in C.

*RAYMOND BENFIELD .. Treble	RICHARD C. L. BROWN .. 5
†JOSEPH C. WOOLLEY 2	EDMUND SHUTTLEWORTH .. 6
JOHN F. MUREIN 3	DAVID W. FRIEND 7
PATRICIA A. HALLS 4	HAROLD TAYLOR .. Tenor

Composed by ROGER BALDWIN. Conducted by DAVID W. FRIEND.

* 50th peal. † First in the method.

WILLESDEX, MIDDLESEX.

MIDDLESEX COUNTY ASSN. & LONDON DIOCESAN GUILD.

On Thurs., Oct. 17, 1963, in 2 Hours and 40 Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MARY.

A PEAL OF 5024 CLEVELAND SURPRISE MAJOR

Tenor 9 cwt. 3 qr. 25 lb. in A.

C. EDWARD LANKESTER .. Treble	JOHN HILL 5
JOAN BERESFORD 2	G. WILLIAM CRITCHLEY .. 6
CLAUDIA A. CRITCHLEY .. 3	JOHN R. MAYNE 7
ALICK CUTLER 4	GEORGE W. PIPE .. Tenor

Composed and Conducted by JOHN R. MAYNE.

First peal in the method (Corrigan, No. 74).

CLEVELAND SURPRISE MAJOR

38—58.6—12—16—14—3.14—16.7

2nds pl. L.E. 4ths pl. bobs.

COMBE MARTIN, DEVON.

THE GUILD OF DEVONSHIRE RINGERS.

On Sat., Oct. 19, 1963, in 2 Hours and 51 Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. PETER-AD-VINCULA.

A PEAL OF 5040 GRANDSIRE TRIPLES

Parker's Twelve-Part.

Tenor 10½ cwt.

BEATRICE BOYLE .. Treble	FRED MYERS 5
MARGARET BOULD 2	D. ROY BOULD 6
FRED SANGWIN 3	HARRY STACEY 7
EDGAR NUNN 4	HORACE HEARD .. Tenor

Conducted by D. ROY BOULD.

Arranged and rung to celebrate the 100th birthday of Miss Halnon, of Combe Martin.

EPWORTH, LINCOLNSHIRE

THE LINCOLN DIOCESAN GUILD.

On Sat., Oct. 19, 1963, in 3 Hours and 3 Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. ANDREW.

A PEAL OF 5088 LONDON SURPRISE MAJOR

Tenor 17 cwt. 16 lb. in F.

NORAH M. RANGLES .. Treble	GEORGE H. RANGLES 5
*JOYCE M. GURNHILL 2	GEOFFREY R. PARKER 6
JACK L. MILLHOUSE 3	JOHN WALDEN 7
PETER A. SHARP 4	GEOFFREY PAUL .. Tenor

Composed by S. J. IVIN.

Conducted by JACK L. MILLHOUSE.

* First peal of London Surprise 'inside.'

FAIRFIELD, BUXTON, DERBYSHIRE.

THE CHESTER DIOCESAN GUILD.

On Sat., Oct. 19, 1963, in 3 Hours and 1 Minute,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. PETER.

A PEAL OF 5152 LINCOLNSHIRE SURPRISE MAJOR

Tenor 12 cwt. 10 lb. in F sharp.

DAVID VINCENT .. Treble	†DEREK A. ASHTON 5
SIDNEY HOUGH, JUN. 2	ALAN G. KIRK 6
*BRIAN SCHOFIELD 3	DENIS MOTTERSHEAD .. 7
IVOR JENKINS 4	JOHN ROBINSON .. Tenor

Composed by RICHARD F. B. SPEED. Conducted by DENIS MOTTERSHEAD.

* First peal in the method. † 50th peal.

HERTFORD.

THE HERTFORD COUNTY ASSOCIATION.

On Sat., Oct. 19, 1963, in 2 Hours and 46 Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. ANDREW.

A PEAL OF 5056 CAMBRIDGE SURPRISE MAJOR

Middleton's. Tenor 16 cwt.

CLAUDIA A. CRITCHLEY .. Treble	J. RICHARD CASTLEDINE .. 5
ARTHUR G. MASON 2	ERIC EDMONDSON 6
ALICK CUTLER 3	G. WILLIAM CRITCHLEY .. 7
PETER J. COLES 4	FREDERICK E. COLLINS .. Tenor

Conducted by FREDERICK E. COLLINS.

MALVERN LINK, WORCESTERSHIRE.

THE WORCESTERSHIRE ASSOCIATION.

On Sat., Oct. 19, 1963, in 3 Hours and 2 Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MATTHIAS.

A PEAL OF 5024 DOUBLE NORWICH COURT BOB MAJOR

Tenor 16 cwt. 2 qr. 3 lb.

LESLIE EVANS .. Treble	PHILIP G. MORGAN 5
F. HECTOR BENNETT 2	*COLIN SMITH 6
*JAMES E. WIGHTMAN .. 3	JOHN W. GRIFFITHS 7
*JOHN CLEMENTS 4	JOHN C. SLATER .. Tenor

Composed by C. W. ROBERTS.

Conducted by JOHN W. GRIFFITHS.

* First peal in the method.

SALFORD, LANCASHIRE.

THE MANCHESTER UNIVERSITY GUILD

On Sat., Oct. 19, 1963, in 3 Hours and 13 Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF THE SACRED TRINITY.

A PEAL OF 5024 RUTLAND SURPRISE MAJOR

Tenor 11 cwt. 2 qr. 7 lb. in G.

EDWARD F. P. BRYANT .. Treble	BRIAN A. TOMLINSON 5
MARY BROWNE 2	DAVID J. BAKER 6
EDNA M. POULTER 3	KEITH H. SCRIMSHAW .. 7
JANET WARWICK 4	JOHN C. BALDWIN .. Tenor

Composed by DEREK OGDEN.

Conducted by EDWARD F. P. BRYANT.

Rung half-muffled in memory of Derek Ogden, president of the Guild.

SHERBURN-IN-ELMET, YORKSHIRE.

THE YORKSHIRE ASSOCIATION.

On Sat., Oct. 19, 1963, in 2 Hours and 48 Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ALL SAINTS.

A PEAL OF 5088 YORKSHIRE SURPRISE MAJOR

Tenor 14 cwt. 1 qr. 15 lb.

J. MARTIN THORLEY .. Treble	JAMES THORLEY 5
*JOHN POTTS 2	DAVID SMITH 6
ARLENE FLATHER 3	*KENNETH B. SISSONS .. 7
*ALAN SHEPPARD 4	J. HENRY FIELDEN .. Tenor

Arranged and Conducted by J. HENRY FIELDEN.

* 50th peal together, and first in the method.

WOOLWICH, LONDON.

THE KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION.

On Sat., Oct. 19, 1963, in 2 Hours and 53 Minutes.

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MARY MAGDALENE.

A PEAL OF 5024 WILTSHIRE SURPRISE MAJOR

ANN JENNER Treble	STANLEY JENNER 5
JANET H. BUSS 2	ARTHUR S. RICHARDS 6
JOHN R. COOPER 3	RALPH BIRD 7
IAN H. ORAM 4	THOMAS CULLINGWORTH .. Tenor

Composed by DENNIS KNOX.

First peal in the method by all the band, on the bells, and for the Association.

Conducted by IAN H. ORAM.
Tenor 12 cwt. 3 qr. 6 lb. in G.

FIVE AND SIX BELL PEALS

STRETTON GRANDISON, HEREFORDSHIRE.
THE HEREFORD DIOCESAN GUILD.

On Fri., Sept. 11, 1963, in 2 Hours and 36 Minutes.

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. LAWRENCE.

A PEAL OF 5040 MINOR

Being one extent of Reverse Canterbury and three each of Plain Bob and Single Oxford.

*E. CHARLES BIGGS .. Treble	†WILLIAM C. NUTT 4
REGINALD G. POWELL .. 2	COLIN SMITH 5
*LEONARD J. WALTERS .. 3	PHILIP G. MORGAN .. Tenor

Conducted by PHILIP G. MORGAN.

* First peal in three Minor methods. † 50th peal.

Rung for Harvest Festival.

ETWALL, DERBYSHIRE.

THE DERBY DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.

On Sat., Sept. 14, 1963, in 2 Hours and 41 Minutes.

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. HELEN.

A PEAL OF 5040 MINOR

Being two extents of Oxford Bob and five of Plain Bob.

Tenor 8 cwt. 2 qr. 24 lb. in A flat.

*NIGEL COGHILL .. Treble	VAUGHAN A. WILSON .. 4
NOREEN WICKHAM .. 2	DENNIS J. MURFIN .. 5
DEBORAH WILSON .. 3	JOHN F. MURFIN .. Tenor

Conducted by JOHN F. MURFIN.

* First peal.

Rung by the Sunday service band prior to the induction service to welcome the new Vicar, the Rev. A. W. S. Holmes; also a wedding compliment to Mr. and Mrs. Brian Dawson, married at this church on August 17th, 1963.

HATTON, WARWICKSHIRE.

THE COVENTRY DIOCESAN GUILD.

On Sat., Sept. 14, 1963, in 2 Hours and 40 Minutes.

AT THE CHURCH OF THE HOLY TRINITY.

A PEAL OF 5040 PLAIN BOB MINOR

Being seven extents

Tenor 13 cwt. 2 qr. 18 lb.

GEOFFREY W. RANDLE .. Treble	CHRISTOPHER J. ROYAL .. 4
*F. MARK ROBOTOM .. 2	IAN C. MAYCOCK .. 5
*J. SUSAN SMITH .. 3	†RICHARD D. GIBSON .. Tenor

Conducted by IAN C. MAYCOCK.

* First peal. † First of Minor.

ARLEY, WARWICKSHIRE.

THE COVENTRY DIOCESAN GUILD.

On Sat., Sept. 21, 1963, in 2 Hours and 22 Minutes.

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. WILFRID.

A PEAL OF 5040 MINOR

Being four extents of Plain Bob and three of Kent Treble Bob, rung alternately.

Tenor 7 cwt. 12 lb.

PAMELA M. TURNER .. Treble	IAN C. MAYCOCK .. 4
F. MARK ROBOTOM .. 2	GEOFFREY W. RANDLE .. 5
CHRISTINE SANDERS .. 3	MAURICE C. HUGHES .. Tenor

Conducted by IAN C. MAYCOCK.

WEST WICKHAM, KENT.

THE KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION.

On Thurs., Sept. 26, 1963, in 2 Hours and 42 Minutes.

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. JOHN-THE-BAPTIST.

A PEAL OF 5040 DELIGHT MINOR

In seven methods, being an extent each of Stirling, Pevensey, Dover, Balmoral, Richborough, Ludlow and Edinburgh.

Tenor 13 cwt.

JOHN S. BARNES .. Treble	RICHARD G. CROSLAND .. 4
JOHN D. FAIRCLOTH .. 2	RALPH BIRD .. 5
*ANDREW M. MACVE .. 3	IAN H. ORAM .. Tenor

Conducted by RALPH BIRD.

* 50th peal together.

WEST WICKHAM, KENT.

THE KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION.

On Thurs., Oct. 3, 1963, in 2 Hours and 44 Minutes.

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. JOHN-THE-BAPTIST.

A PEAL OF 5040 SURPRISE MINOR

In seven methods, being an extent each of London, York, Norwich, Beverley, Ipswich, Cambridge and Bourne.

Tenor 13 cwt.

*†IAN H. ORAM .. Treble	RICHARD G. CROSLAND .. 4
†KATHARINE M. GUY .. 2	ARTHUR S. RICHARDS .. 5
*JOHN D. FAIRCLOTH .. 3	†ANDREW M. MACVE .. Tenor

Conducted by ANDREW M. MACVE.

* 100th peal together. † 50th peal together. ‡ First of Surprise 'inside.'

Rung as a farewell to the rector (the Rev. J. B. Short, M.A.) and Mrs. Short, who are leaving West Wickham for River, Dover.

DUNHOLME, LINCOLNSHIRE.

THE LINCOLN DIOCESAN GUILD.

On Sat., Oct. 5, 1963, in 2 Hours and 40 Minutes.

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. CHAD.

A PEAL OF 5040 MINOR

Being one extent of London Surprise and two of Norwich Surprise, Cambridge Surprise and Kent Treble Bob.

Tenor 8 cwt. 3 qr. 16 lb.

W. STANLEY SMITH .. Treble	W. ROBERT PARKER .. 4
G. LEONARD THOMPSON .. 2	G. ANGUS DIXON .. 5
CHARLES V. CADE .. 3	GEOFFREY R. PARKER .. Tenor

Conducted by GEOFFREY R. PARKER.

Rung for the Feast of St. Michael and All Angels; also for the Harvest Thanksgiving.

EDGMOND, SHROPSHIRE.

THE SHROPSHIRE ASSOCIATION.

On Sat., Oct. 5, 1963, in 2 Hours and 48 Minutes.

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. PETER.

A PEAL OF 5040 PLAIN BOB MINOR

Tenor 9½ cwt. in C.

MARIAN COTTON .. Treble	*ALBERT J. MORREY .. 4
MARGARET M. RODEN .. 2	GEORGE E. MORRALL .. 5
HORACE R. TOOGOOD .. 3	ERNEST C. MORRALL .. Tenor

Conducted by MARIAN COTTON.

* First peal. First peal by the St. Peter's band.

BRANT BROUGHTON, LINCOLNSHIRE.

THE SOUTHWELL DIOCESAN GUILD.

On Sat., Oct. 12, 1963, in 3 Hours and 5 Minutes.

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. HELEN.

A PEAL OF 5040 GRANDSIRE DOUBLES

Being 42 extents (ten callings).

Tenor 23 cwt. 2 qr. 6 lb. in E flat.

ANNE E. BATESON .. Treble	PHILIP C. PITCHFORD .. 3
FREDERICK G. HOOPER .. 2	J. EDWARD BROWN .. 4
*WALTER TOMLINSON .. 3	FREDERICK DERRY .. Tenor

Conducted by FREDERICK G. HOOPER.

* First peal of Doubles, and now completes Grandsire from Doubles to Cinques. The conductor has conducted a peal of Grandsire Doubles from each bell in the tower.

Rung after the wedding of Andrew Simpson to Janet Ashmore.

WASHINGTON, SUSSEX.

THE SUSSEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION.

On Tues., Oct. 15, 1963, in 2 Hours and 41 Minutes.

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MARY.

A PEAL OF 5040 MINOR

In seven methods, being one extent each of Norwich Surprise, Cambridge Surprise, Oxford T.B., Kent T.B., Double Oxford, St. Clement's and Plain Bob.

Tenor 9 cwt. 25 lb.

HENRY C. WEAVER .. Treble	E. WINIFRED KEYS .. 4
J. RICHARD WILSON .. 2	ROBERT WAKE .. 5
LEONARD STILWELL .. 3	RONALD F. DISERENS .. Tenor

Conducted by RONALD F. DISERENS.

SPONDON, DERBYSHIRE.

THE NOTTINGHAM UNIVERSITY SOCIETY.

On Wed., Oct. 16, 1963, in 2 Hours and 34 Minutes.

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. WERBURGH.

A PEAL OF 5040 TREBLE BOB MINOR

Being seven extents in seven methods, viz.: (1) Morning Star T.B., (2) Kingston T.B., (3) London Scholars' Pleasure T.B., (4) Capel T.B., (5) Sandal T.B., (6) Oxford T.B., (7) Kent T.B.

Tenor 8 cwt. 1 qr. 18 lb. in G.

*ANN HARRIS .. Treble	JOHN W. COLEMAN .. 4
PETER WOOLLVEN .. 2	EDMUND SHUTTLEWORTH .. 5
DAVID INGRAM .. 3	RICHARD C. L. BROWN .. Tenor

Conducted by EDMUND SHUTTLEWORTH.

* First peal.

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On Wed., Oct. 16, 1963, in 2 Hours and 58 Minutes,
AT THE CHURCH OF ST. NICHOLAS,

A PEAL OF 5040 GRANDSIRE DOUBLES

Tenor 7½ cwt.

MRS. B. DOBSON Treble	*CHRISTOPHER SMITH 4
GEOFFREY K. DODD 2	REGINALD F. CROOK 5
PENELOPE A. GODDARD .. 3	FRANK R. TONGE Tenor

Conducted by REGINALD F. CROOK.

* First peal.

Rung as a compliment to Frank R. Tonge for his 40 years of ringing, this being his 30th peal.

IPSWICH, SUFFOLK.
THE SUFFOLK GUILD.

On Sat., Oct. 19, 1963, in 2 Hours and 53 Minutes,
AT THE CHURCH OF ST. CLEMENT,

A PEAL OF 5040 MINOR

In seven methods, being an extent each of Kent T.B., Oxford T.B., Single Oxford, Double Oxford, Cambridge Surprise, St. Clement's and Plain Bob.

Tenor 15 cwt, 1 qr. 18 lb. in F sharp.

NEVILLE F. WHITTALL .. Treble	MARTIN MAJOR 4
ALAN M. BARBER 2	ALAN R. BRIDGES 5
ANTHONY H. SMITH 3	RONALD W. STEWARD .. Tenor

Conducted by ALAN M. BARBER.

LONDON, E.C.

MIDDLESEX COUNTY ASSN. & LONDON DIOCESAN GUILD.

On Sat., Oct. 19, 1963, in 3 Hours and 7 Minutes,
AT THE CHURCH OF ST. VEDAST, FOSTER LANE,

A PEAL OF 5040 MINOR

Being seven extents in seven methods: (1) Childwall Bob, (2) Cambridge Surprise, (3) Kent Treble Bob, (4) Oxford Treble Bob, (5) Double Oxford Bob, (6) St. Clement's College Bob, (7) Plain Bob.

Tenor 16 cwt, 2 qr. 12 lb. in F.

CHRISTOPHER MEW Treble	BRYNLEY A. SHACKLETON .. 4
JOHN R. KETTERINGHAM .. 2	JOHN C. EISEL 5
LAWRENCE R. H. SMITH .. 3	MICHAEL P. MORETON .. Tenor

Conducted by CHRISTOPHER MEW.

MILTON MALSOR, NORTHAMPTONSHIRE.

THE PETERBOROUGH DIOCESAN GUILD.

On Sat., Oct. 19, 1963, in 2 Hours and 44 Minutes,
AT THE CHURCH OF THE HOLY CROSS,

A PEAL OF 5040 DOUBLES

In 12 methods, being three extents each of Candlesby Slow Course, Westminster II, Blackburn Place, Huntspill, Min Bob, St. Simon's and four each of St. Nicholas', St. Martin's, Winchendon Place, Plain Bob, Reverse Canterbury Pleasure and Grandsire.

Tenor 11 cwt, 1 qr. 6 lb. in F sharp.

RONALD RUSSELL Treble	GEORGE F. ROOME 3
ALAN A. PAUL 2	ROGER W. SMITH 4

GRAHAM C. PAUL Tenor

Conducted by GRAHAM C. PAUL.

First peal in 12 methods on the bells.

Rung to commemorate the rededication (on October 13th. 1963) of the bells (dated 1686), restored by J. Taylor and Co.

TIRLEY, GLOUCESTERSHIRE.

THE GLOUCESTER AND BRISTOL DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.

On Sat., Oct. 19, 1963, in 2 Hours and 32 Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MICHAEL AND ALL ANGELS.

A PEAL OF 5040 SPLICED SURPRISE MINOR

Consisting of 45 methods, in the following seven spliced extents: (1) Northumberland, Whitley, Wooler, Carlisle and Cuneastre; (2) Ingatstone, Sleaford, Grantham, Bangor, Orsett and Uphire; (3) Gainsborough, Lincoln, Coldstream, Redbourn, Spalding, Retford, Minehead, Dronfield, Purleigh and Quendon; (4) Thorne, Ripley, Rhyl, Luton, Broomfield and Fyfield; (5) Rossendale, Stamford, Annable's London, Netherseale, Lightfoot and Wearmouth; (6) Cambridge, Primrose, Norfolk, Ipswich, Hull and Bourne; (7) Surfleet, Hexham, Beverley, Berwick, York and Durham; with 107 changes of method.

Tenor 12 cwt.

PETER T. HURCOMBE .. Treble	*CYRIL A. WRATTEN 4
*VICTOR GRIFFIN 2	ANTHONY R. PEAKE 5
GORDON W. LAND 3	BRIAN BLADON Tenor

Conducted by ANTHONY R. PEAKE.

* 25th peal together. Greatest number of Surprise methods by all the band, in the county, and for the Association.

WINKFIELD, BERKSHIRE.

THE OXFORD DIOCESAN GUILD.

On Sat., Oct. 19, 1963, in 2 Hours and 48 Minutes,
AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MARY,

A PEAL OF 5040 MINOR

In seven methods, being one extent each of Cambridge Surprise, Oxford T.B., Kent T.B., St. Nicholas', Reverse Canterbury, St. Clement's and Plain Bob.

Tenor 13 cwt, 2 qr. 13 lb. in E.

DAVID G. ROWLANDS .. Treble	BRIAN A. CRACKNELL 4
*JOHN F. BOWLER 2	GEOFFREY RIGLAR 5
JENNIFER SCEENY 3	HOWARD OGLESBY Tenor

Conducted by HOWARD OGLESBY.

* First peal of Minor 'inside.'

BRAY, CO. WICKLOW.

THE IRISH ASSOCIATION.

On Sun., Oct. 20, 1963, in 2 Hours and 55 Minutes,
AT CHRIST CHURCH.

A PEAL OF 5040 PLAIN BOB MINOR

Being seven different extents.

Tenor 19 cwt.

*ROBERT CORSON, JUN. .. Treble	†C. THOMAS MASON 4
*CECIL HALL 2	†CHARLES LANE 5
A. RODNEY MCKENZIE .. 3	†FREDERICK E. DUKES .. Tenor

Conducted by FREDERICK E. DUKES.

* First peal. † First of Minor. ‡ 200th peal.

Rung to conclude the centenary celebrations of Christ Church. Originally arranged as a peal of Triples, but one of the original band became ill, hence Minor.

HANDBELL PEALS

LEICESTER.

THE LEICESTER DIOCESAN GUILD.

On Tues., Oct. 1, 1963, in 2 Hours and 4 Minutes,
AT THE WAYSIDE, 150, NARBOROUGH ROAD SOUTH,

A PEAL OF 5088 BRISTOL SURPRISE MAJOR

Tenor size 15 in C.

JOHN A. ACRES 1—2	JOHN M. JELLEY 5—6
PETER J. STANFORTH .. 3—4	ALFRED BALLARD 7—8

Composed by J. NICHOL. Conducted by PETER J. STANFORTH.

Witness: MARTIN FAULKES.

First peal in the method on handbells by all the band, and for the Guild.

LEICESTER.

THE LEICESTER DIOCESAN GUILD.

On Sun., Oct. 6, 1963, in 2 Hours and 7 Minutes,
AT THE WAYSIDE, 150, NARBOROUGH ROAD SOUTH,

A PEAL OF 5088 SUPERLATIVE SURPRISE MAJOR

Tenor size 15 in C.

JOHN A. ACRES 1—2	ALFRED BALLARD 5—6
PETER J. STANFORTH .. 3—4	*ROBERT B. SMITH 7—8

Composed by N. J. PITSTOW. Conducted by PETER J. STANFORTH.

* First peal in the method on handbells.

LEICESTER.

THE LEICESTER DIOCESAN GUILD.

On Tues., Oct. 8, 1963, in 1 Hour and 59 Minutes,
AT THE WAYSIDE, 150, NARBOROUGH ROAD SOUTH,

A PEAL OF 5152 LINCOLNSHIRE SURPRISE MAJOR

Tenor size 15 in C.

JOHN A. ACRES 1—2	JOHN M. JELLEY 5—6
PETER J. STANFORTH .. 3—4	ALFRED BALLARD 7—8

Composed by C. K. LEWIS. Conducted by PETER J. STANFORTH.

First peal in the method to be rung on handbells.

LEICESTER.

THE LEICESTER DIOCESAN GUILD.

On Tues., Oct. 15, 1963, in 2 Hours and 4 Minutes,
AT THE WAYSIDE, 150, NARBOROUGH ROAD SOUTH,

A PEAL OF 5152 ALDENHAM SURPRISE MAJOR

Tenor size 15 in C.

JOHN A. ACRES 1—2	JOHN M. JELLEY 5—6
PETER J. STANFORTH .. 3—4	ALFRED BALLARD 7—8

Composed by SHIRLEY BURTON. Conducted by PETER J. STANFORTH.

First peal in the method to be rung on handbells.

ST. ALBANS, HERTFORDSHIRE.

THE HERTFORD COUNTY ASSOCIATION.

On Wed., Oct. 16, 1963, in 2 Hours and 7 Minutes,
AT 17, QUEEN STREET,

A PEAL OF 5120 SPLICED SURPRISE MAJOR

In six methods, comprising 1,024 each of Reverse, Double and Plain. 768 each of Wellington and Gainsborough, and 512 of Little Bob; with 383 changes of method.

Tenor size 11 in C.

*GERALD PENNEY 1—2	GEOFFREY DODDS 5—6
*MARTYN L. J. JORDAN .. 3—4	*JOYCE DODDS 7—8

Arranged by GEOFFREY DODDS. Conducted by GERALD PENNEY.

* First of 6-Spliced 'in hand.' † 50th peal.

HARROW, MIDDLESEX.

MIDDLESEX COUNTY ASSN. & LONDON DIOCESAN GUILD.

On Fri., Oct. 18, 1963, in 2 Hours and 28 Minutes,
AT 170, HEADSTONE LANE,

A PEAL OF 5120 SPLICED SURPRISE MAJOR

In nine methods, comprising 1,920 of London, 640 each of Bristol and Rutland, and 320 each of Cambridge, Lincolnshire, Pudsey, Superlative, Watford and Yorkshire; with 129 changes of method.

Tenor size 13 in E.

S. KATHLEEN M. BALDWIN .. 1—2	ROGER BALDWIN 5—6
JOHN R. MAYNE 3—4	JOAN BERESFORD 7—8

Composed by ALBERT J. PITMAN. Conducted by JOHN R. MAYNE.

First peal of Spliced Surprise Major in nine methods on handbells by all the band.

HALF-PEAL

ASTON INGHAM, HEREFORDS.—On Sept. 21st, 1,260 Grandsire and Bob Doubles: A. Hitchings 1, W. E. Spiers 2, Joy Tyler (cond.) 3, L. Smith 4, K. Tyler (first of Mixed Doubles) 5, T. Stevens 6. Rung to celebrate the birth of a son to Mr. and Mrs. T. Stevens. Also on Oct. 4th, 1,260 Plain Bob Doubles: T. Stevens 1, W. E. Spiers 2, Joy Tyler (cond.) 3, L. Smith 4, K. Tyler 5, T. Herbert 6. Rung before the presentation of a parting gift to the Rev. H. Whitley.

BARNES, SURREY.—On Oct. 5th, 2,520 Plain Bob Triples: S. F. I. Rutter (longest length) 1, A. D. Leach 2, Judith Geiringer 3, Ruth Carr 4, R. Caporn 5, L. C. Way 6, M. J. Uphill (cond.) 7, J. H. Gaze 8.

BENTLEY, YORKS.—On Oct. 20th, 1,260 Doubles (three methods): Miss W. Anderson 1, A. Mullinger 2, Mrs. E. Wylie 3, J. Whitham 4, R. J. Sanderson (cond.) 5. First quarter for 1, 2 and 4. For Evensong and Children's Mission Week.

CALDICOT, MON.—On Oct. 15th, 1,260 Grandsire Doubles: Barbara J. Porter 1, I. F. T. Cooper 2, F. Wood 3, Roy Lewis 4, Rev. Roy Hallett (first as cond.) 5, C. A. Dodd 6. First quarter 1 and 6. First by Sunday Service band.

CAMBRIDGE.—On Oct. 13th, at the Church of Great St. Mary, 1,210 Grandsire Cinques: P. H. Pigg 1, H. F. Brown 2, E. J. Sibson 3, C. Muncey 4, H. Muncey 5, J. W. R. Quinney 6, D. E. Sibson 7, E. G. Hibbins (cond.) 8, F. R. Dennis 9, H. Foster 10, P. J. Bergdahl 11, P. Davis 12. For Harvest Festival Evensong.

CATHERINGTON, HANTS.—On Oct. 16th, 1,440 Plain Bob Minor: Wm. Riddle 1, Wm. Tate 2, Mrs. F. Bowden 3, Alan S. Scott 4, F. Bowden 5, Alan A. J. Buswell (cond.) 6.

COMBE MARTIN, DEVON.—On Oct. 16th, the 100th birthday of Miss Hainor, 1,260 Grandsire Triples: F. Sangwin (cond.) 1, B. M. Boyle 2, A. E. Bissat 3, L. Walters 4, D. Jewell 5, F. W. Goodfellow 6, H. Stacey 7, A. Smallridge 8. For the 100th birthday of Miss Hainor.

DROITWICH SPA, WORCS.—At St. Peter-de-Witton, on Oct. 19th, 1,260 Doubles (April Day and Plain Bob): Susan Barker (13) 1, Sylvia Cater 2, A. White 3, J. Whittall 4, P. Cattermole (cond.) 5, M. J. Guise (12) 6. First quarter 1 and 6. Rung on the feast of St. Frisewide.

EPSOM COMMON, SURREY.—On Oct. 20th, 1,260 Grandsire Triples: Sally Parrott 1, Adrienne Gibson 2, Sally M. Hooper 3, Sylvia Marsh 4, D. J. F. Oakshott 5, W. F. Oatway (cond.) 6, J. Munton 7. W. Parrott 8. Rung to mark the 87th anniversary of the dedication of the Church and the visit of the Bishop of Guildford. Also to mark the retirement of Mr. E. R. Chapman, organist for over 21 years.

EALING, MIDD.—At St. Mary's on Oct. 13th, 1,264 Plain Bob Major: M. Sprackling 1, F. Bishop 2, A. Baker 3, P. Felton (cond.) 4, F. Ranson 5, A. Fulwell 6, N. Felton 7, W. G. Wilson 8. For Mattins.

EYNHAM, OXON.—On Oct. 13th, 1,260 Doubles (three methods): A. Harris 1, Susan Cantwell (first in three methods) 2, Mrs. P. Pimm 3, A. Hicks 4, C. Bennett (cond.) 5, R. Gregory 6. For Harvest Festival Evensong.

FOWNHOPE, HEREFORDS.—On Oct. 15th, 1,260 Doubles (Grandsire and Plain Bob): K. S. W. Morton 1, P. D. Sell 2, D. M. Morton 3, P. D. S. Caligori 4, M. C. W. Sherwood (first as cond.) 5, J. F. I. Turney 6. Rung by the Hereford Cathedral School Society.

HAREFIELD, MIDD.—On Oct. 13th, 720 Plain Bob Minor: W. H. Coles 1, Mrs. A. R. Turley 2, A. R. Turley 3, A. R. G. Twinn 4, F. Corke (cond.) 5, J. Hill 6. For Harvest Festival morning service. First 720 on the bells.

HARPENDEN, HERTS.—On Oct. 6th, 1,260 Grandsire Triples: Mrs. L. Sumner 1, A. Day (cond.) 2, Miss N. Thomas 3, Mrs. M. A. Coburn 4, L. G. Coburn 5, R. Newsom 6, F. C. Jacklin 7, A. Wilby 8. For Evensong on Dedication Festival.

HALSE, SOMERSET.—On Oct. 12th, 1,260 Grandsire Doubles: T. Hancock 1, H. Sealey 2, H. Taylor 3, B. Knight 4, E. Ford (cond.) 5, A. Smith 6. To celebrate the wedding of William Blake to Yvonne Coffee, choir member and daughter of organist and choirmaster.

HIGHAM-ON-THE-HILL, LEICS.—On Oct. 13th, 1,269 Grandsire Doubles: M. A. Caldecote 1, L. Woodburn 2, R. Clayfield 3, K. P. Gilliver 4, I. S. Merry (cond.) 5, J. L. Merry 6. For Evensong.

HORSELL, SURREY.—On Oct. 13th, 1,260 Plain Bob Minor: Genebeth Mooring 1, Jill Palmer 2, J. Martin 3, H. Colcombe 4, A. D. Leach 5, C. D. J. Webb (cond.) 6. For afternoon service.

HUTTON, ESSEX.—On Oct. 5th, 1,260 Doubles (seven methods): P. Friend 1, C. E. Hill 2, J. J. Wallatt 3, W. T. Hill 4, R. G. Jones (cond.) 5.

QUARTER PEALS

KINGSWINFORD.—At St. Mary's, on Oct. 5th, 1,260 Grandsire Triples: J. Caddick (first quarter) 1, M. Wright 2, C. Pearman 3, A. Facey 4, A. E. Morgan 5, R. A. Peakman 6, C. F. Jukes (cond.) 7, F. Preston 8. Rung for Dedication Festival Evensong.

LITTLE ASTON, STAFFS.—On Oct. 20th, 1,440 Surprise Minor (York and Durham): Miss C. M. Follis 1, Miss D. K. Moore 2, Miss M. C. Smith 3, E. W. Colley 4, P. G. Goldar 5, M. W. Fairey (cond.) 6. For Evensong.

MANCETTER, WARWICKS.—On Aug. 25th, 1,260 Grandsire Doubles: B. Rogers (first quarter) 1, J. Wilson 2, H. Lapworth (first 'inside') 3, J. Parish 4, R. Bacon (cond.) 5. Also on Oct. 13th, 1,260 Grandsire Doubles: L. May (first quarter) 1, J. Wilson 2, H. Lapworth 3, R. Stubbs 4, R. Bacon (cond.) 5. For Harvest Festival Evensong.

MELBOURNE, VICTORIA.—S. Patrick's Cathedral, Melbourne, on Oct. 6th, 1,269 Plain Bob Minor: Valerie McDonald (first quarter) 1, Anne Cowling (first as cond.) 2, Mary Cowling 3, Helen Henderson 4, H. McDonald 5, Jennifer Murphy 6. A wedding compliment to Frank and Mary Adams.

MERROW, SURREY.—On Oct. 15th, 1,260 Plain Bob Doubles: Susan M. Woodthorpe 1, Hazel J. Giddins 2, A. Pamela Warren (cond.) 3, R. A. K. Glue 4, W. Savill 5, F. R. Duncan 6. First quarter for 1, 2 and 6.

NORTHENDEN, MANCHESTER.—On Oct. 19th, 1,260 Doubles (four methods): Marjorie Martin (first quarter) 1, Stuart Coutts 2, D. Shrubbs (first 'inside') 3, Roger Twigg 4, Darryl Gillespie (cond.) 5, Dilys Price 6. Rung to mark the birth of a daughter to the Rector and his wife.

NORTHMOOR, OXON.—On Oct. 19th, 1,260 Doubles (two methods): B. Batten 1, Susan Cantwell 2, H. Miles 3, D. Floyd (cond.) 4, A. Hicks 5, P. Trinder 6. A birthday compliment to Susan Cantwell.

NORTON, HERTS.—On Oct. 14th, 1,344 Plain Bob Major: R. Sheldrick (first of Major) 1, D. Sanderson 2, E. G. Buck 3, J. S. Dear 4, P. Flack 5, T. Hatchett 6, A. Mayes 7, J. Sanderson 8.

NORTON-IN-HALES, SHROPSHIRE.—On Oct. 7th, 1,260 Grandsire Doubles: Ruth Talbot 1, Doreen Goodwin 2, Mary Keay 3, P. Morris 4, R. E. Morris 5, G. Simons 6. A wedding compliment to Arthur Talbot, a local ringer, to Ann Morrey, on Oct. 5th.

PETERBOROUGH, NORTHANTS.—On Oct. 13th, 1,260 Plain Bob Minor: I. Mayne (first quarter) 1, A. Waller 2, M. Parker 3, B. Branton 4, G. Davis 5, R. W. Spencer (cond.) 6. For Harvest Festival morning service.

PUTNEY, LONDON.—On Oct. 6th, 1,260 Plain Bob Minor: D. Tipler (first quarter) 1, R. Cooles 2, Margaret E. Fort 3, B. J. Bull 4, D. C. Brookes 5, C. F. Mew (cond.) 6. For Harvest Festival. Also on Oct. 13th, 1,260 Grandsire Triples: J. E. Price 1, C. F. Mew (cond.) 2, L. W. Allen 3, A. R. Millidge 5, Margaret E. Fort 5, B. J. Bull 6, D. C. Brookes 7, D. Tipler 8. For Evensong. Also on Oct. 20th, 1,260 Stedman Triples: A. R. Millidge 1, R. Cooles 2, L. W. Allen 3, Margaret E. Fort 4, B. J. Bull 5, D. C. Brookes 6, C. F. Mew (cond.) 7, D. Tipler 8. First of Stedman for 2, 3, 6 and 8. For Evensong.

RIPPLE, GLOS.—On Sept. 28th, 1,260 Grandsire Doubles: J. Bennett 1, C. Haylins 2, B. Spiers 3, Joan Gainey 4, C. Halling (cond.) 5, Anthea Bennett 6. Rung in honour of the golden wedding of Mr. and Mrs. J. Halling whose son rang the 5th. Also on Oct. 1st, 1,260 Grandsire Doubles: J. Bennett 1, Joan Gainey 4, C. Halling (cond.) 5, A. Bennett 6, C. Halling 5, C. Hadley 6. Rung on the occasion of the silver wedding anniversary of Mr. and Mrs. Vince Dale.

SHOTWICK, CHESHIRE.—On Oct. 13th, 1,269 Plain Bob Minor: J. W. Clarke 1, T. Holmes 2, S. Jones 3, G. F. Sperring 4, E. C. Crewes 5, J. W. Griffiths (cond.) 6. For Harvest Festival.

SHUSTOKE, WARWICKS.—On Oct. 11th, 1,260 Grandsire Doubles: A. Ensor 1, L. L. Willis (cond.) 2, Miss R. Morgan 3, D. Hooper 4, E. H. Hill 5, H. Walker 6. For Harvest Festival.

SOUTHGATE, LONDON.—At Christ Church on Oct. 20th, 1,320 Plain Bob Doubles: Helen Davey (first quarter) 1, S. G. Peck 2, L. G. Gates 3, W. Wainwright 4, Monica Moore (cond.) 5, I. Page 6. For Evensong in connection with the 1963 Campaign for Education.

STOKE BISHOP, BRISTOL.—On Sept. 22nd, 1,260 Grandsire Doubles: T. Stanley 1, Miss S. Carter 2, Rev. D. Sansum (cond.) 3, M. Powell 4, Dr. R. Brocklehurst 5, R. Williams 6. Rung on the eve of the 2nd ringer's departure for College.

STOKE-NEXT-GUILDFORD, SURREY.—On Oct. 19th, 1,260 Cambridge Surprise Minor: Pamela A. Hunter 1, Diane Street (first of Surprise) 2, A. Pamela Warren 3, W. Savill (first of Surprise) 4, Elizabeth Stevinson (cond.) 5, A. C. A. Hunter 6. A compliment to Carolyn White and David Tubbs, upon their engagement, in appreciation of their help to the Sunday Service band at this tower.

STRATTON, CORNWALL.—On Oct. 6th, 1,260 Grandsire Triples: F. Sangwin 1, C. Sangwin 2, A. E. Bissat 3, E. Nunn 4, H. Trewin 5, H. Stacey (cond.) 6, J. W. Sangwin 7, J. Hockridge 8. For Harvest Festival. Also on Oct. 8th, 1,260 Grandsire Triples: F. Sangwin 1, A. E. Bissat 2, E. Nunn 3, C. Sangwin 4, J. W. Sangwin 5, H. Trewin 6, H. Stacey (cond.) 7, G. Halford 8. Rung half-muffled in memoriam George Lyle, a benefactor to this parish.

STRATTON ST. MARGARET, WILTS.—On Oct. 20th, 1,260 Plain Bob Minor: Sheila M. Haskins (first quarter) 1, Thelma P. Johnson 2, R. Fry 3, V. Griffin 4, A. R. Peake (cond.) 5, F. E. Jones (first of Minor 'inside') 6. For the feast of St. Luke and Family Communion.

TAUNTON, SOMERSET.—At St. James' Church on Oct. 6th, 1,260 Grandsire Doubles with 4, 6, 8, covering: B. K. Lunn 1, R. Beale (cond.) 2, T. Spearing 3, P. A. Jeaves 4, Jennifer P. Lunn 5, D. T. Holloway 6, D. J. Beale (first with a bob bell) 7, J. A. Trembath 8. First quarter 1, 3, 5, 6 and 8. For Harvest Festival.

THAKEHAM, SUSSEX.—On Oct. 1st, 1,260 Grandsire Doubles: J. Maple 1, C. B. Skinner 2, F. Brooks 3, Miss J. Horton 4, B. W. Farhall (cond.) 5, W. Cherriman 6. Rung half-muffled to the memory of Mrs. Cherriman, mother of the 6th ringer.

THAMES DITTON, SURREY.—On Oct. 6th, 1,260 Doubles (three methods): Mrs. H. Hawthorne 1, Miss R. Carr 2, F. E. Hawthorne (cond.) 3, A. D. Leach 4, R. Caporn 5, C. Rogers 6.

TITCHMARSH, NORTHANTS.—On Oct. 19th, 1,280 Cambridge Surprise Major: J. H. Bluff 1, M. A. Coleman 2, F. E. Coates (first of Surprise) 3, Miss W. Hollowell (first of Cambridge Major) 4, Miss S. R. Collins (cond.) 5, R. H. Daw 6, P. M. Fleckney 7, A. Gibbs 8. Rung after peal failure, on the day of the Guild annual dinner.

TOTTERNHUE, BEDS.—On Oct. 10th, 1,260 Grandsire Triples (Parker's): I. M. Knox 1, June Sinfield 2, R. Stripp (first of Triples 'inside') 3, R. J. Scott 4, J. Cloughton 5, A. G. Stripp 6, J. W. Sinfield (cond.) 7, W. F. Gladman 8. For the Harvest Thanksgiving Service. Also on Oct. 13th, 1,260 Doubles (five methods): June Sinfield 1, R. J. Scott 2, A. G. Stripp 3, J. W. Sinfield 4, J. Cloughton (cond.) 5, W. F. Gladman 6. For Harvest Sunday.

UPPINGHAM, RUTLAND.—On Oct. 13th, 1,320 Plain Bob Doubles: Carol P. L. Cooke 1, Margaret C. Woodward (first 'inside') 2, R. C. Woodward 3, J. C. Hudson 4, J. Woolley (cond.) 5, A. E. Stevens 6, R. G. Berridge 7, A. J. Woodward 8.

WALTHAM ABBEY, ESSEX.—On Oct. 13th, 1,313 Grandsire Caters: Sue Secker 1, Sally Cobb 2, Topsy Brocklehurst 3, June Whitaker 4, M. C. Austin 5, D. Hawkins 6, H. Duncan 7, A. M. Tyler (cond.) 8, D. Cobb 9, R. J. Chapman 10.

WANTAGE, BERKS.—On Oct. 13th, 1,260 Grandsire Triples: G. Stoter (first quarter) 1, A. E. Fullbrook 2, H. V. Booker 3, I. Stoter 4, H. White 5, K. Leach (cond.) 6, A. R. Wood 7, J. White 8. For Harvest Thanksgiving Evensong.

WARNFORD, HANTS.—On Oct. 21st, 1,260 Doubles eight methods: Maureen White 1, R. A. Stone 2, Mary White 3, K. G. Waller 4, C. E. Bassett (cond.) 5, T. White 6. 25th quarter together 2 and 5. Rung for the silver wedding of Mr. and Mrs. G. Waller.

WATFORD, HERTS.—On Oct. 20th, 1,342 Plain Bob Major: G. Arent 1, P. E. Pratt 2, D. Laud 3, R. G. Smith 4, R. D. Bell 5, W. G. Paul 6, R. G. Bell 7, G. W. Seaman (cond.) 8. For morning prayer.

WICKEN, NORTHANTS.—On Feb. 10th, 1,260 Stedman Triples: J. Linnell 1, J. Linford 2, T. E. Roberts 3, D. Burbridge 4, F. C. Case 5, C. E. Trumon 6, G. E. Green (cond.) 7, G. Foddy 8. For Evensong.

WIMBLEDON, SURREY.—On Oct. 13th, 1,280 Yorkshire Surprise Major: R. Mayes 1, Rosamund Rawlings 2, Vanessa Rodriguez 3, Susan Newman 4, A. Bishop 5, Judith Geiringer 6, K. Newman 7, A. Bargworth (cond.) 8. First in method for 2, 3, 6.

YATTON, SOMERSET.—On Oct. 18th, 1,260 Stedman Triples: H. G. Bird 1, W. H. Kingcott 2, Revd. R. O. Fry 3, S. G. Smith 4, J. Brain 5, G. Prescott 6, H. A. Price (cond.) 7, J. Chilcott 8. In memoriam John H. B. Hesse.

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MISCELLANEOUS

GUILDFORD DIOCESAN GUILD.—Surprise Royal practice. St. Nicolas', Guildford. Tuesday, November 5th, from 7.30 to 9 p.m.—Douglas May, Master. 3506

HAYES, KENT.—Ringing now resumed at St. Mary-the-Virgin. Bells rehung on hall bearings. Sunday service ringing 10.35 to 11 a.m. and 6 to 6.30 p.m. Practice: Tuesdays, 8.15 to 9.30 p.m. All visitors welcome.—M. F. Oakshett, Tower Secretary. 3475

HERTFORD COUNTY ASSOCIATION.—Bishop's Stortford District.—Saturday practice meetings in November, all at 7.30 p.m., 2nd. Bishop's Stortford: 9th, Brent Pelham: 23rd. Braughing: 30th. Brent Pelham.—D. Kingston. 3483

LONDON COUNTY ASSOCIATION.—Please note, there will be no meeting held on Saturday, November 9th.—M. Powell. 3493

ST. PETER-DE-WITTON, DROITWICH.—With regret we have to announce that all ringing at the above church is suspended until further notice during restoration of newly discovered mediæval floor in tower.—Jennifer Stone-Wigg, Secretary. 3499

WALTON-ON-THAMES, SURREY.—No ringing for a few weeks, while tower is being repaired.—V. Lathbury. 3486

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MEETING POSTPONED

ELY DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.—Cambridge District.—Meeting at Little Shelford postponed until November 23rd.—E. W. Bullman. 3495

MEETINGS

BEDFORDSHIRE ASSOCIATION.—Bedford District.—Meeting at Odell, Saturday, November 2nd. Bells (6) 3 p.m. Service 4.30. Tea 5 p.m. Special method: College Exercise. Names for tea to F. W. Rivett, Dis. Sec., 117, Stagsden Road, Bromham, Bedford. No name no tea. 3455

COVENTRY DIOCESAN GUILD.—Archdeaconry of Warwick Branch.—Meeting on November 2nd at Whitnash. Bells (6) 3 p.m. Service 4.30. Tea 5 p.m. Names for tea to I. C. Maycock, 109, Heathcote Road, Whitnash, Leamington Spa (Phone 26785). 3453

ELY DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.—Ely District.—Meeting Saturday, November 2nd, at Willingham. Bells (6) 3 p.m. Service 4.30. Tea 5 p.m.—D. F. Murfet, Dis. Sec. 3446

HERTFORD COUNTY ASSOCIATION.—Watford District.—Evening meeting at Langleybury on Saturday, November 2nd. Bells 6 p.m.—J. M. Bunyan, Dis. Sec. 3436

LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION.—Wigan Branch.—Meeting, Hindley on Saturday, November 2nd. Bells (8) 2.30 p.m. Tea provided. All visitors welcome.—F. Pearson, Sec. 3471

SHEFFIELD AND DISTRICT SOCIETY.—Meeting at Conisborough, Saturday, November 2nd. Bells from 3 p.m. Names for tea to Mr. M. Fowler, 70, Highfield Road, Conisborough.—J. Seager, Sec. 3452

SOUTHWELL DIOCESAN GUILD.—Nottingham District.—Meeting on Saturday, November 2nd, at West Bridgford, at 3 p.m. Names for tea to Mr. J. Miller, 56, Musters Road, West Bridgford, Nottingham.—S. Adams. 3467

SUFFOLK GUILD.—S.E. District.—Learners' practice meeting, St. Margaret's, Ipswich, Saturday, November 2nd, 7-9 p.m.—C. G. Pearce, Hon. Sec. 3477

SUSSEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION

Northern Division

Quarterly meeting, Warnham, Saturday, November 2nd.

Bells (8) 3 p.m. Service 4.30.

Tea and meeting 5. Bells 6.30.

Social 7.30-9.30 p.m. All welcome. Names for tea to G. Francis, 35, Friday Street, Warnham.—E. L. Hairs, Hon. Div. Sec. 3448

GLOUCESTER & BRISTOL DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.—Bristol City Branch.—Practice meeting at St. Matthew's, Kingsdown (8). Monday, November 4th. Ringing 7-8.30 p.m.—D. J. Hunt, Sec. 3482

MIDDLESEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION.—Practice meeting at St. Giles-in-the-Fields (one minute from Tottenham Court Road tube station) on Monday, November 4th, at 7 p.m. 3485

BARNESLEY & DISTRICT SOCIETY.—Meeting at Conisbrough, near Rotherham, Saturday, November 9th. Bells 2.30 p.m. Tea, please notify Mrs. Braithwaite, Vicarage, Conisbrough, Rotherham, not later than November 6th.—J. W. Buxton, Hon. Sec. 3465

BEDFORDSHIRE ASSOCIATION.—Biggleswade District.—Meeting, Saturday, November 9th, at Stotfold. Bells (6) 3 p.m. Service 4.30. Tea 5 p.m. S.M.: Hereward Bob and College Exercise. Ringing after tea.—M. Major. 3481

BEVERLEY & DISTRICT SOCIETY.—Monthly meeting, Holme-on-Spalding-Moor (6), Saturday, November 9th. Bells 2.30 p.m. Service 4.15. Tea in 'Blacksmiths Arms.' 5 p.m. Names for tea by previous Thursday without fail to Mr. E. Dove, High Street, Holme-on-Spalding-Moor, York. 3474

DERBY DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.—Chesterfield District.—Monthly meeting at Killamarsh (6) on Saturday, November 9th. Bells 3 p.m. Tea 5 p.m. Names for tea, please, to Mr. A. Parr, 2, Quarry Road, Killamarsh, Sheffield, by Wednesday, November 6th. No. 27 bus leaves East Midland Bus Station, Chesterfield, at ten minutes' past the hour.—M. Phipps, Sec. 3507

DEVON GUILD.—N.W. Branch.—Annual meeting, Bradworthy, Saturday, November 9th. Bells (6) 2.30 p.m. Service 4.30. Tea 5 p.m., meeting to follow.—R. Pearce, Sec. 3450

DURHAM AND NEWCASTLE ASSOCIATION.—Eastern District.—Houghton-le-Spring, Saturday, November 9th, 3 p.m. Names for tea not later than November 6th to Mr. W. F. Sheraton, 27, St. Aidan's Terrace, New Herrington, Houghton-le-Spring. 3483

EAST GRINSTEAD AND DISTRICT GUILD.—Meeting at Horsham (8), Saturday, November 9th. Bells 3 p.m. Service 4.15. Tea 5 p.m. Names for tea to Miss M. A. Ladd, 4, William Street, Tunbridge Wells, Kent, by November 7th. Note: Annual dinner, Saturday, January 11th. Names will be taken at this meeting. 3432

ESSEX ASSOCIATION.—The 10th annual dinner will be held on Saturday, 9th November, 1963 at the Saracen's Head Hotel, Chelmsford. 6.15 p.m. for 6.45 p.m. Tickets 16s. 6d. each, from General Secretary. Limit date November 5th. Early application and s.a.e. please.—F. V. G. 3426

GLOUCESTER AND BRISTOL ASSOCIATION.—Swindon Branch.—Meeting, November 9th, Brinkworth (6). Names for tea to Luton, 169, Cheney Manor Road, Swindon. 3432

HERTFORD COUNTY ASSOCIATION.—Western District.—November meeting will be held at Apsley on Sat., Nov. 9th. Bells (6) 3 p.m. Service 4.30. Tea 5 p.m. Names for tea to Mr. A. V. Good, 44, Belmont Road, Hemel Hempstead, Herts.—R. Sheppard, Sec. 3436

KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION.—Maidstone District.—By-meeting, Mereworth, November 9th. Ringing 3 p.m. Service 4.30 p.m. Names for tea to M. W. Gilbert, 2, Herne Cottages, Mereworth. Please note change of venue.—T. A. Cross, Dis. Sec. 3504

LADIES' GUILD (Central District), MIDDLESEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION (South and West District), OXFORD DIOCESAN GUILD (East Berks and South Bucks Branch).—Joint meeting, St. John's, Hillingdon, November 9th. Ringing 3 p.m. Service 4.45, with tea and social evening to follow. Harefield (245 p.m.) and St. Andrew's, Uxbridge (3 p.m.) also available. Names for tea, please, to Mr. F. W. Goodfellow, 46, Slough Road, Iver Heath. 3435

LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION.—Preston Branch.—Meeting at Chorley St. Mary's, Saturday, November 9th. Own tea arrangements, cafes nearby.—L. Walmsley. 3500

LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION.—Furness and Lake District Branch.—Meeting at Bowness-on-Windermere, Saturday, November 9th, at 2.30 p.m. Names to F. Wilson, The Cote, Beresford Road, Windermere.—N. M. Newby. 3509

LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION.—Rochdale Branch.—Meeting at St. James', East Crompton, on Saturday, November 9th. Bells (8) 3 p.m. Tea 5. Business 6 p.m. Names for tea by previous Wednesday, please, to Mr. G. Abbott, 16, Waveney Road, Rushcroft, Shaw, Oldham.—J. P. Partington. 3503

LEICESTER DIOCESAN GUILD.—Leicester District.—Meeting, November 9th at Whetstone (6). Bells 3 p.m. Service 4.30. Tea and meeting in school room, 5 p.m. Names for tea to Mrs. Needham, 13, Victoria Road, Whetstone, by November 6th. Methods: Grandire and Cambridge Surprise Minor.—A. J. Poyner, Dis. Sec. 3501

LEICESTER DIOCESAN GUILD.—Syston District.—Meeting at Thurstaston, November 9th. Bells (8) available 2.30 p.m. Service 4.15. Tea and meeting in the Memorial Hall 5 p.m. Names for tea to Miss M. Tipping, 95, Leicester Road, Thurstaston, by November 6th.—Raymond R. Brown, Hon. Sec. 3486

LLANDAFF AND MONMOUTH ASSOCIATION.—Llandaff Branch.—Quarterly meeting to be held at Llangynwydd, near Bridgend, on Saturday, November 9th. Bells (6) from 2.30 p.m. Service 4 followed by tea and business. Bells available until 8 p.m. Bridgend also available until 6.30 p.m. Names for tea by November 4th, please, to Mr. W. J. Goodfellow, 33, Brook Road, Fairwater, Cardiff. 3443

NORTHERN UNIVERSITIES.—Meeting at Manchester, November 9th. Towers available: Swinton (No. 57 bus outside Piccadilly Station, also passes close to Exchange Station), 9.45-10.30 a.m.; Pendlebury, 11-11.45 a.m.; Pendleton, 12 noon-12.45 p.m.; Sacred Trinity, Salford, 2.30-4: Cathedral, 5.30-6.30; Town Hall, 7-8.15 p.m. Own arrangements for lunch and tea. 3479

OXFORD DIOCESAN GUILD.—North Bucks Branch.—Monthly practice, old Wolverton. November 9th. Bells (6) from 6 p.m. 3480

OXFORD DIOCESAN GUILD.—Reading Branch.—Quarterly meeting, Saturday, November 9th, at Mortimer. St. John's (6) 3 p.m. Service 4.30. Tea 5 p.m. St. Mary's (8) in evening. Names for tea by November 6th, please, to Mrs. A. G. Cowdry, 'Sherborne', Victoria Road, Mortimer. Reading. 3487

SALISBURY GUILD.—Calne Branch.—Meeting, Heddington. November 9th. Bells (6) at 3 p.m. Service 4. Tea 4.30 p.m. Numbers, please, to W. Hacker, Downs View, Heddington. Calne. 3491

SHROPSHIRE ASSOCIATION.—Meeting at Berriew, Mont. on November 9th. Bells at 3 p.m. Service 4.30, followed by tea and business meeting. Ringing until 8 p.m. Names for tea to be sent by previous Wednesday to Mr. G. E. Evans, 7, Glanyrafon, Berriew, near Welshpool. Mont.—E. Morris. 3509

SUFFOLK GUILD.—North West District.—Practice meeting at Freckenhall (5), Saturday, November 9th. Bells 6.30 to 9 p.m.—A. F. Ballam. Dis. Sec. 3497

WINCHESTER & PORTSMOUTH DIOCESAN GUILD.—Christchurch District.—Practice meeting, November 9th, Fordingbridge, 2.30 p.m. Tea 4.30 p.m. in the Riverside Cafe. Ringwood from 6.30 p.m. Names for tea essential by November 7th to L. F. Cobb, 182, Southampton Road, Ringwood. 3490

BILSTON. STAFFS.—The dedication of the recast 5th bell at St. Leonard's Church will take place during Evensong on Sunday, November 10th. Cordial invitation to all visitors to ring from 7.50 to 9 p.m. No ringing before service. 3476

ANCIENT SOCIETY OF COLLEGE YOUTHS.—Business meeting to include election of officers will be held at 'The Rising Sun', Carter Lane, E.C., on Tuesday, November 12th, at 8.15 p.m. Forthcoming practices, all commencing at 6.30 p.m.: November 12th, St. Paul's Cathedral; November 19th, St. Lawrence, Jewry; November 26th, St. Michael's, Cornhill; December 3rd, St. Giles', Cripplegate.—John Chilcott. 3473

ESSEX ASSOCIATION.—Northern District.—A meeting to be held at Felsted on Saturday, November 16th. Bells (8) 2.30 until 8 p.m. Service 4 p.m., followed by tea and business meeting. Names for tea by Wednesday, November 13th, to Mrs. M. Wood, 4, Duck End Cottages, Finchingfield. 3478

KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION.—Canterbury District.—By-meeting, Chartham, Saturday, November 16th. Bells 2.30 p.m. Service 4.15 p.m. Tea afterwards at 2s. 6d. per head. Those who require tea please notify by November 13th, together with cash, Mr. L. H. Bennett, 4, Horton Gardens, Chartham, near Canterbury. 3490

LADIES' GUILD.—Midland District.—Meeting at Wigston Magna (8), Saturday, November 16th. Bells available 3 p.m. Service 4.30. Tea and meeting in Church Hall 5 p.m. Names for tea to Miss S. M. Davenport, 27, Marsden Lane, Aylestone, Leics. Telephone Leics 32554, by Wednesday previous. Gentlemen cordially invited. 3492

LINCOLN DIOCESAN GUILD.—Central Branch.—Meeting, Scothern, November 16th. Bells (6) 3 p.m. Service 4.30 p.m. Methods: Double Court, London Surprise. Names for tea by Wednesday previous to Mr. C. Cade, Brooklyn, Scothern, Lincoln.—S. A. Chambers, Hon. Sec. 3508

READING UNIVERSITY SOCIETY

The fourth Annual Dinner of the Society will be held on Saturday, November 16th, 1963, at the White Hart Hotel, Reading (7.30 for 8 p.m.). Tickets, price 16s. 6d., and details of ringing from J. H. Croxton, St Patrick's Hall, Northcourt Avenue, Reading. 3488

SUFFOLK GUILD.—N.E. District.—Quarterly meeting at Kelsale (8), Saturday, November 16th, 2.30-4.15 p.m. Service 4.15. Tea 5. Yoxford (6), 6-9 p.m. Names for tea by Wednesday, November 13th, to Miss M. Branch, Fern Bank, Bungay Road, Halesworth. 3494

GUILDFORD DIOCESAN GUILD.—Farnham District.—Nomination meeting at Aldershot (8) on November 23rd. Bells 3 p.m. Service 4.30. Tea in Parish Hall at 5.15 p.m. Notifications for tea to Miss N. Bragg, 20, Church Hill, Aldershot, by previous Wednesday.—D. P. Elsmore, Dis. Sec. 3423

LONG LENGTH OF YORKSHIRE STOPPED

The attempt at Loughborough Bell Foundry campanile on October 26th for 21,240 Yorkshire Surprise Royal was stopped after seven courses as the standard of ringing was not up to the required level. A peal of Cambridge Royal was rung in the morning and London Major in the afternoon. The remaining three lost a handbell peal.

WINCHESTER & PORTSMOUTH DIOCESAN GUILD Striking Competition

Some excellent ringing was heard during a striking competition of the Guild held at St. Michael's, Southampton, on October 19th.

After tea, prepared by the ladies of St. Michael's, the judge, Mr. C. H. Kippin, gave his comments. The Master (Canon K. W. H. Felstead) announced that St. Mary's, Liss, band, who rang 240 Grandsire Doubles, were the winners, followed by Warnford (Grandsire Doubles) 171, Christchurch Priory (238 Grandsire Triples) 199. The Alliston Cup was presented by the judge to the winning team, which consisted of Rosemarie Walton 1, Lesley Read 2, Susan Ellenor 3, D. M. Hughes 4, B. R. Walton (cond.) 5, Patricia Smith 6. With an average age of 17 years, they are the youngest team to win the cup.

Other competitors were Winchester Cathedral (Grandsire Triples), who were disqualified as their well struck touch failed to come round within the prescribed length due to a miscall: SS. Peter and Paul's, Fareham (Grandsire Triples); St. Lawrence's, Alton (Grandsire Doubles), and St. Mary's, Fordingbridge (call changes).

The judge and the ladies were thanked, and the Guild is indebted to the Master, who, as convener of the Striking Competition Subcommittee, had been mainly responsible for the excellent arrangements.

LATE NEWS

Mr. E. Maurice Atkins, the general secretary of the Devon Guild, is in Victory Ward of the Royal Devon and Exeter Hospital, Exeter, awaiting an operation. Our good wishes for a speedy recovery.

We regret to announce the death of Mr. J. F. G. Sutton, of 43, Queen Alexandra Road, Salisbury, Wilts.

CORRECTION

Cattistock, where the first peal on the bells was rung on October 5th (see page 719), is still in Dorset and not Devon as printed.

LATE NOTICES

GOLDHANGER, ESSEX.—Practice night at Goldhanger, Essex, has now been changed from Tuesday to Thursday, 8 p.m. to 9 p.m.—Alison M. Mann. 3512

SOCIETY FOR THE ARCHDEACONRY OF STAFFORD.—Annual dinner, Nov. 9th. Ringing arrangements: Shreshill (6) and Penkridge (8), 3 to 4 p.m.; Cannock (8), 4 p.m. onwards.—B. G. Key. 3513

SOUTHWELL DIOCESAN GUILD.—Bingham District.—Meeting at Whatton, Nov. 9th. Bells 3 p.m., service 4.30, tea 5. Names for tea by Wednesday previous, to: W. L. Exton, 'St. Ouen's', Whatton.—R. Blackshaw, Hon. Dis. Sec. 3511

SOCIETY OF WESSEX SCHOLARS.—General meetings of the Society will be held on the last Friday of each month at 8.30 p.m., at The Crown Hotel, Jewry St., Winchester, until further notice. Members only, but friends admitted at the discretion of the master. Male members only.—A. R. Carter, Sec., 31, Wharf Hill, Winchester. 3510

SOME OF THE OUTINGS

HUTTON, ESSEX

Hutton, Essex, ringers and friends had their annual outing by coach into the Thames Valley on September 14th. Every ringer had a programme. The first touch lasted 10 minutes in each tower, then came general ringing for 20 minutes, and finally, every ringer had a choice, three at each tower.

At the first tower, Waltham St. Lawrence, there was Stedman, Plain Bob and Grandsire Doubles. Bob Minor and Cambridge. At Warfield, Bob Major and Stedman went well; then Minor and Doubles with cover bells were rung. After an excellent lunch at Bracknell, the lovely six at Binfield were enjoyed. The very light six at Hitcham Park, which are rung round the font, were a novelty. Eventually Stedman and Cambridge were managed.

The route was through Burnham Beeches to an excellent tea at Wingrove's tea rooms. The last ring was at Fulmer, where a good touch of Winchendon amongst other methods was rung. Our thanks to Raymond Jones and John Wallet for their organisation, the coach drivers, incumbents and those who met us. R. G. J.

TORRE, TORQUAY

The ringers of Torre Parish Church, Torquay, held their annual outing on October 19th, with East Devon as the venue. They were accompanied by friends from Babacombe, Buckfastleigh, and Mr. and Mrs. W. J. Harvey (and family), of Topsham, former members.

The first stop was Offwell (a reasonably good six), followed by Kilmington (a very nice going six). The next stop was Musbury, where the bells were found to take some handling. This was followed by tea at Seaton, after which a pleasant hour was spent on the good octave at the Parish Church. The last tower to be visited was Colaton Raleigh, where it was learnt that the bells were not often rung. These, too, required careful handling.

Thanks are due to Mr. Keith Fursdon, the Captain for the excellent arrangements. B.

ST. GILES', WILLENHALL

It was through a thick mist that St. Giles', Willenhall, ringers approached the Peak District for their outing on September 21st. Cups of tea were awaiting the party at Clay Cross and, after lunch, a visit was paid to the tenebrous six at the church. Before boarding the coach thanks were expressed to Mr. and Mrs. Price and helpers.

A cordial welcome from Sam Scattergood awaited the party at Chesterfield and in the well-kept belfry he challenged one of our heavy men to raise the ninth the right way up. Bob Major and Stedman Triples were rung on the back eight and call changes on the ten.

Our next objective was Ashover, where 'Jafus' was on guard at the church door. Frank helped in our ringing, and trebled them down in peal. The timetable was kept when we arrived at Matlock for tea at the Ritz Restaurant. Our thanks go out to incumbents, tower keepers and Mr. Fred Adams, who helped with the arrangements. C. W.

IRONY FROM RUTLAND

'The Daily Mirror' of October 16th informs us that the bellringers of Oakham, Rutland, will ring a peal of Rutland Surprise of more than 5,000 changes, lasting 23 hours 20 minutes, on Saturday, when Britain's smallest county celebrates its successful battle to stay independent.

'How misinformed these reporters are!—23 hours 20 minutes for a peal of 5,000 Rutland Surprise Major even before it has been rung!'

The Rutland band are not sufficiently proficient to ring a peal of Rutland Surprise Major without outside help. It is ironic that 80 per cent of the band will be Leicestershire ringers—the county that lost in the "take-over" bid for Rutland.

A letter written to the Vicar of Warminster has been mislaid. Will the sender be good enough to write again to Mr. N. G. Kneel, 75, Boreham Road, Warminster, Wilts.

QUARTER PEALS

BERKSWELL, WARWICKS.—On Sept. 21st, 1,260 Minor (720 Kent and Oxford, 600 Cambridge): 1. C. Maycock 1, S. Royal 2, M. C. Hughes 3, G. W. Randle 4, G. Lightfoot 5, C. J. Royal 6. First in three methods 2, 4, 5 and 6.

CASTLE EATON, WILTS.—On Oct. 13th, 1,260 Doubles (three methods): B. Bladon 1, Thelma P. Johnson 2, E. W. Ford 3, R. E. G. Luton 4, A. R. Peake (cond.) 5, E. G. Adams 6. For Evensong and as a 70th birthday compliment to the tenor ringer.

DUNSTABLE, BEDS.—On Oct. 10th, 1,344 Plain Bob Major: C. King 1, A. E. Sharman (cond.) 2, A. Stripp 3, G. Claughton 4, J. W. Sinfield 5, I. M. Knox 6, H. Burroughs 7, A. E. Mathews 8. Rung half-muffled in memory of Mrs. C. Mackenochie, wife of the Rector, who was buried this day.

FAREHAM, HANTS.—On Sept. 29th, 1,259 Grandsire Caters: Gillian Boyd 1, Renee Sturgess 2, F. Mitchell 3, Jennifer Tyack 4, G. Miles 5, R. Hawkins 6, W. Cope 7, A. Scott 8, A. Sturgess (cond.) 9, J. Stevenson 10. To mark the visit of the Bishop of Portsmouth for the Michaelmas Ordination.

GRANTHAM, Lincs.—On Oct. 13th, 1,259 Grandsire Caters: G. Vinters 1, Mrs. J. E. Cook 2, L. Squires 3, F. W. Pinchbeck 4, K. Ketteringham 5, D. A. Frith 6, W. Dale 7, P. A. Slight 8, J. E. Cook (cond.) 9, J. R. Holmes 10. For the Patronal Festival.

HAGBOURNE, BERKS.—On Oct. 20th, 1,260 Stedman Triples: W. White 1, H. L. Bishop 2, C. J. Garlick 3, G. W. Bishop 4, L. F. Cox 5, M. Bishop 6, J. H. Napper (cond.) 7, E. G. Sawyer 8. For the Harvest Eucharist.

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RUTHERSTHORPE, NORTHANTS.—On Oct. 13th, 1,260 Plain Bob Doubles: A. A. Paul (cond.) 1, C. C. Stokes 2, R. C. Moore (first 'inside') 3, R. W. Smith 4, G. C. Paul 5. For Harvest Festival Evensong.

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