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## BELLS AT THE LIDO

**T**HAT'S what comes of going abroad on one's own and insisting on a single room. You're sure to get one as far from the front of the hotel as can be.

It happened to me, and I found that my room looked on to the equivalent of a back yard. All the married couples had smashing rooms at the front with lovely views of Venice across the lagoon. The hotel was at the Lido—lagoon side.

We had arrived in Venice rather late, just in time to spruce up before dinner, and whilst I knew my room was at the back, it didn't seem worth while to make a full investigation. Perhaps as well, for I missed the night's anticipation of what happened in the morning.

'Came the dawn,' as the poets say, and then at ten past six I was suddenly brought to full life by the terrific clanging of a bell. First of all I thought it must belong to a town clock which somebody had thoughtfully disconnected for the night, but even town clocks don't chime a hundred and fifty. I jumped to the window—of course wide open for the heat—to find that I was within thirty yards of a belfry and on the same level.

As only one bell was dinning, I felt rather better, particularly as this one-legged chime ceased after about five minutes, so I turned in again with the idea of another hour or so.

Some hopes! The first ringer had. I was sure, been taking his turn as knocker-up, with the bell, for ten minutes later his pals arrived, and one after another got into their stride with four bells, big 'uns, too.

No Bob Majors, Grandsire Triples or things like that for these lads. They certainly hadn't read any good books on campanology, but gaily pulled the ropes as the spirit moved them, sometimes in procession but occasionally in unison. What a crash that was. Then suddenly they stopped and the world went quieter than I have ever known it.

This must be early Mass I felt sure, and should ease matters until after breakfast, so I settled down again. The

ringers had no doubt gone to service in the church below, and all would be well.

As I said before: Some hopes!

At ten past seven we started again. I say we, because by now I felt that I had joined the team. Indeed I was near enough to give a helping hand should they want one, but I was never roped in. Perhaps they didn't know I was there and taking so much interest in their work.

By this time all thoughts of sleep had gone, so I crawled out of bed just in time for the end of the performance, and to prepare for the day ahead. I was half way through shaving when my four wide-awake Venetians set off again with one of their concerted pulls. Luckily it was a safety razor, or I should have cut my head off.

What I have told you happened on the Wednesday, so on Thursday morning I woke early waiting for the gang, or for a start, their number one. He came about two minutes late and I was thinking that I ought to nip round and give him a ring, when he forestalled me and rang up his pals. They must have lived near, by the short time it took them to get to their job, so it would have been easier for him to have knocked on their doors instead of ringing them up from the belfry.

We had a similar concert, with variations, as once I guessed that Giuseppe, or was it Antonio, caught his foot in the rope and spoilt the rhythm they had nearly got. That was a crash!

Every morning we went through the performance, and I really dreaded Sunday morning coming as I didn't know whether they would start earlier or make a sounder job of it. So when that morning arrived I was ready, bright and early, for Giuseppe, Antonio, Enrico and Pietro.

As the time came and passed with no bells, I began to get worried and hoped that my rope-tugging pals hadn't had one over the eight the night before, and were still sleeping. Six-thirty, seven, seven-thirty came, and believe it or not, not a cheep out of that belfry.

We left for Lugano early the following morning, so what happened to G, A, E and P I don't know.

H. FRANKLAND.

[From 'Lister's Magazine.'

**CAMBRIDGE UNIVERSITY GUILD 1957 TOUR**

(ALL PEALS RUNG FOR THE GUILD)

HATFIELD BROAD OAK, ESSEX.

On Mon., Aug. 26, 1957, in 3 Hours and 5 Minutes.

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MARY-THE-VIRGIN,

**A PEAL OF 5024 DOUBLE NORWICH COURT BOB MAJOR**

Tenor 16 cwt.

J. H. FIELDEN (St. Cath.'s) <i>Treble</i>	H. NEILL (St. Cath.'s) .. 5
E. M. ATKINS (St. Cath.'s) .. 2	E. G. BENSON (St. Cath.'s) .. 6
F. B. COOKSON (St. John's) .. 3	A. R. HEPPENSTALL (Sel.) .. 7
R. LEIGH (St. Cath.'s) .. 4	C. W. WOOLLEY (Selwyn) <i>Tenor</i>

Composed and Conducted by E. M. ATKINS.

BISHOP'S STORTFORD, HERTFORDSHIRE.

On Tues., Aug. 27, 1957, in 3 Hours and 10 Minutes.

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MICHAEL,

**A PEAL OF 5040 CAMBRIDGE SURPRISE ROYAL**

Tenor 16½ cwt.

J. H. R. FREEBORN (Clare) <i>Treble</i>	F. E. ROBERTS (Selwyn) .. 6
SUSAN JACKSON (Girton) .. 2	J. H. FIELDEN (St. Cath.'s) .. 7
C. M. P. JOHNSON (Selwyn) .. 3	W. J. RIDGMAN (Queens') .. 8
A. R. HEPPENSTALL (Sel.) .. 4	F. E. HAYNES (St. Cath.'s) .. 9
F. B. COOKSON (St. John's) .. 5	C. W. WOOLLEY (Selwyn) <i>Tenor</i>

Conducted by F. E. HAYNES.

STANSTED MOUNTFITCHET, ESSEX.

On Wed., Aug. 28, 1957, in 2 Hours and 44 Minutes.

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MARY-THE-VIRGIN,

**A PEAL OF 5000 LITTLE BOB MAJOR**

Tenor 13 cwt.

E. M. ATKINS (St. Cath.'s) <i>Treble</i>	P. F. WINDLEY (Jesus) .. 5
B. WHITE (Queens') .. 2	H. NEILL (St. Cath.'s) .. 6
T. P. HEARN (Selwyn) .. 3	A. G. G. THURLOW (Sel.) .. 7
E. G. BENSON (St. Cath.'s) .. 4	W. T. COOK (Jesus) .. <i>Tenor</i>

Composed and Conducted by E. M. ATKINS.

GREAT DUNMOW, ESSEX.

On Thurs., Aug. 29, 1957, in 3 Hours and 12 Minutes.

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MARY,

**A PEAL OF 5088 SPLICED SURPRISE MAJOR**

In four methods, consisting of 2,496 London, 1,344 Bristol, 640 Cambridge and 608 Superlative, with 126 changes of method. Tenor 21½ cwt.

A. R. HEPPENSTALL (Sel.) <i>Treble</i>	F. E. ROBERTS (Selwyn) .. 5
SUSAN JACKSON (Girton) .. 2	W. T. COOK (Jesus) .. 6
C. W. WOOLLEY (Selwyn) .. 3	W. J. RIDGMAN (Queens') .. 7
S. E. DARMON (St. John's) .. 4	C. M. P. JOHNSON (Sel.) <i>Tenor</i>

Composed by E. A. BARNETT.

Conducted by C. W. WOOLLEY.

RAYNE, ESSEX.

On Thurs., Aug. 29, 1957, in 2 Hours and 28 Minutes.

AT THE CHURCH OF ALL SAINTS,

**A PEAL OF 5040 CAMBRIDGE SURPRISE MINOR**

Being two 2,160's and one 720.

Tenor 6½ cwt.

E. M. ATKINS .. <i>Treble</i>	R. LEIGH .. .. 4
H. NEILL .. .. 2	J. H. FIELDEN .. .. 5
E. G. BENSON .. .. 3	F. E. HAYNES .. <i>Tenor</i>

Conducted by E. M. ATKINS.

The first peal to be rung entirely by members of St. Catharine's College.

PLESHEY, ESSEX.

On Thurs., Aug. 29, 1957, in 2 Hours and 12 Minutes.

AT THE DIOCESAN HOUSE OF RETREAT,

**A PEAL OF 5040 PLAIN BOB MAJOR**

Tenor size 15 in. C.

A. R. HEPPENSTALL (Sel.) 1—2	H. NEILL (St. Cath.'s) .. 5—6
J. H. FIELDEN (St. Cath.'s) 3—4	W. T. COOK (Jesus) .. 7—8

Composed by J. CARTER.

Conducted by W. T. COOK.

RAYLEIGH, ESSEX.

On Fri., Aug. 30, 1957, in 2 Hours and 54 Minutes.

AT THE CHURCH OF THE HOLY TRINITY,

**A PEAL OF 5088 YORKSHIRE SURPRISE MAJOR**

Tenor 16½ cwt.

M. M. PETERSON (Trinity) <i>Treble</i>	P. F. WINDLEY (Jesus) .. 5
J. H. FIELDEN (St. Cath.'s) .. 2	B. D. PRICE (Emmanuel) .. 6
H. NEILL (St. Cath.'s) .. 3	W. T. COOK (Jesus) .. 7
R. LEIGH (St. Cath.'s) .. 4	P. K. WILLIAMSON (Trin.) <i>Tenor</i>

Composed by N. J. PITSTOW.

Conducted by J. H. FIELDEN.

LOUGHTON, ESSEX.

On Sat., Aug. 31, 1957, in 3 Hours and 13 Minutes.

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

**A PEAL OF 5056 CAMBRIDGE SURPRISE MAJOR**

Tenor 18½ cwt.

J. H. FIELDEN (St. Cath.'s) <i>Treble</i>	A. R. HEPPENSTALL (Sel.) .. 5
P. F. WINDLEY (Jesus) .. 2	H. NEILL (St. Cath.'s) .. 6
SUSAN JACKSON (Girton) .. 3	W. T. COOK (Jesus) .. 7
F. B. COOKSON (St. John's) .. 4	W. J. RIDGMAN (Queens') <i>Tenor</i>

Composed by C. MIDDLETON.

Conducted by J. H. FIELDEN.

**A CHESHIRE TOUR**

(ALL PEALS RUNG FOR THE CHESTER DIOCESAN GUILD)

GAWSWORTH, CHESHIRE.

On Sat., Aug. 10, 1957, in 3 Hours.

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. JAMES,

**A PEAL OF 5088 BRISTOL SURPRISE MAJOR**

Tenor 11½ cwt.

SHIRLEY HARRIS .. <i>Treble</i>	C. KENNETH LEWIS .. .. 5
FRED DUNKERLEY .. .. 2	JOHN WORTH .. .. 6
BRIAN HARRIS .. .. 3	PETER LAFLIN .. .. 7
EDWARD JENKINS .. .. 4	JOSEPH W. WHITTAKER .. <i>Tenor</i>

Composed by A. KNIGHTS.

Conducted by JOHN WORTH.

BOWDON, CHESHIRE.

On Mon., Aug. 12, 1957, in 3 Hours and 2 Minutes.

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MARY,

**A PEAL OF 5056 PLAIN BOB MAJOR**

Tenor 14 cwt. 1 qr. 25 lb. in F sharp.

*JAMES J. BLOWERS .. <i>Treble</i>	TREVOR TAYLOR .. .. 5
C. KENNETH LEWIS .. .. 2	BRIAN J. WOODRUFFE .. 6
BERNARD GROVES .. .. 3	BRIAN HARRIS .. .. 7
ROBERT B. SMITH .. .. 4	EDWARD JENKINS .. <i>Tenor</i>

Composed by J. R. PRITCHARD.

Conducted by C. KENNETH LEWIS.

\* First peal.

ECCLES, LANCASHIRE.

On Mon., Aug. 12, 1957, in 2 Hours and 48 Minutes.

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MARY-THE-VIRGIN,

**A PEAL OF 5056 YORKSHIRE SURPRISE MAJOR**

Tenor 19 cwt. 3 qr. 13 lb. in E flat.

*FRANK OSBALDISTON .. <i>Treble</i>	*ROBERT B. SMITH .. .. 5
*BERNARD GROVES .. .. 2	C. KENNETH LEWIS .. .. 6
*BRIAN J. WOODRUFFE .. 3	EDWARD JENKINS .. .. 7
*TREVOR TAYLOR .. .. 4	BRIAN HARRIS .. .. <i>Tenor</i>

Arranged and Conducted by C. KENNETH LEWIS.

\* First peal in the method.

HYDE, CHESHIRE.

On Tues., Aug. 13, 1957, in 2 Hours and 59 Minutes.

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. GEORGE,

**A PEAL OF 5056 CAMBRIDGE SURPRISE MAJOR**

Tenor 18 cwt. 11 lb. in E.

*WILLIAM H. DOWSE .. <i>Treble</i>	BRIAN J. WOODRUFFE .. 5
†FRANK OSBALDISTON .. 2	LESLIE BOUMPHREY .. 6
GEOFF. D. FEARNEHOUGH .. 3	EDWARD JENKINS .. 7
ROBERT B. SMITH .. .. 4	BRIAN HARRIS .. .. <i>Tenor</i>

Composed by C. MIDDLETON.

Conducted by BRIAN HARRIS.

\* First peal of Surprise Major. † First peal of Surprise Major 'inside.'

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## ASHTON-UNDER-LYNE, LANCASHIRE.

On Tues., Aug. 13, 1957, in 3 Hours and 1 Minute,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. PETER,

## A PEAL OF 5056 BRISTOL SURPRISE MAJOR

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

BRIAN HARRIS .. .. Treble	† NEIL BENNETT .. .. 5
FRED DUNKERLEY .. .. 2	C. KENNETH LEWIS .. .. 6
* BERNARD GROVES .. .. 3	DEREK OGDEN .. .. 7
* ROBERT B. SMITH .. .. 4	EDWARD JENKINS .. .. Tenor

Composed and Conducted by C. KENNETH LEWIS.

\* First peal of Bristol. † First Surprise peal.

## NORBURY (HAZEL GROVE), CHESHIRE.

On Wed., Aug. 14, 1957, in 2 Hours and 45 Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. THOMAS,

## A PEAL OF 5088 OXFORD TREBLE BOB MAJOR

Tenor 14 cwt. 1 qr. 22 lb. in F.

* MARY WORTH .. .. Treble	LESLIE BOUMPHREY .. .. 5
* SHIRLEY HARRIS .. .. 2	BRIAN J. WOODRUFFE .. .. 6
* BERNARD GROVES .. .. 3	* GEOFF. D. FEARNEHOUGH .. 7
EDWARD JENKINS .. .. 4	BRIAN HARRIS .. .. Tenor

Composed by T. B. WORSLEY.

Conducted by EDWARD JENKINS.

\* First peal in the method.

## BREDBURY, CHESHIRE.

On Wed., Aug. 14, 1957, in 2 Hours and 59 Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MARK,

## A PEAL OF 5088 SUPERLATIVE SURPRISE MAJOR

Tenor 11½ cwt. in G.

* WILLIAM H. DOWSE .. Treble	C. KENNETH LEWIS .. 5
BRIAN HARRIS .. .. 2	* ROBERT B. SMITH .. .. 6
* FRANK OSBALDISTON .. 3	* LESLIE BOUMPHREY .. .. 7
* BERNARD GROVES .. .. 4	EDWARD JENKINS .. .. Tenor

Composed by N. J. PITSTOW.

Conducted by C. KENNETH LEWIS.

\* First peal in the method.

## MARPLE, CHESHIRE.

On Thurs., Aug. 15, 1957, in 2 Hours and 46 Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ALL SAINTS,

## A PEAL OF 5040 MINOR

In four methods, being two extents of Cambridge Surprise, one extent each of Oxford Treble Bob, Oxford and Kent Treble Bob and Kent Treble Bob, and two extents of Plain Bob. Tenor 14 cwt. 1 qr. 4 lb.

ROBERT B. SMITH .. Treble	DEREK OGDEN .. .. 4
SHIRLEY HARRIS .. .. 2	TREVOR TAYLOR .. .. 5
BERNARD GROVES .. .. 3	BRIAN J. WOODRUFFE .. Tenor

Conducted by BRIAN J. WOODRUFFE.

## STOCKPORT, CHESHIRE.

On Thurs., Aug. 15, 1957, in 3 Hours and 30 Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MARY.

## A PEAL OF 5040 CAMBRIDGE SURPRISE ROYAL

Tenor 23 cwt. 3 qr. 16 lb. in E flat.

* ROBERT B. SMITH .. Treble	JOHN WORTH .. .. 6
FRED DUNKERLEY .. .. 2	DEREK OGDEN .. .. 7
* BERNARD GROVES .. .. 3	LESLIE BOUMPHREY .. .. 8
JOHN E. BIBBY .. .. 4	BRIAN HARRIS .. .. 9
* TREVOR TAYLOR .. .. 5	EDWARD JENKINS .. .. Tenor

Composed by C. K. LEWIS.

Conducted by JOHN WORTH.

\* First peal of Surprise Royal.

## FAIRFIELD, BUXTON, DERBYSHIRE.

On Fri., Aug. 16, 1957, in 2 Hours and 48 Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. PETER.

## A PEAL OF 5024 DOUBLE NORWICH COURT BOB MAJOR

Tenor 12 cwt. 10 lb. in F sharp.

* FRANK OSBALDISTON .. Treble	EDWARD JENKINS .. 5
* BERNARD GROVES .. .. 2	* ROBERT B. SMITH .. .. 6
WILLIAM A. SMITH .. .. 3	BRIAN J. WOODRUFFE .. 7
MICHAEL W. CROWDER .. 4	BRIAN HARRIS .. .. Tenor

Composed by H. W. WILDE.

Conducted by BRIAN HARRIS.

\* First peal in the method.

## A PEAL TOUR OF SOUTHERN IRELAND

(ALL PEALS FOR THE IRISH ASSOCIATION EXCEPT WHERE STATED)

## DUBLIN.

On Sat., Aug. 17, 1957, in 3 Hours and 40 Minutes,

AT THE CATHEDRAL CHURCH OF CHRIST,

## A PEAL OF 5040 CAMBRIDGE SURPRISE ROYAL

Tenor 39 cwt. 2 qr. in B.

ARTHUR H. REED .. Treble	JOHN PHILLIPS .. .. 6
WILFRED WILLIAMS .. .. 2	THOMAS J. SOUTHAM .. 7
RONALD F. DISERENS .. 3	DEREK P. JONES .. .. 8
WILLIAM A. THEOBALD .. 4	MICHAEL P. MORETON .. 9
FRANK E. DARBY .. .. 5	PETER BORDER .. .. Tenor

Composed by JOHN CARTER.

Conducted by WILFRED WILLIAMS.

First peal of Cambridge Surprise Royal on the bells.

## DUBLIN.

On Sun., Aug. 18, 1957, in 3 Hours and 10 Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. GEORGE,

## A PEAL OF 5088 LONDON SURPRISE MAJOR

Tenor 19 cwt. 3 qr. in E flat.

DONALD G. CLIFT .. Treble	WILFRID F. MORETON .. 5
FRANK E. DARBY .. .. 2	THOMAS J. SOUTHAM .. 6
RONALD F. DISERENS .. 3	NOEL J. DISERENS .. .. 7
PETER BORDER .. .. 4	DEREK P. JONES .. .. Tenor

Composed by JAMES W. WASHBROOK. Conducted by PETER BORDER.

First peal of London on the bells.

## BRAY, CO. WICKLOW.

On Mon., Aug. 19, 1957, in 3 Hours and 24 Minutes,

AT CHRIST CHURCH,

## A PEAL OF 5024 BRISTOL SURPRISE MAJOR

Tenor 28 cwt. 1 qr. 17 lb. in D.

ARTHUR H. REED .. Treble	NOEL J. DISERENS .. .. 5
FRANK E. DARBY .. .. 2	PETER BORDER .. .. 6
DEREK P. JONES .. .. 3	MICHAEL P. MORETON .. 7
WILLIAM A. THEOBALD .. 4	WILFRED WILLIAMS .. .. Tenor

Composed by CHARLES W. ROBERTS. Conducted by WILFRED WILLIAMS.

## ARKLOW, CO. WICKLOW.

On Mon., Aug. 19, 1957, in 3 Hours and 7 Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. SAVIOUR,

## A PEAL OF 5184 YORKSHIRE SURPRISE MAJOR

Tenor 22 cwt. 2 qr. 19 lb. in E.

NOEL J. DISERENS .. Treble	RONALD F. DISERENS .. 5
DONALD G. CLIFT .. .. 2	MICHAEL P. MORETON .. 6
ARTHUR H. REED .. .. 3	DEREK P. JONES .. .. 7
THOMAS J. SOUTHAM .. 4	WILFRID F. MORETON .. Tenor

Composed by CHARLES W. ROBERTS.

Conducted by WILFRID F. MORETON.

First peal of Yorkshire on the bells.

## ARKLOW, CO. WICKLOW.

On Tues., Aug. 20, 1957, in 3 Hours,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. SAVIOUR,

## A PEAL OF 5088 BRISTOL SURPRISE MAJOR

Tenor 22 cwt. 2 qr. 19 lb. in E.

WILFRED WILLIAMS .. Treble	THOMAS J. SOUTHAM .. 5
ARTHUR H. REED .. .. 2	DEREK P. JONES .. .. 6
WILLIAM A. THEOBALD .. 3	FRANK E. DARBY .. .. 7
RONALD F. DISERENS .. 4	PETER BORDER .. .. Tenor

Composed by CHARLES W. ROBERTS. Conducted by PETER BORDER.

## WEXFORD, CO. WEXFORD.

On Tues., Aug. 20, 1957, in 3 Hours and 24 Minutes,

AT THE R.C. CATHEDRAL CHURCH OF THE IMMACULATE CONCEPTION,

## A PEAL OF 5040 CAMBRIDGE SURPRISE ROYAL

Tenor 31 cwt. 1 qr. in D.

DONALD G. CLIFT .. Treble	PETER BORDER .. .. 6
RONALD F. DISERENS .. 2	JOHN PHILLIPS .. .. 7
FRANK E. DARBY .. .. 3	MICHAEL P. MORETON .. 8
THOMAS J. SOUTHAM .. 4	WILFRID F. MORETON .. 8
NOEL J. DISERENS .. .. 5	WILFRED WILLIAMS .. .. Tenor

Composed by WILLIAM PYE.

Conducted by WILFRED WILLIAMS.

First peal on the bells.

## BALLYMODAN, BANDON, CO. CORK.

On Wed., Aug. 21, 1957, in 3 Hours,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. PETER.

## A PEAL OF 5040 MINOR

Tenor 14½ cwt.

WILFRED WILLIAMS .. Treble	MICHAEL P. MORETON .. 4
PETER BORDER .. .. 2	NOEL J. DISERENS .. .. 5
WILLIAM A. THEOBALD .. 3	WILFRID F. MORETON .. Tenor

Conducted by WILFRID F. MORETON.

First peal in seven methods on the bells.

## LIMERICK, CO. LIMERICK.

On Thurs., Aug. 22, 1957, in 3 Hours and 11 Minutes,

AT THE MONASTERY OF MOUNT ST. ALPHONSUS.

## A PEAL OF 5040 PUDSEY SURPRISE ROYAL

Tenor 21 cwt. 1 qr. 10 lb. in E flat.

DONALD G. CLIFT .. Treble	NOEL J. DISERENS .. .. 6
RONALD F. DISERENS .. 2	WILFRID F. MORETON .. 7
FRANK E. DARBY .. .. 3	DEREK P. JONES .. .. 8
MICHAEL P. MORETON .. 4	PETER BORDER .. .. 9
THOMAS J. SOUTHAM .. 5	WILFRED WILLIAMS .. .. Tenor

Composed by GABRIEL LINDOFF.

Conducted by WILFRED WILLIAMS.

First peal of Pudsey Surprise Royal in Ireland.

## LIMERICK, CO. LIMERICK.

On Fri., Aug. 23, 1957, in 3 Hours and 21 Minutes,  
At the Cathedral and Parish Church of St. Mary,  
A PEAL OF 5088 LONDON SURPRISE MAJOR

Tenor 24 cwt. 1 lb.

ARTHUR H. REED .. .. Treble	PETER BORDER .. .. 5
WILFRED WILLIAMS .. .. 2	NOEL J. DISERENS .. .. 6
THOMAS J. SOUTHAM .. .. 3	DEREK P. JONES .. .. 7
RONALD F. DISERENS .. .. 4	WILFRID F. MORETON .. Tenor

Composed by GABRIEL LINDOFF. Conducted by WILFRID F. MORETON.  
First peal of London on the bells.

## WATERFORD, CO. WATERFORD.

## THE ANCIENT SOCIETY OF COLLEGE YOUTHS.

On Fri., Aug. 23, 1957, in 3 Hours and 7 Minutes,  
At the Cathedral Church of the Blessed Trinity.

## A PEAL OF 5120 CAMBRIDGE SURPRISE MAJOR

Tenor 20 cwt. 1 lb. in E.

DONALD G. CLIFT .. .. Treble	DEREK P. JONES .. .. 5
THOMAS J. SOUTHAM .. .. 2	JOHN PHILLIPS .. .. 6
MICHAEL P. MORETON .. .. 3	FRANK E. DARBY .. .. 7
WILLIAM A. THEOBALD .. .. 4	PETER BORDER .. .. Tenor

Composed by CHARLES J. SEDGLEY. Conducted by PETER BORDER.  
First peal in the method on the bells.

Rung to commemorate the 85th anniversary of the first peal in Ireland, which was rung in this tower by the Ancient Society of College Youths on July 27th. 1872.

## DUBLIN.

(St. Patrick's Cathedral Society.)

On Sat., Aug. 24, 1957, in 4 Hours.

At the National Cathedral of St. Patrick.

## A PEAL OF 5280 CAMBRIDGE SURPRISE MAXIMUS

Tenor 45 cwt. 1 qr. 18 lb. in C.

DONALD G. CLIFT .. .. Treble	THOMAS J. SOUTHAM .. .. 7
*ARTHUR H. REED .. .. 2	JOHN PHILLIPS .. .. 8
FRANK E. DARBY .. .. 3	DEREK P. JONES .. .. 9
RONALD F. DISERENS .. .. 4	PETER BORDER .. .. 10
NOEL J. DISERENS .. .. 5	MICHAEL P. MORETON .. .. 11
WILFRID F. MORETON .. .. 6	WILFRED WILLIAMS .. .. Tenor

Composed by GABRIEL LINDOFF. Conducted by WILFRED WILLIAMS.  
\* First peal of Cambridge Maximus.

## TWELVE BELL PEAL

## LIVERPOOL, LANCASHIRE.

## THE LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION.

On Sat., Aug. 31, 1957, in 3 Hours and 40 Minutes,

At the Church of Our Lady and St. Nicholas.

## A PEAL OF 5016 PLAIN BOB MAXIMUS

Tenor 41 cwt. 3 qr. 15 lb. in C.

*JOAN CORDWELL .. .. Treble	*NEIL BENNETT .. .. 7
*DEREK TAYLOR .. .. 2	ALAN WARD .. .. 8
*TERENCE T. JONES .. .. 3	NEIL D. LOMAS .. .. 9
*TREVOR TAYLOR .. .. 4	*GEOFF. D. FEARNEHOUGH .. 10
*DEREK F. YATES .. .. 5	DENIS MOTTERHEAD .. .. 11
BRIAN A. TOMLINSON .. .. 6	DEREK OGDEN .. .. Tenor

Composed by JOHN REEVES. Conducted by DEREK OGDEN.  
\* First peal of Maximus. The ringers of 2, 4, 8 and 10 have now rung Plain Bob from Minor to Maximus.

## EIGHT BELL PEALS

## HINTON-ON-THE-GREEN, WORCESTERSHIRE.

## THE WORCESTERSHIRE AND DISTRICTS ASSOCIATION.

On Sat., Aug. 24, 1957, in 2 Hours and 58 Minutes,

At the Church of St. Peter.

## A PEAL OF 5280 SPLICED DOUBLE NORWICH AND DOUBLE OXFORD BOB MAJOR

Consisting of 1,920 Double Norwich and 3,360 Double Oxford, with 35 changes of method. Tenor 10½ cwt.

VIVIAN BARNES .. .. Treble	JOHN THOMAS .. .. 5
JOSEPH D. JOHNSON .. .. 2	RALPH HARRIS .. .. 6
MRS. J. THOMAS .. .. 3	PATRICK HARRIS .. .. 7
THOMAS W. LEWIS .. .. 4	*JOSEPH E. NEWMAN .. Tenor

Composed by J. SEGAR. Conducted by JOSEPH D. JOHNSON.

\* 100th peal. The composition, produced by changes of method and calls at 'Home' only, is believed to be the first rung on this plan. Rung in honour of the marriage of the Rev. J. O. C. Champion. R.N. (son of the Rev. F. C. Champion, Rector of Hinton), to Miss Ann Burstun, which took place at St. Martin's, Worcester, earlier in the day.

## DRAYTON, SOMERSET.

## THE BATH AND WELLS DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.

On Sat., Aug. 24, 1957, in 2 Hours and 55 Minutes,

At the Church of St. Catherine,

## A PEAL OF 5056 PLAIN BOB MAJOR

Tenor 19 cwt.

JOHN T. LOCKE .. .. Treble	HENRY G. KEELEY .. .. 5
ROGER KEELEY .. .. 2	WILLIAM G. GIGG .. .. 6
RAYMOND P. SELWAY .. .. 3	*ALBERT W. DYER .. .. 7
JOSEPH T. BARRETT .. .. 4	WILLIAM E. TURNER .. Tenor

Composed by J. PRITCHARD. Conducted by WILLIAM E. TURNER.  
\* First peal of Major.

## TERRINGTON ST. CLEMENT, NORFOLK.

## THE ELY DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.

On Sat., Aug. 24, 1957, in 3 Hours and 4 Minutes,

At the Church of St. Clement.

## A PEAL OF 5088 KENT TREBLE BOB MAJOR

Tenor 11 cwt. 3 qr. 4 lb.

TOM BUSH .. .. Treble	T. A. BEVIS .. .. 5
*JOHN WILSON .. .. 2	M. R. REED .. .. 6
*GRAHAM J. MANN .. .. 3	WILLIAM ROSE .. .. 7
*MICHAEL GATHERCOLE .. 4	NORMAN V. HARDING .. Tenor

Composed by H. DAINS. Conducted by NORMAN V. HARDING.  
\* First peal of Treble Bob Major.

Rung as a birthday compliment to John Wilson, and on the occasion of his engagement to Miss Rita Gagen.

## DEVIZES, WILTSHIRE.

## THE SALISBURY DIOCESAN GUILD.

On Wed., Aug. 27, 1957, in 3 Hours,

At the Church of St. John.

## A PEAL OF 5040 DOUBLE NORWICH COURT BOB MAJOR

Tenor 19½ cwt. in D.

JOE E. G. ROAST .. .. Treble	*JAMES C. TAYLOR .. .. 5
WALTER E. WILKINSON .. 2	*DONALD E. COBB .. .. 6
DEREK C. JACKSON .. .. 3	ROBERT A. SOUTHWOOD .. 7
*RAYMOND G. SMITH .. .. 4	ROGER O. FRY .. .. Tenor

Conducted by ROGER O. FRY.  
\* First peal in the method.

## ACCRINGTON, LANCASHIRE.

On Fri., Aug. 30, 1957, in 2 Hours and 59 Minutes,

At the Church of St. James.

## A PEAL OF 5056 NEW CAMBRIDGE SURPRISE MAJOR

Tenor 11½ cwt.

ROSEMARY PARKINSON .. Treble	NORMAN SMITH .. .. 5
PATRICIA BOURN .. .. 2	CYRIL CROSSTHWAITE .. 6
VICTOR J. C. WOOD .. .. 3	PHILIP DUNDERDALE .. 7
CHARLES CLEGG .. .. 4	LAURENCE J. WILLIAMS .. Tenor

Composed by WILLIAM THORNLEY. Conducted by CYRIL CROSSTHWAITE.  
First peal in this variation by all the band except the conductor.

## HENLEY, SUFFOLK.

## THE SUFFOLK GUILD.

On Sat., Aug. 31, 1957, in 2 Hours and 38 Minutes.

At the Church of St. Peter.

## A PEAL OF 5056 YORKSHIRE SURPRISE MAJOR

Tenor 8 cwt. 3 lb. in A flat.

PHYLLIS M. MAYNE .. Treble	GEORGE A. FLEMING .. 5
CHARLES J. SEDGLEY .. 2	CECIL W. PIPE .. .. 6
*PATRICIA M. CLARKE .. 3	ERNEST V. BLAKE .. .. 7
GEORGE E. SYMONDS .. 4	JOHN R. MAYNE .. .. Tenor

Composed by CHARLES H. MARTIN. Conducted by JOHN R. MAYNE.  
\* 75th peal. The conductor has now rung peals in 100 different towers.

Rung in honour of the wedding of Alan Page to Muriel Pipe, which took place this day at Stonham Aspal.

## STROUD, GLOUCESTERSHIRE.

## THE GLOUCESTER AND BRISTOL DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.

On Sat., Aug. 31, 1957, in 2 Hours and 54 Minutes.

At the Church of St. Lawrence,

## A PEAL OF 5040 GRANDSIRE TRIPLES

Tenor 20 cwt. 1 qr. 20 lb.

Parker's Twelve-part.	TREBOR PRITCHARD .. 5
*FRANK GARLAND .. Treble	LESLIE ASTON .. .. 6
G. LEONARD HEWITT .. 2	LESLIE BARRY .. .. 7
FRANCES T. WAITE .. .. 3	FREDERICK BLOWEN .. Tenor
THOMAS WITTS .. .. 4	

Conducted by LESLIE BARRY.

\* First peal of Triples. The conductor's 40th peal on the bells. Rung as a farewell peal to Miss D. H. Sheppard.

### HOLLESLEY, SUFFOLK. THE SUFFOLK GUILD.

On Mon., Sept. 2, 1957, in 3 Hours and 2 Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ALL SAINTS.

#### A PEAL OF 5088 YORKSHIRE SURPRISE MAJOR

Tenor 17 cwt. 11 lb. in F.

ERNEST G. PEARCE .. .. Treble	*GILBERT R. GOODSHIP .. 5
PHYLLIS M. MAYNE .. .. 2	JOHN R. MAYNE .. .. 6
PATRICIA M. CLARKE .. .. 3	ERNEST V. BLAKE .. .. 7
CHARLES J. SEDGLEY .. .. 4	CECIL W. PIPE .. .. Tenor

Composed by NATHAN J. PITSTOW.

Conducted by CECIL W. PIPE.

\* First peal in the method.

### PHILLACK, CORNWALL. THE TRURO DIOCESAN GUILD.

On Mon., Sept. 2, 1957, in 3 Hours.

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. FELICITAS, MATRON AND MARTYR.

#### A PEAL OF 5120 CAMBRIDGE SURPRISE MAJOR

Tenor 14 cwt. 1 qr. 5 lb. in F.

*ARTHUR F. BURLEY .. Treble	HAROLD WALKER .. .. 5
RUTH M. JACKSON .. .. 2	*DAVID N. PENROSE .. .. 6
*V. MARY MATTHEWS .. .. 3	PETER BORDER .. .. 7
REV. A. S. ROBERTS .. .. 4	ALAN CARVETH .. .. Tenor

Composed by CHARLES W. SEDGLEY. Conducted by PETER BORDER.

\* First peal of Surprise. The first peal of Surprise on the bells.

### GRUNDISBURGH, SUFFOLK. THE SUFFOLK GUILD.

On Wed., Sept. 4, 1957, in 3 Hours and 3 Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MARY-THE-VIRGIN,

#### A PEAL OF 5184 LONDON SURPRISE MAJOR

Tenor 8 cwt. 23 lb. in G.

*DAVID H. BUXTON .. Treble	HILDA G. SNOWDEN .. 5
*PATRICIA M. CLARKE .. 2	†FRANK B. LUFKIN .. 6
*RODERICK W. PIPE .. 3	CECIL W. PIPE .. .. 7
CHARLES J. SEDGLEY .. 4	JOHN R. MAYNE .. .. Tenor

Composed by JAMES W. WASHBROOK. Conducted by RODERICK W. PIPE.

\* First peal in the method. † 400th peal.

A 21st birthday compliment to the treble ringer.

### MARTOCK, SOMERSET. THE BATH AND WELLS DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.

On Fri., Sept. 6, 1957, in 2 Hours and 46 Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ALL SAINTS,

#### A PEAL OF 5040 GRANDSIRE TRIPLES

Parker's Twelve-part.	Tenor 25 cwt.
FREDERICK A. STRICKLAND Treble	WALTER H. POOLE .. .. 5
HERBERT W. PEARCE .. .. 2	ALBERT W. DYER .. .. 6
ROGER J. FOX .. .. 3	WILLIAM E. TURNER .. 7
RAYMOND P. SELWAY .. .. 4	WILLIAM G. TURK .. .. Tenor

Conducted by RAYMOND P. SELWAY.

Rung as a welcome to the Rev. J. M. Cartwright, M.A., recently inducted Rector of Martock.

### TOWEDNACK, CORNWALL. THE TRURO DIOCESAN GUILD.

On Fri., Sept. 6, 1957, in 2 Hours and 34 Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. TEWINNOCK THE CONFESSOR.

#### A PEAL OF 5056 PLAIN BOB MAJOR

Tenor 7 cwt. 3 qr. 3 lb. in A.

RUTH M. JACKSON .. .. Treble	ALAN CARVETH .. .. 5
*P. RUTH HOSKEN .. .. 2	REV. A. S. ROBERTS .. 6
MARGERY A. BIRCH .. .. 3	DAVID N. PENROSE .. 7
V. MARY MATTHEWS .. .. 4	PETER BORDER .. .. Tenor

Composed by J. R. PRITCHARD. Conducted by PETER BORDER.

\* First peal of Bob Major 'inside.'

### CHIPPING CAMPDEN, GLOUCESTERSHIRE. THE WORCESTERSHIRE AND DISTRICTS ASSOCIATION.

On Sat., Sept. 7, 1957, in 3 Hours and 11 Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. JAMES-THE-GREAT,

#### A PEAL OF 5056 CAMBRIDGE SURPRISE MAJOR

Johnson's variation of Middleton's.	Tenor 24 cwt.
REGINALD WOODYATT .. Treble	GEORGE E. EVENDEN .. 5
DONALD H. NIBLETT .. .. 2	GERALD C. HEMMING .. 6
CYRIL A. WRATTEN .. .. 3	DAVID BEACHAM .. .. 7
GEOFFREY J. HEMMING .. 4	THOMAS W. LEWIS .. .. Tenor

Conducted by GEOFFREY J. HEMMING.

The first peal on the bells.

### DEBENHAM, SUFFOLK. THE SUFFOLK GUILD.

On Sat., Sept. 7, 1957, in 3 Hours and 30 Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MARY MAGDALENE,

#### A PEAL OF 5088 SPLICED SURPRISE MAJOR

In four methods, being 2,688 London, 1,056 Bristol and 672 each of Cambridge and Superlative, with 129 changes of method.

Tenor 21 cwt. 1 qr. 20 lb. in E flat.

PHYLLIS M. MAYNE .. Treble	GEORGE A. FLEMING .. 5
*RODERICK W. PIPE .. 2	JOHN R. MAYNE .. .. 6
PATRICIA M. CLARKE .. 3	CECIL W. PIPE .. .. 7
*TERRY EARLE .. .. 4	HILDA G. SNOWDEN .. Tenor

Composed by CHARLES W. ROBERTS. Conducted by JOHN R. MAYNE.

\* First peal of 'Spliced.'

### HUGHENDEN, BUCKINGHAMSHIRE. THE OXFORD DIOCESAN GUILD.

On Sat., Sept. 7, 1957, in 3 Hours and 2 Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MICHAEL AND ALL ANGELS,

#### A PEAL OF 5040 GRANDSIRE TRIPLES

J. J. Parker's One-part.	Tenor 14 cwt. 3 qr. 19 lb.
WILLIAM H. EASTWELL Treble	GLADYS E. BARKER .. 5
SYLVIA WILKINSON .. .. 2	SYDNEY M. BAILEY .. 6
DOROTHY R. FLETCHER .. 3	WILLIAM BIRMINGHAM .. 7
KATHLEEN E. FLETCHER .. 4	CHRISTOPHER WILKINSON Tenor

Conducted by WILLIAM BIRMINGHAM.

The conductor's first peal of Grandsire Triples as conductor.

Believed to be the first peal by a band of school teachers, all of whom are members of the East Berks and South Bucks Branch of the Guild.

### KIRBY-LE-SOKEN, ESSEX. THE ESSEX ASSOCIATION.

On Sat., Sept. 7, 1957, in 2 Hours and 54 Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MICHAEL,

#### A PEAL OF 5024 DOUBLE NORWICH COURT BOB MAJOR

Tenor 9 cwt. 3 qr. 1 lb. in A flat.

MARIAN H. MILLS .. Treble	*ROY K. DUESBURY .. 5
ALAN R. ANDREWS .. .. 2	*GEORGE N. ORMAN .. 6
MICHAEL A. MILLS .. .. 3	†PERCY W. MILLS .. 7
EDWARD B. SMITH .. .. 4	‡URBAN W. WILDNEY .. Tenor

Composed by A. P. HEYWOOD. Conducted by URBAN W. WILDNEY.

\* 50th peal together. † First peal in method. ‡ 50th peal in this tower.

### LONDON. THE ANCIENT SOCIETY OF COLLEGE YOUTHS.

On Sat., Sept. 7, 1957, in 3 Hours,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. LAWRENCE JEWRY, NEXT GUILDHALL,

#### A PEAL OF 5040 STEDMAN TRIPLES

Thurstans' Four-part.	Tenor 24½ cwt. in E flat.
WILLIAM S. LANGDON .. Treble	J. FRANK SMALLWOOD .. 5
HERBERT LANGDON .. .. 2	JOHN S. MASON .. .. 6
ALFRED B. PECK .. .. 3	JOHN PHILLIPS .. .. 7
GEORGE W. CECIL .. .. 4	JOHN E. CHILCOTT .. Tenor

Conducted by HERBERT LANGDON.

First peal on the bells.

A birthday peal for H. Langdon, W. S. Langdon and J. F. Smallwood.

### SYSTON, LEICESTERSHIRE.

#### THE LEICESTER DIOCESAN GUILD.

On Sat., Sept. 7, 1957, in 2 Hours and 43 Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF SS. PETER AND PAUL.

#### A PEAL OF 5040 GRANDSIRE TRIPLES

Thurstans' Five-part.	Tenor 15 cwt. 26 lb.
ROGER A. BREWIN .. Treble	*DEREK M. SAWYER .. 5
MARY C. PAYNE .. .. 2	ERNEST MORRIS .. .. 6
F. KEVIN THOMPSON .. 3	B. STEDMAN PAYNE .. 7
ROYSTON WILMORE .. .. 4	ERNEST F. PAYNE .. Tenor

Conducted by ERNEST MORRIS.

\* First peal on eight bells.

### WHITWORTH, LANCASHIRE.

#### THE LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION.

On Sat., Sept. 7, 1957, in 2 Hours and 58 Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. BARTHOLOMEW.

#### A PEAL OF 5088 KENT TREBLE BOB MAJOR

Tenor 15 cwt. 3 qr. 1 lb.

ARTHUR TOMLINSON .. Treble	JAMES F. BURLS .. .. 5
GEORGE BRAITHWAITE .. 2	PHILIP H. HUDSON .. 6
HAROLD HAMER .. .. 3	ALAN CAPSTICK .. .. 7
L. CLEMENTS .. .. 4	NICHOLAS NEWBY .. Tenor

Composed by T. DAY.

Conducted by ARTHUR TOMLINSON.

WITNEY, OXFORDSHIRE.  
THE OXFORD DIOCESAN GUILD.

On Sat., Sept. 7, 1957, in 3 Hours.

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MARY.

**A PEAL OF 5024 CAMBRIDGE SURPRISE MAJOR**

Tenor 17 cwt. (approx.).

CYRIL H. KINCH .. .. Treble	FRANK A. BARRETT .. .. 5
*CHRISTINE M. WOODWARD .. 2	GEORGE F. BURTON .. .. 6
DENNIS C. BOWEN .. .. 3	J. HOWARD FREEBORN .. .. 7
ERNEST TRAFUGUS .. .. 4	ALAN R. PINK .. .. Tenor

Composed by J. W. PARKER.

Conducted by ALAN R. PINK.

\* First peal of Surprise.

Rung on the eve of the Feast of the Nativity. Also rung as a compliment to Daphne R. Castell and Malcolm S. Cloke, on the occasion of their marriage this day at St. Michael's Church, Stanton Harcourt.

**FIVE AND SIX BELL PEALS**

WILLINGHAM, CAMBRIDGESHIRE.

THE ELY DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.

On Sat., Aug. 24, 1957, in 2 Hours and 39 Minutes.

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MARY AND ALL SAINTS.

**A PEAL OF 5040 SURPRISE MINOR**

Being two extents of Ipswich, three extents of Norwich and two extents of Cambridge.

HENRY C. FOSTER .. .. Treble	DONALD E. R. KNIGHTS .. 4
*DONALD F. MURFET .. .. 2	WILLIAM SEEKINGS .. .. 5
HAROLD S. PEACOCK .. .. 3	MANSFIELD GINN .. .. Tenor

Conducted by MANSFIELD GINN.

\* First peal of Surprise.

A wedding compliment to Geoffrey A. Lucas (Ely District Ringing Master) and Margaret R. Jeeps, whose marriage took place at this church earlier in the day.

RUGELEY, STAFFORDSHIRE.

THE SOCIETY FOR THE ARCHDEACONRY OF STAFFORD.

On Tues., Aug. 28, 1957, in 2 Hours and 32 Minutes.

**A PEAL OF 5040 DOUBLES**

Comprising three 120's each of Union, Plain Bob, April Day and Reverse St. Bartholomew, and ten 120's and ten 240's (Morris') of Grandsire, each called differently.

ERIC EDGINTON .. .. Treble	STELLA HUGHES .. .. 3
ANNE M. WARD .. .. 2	ROGER L. NUTT .. .. 4

JOHN R. JOYNER .. .. Tenor

Conducted by JOHN R. JOYNER.

Rung on the back five after meeting short for Minor. A birthday compliment to the mother of the conductor.

ALLENMORE, HEREFORDSHIRE.

THE HEREFORD DIOCESAN GUILD.

On Mon., Sept. 2, 1957, in 2 Hours and 57 Minutes.

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. ANDREW.

**A PEAL OF 5040 GRANDSIRE DOUBLES**

Being 42 six-scores (ten callings). Tenor 11 cwt.

HENRY JOHNSON .. .. Treble	JOHN E. LLOYD .. .. 4
DERRICK J. CLARKE .. .. 2	LESLIE D. YOUNG .. .. 5
TRACEY H. YOUNG .. .. 3	ARTHUR W. PREECE .. .. Tenor

Conducted by TRACEY H. YOUNG.

Rung half-muffled in memoriam Mrs. E. R. P. Pateshall, widow of the late Col. H. E. P. Pateshall, C.B., D.S.O.

WALSOKEN, CAMBRIDGESHIRE.

THE ELY DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.

On Wed., Sept. 4, 1957, in 2 Hours and 46 Minutes.

AT THE CHURCH OF ALL SAINTS.

**A PEAL OF 5040 PLAIN BOB MINOR**

Being seven different extents. Tenor 13 cwt. 2 qr. 7 lb.

S. J. HAW .. .. Treble	MICHAEL GATHERCOLE .. 4
*FREDA P. GREAVES .. .. 2	M. ROLAND REED .. .. 5
GRAHAM J. MANN .. .. 3	NORMAN V. HARDING .. .. Tenor

Conducted by NORMAN V. HARDING.

\* First peal 'inside.'

Rung as a compliment to the Rev. T. Walters, M.B.E., on his appointment as Rural Dean of the Marshland.

WITCOMBE, GLOUCESTERSHIRE.

THE GLOUCESTER AND BRISTOL DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.

On Wed., Sept. 4, 1957, in 2 Hours and 28 Minutes.

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MARY.

**A PEAL OF 5040 GRANDSIRE DOUBLES**

Being 20'120's and 11 240's. Tenor 6½ cwt.

FREDERICK BLOWEN .. Treble	†WENDY BIRD .. .. 4
*CAROL EUSTACE .. .. 2	G. LEONARD HEWITT .. .. 5
LESLIE BARRY .. .. 3	LESLIE ASTON .. .. Tenor

Conducted by LESLIE BARRY.

\* First peal of Grandsire Doubles, and has now rung Doubles to Cinques. † First peal.

HORBLING, LINCOLNSHIRE.

THE LINCOLN DIOCESAN GUILD.

On Thurs., Sept. 5, 1957, in 2 Hours and 28 Minutes.

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. ANDREW.

**A PEAL OF 5040 MINOR**

Being one extent of Single Oxford, two of Single Court and four of Bob Minor. Tenor 9 cwt.

D. HENRY METTAM .. Treble	RONALD RUSSELL .. .. 4
BERNARD H. DALTON .. 2	WALTER WESTON .. .. 5
PERCY D. BALDOCK .. 3	JAMES H. MUSSON .. .. Tenor

Conducted by JAMES H. MUSSON.

HONINGTON, LINCOLNSHIRE.

THE LINCOLN DIOCESAN GUILD.

On Sat., Sept. 7, 1957, in 2 Hours and 29 Minutes.

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. WILFRED.

**A PEAL OF 5040 DOUBLES**

Being 14 extents each of Plain Bob, April Day and Grandsire.

Tenor 8 cwt.

*WILLIAM R. MARSH .. Treble	PERCY D. BALDOCK .. 3
WALTER WESTON .. .. 2	RONALD RUSSELL .. .. 4
JAMES H. MUSSON .. .. Tenor	

Conducted by JAMES H. MUSSON.

\* First peal of Doubles.

PURTON, WILTSHIRE.

THE GLOUCESTER AND BRISTOL DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.

On Sat., Sept. 7, 1957, in 3 Hours and 14 Minutes.

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MARY.

**A PEAL OF 5040 CAMBRIDGE SURPRISE MINOR**

Tenor 20 cwt. 14 lb. in C sharp.

ALAN F. LEE .. .. Treble	ERIC SUFTON .. .. 4
ANTHONY R. PEAKE .. .. 2	VICTOR GRIFFIN .. .. 5
RAYMOND C. WESTNEY .. 3	ROGER O. FRY .. .. Tenor

Arranged by REV. E. BANKES JAMES. Conducted by VICTOR GRIFFIN.

First peal of Surprise as conductor and on the bells

Rung for the Patronal Festival.

REDBOURN, HERTFORDSHIRE.

THE HERTFORD COUNTY ASSOCIATION.

On Sat., Sept. 7, 1957, in 2 Hours and 56 Minutes.

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MARY.

**A PEAL OF 5040 MINOR**

In seven methods, being one extent each of Netherseale, Ipswich, Norwich and Cambridge Surprise, St. Clement's, Oxford Bob and Plain Bob. Tenor 15 cwt. 3 qr. 18 lb.

*D. JOSEPH GOODMAN .. Treble	WALTER AYRE .. .. 4
JOYCE GOOD .. .. 2	KEITH B. GOOD .. .. 5
AUGUSTIN V. GOOD .. 3	WM. J. PUDDIFOOT .. .. Tenor

Conducted by WALTER AYRE.

\* First peal in seven methods. The conductor's 725th peal.

A birthday compliment to Joyce Good, and also a birthday and wedding anniversary compliment to Joe Goodman (Mrs. Goodman included in the latter, of course): a welcome to Timothy Peter, grandson of the conductor.

RUMBURGH, SUFFOLK.

THE SUFFOLK GUILD.

On Sat., Sept. 7, 1957, in 2 Hours and 38 Minutes.

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MICHAEL, ALL SAINTS AND ST. FELIX.

**A PEAL OF 5040 DOUBLES**

Being four extents each of Stedman, Winchendon Place, St. Nicholas and Reverse Canterbury, six each of St. Martin's, St. Simon's and Plain Bob, and eight of Grandsire. Tenor 10 cwt.

C. JACK GIBSON .. Treble	†REGINALD J. DARCH .. 3
*PETER S. BEDFORD .. 2	EDWIN T. CHAPMAN .. 4

JOHN W. BLYTHE .. .. Tenor

Conducted by JOHN W. BLYTHE.

\* First peal of Doubles. † First peal of Doubles in eight methods.

CAVENDISH, SUFFOLK.

THE SUFFOLK GUILD.

On Sun., Sept. 8, 1957, in 2 Hours and 42 Minutes.

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MARY-THE-VIRGIN.

**A PEAL OF 5040 MINOR**

Being seven 720's: (1) London Surprise, (2) Wells Surprise, (3) Cambridge Surprise, (4) St. Clement's and Double Oxford Bob, (5) Plain Bob, (6) Oxford T.B., (7) Kent T.B. Tenor 11 cwt. 21 lb.

PETER MAYLE .. Treble	ALAN R. SYDER .. .. 4
ROSEMARY J. SEABROOK .. 2	FRANK B. LUFKIN .. .. 5
SAMUEL J. TWITCHETT .. 3	TERRY EARLE .. .. Tenor

Composed by FRANK B. LUFKIN.

**ASHTON-UNDER-LYNE, LANCs.**—On Sept. 5th, 1,260 Grandsire Doubles: Helen Wright (first quarter) 1, Joan Carter (cond.) 2, William Harrison 3, Arthur D. J. Goodwin 4, David Thompson 5, Frederick Shallcross 6.

**BEDFORD.**—At St. Paul's Church, on Sept. 1st, 1,264 Plain Bob Major: Helen Nevin 1, Avril Thackray 2, Jennifer M. Davies 3, Anne E. Amor 4, S. Foskett 5, P. J. Shipton 6, R. L. Piron 7, B. Pattison (cond.) 8. For Evensong.

**BRAMSHOTT, HANTS.**—On Sept. 10th, 1,260 Grandsire Doubles: S. Salter (14, first quarter) 1, J. Salter (first as conductor) 2, Angela Martin 3, J. McDermott 4, J. Clark 5, J. Queen 6.

**BURY ST. EDMUNDS, SUFFOLK.**—At the Norman Tower, on Sept. 5th, 1,278 Grandsire Caters: A. E. Moore 1, A. W. Rolfe 2, C. Stannard 3, G. Jennings 4, L. Sharpe (first quarter) 5, W. Goodshin 6, W. Stannard (cond.) 7, F. Buckle 8, P. Everett 9, H. Doel 10. Birthday congratulations to Mr. A. E. Moore (75) and Mr. F. Buckle (66).

**CHISLEDON, WILTS.**—On Sept. 8th, 1,260 Grandsire Doubles: W. Farmer 1, S. C. Archer 2, R. J. Johnston (cond.) 3, T. Pocock 4, R. Court 5, A. Bryant 6. For the treble ringer's 52nd wedding anniversary. First on the bells since rehanging.

**CRANFORD, MIDDx.**—On Sept. 8, 1,260 Grandsire Doubles: Miss J. Maynard 1, Miss J. Richardson 2, P. Wooddayer 3, Miss B. Marchant 4, D. Fowles (cond.) 5, Miss S. Parker 6. For Evensong. Also as a farewell to Miss J. Maynard, who is leaving for Dartmouth, Devon.

**EAST CROMPTON, LANCs.**—On Sept. 7th, 1,260 Grandsire Doubles: T. B. Hartley 1, W. T. Light (first 'inside') 2, R. Maher (first Grandsire Doubles) 3, D. Sanderson 4, J. T. Walmsley (first as conductor) 5, T. Ogden (first in method) 6. A farewell to the Rev. E. E. C. Smith, who is leaving this church to take the living of All Saints', Ripley, Derbyshire.

**EASTON IN GORDANO, SOMERSET.**—On Sept. 4th, 1,260 Grandsire Doubles: J. Stitfall 1, S. Delve 2, Mrs. Simmonds 3, H. Carlsson 4, N. Coombs (cond.) 5, E. Light 6. Rung on the occasion of Mr. S. Delve's 70th birthday.

## QUARTER PEALS

**HANDSWORTH, BIRMINGHAM.**—On August 25th, 1,260 Plain Bob Doubles: J. L. Martin (first away from tenor) 1, A. R. Crump (first 'inside') 2, M. Hall 3, I. D. Thompson 4, A. N. Stubbs 5, P. M. Fleming 6. A first wedding anniversary compliment to Mr. and Mrs. Michael Hall.

**HORNCHURCH, ESSEX.**—On Sept. 8th, 1,260 Grandsire Triples: Miss M. Rankin 1, M. Bland 2, F. G. Richardson 3, R. Brown 4, A. J. Salisbury 5, D. Salisbury 6, F. V. Gant (cond.) 7, A. Ammerlann 8.

**HUNTINGDON.**—At St. Mary's Church, on Sept. 8th, 1,280 Cambridge Surprise Major: W. Ransome 1, D. E. R. Knights 2, E. J. Parish 3, G. E. Crisp 4, H. S. Peacock 5, G. A. Lucas 6, S. Gilbert 7, M. Ginn (cond.) 8. For morning service.

**KINGWESTON, SOMERSET.**—On Sept. 8th, 1,260 Bob Doubles and Grandsire Doubles: J. Sinfield 1, A. Callow 2, June Gladman 3, F. J. White (cond.) 4, A. Bown 5.

**LAUNTON, OXON.**—On Sept. 5th, 1,260 Grandsire Doubles: J. W. Ancil 1, D. Penn 2, J. Marriott 3, P. J. Steeples 4, F. Sharpe (cond.) 5, D. Jones 6. Rung half-muffled in memoriam Winifred E. Gregory.

**LICHFIELD, STAFFS.**—At the Cathedral, on Sept. 5th, 1,263 Stedman Caters: Diana J. Perrins 1, Ann R. Barr 2, C. M. Smith 3, W. J. V. Conduct 4, Joan Bedesford 5, J. E. Cawser 6, G. R. Hughes 7, J. B. Webb 8, D. Beresford (first of Stedman Caters as conductor) 9, P. Beresford 10. Rung with the bells half-muffled in memoriam Canon J. E. W. Wallis, Chancellor of the Cathedral, who was interred this day.

**OLD MARSTON, OXFORD.**—On Sept. 7th, 1,260 Grandsire Doubles: Peter B. May 1, Brian C. Machon 2, Alec Gammon 3, Michael Hallett 4, Roy H. Jones (cond.) 5. Rung for the wedding of Mr. Kenneth Jones to Miss Mavis Jones, the conductor's sister, which took place earlier in the day.

**PLYMOUTH, DEVON.**—At Emmanuel Church, on Sept. 5th, 1,260 Grandsire Triples: Elizabeth Lyndon (Emmanuel, first quarter) 1, Mrs. A. Diserens 2, A. Diserens 3, G. Godard (Emmanuel) 4, H. H. Thomas (Emmanuel) 5, T. G. Myers (St. Andrew's) 6, F. E. Day (Emmanuel, cond.) 7, H. O. Thomas (Emmanuel) 8. A 36th wedding anniversary compliment to Mr. and Mrs. R. E. Godard, parents-in-law of the conductor.

**ROCKWELL GREEN, SOMERSET.**—On Sept. 6th, 1,260 Grandsire Doubles: J. Kinescote (first quarter) 1, J. B. Morley (first of Doubles and method, cond.) 2, P. J. Bird 3, A. Cooke 4, W. Stevens 5, W. F. Slocombe 6.

**SHOREDITCH, E.**—At St. Leonard's Church, on Aug. 18th, 1,263 Stedman Caters: Miss M. Prockson 1, Mrs. R. F. Deal 2, A. R. Ling 3, W. Prockson 4, F. E. Hawthorne 5, B. F. Baker 6, C. A. Hughes 7, T. Earle 8, T. H. Francis (cond.) 9, J. R. Leeming 10. For Evensong.

**SIDMOUTH, DEVON.**—On Sept. 9th, 1,260 Grandsire Triples: Joan Pollard (first quarter) 1, A. Mingo 2, B. Coles 3, H. Dyer 4, P. Davis (cond.) 5, E. Summers 6, K. Clarke 7, R. West (first quarter) 8. A farewell to Joan on leaving for college at Eastbourne.

**WARMINSTER, WILTS.**—On Sept. 8th, 1,260 Grandsire Doubles: B. Jones (first quarter) 1, L. Hawkins 2, A. Bull (first quarter) 3, N. Knee (cond.) 4, T. Mallard 5, P. Roynon 6. Rung as a compliment to the conductor and his wife on the birth of a son.

**WICKHAMBREAUX, KENT.**—On Sept. 7th, 1,260 Plain Bob Minor: Mrs. D. A. Chapman 1, S. White 2, D. A. Chapman (cond.) 3, D. Chatfield 4, S. Walter 5, B. J. Luck 6.

**WIMBLEDON, SURREY.**—On Sept. 3rd, 1,260 Grandsire Triples: H. Cox 1, A. Bishop 2, Anne Garnett 3, Susan Jacobs 4, P. Devenish 5, M. Sinden (cond.) 6, F. Corfield 7, E. Jacobs 8. Rung half-muffled as a tribute to the organist of this church, Mr. L. C. Morris, whose funeral was held earlier this day.

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After a lapse of over a year the name of Mr. H. Langdon reappears in the peal columns. Twelve months ago Mr. Langdon, whilst hurrying to Westminster Abbey to ring for the Battle of Britain service, slipped and fell heavily on his shoulder. The accident prevented him from taking part in active ringing for several months. An 80th birthday peal had been arranged last October for his brother, but this had to be postponed, and so the peal at St. Lawrence Jewry had to serve as a belated but none-the-less sincere birthday peal for William S. Langdon. Although in his 81st year, he rang his bell faultlessly.

Mr. Joseph E. Newman, of Hinton-on-the-Green, has just completed his first century of peals. Fifty of these have been rung at his home tower.

Mr. J. Lewis Cockey is leaving Winnipeg for Scotland. The state of his wife's health will not permit her to stand another winter in Canada. His new address is 6, Argyll Avenue, Stirling.

Mr. W. O. Haythorne, of Winchester, writes inquiring whether anyone has written a book on elementary change ringing, in Braille, which would assist a young and enthusiastic blind learner to study simple methods.

The Big Giant and Big Giantess-to-be have been visiting the land of the Piskies. After a successful peal attempt on the wild moorlands of West Penwith, the magical influences must have been at work, for the Senior Pisky's chariot (normally a most reliable vehicle) broke down in an isolated spot at the dead of night. However, the Little Elf managed to produce some adhesive plaster by which running repairs were effected, and the chief city of the land was reached in due course.

## BELFRY GOSSIP

The nautical instincts of a member of the St. Peter's, Bexhill, band saved the company from incarceration at Benenden tower during an outing on September 7th. When the party came to leave they discovered the tower door locked, but the key was in the lock. With the aid of a spare bell rope he lowered himself through a window to the floor of the church and then calmly turned the key, thus liberating the party. Fearful visions of 'Nine Tailors' vanished in an instant.

At the age of 27 years and 5 months, Mr. Brian G. Warwick, hon. secretary of the Leicester Diocesan Guild, has completed 500 peals. He believes he is the youngest person to achieve this distinction. Mr. E. A. Barnett was six months older when he rang his 500th peal.

We regret to hear of the death at the age of 80 of Mr. Alfred Pratt, of Clifton, Beds, who was taken ill while on holiday at High Wycombe. His funeral was at High Wycombe on Sept. 10th. Of a jovial and friendly nature, he will be greatly missed at Clifton, where he was a regular Sunday ringer for many years.

The first peal has been rung at Chipping Campden, Glos. Mr. Geoffrey J. Hemming, who called the peal, was in an attempt on these old bells in 1934. He has written to Mr. Patrick A. Cannon, who is taking a band there in October, informing him that a good peal was rung (and it was a good peal). Hard lines, Pat!

The band who rang the quarter peal at Beaconsfield on Sunday evening, September 1st, would like to apologise to the visiting ringer who came into the belfry while it was in progress. They did not stop to give him a pull as the quarter had been specially arranged to enable a young member of the band to score her 'first in the method inside.'

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# THOSE I REMEMBER

By ERNEST MORRIS

(Continued from page 564)

**WITHIN** two years of my joining the Midland Counties Association I was elected local secretary and, soon after, general hon. secretary, a position I held till the dissolution in 1945 into Diocesan Guilds. I followed Alfred Coningsby Wright, of Darley Dale—a good ringer and an excellent secretary. Later on, Alf C. W. composed a long length of Bristol Surprise, in which the 2nd never went above 4ths place. With the collaboration of F. H. Dexter, he extended it into a peal of 5,024 with the 2nd only 737 changes above 4ths. When we attempted the peal, with Harold J. Poole conducting, after the first course Alf set his bell and said: 'This is not my composition.' Dexter, in his colourful language, said: 'It blank well is—I have upended it' (or words to that effect). 'We can't have the 2nd sailing out behind at the last course.' We rang an excellent peal after that! Alf Wright rang exactly 100 peals, then, for some reason unaccounted for, left the art and is completely lost sight of.

## FIRST PEAL ATTEMPT

As a youngster I wanted to call a peal and looked up Holt's 10-part. With a band of about my own age I tried this at Anstey. We got well beyond the halfway single, but in the reversed order of calling I got astray, so the peal was lost. However, the next week, at Melton Mowbray (that glorious Cathedral-like church), I tried again, and under the watchful eye of that fine old veteran, R. Henry Bartram, scored a very good peal.

The Bartram family is a well-known and respected one in the district, and at Buckminster I have seen memorials to them. In my genealogical researches I have found them in the 16th century. Old Harry would go anywhere for a peal, on any number up to 10 (there were no 12-bell towers here then), and for many years he led the Melton band with great zeal and success. His son, Ernest, is a grand ringer, too, but illness and other matters have kept him away for some time. I was delighted to meet him recently, when he came specially to Asfordby to greet me on my 1,700th peal.

## A MILLIONAIRE PEAL RINGER

As general hon. secretary of the Midland Counties Association, I met many well-known ringers over a wide area. I recall one occasion of a meeting at Burton-on-Trent when the late Albert Ward, of Derby, said to me: 'Mr. W. W. Worthington particularly wants to meet you.' After my secretarial work was over, he (W. W. W.) was introduced to me in St. Modwen's belfry. He—looking down on me—(he was well over six feet tall) said: 'I meant the Ernest Morris who rings these bad-going tenors in outlandish places.' On my pleading guilty, he remarked: 'You have given me an awful shock. You are nothing like I imagined you. I expected a man about 60, broad of shoulder, with arms like the village blacksmith! Never mind, pick a good band and call me a touch of Stedman.'

Mr. Worthington rang 50 peals, but in later life was too busy making money (he was a millionaire) to ring peals, but he always had one day every year when he gathered together all his old Burton-on-Trent friends and had a tour of the surrounding district, ringing at churches he had either rung peals or given bells, and finishing up with a grand dinner at his lovely home—Maple Hayes, Lichfield. He died in November, 1949, and I attended his funeral service, afterwards conducting a muffled peal to his memory at Netherseal. He was president of the Midland Counties Guild and donor of over 20 bells to different churches.

I had the great pleasure of attending one of the above-mentioned ringing re-unions (thanks to Mr. John Oldham, of Loughborough Bell Foundry, taking me) and met a distinguished company. Among them were the Swinfields (father and son) and at the dinner Maurice Swinfield 'rang' a grand touch of Stedman Triples on the piano, called by that wonderful 'young-old' man, James George.

## THE WEDNESDAY BAND

At that time the Derby and Burton ringers had a Wednesday band and rang a series of peals over a wide area, nearly always Stedman Triples, and Maurice Swinfield specialised in calling a different composition every time—he called over 100. I had the happiness to join in occasionally and called one or two with them, James George always on 7th if Triples, and the tenor if Major!!

## Looking Back 50 Years

In his recollections of the Central Council in the last 50 years contributed to 'The Belfry,' Mr. E. H. Lewis writes:

*'In the early days there were long discussions on theoretical aspects of ringing. One I very well remember. The Rev. H. Law James propounded the theory that Stedman really meant his method to be called what we call Erin, and that the quick sixes were hobs. He had modelled his 120 of Doubles on the old six-score of Grandsire, with every other six bobbed—just as every other lead in Roan's six-score of Grandsire Doubles is bobbed. The discussion was long and to most members very boring. Finally, Sam Wood, of Ashton-under-Lyne, proposed an amendment that 'Stedman be left as it was in father's time.' Sir Arthur Heywood, who was obviously anxious to close the subject, accepted the amendment and put it to the meeting, who passed it at once with a large majority and feeling of relief . . .*

*'The best strikers among the clergy whom I remember were those who learnt to ring before they were ordained. One can imagine the reason.'*

This 'Wednesday' band had among its regulars Charles Draper, of Derby, with his rosy cheeks, shaggy beard, flat hat, umbrella and all! He was a most lovable character and rang over 400 peals. He was for many years connected with St. Andrew's and St. Alkmund's Churches in Derby, but finished his career at Duffield, where he passed away in March, 1938, aged 73.

Another 'good lad' of this company was James Pagett, whose antics both within and without the belfry often dismayed the company. He was one of the few men who could ring two tower bells with ease and precision and, although he rang several quarters, never rang a full 5,000 this way. He once sent me what he called a new 'method' of producing a six-score of Doubles, which for a long time puzzled me, but like, all his 'leg-pulls,' turned out to be a disguised extent of Grandsire.

Joseph Bailey, of Long Eaton, was another of this company, and he could be found (when on duty) on the platform of Trent Station. James S. Hutchley was often roped in. He was of Loughborough and a good ringer of standard methods. He took part in the 13,400 Bob Major which I called there. He rang 220 peals, and passed away in March, 1937, aged 75.

## TENOR SPECIALISTS

Often in these Stedman Triples peals the tenor was rung by John Curtis, of Ashby-de-la-Zouch—he could ring 'inside' if needed—and this recalls the fact that his father and he respectively rang the tenor at Staunton Harold private church to the last two peals rung on them (50 years apart), the last of which I had the honour to conduct.

One who we still have with us, but whose name we miss greatly, is Richard C. Belton, of Barwell. He took part in scores of these unusual compositions of Stedman—'What do you do now on Wednesdays, Dick?' Occasionally they got that enthusiastic Joseph W. Cotton to take part, and he (Joe) can tell the tale better than I about some of the peals with this delightful cosmopolitan band. They are all sadly missed.

## ARTHUR CRAVEN

Although I never rang a peal with him, I met Arthur Craven many times at meetings in and around the Chesterfield area. He was an outstanding member of the Exercise—not so much as a peal ringer, but as a composer of great ability in both method construction and ordinary compositions. He died in 1930 at Sheffield. He and Arthur Knights were prolific in producing compositions, the latter keeping Chesterfield bells going week after week to different peals of Grandsire and Stedman Caters, Plain and Treble Bob Royal.

I recall on one occasion the late Joseph E. Sykes—'Uncle Joe' to everyone—had arranged to call one of Arthur Knights' special peals of Bob Royal. He invited me to be in it and, at a late moment asked me to call it, stressing the fact that it must be that particular composition (a multi-bob and single peal). When we were ready to start, Joe Sykes told Arthur Knights I was calling it, and he (A. K.) was so concerned that it must be this composition, made a mistake in the first course, so we started again and rang a most excellent peal. Mr. Knights rang well over 600 peals and had over 1,200 of his compositions rung. He died in 1939, aged 79 years.

## SIX FOOT AND WHISKERS

'Uncle' Joe Sykes, mentioned above, was also called 'Six Foot and Whiskers,' owing to his long, scraggy figure and his little ginger 'nanny-goat' beard. He was a notable character who could—and did—talk and argue on any mortal subject. He was a good linguist and on this account was sent abroad to many different countries by his firm (gas plant installation). I first got in touch with him when he was in Belgium and he asked for 'pen friends' to write him. From that time onwards I had cards from him from all over the world as far removed as Canada and Manchuria, South Africa and the Continent. When here in England he invariably hunted out the ringers and arranged peals, his favourite method being 'Yorkshire Glory' (Kent Treble Bob) and he had an ambition to call every possible number between 5,000 and 6,000, and all must be by Arthur Knights. I rang in several of these. For his first peal of Doubles he travelled over 80 miles to get me to call it at Escrick, near York, while I was in the Army, in 1918. I have in my possession the very last message he wrote before his death, in Copenhagen in 1929.

(To be continued.)

Next week's issue of  
'The Ringing World'  
will be a special Irish Number  
with photographs of towers of  
Southern Ireland  
and a  
Descriptive and Entertaining Account  
of the recent tour

## ON HOLIDAY IN SCOTLAND

**DOVE** tells us of only 14 rings in Scotland and five of these are in two cities. It was not primarily a ringing tour, but bells could not be passed by.

The detached tower of All Saints', Inveraray, which owes its existence to the late Duke of Argyll, is visible for some distance although the church is hidden. The ten bells, cast by Taylors in 1920, are beautifully decorated with designs of vine and oak and a few changes on the Ellacombe chimes soon proved the beauty of tone.

The original intention was to join the tower to the church, presumably also enlarging the church, but of this there now seems little hope as the episcopalian congregation is very small and cannot support a full-time priest, and the tower itself is in need of repair. Instead of louvres the large windows of the bell chamber are filled with stone tracery so are much more open to the weather, and the floor below the bells has suffered in consequence; several of the rope bosses have fallen out of the rotten wood. Below, for one floor only, the walls are about five feet thick, and here in the narrow window apertures we found stalactite-like formations, some with corresponding stalagmites.

Inquiring for ringers, we were told that the last ringer died 'a year or two ago' but that the bells are chimed regularly. We were directed to Mr. Robert Morrison, who very kindly gave us permission to ring and chime as we liked to greet the pleasure steamer which was almost due to dock. There were no ropes; a peal band some time ago had brought their own, but a few spare chiming ropes solved the problem. With yards of stretch and a knot where the salley should have been, it was possible to raise three bells, including the tenor, which went up right side without checking.

### FIVE AT OBAN

In search of something for Sunday morning we were directed to the newly-built R.C. Cathedral at Oban. Dove does not mention these five bells, which came from Italy some five years ago. They were presented by the late Marquis of Bute, but it was only 18 months to two years ago that funds were available to hang them. They are hung dead in a frame about 12 feet above the floor of the bell chamber, which is almost dark. As far as could be seen and felt there are no inscriptions. The tenor looks to be about nine cwt. Two very small boys went up and chimed them for about ten minutes.

As we arrived at Inverness hymn tunes were being played most expertly on the Ellacombe chimes for evening service. We met Mr. Davidson at the foot of the tower and he obtained permission for us to return later to ring. Very heavy ropes were too low and several stays were missing: in attempting to set a bell, mistakenly said to have a stay, the inevitable happened. The sound of the bells brought two more visitors to the tower. A few call changes were fairly well struck, but the bells did not go well.

Mr. Davidson, who has himself begun to learn to handle a bell, would be glad of help to get a band going. J.W. and M. W.



Detached Tower. All Saints' Church.  
Inveraray

## NORWICH DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION

### Western District at Dersingham

The quarterly meeting of the Western Branch, held at Dersingham on August 31st, was supported by 40 members and visitors from London, Bedford, Cambridge, Essex, Leicester, Lincoln and Suffolk.

The service was conducted by the Vicar (Rev. W. P. Tiffin) and Mr. E. Greenacre read the lesson. Tea was prepared and served in the Church Rooms by the wives and friends of the local band.

At the business meeting the Vicar presided in the absence of the Rev. R. G. Dodson, Branch chairman, away on holiday. A letter from the local press relating to the nuisance of the bells at one of the Norfolk towers was read. This caused quite a long discussion, but it was agreed that no more action be taken and it was better for the subject to 'die a natural death.'

Votes of thanks were accorded to the Vicar, the organist, and the ladies for arranging tea. The Vicar suitably replied.

The ringers then enjoyed more ringing on the tower bells, under the watchful eye of Mr. C. V. Ebberson, who did much in arranging methods to suit all tastes and capabilities.

The next interim meeting is to be held at Gressenhall on October 5th, and the quarterly meeting at North Creak on November 30th.

## A CHESTER GUILD TOUR

**THE** Stockport Branch of the Chester Guild and the Manchester Branch of the Lancashire Association are both fortunate in having a goodly number of young ringers showing great promise, who for some time now have been attending the 'Surprise' practice at Hazel Grove. A week of peal ringing was arranged to enable them to ring peals in some of the methods they have been practising.

The week turned out to be quite successful as all the peal attempted were 'scored.' One member of the party remarked at the conclusion that the report would look like the Milky Way, and that in some measure shows the progress that has been made in recent months.

Towers visited and methods rung can be seen in our peal columns, and the bells, in most cases, were not new to us. However, we were set about by all the usual snags of peal tours, and perhaps a few unusual ones. On Monday, for example, seven of us waited patiently for the eighth, who at that time was crossing the Channel, and it is doubtful if his thoughts reached Kent, never mind Yorkshire, so we were pleased to ring Bob Major, giving Jim Blowers, of the local band, a chance for his first peal.

A knocking on the door at Eccles made us think that not everyone in the town appreciated our efforts, so for their benefit we made the time as short as we could—at least that's one of the tenor-man's tales. Bredbury treated us to our one and only broken rope; however, a replacement was available, for which we were thankful, though it wasn't 'noted for easy handling and non-stretching.'

The highlight of the week was Cambridge Royal at Stockport St. Mary's, where peal attempts are few and far between. We were pleased to have Jack Bibby with us, and he has now rung peals on all the tens in the county. The week was rounded off with Double Norwich, and for the peal we welcomed Michael Crowder, of Barton-on-Humber, to the folds of the Chester Guild.

Despite the 'Milky Way,' some people managed to get away without a star, though one of these admitted he ought to have one—well, at least a dagger! It's the first time Ted Jenkins has rung Plain Bob and Oxford on a peal tour!

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# LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

## A BOB AT HALF LEAD

Dear Sir,—After seeing the 5,152 Cambridge Surprise Major by Harry Poyner on page 584 of 'The Ringing World,' I was tempted to see what effect this type of bob has on Plain Bob Major. This is not original, no doubt, but it may interest someone.

The bob at the middle of the first lead (bob at  $\frac{1}{2}$ ) has the following effect:—

1 2 3 4 5 6 7 8

2 1 4 3 6 5 8 7  
2 4 1 6 3 8 5 7  
4 2 6 1 8 3 7 5  
4 6 2 8 1 7 3 5  
6 4 8 2 7 1 5 3  
6 8 4 7 2 5 1 3  
8 6 7 4 5 2 3 1  
6 8 4 7 5 3 2 1  
8 6 7 4 3 5 1 2  
8 7 6 3 4 1 5 2  
7 8 3 6 1 4 2 5  
7 3 8 1 6 2 4 5  
3 7 1 8 2 6 5 4  
3 1 7 2 8 5 6 4  
1 3 2 7 5 8 4 6  
1 3 7 2 8 5 6 4

BOB The bob has the same result as a bob at the end of the first lead (Wrong) but one complete lead is cut out, the tenors being in the position they occupy at the end of the second lead.

Hence a bob at  $\frac{1}{2}$  has the same effect as a bob at Wrong and cuts out one lead.

A bob at  $\frac{1}{4}$  has the same effect as a bob at V. and cuts out one lead, etc.

A bob at  $3\frac{1}{2}$  has the same effect as a bob BEFORE but does not change the length of the course.

By using this type of bob, then, many touches may be shortened considerably.

W V. IV. M H may be called:—  
 $\frac{1}{2}$  V. IV.  $5\frac{1}{2}$  H which consists of 48 changes instead of 80.

Here are some short touches reduced by this method.

Original calling

80  
W V. IV. M H 2 3 4 5 6

— — — — — 2 3 4 5 6

160  
W B M H 2 3 4 5 6

— 3 — — — 2 3 4 5 6

224  
W H 2 3 4 5 6

— — 4 5 2 3 6

— — 2 3 4 5 6

240  
W B M 2 3 4 5 6

— 1 — 3 5 2 6 4

— — — 2 3 4 5 6

New calling

48  
 $\frac{1}{2}$  V. IV.  $5\frac{1}{2}$  H 2 3 4 5 6

— — — — — 2 3 4 5 6

96  
 $\frac{1}{2}$   $3\frac{1}{2}$  B  $5\frac{1}{2}$  H 2 3 4 5 6

— — — — — 2 3 4 5 6

192  
 $\frac{1}{2}$  W  $6\frac{1}{2}$  H 2 3 4 5 6

— — — — — [4 5 2 3 6]

— — — — — 2 3 4 5 6

192  
 $\frac{1}{2}$   $3\frac{1}{2}$   $5\frac{1}{2}$  2 3 4 5 6

— — — 3 5 2 6 4

— — — 2 3 4 5 6

—Yours faithfully,

ANDREW J. SALISBURY.

Hornchurch, Essex.

## CUMBERLANDS v. COLLEGE YOUTHS AT CRICKET

Dear Sir,—The cricket match between the Cumberlands and the College Youths, which Cecil Ebberson recalls, was played on July 17th, 1914, at Mitcham Green, Surrey, when, to quote the report in 'The Ringing World,' 'the weather and everything else was perfect.' I was a Cumberland in those days, and we won the match by two runs—33 to 31—thanks largely to the Master (J. D. Matthews), who took six wickets for 18.

The teams, beside Jack Matthews and myself, were Robert Warner (the bellfounder), Cecil Matthews, Harold Burton, James Hunt, J. A. Trollope, D. Ellingham, J. C. Adams, A. S. Miller, W. Jakeman, Alfred W. Grimes, Herbert Langdon, Albert A. Hughes, Tom Faulkner (the Master of the College Youths), John W. Golding, Sedley J. Collins, H. J. Walton, E. Attwater, C. H. Auston (son of John Austin), R. N. Runham, A. S. Miller, H. Wagstaff (who took six Cumberland wickets for 7) and H. Gowllett. The ball was presented by Abraham G. Freeman, uncle of 'Tich' Freeman. Edith Parker (Mrs. G. W. Fletcher) was one of the scorers and her father umpired for us.

I myself have played one match since, but my son-in-law tells me that Bert Langdon and Bert Hughes both retired from the game after the match.—Yours,

F. I. HAIRS.

## No 'Impots' When Teachers Ring a Peal

Included in the school teachers' peal of the East Berks and South Bucks Branch of the Oxford Diocesan Guild on September 7th were Miss Kathleen Fletcher, who in recent times has made a name for herself at Bournemouth, and Mr. Sydney Bailey, who came from South Wales to teach at High Wycombe. The conductor informs us that he didn't have to set anyone the imposition of writing out 100 times the plain course of Grandsire Triples!

The peal was duly rung without a hitch—except when the treble once tried to make thirds!

## THE CHELMSFORD MEETING

Dear Sir,—If Mr. Humphriss was present at the Chelmsford meeting he is obviously writing with his tongue in his cheek, and if he was not present he is in no position to assess the merit or otherwise of any contribution to any debate no matter from which source.

Should he be sufficiently interested in what I have said and will let me have his address I will send him the actual details, prepared before I left for Chelmsford, although the salient points are contained in my previous letter to you on this subject.—Yours faithfully,

BERNARD C. ASHFORD.

9, Bowling Green Lane,  
Stourbridge.

## MR. T. CULLINGWORTH'S PEAL TOUR

Dear Sir,—I should like to congratulate Mr. Tom Cullingworth and his party, with special reference to Mark Lancefield, for the very high standard of striking they maintained during their tour of Surrey and Sussex. As they recorded much of their ringing on a tape-recorder, I was able to hear the ringing as clearly as if I had been outside the tower. Their striking was absolutely first-class, and an example to all. It can be equalled, but certainly not excelled. They also set a standard of method ringing which will take a lot of beating. Well done, everyone!—Yours, A. PATRICK CANNON.

## MR. F. B. LUFKIN'S 400 PEALS

Mr. Frank B. Lufkin, of Bocking, has now rung 400 peals, of which he conducted 248. They have been rung in 136 towers for 20 Associations. The list includes two long-length peals—a 9,000 and a 12,740. Details are appended:—

### TOWER BELLS

Doubles.—Grandsire 3 (conducted 2), 2 methods 1 (1), 4 methods 1 (1).

Minor.—1 method 20 (13), 2 methods 4 (3), 3 methods 13 (12), 4 methods 15 (14), 5 methods 8 (8), 6 methods 3 (3), 7 methods 14 (10), 8 methods 1 (1), 9 methods 1, 10 methods 2 (1), 11 methods 1 (1), 14 methods 1 (1), 17 methods 1 (1), 19 methods 1 (1), 24 methods 1 (1), 26 methods 1 (1), 30 methods 1 (1), 35 methods 1 (1), 40 methods 1 (1), 42 methods 1 (1).

Triples.—Grandsire 18 (11), Stedman 5 (3). Major.—Plain Bob 44 (34), Double Bob 1 (1), Pershore 1, Winchester 1, Longney 1 (1), Marlborough 1 (1), Heddingham 1 (1), Kent 32 (27), Oxford 9 (6), Oxford and Kent 3 (3), Cambridge 1 (1), Double Norwich 22 (11), Little Oxford 1 (1).

Surprise Major.—Cambridge 21 (9), New Cambridge 1 (1), Yorkshire 10 (2), Superlative 5, Bristol 5, London 7, Belgrave 3, Lincolnshire 3, Ipswich 2, 2 Spliced 1 (1), 6 Spliced 1, 10 Spliced 1, one each of Painswick, Pudsey, Ashstead, Boveney, Chiltern, Norfolk, Withyham, Rutland, Ealing, Southwell, Berkshire.

Caters.—Grandsire 12 (12), Stedman 9 (4). Royal.—Plain Bob 18 (14), Little 2 (1), Erith Little 1, Kent 11 (8), Oxford 2 (2), Cambridge 2 (1), Cambridge Surprise 10 (4), New Cambridge 1 (1), Albanian 1 (1), Lindsey 1 (1), Yorkshire 3, Belgrave 1, Prittlewell 1.

Cinques.—Grandsire 3 (2), Stedman 7. Maximus.—Plain Bob 1, Kent T.B. 2 (1).

HANDBELLS.—Minor in 1 method 4. Total 400 (248).

## ESSEX ASSOCIATION

On August 31st the Northern District arranged a meeting at Kelvedon. In this 14th century tower hangs the heaviest ring of six bells in Essex, with the Festival of Britain bell as the tenor. These bells were made good use of during the afternoon and evening. The Rev. T. Everett conducted the service in the absence of the Vicar, who was on holiday.

Tea was served in St. Mary's Hall by Mrs. Eady and the Mothers' Union. Afterwards the business meeting was presided over by the Rev. T. Everett, supported by Miss H. G. Snowden (District Master) and Mr. R. C. Heazel (Master of the Association). It was reported that the five bells from All Saints', Colchester, were to be rehung at Little Horkesley and further money was still required. Funds are also needed to rehang Kelvedon bells. Great Bardfield was chosen for the next meeting in November.

—Votes of thanks were passed to the Rev. T. Everett, Mr. J. Elliott and Mrs. Eady.

## BOUGHTON ALUPH

Dear Sir,—I must take the opportunity to thank Mr. P. N. Bond for his correction to my note on Boughton Aluph bells. They were five in number, not four, as I thought when writing, and I had also forgotten about the final disposal of the bells as scrap. Were they scrapped? Another interesting detail connected with this church is that it was one of the stopping places for pilgrims on the pilgrims' way to and from Canterbury. This track passed through Eastwell Park, not far from Eastwell Church. Charing was the next stopping place on towards Winchester.—Yours truly,

GEORGE H. HEAD.

Hanworth, Mddx.

## AMONG THE FOURS IN NORTH BEDFORDSHIRE

Spurred on by a sense of adventure and by recent correspondence in 'The Ringing World,' an intrepid party of four of St. Paul's, Bedford, young ringers 'sallied' forth into the wilds of North Bedfordshire on August 20th. A trusting father lent the band his car, and hence a prompt start at 9 a.m. was made for the first tower, St. Mary's, Oulton, which recently appeared in these columns with the first quarter on the bells. As the tour was strictly impromptu we were not surprised to be unable to get the tower until the Vicar returned to give permission.

We then pushed on to our next tower-to-be, St. Mary's, Poddington, right up in the top-most corner of the county, where the Vicar gave us a hearty welcome. The bells (tenor about 9 cwt., 37in. diam.) were all on one level in what appeared to be a pretty stout frame only just under the spire. After a great deal of adjustment and replacement of the ropes the bells were rung up very gingerly. All the clappers turned out to be very loose and much in need of rehusing. When J. B. L. rang the tenor up—after superhuman efforts to reach the balance—he was rewarded by the bell setting deeper and deeper and deeper. Later investigations revealed the absence of a slider. However, the bells were eventually 'beefed' into action for a few (few!) rounds and call-changes. With some oil and a little attention to the bearings, these tuneful and mellow bells could become quite a ringable set. A list of jobs considered necessary to be done to the bells was presented to the Vicar, who promised to have something done. He then gave us a very interesting history of the church.

At the Church of St. Lawrence, Wynnington, the bells were found to be totally derelict except for possibly the third and tenor. The bells, mostly more or less without wheels, are hung high under the spire in three tiers, although the treble is unhung and stands on the floor at the bottom of the tower in the ringing chamber-cum-brush cupboard. The treble, cast by W. Blews, of Birmingham, in 1873, appears never to have been hung. The second and third are of note as they are both pre-

Reformation bells. The tenor is in the region of 16½ cwt. and very savagely chip tuned. It appeared, by the sound of things, that the five bells were definitely not in a scale!!

Lunch was next on the list—being taken at Newton Bromswold. Unfortunately the church was locked so no 'grab' was made. St. Mary's, Yeldon, were known to be ringable and so the Vicar was tackled, who was no doubt a little perturbed to have a motley collection of ringers asking him for his bells when he had only been three days in the parish! However, the local tower captain saved the day, and the bells, rung from the ground floor, were raised in peal. The bells are a musical four although with rather a shallow tone. They are all pretty old, treble 1717, second 1660, third 1617, the tenor, a very fine William Watts alphabet bell of 1610, weighing 7½ cwt., being hung in a frame installed around 1880. On the first really ringable bells of the day, Plain, Reverse and Double Bob Minimus was brought round in fine style. The long pull and unguided ropes provided a few anxious moments but all was under control soon.

Our final visit was to Carlton, where we hoped that by now we could get permission. After a tour of the village and being directed to the Old Vicarage we finally located the Vicar and were given a warm welcome. We found the bells very musical and tuneful, although a little strident in tone. As they are rung in a steel frame put in by Gillett and Johnston about 1929 the 'go' is all that can be desired. At the same time the bells were retuned. They are a very old ring—treble 1602, second 1868, third pre-1520 and cast by Thomas Newcombe of Leicester, and the tenor, cast by J. Saunders of Reading about 1540 (weight 9 cwt. 2 qr. 7 lb. in A flat, diam, 38in.). Altogether a really pleasing handy ring which would make a grand five or six. Again our usual Plain, Reverse and Double Bob was skilfully accomplished, and the bells lowered in peal. With many thanks to the Vicar we turned the car for Bedford to deliver everyone (surprisingly) safe and sound at the end of a highly entertaining and successful 'grab.'

P. J. S.

## ARCHDEACONRY OF STAFFORD

The summer meeting of the Society took place at Elford on August 31st. Those who have the idea that Staffordshire is a county made up of industrial areas would do well to visit this delightful village and the beautiful countryside surrounding it. The tree-lined approach to the fine parish church is most imposing.

Having in mind the somewhat remote situation of this village near Tamworth, the attendance at the meeting—68—was most gratifying. The Vicar (Rev. W. J. Bower) and his churchwardens gave the visitors a warm welcome. Unlimited ringing to suit all tastes during the afternoon and evening, a well-attended service with some hearty singing, followed by a bountiful tea served in the Village Hall, and a typical country hospitality in the village in which to partake of further refreshment before leaving for home, helped to make the meeting most enjoyable and one to remember.

Following tea, thanks were expressed to Rev. W. J. Bower and his wardens, organist, lady helpers and members of the local band for their efforts towards the success of the meeting. The bells, a ring of six with a 7 cwt. tenor, were easy to handle but not too musical outside the tower.

The next meeting of the Society will be a joint one with the Northern Branch of the Worcestershire Association at Kinver on October 19th.

## SWANSEA & BRECON GUILD

### Southern District

The small attendance at the quarterly meeting held at Gorseinon on August 31st was compensated by the pleasant and satisfactory ringing throughout the afternoon. The two ringers from St. Albans, we are sure, enjoyed their ringing before continuing their journey to Cardigan.

The service at 4 p.m. was conducted by the Vicar (Canon Sydney Morris) and afterwards about 25 sat down to an excellent tea in the Church Hall.

At the business meeting, which was presided over by the Vicar, it was agreed to hold the annual meeting of the District in December, and the other two meetings alternately at the same place as the Llandaff and St. David's Guild meetings. One new member was elected. Sketty was proposed for the December meeting.

We were pleased to see Mr. Chris Hawkins, the St. David's general secretary, at the meeting. He has made a rapid recovery since his illness, and we hope he will continue to improve in health. Mr. John T. Williams proposed a vote of thanks to the Vicar and organist. Ringing continued until 7.45 p.m.

J. A. H.

## CYCLING IN ESSEX

As a variation to the usual coach and car outings, the Walthamstow ringers, augmented by friends from Woodford, Bedford and Waltham Abbey, enjoyed (endured?) a cycling tour round a number of village towers in deepest Essex, sampling rings from five to twelve.

Getting off to a cheating start by putting the cycles on a train to Bishops Stortford, the first tower, Great Hallingbury, was reached in comfort and provided a difficult and unrewarding five, in which the treble ringer stands enmeshed, spider-like, amid a tangle of chiming ropes. Hatfield Broad Oak brought us the only octave of the day, a most pleasant one, where Bill Dowler joined us, having valiantly cycled from Hitchin after missing his connection from Bedford, via Cambridge, to Stortford. The last tower of the morning was Matching (5), whence we repaired to a picnic lunch on the spacious and charming green.

The afternoon's first call was at Moreton, a pleasing six, where the writer had a time-wasting contretemps when attempting to utilise an unstable five-barred gate as a mounting stone, and we were joined by the ebullient L\*\*n\*J W\*\*\*s, who provided a diagram of a method to be learned, the name to be announced after it was rung. The day, incidentally, provided those more used to ten bells with opportunities to try out for the first time St. Martin's, St. Simon's and other Doubles methods, which provided much enjoyment and interest.

Bobbingworth (6) bells are rung from the open porch. Another fine Essex red-brick tower at North Weald yielded a further six, then on to Epping for tea, amid a wealth of the lowest beetle-ridden beams seen on any outing.

Cutting across Epping Forest we reached Epping Upland (6) and attempted L. W.'s unnamed method. The first unsuccessful attempt contained so many gaps that the more facetious members of the party might have suggested a name and would, in fact, have been right for, following a completed course, Lionel announced the name—Cumberland Bob!

A final half-hour's ring at Waltham Abbey's 12 concluded a very pleasant day, following which the party enjoyed until too late an hour the hospitality of Michael Austin's house. Our thanks are due to Robert Chapman for the success of the first outing he has organised, and to incumbents and others for the use of their bells.

## IN THE CHEDDAR VALLEY

A party of ringers from Nailsea, Backwell, Long Ashton, Bristol, Uphill and the R.A.F. at Locking enjoyed a half-day outing in the Cheddar Valley on August 31st.

The fine eight at Wedmore were first visited, followed by the six at Wookey, where the fifth ringer hides behind the clock and where a good course of London Minor was brought round. Next came the eight at St. Cuthbert's, Wells, where both tower and bells were greatly admired, although perhaps we did not do justice to the latter.

Following tea at The Olde Gate-house Hotel, overlooking the Cathedral Green (which can be recommended), the party then moved on to Dinder, also with a large clock in the ringing chamber. Two separate courses of Norwich Surprise Minor were rung here.

The final call was at Rodney Stoke, where due to the enthusiasm of the local ringers, assisted by Mr. Wickham, of Cheddar, three of the four bells have recently been rehung on new headstocks and ball-bearings supplied by Messrs. Mears and Stainbank. We rang Plain, Double, and Erin Minimus, Grand sire Doubles without a treble, and most difficult of all, it seemed, some call-changes conducted by one of the local band.

M. J. H.

## WEDDINGS

## At Trowbridge

Mr. F. Slatford, assistant secretary, Salisbury Diocesan Guild, and Miss Doreen Turnbull, of Trowbridge, were married at Holy Trinity Church, Trowbridge, on September 7th in the presence of a large congregation, including many ringers. The choral service was conducted by the Vicar (the Rev. K. R. S. Rintoul) and Mr. J. Flay was the organist.

The bride was given in marriage by Mr. John Sitch, her brother-in-law, and was attended by Miss Shirley Stevens and Miss Elizabeth Sitch, her niece. The best man was Mr. Lawrence Hitchens.

As there are no bells at the church, North Bradley ringers, under Mr. P. Harding, rang handbells as the happy couple left the church. The reception was held at Wingfield House, after which Mr. and Mrs. Slatford left for their honeymoon.

The many presents included a cheque from the general committee of the S.D.G.R. (the Guild general secretary, Mr. W. C. West, was present to represent the Guild) and a barometer from the bridegroom's fellow ringers at North Bradley.

Mr. and Mrs. Slatford will reside at The Haven, 35, Westbury Road, Yarnbrook, near Trowbridge.

## At Willingham

The wedding took place on August 24th at Willingham Parish Church of Mr. Geoffrey A. Lucas, District Ringing Master of the Ely District, and Miss Margaret R. Jeeps, an honorary member of the Ely Association. The ceremony was conducted by the rector (Canon F. Bywaters), and the bridesmaids were the two young daughters of Mr. and Mrs. Mansfield Ginn. Mr. Peter Lucas, the bridegroom's brother, carried out the duties of best man and the ushers were Messrs. R. E. G. Jeeps (England international scrum-half), the bride's cousin, and D. E. R. Knights (Ely District secretary).

As the bridal couple left the church the bells were rung by members of the local band and friends, and immediately after their departure for a honeymoon at Bournemouth a peal of Surprise Minor was rung by members of the Association, its success being reported to the bridegroom by telephone. D. K.

## THE LADIES' GUILD

## Central District

A meeting of the Central District was held at the Church of Immanuel and St. Leonard's, Streatham, on August 31st. Ringing commenced at Immanuel at 3.45 and various methods were rung including some Surprise.

We should like to express our thanks to the Rev. Mr. Rowdon, who kindly conducted the service in the absence of the Vicar. Tea was held in the Church Hall and was followed by a business meeting. Our thanks go to Mrs. Collins, who provided an excellent tea.

Nine members were present and were more than grateful to the 15 or so visitors who came along to support them. After tea, ringing continued at St. Leonard's.

The next meeting will be on November 30th at Twickenham. H. T.

**GREAT HOLLAND, ESSEX.**—On Sept. 9th, 1.344 Plain Bob Major: D. West 1, Mrs. P. Mills 2, Miss H. Stewart 3, Miss M. Mills (cond.) 4, L. Sharp 5, W. Rouse 6, D. Welham 7, U. Wildney 8.

**RUGBY, WARWICKS.**—At St. Andrew's Church, on Sept. 1st, 1.260 Grandsire Triples: Miss P. Murden 1, W. Vann 2, S. Osborne (cond.) 3, A. Barlow 4, P. Howitt 5, R. Gibbons 6, J. Underwood 7, C. Underwood 8. Rung for Matins, and as a wedding compliment to the Rev. and Mrs. P. R. Henwood, who were married at Stoneleigh on August 31st.

## OUTINGS

## SOMERTON, SOMERSET

This year's outing will be remembered especially for the beautiful drive in bright sunshine along the coast road between Weymouth and Lyme Regis.

On September 7th, ringers from Somerton and round about, joined by two friends from Bedfordshire, rang between them a total of 40 bells, which they found nicely hung in six solid little square grey towers in Dorset—no, one was pebble-dash, not grey. The morning started 'lightly' with ringing from the ground floor at Evershot (6, 9½ cwt.) and Preston (6, 12½ cwt.), the small church serving the large holiday caravan site.

After lunch at Weymouth the coach proceeded to Wyke Regis (8, nearly 17 cwt.), where some 6-bell ringers enjoyed one of their rare chances to ring Triples and Major. Down in

## House Rating Reduced Because Of Bells

*Mr. W. R. Honey and Mrs. E. P. Honey, of 1, Church Road, Gosport, had their rating assessment reduced from £70 gross value to £65 gross value by Gosport Valuation Court because of the bells of Alverstoke Church.*

*Mr. Honey told the court that the house faced the church. He said:—*

*'We hear the chimes night and day. The bells are rung at 8 every morning and for one-and-a-half hours' practising every Friday evening.*

*'Friends who have stayed with us all complain that they cannot sleep in the front rooms because of the bells.' The appellants also complained that the road was used as a car park by churchgoers.*

*In suggesting a reduced assessment, the Deputy Valuation Officer (Mr. N. H. Jones) said: 'I don't like church bells myself, but they have been there some years—and so has Mr. Honey.'*

the churchyard cameras were produced, and some group photos taken round the lychgate. At Abbotsbury (6, 12½ cwt.) ringers can look down from the gallery into the whitewashed nave: the only regret here was that time did not allow a visit to the swannery.

Then tea at Bridport, and on to the best tower of the day, Lyme Regis (8, 10½ cwt.), where the bells rung round so smoothly that one is tempted to think that no effort is needed on the part of the ringers. The day's ringing ended at Broadwindsor (6, about 14 cwt.), where a short touch of Cambridge was successfully brought round.

The party would like to thank the incumbents and captains of towers.

## BALDOCK AND NORTON

Totternhoe's light eight were the first bells for the Baldock and Norton bands' half-day outing on August 31st. Those who were not ringing could either watch the soaring gliders or examine some maps and archives of the parish and St. Giles'.

We went to Leighton Buzzard, with its heavy ten, then on to the outskirts of Woburn, where the Birchmoor Arms provided a very satisfying meal. The 24 cwt. octave at St. Mary's was much enjoyed: Double Norwich went particularly well. Bristol was attempted at the last tower for the day, Maulden, but unfortunately was not successful. Everyone agreed that even the dull weather had not spoil a pleasant outing. J. S.

## QUARTER PEALS

**ALDRINGTON, SUSSEX.**—On Sept. 3rd, 1.260 Grandsire Doubles: Margaret E. Perry 1, Pamela R. Gough 2, S. W. Brown 3, I. C. Forrest 4, H. W. Brown (cond.) 5, M. W. Stephenson 6. Rung half-muffled in memory of a much-loved ringer, George A. Steele, who rang in this tower for 64 years, and died on September 1st at Eythorne, Kent, aged 85 years.

**BEACONSFIELD, BUCKS.**—On Aug. 25th, 1.264 Plain Bob Major: H. Wingrove (cond.) 1, Dorothy Fletcher 2, M. Broadley (first in method) 3, Kathleen Fletcher 4, J. Harrison 5, W. Edwards 6, D. Lamb 7, A. Bridges 8. For Evensong. Also on Sept. 1st, 1.280 Double Norwich Court Bob Major: H. Wingrove (cond.) 1, Dorothy R. Fletcher 2, Kathleen E. Fletcher 3, G. Swift 4, J. Harrison 5, W. Edwards 6, D. Lamb 7, A. Bridges 8. For morning service. Also 1.264 Plain Bob Major: H. Wingrove (cond.) 1, Ann Shiels (first 'inside') 2, Kathleen Fletcher 3, D. Lamb 4, J. Harrison 5, J. Meads 6, Dorothy Fletcher 7, A. Bridges 8. For Evensong.

**CARLTON, BEDS.**—On Sept. 4th, 1.272 Bob Minimus: Mrs. S. Smith 1, Rodney Walker 2, Albert Franklin 3, Peter Wakeman (cond.) 4.

**CHURCH KIRK, LANCs.**—On Sept. 10th, 1.440 Plain Bob Minor: Charles Clegg 1, Geoffrey Salmon (first quarter) 2, Leslie Leonard 3, J. Barry Pickup 4, Fred Read 5, Laurence J. Williams (cond.) 6.

**KINGSTON ST. MICHAEL, WILTS.**—On Aug. 29th, 1.440 Plain Bob Minor: G. C. Weeks 1, T. Grav 2, A. F. Lee 3, R. A. Southwood 4, R. O. Fry (cond.) 5, P. W. Weeks 6.

**SAWLEY, DERBYSHIRE.**—On Sept. 7th, 1.260 Plain Bob Minor: Mrs. I. Simpson 1, Miss L. Turner 2, Mr. T. W. Robinson 3, Mr. A. Hickton 4, Mr. J. Harvey 5, Mr. W. E. Simpson (cond.) 6, Mr. R. Newsum (cover) 7. Rung on the occasion of the wedding of Miss D. Ostick, daughter of Mr. B. Ostick, chairman of this church; also a compliment to the mother of the ringer of the second, on the birth of a son.

**SCARBOROUGH, YORKS.**—On Sept. 1st, 1.260 Grandsire Triples: Ed. Hudson (Ripon) 1, T. H. Taffender (London) 2, F. Dewey (Boston) 3, Wm. Hudson 4, H. Spencer 5, G. W. Frayne 6, B. Sutton (cond.) 7, Geo. Beach 8. For Evensong, and as a farewell to G. W. Frayne, who is leaving Scarborough for Banstead.

**TALGARTH, BRECONSHIRE.**—On Sept. 5th, 1.260 Grandsire Doubles: Vera M. Powell 1, Walter Chick 2, James W. Murphy (first quarter) 3, William G. Smith 4, David H. Bennett (cond.) 5, John Parry 6. Rung as a compliment to Mr. and Mrs. W. G. Smith on the occasion of their silver wedding.

**TWERTON-ON-AVON, BATH.**—On Aug. 24th, 1.260 Grandsire Doubles, on handbells: R. A. Southwood 1-2, R. O. Fry (cond.) 3-4, A. F. Lee (first on handbells) 5-6.

**WESTBURY, WILTS.**—On Sept. 3rd, 1.260 Grandsire Triples: A. Ingram 1, Miss G. Masters 2, Mrs. F. Penn 3, D. Jones 4, T. B. Holloway (cond.) 5, F. Penn 6, R. Newton 7, A. Grist 8. A farewell compliment to Miss G. Masters who is leaving the tower for Oxford.

**WILMSLOW, CHESHIRE.**—On Sept. 8th, 1.260 Plain Bob Minor: N. D. Lomas 1, J. Wheadon 2, M. Jillian Brierley 3, E. Cribley (first of Minor) 4, S. Sage 5, D. Mottershead (cond.) 6. For Evensong.

**WOTTON UNDERWOOD, BUCKS.**—On June 22nd, 1.260 Grandsire Doubles: J. Ewars (first quarter) 1, A. Hodges 2, Margaret Rand (first quarter 'inside') 3, F. W. Thorpe 4, H. G. Rand (first quarter 'inside') 5, W. Ayris (first quarter) 6. Non-ringing conductor, V. G. Phillips. Rung as a wedding compliment to Colin Ayris, son of the tenor ringer, who is captain of the local band, and Shirley Rolfe.

**WORTH, SUSSEX.**—On Aug. 31st, 1.259 Grandsire Doubles: G. F. Prosser 1, A. B. Stoner 2, R. J. Elliott (cond.) 3, A. H. Coote 4, A. E. Laker 5, J. T. Laker 6. Rung on the 90th birthday of Miss Mary Nix, a local resident, who has done much for local ringers, and who for many years ran the 1st Worth Scout Troop. All except the conductor are ex-Scouts.

## NOTICES

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**HARRIS—HICKS.**—The engagement is announced between Dorothy Louise, youngest daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Hicks, 12, Woodbury Road North, Stourport-on-Severn, and William Donald, eldest son of Mr. and Mrs. Harris, 18, Worth Crescent, Stourport-on-Severn. 982

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## MISCELLANEOUS

**UNIVERSITY OF LONDON SOCIETY.**—All ringers coming to the University as freshers are cordially invited to the Society's headquarters at St. Olave's, Hart Street, E.C.3 (Tower Hill station). Ringing on Sundays at 5 p.m. First practice 6.30 p.m. on Oct. 7th, A.G.M. Oct. 26th. Further details from D. Priestley, 36, Portland Road, Rushden, Northants. 990

**OXFORD UNIVERSITY SOCIETY.**—Any ringer coming up to Oxford next term as a freshman is invited to attend a business meeting in the Old Bursary, New College, on Tuesday, Oct. 15th, at 8.15 p.m., or to contact the secretary, R. N. Pittman, Pembroke College. 1008

**MANCHESTER UNIVERSITY GUILD.**—Will all ringers starting at Manchester University next October and who are interested in joining the University Guild please write to Miss Carol Eustace, 10, Two Hedges Road, Bishop's Cleeve, Cheltenham, Glos. 1003

**WEST WICKHAM, KENT.**—St. John-the-Baptist.—Restoration work to the tower has been completed and ringing will restart on Sunday, Sept. 22nd. Sundays, 10.15 and 5.45; Wednesdays, 8 p.m. 988

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## MEETINGS

**ANCIENT SOCIETY OF COLLEGE YOUTHS.**—Meeting at Henfield, Sussex, on Saturday, Sept. 21st. Ringing 3.30 p.m. Tea 5 p.m. Business meeting after tea. Names for tea to Mr. F. Cruttenden, Henfield. Local ringers will be welcomed.—A. B. Peck. 796

**ANCIENT SOCIETY OF PAINSWICK YOUTHS.**—27th anniversary, Sat., Sept. 21st. Bells (12) 3.30 p.m. Tea 5 p.m. (2s. per head). Names, not later than Tuesday, Sept. 17th, to C. D. Launder, Spring Cottage, Painswick, Stroud, Glos. Painswick Feast, Sunday, Sept. 22nd: ringing 2 p.m. and 5.15. 932

**ELY DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.**—Hunts District.—Meeting at Spaldwick (6), Saturday, Sept. 21st. Bells 3 p.m. Service 4.30. Tea 5 p.m. Please bring own food—cups of tea provided.—H. S. Peacock, Dis. Sec. 948

**GUILDFORD DIOCESAN GUILD.**—Farnham District.—Combined practice at Bagshot (8) on Saturday, Sept. 21st, from 6 to 9 p.m.—C. J. Beadle, Hon. Dis. Sec. 936

**HAWKHURST AND DISTRICT GUILD.**—Wadhurst and Burwash *unavailable*. Meeting, Sedlescombe, Saturday, Sept. 21st, 2.30 p.m. 935

**HERTFORD COUNTY ASSOCIATION.**—St. Albans District.—Meeting, Harpenden, on Saturday, Sept. 21st. Bells (8) 3 p.m. District committee meeting 4. Service 4.30 p.m. Tea.—S. Huckle, Dis. Sec. 950

**LADIES' GUILD.**—Midland District.—Meeting at Earl Shilton, Leics (8), Saturday, Sept. 21st, at 3 p.m. Service 4.30. Tea 5 p.m. Everyone welcome. 963

**LONDON COUNTY ASSOCIATION.**—Southern District.—Quarterly meeting, Saturday, Sept. 21st, Clapham Common (R.C.), 2.45–4.30. Business 6, in vestry at All Saints', Wandsworth. Ringing 7.—Hutchings, (TUL0800). 974

**MIDDLESEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION.**—Meeting at Sunbury on Saturday, Sept. 21st, 6 to 8.30 p.m. Hampton arrangements cancelled.—F. A. Finch. 1004

**OXFORD DIOCESAN GUILD.**—V.W.H. Branch.—Quarterly meeting, Hinton Waldrist, Saturday, Sept. 21st. Bells (6) 2.30 p.m. Service 4 p.m. 939

**SALISBURY DIOCESAN GUILD.**—West Dorset Branch.—Quarterly meeting at South Perrott (6), Saturday, Sept. 21st. Bells 3 p.m. Service 4.30 p.m., followed by tea and meeting. 952

**SUFFOLK GUILD.**—Sudbury District.—Meeting, Great Thurlow, Saturday, Sept. 21st. Bells 2.30 p.m. Names for tea to Rev. E. S. B. Barnes, Great Thurlow, Haverhill, Suffolk.

**SUSSEX ASSOCIATION.**—Southern Division.—Quarterly meeting, Buxted (8), Saturday, Sept. 21st, 3 p.m. Service 4.15. Tea, 5 p.m. 959

**WORCESTERSHIRE ASSOCIATION.**—Northern Branch.—Annual meeting at Bromsgrove (10) on Saturday, Sept. 21st, at 3 p.m. Service 4.15. Tea and business meeting. The Association's 75th birthday (founded at Bromsgrove 1882).—Bernard C. Ashford, Sec., Bowling Green Lane, Stourbridge, Worcs. 814

**LONDON COUNTY ASSOCIATION.**—Northern District.—Practice meeting, All Saints', West Ham (10), Wednesday, Sept. 25th, 7 to 8.30 p.m. Note time. A good attendance requested. Everyone welcome.—Bullock, Sec. 995

**BATH AND WELLS ASSOCIATION.**—Axbridge Branch.—Practice meeting, Winscombe, Saturday, Sept. 28th. Bells (8) 5 p.m.—E. C. Wickham. 984

**CHESTER DIOCESAN GUILD.**—Stockport Branch.—Meeting at Dunham Massey, Altrincham, Saturday, Sept. 28th. Bells 3 p.m. Service 4.30. Tea 5.15 p.m. For tea please advise Mrs. C. K. Lewis, 6, Princes Road, Altrincham.—C. K. Lewis. 1010

**CHESTER DIOCESAN GUILD.**—Wirral Branch.—St. Andrew's, Bebington, Saturday, Sept. 28th. Bells (8) 3 p.m. Service 4.30 p.m. Tea, free, for those notifying by Wednesday previous.—Alexander J. Martin, 19, Falcon Road, Birkenhead. 1009

**DERBYSHIRE ASSOCIATION.**—Derby District.—Monthly meeting, Stanton-by-Dale, Saturday, Sept. 28th. Bells 3 p.m. Please make own tea arrangements. All welcome.—Vivienne M. Horton, Hon. Dis. Sec. 1011

**DONCASTER AND DISTRICT SOCIETY.**—Meeting at Thorne, Saturday, Sept. 28th. Bells (8) from 3 p.m. Cups of tea available from 5 p.m. Business meeting. Ringing until 9 p.m. Next meeting, Arksey, Saturday, Oct. 19th.—G. Watson, Sec. 1012

**DURHAM AND NEWCASTLE DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.**—Annual meeting, West Hartlepool, Saturday, Sept. 28th. All Saints', Stranton (8), 11.30 to 12.30 and 2.30 to 4.30; St. Aidan's (8), 2.30 to 4.15; St. Oswald's (10), 7 to 9. Committee, All Saints' Vestry, 3.30. Service, All Saints', 4.30. Tea St. Matthew's Hall, Elwick Road, 5.15 p.m. Names for tea by Sept. 25th to Mrs. K. Lawson, 169, Stockton Road, West Hartlepool.

**ELY DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.**—Dinner to be held at the Brunswick School Hall, Cambridge, Saturday, Sept. 28th, at 7 o'clock. Ringing arrangements: Great St. Mary's (12), 3 to 4 p.m.; St. Bene't's (6), 3 to 5; Old Cherterton (6), 3 to 4 p.m.; Great St. Andrew's (8), 5 to 6.30 p.m.; Roman Catholic (8), 5 to 6.30 p.m. Tickets (12s. 6d.) from H. S. Peacock, 8, Rosecrea Terrace, St. John's Street, Huntingdon. 969

**ESSEX ASSOCIATION.**—N.W. District.—Meeting at Elmdon (6) on Saturday, Sept. 28th, at 3 p.m. Service 4.30 p.m., followed by tea at the King's Head, 5.15 p.m. Names, please, to G. Blake, Hamlet House, Roydon Hamlet, Harlow, Essex. 961

**GLOUCESTER AND BRISTOL ASSOCIATION.**—Cheltenham Branch.—Quarterly meeting, Winchcombe (6), Saturday, Sept. 28th, 3 p.m. Usual arrangements. Names for tea by Sept. 24th.—Mary Bliss, Beech Pike, Cheltenham. 996

**GLOUCESTER AND BRISTOL ASSOCIATION.**—North Forest Branch.—Meeting at Churcham, Saturday, Sept. 28th. Bells (6) 3 p.m. Service 4.15. Tea at Rectory 5 p.m. Names for tea to Mrs. Mack, Churcham Rectory. 1017

**HEREFORD GUILD.**—Bromyard District.—Quarterly meeting at Bredenbury, Saturday, Sept. 28th, 3 p.m. Service 4.30 p.m., followed by tea. Reservations for tea early, please, to R. L. Price, 18, New Road, Bromyard. 944

**HEREFORD DIOCESAN GUILD.**—Ludlow and Church Stretton District.—Combined practice, Stokesay, Saturday, Sept. 28th. Bells (6) 3 p.m. Teas.—G. Randle, Ashford, Ludlow. 893

**LADIES' GUILD.**—Kent Branch.—Meeting at Rainham, Kent, Saturday, Sept. 28th. Bells (8) 3 p.m. Service 4.15 p.m. Names for tea by Tuesday, Sept. 24th, to Miss E. Walker, Cozonten Farm, Berengrave Lane, Rainham. No name, no tea. Gentlemen cordially invited.—S. M. Dobbie, Hon. Sec. 942

**LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION.**—Bolton Branch.—Meeting at Farnworth, Saturday, Sept. 28th. Bells 3 p.m. Evensong 4.30. Tea 5 p.m., free, provided names are sent by previous Wednesday to Thornley, 50, Carlton Street, Farnworth, Lancs. 979

**LEICESTER DIOCESAN GUILD.**—Leicester District.—Meeting at Groby on Sept. 28th. Bells (6) 3. Service 4.30. Tea 5. Names for tea to reach me before Wednesday previous at 117, Church Lane, Anstey, Leics.—W. A. Lacey, Dis. Sec. 1014

**LINCOLN DIOCESAN GUILD.**—Elloe Deaneries Branch.—Quarterly meeting, Whaploade, Saturday, Sept. 28th. Bells (6) 2.30 p.m. Service 4. Tea 5 p.m. 947

**LINCOLN DIOCESAN GUILD.**—Grimsby District.—Meeting, Louth (8), Saturday, Sept. 28th. Usual arrangements. Names for tea by Sept. 25th to Mr. T. Avery, 18, Broad Bank, Louth. 964

**LLANDAFF AND MONMOUTH ASSOCIATION.**—Monmouth Branch.—Meeting, Bedwellty, Saturday, Sept. 28th. Bells (8) 2.30 p.m. Service 4 p.m. Tea and business. Names for tea, please, to Mr. A. R. Price, 26, Greenwood Road, Blackwood, Mon. 945

**NORWICH DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.**—Meeting, Sept. 28th, Carlton Colville. Bells (5) available 2.30 p.m. Service 4.15. Tea 5 p.m. Pakefield bells (8) available after meeting. Names for tea, by Wednesday, Sept. 25th certain, please, to Mr. J. B. Gorrod, 47, Gorleston Road, Oulton Broad, Lowestoft.—P. Newstead, Branch Sec. 933

**OXFORD DIOCESAN GUILD.**—Bicester and District Branch.—Annual meeting at Souldern, Saturday, Sept. 28th. Bells (8) 2.30 p.m. Service 4. Tea 4.45 p.m. Names for tea by Monday, Sept. 23rd.—C. Kinch, 3, Causeway, Bicester. 977

**OXFORD DIOCESAN GUILD.**—E. Berks and S. Bucks Branch.—Hitcham (6), Sept. 28th, 3.15 p.m. Tea 5 p.m. for those who notify me by 24th.—W. Butler, 17, Forest Road, Windsor. 1016

**PETERBOROUGH DIOCESAN GUILD.**—Rutland Branch.—Quarterly meeting at Empingham on Saturday, Sept. 28th, 3 to 8 p.m. Numbers for tea by Wednesday previous to Miss J. Hoy, 11, Ashwell Road, Oakham, Rutland. 938

**PETERBOROUGH DIOCESAN GUILD** (Kettering Branch) and **LADIES' GUILD** (Beds and Northants Branch).—Joint meeting, Saturday, Sept. 28th, at Burton Latimer. Bells (8) from 3 p.m. Tea and meetings 5 p.m. Names for tea by Wednesday, Sept. 25th, to B. S. Cope, 228, Barton Road, Barton Seagrave, Kettering.—Anne E. Amor. 978

**PETERBOROUGH DIOCESAN GUILD** (Kettering Branch) and **LADIES' GUILD** (Beds and Northants District).—Joint meeting at Burton Latimer (8) on Saturday, Sept. 28th. 997

**RAILWAYMEN'S GUILD.**—Autumn meeting, Swindon, Western Region, Saturday, Sept. 28th. Ringing: St. Mark's (8), 2—4; Christ Church, 5.30—7.30 p.m. Tea (for those who notify by Thursday, Mr. Bertram Kynaston, 37, Vicarage Road, Rodbourne Chney, Swindon, Wilts) at Christ Church Hall, 4.30 p.m. All ringers welcome. 976

**SALISBURY GUILD.**—Wimborne Branch.—Quarterly meeting, Swanage, Sat., Sept. 28th. Ringing from 2.45 p.m. Service 4 p.m. Names for tea by 25th to J. Davis, 13, Sandbanks Road, Parkstone, Kingston in evening. 998

**SOCIETY OF ROYAL CUMBERLAND YOUTHS.**—Combined practice at St. Martin-in-the-Fields, Wednesday, October 2nd. Bells (12) available 6.30 to 8 p.m. All very welcome!—P. N. Bond, Hon. Sec. 975

**SUFFOLK GUILD.**—Saxmundham District. Meeting at Tunstall (ringing 2.30 p.m.) and Blaxhall (ringing 6.30 p.m.) on Saturday, Sept. 28th. Service 4.30 p.m. Tea 5 p.m.—A. R. Bridges, Dis. Sec. 1000

**SUSSEX ASSOCIATION.**—Eastern Division.—Meeting, Saturday, Sept. 28th, Ewhurst (5). No. 84 bus, Hastings to top of lane (two-hourly), better than No. 12. Special efforts for our newest tower, please. Names to H. Reynolds, Sec., 10, Eastern Avenue, Polegate. 1005

**YORKSHIRE ASSOCIATION.**—Eastern District.—Quarterly meeting, Sutton-on-Hull, on Saturday, Sept. 28th. Bells (6) 2.30 p.m. Service 4.15. Tea 5 p.m. in Church Hall. Names, please, to Mr. C. R. Robinson, 22, Lime Tree Avenue, Sutton-on-Hull. Buses Nos. 32 and 34 from Hull (Paragon) Bus Station every 15 minutes.—H. S. Morley, Hon. Dis. Sec. 941

**YORKSHIRE ASSOCIATION** (Western District) and **LEEDS AND DISTRICT SOCIETY.**—Joint meeting at Rothwell on Saturday, Sept. 28th. Bells available 3 p.m. Tea 5 p.m. Business meeting to follow tea. Names for tea by Tuesday, Sept. 24th, to Mr. T. W. Strangeway, 21, Haigh Avenue, Rothwell, near Leeds.—A. E. Marsh, J. F. Hodson, Hon. Secs. 957

**BEDFORDSHIRE ASSOCIATION** (Bedford District) and **OXFORD DIOCESAN GUILD** (North Bucks Branch).—Joint meeting on Saturday, Oct. 5th, at Bromham. Bells (8) 3 p.m. Service 4 p.m. Names for tea, please, to Mr. Tysoe, The Post Office, Bromham, Bedford.—Phyllis Gray, Hon. Dis. Sec. 986

**DEVON GUILD.**—N.E. Branch.—Meeting, Hemycok, Saturday, Oct. 5th. Bells 2.30 p.m. Service 3.30 p.m. Tea for those who notify by Sept. 28th D. W. Hart, 1, Broadway, The Square, Hemycok. Visitors welcome.—W. H. Ware, Hon. Sec. 823

**ESSEX ASSOCIATION.**—N.E. District.—Meeting at Wivenhoe on Saturday, Oct. 5th. Bells (6) 2.30 p.m. Service 4.15. Tea 5 p.m. Numbers for tea by Wednesday, Oct. 2nd, please, to Mr. E. Sparling, Winton, Rectory Road, Wivenhoe, Colchester. 999

**YORKSHIRE ASSOCIATION.**—The annual Jasper Whitfield Snowdon commemoration dinner will be held at the Co-operative Restaurant, Westgate, Rotherham, on Saturday, Oct. 26th, at 6.40 p.m. Tickets (11s. each) by Oct. 19th, from Mr. J. J. L. Gilbert, 56, Glencoe Road, Sheffield, 2, or District secretaries (if ordering in numbers, please give all names). Ringing during the day at the Parish Church (10), Whiston (8), Eastwood (8), Rawmarsh (8) and Thrybergh (6), the times to be published later. Anyone desiring a peal attempt Friday evening or Saturday morning please write to Mr. Gilbert in good time. Accommodation will be arranged for those who contact the undermentioned as soon as possible. There will be ample seating, good entertainment and a great welcome for all visitors.—N. Chaddock, Organising Sec., 17, Herringthorpe Grove, Broom, Rotherham, Yorks. 991

**ESSEX ASSOCIATION.**—S.W. quarterly meeting, South Benfleet, Oct. 5th. Bells (6) 3 p.m. Service 4.30 p.m., followed by tea and meeting. Names for tea, please, to Mr. C. L. Matson, 75, St. Mary's Road, South Benfleet. 1015

**GUILD OF DEVONSHIRE RINGERS.**—S.W. Branch.—Quarterly meeting, Plympton St. Maurice, Saturday, Oct. 5th. Usual arrangements. Names for tea by Sept. 30th to T. G. Myers, 79, Regent Street, Plymouth. 989

**KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION.**—Ashford District.—Annual general meeting at Ashford on Saturday, Oct. 5th. Bells (8) 2.30 p.m. Service 4.30 p.m. Names for tea by Oct. 2nd to Miss M. Jones, 30, Park Road, Ashford.—C. T. H. 994

**KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION.**—Tonbridge District.—Annual District meeting on Saturday, Oct. 5th, at Tonbridge. Bells (8) 3 p.m. Service 4.15. Tea (2s.) 5 p.m. Names for tea, with cash, please, by Tuesday, Oct. 1st, to Mr. W. Dobbie, 13, Baltic Road, Tonbridge. 1007

**LADIES' GUILD.**—Lincolnshire District.—Meeting at St. Giles', Lincoln, Saturday, Oct. 5th. Bells 2.30 p.m. Service 4. Tea 5 p.m. Names for tea by Tuesday, Oct. 1st, to Mrs. Metham, Cornwall House, Ravendale Drive, Lincoln. 985

**LADIES' GUILD.**—North-Eastern District.—Meeting at Christ Church, North Shields, on Saturday, Oct. 5th. Bells available 3 p.m. Tea 4.30. Service 6 p.m. Names for tea by Thursday, Oct. 3rd, to Mr. R. Gray, 38, Alma Place, North Shields. All ringers welcome. 981

**OXFORD DIOCESAN GUILD.**—Chipping Norton Branch.—Autumn meeting, Saturday, Oct. 5th, at Swerford (5). All ringers welcome.—J. Keyte, Charlbury. 993

**OXFORD DIOCESAN GUILD.**—Witney and Woodstock Branch.—Autumn meeting at Stanton Harcourt (6), Saturday, Oct. 5th. Ringing at Southleigh (8) 2 p.m., Stanton Harcourt 2.15, Northmoor (6) 6.30. Service at 3.45 p.m. Tea reservations by Sept. 30th to David Smith, Merryfield, Witney. All very welcome. 987

**PETERBOROUGH DIOCESAN GUILD.**—Towcester Branch.—Quarterly meeting, Lois Weedon, Saturday, Oct. 5th. Names for tea by Tuesday previous.—W. A. Yates, 4, Bannerlands, Dadford, Buckingham. 1001

**SOUTHWELL DIOCESAN GUILD.**—Nottingham District.—Meeting at Nottingham on Saturday, Oct. 5th. St. Mary's bells (10) available 3 to 5 p.m. St. Peter's (10) from 6 p.m. Tea and business meeting, St. Mary's Institute, 5 p.m. Names by previous Wednesday to Mr. W. Nichols, 179, Elham Road, West Bridgford, Nottingham.—C. W. Towers. 980

**SUFFOLK GUILD.**—Mildenhall District.—Meeting at Exning, Saturday, Oct. 5th, at 2.30 p.m. Tea 5 p.m. at Lakeman's, Newmarket. St. Mary's, Newmarket, bells from 6 p.m.—E. M. Peachey, Dis. Sec. 1013

**WORCESTERSHIRE ASSOCIATION.**—The 20th annual dinner will be held in the Guildhall, Worcester, on Saturday, Oct. 5th, at 5.45 p.m. Tickets (8s. 6d. each) obtainable up to Tuesday, Oct. 1st, from dinner committee, Branch secretaries or general secretary. Bells available: Cathedral (12), provisionally, 3.30 to 5 p.m.; All Saints', (10), 3 to 5.30 p.m.—J. D. Johnson, Gen. Sec., Cheltenham Road, Sedgberrow, Evesham. Tel. Ashton-under-Hill 309. 946

**COVENTRY DIOCESAN GUILD.**—50th anniversary dinner will be held in St. Mary's Hall, Coventry, on Saturday, Oct. 12th, commencing at 6.15 p.m. Stoke, St. Michael's and All Saints', Allesley, bells will be available from 2.30 p.m. All tickets have been sold. Will anyone wishing to take part in peals during the morning please write me at 8, Orchard Crescent, Coventry, or phone Greyfriars 474.—J. L. Garner-Hayward. 992

**ESSEX ASSOCIATION.**—Annual dinner, Picture Room, Shirehall, Chelmsford, Saturday, Oct. 12th, 6.15 p.m. for 6.45 p.m. Cordial invitation to Cathedral Evensong at 4 p.m. Cathedral bells available immediately afterwards. Dinner tickets (12s. 6d.) from F. V. Gant, 3, Central Drive, Hornchurch, Essex. Accommodation strictly limited—early application advisable; stamped addressed envelope, please.—F. V. G. 1002

**LEICESTER DIOCESAN GUILD.**—Annual dinner and social at Co-op Cafe, High Street, Leicester, Saturday, Nov. 2nd, at 6.30 p.m. Tickets (price 10s. 6d.) available from District secretaries or from undersigned. Visitors welcome. Ringing arrangements (including morning tower and Cathedral) later.—B. G. Warwick, 12, Dorothy Avenue, Glen Parva, Leicester. 1006

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